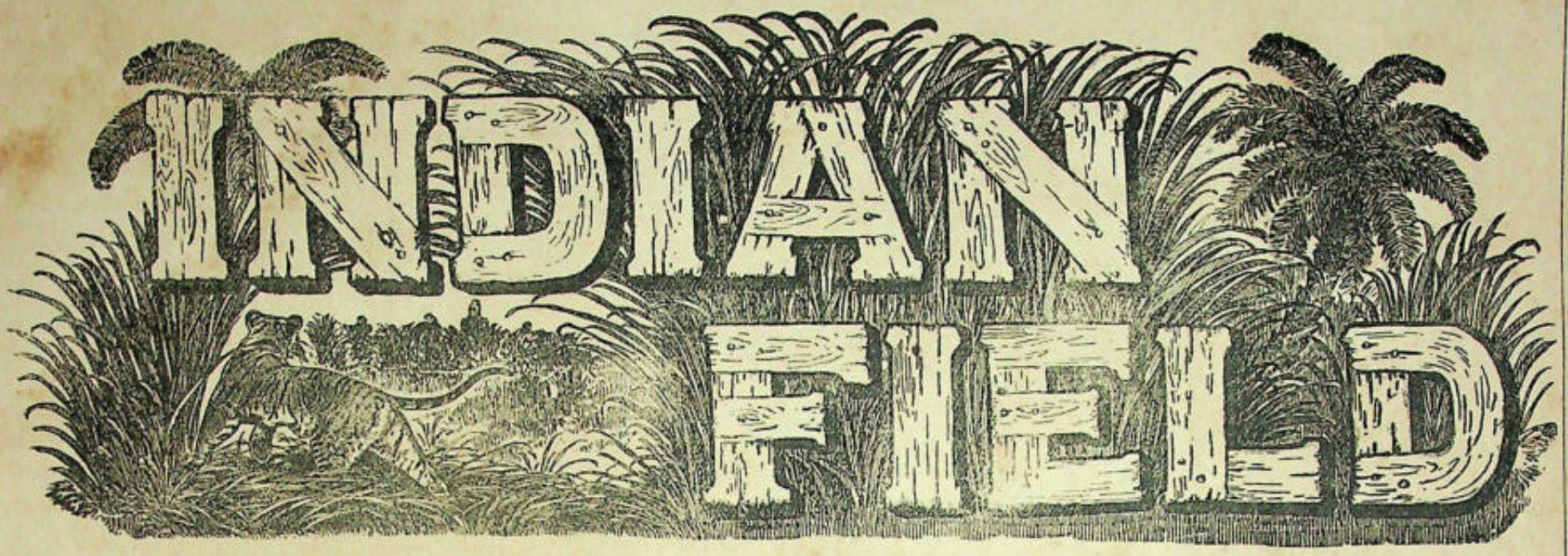
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BITS AND BITTING.

A FORENSIC discussion in one of the London courts a few weeks ago was the means of making known the rather original views held by a certain learned lawyer on the subject of bits. The said lawyer was defending a firm of coal merchants who were sued by a carman for the loss of his horse: the coal merchant's horse had run away and, rushing into the horse driven by the plaintiff, had inflicted such injuries that it became necessary to destroy it: and the case, turning on the question whether the bolting horse was under control or not the bit, an ordinary snaffle, was produced in court. Then the argument began. Plaintiff's counsel urged that the horse ought to have been driven in a curb: the learned judge, having sketched an adventure of his own in the saddle wherein he owed his life to the circumstance that the runaway he rode was pulled up with a curb, admitted that a curb would be much safer for horses driven in the London street (the delinquent's coal cart horse had had a load of two tons behind him which should have answered for his sobriety of demeanour without the additional restraint of a curb, but this animal made light of his load when he felt moved to bolt. Defendants' counsel would not hear of the restraining merits claimed for the curb: with a daring that can only be explained by supposing that he was blind or unobservant to a degree almost phenomenal, he urged that "a curb bit was much more likely to irritate a horse and make it run away." Whereto the Judge, who modestly claimed to be "something of an expert in the matter" pointed out for the enlightenment of the gentleman before him a curb could be used quite easily without hurting the horse. To this the learned counsel could only respond that railway companies and others whose horses draw heavy loads did not use curbs. Wherein he was quite right, but wherefore he assigned a wrong reason: a curb, it is hardly necessary to observe, is not used with heavy draught horses or indeed with any draught horse from which hard work is demanded simply because a snaffle takes less out of him. We must not perhaps accept the pleadings of a barrister in court as accurately representing his own private opinions, but the idea that a curb irritates a horse and provokes him to bolt is too novel to escape notice: if the gentleman had urged that the tackle provoked the horse to fight he would have been much nearer the mark.

It is a curious fact and one that says much for the ability of the first man who made bits for horses, that during the period bits have been used on horses, commonly supposed to be about 4,000 years, there should have been so little change in the general style and principle of the appliance. Archæology has familiarised us with the wooden bit, which in all probability succeeded the raw hide halter among civilised nations: with the plain unhinged bronze snaffle and with the jointed bronze snaffle which succeeded it, and having arrived at this improvement we have arrived at the direct ancestral source of the modern snaffle. A species of curb was used by the Romans who may or may not have invented it: and the earliest pelham is considered to be the bit in vogue during the Merovingean and Carlovingean epochs. Shoes only excepted, it is probable that more ingenuity has been squandered on new and improved bits than

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n any other article of horse equipment. Safety tirrups and bars run the bits close we daresay, ut the number of bits invented or devised ears no relation to the number whose peculiarities re immortalized by the patent rolls, for the simple eason that it is an easier matter to give practical rial to a bit designed for a specific purpose than t is to thoroughly test a safety stirrup. Whence he manifest failures are decently and quietly nterred and only those which seem likely to chieve any popularity receive the honours even f "provisional" patent.

A glance into any harness maker's sanctum in London, shows how many abortive appliances have disappointed the hopes of the maker: and a vast number of bits are made, also, which do not present sufficient of originality or novelty to qualify them for protection by patent. Any first-class saddler has in stock probably a hundred patterns of curb, varying from the simple short cheeked, low port hunting bit to the fancy price of ironmongery based upon the Hungarian high port roller mouth bit. The varieties in riding bits and driving bits are extraordinary: and perhaps we shall not go far wrong if we suggest that like the artificial flies which are made to suit men and not fish, this variety of bit is made to suit men and not horses. Every form of equine iniquity has been catered for and some of the commonest offences can be successfully kept under control by a judicious arrangement of tackle.

There remain some, however, which have not, and never can be, corrected by bit: the fault lies deeper than in the horse's mouth and the remedy must be sought elswhere than in the saddler's shop. We have, for example, never yet, discovered the bit which would make an excitable intemperate horse quiet and pleasant to ride in company: we have one animal in mind which was the most delightful hack in the world, and that with a chain snaffle in his mouth, on the road alone or with one other horse: but in company, among other horses with hounds or paper chasing, a gag snaffle combined with a chiffney bit would not hold him. As for pullers, we have known many horses which always contentedly rested the weight of their heads against a snaffle, until their muzzles were on a level with their knees, if allowed, but which could be made to carry themselves properly on a curb of the lighest, and most of us have had or ridden horses which punished themselves cruelly by pulling on the curb and would conduct themselves with the most exemplary coolness on the snaffle.

A comfortable ride is to be obtained rather through study of temperament than through the ingenuity of bits; but it goes without saying that there are some tricks which can be controlled if they cannot be cured by suitable tackle. Stargazing and boring are the most obvious habits that occur to mind in this connection; but we have found short martingale and standing gear which prevents stargazing has a decided tendency to make the horse pull: he acquires the habit of straining against the tackle and the pulling habit once learned is frequently difficult to correct. We once suffered much from a pony which had acquired the disagreeable habit of stiffening his neck and head to the rigidity of a block of wood when the spirit moved him to refuse a jump: no bit that the resources of an up-country station and cantonment could lend, had the least influence upon him: but eventually it was found that a sharp cut of the short held whip along his neck was a certain corrective: it had the effect of distracting his attention at the crucial moment when he was required to answer the rein and face a fence.

The chief difference between modern bits and those of past generations lies in the greater humanity of the present-day contrivances. We have put away all the instruments of torture which horsemasters of a century or more ago delighted in and which are to be seen figured in their treatises on horsemanship: and if the science of horse breaking is also gone, to be preserved as little more than a curiosity in the Parisian *haute ecole*, our horses are as fully under our control and held so by milder methods than were the horses of our great grandfathers. Native taste still clings to instruments often of horrible severity: but even the conservative oriental in his desire to follow European methods seems to be gradually discarding the barbarous bits which old hands may remember as having been at one time universal.

He was a young Scotch railway porter, and had been married two years. He was a model husband, and every Saturday night after his work was over had regularly handed his wife the twenty silver shillings that represented his week's wage. Then there came a Saturday when there was a trifling deficiency. The wife, like a good cotswoman, counted over the coins and remarked: "Jock, hoo's this? There's saxpence short: ye've nae but given me nineteen and saxpence." "True Jean," replied the porter; "ye see 'twas like this. As I was leevin' the station I met Sandy Mactavish, and he said, 'Jock, laddie, it's a cauld, bitter nicht, and I'm thinkin' we'd be the better of a wee glass whisky.' And so we had the whisky, and bang went Sandy's saxpence; and then, as I couldna be behindhand, we had another, and bang went my saxpence." "Weel, Jock," said Jean, evidently relieved "I'm glad it's no waur. I was fearin', laddie, ye micht be leadin' a double life."

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The Bay of Monaco presented an animated appearance on the 5th April when enormous crowds gathered on the sea-front and terraces of Monte Carlo to witness the first of a series of motor-boat races, which, it is said, are to become an annual event at the Rivieras. The bay was crowded with fine yachts, including Mr. Gordon Bennett's *Lysistrate*, which followed the cruising races to render aid in case of accident, Mrs. Goelet's *Nahama*, the Prince of Monaco's yacht the *Princess Alice*, and two French torpedo-boats, which had been sent to watch the trials for the Government, besides a crowd of smaller yachts and with one or two exceptions, all the eighty motor-boats competing or forming part of the exhibition. Two events were raced off. One was a cruise of sixty-five kilometres, from here to Antibes and back, for motor-boats of less than 6m. 50cm. measurement, and the other a race twelve times round a hexagonal course, amounting in distance to about 150 kilometres, for boats measuring less than eight metres.

The first of these excited the greatest interest as it brought together a group of the keenest and best known competitors, including two Mercèdes craft driven by Jellineck Mercèdes and L. Charley, Mr. Richard Brasier's *Trèfle à Quatre*, and Mr. S. F. Edge's *Napier Minor*. M. Rochet Schneider's curiosity, the *Poupoule*, proved a non-starter. A fine start was made for the race, the boats dashing off in a sheet of foam. The contest seemed to lie between the *Napier Minor* and the *Trèfle à Quatre*, when an exciting accident occurred which put the former out of the running. The boat was seen suddenly to slacken speed: then flames appeared, and the whole boat seemed on fire. Help soon arrived, and with chemical fire extinguishers the danger was subdued. The cause was the water-cooled exhaust, which was used to ensure silent running, becoming red hot, and causing the trouble. The other boats exhaust into the open air with the noise of a sawmill. The winner was the *Trèfle à Quatre*, and the Mercèdes boats second and third. The official times have not yet reached us, but the winner made one round of the course, twelve kilometres and a half, in seventeen minutes. The weather conditions were about as perfect as they are ever likely to be on an open coast. There was hardly any wind, and the wind more than the actual sea is undoubtedly the one thing most disastrous to a high-speed motor launch.

After the racing there was a dinner at the New Sporting Club, Monte Carlo, at which the leading residents and all connected with the Motor-boat Exhibition were present. M. Camille Blanc in a speech thanked the Prince and all the sportsmen of various nationalities who had helped to make the first Motor-boat Exhibition so complete a success, Baron de Zuylen, in the name of the Automobile Club of France, congratulated the promoters of the Exhibition on the fine impetus given to a new industry; and Mr. Roger Wallace, Chairman of the British Automobile Club, stated that the interest taken by all Englishmen in this new development must bring them into still closer and more friendly relation with their French neighbours. The Prince of Monaco held a large official reception at the Palace later in the evening.

A good shoot was recently brought off in the Nepal Terai. The party consisted of six guns, General Sir Bindon Blood, Colonel Ellis, R. E., Mr. J. S. Campbell, I. C. S., Captain Morris, A.-D.-C., Khan Bahadur Mangal Khan and Khan Bahadur Bala Khan, the two last named being the well-known sporting brothers of Sherpur in Pilibhit. The bag was eight tigers, a bear, a few deer and a great number of quail. One of the tigers was of the remarkable length of 10ft. 8in. The measurement was made four times with great care, and can be fully attested by all the members of the party. It was taken immediately after the animal's death, with a new 50 feet tape, in the usual manner, from tip of nose to tip of tail, following all curves. Some other dimensions of this tiger were: length of body 7ft. 2in.; length of tail 3ft. 6in.; girth 4ft. 3in.; from wither to toe 4ft. 4in. A tigress 9ft. 1in. long, probably the mate of the big tiger, was also shot.

If the measurement of this tiger (10ft. 8in) is correct—and we see no reason to doubt it—the record 10ft. 7in. standing to the credit of Colonel Evans Gordon, formerly Superintendent of the Cooch Behar State, has been beaten by an inch. The other measurements are interesting. The Ramshai Hat tiger (Colonel Gordon's) was 7ft. in body, this one 7ft. 2in.; Colonel Gordon's tiger girthed 56½in. as against 51in. in this specimen, the former taped 3ft. 4in. from shoulder to pad—the latter 4ft. 4in. The Nepal tiger would appear to have been leaner as well as longer than the big Ramshai Hat bagh. This brute weighed 491lbs.; unfortunately the Nepal tiger was not weighed.

Captain Groyme Griffith met with a nasty accident at Mahableshwar whilst practising at tent-pegging on the 28th instant. He was knocked down from his horse, getting a severe concussion on the brain and breaking a rib. He is doing well.

"The last place in Great Britain where the Great Auk was seen was St. Kilda," observes a writer in *Bird Notes and News*, "and I have very little doubt that, if there had been a Bird Protection Society in those days, we should have the Great Auk with us now." These words were spoken at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Protection of Birds, by MacLeod of MacLeod, when dealing with the threatened extinction of the St. Kilda wren.

The story of the auk belongs to a different chapter in the history of vanished and vanishing birds from that in which the little wren figures. For the wren is an entirely local variety, confined to one small island; and it is patent to everyone that, since its persecution has become a matter of profit, it must either be protected, and that quickly, or it must disappear. No such apprehension was entertained for the Great Auk; it inhabited a wide range of country, and it existed in enormous numbers. Unfortunately, it was so unused to man in its seaboard homes that it had no fear of him: neither had it wing-power to escape him. Consequently, as soon as their main haunts were discovered, the birds were easily butchered by the boat-load for food, and, when not needed for food, were done to death for "sport," or slaughtered wholesale for their feathers and the bodies used for fuel. Before naturalists realized what was happening, the Great Auk had been blotted out of existence for ever. It is said that, fifty or sixty years ago, one of the last of its race—the last seen in Britain—visited the Isle of St. Kilda, formerly one of the breeding places of its kind. The inhabitants, not knowing what to make of the strange creature, promptly captured and tethered it. During the night its wild cries made clear to their minds that it was a witch, and, by unanimous verdict, the last Auk was stoned to death.

Another of the world's birds, once plentiful, is the Passenger Pigeon of North America. Less than a hundred years ago it nested in colonies measured by miles in length, and, in one case, forty miles in extent; and it flew in flocks reckoned by millions. The bird was harmless, living chiefly on acorns and beech-nuts; but was slaughtered with utter wantonness, being attacked with guns and clubs and suffocated with sulphur in its nesting-places, so that wagon-loads of bodies were easily procured, to be sold at a cent a piece, and droves of hogs fed on those which the hunters did not trouble to pick up. "To-day," says the author of the Audubon leaflet on the subject, "the passenger pigeon is so rare that the sight of one individual is an event to be chronicled."

The Egrets of Florida, slaughtered without even the excuse of serving for human food, form a further chapter in the melancholy record of bird life which goes to show that no species, however abundant, can withstand the greed and ruthlessness of man. The Egrets of other lands, and the Birds of Paradise, will probably be the next to disappear. A scarcer plume-bird, the Emu, existing only in comparatively small numbers and in one region, is apparently nearing extermination, its plumes and eggs both being in request.

Turning from these prominent examples to the persecution of birds in Great Britain—slain, not for food nor for sport, nor to fill the bags of the plume hunters, but simply because they are rare—we have been confronted of late with a longer chronicle than usual of rare species seen and collected, including an Avocet in Suffolk and Bitterns in Somerset and Northants. Sir Edward Grey referred, at the Society's Meeting, to the case of the Waxwings, rare and beautiful visitants, several of whom have been observed in different parts of Great Britain this winter. In Craigellachie (the name be honoured!) two pairs were seen and suffered to depart unharmed; others have been trapped and shot in England and Scotland, and now grace the glass hearses of collectors. "What matter!" says the collector; "the waxwing would not stay to nest—let us bag him while we may." Yet the story is the same with regard to Hoopoe and Oriole, birds which have bred in England, and might do so again, if unmolested.

Mr. Lionel Cust, in a letter to the *Times*, suggests that, in order to put a check on this detestable craze, ornithologists should draw up a list of our rarest birds, and obtain an Act of Parliament making all such birds, alive or dead, Crown property. Even this would not meet the case of birds locally rare—such as the Green Woodpecker recently shot in Northumberland, because it is almost never seen there. One thing, however, is clear. Before the arrival of the Society's millennium, hoped for by Sir Edward Grey, when many would go forth to see a rare bird, but none to shoot it, the last rarity among British breeding birds will be entombed in the

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St. Amant, the winner of the Two Thousand Guineas, seems to be a bad-tempered quadruped. "Vigilant," in *The Sportsman*, commenting on the rather poor show he made in the Biennial Stakes at the Newmarket Craven Meeting, writes :—

"St. Amant appears to have developed a will of his own, and the cause of his defeat yesterday is said to be that he does not like racing. However, the colt went all right for six furlongs, by which time all his opponents, except His Majesty, were beaten, but when asked to go out and tackle Lord Derby's colt he declined. What St. Amant did instead was to open his mouth, and, dodging the strokes of Maher's whip on His Majesty, to make for Maher's leg. For the last furlong his one aim seemed to be not to win his race, but to take a piece out of Maher's thigh. It may appear to a horse that the simplest way of winning races is to pull back those in front with his teeth, but if St. Amant is to win the Derby he will have to be taught that he must do it with his legs and his heart, and not with his mouth. In the Two Thousand Guineas St. Amant ran in blinkers."

It is our melancholy duty to record two accidents while after big game last week. Mr. Todd, the Irrigation Engineer, while shooting at Chanda, was pounced on from behind by a tiger, and very severely mauled; the brute getting clear away after inflicting the wounds. Lieutenant T. S. Johnson, 67th Punjabi, died at Saugor from the effects of a mauling by a tiger which also escaped.

In Calcutta, the other day, a Bengalee medical "ee-shtudent" gave the following answer to the question, What is Pasteurised milk? "Pasteurised milk, Sar, is the lacteal beverage of female bovine that has entirely had the pastures for its foodings."

Appended was the betting on the Derby the day the last-received English mail left London :—

4 to 1 agst	Henry the First (taken and offered) ...	Gilbert.
100 to 7 ,,	Rydal Head (offered) ...	J. Porter.
100 to 6 ,,	Fiancee (taken)	J. Chandler.
100 to 6 ,,	Ajax (taken)	In France.
100 to 6 ,,	His Majesty (offered) ...	Mr. G. Lambton
20 to 1 ,,	Dividend (taken and offered)	S. Darling.
20 to 1 ,,	Airlie (offered) ...	Mr. G. Lambton.
100 to 3 ,,	Jupiter Pluvius (taken and offered)	R. Marsh.
100 to 3 ,,	St. Denis (taken and offered)	C. Peck.
100 to 3 ,,	Darley Dale (taken) ...	J. Porter.

A small but precocious child was heard to ring up on her father's telephone. Wondering what she wanted, her mother listened, and heard this: "Are you there? Put me on to Heaven, please; I want to say my prayers."

More bullet-resisting breastplates! This one hails from St. Petersburg, where experiments have been carried out on a chest-protector which is said to resist steel as well as bullets. The breastplate, which is the invention of an Italian subject named Giorgiamo, is made of a soft elastic material, and is about a centimetre (·0393in.) thick, weighing 4lbs. Experiments with the breastplate were commenced by shots being fired at eight planks, each an inch thick, and placed one on the top of the other. The shots penetrated every one. Next a sheet of steel, 2in. in thickness, was set up, and likewise pierced by the shots. Bullets, however, that were fired at the breastplate remained in it, and were flattened, without penetrating or even denting the inner surface. Not only ordinary bullets, but even explosive bullets, remained in the breastplate without damaging it. The third experiment was made with a steel bayonet and Circassian dagger and sword of Damascus steel. The bayonet and dagger broke without cutting the breastplate, while the sabre simply made a dent on the outside of the fabric.

Sydney is at present deeply interesting itself in the question of whether a dogfish can by any means be turned into an opal. The question has arisen owing to the discovery at White Cliffs, some 35ft. underground, of what is either a dogfish or an opal, or both. It is 3ft. 6in. long, and has all the external appearance of a fish, but with veins of opal running spirally in the body and horizontally about the head. Dents appear in the head, which may or may not mark the eyes and gills of the fish. While some geologists declare that it is nothing more than a piece of opalised wood of unusual shape, basing their opinion on the fact that fish and flesh will not opalise and that the sea has never covered the White Cliffs district, others, as one might have expected, hold a diametrically opposite view on all points. The fish or opal is shortly to be sent to London to be submitted to a thorough scientific investigation.

A schoolboy possessing some of the natural qualifications of a sportsman was, says the *American Field*, requested recently by his admiring teacher, who thought the boy above his classmates in intelligence, to write an essay on ducks. The youth readily assented, and this is what he wrote :—"The duck is a low, heavy-set bird, composed mostly of meat and feathers. He is a mighty poor singer, having a hoarse voice, caused by getting so many frogs in his neck. He likes the water, and carries a toy ballon in his stomach to keep him from sinking. The duck has only two legs, and they are set back so far under his running-gear by Nature that she came pretty near missing his body. Some ducks when they get big have curls on their tails, and are called drakes. Drakes don't have to set or hatch, but just loaf, go swimming and eating. If I was a duck I'd rather be a drake every time."

Mr. W. Hawkins, the well-known New Zealand horse-shipper and the genial lessee of "Kia Ora," that equine Mecca in Garden Reach, Calcutta, is leaving for New Zealand at once with all his pockets full of orders for polo ponies, trotters, chasers and racers for numerous clients in India and Burma. Besides these he will, as usual, bring up a big shipment of horses for Government and a very special lot of cattle from the best Jersey Stock. He will be back again in November.

Details of the sale of the late Sir J. Blundell Maple's horses are to hand this week. The sale occupied two days, thirty-six lots being offered on the first day and twenty-two youngsters on the second. Some keen competition was witnessed for several of the animals, but a number of bargains were also secured. The thirty-six lots realised an aggregate sum of nearly 12,000gs, which was no doubt considered highly satisfactory. Captain Forester paid 4,600gs. for Queen's Holiday (3yrs), winner of five good races last year; Newsboy went to Mr. W. T. Robinson (for Mr. Kerne) for 3,500gs.; and the French-bred Nabot, for whom Sir John gave 2,500gs. after running third in the Cambridgeshire, was knocked down to Mr. F. W. Lambton for 1,900gs. Simony went to Lord Charles Montague for 2,600gs. Nun Superior to Mr. G. Faber for 3,100gs. and several others reached four figures. Four lots were knocked down to Mr. Creet who, it is believed, was acting for Mr. Galstaun, the Calcutta owner. Our readers may find somewhat of interest in the following details :—

WEDNESDAY.

HORSES IN TRAINING BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS OF THE LATE SIR J. BLUNDELL MAPLE

		Gs.
Childwickbury (8yrs), by Childwick—Sad	Mr H. Bates	550
Aquascutum (7yrs), by Childwick—Cullercoats	Mr E. Bird	340
Ardeer (7yrs) by Ayrshire—Silence ...	Mr S. B. Joel	550
Vidame (6yrs), by Raeburn—Navaretta	Mr H. de Paravicini	10
The Bishop (5yrs), by Common—Priestess	Mr W. Waugh	360
Nabot (5yrs), by Le Sancy—Nighean	Mr F. Lambton	900
Bowery (5yrs), by Common—Rosamonde	Mr L. de Rothschild	900
Simony (5yrs), by Common—Simon's Pay	Lord Chas. Montague	600
Kittywick (4yrs), by Childwick—Kate Miller	Mr W. Allison	310
Girton Girl (4yrs), by Royal Hampton—Lady Wrangler	Count Lehndorf	980
Princess Jessie (4yrs), by Price Hampton—Jessamy	Mr J Barclay	280
Newsboy (3yrs), by Common—Gamine	Mr W T Robinson	1,500
Copper King (3yrs), by Melanion—The Copper Queen	Mr C D Marnes	410
Comet (3yrs), by Common—Minting Queen	Mr L Homan	210
Whipsnade (3yrs), by Persimmon or Childwick—Biondina	Mr R C Thompson	220
Majestic (3yrs), by Royal Hampton—Superba	Mr W Allison	50
Ireland (3yrs), by Wolf's Crag—Isola ...	Mr D Fraser	910
Queen's Holiday (3yrs), by Royal Hampton—Cimiez	Captain Forester	4,600
Sainte Marquise (3yrs), by St Simon—Marchioness	Mr Creet	260
Nun Superior (3yrs), by Persimmon—Priestess	Mr G Faber	3,100
Caterham (3yrs), by Royal Hampton—Kate Miller	Mr H Flaval	420
Divorce Court (3yrs), by Common or Hawswick—Chism	Mr S B Joel	1,600
Cragthorne (3yrs), g, by Wolf's Crag—Under the Rose	Mr Creet	550
Goldsmith (3yrs), g, by Bend Or—St Mary	Mr Creet	630
Beaulieu (3yrs), by Royal Hampton—Avilon	Mr F R Hunt	330

TWO-YEAR OLDS.

St Pancras, br c, by Persimmon—St Mary	Mr Nicholas von Szemere	700
Pope, ch c, by Common—Priestess ...	Mr C Perkins	1,050
Royal Saint, b c, by Royal Hampton—Kosakin	Sir R Hermon-Hodge	25
The Czar, ch c, by Royal Hampton—Kosakin	Mr C Perkins	1,000
Undergrad, b c by Common—Lady Wrangler	Mr W Raphael	390
Vestry, br c, by Common Vesper ...	Mr G Miller	100
Borromee, b g, by Sainfoin—Isola ...	Mr W Raphael	470
Dirty Boy, b g, by Childwick—Staines	Mr Creet	250
Wise Love, ch g, by Love Wisely—St Ursula	Mr A Stedall	470
St Royal, b g, by Royal Hampton—Ste Adresse	Mr A Stedall	600
Ch g by Common—Wary ...	Mr E Dresden	410

THURSDAY.

TWO-YEAR OLDS BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS OF THE LATE SIR J. BLUNDELL MAPLE, BART, M. P.

		Gs.
B f by Royal Hampton—Golden Corn.	Mr F Langstaffe	80
Happy Journey, ch f, by Common—Happy Return	Mr E Bird	80
Chilly Stream, ch f, by Childwick—Hampton Brook	Mr O Sacvenius	140
Bibiani, b f by Childwick—Goldmine	Mr R C Thompson	155
Aunt Bee, b f, by Royal Hampton—Altnabea	Mr R H Henning	370
Petite Princesse, b f, by Childwick—Majestuse	Lord Westbury	850
Royal Lass, b f, by Royal Hampton—Galopin Lassie	Mr W Bass	1,400
Premiere Marche, ch f, by Childwick—Royal Footstep	Lord Westbury	220
Princess May, b f, by Royal Hampton—Simon's Day	Mr S B Joel	710
Whistling Lass, b f, by Childwick—Sifflause	Mr J Brown	230
Natalie, b f, by Royal Hampton—Nattie ...	Mr S B Joel	320
Wicked Kitty, b f, by Childwick—Kate Miller	Mr. S B Joel	130
B f by Common—Royal Mazurkas ..	Mr J Brown	320
Tantrum, b f, by Trenton—Spaniash Match	Mr J Brown	420

We publish reports of the last two days' racing at Wellington and the first day of the Rangoon Spring Meeting. The strike of bookmakers, alluded to in our last issue, was not complete, after all, as in the end three firms by arrangement stood up, and saved the public from the horrors of the tote an investment on which in one instance actually landed holders of winning tickets with a loss. Regina bolted in the Larrikin Plate, dashed into the rails, threw her jockey and stunned him, and charging into the crowd killed a Burman spectator.

Mr. Hyder, a conspicuous Rangoon turfite, came by a nasty accident just before the spring meeting opened. He was riding Lalla Rookh at walking exercise when she stumbled, and Hyder, being thrown, broke one of his wrists.

Bendigo, the mighty son of Ben Battle—Hasty Girl, died last week, aged twenty-four. He did not particularly distinguish himself as a two-year old, and he did not run in the Derby of 1883, St. Blaise's year; but that year, ridden by H. Luke, he won the Cambridgeshire in the french grey and violet cap of Mr. H. T. Barclay. In 1885 he won the Lincolnshire Handicap and the Hardwicke Stakes; the following year the Eclipse Stakes (the year of its foundation) with Tom Cannon up, and in 1887 he won the Jubilee Stakes and the Champion Stakes at Newmarket.

Athletic Notes.

THE Calcutta Golf Club are holding a Bogey competition which began on the 2nd, and will run on till the 31st instant.

We publish this week the usual tables giving the results of the polo, football, hockey tournaments held during the past year and the centuries made at cricket from 1st of May 1903 to 30th April 1904.

The Simla Cricket Programme for the ensuing season is beginning to take definite shape. There will probably be matches with the Black Watch on the 19th and 20th May; with the Outstations on the 25th and 27th May; Civil *versus* Military on the 9th and 10th June; and Bhurtpur, 16th and 17th June. The match Civil *versus* Military will be open to all India; intending players should send their names to the Honorary Secretary of the Simla Cricket Club.

The Honorary Secretary of the Burma Athletic Association is apparently not a popular individual in some quarters. "Mouthpiece" writes thus to the *Rangoon Times* concerning him :—

"SIR,—Will you kindly inform me when the Honorary Secretary of the B. A. A. intends calling a general meeting? As far as I can remember there is a rule to the effect that a general meeting of the Association must be held by the 1st of April each year, and here we are nearly at the end of the month without an announcement or hint of any kind, as to when the meeting to be held. It strikes me very forcibly that our Association is nothing more or less than a *fiasco*, and that the members of the Committee allow the Honorary Secretary to do just as he pleases. I would suggest that at the general meeting, whenever it is to be held, it be proposed to ask the present Honorary Secretary to resign and appoint another in his place, who will take more interest in the Association than our present man. Besides, I think it would be as well to appoint a more go-ahead Committee who would conduct business in a more methodical way than is being done at present."

We are not surprised to read this, our own experience as Honorary Secretary of the B. P. A. A. and other Athletic bodies having taught us to

associate this gentlemen from ordinary business artesy and sporting instinct.

In attempting to drown a dog in the Thames at rossness last month a man lost his life. By a grim te the dog escaped.

Webb, the man in question, who lived at Abbey ood, tied a rope round the animal's neck and eighting it threw the dog from a boat. He was ndeavouring to keep it under water with a pole hen he overbalanced himself, fell overboard, and as drowned. The dog reached the shore in safety.

The Army Temperance Association Sports of the 8th Battery, R. F. A., came off successfully in Banalore on the 28th April. The only notable performance was by Sergeant Pain in throwing the icket ball. The winning throw by this Non-Commissioned Officer covered 110 yards. This is six ards short of the Indian record made by Mr. P. E. lunket, at the Dehra Dun Forest School Sports 1886.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes:—A successful racquet tournament was lately concluded—r rather all but concluded—at the United Service lub, and it is probale that this competition is nly the fore-runner of other, and more pretenious ones. Bangalore has many good racquet layers at present, and these include the British esident, the General Officer Commanding—who y the way has a son representing Cheltenham at ueen's Club this year at the early age of fourcen (!)—the A.A.G., the D.A.A.G., and very many fficers of the Garrison. By far the strongest ocal player is Colonel Jones, Military Secretary to he Mysore Government, and it is doubtful whether player could be found in India to beat him at resent. Captain Robertson, R.E., is also very trong and there are numerous others who shape vell. The tournament, which has been in progress, vas primarily promoted by General Nixon, C.B., who is as keen as a racquet player as he is in the ricket field. Curious it is that Sir James Bourdillon, the head of the civil authority, is likewise good t both these games, and it goes without saying that good sportsmen are popular as administrator, and Bangalore is lucky indeed in those who represent he Civil and Military authority respectively. With egard to the late tournament, it produced very air entries and more than fair play, but still better esults may be hoped for at the next competition of he sort, as owing to it being the leave season the egimental pairs were not really representative. The Carabineers, for instance, have strong represenatives in Captain Monerieff and Mr. Kennard, who were both away. As it was the R.E. carried ll before them, and with eight officers in Bangaore, entered two pairs for the tournament. There were several ladies' luncheons at the United Service Club, and the plucky way in which the fair sex faced the mid-day heat to watch the games was emarkable. Captain Robertson, R.E., who as Secretary had all the trouble of arranging the ournament on his shoulders, deserves both thanks nd congratulations. It may be remarked that General Nixon hopes shortly to organise a tournaent open to the whole of Southern India, or at east the Madras Command, and if a suggestion night be made, such a tournament would come in very appropriately during the race week in the arly days of July. Details will be found in our Racquet Column.

We are very glad to see that our friends, the Gramophone and Typewriter, Limited, whose advertisement appears in to-day's issue, have succeeded in getting an injunction against Fleming and Company, restraining them from using the Gramophone and Typewriter, Limited, trade mark nd advertising Gramophones for sale.

The members' Annual Tennis Tournament of the Caledonia A. Club is being held now and has reached the semi-final stage. Last year's winner, E. O. Elliot, is in the running, but as H. Chandler, J. F. Wilson and W. J. A. Morrow all are handicapped it remains to be seen whether he can come through victorious. The final will be played on Friday at 5 P.M. o'clock.

Seventeen teams have entered for the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament which commences at Bombay on Monday next. The drawing took place last Monday night when the Royal Scots were drawn to meet the York and Lancashires in the first round, all the others getting byes. The other teams entered are the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Cathedral Old Boys "A," The Cheshire Regiment, R. A., Colaba, 76th Company, R. G. A. (Karachi), Elphinstone College, Bombay Gymkhana, 2nd East Lancashires, Grant Medical College, Education Society, Cathedral Old Boys "B," The Customs, Poona Gymkhana, Pioneer Club, Elphinstone High School Old Boys. Two matches will be played each day, the final being fixed for the 20th instant.

The Indian Field Shikar Book.

MORE PRESS OPINIONS.

For the cyclist, the athlete, and the gourmand Mr. W. S. Burke of *The Indian Field* has already catered, and he has now turned his attention to the requirements of the man with the gun and the rod, under the belief that a necessity exists for a small and handy compilation for the special behoof of the sportsman; a book that will enable him to readily identify his game, understand its habits, and afford a means of comparison between his own trophies, in the shape of horns or skins, and existing records. Without laying any claim to originality, Mr. Burke has succeeded in compiling a very compact and useful little volume, of handy dimensions, and replete with just the kind of information likely to be of service to those for whom the book is intended.

In the section devoted to "Big Game" we find information on all sorts and conditions of animals—from the tiger to the crocodile; from the hog to the hare. These are all conveniently divided into classes, each species being identified. The scientific, in addition to the vernacular, names are given, habitat indicated, and descriptions, average measurements and record measurement all carefully set out. With the records are given the names of those who shot the specimens, and, when obtainable, the localities whence they were obtained. Sections of the book are devoted to land and water game birds, and a special section is devoted to tank-fishing and angling. With this latter section no records are given. Mr. Burke seems to us to have missed an excellent opportunity; but perhaps it is just as well that he did so.

Of general information,—likely to be of service to the budding Nimrod with his initial aspirations yet unsatisfied—there is a good selection, put together in a concise and useful form. Chapters on camp equipment and furniture, guns, rifles and ammunition, hints on rod and tackle, a Conveyance Directory to the principal shooting centres, list of dâk bungalows, the game and fishing regulations of the various Provinces, are all included in the scheme of the book, while the "Shikar Wrinkles" will be of special value to the novice, for this section comprises the gravy of a hundred personal experiences, and the hints range from the treatment of snake-bite to the manufacture of arsenical soap.

A useful feature of the publication is the "Registers" for big and small game, and for fish. These are ruled for entries under the various headings, giving spaces for full information on all points as to dates, localities, descriptions, and, when necessary, measurements. The projector of his little work has tried—as many literary men have tried—to fill a "void." He has succeeded, and the "Indian Field Shikar Book" should find a place among the baggage of every sportman.—*The Empress.*

The above is the title of a small book just published by Mr. W. S. Burke, Editor and Proprietor of *The Indian Field*. It has been compiled with a view to enabling the sportsman to obtain, without trouble or delay, reliable information about any one of the hundred and one points on which one may want information either during a sporting trip or when one is making all the inevitable *bandobast* without which in these days no shooting trip can be successful.

All, or at any rate very nearly all, of the information it contains can be found elsewhere, but one's library when out on shikar has to be of the smallest, and in no other book that we know of is there to be found so much general information likely to be useful to the man out on shikar.

It contains a chapter on Big Game in which are given the Latin and vernacular names, habitat, description, habits, average size, record measurements, and other useful details. Similar details are given for small game and birds, while much attention has been given to the river, estuarial and tank sporting fish. The best seasons for fishing and the most likely tackle and bait have not been omitted.

Next will be found a chapter on Camp Equipment, on which the success and pleasure of a shooting trip so greatly depends. The author, however, rightly points out that it is beyond the scope of the book to enter at length into any review of the numerous matters embraced under Camp Equipment, and limits himself to dealing with the main things which are absolutely necessary for comfort and convenience.

To our mind the most useful chapter in the book is the one on Guns, Rifles and Ammunition. Here can be found, at a glance, the charges for most of the ordinary sporting rifles with details of their muzzle energy and striking velocity. Tables are

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given for reducing drachms to grains, and showing how many cartridges a given quantity of powder will load with grain and drachm loads. The number of pellets per oz. of the various sizes of shot forms another table often useful to have at hand. The chapter also contains much other general information, some of which cannot fail to be very commonly useful.

The chapter on Routes to Shooting Grounds is in our opinion too condensed to be of much practical value, though the lists of dâk bungalows may well come in handy during a shooting trip. Another chapter deals briefly with various "shikar wrinkles" in connection with various articles from boots to sandflies, while measures to be taken in case of snake-bite meet with considerable attention.

The Game Laws in force in the different parts of India are usefully introduced, and the book is made complete by game registers for big and small game as well as fish.—*The Indian Forester.*

We have just gone through that most interesting book, the "Indian Field Shikar Book," and we have only one grievance against it, namely, that it was not published when we were stationed in different game districts, but was delayed till we became domiciled in Calcutta City where the only game consists of the humble pariah, billee, and crow whose indentification is of less importance than a ready and effective means for their destruction. The Shikar Book is admirably compiled and bears the mark of the practical sportsman on every page, while the concise hints regarding weapons, outfit and how to take care of one's self are as welcome as they are comprehensive. The book is one that no sportsman should be without, and the genial author, Mr. W. S. Burke, deserves the best at the hands of the fraternity. We only trust the book has paid him as well as it will pay the man who invests five dibs in it. —*The Scots Advertiser.*

Sportsmen in India will welcome the publication of the "Indian Field Shikar Book," a copy of which has recently reached us from the compiler, Mr. W. S. Burke. The necessity for a small cyclopædia of this sort has long been felt by sportsmen, for with its aid it becomes an easy matter to identify game, understand its habits, know when, how, and where to get it, etc. The identification of a single specimen frequently necessitates reference to the several standard books on sport and natural history, which means either the possession of a library of expensive volumes or delay in getting enquiries answered. The object of the "Indian Field Shikar Book" is to supply this want by placing in the hands of Indian sportsmen all this information, concisely compiled and arranged for easy reference. The publishers are Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co., of Calcutta. The cost is Rs. 5 per copy.—*Times of India.*

London Week by Week.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 15th April* 1904.

We are now in possession of the text of the documents which constitute the Anglo-French agreement signed in London on this day week. To say that the details of the agreement have had a mixed reception is to verge on truism. Most of the French papers think that England gets more than she gives, and many of our papers opine that France gets more than she gives: which, unless each nation were satisfied that it had got the best of the bargain, is no doubt the most satisfactory frame of mind. Spain does not seem quite pleased with the way Moroccan interests have been dealt with by the High Contracting Parties who have omitted to consult her. Germany professes gratification, but some German papers want to know how France can reconcile the removal of possible sources of friction with England with her alliance with Russia. The Russian journals approve the agreement as tending to strengthen the position of France and make her therefore a stronger ally. Italy is pleased, and truly there is no particular reason why she should be much interested one way or the other. Canada is not quite satisfied with the Newfoundland arrangement, but of course that long standing difficulty bulks large in the Dominion's eye, and Nigerian and Siamese boundary questions are microscopically small. Many who speak with knowledge on the matter hold the Egyptian settlement the most satisfactory and important feature of the whole agreement: but then most of these have personal knowledge of Egypt and none of other regions affected. The general feeling so far as one can probe it is that if we have lost anything it is worth losing for the sake of having placed so many important subjects of dispute on the shelf for good and all.

Sunshine, tempered unpleasantly with cold north-west winds, has been vouchsafed us since Easter. London is filling up and people were beginning to drive in the park of an afternoon: the authorities speedily put a stop to any nonsense of that sort, for as soon as the place ceased to be deserted they got to work and tore up the road from Hyde Park corner to the French Embassy. Parliament reassembled on Tuesday and after the merest reminder of Chinese Labour got to work on the Navy estimates. Chinese Labour is likely to go to the wall now: the unspeakable wickedness of the Indian Government in conducting "invasions" and "massacres" on its own account promises exceedingly well as an effective successor to "Slavery." Sir H. J. S. Cotton has been assiduously preparing the public mind for noble opposition rage by a series of singularly futile letters to the *Times*.

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Mr. Ronald Macdonald's Romantic Costume Play in Four Acts yclept "The Sword of the King" is one of those things no fellow can understand. If it had been the obscure text of musical comedy well and good: many times, laughing at the unconscious humour of the proceeding, I caught myself wondering where was the orchestra and the chorus. As it stands the piece is an astounding mixture of melodramatic absurdity and foolishness. The period in 1685-8, Acts I, II, and IV occur at Drayton Manor and Act III at Royston Chase: and the whole business hinges on the circumstance that Phillippa Drayton (Miss Ida Molesworth) masquerading as a man once rendered Willam of Orange good service: therefore he presented Phillippa with his sword, whose return with any request shall ensure a favorable response. The burlesque atmosphere set in early: curtain rises on a room with a bed in it: saving the bed it might be a sort of household committee room whither people adjourn when they have got any talking to do. After much conversation with many persons, Phillippa gets rid of them and, in a curtained recess, changes her riding habit for a pretty, modern "Nighty;" she has an uncomfortable habit of talking aloud to herself while she undresses, has Phillippa; but we excuse that. The window is open. Hoofs without. Edward Royston's upper man appears at the window: he is flying from enemies, but pulls up to stand on his saddle and embrace the lady of his love through the window. The horse is in such a hurry to continue flight that it moves on and leaves Edward (Mr. Bess Webster) hanging to the window sill. He screams in fashion unheroic, lest he fall, and at last scrambles in. More hoofs in the distance: pursuers at hand, perilous situation of Edward: woman's wit: Edward popped into Phillippa's bed, boots and all crowned with the night cap of Betty the maid. Enter search party to be easily put off by Phillippa's transparent whoppers. The bathos of these proceedings kept the horse giggling, but an unfortunate attempt at realism dissipated the last attempt of good manners to take the thing seriously. Sir Michael Drayton, anxious to disguise his daughter's lover, takes him aside to cut his hair: and the noise made it so obvious that he used a pair of garden shears in need of oiling that people laughed till they were tired. The next act produces Phillippa in breeches: she is to lead a company of soldiers *vice* her brother Philip who, as a parson, cannot, much to Sir Michael's annoyance. Beyond this point the action grows bustling but vague in its purpose: there is a little incident at the end of Act III, which, did it come earlier in its dramatic strength, might materially help the play. William commutes Edward's death sentence to banishment, and Phillippa breaks the sword he gave her and restores him half in return for half-keeping his promise: but Act IV soon threw us back into the atmosphere of comic opera gone astray. It is said that "The Sword of the King" succeeded in America: if that be true America's sense of humour must be atrophied in the theatre.

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I do not much care for "Saturday to Monday" the "Irresponsible Comedy" which was produced last night at the St. James's. It is amusing, but while it amuses, it offends. Lord Culvert (Mr. Alexander) is the offender: to befool three plain and unattractive women into the idea that another man is in love with each one of them may be irresponsible comedy, but it does not seem to be very good taste. It is the less pardonable, for I cannot, for the life of me, see how Mrs. Wendover (Miss Lilian Braithwaite) could be won by such doings on Culvert's part. A disappointing play: Act I gave promise of infinite possibilities in the unexpected arrival at Mrs. W's river side cottage of half-a-dozen uncongenial guests to spend the week end with her who wanted Lord Culvert all to herself. There is plenty of good dialogue and lively business in the play, but that deceit of vicarious love making spoils it.

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The piece so neatly named "The Duchess of Silliecrankie or the Earl and the Cherry Girl on their Cingularlee Entangled Honeyman," which now follows a Maid from School, at Terry's, is a musical farce, if there be such a thing. As a skit on the incoherence of musical comedy plot it is not wholly successful being itself incoherent. The piece is a series of burlesques. Miss Kitty Loftus, as the Duchess, takes off Miss Marie Illington in My Lady of Rosedale. Mr. Dallas Welford brought down the house with his Houdini business: he crawls, chained, under a table and reappears eventually so loaded with (property) fetters he seems buried in them. Mr. Morris Harvey is Arthur Roberts, Sir Charles Wyndham, Mr. Beerbohm Tree and half-a-dozen others in turn. Go to Terry's in lightsome mood and you will be delighted: if in critical temper better go to see something less riotously nonsensical.

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La Poupée was revived at the Prince of Wales' on Tuesday. Mr. Norman Salmon resumed his old part as Father Maxima and Mr. C. Wibrow his as Baron Chanterelle in which he was as amusing as of yore. Mr. Willie Edouin too came back as Hilarious, the toymaker, and was, if possible, better than my recollection of him. We were all interested to see how Miss Edna May would succeed as Alesia: it was no easy task she undertook for Miss Jessie Huddlestone's automatics in the earlier part of the play and her powerful acting later are fresh in the minds of all who saw her. The new Alesia does uncommonly well, and scored quite a triumph. Mr. Roland Cunningham was Lancelot the Monk, and he too laboured under the disadvantage of comparison with an actor, Mr. Courtice Pounds, whose name is identified with the part: he was more than acceptable however. The piece went well and was received with great enthusiasm.

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Mr. J. H. Leigh revived "The Two Gentlemen of Verona" at the Court Theatre on Friday night. "Interesting" is the word to describe it. The play is not one that stirs you very deeply, but those who are fond of Shakespeare find that it appeals to them. The actors stick very closely to the text and manage with the simplest scenery, this being the correct method of presenting Shakesperian drama according to modern acceptance. The piece was well acted by a very even cast, but it does not call for lengthy notice. Much more important to the many headed was the re-appearance of Dan Leno at the Pavilion on Monday night: he has been resting since the pantomime season, and when he appeared in petticoats and grey corkscrew curls, a packed house gave him a tremendous oration. He had to make a speech, and set the house in a roar by hinting at a "trapeze act" in the new business he is considering.

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The Kendals are at the Notting Hill Coronet Theatre for a time with that ancient favourite a Scrap of Paper, Still Waters Run Deep and the Elder Miss Blossom. The Coronet continues to holds its head above other suburban houses, though I see Mr. Millard has taken the Cardinal to the Borough, and Mr. George Edwards' Company is at the Camden with the Toreador. There are two new pieces billed for to-morrow night: Mr. Lewis Waller produces Miss Elizabeth's Prisoner at the Imperial, and The Wheat King appears at the Apollo. The latter is a dramatised version of Norris's novel "The Pet" and deals with the sensation and enormities of new American "Corners" in food stuffs.

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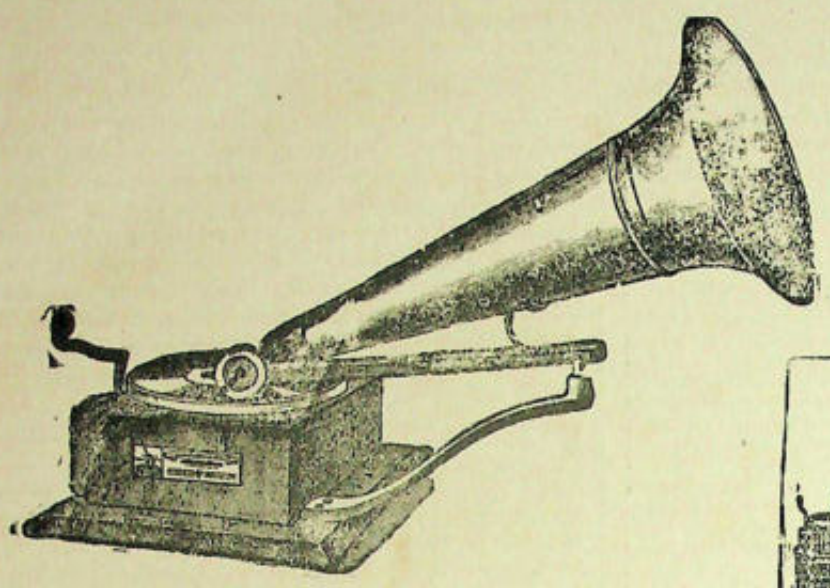
The dramatic world is still much concerned with the strife between theatres and music halls. A suggestive contribution to the matter in dispute was made by Mr. Sidney Dark in his address to the O.P. Club at the Criterion on Sunday night. He pointed out that if the music halls were trenching on the domain of theatres, much more are the Theatres tresspassing on the ground once considered the property of the Halls. The position of Theatre Managers take up is illogical because fifty per cent. of the theatres in London are now drawing big houses with musical comedy which, everyone admits, is plotless variety show and nothing else. Mr. Cecil Raleigh urged the parties concerned to renounce legal proceedings and unite in an endeavour to procure a change in the law which should give both sides freedom of action. Certain it is that it is mighty hard nowadays to distinguish between musical comedy and variety show, when a piece remains "on" for a year or more and at the end has, by dint of new songs, new features, and new business, become practically unrecognisable as itself at the start.

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Picture shows abound just now. The not very dignified squabble between Mr. Holman Hunt and the Warden of Merton concerning the treatment of the artist's famous picture "The Light of the

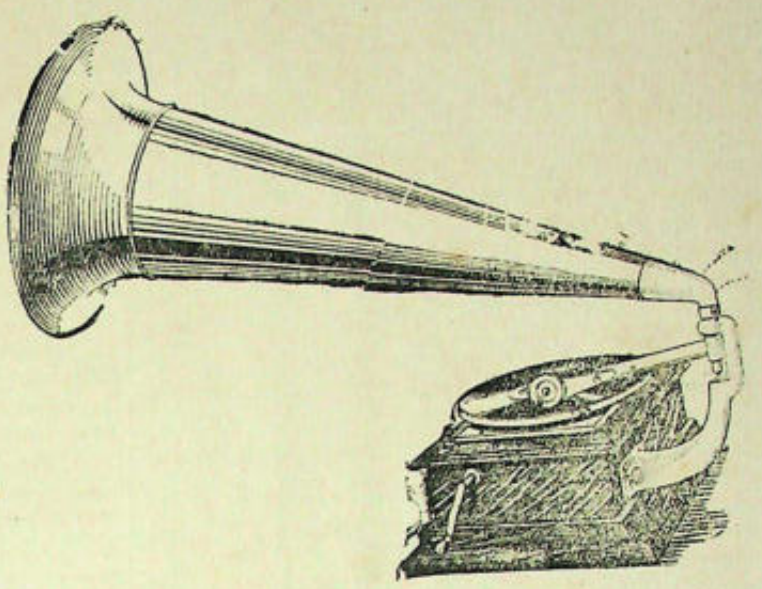
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World" is over: and if it has done nothing else it served as a capital advertisement for the replica recently painted and now on view in Bond Street. The Royal Water Colour Society's Exhibition is open in Pall Mall, and being its centenary show is a stronger one than usual: being exceptionally strong all round, there is nothing that stands out very conspicuously unless I mention Mr. Sargent's Venetian sketches which remain in mind when other pictures fade in a large undistinguishable blue. The New English Art Club's 32nd exhibition is a good one: Mr. Sargent is here represented by Spanish drawings, but I like these less than the water colours in Pall Mall. Mr. Furse's "Timber Haulers," team of four drawing a timber waggon over as rough road, is perhaps as good as any picture in the Exhibition. Then is there the twelfth exhibition of the London Sketch Club at the Dore Gallery: the merit of several of the pictures here remind one that it is possible to draw and paint exceedingly well without achieving fame or even public notice. At the Dowdeswell Gallery is a display of Mons. Monod's crayon drawings, chiefly of the female form more or less divine and admirable portraits. Mr. J. M. Swan, the animal painter, has a "one man show" of his own at the Fine Art Society's. Tigers, leopards and their kind are Mr. Swan's strong suit, and I found this collection of drawings and studies particularly interesting: there is a quality of alertness and vitality about Mr Swan's drawings that appeals to me, and many of his drawings betray wonderful aptitude in seizing attitude and characteristic movement or pose. I have not yet been to the Calvert Exhibition at the Carfax Gallery: Edward Calvert is a painter almost forgotten of this age, though I believe he was a man of light and leading forty or fifty years ago: Life is short and shows are many.

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The Army Council have issued an Order announcing the establishment of an official monthly journal, "*The Army Journal of the British Empire*," which will deal with military matters of interest to the Empire. The Order invites contributions and says frankly they wont be paid for: but that prizes will be granted from time to time for essays and articles on special subjects. Civilians may contribute as well as soldiers, but as "the right will be reserved of inserting summaries or extracts from articles submitted," I should doubt a little whether essays or articles that might prove saleable elsewhere will find their way in overwhelming numbers to the chief of the general staff War Office, 68, Victoria Street, S. W. I gave the editor's address in case any of your readers may want it.

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Various items: The influential deputation of people opposed to the coal tax, which waited upon Mr. Austen Chamberlain on Tuesday, enjoyed a two hours' interview with him, but fail to bring him over to their way of thinking, and the coal tax remains: I misdoubt me but that Mr. Chamberlain with his budget to introduce next week wishes that his predecessor had retired or ever he threw away the registration shilling on corn. Dr. B. Laquer, of Wiesbaden, a nerve specialist, has arrived at the conclusion that the literary diet of patients suffering from nervous maladies is a most important matter: he particularly recommends the administration of humorous literature as Dickens, J. K. Jerome and Mark Twain; but suppose the patient hasn't any sense of humour. What then? The Cunard Company is going to build one of its new transatlantic liners with turbine machinery by way of experiment. The meeting of the old Aquarium shareholders last Friday was distinctly animated. Mr. Josiah Ritchie was charged with having taken £1,000 or £1,200 as commission out of the profits without the knowledge of the shareholders, and also with having bought shares when he knew that a sale of the property was probable. Mr. Ritchie vigorously defended himself and his proceedings and so far as one can gather will be left to keep what he got. A vote of thanks was refused by the meeting, but probably he can dispense with that. There is to be a great Fancy Dress Ball at the Albert Hall on 31st May in aid of the Charing Cross Hospital. Miss Francis Power Cable proves to have been one of the numerous people who dreaded living burial. She made her will null and void should Dr. Hadwen, a friend of hers, fail to fulfil her "strict and solemn charge" to completely and thoroughly sever the arteries of her neck and windpipe that her revival in the grave should be impossible. It was done. The lady's wish that she should be carried to the cemetery in one of her own carriages driven by her own coachman "at his usual pace" was also observed, and no doubt her injunction that no mourning should be worn was also obeyed. The London County Council is about to borrow another five millions to spend on housing of the working classes, purchase electrification of tramways, lunatic asylums and main drainage. It is to be an issue of 3 per cent. stock and is offered at 90: which awakens reflections on the opinions held of the L. C. C.' extensive liabilities. Their last issue of 3 per cents.—£5,000,000—was eagerly subscribed at 95½. A copy of the *Ency. Brit.* has been sold for £20 at a book auction; £8 less than the irreducible minimum as advertised a few months ago. A much needed street bye-law will come into force on 1st May: under this it is made an offence to drive a van so covered in that the driver cannot see on either side of him. Having regard to the number of collisions which arise from vandrivers being blinkered as they too often now are, the wonder is the bye-law was not made sooner. There is some prospect of measures being taken to clear the Parks of the horribly dirty vagrants who spend the night on the seats there. It has been suggested that the Park-keepers should be empowered to prevent dirty and verminous tramps from entering the Park at all.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

A PADRE AWHEEL.

THE Rev. Frederick Hastings, who used to be (and is now for all we know) the minister of Tolmers Square Congregational Church, London, is a gentleman whose advocacy of the wheel at times brings his writings dangerously near rabid enthusiasm. Yet, though "The Cycling Parson's" literary style is somewhat behind that of "The Walking Parson," whose "Tramps" we had the pleasure of reviewing in these columns some time ago, he is a shrewd observer and in the course of his "Spins" he has seen and learned much, and he sets before us the cream thereof in many chatty and interesting chapters. Pottering about England he has come into contact with hundreds of interesting things, explored very many charming nooks, "done" as many historical places, talked with celebrities and quaint characters, dropped on some curious customs and ferreted out many little matters of local or general interest and the result he places before as in this record of his "Spins." Indeed he seems to have cycled so continuously that one cannot help wondering how he managed to find time for the more serious duties of his calling. He has ridden much on the Continent of Europe, too, and has rambled awheel over a good part of Australia: his chapters dealing with experiences on these trips are perhaps the most interesting in the book. The illustrations are abundant and uniformly good, the get up of the volume smart and attractive.

The Spins of The Cycling Parson. Rev. F. Hastings, London. The Walter Scott Publishing Co., Ld.

Shikar.

THE RHINO AND THE 8-BORE.

THERE is not a shikar story but has its reminiscent prototype. For instance, the common or garden, Jones will deliver himself of a sambhur hunt at some small latitude, therefore, (I use the word advisedly), the ubiquitous Brown, who is rather oftener than not a volitional athlete of no insignificant calibre will: with a prefatory: "You know I had a very similar experience" flounder incontinently into a sambhur hunt the same as Jones', of course, but only on the other side of the street! Similarly I fully expect that the little adventure which I am about to relate for the beguilement of sportsmen, will, after a lingual evolution more complex than I dare describe, experience regeneration in some fertile brain, not one wit less reminiscent than that of the aforesaid Brown. One more illuminating comment by way of explanation, Sir, and I will to my tale: My preface has been prompted purely from personal motives, and is the emotional outburst of long-suffering humanity. I am the above mentioned 'Garden Jones" warmest sympathiser.

We were camped on the River Athi in British East Africa. The Taru Desert, fever-stricken Kibwezi, and the Kiu Hills, where the rhinoceros roamed at will, had been left far behind and now we looked over to where the ramparts of the great Athi Plains frowned down upon us. Those bleak heights once topped, we were on the greatest shooting ground in the world. Meanwhile here we lay on the near bank of the river with its thickly wooded banks marking a verdant course through undulating prairie land and parched scrub covered plains. In some places the stream narrowed down to a few feet and babbled musically over the smooth black boulders, and then the long waving prairie grass came down to the very edge of the water to meet it, so that you knew not where the gurgling rivulet lay till you stood in the favourite reed-bed of some absent lion. Here came the other denizens of the forest to quench their thirst and here also the tender fawn fell a victim to the maw of the tougher carnivora. Then the bank would rise suddenly, the stream broaden out into noble dimensions gliding on noiselessly and a faint ripple would mark the spot where lay the snout of the cadaverous "croc" and our green tents lay above just such a spot as this. The stretch of country on both banks of the river teemed with game. It was cool to lie in the long grass with the water running beside you, and none knew or appreciated this more than the Rhino. But scant rest did we give him. Times were easy, and we hunted all day and every day and such adventures and hairbreadth escapes as those river banks have witnessed might well be the envy of a Marryatt an Anstey, or a Ballantyne.

There were half a dozen white men and some five score and fifty blacks in camp. Among the whites was a dear old doctor, a great shikari and one whose travels had led him on many a carriboo trail in that land of marvels and millionaires and of star-spangled banners that we all wot of. I shall call him the Doctor. Next we had the hero of this storyette: a beardless youth, an engineer by profession and an enthusiast whose good fortune it had been to have been brought up in the Great Grey City, and to have never had aught to tell of a live Rhino save a zoological reminiscence. Him I shall call "S." Lastly there was I. As my story centres round the three I have mentioned only, the other whites in camp shall be nameless. "S." had a passion for sport: a wild uncontrollable, and, as we shall see, an unwise desire to kill. It was his first taste of sport and I may say, first experience with sporting rifles.

A bird snarer, whom we had in camp with us, came back one morning from the river, and said he had seen two Rhinos some short distance from camp near the banks of the river. "S." heard the news and was frantic to be off at once, and do the animal to death. "But," he said, "I shall ask the Doctor for his 8-bore as I believe Rhinos take a lot of hitting." I said I believed they did but I had always had a contempt for big bore weapons and said he had better use his ·450 Express which was just as good and leave the Doctor to nurse his 8-bore. But, of course, he knew so much more than I did in these matters. "I don't mean to take any risks," he said. So I held my peace, and soon the Doctor's great octagonal cut barrel was resting heavily on "S.'s" shoulder as we tramped down towards the spot indicated by our informant. I carried a ·450 Express, while my gun-bearer had my ·303 and a goodly supply of ammunition.

We had gone about half a mile when the bird-snarer held up his hand, and we stopped. Then creeping into the long grass the black disappeared from sight and we waited patiently. We were close to the river bank at one of these spots were the stream narrowed. All round was high grass over the top of which we could just see the trees on the bank. The black returned stealthily and told us that one Rhino had made off, but there was still one some little distance further up lying down. We got our weapons down to our hips and moved forward cautiously, as I knew by experience what it was to come suddenly upon a sleeping Rhino. Step by step we picked our way through the long grass making as little noise as possible. "S." was leading next to the guide his heavy piece in his hand and his neck craned forward listening intently for the crackling of the undergrowth which we knew must come sooner or later.

Suddenly the guide stopped short, and dropped to the ground. We had come to the edge of a small clearing on the bank, and there not thirty yards off, standing three-quarters on, was a fine Rhino which from the long sharp horns on the snout I knew to be a female. She had been startled, and was standing up with her nose in the air sniffing and blowing. That she had not seen us was evident, and seeing there was no time to lose, as the beast might discover us any minute I touched "S." on the arm, and told him to fire. It was too late, however: the next moment the animal had swung round, and with head down snorting her loudest charged for the thin screen of grass behind which "S." was standing. Knowing that it would be fatal to fire while the grass remained between us and the Rhino who was coming down with a tremendous rush, and that our only hope lay in getting into the open, I clutched "S." by the arm, and sprang into the clearing. I was just in time for the next second the great body had crashed through the grass, and I felt what a narrow escape we had had, for nothing could have withstood that frightful rush. She would not be long in finding our whereabouts however so retreating to the trees as fast as we could I shouted to "S." to let her have it as she broke cover. I had hardly finished speaking when the Rhino dashed into the open and "S." who had had time to collect his senses, threw his huge rifle to his shoulder and the next instant there was a deafening discharge, a great cloud of smoke enveloped everything, and poor "S." went sprawling on his back a good six feet from where he had fired, while the murderous 8-bore lay peacefully at my feet!

It was all the work of a moment, and the situation had clearly become trebly anxious. I knew not whether the Rhino had been hit, for the cloud of smoke still hovered in the still air, and if the shot had gone wide then the Rhino would, without a doubt, return. I had hardly summed up the situation when I heard a terrible snorting, and there through the smoke I could see a huge body cleaving its way and making straight for the spot near the river where "S." still lay stunned. I raised my ·450, and fired, less in the hope of killing the beast than of diverting its fatal course, as I could scarcely see through the smoke, and I had no time to choose a vital spot. There was a short snort, the beast stopped, and I knew I had hit her. The next minute, however, she had swerved to her right and dashed on passing the bush near where "S." was lying, and plunging into the shallow water made for the opposite bank. Reaching it she stood for a minute, and running up I let her have the second barrel behind the shoulder she lurched forward and then began spinning round and round. My boys seeing this and knowing it was a sign that she was mortally wounded, set up a shout and dashed across the stream to give the beast her coup de grace; but she heard the noise and regaining herself with a mighty effort staggered on and was soon lost to sight in the forest. I knew she had not far to go and thinking I could follow her at my leisure sent one of the boys to mark her down, and then turned to see how "S." had fared. He was conscious, but the shock of the explosion had stunned him and it was some time before I could get him to talk. A drop of brandy from my flask however, revived him, and he sat up feeling very sore and dazed and clearly quite unfit for further sport that day; so I decided to see him safely back to camp. Needless to

say we did not discuss the merits of the ·8-bore on the journey, but I have reason to believe that "S." carried the remembrance of that Rhino hunt with him for many a day.

We got back safely and had some refreshments. "S." was lying on a stretcher I sat and smoked beside him, while the Doctor bent over a torn coat which he was patching with canvas, a grim smile hovering below his iron grey moustache the while. Suddenly there was a great noise in camp, and one of the boys rushed in to say that they had followed the Rhino for over a mile when she had suddenly lurched to the edge of the river and thrusting her snout into the water had expired. The horns were brought in next day, and many a sjambok made out of the worthy creature's skin. So endeth my tale and "S.'s" first and last experience with an 8-bore.

R. E. D.

CHONDO: A SAMBAR PARADISE.

AT certain lucky intervals, few and far between in these degenerate times, it is sometimes the lot of the prowling shikari to happen on a secluded corner, some overlooked nook, whither game finding sanctuary, have retreated and live in peace, their numbers steadily increasing until they recall the memories of those good old times long ago, before the present era of cheap guns and rapidly contracting hunting grounds.

Not long ago it was the writer's fortune to find himself by chance in such a favoured spot

Setting out over the hills accompanied by one of my own men and a couple of the aborigines carrying the day's provender, I had set myself the task of exploring a certain very remote hill-top rejoicing together with its surrounding forests in the name of Chondo.

Long before, prior to the afforestation of these tracts and the herding of the jungle men into certain fixed village sites, Chondo had supported its little aboriginal hamlet—a rude collection of temporary huts hard by the little clearing of nomad or *dya* cultivation that used to return such rich crops of the hill grains known as *kutki*, *kodu*, etc. The water-supply was afforded by a tiny spring or *jhira* as is so often seen in these mountains, where a rude sort of well, crossed and re-crossed by timbers driven into its sides, gave the climber access to the scanty supply of the precious fluid; the fluid itself being scooped up laboriously in a half cocoanut shell, as it oozed capriciously from the surrounding rock.

The sun had not long been above the horizon when we, who had started from the valley below by the light of a waning moon, stood close to the highest point of Chondo.

Smothering the ground that had once been cultivated, was a dense mass of small leafless coppice, undergrown and almost choked itself by that horrible jungle plant the *bandhar*, whose rough, raspberry—plant-like growth is so unpleasant to push one's way through.

On every side the mountain sank away, clothed with harsh yellow grass, to the edges of the basalt cliffs encircling the hills around: below these short cliffs came a succession of slopes clothed with yet green and thick jungle and leading down into high-lying little valleys, the streams draining these valleys at length, dropping in their turn over the lower strata of basaltic precipices and seeking the level of the main valley system of these mountains.

When one stands amid such solitudes and the mind grasps the enormous extent of ground and covert stretching for miles around, the great difficulties attending successful hunting in these hills becomes fully impressed on the visitor.

There is such a vast selection of hiding places, even for such large and conspicuous animals as bison and sambar. In every direction lies a panorama of gorge on gorge mountain on mountain, cliff piled on cliff, the whole smoothered in an almost all-pervading forest of jungly growth. Almost within the reach of a good shout lies another series of knoll-covered mountain tops—but between us and it, all unseen, gapes a cavernous gulch some 1,500 feet in depth.

It is during the late rains and early part of the cold weather that the sambar repair to the higher plateaux and tops, such as that of Chondo, and the now dried soil is seen to be impressed with thousand of hoof-tracks of the big deer. On the more favourite spots almost every handy tree trunk stands red and frayed where the stags, their horns itching to be clear of the drying "velvet," have played sore havoc with the soft bark. In all directions well-worn paths or "samba ladders" lead plunging through the copsewood down to the lower grounds. A particularly irritating fly known as the *Dhins* is responsible for this migration that has filled the high ground with all these traces; for it renders the lower lying forests almost unbearable to everything that lives, during the monsoon season.

With the exodus of this fly, however, which is synchronous with the drying up of the jungle, the deer descend once more to the level of the big lower valleys, and haunt the more densely forested terraces, that rise from them. Knowing this, it was not long ere our survey of the top of Chondo was completed, and we were on our way off the hill. From its northern side three long steep spurs, jutting out like great headlands, descend to the valley of the Upper Sipna, and we chose the centre one of these as our route. Pushing through a dense mass of *bandhar* and *tiwas* coppice, a long and almost precipitous grass slope led us to the spur below, and we entered the higher portion of the teak forests. To either side fell deep ravines from which rose the sound of bird-life, and the whoops of langur monkeys as they made their way over the tree tops. Otherwise a deserted appearance pervaded these higher gullies. The grass became longer: the carpeting of dried and fallen teak leaves deeper and noisier under foot. Thus we descended for about a thousand feet.

The trees now thinned out and we found ourselves approching a steeper fall. Close to the left rose a shady *gular* tree on the slope of yellow grass, and as we approached it a sudden rush of heavy animals brought the rifle swiftly to the "ready" as we ran hastily to the edge. Away to the right a ponderous galloping was to be heard, as some beast hurriedly entered the sheltering jungle. Far down the slopes in front a large dark object had just halted. It had its head turned back over its shoulder and gazed up at us, its huge broad ears held intently still. A sambar hind! "*Whee onk! Dhánk!* rings from the grass closer to us, and a young stag, his budding horns just beginning to sprout, sticks his yellow-lined tail up into the air and rushes down hill with those wonderful, long, sure-footed bounds so peculiar to his kind. Quite a family party it was then that we had disturbed under the *gular* tree's shade; and one of the highest-lying on the hills no doubt.

Far below us the valley of the Sipna was to be seen, pent in between its encircling bluffs. Along the foot of these silent guardian-like precipices lay a succession of strips of heavy green jungle. In the centre of the broad glen the whitened and boulder-strewn dry bed of the river peeped out here and there. It was there that I had arranged to meet a dozen of the hill men, who, intent on securing the sambar venison that they coveted had given me information of this secluded spot—where, said they, the deer were congregated like sheep in a fold. "Pay us nothing, sahib!" they had insisted, patting their stomachs by way of illustration—"but shoot us a sambar, and we will work for you all day!"

So it was here that a halt was called, and under the deep shade cast by a heavy clump of bamboos the tiffin basket displayed its cheering contents. Down by a neighbouring pool my orderly was dispensing a light repast among the appreciative beaters: to each a handful of parched gram, and a piece of raw brown sugar or *gúr*—a little attention to their inner men that goes far in ensuring a successful beat.

As for the sportsman, his sense of contentment was complete. To recline in the shade, one's hunger appeased,—and with a good cheroot as a digestive, to gaze through lowered lids at the grandeur of the wild surroundings, down the forest-arched vista of the shingly river, or away to the distant amphitheatre of lonely hills, and to lend one's self a willing captive to the thrall of mother Nature—that was surely a luxury unknown to unhappy mortals mid the "madding crowd"! No kind of trouble could find one here. Those petty trivialities, such powerful factors in the outer and bustling world, would fall from one's mind at one glimpse of those glorious solitudes. The man vainly seeking repose from carking care would surely find it here. The great solemn woods impress one with the feeling that one's petty human frettings are all too small. They imbue one with a leaning towards fatalism.

All very "improving" thoughts no doubt—but the cheroot has come to an end, and my Korku friends are hinting at making a move. This lotus-eating must come to an end, and men, driven—impelled—by one or another of his irresistible impulses, must be up and doing.

Not knowing the ground himself, the sportsman must needs place himself and his fortunes in the hands of what local talent he may find; so to-day I found myself trudging along behind a little black Korku, who, axe on shoulder, brushed his way through the yellow grass towards the base of the cliff-encircled bluffs lying back from the river. And soon enough it became evident that the little man knew what he was about. Our narrow path shortly gave way to some open glades in the denser teak jungle, where the feathery foliage of a lot of *aola* trees (*Emblica officinalis*) dotted the ground, laden with heavy crops of their acid berries; and the surrounding grass was seen to be trampled almost away by the sambar which visited them during their nocturnal wanderings.

In many places the trampled and dusty earth gave witness of this spot being the chosen arena of the truculent stags, and all the saplings round about had been rubbed to pieces by their horns. A short distance away a deep cut tributary ravine gave approach to a long terraced hillside that was smothered in shady woods The whole aspect of the place indeed would have indicated to even a half-trained eye the fact that it was an ideal haunt of *Cervus unicolor*; and one felt instinctively that those bosky dells held something good. The height to which a neighbouring tree-trunk was scored with deep horn-gashes showed incidentally that a stag of uncommon size had his home somewhere near.

My own man I had left with the beaters to keep them up to their work, so the small aborigine and I began climbing towards the post that would command the best position whence to mark a startled beast. Up a long spur we toiled, under the now scorching rays of a February sun, crackling in an unavoidable way the deep carpeting of fallen teak leaves. At the *débouchure* of a transverse ravine the jungle man was posted in a tree; and myself climbing higher up, and finally settling on a point that gave the best view up and down hill. Here I seated myself, in shade, marking my position by a whistle that was answered by my scout in the tree down below.

The surrounding slopes were very thickly covered with jungle. Only here and there a glimpse might be caught of the ground through the maze of mingled stems and bamboos. One's whole attention in such places has to be centred on the locating of an animal's line of advance by the sounds of his feet in the tell-tale leaves—after which one must endeavour to cut that line, and await his coming and one's luck at the nod of fortune. It is seldom indeed—especially in the case of but a single rifle to watch the large extent of such approaches—that a deer is ever driven up to the watcher's post.

After the usual lengthy wait, the distant sounds of the rousers of the game came wafting along the hill sides. The "beat" had begun. It came along slowly.

After a long time there arose that excited yelling that tells of animals afoot; followed by other signs that whatever they were they had broken back. Then silence, then again, after a still longer period, on came the beaters once more.

A full hour had I sat there when a tremendous though still distant howling broke on my ears; and a faint crashing in the leaves some hundreds of yards to my front was heard. On it came growing louder and louder. It seemed to be making for a point half way between the treed scout and my post. I seized the rifle, rose, and ran to place myself on the line; and as I reached the spot on which I had determined, was nearly knocked over by a big hind sambar that came racing through the bamboos right on top of me! *Conk! Dhánk! Bhaunk!* burst out a perfect hurricane of barks and bellings as the biggest lot of sambar I have ever seen together dashed past, around me; out of which I vainly endeavoured to pick the stag. Next moment the jungle had closed behind them, there was a furious heavy galloping, and they had gone. Perplexed and chagrined I was preparing to follow them on the chance of pushing them out on some open space or spur—when there came the crackling of leaves in the bamboo clump below. Again I ran forward and halted. A huge dark shape was coming swiftly through the shady forest: it halted: then it came on: then it halted again. A glint of filtered sun light fell on such a huge tree-like horn that my heart seemed all at once to cease beating. I had found him then, the stag, the record head, for which I had been looking all those weary years! Here he came at last! First a poked-out muzzle, then—such a head! then the cautious hesitating, wary, leary old fellow himself!

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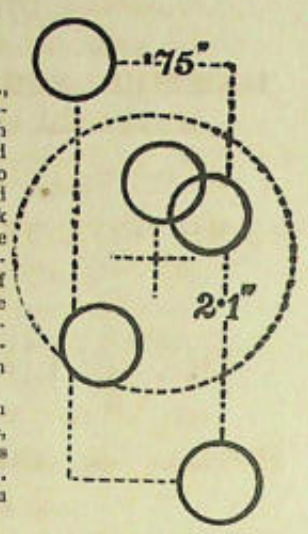
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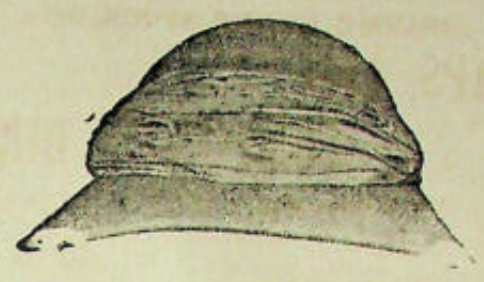
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NAME OF RACES.		Month	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Lucknow Open Gymkhana		May	5 and 7	
Ootacamund		,,	5 7 and 10	427
Mahableshwar Sky		,,	5 & 7	
Darjeeling Sky		,,	5 and 7	
Dibrugarh Sky		,,	7	
Mussoorie First Open Gymkhana		,,	12 & 14	
Quetta Spring		,,	24, 26 & 28	534
Simla Summer		,,	24, 26 and 28	
Colombo Monsoon		,,	26 & 28	
Mysore		June	25, 28, 30	451
Pachmarhi Open Gymkhana		,,	6 & 8	
Bangalore Races		July	9, 12 & 14	507
Colombo August		August	6, 9, 11 & 13	
Poona First Extra		July	30	
,, Second ,,		August	6	
,, Third ,,		,,	13	
,, Fourth ,,		,,	20	
,, Fifth ,,		,,	25	
,, Sixth ,,		,,	27	
,, Seventh ,,		Sept.	3	
,, Eighth ,,		,,	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases		Sept.	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Simla Autumn		Oct.	4 & 6	
Lucknow Autumn Sky		,,	25 & 27	625
Umballa Autumn		Nov.	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn		,,	15, 17, & 19	
Lucknow Autumn		,,	29 & Dec. 13	626
Calcutta First Extra		Dec.	10	
,, Second ,,		,,	17	
,, First Meeting		,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup		,,	27	
Tollygunge Steeplechase		Jan.	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh		,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting		,,	11 & 21	
,, Third Extra		,,	28	
,, Fourth ,,		Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Quetta Spring	Third		15th May
Bangalore	First		1st June.
	Second		15th June.
	Third		1st July.
Poona Races	First		2nd August.
	Second		23rd ,,
	Final		6th September
Dibrugarh Sky			6th May.
Army Cup	Second		1st July.
	Third		1st October
	Final		15th Nov.
Civil Services Cup	Second		1st July.
	Third		15th Sep.
	Fourth		1st December.
	Final		20th January.
Calcutta First Extra			6th December.
,, Second Extra			13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First		1st November.
	Second		30th ,,
,, Second Meeting	First		30th Nov.
	Second		7th January.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First		1st Nov.
	Second		30th ,,
,, ,, Second Day	First		1st Nov.
	Second		2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.

Mahableshwar Closed Tournament	Now on
Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August.
Simla Beresford Cup	Begins 30th May.
Ootacamund Gymkhana Club Tournament	9th 11th and 13th May.

LAWN TENNIS.

Kashmir Tournament	Begins 30th May.

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club 2nd Monthly Prize Meeting (Left hand)	7th May.

ATHLETICS.

Simla Volunteer Sports	21st May.

HOCKEY.

Beighton Cup	Now on.
Aga Khan Tournament	Begins 9th May.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta	July.
Ditto. 3rd Regatta	September.
Ditto. The Power Cup	October.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla)	14th and 27th September.
Calcutta Football League	Begins 14th May.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Bogey Competition	From 2nd to 31st May.

BOXING.

Poona Military Tournament	Now on.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay)	23rd, 24th and 25th August
,, (Poona)	13th, 14th and 15th Sept.

SHOWS.

Ooty Horse Show	20th and 21st May.
Kandy Dog Show	13th May.
Simla Horse and Dog	4th June.

SPORTS.

Simla Gymkhanas	7th, 14th and 28th May. 11th, 18th and 25th June. 2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 7th May.
Newmarket Stakes	Wednesday, 11th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (French Derby)(1½ miles)	Saturday, 29th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ miles)	Friday, 27th May
The Derby (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 1st June.
The Coronation Cup	Thursday, 2nd June.
The Oaks (1½ miles)	Friday, 3rd June.
Duchess of York Stakes Hurst Park (1½ miles)	Saturday, 11th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furs.)	Sunday, 12th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 14th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furs. 166 yds.)	Wednesday, 15th June.
Gold Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 16th June.
New Stakes (5 furs. 136 yds.)	Thursday, 16th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 17th June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 22nd June.
July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.)	Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes	Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thurday. 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th Septemer.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 26th Nov.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Golf, Ladies' Champ (Troon)	9, 10, 11, 12, 13 May.
Golf, Amateur Champ Sandwich	16, 17, 18, 19 20 May.
Golf, Open Champ Mtg Sandwich	8, 9 June.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords)	30th June
Amateur A. A. Meeting	2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords)	3th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords)	4th July.
Henley Regatta	5th, 6th, and 7th July
Gentlemen vs. Players (Oval)	7th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords)	27th July.
Dublin Horse Show	23rd August.
Birmingham Dog Show	28th November.

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WELLINGTON RACES.

Second Day, Thursday, 28th April.

(By Special Telegram.)

An excellent card with fairly full fields was provided for to-day's sport. The attendance was large and fashionable, but there were only a few bookies, and betting was not very brisk. Details:—

THE LANSDOWNE CUP.—Rs. 200 presented by Lieutenant-Colonel Dasaraj Urs. The entrances will go to the second pony. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Maj Hayes's g a h Dharwar, 8st ... Gooloo 1
Mr Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 10st 5lbs, Hoyt ... ... } Dead heat
Capt Toogood's g a g St Gris, 9st, Brown }
Also ran: Harefoot, 11st 7lbs.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on King Cobweb; 2 to 1 agst. Harefoot; 3 to 1 Dharwar; 4 to 1 St. Gris

Dharwar led all the way and won by a neck; dead heat between second and third. Time—1min. 12⅘secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.

Capt Cochrane's Two Step ... Gooloo 1
Mr Stewart's Welcome ... Stewart 2
Capt Unthank's Great Auk II ... Owner 3
Also ran: Punch, Mercy, Motley, Massey, Joojah.

BETTING: Evens Welcome; 4 to 1 Great Auk II. 5 to 1 each Punch and Mercy; 10 to 1 each Two Step, Motley and Massey; 20 to 1 Joojah.

Won by half a length, two lengths; dividing second and third. Time—43secs.

THE NILGIRI PURSE.—Rs. 200, out of which the second will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies. 6 furlongs.

Ma Moore's b e m Lady Jess, 11st ... Mr Stewart 1
Mr Graham's c aus m Shot Silk, 10st ... Hoyt 2
Also ran: Black Michael, 8st. 7lbs.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Lady Jess; 2 to 1 agst. Shot Silk; 6 to 1 Black Michael.

Won by two lengths. Time—1min. 28secs.

THE WELLINGTON CUP.—Rs. 1,000, out of which the second will receive Rs. 100. A handicap for horses. 1¼ mile.

Hon'ble H Thellusson's nth am m Madeira, 10st 4lbs ... ... Hoyt 1
Major Harrison's ch aus g DeWet, 8st ... Gooloo 2
Major Moore's Daroji, 8st ... ... Brown 3
Also ran: Ombree, 8st 8lbs; Comet 8st 4lbs.

DeWet showed the way attended by Daroji for three rounds, then Madeira took command and won by three lengths; same distance between second and third. Time—2mins. 50⅘secs. Ombree fell.

THE WELTER WEIGHT HANDICAP.—Rs. 200, out of which the second will receive Rs. 50. A welter handicap for horses. 1 mile and 100 yards.

Major Logan-Homes's b aus g Kingfisher, 11st 7lbs ... ... Hoyt 1
Also ran:—Wadhurst, 10st.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on King Fisher; 6 to 4 agst. Wadhurst. Won anyhow. Time—2mins. 3⅘secs.

THE ARAB PONY SCURRY.

Major Bell's Superb, 9st 7lbs ... Hoyt 1
Lieut Franklyn's Bijli, 10st 7lbs ... Mr Stewart 2
Mr Logan-Homes's c a g Bahadur, 10st 7lbs Brown 3
Also ran: Great Auk II., 8st 8lbs; Balfour, 7st 7lbs.

Won by two lengths; the same distance separating the second and third.

Third Day, Saturday, 30th April 1904.

(By Special Telegram.)

A fairly good gathering was present at to-day's races. The card presented six events, all of which drew fair fields. Details:—

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 200, out of which the second will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies. 5 furlongs.

Maj Logan-Homes's br aus g Nipcat, 10st ... Stewart 1
Maj Moore's br m Lady Jess, 10st 7lbs ... King 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Nipcat; 5 to 1 Lady Jess.

Won by a length. Time—1min. 11secs. Waler.

PONY SCURRY.

Capt Cochrane's Two Step, 12st 7lbs ... Capt Toogood 1
Mr Stewart's Welcome, 11st ... ... Stewart 2
Capt North's Blackberry, 1st 7lbs ... Capt Jeffrey 3
Lieutenant Turner's No Name, 10st ... Owner 0

BETTING: Evens Two Step; 3 to 1 agst. Welcome; 2 to 1 Blackberry; 8 to 1 No Name.

Welcome jumped off with the lead until 100 yards from home, when Two Step came up and won by three-quarter of a length; half length between second and third. Time—35secs.

THE EASTERN PLATE.—Rs. 200, out of which the second will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs. 1 mile and 100 yards.

Mr Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 9st 6lbs Hoyt 1
Capt Toogood's g a g St Gris, 8st ... Brown 2
Col Sprot's ch a h Harefoot, 10st 7lbs ... Stewart 3
Maj Haye's g a h Dharwar, 7st 7lbs ... Gooloo 0
Maj Bell's b a h Misser, 7st 7lbs ... King 0

BETTING: Evens each King Cobweb and St Gris; 5 to 1 agst. Harefoot; 8 to 1 Dharwar; 15 to 1 Misser.

Dharwar led out attended by King Cobweb until two furlongs from home, when King Cobweb went to the front and won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Dharwar broke out and threw its rider. Time—3mins. 7⅘secs.

SUBSTITUTION HORSE HANDICAP.—

Maj Harrison's ch aus g DeWet, 8st ... Gooloo 1
Mr Tate's g aus g Wadhurst, 7st 4lbs ... King 2
Mr A Kindersley's St Rule, 9st 4lbs ... Hoyt 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst, DeWet; 4 to 1 Wadhurst; 6 to 1 St. Rule.

Wadhurst led out when DeWet went to the front and won easily by two lengths. Time—1min 2⅘secs.

THE PONY HANDICAP.—Rs. 200, out of which the second will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies, 1 mile and 100 yards

Mr Graham's ch aus m Shot Silk, 9st 7lbs Hoyt 1
Mr A Kindersley's b e m Ella, 6st ... Gooloo 2
Capt Ballantyne's br aus m Satanita, 7st 7lbs ... ... Brown 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 Shot Silk, 3 to 1 Satanita 5 to 1 Ella.

Shot Silk led all the way and won by 100 yards; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

ARAB PONY SCURRY.—

Lieut. Franklyn's Bijli, 12st 7lbs ... Stewart 1
Capt Unthank's Great Auk II., 9st 11lbs... Capt Swan 2
Capt Cochrane's Punch, 11st ... ... Capt Jeffrey 3
A number of local ponies also ran.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Bijli; 4 to 1 Great Auk II.; 5 to 1 Punch.

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

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First Day, Tuesday, 26th April 1904.

The meeting opened in very hot weather this afternoon, when a programme of six races was discussed. Fields were big, the Griffin Plate producing no less than twenty-one starters. Proceedings were marred by a bad accident in the Larrikin Plate, when Regina charged the rails and fell among the crowd. Ba Hpay, the jockey, was picked up unconscious, while one of the spectators was knocked down by the mare and had his skull fractured, being killed on the spot. There was a countretemps between the Stewards and the Knights of the Pencil, the latter refusing to pay an extra fifty rupees fee. However matters were arranged, and three stood up, Messrs Coutts and Co., Goldspink and Chard. Details:—

THE BROKERS' CUP.—A Cup, valued Rs. 500, presented by the Rice Brokers, Rangoon, and Rs. 400 from the Fund to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third pony. For Indo-Burmans, country-breds, and Burma-bred ponies, 13-0 and under. Distance about 1 mile.

Mr R C Bevill's br aus m Ida, 9st 11b ... Lansdown 1
Mr Hashim's bk aus m Black Gin, 9st 11b... Mg Glay 2
Mr C H Holder's ch aus m Clara, 10st 9lbs Powell 3
Mr Md Alla Uddin's b aus g Pistol, 8st 11lbs ... ... Bah Hpay 0

BETTING: Evens Black Gin, 5 to 4 agst. Clara, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; five lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 55⅘secs.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs 400 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For Indo-Burman and Burma-bred ponies, 12-2 and under. W. I. Distance about 5 furlongs.

Mr Ko Kyee's ch bb p Rajah Ram, 6st 11b (car 6st 10lbs) ... ... Po Chin 1
Mr S Cowasjee's g ib g White Face, 8st 8lbs ... . Lansdown 2
Mr Mg Thin's g ib g Kyet Taw, 10st 6lbs... Po Shoay 3
Mr Cassim Ebrahim Jewa's ch ib p Sanmatoo, 9st 6lbs ... ... Po Thet 0
Mr D'Souza's ch bb g Wonderful Lamp, 6st (car 7st 3lbs) ... ... Po Kin 0
Mr Geo Edwards' b ib g Aung Gyaw, 8st 10lbs (car 8st 11lbs) ... ... Mg Glay 0
Mr Jardine's b bb m Chit Sway, 8st 5lbs... Mg Henry 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Rajah Ram, 4 to 1 each White Face, and Chit Sway, 5 to 1 Aung Gyaw, 6 to 1 each Kyet Taw Sanmatoo, 50 to 1 Wonderful Lamp.

Won by three parts of a length, a head between second and third, and a short neck between third and fourth. Aung Gyaw finished third, but Maung Glay did not weigh in. Chit Sway was fifth. Time,—1min. 19secs.

THE GRIFFIN PLATE.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third pony. Open only to the batch of Griffins imported by the Stewards and drawn for in February 1904, 14 hands and under. ¼ mile.

Meg Po Byaw's bk aus g Darketh, 10st (car 10st 11b) ... ... Po Tay 1
Miss Adamson's br aus g Comet, 9st 8lbs... Mr Aldworth 2
Mr Yeo Eng Hock's b aus g Sein Ban, 10st (car 10st 11b)... ... ...Kyaw Zan Oo 3
Mr H C Browne's b aus g Felix, 8st 11b ... Po Thet 0
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Aung Byan, 8st 13lbs ... ... Po Zaw 0
Ko Aung Thoo's b aus m Shoay Hla Min, 9st 8lbs ... ... Mg Glay 0
Mr W H Samuel's b aus m Lulu, 10st 11b White 0
Mr C Samuel's b aus m Nancy Lee, 9st 2lbs Kishan 0
Mr Bin Cheong's b aus m Nan Thoo, 8st 4lbs (car 8st 11lbs) ... ... Ba Chit 0
Mrs C H Browne's b aus g Flipper, 8st 4lbs Po Tone 0
M-g Pay Oung's g aus m Mah Wah Byew, 7st 6lbs ... ... Po Khai 0
Mr Yeo Eng Seng's ch aus g Sein Gaing, 9st 2lbs ... ... Burman 0
Mr L Shoay Wah's b aus m Myah Thain Nyoon, 8st 11b (car 8st 2lbs) ... ... Po So 0
Mr Yeo Bah Gyaw's b aus m Mah May Gyee, 8st 11b ... ... Po Shan 0
Mr Chan Phew's ch aus g Aung Ba Lay, 8st 11b (car 8st 3lbs) ... ... Ba Shin 0
Mr A A Bham's dn aus g Mikado, 9st 12lbs Bloss 0
Mr A Soobhan's b aus g Aye Sein, 8st 10lbs Juggai 0
Mr S Reddiar's ch aus m Hla Nyoon, 8st 13lbs (car 9st 2lbs) ... ... Po Thaung 0
Mr C Cheong Taik's b aus m Sein Tah, 9st 2lbs ... ... Ba Too 0
Mr S Cowasjee's ch aus m Lala Rookh, 10st 4lbs ... ... Lansdown 0
Dr A Blake's ch aus m Injunction, 9st 8lbs ... Po Mut 0

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst Darketh, 5 to 1 Shoay Hla Min, 6 to, Comet, 10 to 1 each Lala Rookh and Injunction, 20 to 1 each Aung Byaw, Lulu, Flipper, Mah Wah Byew, Sein Ban, Aye Sein, Hla Nyoon and Sein Tah any price the rest.

Won by half a length, same distance between second and third. Time, 54⅘ secs.

THE KOKINE PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For ponies 14-0 and under. Distance about 5 furlongs.

Mr J Gordon's br aus m Cissey J., 9st 3lbs (car 9st 4lbs) ... ... Wall 1
Mr Cecil's bk aus m Miss Beryl (late Vera) 10st 11b ... ... O'Neill 2

Mr Galstaun's ch aus m Western Queen, ... 11st 7lbs ... ... Owner 3
Mr Batcheldor's ch cb g Barney Barnato, 10st ... ... Mahomed 0
Maung Tun Go's ch aus m Ngwe Ban, 8st 10lbs (car 8st 11lbs) ... ... Po Zaw 0
Tin Tin's b aus m Tsain Tin, 9st 9lbs ... Mg Glay 0
Mr R C Bevill's ch aus m Zillah, 9st 12lbs Lansdown 0
Mr J Moment's b aus m Atalanta, 11st 11b Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Messrs Saxton and Stewart's b aus g The Captain, 10st 8lbs ... ... Mr Aldworth 0
Mr A A Bham's b aus m Jiffy, 9st 12lbs ... Bloss 0
Mr Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Mah Hla Gyee, 9st 12lbs ... ... Bah Thwin 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Western Queen, 3 to 1 Cissy J., 5 to 1 Miss Beryl, 7 to 1 The Captain, 10 to 1 each Zillah and Jiffy; any price the rest.

Won by one and a-half lengths, the same distance dividing second and third. Time—1min. 9secs.

THE LARRIKIN PLATE.—Rs. 400 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third pony. For Griffin ponies 14 hands and under. Distance about ¾ mile.

Mr Saxton's ro aus m Lady Kenny, 8st 12lbs ... ... Mg Glay 1
Mr Aldworth's ch aus g Rownuck, 9st 9lbs Owner 2
Mr M A Wahab's dn aus g Zernigar, 10st ... Kyaw San Oo 3
Mr C J Chadwick's bk aus m Marjory, 8st 6lbs ... ... Po Mut 0
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Nga Mouk Gyee, 9st 10lbs (car 10st) ... ... Po Tay 0
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Tine Tone, 7st 13lbs ... ... Po Kin 0
Maung Po Thain's bk aus m Duchess, 8st 12lbs ... ... Po Sut 0
Ko Po Sin's b aus g Shwe Hlan, 8st 12lbs... Po Shoay 0
Md Oemer's bk aus g Regina, 8st 3lbs ... Ba Hpay 0
Miss Adamson's ch aus g Rocket, 9st 3lbs... Po Htoon 0
Mr Seymour's dn aus m Lady Latter, 8st 9lbs (car 8st 11lbs) ... ... Bah Thwin 0
Mr A Shoobhan's b aus m Kyee Byan, 8st 12lbs ... ... Po Mut 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 each agst Rownuck and Lady Kenney, 3 to 1 Zernigar, 10 to 1 each Duchess and Rocket, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by a head; a length and a-half between second and third. Time—57secs.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third pony For ponies 13-2 and under. Distance about ¼ mile.

Mrs Cox's ch a p Nonpareil, 7st 8lbs ... Dhondi 1
Mr A A Bham's br aus m Edith, 10st 9lbs Kyaw Zan Oo 2
Mr R C Bevill's ch e g Golden Valley, 9st 4lbs ... ... Egan 3
Dr A Blake's br aus m Brownie, 9st 12lbs Po Mut 0
Mr Browne's b aus m Annis, 10st 11b ... Lansdown 0
Mr A Sarkies' ch aus m Ruelle, 9st 4lbs ... White 0
Mr C H Holder's b aus m Topsy III., 10st 7lbs ... ... Powell 0
Mr V Percy Smith's ch aus g Tarkan, 8st 2lbs ... ... Eusoof 0
Mr L Chin Tsong's ch e m Little Sarah, 8st 8lbs (car 8st 9lbs) ... ... Ba Thwin 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Nonpareil, 3 to 1 Annis, 6 to 1 Edith, 10 to 1 Ruelle, 12 to 1 Topsy III., 15 to 1 each Goldon Valley and Brownie, 20 to 1 Little Sarah, 50 to 1 Tarkan.

Won by a length and a half; a length between second and third. Time—54secs.

Entries for Races,

THE DERBY.

The Derby Stakes of 6,500sovs. by subscription of 50sovs. each, h ft. or 5sovs. only if declared by the last Tuesday in March 1903, for entire colts and fillies, foaled in 1901; colts 9st, and fillies 8st 9lbs.; the nominator of the winner to receive 500sovs out of the race; if not sufficient surplus be obtained from subscriptions to give the second at least 400sovs. and the third at least 200sovs., the difference to be made up by the Race-fund; about one mile and a half.—272subs. Closed 22nd July 1902.

Adbell, b c by Plaudit—Nahma, Mr J E Madden's.
Admiral Breeze, ch c by Velasquez—Sea breeze, Mr G Musker's.
Airlie, b c by Ayrshire—Lady Ermine, Lord Farquhar's.
Ajax, b c by Flying Fox—Amie, M E Blanc's.
Andover, br c by Rightaway—Sister Lumley, Mr F Alexander's.
Andria, b c by Ladas—Abeyance, Mr G B Wood's.
Arran Brown, br c by St Serf—Butterfly Mr L Brassey's.
Auk, b c by Orme—Rosalia, Mr F Gretton's.
—ch c by Ayrshire—Pace egger, Lord Derby's.
Barcadaile, ch c by St Frusquin—Geraldine, Mr T E Platt's.
Bass Rock, gr c by Grey Leg—Pindi, Mr John Robinson's.
Bedlington br c by Childwick, dam by Prison—Doreuse, Mr J. —C Hill's.
—br c by Ben Brush—Vera, Mr J R Keene's.
—br c by Blairfinde—Comma. Mr E Kennedy's.
Bobrinski, br c by Kingston—Katherine II, Mr Foxhall Keene's
Bolsover, b c by Orme—Clatterfeet, Duke of Portland's.
Boss Roy, ch c by Kendal—Sea Air, Mr J E Platt's.
Brabazon, b c by St Simon—Mneme, Duke of Portland's.
Burgundy, b c by Isinglass—Burgonet, Duke of Devonshire's.
Bushmead, b g by St Hilaire—Instinct, Mr J H Hoole's.
Cabochon, b c by Persimmon—Eighteen Carat, M Ephrussi's.
Cambo, b c by Orme—Cambushinnie, Mr John Robinson's.
Captain Cook, ch c by Love Wisely—Melanesia, Mr Wallace Johnstone's.
Castello, br c by Florizel II—Caserta, Mr J H Houldsworth's.
Challenger, b c by Isinglass—Meddlesome, Mr S Darling's.
Charmus, b c by Orme—Galeottia, Mr Fairie's.
Chatsworth, b c by Persimmon—Meadow Chat, His Majesty's.
Clonmell, b c by Florizel II—Iernor, Mr Richard Croker's.
Coronation Reef, b c by Bend Or—Don't, Mr S B Joel's.
Count Hannibal, b c by St Simon—Anxiety, Duke of Portland's.
Coxswain, b c by Kilcock—Queen of Holland, Mr D J Pullinger's.
Darley Dale, b c by St Simon—Ismay, Duke of Portland's.
Despot, ch c by Galazzeo—Marguerite II, Lord Coventry's.
Dividend, br c by Blairfinde—Income, Mr J Gubbin's.
—ch c by Dr Macbride—Quesal, Mr J R Keene's.
Ex Luce, b c by Matchmaker—Ultima, Mr H J Bailey's.
Fiancee, b. f. by St Frusquin—Wise Virgin, Lord Falmouth's.
Flower Seller, ch c by Florizel II—Salome, Lord Clonmell's.
Foundling, br c by Trenton—Lady Charity, Mr J E Platt's.
Fruit Picker, ch c by Persimmon—Chatelaine, Mr Russel's.
Galapas, b c by Trenton—Black Duchess, Mr L Brassey's.
Glenamoy, ch c by Gallinule—Alice Morgan, Mr J Daly's.
Gloriana, br f by Ladas—Avilion, Lord Rosebery's
Golden Touch, b c by Cyllene—Dame Masham, Lord Wolverton's.
Gouvernant, ch c by Flying Fox—Gouvernante, M E Blanc's.
Grisons, ch c by St Gris—Poorclare, Mr L deRothschild's.
Hark, ch c by Martagon—Listen, Sir Ernest Cassel's.
Henry the First, br c by Melton—Simena, Mr J Musker's.
Herbert Vincent, b c St Simon—Stubhampton, Mr Richard Croker's.

His Majesty, ch c by Melton—Silver Sea, Mr J G Joicey's.
Hong Kong, br c by Queen's Birthday—Merry Wife, Mrs Walker's.
Huntley, b c by Tarporley—Aboyne, Mr Arthur James's.
Hymenocus, br c by St Frusquin—Wedding Bell, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
ch c by Isinglass—Hullva, Mr W R Marshall's.
Ivan, ch c —by Love Wisely—St la. Sir R. Waldie Griffith's.
b. c.—by Janissary—Jersey Lily, Mr J. S. Harrison's.
Jedburgh, ch c by Jeddah—Postcript, Mr J W Lanarch's.
John O'Gaunt, b c by Isinglass—La Fleche, Sir Tatton Sykes's.
Jolly Beggar, b c by Velasquez—Manchline, Lord Rosebery s.
Jupiter Pluvius, b c by St Simon—Andromeda, Mr Arthur James's.
Kilbirnie, br f by Kilcock—Blairfettie, Mr Reid Walker's.
—br c by Kilcock—Gentle Ida, Mr Horatio Bottomley's.
King Cole, ch g by Royal Sovereign—Queen Anne, Mr L W Humby's.
King's Favour, br f by Persimmon—Phantassie, Mr J S Harrison's.
—br c by Kingston—Royal Gem, Mr J R Keene's.
Kirkby, b c by Royal Hampton—Mrs Butterwick, Duke of Portland's.
Kosmos Bey, ch c by Gallinule—Kosmos, Major Eustace Loder's.
Lancashire, b c by Kingston—Calico, Mr J R Keene's.
Landing-Net, b c by The Weaver—Dip, Lord Harewood's.
Landsman, br c by Ladas—Red Virgin, Mr Reid Walker's.
Laurel Crown, br c by Ladas—Snood, Duke of Devonshire's.
—b c by Lochiel—Champs Elysees, Mr Francis Foy's.
—b c by Lochiel—Countess Aberdeen, Mr H V Foy's.
Lochryan, ch c by Enthusiast—Spring Ray, Mr J H Houldsworth's.
Lord Waddington, b c by Jacquemart or Melton—Minera, Mr J Musker's.
Lys Rouge, b c by Le Sancy—Lilythorn, M Ephrussi's.
Maldon, br c by Earwig—Maundy Money, Mr H E Beddington's.
Maracaibo, b c by Gardefeu—Flying Column, M E Deschamps.'
Marsden, b c by Orvieto—Virtus, Mr A Stedall's.
Merry, ch c by Enterprise—Mirth, Mr T Jennings's.
Mintagon, ch c by Martagon—Mimi, Sir Tatton Sykes's.
Monsieur, b c by Gardefeu—Mdlle de Chantilly, M J de Bremond's.
Montem, br f by Ladas—Kermesse, Lord Wolverton's.
Morganglass, b c by Isinglass—Molly Morgan, Lord Dunraven's.
Mount Athos, bl c by Ladas, dam by Galopin—Mother Superior, Mr B W Lubbock's.
Mousqueton, b c by Carbine—Musa, Mr Douglas Baird's.
Orgueil, ch c by Pride—Lady Orme, Sir Edgar Vincent's.
Orme Shore, ch c by Orme—Virginia Shore, Mr Russel's.
Ortolan, b g by Orme—Leveret, His Majesty's.
Pam, ch c by Isinglass—Pamela, Duke of Devonshire's.
Perchant, br c by Persimmon—La Carolina, His Majesty's.
Perfect Love, b f by Persimmon—Perfect Dream, Lord Wolverton's.
Peroration, b c by Persimmon—Pannonia, Lord Penrhyn's.
Perpetual, b c by Chittabob—Ste Perpetua, Mr R S Sievier's.
Persian Garden, b c by Persimmon—Eisteddfod Mr Arthur James's.
Persil, b f by Persimmon – Ways and Means, Sir Ernest Cassel's.
Persurprise, ch c by Persimmon—Surprise Me Not, Mr J E Platt's.
Plato, br c by Love Wisely—Simola, Mr T B Miller's.
Plinlimmon, b c by Persimmon—Laodamia, His Majesty's.
Prince Vladimar, b c by Donovan—La Reine, Lord Farquhar's.
Ravensshoe, b c by New Haven II—Concertina, Sir Daniel Cooper's.
Ravilious, b c by Ravensbury—Yours, Mr J B Joel's.
Red Robe, b c by Royal Hampton—Charm, Mr Arthur James's
Retrieve, ch c by Orme—Seek and Find, Lord Clonmell's.
—b c by Rightaway—Luscious, Mr Herbert de la Rue's.
Roi de Rome, ch c by Flying Fox—Roxelane, M Maurice Caillault's.
Royal Arch, br c by Florizel II—Miss Augusta, Mr Jas Daly's.
—b c by Royal Hampton—Landrail, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Rydal Head, br c by St Frusquin—Rydal, Duke of Westminster's.
St Amant, b c by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule, Mr L de Rothschild's.
St Anselm, b c by St Simon—Azeeza, His Majesty's.
St Arnaud, br c by St Simon—Arnsheen, Mr Douglas Baird's.
St Denis, b c by St Simon—Brooch, Mr S B Joel's.
St Elias II b c by Simonian—Mirabelle, Baron de Forest's.
St Enda, b c by Hackler—Court Card, Mr John Daly's.
St Felix, b c by St Simon—Gayglass, Mr L de Rothschild's.
St Hilda, b c by St Simon—Bonny Morn, Sir Tatton Sykes's.
St Magnus, b c by St Frusquin—St Bride, Mr L de Rothschild's.
St Primus, b c by St Simon—Circlet, Mr John Robinson's.
—b c by Serf—Corday, Capt Greer's.
Sanroque, b c by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, Sir James Miller's.
Sausovino, ch c by Marlo—Victola, Mr F Luscombe's
Savanaka, b c by Isinglass—Barbara, Mr S Darling's.
Scribe, The, b c by Isinglass—Memoir Duke of Portland's.
Serpolet, b c by Sir Visto—Santa Paula, Mr C D Rose's.
Siam, ch c by Winkfield—Alimony, Mr J C Sullivan's.
—b c by Sir Hugo—Fretwork, Lord Bradford's.
Smara, b c by Orme—Kissing Cup, Duke of Westminster's.
Tabarin, gr c by Le Sancy or Fra Angelico—Clementina, M C Blanc's.
Tasso, ch c by Orme—Arcadia, Mr C D Rose's.
—b c by Theophilus—Whitethroat, Mr J S Harrison's.
Ticket of Leave, br c by Prisoner—Primula, Mr R C Harrison's.
Toledo, b c by Laveno—Tierce, Major Eustace Loder's.
Ubique, br f by St Frusquin—Reverse, Mr W Raphael's.
Week End, ch c by Rightaway—Samedi, Mr S B Joel's.
Wild Willow, b c by Ladas—Marsh Marigold, Mr J Buchanan's.
Wily, ch c by Love Wisely—Elly, Lord Cadogan's
—b c by Winkfield—Queen Charming, Mr J C Sullivan's.
—b g by Wolf's Crag—Carolside, Mr W M S Singer's.
Yquem, br c by Florizel II—Sweet Muscat, Mr J S Harrison's

THE KEMPTON PARK GREAT JUBILEE HANDICAP.

Saturday, 7th May.

THE Eighteenth Year of the Kempton Park Great "Jubilee" Handicap of 3,000sovs. (2,800sovs. in specie and 200 sovs. in plate or specie, at the option of the winner); by subscription of 5sovs each if struck out by Tuesday 1st April, if left in after that date a further subscription of 20sovs., and an additional subscription of 20sovs. for starters; second to receive 200 sovs. and the third 100sovs; winners (selling races exepted) after January 28th, at noon, 3lbs., of any race value 400sovs. 5lbs., twice of 400sovs. or once of 1,000sovs. 10lbs. extra; the winner of the One Thousand Guineas, 1904, to carry 7st. 11lbs., of the Two Thousand Guineas, 1904, 8st. Jubilee Course, one mile and a quarter. 51 entries.)—Closed, January 5th.

	ys.	st.	lbs.
Lord Howard de Walden's Zinfandel ..... Beatty	4	9	3
Mr A P Cunliffe's Ypsilanti ..... Fallon	6	8	9
Mr E C Irish's Over Norton ..... Lowe	a	8	4
Mr W Low's Littleton ..... Pickering	4	8	3
Mr James Daly's St. Brendan ..... In Ireland	5	8	2
Mr George Faber's Duke of Westminster ... Darling	5	8	2
Sir E Cassel's Handicapper ..... Mr F. Lambton	6	8	2
Mr S B Joel's Bachelor's Button ..... C Peck	5	8	1
Duke of Devonshire's Cheers ..... Goodwin	5	8	0
Mr H I Higham's Royal George ..... Russell	6	7	11
Mr E Blaskovits s Hazafi ..... C Waugh	5	7	11
Mr C Hodges's dimony ..... W Waugh	5	7	10
Mr J Gubbin's Caravel ..... Darling	4	7	8
Mr J Buchanan's Surbiton ..... Major Edwards	4	7	5
Mr C T Pulley's Lady Help ..... G Chaloner	4	7	5
Sir E Cassel's Love Charm ..... Mr F Lambton	4	7	4
Lord Dunraven's Salute ..... R Sherwood	4	7	3
Mr G A Prentice's General Cronjee ..... J Powney	4	7	3
Mr Reid Walker's Templemore ..... Robinson	6	7	3
Mr George Faber's Loveite ..... Darling	5	7	3
Mr J Hammond's Burses ..... Webb	5	7	3
Major Eustace Loder's Gold Lock ..... Mr Gilpin	4	7	3
Lord Howard de Walden's Kilglass ..... Beatty	4	7	2
Sir E Vincent's Countermark ..... R Day	4	7	2
Lord Howard de Walden's Imperious ..... Beatty	5	7	1
Mr C Hodges s Newsboy ..... W Waugh	3	7	1
Mr S Darling's Fermoyle ..... Owner	5	7	0
Mr J Buchanan's Hands Down ..... Major Edwards	3	6	13
Lord Marcus Beresford's Wet Paint ..... Leach	5	6	11
Mr R S Sievier's Lavengro ..... Owner	5	6	10
Mr L Neumann's L'Aiglon ..... Mr Gilpin	4	6	10
Duke of Portland's The Scribe ..... Porter	3	6	10
Duke of Westminster's Rydal Head ..... Porter	3	6	10
Mr Lionel Robinson's Niphetos ..... Darling	5	6	10
Mr J Gubbins's Temple Hill ..... Darling	4	6	10
Lord Westbury's Holme Lacy, ... Jenniggs	4	6	8
Lord Dunraven's Morgendale ..... R Sherwood	4	6	7
Mr C Hodges's Girton Girl ..... W Waugh	4	6	7
Major Eustace Loder's Soaraway ..... Mr Gilpin	5	6	7
Mr W M G Singer's Gascony ..... A Tavier	5	6	7
Mr Jersey's Vergia ..... Webb	3	6	6
Lord Alington's Flor Fina ..... Porter	3	6	6
Mr N W Higham's Prince Royal (h b) ..... Russell	4	6	5
Mr J B Joel's Binocle ..... Morton	5	6	4
Mr W M G Singer's Jollybird ..... A Taylor	4	6	4
Mr J B Joel's Dean Swift ..... Morton	3	6	2
Mr D J Pullinger's Coxswain ..... Marnes	3	6	1
Mr J H Houldsworth's Gavello ..... Ryan	3	6	0
Mr R H Henning's Flower Seller ..... Brewer	3	6	0
Mr D J Pullinger's Western, ... Marnes	3	6	0
Lord Marcus Beresford's Cerisier ..... Leach	4	6	0

Messrs Dawkins, Keyser, and Lee (acting as a Commitee). Handicappers.

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 15th April 1904.*

THE TURF.

NEWMARKET CRAVEN MEETING.

THE first of the gatherings at headquarters commenced on the 12th instant pleasant weather Only a moderate company assembled. Sport, however, proved of interest throughout, and there were one or two surprises, notably the defeat of the Derby candidate, St. Amant, in the Biennial Stakes. Maher did remarably well in the saddle. G. Edwards and G. Blackwell sent out wo winners each, the last-named trainer enabling Sir J. Miller to score twice in succession.

THE CRAWFURD STAKES (handicap) of 355sov. Bretby Stakes Course (six furlongs).

Sir J Miller's b h Cossack, by Ayrshire—Kosakin, 6yrs, 9st 4lbs	D Maher	1
Lord Dunraven s br c Tamasha, 3yrs, 6st 8lbs	Griggs	2
Mr H J King's b g Chacornac, aged, 8st 6lbs	H Jones	3
Lord Howard de Walden s Chiffon, 4yrs, 7st 6lbs	Miller	0
Mr Jersey's Smilax 4yrs, 6st 12lbs* ...	East	0
Mr J Musker's Gilbert Handley, 4yrs, 7st 11b	Trigg	0
Mr J Pincu's Harama, 5yrs, 6st (car 6st 11b)	Plant	0
Sir J Kelk's Clermont, 3yrs, 6st (car 6st 11b)	J Jarvis	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Chacornac, 4 to 1 Cossack, 6 to 1 each Smilax and Gilbert Handley, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by a length and a half; two lengths divided the second and third. Clermont was fourth and Smilax last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 19⅗secs.

THE FORTY-FIFTH NEWMARKET BIENNIAL STAKES of £748 17s. 6d., for three year olds: colts 9st., fillies and gelding 8st, 10lbs., with penalties and allowances. R. M. (one mile),

Lord Derby's ch c His Majesty, by Melton—Silver Sea. 8st 7lbs... ...	D Maher	1
Mr L de Rothschild's b c St Amant, 9st 5lbs	K Cannon	2
Sir E Cassel's b c Love Potion. 8st 3lbs ...	Halsey	3
Lord Wolverton's Golden Touch. 8st 7lbs	H Jones	0
Sir R Walde Griffith's f by Isinglass—Therese II. 8st 3lbs	J H Martin	0

BETTING: 7 to 2 on St. Amant, 8 to 1 agst His Majesty, 100 to 12 Love Potion, and 20 to 1 any other (offerd).

Won cleverly by three-quarters of a length; five lengths between second and third. Gold Touch was fourth. Time by Benson s chronograph, 1min. 50⅖secs.

A sale of such magnitude and importance as that on the 13th instant when the first draft of horses in training the property of the late Sir J. Blundell Maple were submitted at Park Paddocks is very far from an every-day occurrence, and it served to attract a good many people to Newmarket who would not have journeyed thither to witness the racing alone. There was naturally a representative attendance at the ringside, but the proceedings are so exhaustively dealt with elsewhere in these columns that it will suffice to remark here that prices ruled good though Newsboy at 3,500 guineas went dirt cheap, as he might well win the Kempton Park Jubilee Stakes. The weather underwent a variety of changes during the night. A heavy thunderstorm broke over the town in the early hours, the deluge being of considerable duration, whilst a dull, threatening morning gave place to a gusty, boisterous afternoon—pleasant enough by reason of the atmosphere being mild and springlike. The rain had a most beneficial effect upon the going freshening up the herbage—which in the vicinity of the roads had been white with dust a few hours previously—and rendering the turf springy and yielding.

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THE BABRAHAM PLATE.—(Welter handicap) of 875sovs. Last mile and a half of Cesarewitch Course.

Mr H E Beddington's b c D'Orsay, by Royal Hampton—Lady Frivoles, 4yrs. 7 st 7lbs	Miller	1
Mr F Taylor's b g Union Jack, 4yrs, 9st 8lbs, (inc 7lbs ex)	Halsey	2
Sir E Vincent's ch m Parody, 5yrs, 7st 3lbs	McIntyre	3
Mr C S Newton's Servitor, 6yrs, 8st 12lbs ...	D Maher	0
Lord Penrhyn's Haresfield, 6yrs, 8st 11lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr H J King's Prince Florizel, 5yrs, 8st 9lbs	H Jones	0
Mr W M G Singer's Paradella, 5yrs, 8st 4lbs	K Cannon	0
Lord M Beresford's Wet Paint, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs	Watts	0
Lord Dunravon's Morgendale, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs	J H Martin	0
Mr J Musker's Barrett Goddard, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs	O Madden	0
Mr E C Clayton's Patron Saint, 6yrs, 7st 10lbs	Trigg	0
Mr H J Newman's Cock of the Roost, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs	W Lane	0
Mr L Brassey's Alderman, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs	G Manser	0
Duke of Devonshire's Maladroit, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs	Griggs	0
Mr J S Colton-Fox's Lincoln Mint, 6yrs, 6st 11lbs* (car 7st)	Butchers	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by C. Waugh.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst Union Jack, 5 to 1 Morgendale, 6 to 1 Cock of the Roost, 8 to 1 each Servitor and Parody, 10 to 1 each Prince Florizel, Alderman, and Lincoln Mint, 100 to 8 Pradella, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths: a bad third. Lincoln Mint was fourth, Wet Paint fifth, Alderman sixth, Cock of the Roost seventh, Morgendale eighth, Prince Florizel ninth, Servitor next, and Haresfield last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 40secs.

THE WOOD DITTON STAKES of 885sovs, for three year olds; colts 8st. 12lbs,. fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs; winners extra. D.M. 1 mile.

Duke of Westminster's gr c Grey Plume, by Grey Leg—Gantlet, 8st 12lbs ...	Mr Cannon	1
Mr H E Randall's b c Harry Melton, 9st 5lbs	O Madden	2
Lord Savile's b c Right Honourable, 8st 12lbs	D Maher	3
Mr L Neumann's Sertorius, 8st 12lbs ...	W Lane	0
Lord M Beresford's Kirkby, 2st 12lbs ...	Watts	0
Mr R H Henning's Flower Seller, 3st 12lbs	Halsey	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Marozzo, 8st 12lbs	Miller	0
Mr Ed Lamb's c by Hackler—Brin, 8st 12lbs	H Aylin	0
Mr W Low's Imari, 8st 12lbs	J H Martin	0
Lord Derby's Altcar, 8st 9lbs	Rollason	0
Mr Jas Joicey's Lady of the Vale, 8st 9lbs	C Leader	0
Mr H J King's Plombieres, 8st 9lbs ...	H Jones	0
Mr L de Rothschild's Queen of the Lassies, 8st 9lbs	K Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by J. Porter.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst Harry Melton, 3 to 1 Right Honourable, 5 to 1 Flower Seller, 10 to 1 each Marozzo, Imari, and Grey Plume, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won easily by a neck; four lengths between second and third. Marozzo was fourth, Flower Seller fifth, Imari sixth, Altcar seventh, Sertorious next, and Queen of the Lassies last. Time by Benson's chronograph. 1min 31⅗secs.

THE GRANBY PLATE of 365sovs, for two year olds; colts 8st 12lb, fillies and geldings 8st 9lbs., with penalties and allowances. Last five furlongs of D. M.

Mr. A. James's ch c Golden Gleam, by Bend Or.—Fascination. 8st 9lbs ...	H Jones	1
Mr R S Sievier's ch c Brother Bill, 8st 9lbs	Watts	2
Mr H E Randall s b f Amalgamation, 8st 6lbs	Trigg	3
Mr H Combe's Cadwal, 8st 12lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mr L de Rothschild's Arnobius 8st 9lbs ...	K Cannon	0
Mr H E Beddington's Donna Cristina, 8st 6lbs	M Cannon	0
Lord Derby's c by Simontault—Eugenia, 8st 6lbs	D Maher	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's St Hilary, 8st 3lbs	Griggs	0
Mr L W Humby's Guy Middleton, 8st 6lbs	Halsey	0
Mr H J King's Carrelet, 8st 6lbs ...	R Jones	0
Mr L Neumann's Aegis, 8st 6lbs ...	W Lane	0
Lord Derby's f by Le Var—Pace Egger, 8st 3lbs	H Aylin	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's f by Balsamo—Vain Duchess, 8st 3lbs	J H Martin	0

(*Winner trained by R. Marsh.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Cadwal, 9 to 4 Goldon Gleam, 10 to 1 Vain Duchess filly, 100 to 8 each Arnobius and Donna Cristina, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won easily by three lengths from Brother Bill, who took second place close home; two lengths between second and taird. Cadwal was fourth, Guy Middleton fifth, St. Hilry sixth, Eugenia colt next, and Donna Cristina last.

THE COLUMN PRODUCE STAKES of 358sovs. for three year olds; colts 9st. fillies and geldings 8st 11lbs, with penalties and allowances. R. M. (one mile).

Mr L de Rothschild's ch f Catgut, by Lactantius—Catkin. 8st 3lbs ...	K Cannon	1
Mr S B Joel's b c Barnstormer, 8st 6lbs ...	W Lane	2
Mr Fairie's b f Charmus, 8st 6lbs ...	M Cannon	3
Lord Ellesmere's Dark Lantern, 8st 3lbs...	Halsey	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith s Ivan, 8st 11b ...	J H Martin	0
Mr J Musker's The Warrior, 7st 13lbs ...	O Madden	0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

BETEING: 13 to 8 agst The Warrior, 9 to 4 Catgut, 100 to 30 Barnstormer, and 33 to 1 any other (offered)

Won in a canter by three lengths; a like distance between second and third. The Warrior was was fourth and Dark Lantern last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 44⅕secs.

It was like a summer's day to-day and suggestive of July rather than April, the solar rays being positively hot. The wind had dried up the surface of the ground somewhat, and the course was a little dusty in places, but the sport, with a couple of exceptions, ruled brisk, whilst the defeat of Henry the First in the Craven Stakes renders the Derby situation singularly open.

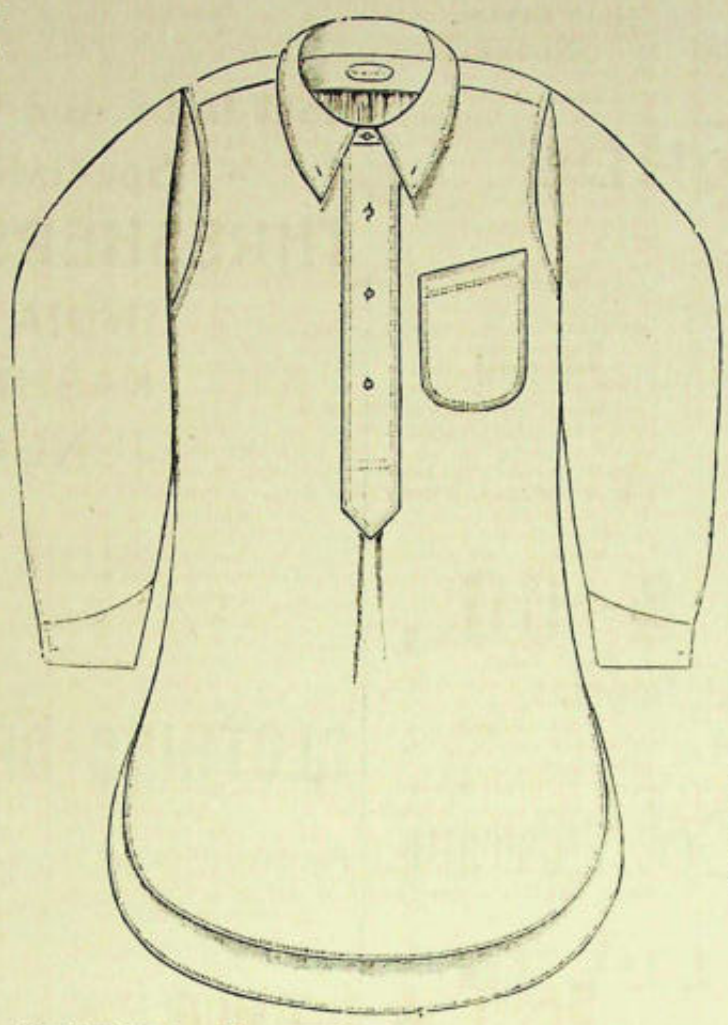
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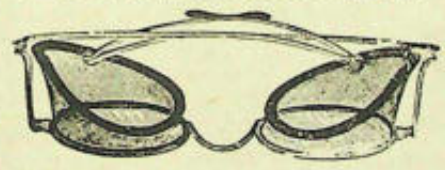
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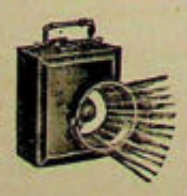
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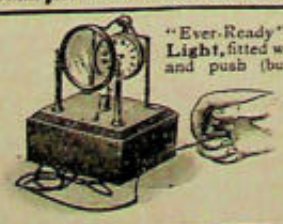
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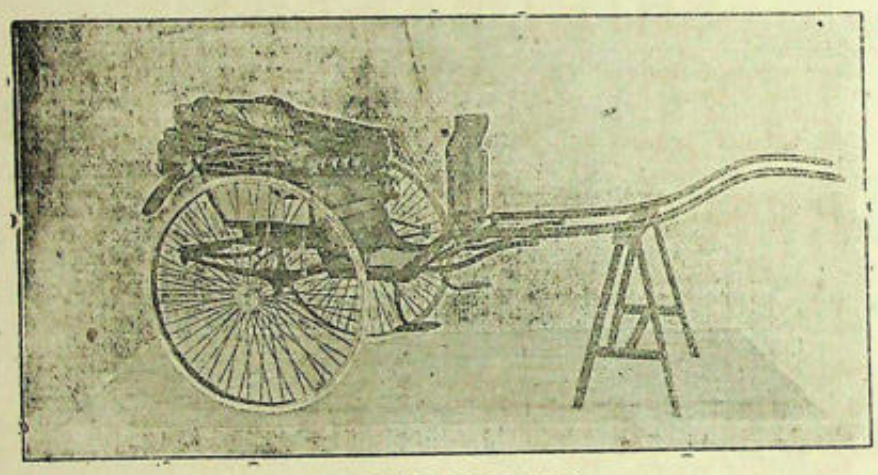
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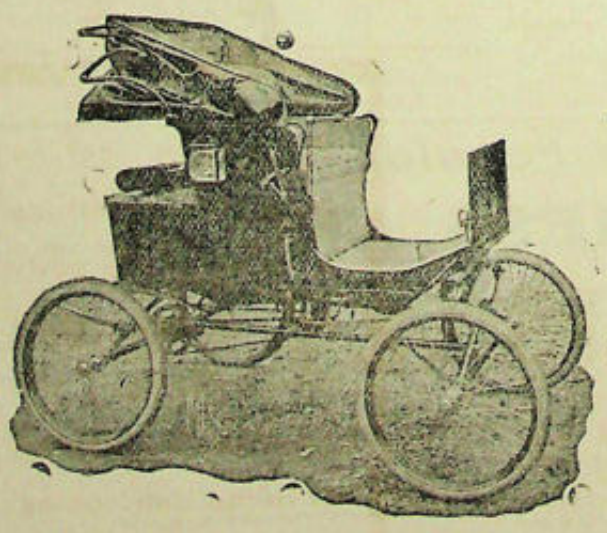
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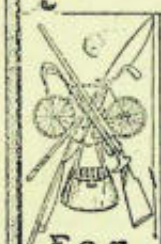
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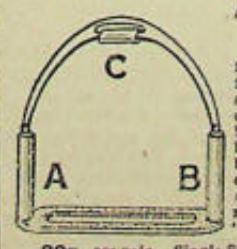
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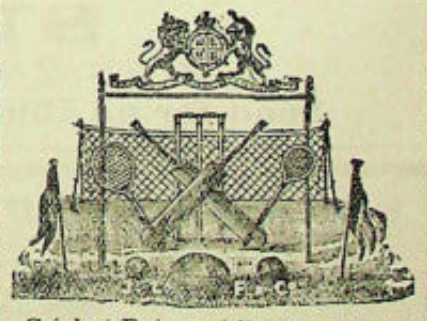
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Duke of Portland's b c The Scribe, by Isinglass—Memoir, 9st	M Cannon	1
Lord Ellesmere's b c Parapet, 8st 6lbs ...	Halsey	2

(*Winner trained by J Porter.*)

BETTING: 100 to 15 on The Scribe.

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Mr R H Henning's ch c Best Light, 3yrs 6st 5lbs	McIntyre	3
Mr F Alexander's Part Malt, 4yrs, 8st 13lbs	W Lane	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Altnabreac, 6yrs, 8st, 2lbs...	M Cannon	0
Sir E Gorst's Pansy Masters, 4yrs, 8st 11b	Dawson	0
Duke of Devonshire's Lady Burgoyne, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs	J H Martin	0
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Mr S B Joel's Coronation Reef, 3yrs, 6st 5lb	East	0

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BETTING: 5 to 2 agst Best Light, 7 to 2 Blackheath, 5 to 1 Miss Blucher, 8 to 1 each Altnabreac and Coronation Reef, 10 to 1 each Mimicry and Part Malt, 100 to 8 Engage and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by a neck; three lengths divided the second and third. Part Malt was fourth, Coronation Reef fifth, Blackheath sixth, Miss Blucher next and Verdict filly last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 5⅘secs.

THE CRAVEN STAKES of 535sovs. for three year olds; colts 8st 10lbs, fillies 8st 7lbs; with penalties and allowances. An mile (one mile 22 yards).

Lord Farquhar's b c Airlie, by Ayrshire—Lady Ernie, 9st 3lbs	H Aylin	1
Duke of Westminster's gr c Grey Plume, 8st 13lbs	M Cannon	2
Lord Falmouth's b c Esquire, 8st 5lbs ...	Watts	3
Sir J Miller's Cinquefoil, 9st 6lbs ...	D Maher	0
Mr J Musker's Henry the First, 9st 6lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mr Douglas Baird's Islesman, 9st 3lbs ...	H Jones	0
Mr J H Houldsworth's Ardgair, 8st 5lbs ...	Miller	0
Mr J Musker's Admira Breeze, 8st 5lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr C D Rose's Cades, 8st 5lbs ...	J Jarvis	0
Sir E Vincent's Tracas, 8st 5lbs ...	W Lane	0

(*Winner trained by Mr G. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst Henry the First, 100 to 30 Cinquefoil, 7 to 1 Airlie, 8 to 1 Esquire, 10 to 1 Grey Plume, 100 to 7 Cades and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Tracas, on the rails, made the running from Cinquefoil, on the right, Admiral Breeze and Cades, in the centre and Henry the First, with Grey Plume and Airlie next, in advance of Esquire, Ardgair bringing up the rear, for about three furlongs, when Tracas lost his place and Admiral Breeze came on from Cinquefoil, Cades, Airlie, Grey Plume, and Henry the First. About a quarter of a mile from home, Airlie drew to the front attended by Cinquefoil, Grey Plume, Esquire. Admiral Breeze and Henry the First, and, resisting the desperate challenge of Grey Plume, won an exciting race by a head; three lengths separated the second and third, Admiral Breeze was placed fourth by the judge, Henry the First was fifth, Cades sixth, Cinquefoil seventh, Islesman next, and Ardgair last throughout. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 52secs.

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RECORD TO SATURDAY, 9TH APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst
Sheffield Wednesday ...	31	18	7	6	43	42	22
Newcastle United ...	33	17	6	10	40	54	45
Manchester City ...	30	17	5	8	39	64	44
Aston Villa ...	32	16	7	9	39	65	43
Everton	31	16	5	10	37	53	32
Sheffield United ...	32	15	7	10	37	59	58
Sunderland ...	33	16	5	12	37	61	48
Wlvrhmpton Wdrs ...	33	14	7	12	35	44	66
Notts Forest ...	31	11	7	13	29	55	53
Middlesbrough ...	32	9	11	12	29	45	44
Notts County ...	33	12	5	16	29	37	59
Bury	31	7	14	10	28	40	47
Small Heath ...	32	10	8	14	28	37	48
Blackburn Rovers ...	31	10	6	15	28	44	54
Stoke	33	10	6	17	26	53	56
Derby County ...	30	8	9	13	26	54	56
West Brom Albion ...	32	7	9	16	23	34	54
Liverpool	32	7	8	17	22	43	60

DIVISION 2.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 9TH APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Preston North End ...	31	19	8	4	46	60	23
Woolwich Arsenal ...	31	20	5	6	45	86	20
Manchester United ...	29	17	7	5	41	56	28
Bristol City ...	32	16	6	10	38	68	38
Burnley	32	14	8	10	36	45	32
Grimsby Town ...	31	13	7	11	33	44	43
Bolton Wanderers ...	30	11	8	11	30	57	39
Bradford City ...	30	11	7	12	29	43	52
Barnsley	31	10	9	12	29	34	59
Gainsbrough Trin ...	32	13	3	16	29	51	56
Burton United ...	32	11	7	14	29	43	55
Lincoln City ...	32	11	7	14	29	40	57
Chesterfield —	31	10	7	14	27	35	41
Burslem Port Vale ...	31	9	8	14	26	50	50
Glossop	33	10	6	17	26	57	62
Blackpool ...	32	10	5	17	25	38	66
Stockport County ...	32	7	10	15	24	37	70
Leicester Fosse ...	32	6	10	16	22	39	75

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 9TH APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drw.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Southampton ...	34	22	6	6	50	75	30
Portsmouth ...	30	17	5	8	39	38	33
Bristol Rovers ...	32	16	7	9	39	63	41
Millwall	31	15	8	8	38	61	38
Queen's Park Rgrs ...	31	14	9	8	37	50	35
Reading	31	13	11	7	37	44	34
Tottenham H'spur ...	30	13	10	7	36	48	32
Luton Town ...	31	12	11	8	35	34	31
Plymouth Argyle ...	32	12	9	11	33	41	33
Fulham	31	9	9	13	27	31	32
West Ham United ...	31	10	6	15	26	38	39
Brentford.. ...	32	9	8	15	26	34	46
Swindon Town ...	31	7	11	13	25	36	42
New Brompton ...	33	6	13	14	25	26	42
Wellingborough ...	30	10	4	16	24	37	56
Northampton ...	30	9	6	15	24	33	56
Brighton & Hove A ...	32	6	12	14	24	44	64
Kettering ...	32	6	7	19	19	37	71

SCOTLAND *vs.* ENGLAND.—This match, the last of the international series, was played at Celtic Park, Glasgow, on the 9th instant, the representatives of the rose being victorious by a goal to *nil*.

The game began at twenty-eight minutes to four. Scotland lost the toss, and Brown kicked off with the home team facing the powerful wind. The going was treacherous, but the Scots made an excellent start, Crompton repelling the initial burst and Burgess following with a series of brilliant clearances. Indeed, in the opening stages the sterling defence of Burgess provided the leading feature, and, in turn, he stopped Walker, Brown, and Orr. England made a few spurts on the left wing, but Blackburn finished none too well, once heading behind rather tamely. A longish shot from Wilkinson's left foot had scarcely sufficient pace to seriously trouble McBride, who also easily cleared a slow ground shot by Crompton. Although there was not too much method among their forwards, England began to have a larger share of the game, and from a finely-placed corner by Blackburn, Woodward and Bloomer both made good efforts to score, the latter heading the ball very cleverly when close up. A further corner, conceded by Jackson, was followed by a good shot by Wolstenholme, and for some time the Everton half-back was very conspicuous for the skilful manner in which he aided the attack by his sound playing. Unfortunately for England, Raisbeck and Robertson, to say nothing of Jackson and Watson, defended so cleverly at this time that the inside forwards could make but little impression. On the other hand the Scottish front line had a better understanding, and their open methods often betokened danger. Some of Templeton's work on the extreme left was of a very high class, but he quite failed to appreciate the vigorous tackling and daring rushes of Crompton. Robertson, fed his opponents splendidly, but Niblo once spoiled a pretty movement by slowness at the crucial moment, while Orr, with a fine opportunity to score, slipped in front of goal and shot wide of the mark. This was a narrow escape for England, whose defence was experiencing a trying time. Burgess only stopped a rush by Niblo with difficulty, while Leake, with a brilliant effort, dropped back and checked Walker. A little later, Brown dashed away clear of the English half-backs, and again a score for Scotland seemed likely. Burgess, however, rather badly tripped the home centre, just outside the penalty area, this being the only blot on the Mancunian's brilliant display. It was distinctly hard lines for Scotland, for, although the resultant free kick led to a hot attack on the English goal, nothing more tangible than dangerous shots by Templeton and Robertson ensued. Scotland were by no means having all the game, for, at the other end, Wilkinson tried a shot which went wide, while Rutherford was smartly robbed by Jackson, who dashed across the field at a great pace. Some offside decisions against Scotland's right wing rather upset the home attack for a while, but eventually a brilliant concerted movement by Orr and Templeton was followed by Baddeley's great save, which was generally regarded as one of the finest things the Wolverhampton man has ever done. Templeton shot with terrific force from a narrow angle, and the manner in which Baddeley faced round and caught the ball was quite sensational, the chief merit laying in the skilful manner in which he anticipated the shot. Scotland returned to the attack, and Brown, who was playing a rather individual game, was pulled up by Burgess when close to goal. Promising play by the English left come to nought, owing mainly to the fine tacking of Jackson, who was worthily filling the place of McCombie. Once Harris looked like getting clean through, but he became entangled with an opponent, and both went sprawling in the mud. Hereabouts the English right wing—hitherto very quiet—began to be a little assertive, and, following a centre by Rutherford, Wilkinson shot wide. Scotland retaliated with a dashing attack, Walker first tricking Burgess, and Templeton ultimately forcing a corner off Crompton. Orr headed over the bar, and then Niblo appeared to lose a good chance on receiving from Templeton. The sun was now shining powerfully, and, although having to face this as well as the wind, Scotland continued to put up the more dangerous attacks. Crompton was jeered by the crowd for his severe tackling of Templeton, and once the latter seemed rather badly hurt in the back. As the interval approached, the English forwards improved considerably and arrived at a much better understanding. Woodward obtained greater freedom and made some pretty passes. One of these to Rutherford led to Raisbeck conceding a corner, following which Scotland's goal was heavily assailed. Wilkinson, Blackburn, and Wolstenholme being among those to trouble McBride. A combined run by Bloomer, Harris, and Blackburn came to nothin, owing to the last-named, who was giving a curiously uneven display, being robbed in simple fashion. England finished the first period in much better style than they began it, and at the half-time the state of the game was:—

Scotland	...	Love
England	...	Love

When a resumption was made after thirteen minutes' rest, it was noticed that Niblo and Templeton had changed places in the Scottish team—a policy that was not justified by result The wind dropped a little, but was still very strong and England played better against it than they had done with the elements in their favour. They displayed a cohesive excellence that had hitherto been lacking, while Scotland's previous affort had a tiring effect on the home team, whose defence had lost much of its sureness. An early misunderstanding between Watson and Jackson nearly let the English right wing through, but as was the case in the first half, most of the English attacks came from the left. There was now more danger in England's aggressive movements. Woodward, Harris, and Blackburn combining well, and the Cantab often making some splended passes. Again Jackson and Raisbeck defended in great style, but Watson became very shaky. At the other end Burgess checked a Scottish attack by passing back to Baddeley, and Niblo once tricked Crompton and centred to Walker, who was finely pulled up by Wilkinson. The Little Sheffielder, was doing any amount of good work at centre half, making many neat passes along the ground to the forwards, who were quick to accept them. With Raisbeck at this stage playing further back and apparently anxious about Watson, Woodward had more room in which to move, and once the Tottonian had the hardest of hard lines a swift cross shot from the left foot striking the bottom of an upright without going into the net. Despite England's great improvement, Baddeley was by no means idle, for Walker tested him with a good shot after beating several opponents in a tricky run, and he also had to save a header from Brown. A pass by Leake went astray and was promptly taken up by Orr, the latter leading a spirited attack. England again had a look in and Raisbeck showed splendid judgment in heading a corner when Harris was about to shoot from short range. Blackburn, Leake, and Woodward indulged in a passing run, the amateur finally testing McBride. At length, after the second half had been in progress nineteen minutes, Bloomer scored the only goal of the match. The Derby County man, who had not played a very prominent part up to this point, was quick to seize his opportunity, but the goal was mainly due to a bad blunder by Watson. Harris and Blackburn had taken the ball along nicely, and from the latter's centre Watson appeared certain to clear He missed his kick completely, and Bloomer, with a clear opening, sent in a characteristic shot, the pace and direction of which gave McBride no possiable chance. An almost painful silence impressed one with the fact that the crowd took its disappointment very much to heart, but the Scottish players buckled to and made a gallant effort to get on terms. A one-handed save by Baddeley from Walker appeared a trifle lucky, the ball bouncing from the goalkeeper's hand to the cross-bar. A shot by Niblo was also cleared, while Orr just missed the mark through being tackled by Crompton when taking his aim. The Scottish attack was not long sustained, for England again assumed the upper hand and were unquestionably the better side in the closing stages. Harris shot against the side of the net, a further bad mistake by Watson gave Rutherford a chance. The latter was too slow, however, and allowed McBride to come out and secure the ball. Crompton followed a dropping shot on to the cross-bar by bringing down Niblo, strenuous appeals being made by Scotland for a penalty kick, but all in vain. Up to the finish Raisbeck was the hero of the Scottish defence, and it was mainly due to his intellectual play that England did not score again. As is happened, Bloomer's goal—"cheap" as it undoubtedly was—made history, England at length breaking through her spell of ill-success against the representatives of the Thistle.

RESULT

England	...	One goal
Scotland	...	Love

INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

	G.		G.
England	1	bt Scotland	0

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION 1.

Aston Villa	3	bt Blackburn Rovers ...	0
Notts Forest	1	bt Newcastle United ...	0
Small Heath	1	bt Derby County ...	0
Bury	1	bt Middlesbrough ...	1
Sheffield Wednesday ...	3	bt Sheffield United ...	0
Stoke	1	bt Everton	0
West Bromwich Albion ...	2	bt Manchester City ...	1

DIVISION 2.

Woolwich Arsenal ...	0	dr Preston North End ...	0
Lincoln City	0	bt Bolton Wanderers ...	0
Burslem Port Vale ...	3	bt Burton United ...	1
Barnsley	1	dr Burnley	1
Bristol City	2	bt Gainsborough Tr'ty ...	1
Manchester United ...	5	bt Blackpool	1
Stockport County ...	2	bt Chesterfield	0
Bradford City... ...	1	bt Grimsby Town ...	0
Glossop	5	bt Leicester Fosse ...	0

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE—DIVISION 1.

Queen's Park Rangers ...	1	dr Brighton and Hove Alb	1
Southampton	1	bt Brenford	0
Tottenham Hotspur ...	1	bt New Brompton ...	0
Millwall	1	bt Portsmouth ...	0
Reading — ...	1	bt Wellingborough ...	0
Fulham ...	2	bt Northampton ...	0
West Ham United ...	1	bt Kettering	0

DIVISION 2.

Wycombe Wanderers ...	1	dr Fulham Reserves ...	1
Southall	2	bt Southampton Reserves ...	0

THE MIDLAND LEAGUE.

Derby County Reserves ...	1	dr Doncaster Rovers ...	1
Rotherham	1	dr Sheffield Wednesday Rs	1
Chesterfield Reserves ...	0	dr Denaby United —	0
Grimsby Reserves ...	4	bt Hinckley	9
Worksop	1	dr Gainsborough Trin R ...	1
Newark	0	dr Whitwick	0
Thornhill United ...	2	bt Barnsley Reserves ...	0
Notts Forest Reserves ...	2	Gresley Rovers ...	1

THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

Plymouth Argyle ...	2	dr Bristol Rovers ...	2

THE MIDDLESEX SENIOR CUP—FINAL-REPLAYED TIE.

*Richmond Association ...	1	bt Shepherd's Bush ...	0

*On neutral ground at Hanwell.

THE LONDON SENIOR CUP—FINAL TIE.

†Leyton	1	bt Ilford	0

†Played on Essex County Ground, Leyton.

OTHER MATCHES.

Birmingham Juniors ...	2	bt Scottish Juniors ...	1
Corinthians	7	bt Slavia	1
Notts County	2	bt Clapton	0
Distillery	3	bt Sunderland	1

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	G.		G.
Liverpool ...	4	bt Bohemians ...	1
Glasgow Rangers	3	bt Glentoran ...	0
Chesham Generals	1	bt Maidenhead ..	0
Upton Park ..	9	bt Ramsgate St Georges	2
Hitchin Town...	0	dr Brentford Reserves	0
Casuals ...	4	bt Hampstead ...	1
Marlow ...	3	bt London Devonians	0
Beckenham ...	1	bt Eversleigh ...	1
Hastings ...	4	bt London Welsh	1
Tunbridge Wells Reserves	4	bt New Brompton Res	1
Gore Court ...	5	bt Rangers Reserves	1
Ramsgate ...	7	bt A S C ...	0
Gunnersbury ...	2	bt Grove House...	0
Felixstowe ...	3	bt Bury ...	1
Norfolks ...	2	bt Colchester ...	1
Bungay ..	4	bt Mutuals ...	0
Kirkley ...	2	bt Dragoons ...	0
Yarmouth ...	2	bt Ipswich	1
Colchester School ..	2	bt Ipswich Middle School	0
Coggeshall ...	2	bt Braintree ...	1
Halstead ..	2	bt Long Melford	0
Euneva ...	1	bt Norfolk United	1
Alleyn ...	1	dr Woking ..	2
Weybridge ...	3	bt Normanhurst Druids	0
Capital and Counties Bk	6	bt Reigate Priory Res	2
Old Portlonians	5	bt Marlborough Res	5
Union Bank of Scotland	6	bt Comptoir National	1
Old Citizens ...	6	bt Emeriti ...	1
Reigate Priory	4	bt Crouch End Vampires	1
Athenians ...	3	bt Eversleigh ..	1
Rushden Fosse	2	dr Higham Ferrers	2
Wellingboro Crusaders	2	bt Wellingboro White Cross	1

RUGBY RULES.

COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP.

KENT *vs.* DURHAM.—At Blackheath on Saturday, the 9th inst. Kent defeated Durham, the holders, by the narrow margin of two points. Winning the toss, the Durham captain naturally elected to take advantage of a stiffish breeze, and Hartley accordingly kicked off, Cox making a neat return. From the line out the visitors at once attacked, Taylor putting into Gibson's hands, but from the latter's punt the home forwards came away, and Hill, charging down a kick by Horsley and Elliott, in addition, mulling, Durham were placed on the defensive. Soon Livesay opened up, O'Brien, Dillon, and Morgan handling until Elliott, running across, held the little Welshman. However, led by Auton and Bradley, the Northern scrummagers, by a series of short rushes, won their way to the centre, and then Horsley, getting possession, kicked over the Kentish line. From the drop out the Cantab found touch nicely in the home "25" and from the ensuing "scrum" Taylor tried to force his way through, but Dillon checked, and Gibson touched down. Still Durham kept up the pressure O'Brien once saving cleverly after Gibson had been collared and lost possession in a Durham rush. After Elliott had failed with a drop, Knaggs passed out to Cox, who, in turn, gave to Taylor, and the latter presented Elliott with a distinct chance, but he failed to take hold. Taylor next essayed a drop, which was wide, following which two penalties against Joicey for "picking out" enabled Kent to make progress, and, thanks to sterling work by Scott, Hill, Hartley, and Rodgers, they advanced to the centre. A moment later Livesay had an opening but he could not break through, and, a fine run by Dillon, who transferred to O'Brien, was also cut short, the Guy's Hospita man being surely tackled by Taylor. From the next pack Morgan, with the ball at his feet, had a great opportunity, but before he could profit by it Clarkson deliberately held him, for which offence the referee awarded a penalty. Rogers took the shot, the ball travelling a few feet wide. At this stage the Kent forwards were repeatedly getting the ball in the pack. When his side was hotly pressed Knaggs was penalised for offside tactics, Rogers again shooting a foot or so outside the mark. After a temporary incursion into the Southern territory by Bradley, Knaggs, and Summerscales, the home scrummagers came away almost to the line, and only the determined collaring turned them back. Subsequently the visitors, headed by Auton and Bradley, rushed away, and getting through the three-quarters, Gibson only just saved the situation by running into touch at the corner flag. By some loose play the game swung over to the other corner, where Hogarth at length succeeded in scrambling over The place was entrusted to Taylor, who missed adding the full points. On resuming Joicey soon got hold, and Knaggs, Taylor, Elliott and Clarkson participated in a combined movement, cut short by the last-named knocking on the final pass. Hartley got mauled in a line out, but was soon able to resume. Kent now held the upper hand, but the defence was too safe, and at half-time the score stood.

Durham	One try
Kent	Nothing

On resuming, the first incident of note was the giving of a free against a Durham forward for offside, Rogers putting in a strong kick, which was neutralised by Horsley's clever return. From a pack at mid-field Livesay threw to Dillon, and the latter passed and ran clear until Gibson stayed his progress, not, however, before he had parted to Joicey, the half, in turn, being bowled over by Dillon, Carter next headed a dangerous rush, but again Dillon barred the way, and though Brown dribbled to neutral quarters, the Dunelmians in the loose resumed their aggressive tactics, and Elliott looked certain to get in, but fortunately for the Hop County he was dispossessed near the line, the ball being eventually kicked dead. In this mellee McEvedy was injured and retired, Newbold being taken out of the "scrum" to assist behind. Immediately afterwards Rogers came away with the ball at his feet, but after beating Horsely he had the mortification of seeing the leather roll out of bounds. With the return of McEvedy the home country, encouraged by partisan cheers, took up the attack, O'Brien made his mark favourably, but the wind diverted Rogers's shot for goal. Subsequently, from some loose exchanges near the centre, Taylor and Coran strongly, and the Sunderland man sent Clarkson in with a try, rather wide, which Taylor could not improve upon. With Durham holding a 6 points' lead, the home fifteen for a few minutes were obviously disheartened, but, soon "bucking up," Livesay, just outside the "25," set O'Brien and Dillon in motion. The Harlequin speedily transferred to Morgan, who, swerving past Horsely, got across, and then, dodging three or four opponents, safely grounded near the posts, amidst tremendous cheering. The place was an easy one, and Rogers, making no mistake, reduced the Kentish deficit to a single point. Restarting, Gowans Carter, R. Elliott having been foiled in a sturdy assault, Rogers again came through a loose pack with the ball at his toes. He managed to pick up whilst on the run, and gave Cave the chance to score, which he promptly accepted. It was a great effort on the part of the Heathen, and deserved to the full the recognition it received. Although Rogers failed to convert, it proved a winning score, as Kent quite held their own during the remaining ten minutes, during which period Dillon got "crocked" and Hartley did a clever piece of saving. At the sound of the final whistle the scores were :—

Kent	...	... One goal and one try (8 points)
Durham	...	... Two tries (6 points)

RUGBY UNION RULES.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.—FINAL.

	G.	T.		G.	T.
Kent (3) ...	1	1	bt Durham (6) ...	0	2

LEICESTER ROLLESTON CUP.—FINAL.

Belgrave (6) ...	0	2	bt Lutterworth ...	0	0

ORDINARY MATCHES.

Plymouth (24) ...	3	3	bt Exeter (11) ...	1	2
Manchester (29) ...	...		bt Presin Grsshprs(3) ...	0	1
Cheltenham (40) ...	...		bt Swindon (4) ...	—	
Penarth (12) ...	0	4	bt Gloucester ...	0	0
Bridgwater Albion(9)...	2	0	bt Northampton ...	0	0
Taunton (5) ...	1	0	bt Newton Abbot ...	0	0
Cardiff (24) ...	2	5	bt Leicester (6) ...	0	2
Swansea (19) ...	2	3	bt Bristol (3) ...	0	1
Neath (41) ...	1	7	bt Carmarthan (3) ...	0	1
Bristol North (6) ...	0	2	bt Bath ...	0	0
Newport (3) ...	0	1	dr Devonport Alb (3) ...	0	1
Birkenhead Park (84)	...		bt Headingley ...	0	0
Llanelly (3) ...	0	1	bt Maesteg ...	0	0
Northern (10) ...	2	0	bt Westoe (3) ...	0	1
Rockcliffe (6) ...	0	2	dr Hartlepool Rovrs (3)	0	1
West Hartlepool(11) ...	1	2	bt Durham City ...	0	0

*Game abandoned through snowstorm.

THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND TOUR.

It having been decided that the football team visiting Australia this summer shall also play matches in New Zealand, the Committee think it desirable to add to the number of the forwards. Before making the final selection from the names before them they wish to give other players, under the new circumstances, an opportunity of sending in their names if wishing to undertake the trip. The team will leave London on 11th May arriving home again about 24th October. Any forwards wishing to join the team should communicate with Mr. G. W. McArthur, 13, Silk-street, Cripplegate, E. C. so as to reach him not later than next Wednesday morning.

The following players have definitely accepted the Committee' invitation, while a few have not yet replied; W. Llewellyn, E. W. Baker, E. Morgan, F. C. Hulme, S. Mck Saunders D Dobson, R W. Edwards R. J. Rogers, C. D. Patterson, R. T. Gabe, A. R. O'Brien, P. F. McEvedy, Percy Bush D. N Bedell-Sivright, C. N. Crowther, S. Bevan, and D. H. Trail.

The New South Wales Union has already been cabled to respecting the visit to New Zealand.

RACQUETS.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP.

FIRST ROUND.

The championship of racquets among the public schools is always a highly popular event, and it was by no means surprising therefore, to find the gathering in the first court at the Queen's Club West Kensington, W., densely packed with interested and enthusiastic spectators when this season's competition opened on the 12th. The youthful element, of course, largely predominated, but there were also several ladies present, while among the gentlemen in attendance who have own renown in the athletic world in the past were: Messrs A. G. Steel, A. J. Webbe H K. Foster, W. H. Patterson, C. E. Horner C. H Wild, F. B. Wilson, Vane Pennell, F. H. Browning, E. B. Noel, C. R. Durant, Malcolm Roberts, R. H. Montmorency, H. M. Leaf, H. L. Doherty, H. S. Mahony, and C. J. B. Marriott. Thirteen schools entered for the championship this year, one more than last spring. Radley having dropped out while Haileybury and Rossall came in; Clifton, Malvern, Marlborough, Charterhouse, Winchester Harrow, and Rugby were all enabled to include old choices, and Rugby and Winchester proved especialy fortunate in still having the assistance of both the boys who played last season. At the last moment, Charterhouse had to substitute E. de Neufville for C. A. L Payne, who is down with influenza. Wellington, Harrow (the holders), and Rugby receive byes, and the five matches comprising the first round all turned out extremely one-sided affairs. Malvern, Eton, and Marlborough secured love victories, but, taken all round, the form displayed hardly came up to expectation. Foster, after a slow start, did better later on, and the Eton pair had little to beat in Rossall. Astor, however possesses an extremely useful service. On the day's play, Marlborough and Winchester probably created the best impression. The duties of umpires and referee were divided during the afternoon between Messrs. Noel, Durant, Montmorency. Browning, and Leaf, and Holden and Dooley marked the games. Details:

Wellington college (H Broughan and G. C. Drysdall) a bye.

Malvern College (G. N. Foster and A. P Day) beat Clifton College (A. H Crew and G. T. C. Watt) by four games to love (15—10, 18—13, 15—1, and 15—6) 63 aces to 37.

Day started, and, after five small hands, the Cliftonians drew ahead with runs of two and three. Foster at length got in, and mainly by an effective drop service, made it "6 all," and even pegging ensued until Clifton led at 10—8. Foster than went to game with a sequence of seven (six by service), but on resuming Clifton, thanks to some excellent returns by Watt, more than held their own for a long time. The game was set to five at "13 all," and Foster, putting out Crew with a beautiful smash, ran out (four by service) At the third meeting, Foster went clean away with hands of five and six, and, Crew only scoring once for Clifton, the Malvern pair took the third game at 15—1. On starting again, Foster displayed his best form, after Clifton had the advantage at four love. Serving splendidly, Foster made a sequence of twelve, and won the match at 15—6. Time, 33mins.

Eton College (J. J. Astor and J. Steel) beat Rossall School (J. N G. Johnson and F. H. Mugliston) by four games to love (15—8, 15—3, 15—4, and 15—0), 60 aces to 15.

The Etonians had the advantage in size and throughout quite outclassed their rivals. Steel's first hand realised eight, and, although the Rossalians each contributed three, Astor went out at 15—8. Resuming, Astor made his sequence to seventeen (fourteen by service), and the Light Blues easily secured the second game. The two subsequent meetings saw Astor carry everything before him, and he scored all the necessary thirty aces himself, making sequences of fourteen and fifteen, twenty-five in all by service. Time, 17mins.

Marlborough College (H. M. Butterworth and W. G. M. Pound) beat Cheltenham College (A. G. N. Belfield and A. L. E. Nixon) by four games to love (15—0, 15—7, 15—3, and 15—5), 60 aces to 15.

The Marlborough boys, who were both taller than their opponents, carried all before them at the start, and made the first a love game, the principal features being sequences of five by Pound and seven by Butterworth, all mainly by service. At the second meeting Cheltenham did better, but still could not cope with the superior class of the Marlburians, for whom Butterworth was continually prominent. The latter made runs of five twice, and Marlborough took the second game at 15—7. Butterworth and Pound practically did as they liked the third meeting, while at the fourth the best thing done for Cheltenham was a hand of four by Belfield. Time, half an hour.

Carterhouse School (J. N. Buchanan and E. de Neufville) beat Tonbridge School (N. L. Colley and W. M. Heald) by four games to one (15—8, 15—10, 15—9, 9—15, and 15—7) 69 aces to 44.

Neufville opened in brilliant fashion, and at his third hand ran out at 15—8, with a sequence of eleven (six by service). Continuing Neufville went to five love, but subsequently Tonbridge thanks to capital work by Colley, offered a stubborn resistance and were only beaten at 15—10. The third meeting saw the pair well-matched for a long time, and Tonbridge once led at 8—6. Buchanan soon drew level, and Neufville ran out at 15—9 with a sequence of five. Colley and Heald made a grand effort to improve their position on resuming runs of five coming from the latter and four by the former, and, the Carthusians, getting a bit slack, they lost the fourth game by 9—15. The fifth game was called "6 all" and "7 all," but then the Charterhouse pair went away and secured the match at 15—7. Time, 40 min.

Winchester College (Hon. C. N. Bruce and E. L. Wright) beat Haileybury College (G. N Bignell and S. Buckley) by four games to one (15—1, 15—7, 11—15, 15—2, and 15—6), 71 aces to 31.

Runs of ten by Bruce (nine by service) and five by at Wright enabled Winchester to take the opening game at 15—1, while the second saw Wright tack on ten aces—all by service. Haileybury pulled up a little, but were beaten again. On resuming, the Wykehamists led at 10—8, but then Buckley got in a fine run of six, and pulled the third game out of the fire. Runs of seven by Wright and six by Bruce marked the opening of the fourth game, which Winchester captured at 15—2, while the latter pair won the fifth and decider after a series of very fine rallies, in which Bignell distinguished himself. Time, 29 minutes.

Harrow School (holders) (L. M. McLean and St. J. F. Wolton) bye.

Rugby School (K. M. Agnew and K. Powell) a bye.

SECOND ROUND.

The continuation of the Public School Racquets Championship, on the 13th instant, attracted one of the largest crowds ever seen in the gallery of the first court at the Queen's Club, West Kensington, W. Every coign of vantage was occupied by an enthusiastic spectator, and all the onlookers followed the play with the most intense interest. Several ladies graced the proceedings with their presence, and among the many gentlemen distinguished in the world of athletics in attendance were noticed Messrs. A. J. Webbe, H. K. Foster, W. I. Foster, E. W. Bury, R. H. Montmorency, E. B. Noel, H. M. Leaf, W. H. G. Price, C. R. Durant, F. Dames Longworth, C. B. Wild, W. J. H. Curwen, H. S. Mahony, M. C Kemp, Malcolm Roberts, E. H. Leaf, M. J. G. Ritchie, and C. J. B Marriott. Four matches were set for decision in the second round and all these resulted pretty much in accordance with anticipations excepting the final one. Malvern, for whom G. N Foster displayed splendid form, beat Wellington a love match, Eton were outclassed by the very fine Marlborough pair; Winchester experienced little difficulty in disposing of the hard hitting Charterhouse couple (also a love match) but it came as a surprise when it was seen that Harrow could not hold their own with Rugby, the dark blues failing to win a single game Harrow had held the Championship for the last two years and last spring defeated Rugby in the final by four games to two. Yesterday, however, the Rugby pair, both of whom represented the School last season, played brilliant racquets and beat their opponents at all points. Agnew was especially good and he has a capital partner in Powell, the latter a left-handed player possessing a decidedly useful service. Messrs. Webbe, H. K Foster, Noel, H. M. Leaf, Dames Longworth and Durant shared the umpire and referee duties and the games played under perfect conditions as regards light were marked alternately by Dooley and Holden. Details.

Malvern College (G. N. Foster and A. P. Day) beat Wellington College (H. Broughan and G. C. Drysdall) by four games to love (15—5, 15—8, 15—5, and 18—13), 63 aces to 31 (Foster 34, Day 29, Drysdall 17, and Broughan 14)

Day started, but Wellington forged ahead first, only to find Foster immediately draw level by service at 3 all. Small hands followed, until Wellington led at 5—4, and then Foster scored thrice and Day ran out with a sequence of eight (seven by service). Resuming, Day increased his run by five (four service) and by small hands the Malvernian reached 10 love before Drysdall got in and contributed a nice sequence of six (five by service). Broughan made it 8—10, but Foster in two hands contributed the remaining five aces and Malvern were two games up At the third meeting the Malvernians led at 7—5 after fifteen small hands, but then Foster, serving excellently, scored six, and, following four more innings, Malvern took the third game. Wellington played up pluckily on continuing, Day obtained a good lead at 5—1, but Broughan and Drysdall gradually drew up and possessed the advantage at 13—10. Foster equalised, and the game was set to five at "13 all" Foster increased his sequence of three to seven, and Day secured the remaining ace, Malvern winning the match by four games to love. Time—38mins.

Marlborough College (H. M. Butterworth and W. G. M. Pound) beat Eton College (J. J. Astor and J. Steel) by four games to one (15—5, 15—7, 15—12, 15—18, and 15—9), 75 aces to 51 (Pound 39, Butterworth 36, Astor 31 and Steel 20)

Unproductive hands by Astor and Butterworth marked the commencement, but then the letter took a strong lead for Marlborough with a sequence of six. Pound made it 10 love, but the Etonians replied well and reduced their deficit by half. They got no further, however, for subsequently Pound, by means of effective out-serving, compiled a run of four and won the first game for the Marlburians. On resuming Marlborough soon took a good lead at 7—2, but then Astor drew level, only to see Pound go right out with a fine hand of eight (six by service.) The Etonians made a gallant effort at the third meeting, and runs of six and four by Astor enabled the light blues to be well ahead at 12—7. Butterworth at length get in and ran out with a sequence of seven. A great struggle ensued in the fourth game, which, after twenty-one small hands, was set to five of "13 all." Butterworth went to 2 love, and then Steel ran out with a sequence of five (four by service.) On continuing Pound with six and Butterworth with four, soon opened out a strong advantage and the Etonians were never able to get on terms. Time—15mins.

Winchester College (Honbls. C. N. Bruce and E. L. Wright) beat Charterhouse School (J. N. Buchanan and E. de Neufville) by four games to love (15—12, 15—8, 15—12, and 15—7.) 60 aces to 39 (Wright 37, Bruce 23, Neufville 28, and Buchanan 11.)

Wright second hand produced six (five by service) and Bruce made it 11—2 in favour of the Wykehamists. Neufville, then drew up, mainly by hard serving with a sequence of seven only to see Wright go out at his next innings. The Carthusians were level at five in the second game, but subsequently Winchester forged right away. Wright doing a lot of capital serving. At the third meeting Charterhouse, thanks to splendid work by Neufville, kept their opponents on the stretch, and once led at 9—5. Wright at length got going and went to 13—9 with a sequence of six, while Bruce won the game at 15—12 by means of a great kill stroke in the corner. On resuming, a run of seven by Bruce was responded to by five from Neufville. Wright followed with five, and then went out a 15—7. Time—36mins.

Rugby School (K. M. Agnew and K. Powell) beat Harrow School (holders) (L. M. McLean and St. J. F. Wolton) by four games to love (15—4, 15—7, 15—8, and 15—4), 60 aces to 30 (Agnew 35, Powell 25, McLean and Wolton 10 each.)

McLean started with one, but Agnew soon equalised, and subsequently Rugby were always in front. Hands generally ruled small, and the light blues took the first game at 15—4. Harrow did better on resuming, but a sequence of six by Agnew placed Rugby well ahead again, while later on the same player made the second game practically safe with another run of half a dozen. At the third meeting Harrow once led at 7—4, but then Agnew registered seven and ran out again with three Seven hands resulted in "1 all" being called in the fourth game and subsequently the Harrovians never got another chance Agnew put on four and his partner went right out with a brilliant sequence of ten (six by service). Time—35mins.

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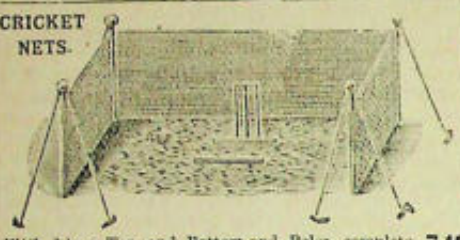
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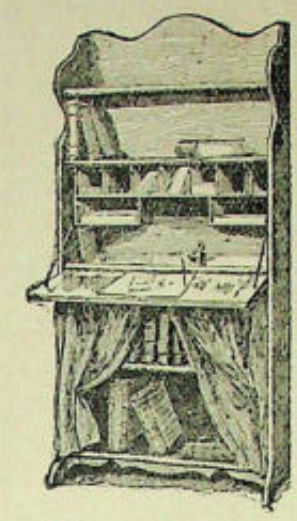
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SEMI-FINAL ROUN.

The gallery in the first court at the Queen's Club, West Kensington, W., was again crowded to excess yesterday afternoon, when the semi-final round of the Public Schools Racquets Championship came up for decision. Interested and enthusiastic spectators occupied every inch of space from which a view of the proceedings could be obtained, and among those present were noticed Rev. L. J. Percival, Major Lyon, Messrs. E. T. Gurdon, M. C. Kemp, J. R. Mason, A. J. Webbe, H. K. Foster, W. L. Foster, G. J. V. Weigall, F. B. Wilson, R. H. de Montmoreney, Vane Pannell, F. H. Browing, F. Dames Longworth, E. B. Noel, C. R. Durant, Malcolm Roberts, E. C. Bambridge, and C. J. B. Marriott. The four schools left in were Malvern, Marlborough, Winchester and Rugby, and somewhat contrary to expectations, the match between the first-named pairs resulted in a love triumph for the Malvernians. G. H. Foster played magnificent racquets, and quite out-classed the other three players, both at serving and knowledge of the game. Day seconded his first string excellently, but Pound proved a disappointed partner for Butterworth. A great surprise was caused when Winchester rather easily beat Rugby, who defeated the last holders, Harrow, on Wednesday. Rugby started off at a tremendous pace, but failed to sustain the effort, Agnew especially being off colour. Wright was in splendid form, but Bruce probably gave the most stylish exhibition of the day. Messrs. Dames Longworth, H. K. Foster, Kemp, Webbe, and Browning undertook the official duties, and Dooley and Holden marked and called the scores. Details:—

Malvern College (G. N. Foster and A. P Day) beat Marlborough College (H. M. Butterworth and W. G. M. Pound) by four games to love (18—16, 15—9, 15—9 and 15—6), 63 aces to 40 (The aces were scored by Foster 37, Day 26, Butterworth 23, and Pound 17.)

Day failed at the opening but three by Butterworth and a single by his partner enabled Marlborough to soon lead at 4—0. Foster then got in and compiled a sequence of eleven (five by service) before being put out by Pound. Splendid work by Butterworth enabled Marlborough to gradually creep up, and the game was set to five at 13 all. Butterworth and Pound went to 3 love, but Foster equalised, and Day ran out at 18—16. Nine small hands at the second meeting saw Marlborough well ahead at 6—2, but Foster's brilliant efforts speedily equalised matters, while soon afterwards the same player went to 11—9 with a sequence of five, leaving Day to go out with four. Continuing, Day made his run to nine, but four by Butterworth and three by Pound (all the seven but one by service) carried Marlborough to 7—5. Subsequently Malvern went clean away and took the third game at 15—9. Six barren hands marked the beginning of the fourth game, but, following a couple of fine scoring services by Foster, the Malvern second string got in and put in a splendid sequence of eight. Small hands followed, and eventually Foster ran out at 15—6, and Malvern won the match by four games to love. Time—40mins.

Winchester College (Hon'ble C. N. Bruce and E. L. Wright) beat Rugby School (K. M. Agnew and K. Powell) by four games to two (3—15, 15—12, 15—5, 15—2, 3—15 and 15—8), 66 aces to 57, (Wright 36, Bruce 30, Agnew 10, and Powell 17).

Agnew commenced brilliantly with a sequence of eight (five by service) at his first hand, Winchester having no luck and Rugby took the opening game easily. Continuing to display admirable form, Rugby reached 7 love at the second meeting, but then Winchester, who had been hitting much too high, settled down, and a fine sequence of nine by Wright carried the Dark Blues to the front. Bruce made it 12—7, and after some small hands Wright went out and equalised the game. Rugby seemed all abroad during the succeeding two games, which Winchester won at 15—5 and 15—2, the features being runs of six and four by Wright five and four by Bruce, but when all seemed nearly lost Rugby, chiefly through Pounds effective left-handed serving, pulled up a bit, and secured the fifth game at 15—8, Pound contributing a sequence of six in this. On resuming small hands were the order until the maker called "6 all," and then Bruce took the lead with a hand of three. A similar number came from Wright, and then a further run of three by Bruce carried Winchester into the final with a victory by four games to to two. Time—55mins.

ATHLETICS.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

Officials: Referee, Mr. T. M. Abraham; judges (running) Messrs C. C. Harvey, T. Lonsdale, Gordon C. Innes and H. A. Butler; (walking) Messrs G. Duxfield, H. P. Ellis, T. B. Fiddian, and J. E. Fowler-Dixon; standard judges, Messrs J. Waring and A. T. Shingler; timekeepers, Messrs J. H. Hardwick, C. Wheelwright, and J. E. Fowler-Dixon; standard timekeeper, Mr. A. Fattorini; starter, Mr. C. H. Gogle.

Unfortunately for the success of the ten-mile flat and seven-mile walking championships at Rochdale, on Saturday, the weather was most unpropitious. Rain fell all the morning, and though the afternoon opened fine a heavy snowstorm fell before the close of the proceedings. The attendance naturally suffered, and the gate-money amounted to only a little over £30. A strong wind blew dead up the back straight, and this, of course, militated against good times. Of the twenty-six entrants in the ten-mile championship, all but three, *viz.*, S. H. Day (Birchfield), J. W. Daniel (Rochdale), and T. Hossack (Crewe) turned out, but the event was a one-man affair all through. No one could live with Shrubb, who dropped Butterfield at a mile, and at five miles and a half had lapped everybody else in the race. He won finally by 600 yards, a distance which he could easily increase. The time was 54min 30⅘secs, the slowest accomplished in the race for the past seven years Naturally, Shrubb's hollow win robbed the race of much of its interest, but there was a rousing battle for second honours, in which Roberts just failed to beat Butterfield by a yard. J. D. Marsh, the Salford veteran did an excellent performance in finishing fourth, and his form since January has been of a very fine order indeed. The standard was fixed at 56mins 30secs., and only half a dozen got within this time, whilst only two competitors qualified for the smaller bronze token for getting within 58min. and outside the standard. There were two absentees from the twenty entrants in the walk, these being Learby, a local man, and George Deyermond the Irishman, who won the two-mile championship a few years ago. Butler, the holder, though not very well competed, but was hopelessly out of it from the start and retired early on. The winner, G. E. Larner, of Brighton won in magnificent style in 54mins. 57⅘secs. a time which has only been beaten four times previously in the race. The performance speaks volumes for Larner's ability, and, as he walks with the utmost fairness, he should retain his new honour for some years. All the first four beat the standard time of 57mins 30secs., and seven got within the secondary standard of 59mins. Altogether, the gathering was, despite the weather, a pronounced success, for the entries were record ones and the arrangements excellent. Details.

TEN-MILE CHAMPIONSHIP.

		M.	S.
1 A Shrubb (holder), South London H	...	54	30⅘
2 G Butterfield, Darlington H	...	55	55½
3 J Roberts, Sefton H ...	...	55	55⅗
4 J D Marsh Salford H ...	...	56	14
5 G Whiston, Crewe H ...	...	56	23
6 C J Straw, Warmington A C	...	56	29⅘
7 F W Webber, Crewe H...	...	56	52
8 G W Wasnidge, Hallamshire H	...	57	55
9 E Aspinhall, Crewe H ...	...	58	16
10 E Gardner, Brighton and County H	...	58	23
11 A Arbluster Birchfield H	...	58	23½
12 W Birtles, Hallamshire H	...	58	50
13 A Johnson, Salford H ...	...	59	26½
14 P Fell, Airedale H ...	...	59	38⅘
15 H G Dawson, Middleton H	...	59	58⅘
16 L Atkinson, Airdale H ...	...	62	25

Also ran: E Watson, Salford H.; J. H. Monk, Broughton H and A. C; J. Faulkner, Rochdale, H.; A Holt Rochdale H.; S Sculley, Oldham United H.; G W. Marsh, Manchester H.; and G Bradford, Small Heath H.

SEVEN-MILE WALKING CHAMPIONSHIP.

		M.	S.
1 G E Larner, Brighton and County H	...	52	57⅘
2 F T Carter, Queen's Park H.	...	55	37
3 W Martindale, London Polytechnic	...	56	18
4 J McLachlan, Liverpool H and A C	...	57	13½
5 J W Cole London Polytechnic	...	57	55
6 S S Winterbottom, Salford H ...	...	57	57
7 G W Mawson, Hallamshire H	...	58	59⅘
8 W H E Smith, Birchfield H ...	...	59	1⅘
9 C L Taws, North Sheilds W C ...	...	60	23
10 N J T Moses, Newport H ...	...	60	44
11 F W N Chester, Lancashire W C ...	...	60	54½
12 W Pitt Crusaders A C ...	...	60	57½
13 G Ellson, Crewe H	...	60	48⅘

Also competed: J. Coates, Broughton H and A. C; J. J. Meakin, Bradford A. C; H. P. Brayshaw, Airedale, H. J. W. Farraday, Waterfoot; and J. Butler (holder), London Polytechnic.

GOLF.

EDINBURGH ACADEMICALS *vs.* FETTESIAN-LORETTONIANS.—Two years ago a successful inter-club match, under the above title brought together strong teams and, following upon the F. L. meeting at Muirfield on Friday, Saturday was to have been devoted to a second match between teams of old pupils of Edinburgh Academy on one hand, and of the two great Scottish public schools on the other. Each set of players boasted an ex-amateur champion, and several players of note, and the match would have been of exceptional interest had not storm of wind, rain, and snow, which swept across the South of Scotland, been so pronounced at Gullane, as to bring play to an end with the eleven singles played. In these the Balfour-Melvilles, father and sons, were somewhat badly beaten, and though B. N. Johnston beat the F. L. medallist of the previous day, J. P. Joff, and J. T Gillespie, the Scottish Rugby half-back, and A. G. Tait won from their strong opponents. The Accademicals finished ten holes down, the register being.

FETTESIAN-LORETTONIANS.	Hls.	ACADEMICALS.	Hls.
J E Laidlay ...	... 5	*vs.* L M Balfour-Melville ...	0
E D Prothero ..	... 0	*vs.* J I Gillespie	... 5
G L Dalziel ...	... 0	*vs.* A G Tait ...	... 1
G V M Boyd ...	... 4	*vs.* J I Balfour-Melville	... 0
J P Jopp ...	... 0	*vs.* R H Johnston	... 2
Stuart Paton ...	... 0	*vs.* A G Thomson	... 1
H F Caldwell ...	... 5	*vs.* J E Balfour-Melville	... 0
J H Aitken ...	... 0	*vs.* W R Cook ...	... 4
K M Millar ...	... 5	*vs.* R C Kirkwood	... 0
G F Dalziel ...	... 1	*vs.* J C Murray...	... 0
F Aitchison ...	... 3	*vs.* A Anderson...	... 0
Total ...	... 23	Total ...	... 13

BARRISTERS AT PLAY.—The first match between the barristers of England and Ireland was played on the Formby links. The members of the Irish Bar are in large force on Dollymount and Portmarnock, and in response to the invitation of the English Bar a very powerful team was brought together, the Hon'ble E. Gibson (Dollymount record holder), and Boyd, an ex-Irish champion, being in the number. The match was a great success, and although England won over both singles and foursomes, the result reflects credit on the Irishmen, who have not the same immense field to draw upon. The weather in the morning was stormy, but in the afternoon there was little wind.

SINGLES.

BAR GOLFING SOCIETY.		IRISH BAR.	
H W Beveridge ...	1	Hon Edward Gibson ...	0
T Mansfield Hunter ...	1	W H Boyd	0
E G Ran	1	Cecil Barcroft	0
R H Dun	1	David Christie... ...	0
J Crabb Watt	1	D M Wilson	0
L Mossop	1	E K Figgis	1
D Stephens	0	J H Pigot	1
A Substitute	0	G C Greene	—
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FOURSOMES.

Beveridge and Rand ...	1	Gibson and Barcroft ...	0
Hunter and Dun ...	1	Christie and Wilson ...	0
Watt and Mossop ...	0	Boyd and Figgis ...	1
Stephens and A Substitute	1	Pigot and Greene ...	0
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The Bar Golfing Society thus won by 6 points, totalling nine matches to three.

GYMNASTICS.

INTERNATIONAL GYMNASTICS.

The championship competitions took place at Newport on Saturday in the presence of a large crowd, which followed with the closest interest the different items. The competitors were teams representing England, Scotland, and Wales. Ireland did not send a team this year, and Wales, the youngest of the gymnastic association had to draw upon the famous Newport club for five out of six of its team. The judges were Messrs. E. Rogers (England), W. Miller (Scotland), and H. A. Huxtable (Wales.) England took the lead on the horizontal bar by 4 points over Scotland, Wales being a long way in arrear. On the rings England advanced 2 points, whilst Wales fell still further behind. In the rope-climbing, Scotland, the holders of the championship, gradually gained on England, and in the end won by just under 5 points. Wales made her best show on the rope, only being slightly behind Scotland. Scores :—

ENGLAND.

Horizontal.

	Bar.	Rings.	Rope	Ttl.
S Hodgetts, Dolobran A C ...	12 1-3 ...	15½ ...	9 5-6 ...	37 2-3
B Cotterill, Dolobran ...	11 1-6 ...	17 ...	9 5-6 ...	38
J C Collins, Halifax ...	15 ...	16 1-6	9½ ...	39 2-3
W Greenwood, Halifax ...	9 1-3 ...	12 5-6	10 2-3 ...	32 5-6
M Lysall, Birmnghm A I ...	15 6-6 ...	15 2-3	9 ...	41½
W Manning Northampton Campton Inst., London ...	12 1-3 ...	13 1-3	10½ ...	36 1-6
Totals ...	77	89½	59 1-3	225 5-6

SCOTLAND.

J A Spalding, Leith ...	13½ ...	13 1-6 ...	13 ...	39 2-3
P Watson, Dundee ...	17 1-3 ...	12½ ...	11½ ...	41 1-3
M Gray, Leith ...	14 1-3 ...	13 ...	13 1-3 ..	40½
J Gordon, Glasgow ...	12 1-3 ...	17 2-3 ...	12 2-3 ...	42 2-3
W Deans, Glasgow ...	14 ...	13 ...	10½ ...	42½
J Sproul, Glasgow ...	5 2-3 ...	13 1-6 ...	8 5-6 ...	29 2-3
Totals ...	73	87½	69 5-6	230 1-3

WALES.

R E Parry, Newport...	6 2-3 ...	12 1-6 ...	13 ...	31 5-6
T White, Newport ...	9 5-6 ...	17 ...	11 ...	37 5-6
F Jarvis, Cardiff ...	9½ ...	7 1-6 ...	10½ ...	27 1-6
J R Lloyd, Newport	11 1-6 ...	12 1-3 ...	10 ...	33 3-6
W J Perret, Newport	11 1-3 ...	9 2-3 ...	10 1-6 ...	31 1-6
J C Huxtable, Newport	13 5-6 ...	13 ...	11 1-3 ...	38 1-6
Totals ...	62 1-3	71 1-3	66	199 2-3

BOXING.

THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

The Easter holidays over, boxing was resumed at headquarters on the 11th instant, where Manager Bettinson put forward a long programme of events with a fifteen-round contest between Young Jim Hook, a son of the once well-known feather-weight, Bill Hook, and Sapper Morgan three times light-weight champion of the Army as the chief attraction. The card also contained a six round bout between Charley Oliver, of Shoreditch, and Darkey Berwicke, of Camberwell, a couple of "trials" and a competition open to novices at any weight. Additional interest was centtesed in the last-named event owing to the fact that two soldiers, Pte. McLaughlin, of the Irish Guards, and Pte. Casling, of the 2nd Grenadiers, who had met in a final at Aldershot on Friday night were among the number entered. At the display referred to the men fought out the final, and, following a final battle, McLaughlin gained the vote of the referee after a disagreemnet on the part of the judges. Last night the two had again to contest the decider at headquarters, the soldier proving themselves the better of the eight selected to do battle. This time the officials were not called upon, as Casling, landing a rare thump on the mark, defeated his opponent in the second round. Berwicke gained a somewhat unexpected victory over Oliver, as after the last-named had nearly put his man out of court in the opening round, he himself succumbed in the second. Hook and Morgan were matched for fifteen rounds at 10st, stakes of £25 aside being as issue, in addition to a purse given by the management of the National. Scaling at eight o'clock Morgan went 9st 11lbs to the 9st 12lbs of his opponent. Nearly of the same height the men offered a contrast in the matter of build, Morgan, who started favourite at 6 to 4, being of the loosely framed order, with Hook muscular and shapely put together. A neat and skilful contest, fought out on clever and for quite a time on particularly cautious lines, the affair, if rather slow during the early stages, was always full for interest. Hook, who has his father's style even to a feint, relied chiefly on a straight left, while Morgan was more robust with hard and effective two-handed work. As stated, Morgan opened favourite, and for the first half-dozen rounds he showed to slight advantage. Hook, who had so far made little use of himself, then became more aggressive and, improving in his boxing, he drew on his opponent, with the result at the end of the twelfth round it was a case of even money. The further Hook went the better he boxed, and showing excellent generalship and sound defence, he retained his form to the end and scored a popular and hard-earned victory.

The officials were : Referee, Mr John H. Douglas ; judges for the competition, Messrs G. N. Hall-Say and E. Zerega ; time-keeper, Mr. W. Fulcher ; and M.C. Mr. Bettinson.

FIFTEEN ROUND CONTEST.

Jim Hook (Billingsgate) beat Sapper Morgan (light-weight champion of the Army).—The soldier had behind him Bill Baxter and Dick Dean, while Hook's wants were seen to by George Cunningham, Arthur Guttridge, and his uncle, Jim Hook. A good deal of caution was exercised on both sides, neither man at the start appearing in the least inclined to throw a chance away. Feinting and dodging in and out of distance were the order, and only once in the first round did the men exchange blows of any weight or effect. Facing each other again Hook drove the lef on the face, and later in a rally Morgan put both hands on the head, while just as the gong went he landed hard on the body. Morgan was more aggressive when they came together for the third time, and, putting a fair amount of power behind his blows, he scored on both head and body. The next two rounds were contested on similar lines: in fact, the fighting did not commence until the sixth. Hook here made more use of himself, while Morgan who had shown perhaps to slight advantage, adopted some peculiar tactics in the way of "low diving" Frequently he ducked as the other man came in until his head was on a level with Hook's knees, and in this way he twice narrowly escaped committing a foul. In the eight round, or at least half way throught, Morgan crowded in a lot of useful work after he had got ruled by reason of a flush left that Hook put on the mouth The soldier delived with considerable power, especially on the body, but Hook made up for some lost ground by boxing better in the ninth round than he had done so far during the contest. Hitting straight and clean he got home some very fine lefts on the face, and once Morgan came to his knees The soldier was quickly on his feet again, slashing away left and right, while Hook once more brought the left into play. Twice Morgan just missed the point, and then feeling the effects, no doubt, of his hard work, he slowed down somewhat. Hook, on the other hand, kept pegging away at the head, landing and showing a clever defence. In the last two rounds Morgan tried all he knew to get the right home, but Hook was equal to the occasion, and at the end of a close set-to the verdict went his way.

THE WEASEL.

Polo.

CHEAPENING POLO PONIES.

THE Honorary Secretary of the Indian Polo Association has forwarded the following contribution to the discussion now going on anent this matter :—

General Haig's proposals for reducing the price of polo ponies will be read with the greatest interest by a large majority of polo players in India, who will be grateful to him for the immense amount of trouble he has taken in grappling with a very difficult and, apparently, a very burning question.

Personally, I see no necessity for the introduction of rules on the subject. That, however, is not to the point : the question requires a solution, and a discussion has been invited in which I hope many will join.

The proposals as they stand at present will have an unduly harsh effect on two main classes of players, those who want to sell their ponies and those who want to keep them. This has been well pointed out by "Watchman" in the *Pioneer*. The first class consists of those men of slender means who are only able to exist as tournament players by purchasing raw ponies, training them, and, eventually, selling them to rich men at a considerable profit. It is, I believe, a very large class; nearly all polo playing regiments in the Indian Army, as well as a good many in the English Army who have regimental polo clubs, may be said to belong to it. The second class is a smaller one, but it is by no means unimportant, it deserves encouragement and it will be harder hit even than the first, for it consists of those men who buy raw ponies, train them themselves and then *keep* them.

It will be impossible to frame rules which are deliberately intended to reduce the price of ponies, and which will at the same time satisfy the first class. Nevertheless, it would be a pity to put too heavy a handicap on players, whose horsemanship alone provides the means for indulging in a useful though expensive game. I venture, therefore, to suggest the following slight alteration to General Haig's proposals, which I think will soften the blow to the first class, and entirely satisfy the second :—

RULES.

I. All ponies at present in possession of regiments, clubs or individual players to be registered on some date to be fixed hereafter and a descriptive list sent to the Honorary Secretary, I P. A. These ponies will belong to Class D for the rest of their existence.

II. All ponies bought or otherwise acquired, after the above fixed date, will be classed as follows :—

Class A. All ponies that have not played in any *open tournament*.

Class B. All ponies that have played in any open tournament but have not changed owners since their entry into this class. All ponies of Class A shall be considered to belong to Class B from the first moment of their playing in any open tournament; and the names and calendar numbers of such ponies shall be sent to the Honorary Secretaty, I. P. A., for registration immediately after the final tie of such tournament.

Class C. All ponies of Class B shall belong to Class C immediately they change owners, and it shall be the duty of both buyer and seller to inform the Honorary Secretary, I. P. A, of the change of class. In other words a pony can never lose his maiden as Class B, so long as he remains the property of the owner, who originally played him in his first open tournament.

III. No pony that is sold by his owner to a member of the same regiment, to which he belongs, or of the same combination of units, allowed to play in an open tournament as a regiment, shall be considered to have changed owners.

IV. Not more than eighteen ponies shall be played by any team in any open tournament ; all of these may belong to Class A., B. or D., but not more than six shall belong to Class C, except in the championship tournament which shall have no restrictions as to class of ponies.

V. The purchase of Class B ponies by a regiment during the first 12 months after its arrival in India shall not involve their removal to Class C but no regiment shall be eligible to compete in any tournament held out of the "command" during its first year of service in India.

VI. For purposes of these rules an "open" tournament shall be defined as follows :—"An open tournament is a tournament in which teams may compete irrespectively of the locality where they reside, or are quartered, and in which there are no restrictions as to seniority in army rank or to polo experience of players."

I hope that these proposals, if they come into force as rules, will have a tendency to encourage all players to buy raw ponies and train them themselves.

Rule I is practically the same as General Haig's, but I have suggested that all present existing polo ponies in India shall be put in a class by themselves, and have called it Class D. This will obviate any inconvenience in the future as the class will eventually die out.

Rule II. In Class A I have omitted the word "untrained" which occurs in General Haig's rule and added the word "open" before tournament. This will enable players to train polo ponies, play them in closed tournaments and so command a reasonable price for them. It will not be so high a price as they can obtain now, but should be sufficient to enable them to keep up their tournament polo.

My suggestions for Classes B and C are made to enable a player to keep his good ponies and to continue playing them in all sorts of tournaments. Rule III will make it possible to keep good polo ponies in a regiment. Most officers of the Indian Army have to sell their polo ponies when they go Home on furlough, and they would rather sell them in their own regiments than outside. It is only the few very exceptional ponies that will in future command high prices under these rules: a tolerably good pony of Class B, whose purchase involves registration in Class C, will fetch *nothing*, but a regiment will always be glad to give a reasonable figure for a tolerably good pony that can remain in Class B.

Rule IV is much the same as General Haig's. I have enlarged it to include all open tournaments. In do not think there is any necessity for allowing more than eighteen ponies even in the championship ; but I think it will be very difficult to make any restrictions as to class in the latter.

Rule V is the same as General Haig's but the wording has been changed to suit my other alterations.

Rule VI. The question "What is an open tournament ?" came up at the meeting of the I. P. A. at Meerut last month, and it was decided that no definition was necessary. In drawing up a proposed rule for the removal of a pony from Class A to Class B, I felt that the expression "any tournament," which occurs in General Haig's rule would be too severe on players who wish and are even obliged to sell their ponies. I, therefore, tried to make a list of tournaments which no pony could play in without losing "A" classification. It is beyond my power to make a satisfactory list, so I have used the expression "open tournament" and endeavoured to define it. It is for others to say whether the definition will answer the purpose.

THE YEAR'S RESULTS.

THE following are the results of the tournaments played in India from 1st May 1903 to 30th April 1904.

OOTACAMUND TOURNAMENT.—Government House beat 4th Hussars by 4 goals and 1 subsidiary to 2 subsidiaries.

BERESFORD TOURNAMENT.—Viceroy's Staff beat Commander-in-Chief's Staff by 7 goals and 8 subsidiaries to 2 subsidiaries.

BANGALORE HANDICAP TOURNAMENT.—Captain Peel's team beat Queen's Own Sappers and Miners by 5 goals and 1 subsidiary to 4 goals and 1 subsidiary.

BELLARY SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.—Won by the 2nd Madras Lancers.

BANGALORE TOURNAMENT.—4th Queen's Own Hussars beat Carabiniers (A Team) by 5 goals and 1 subsidiary to 2 goals and 4 subsidiaries.

GULMARG TOURNAMENT.—Queen's Own Guides beat Punjab Frontier Force by 6 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 6 subsidiaries.

POONA JUNIOR TOURNAMENT.—3rd Bombay Cavalry beat Oxford Light Infantry by 5 goals and 1 subsidiary to *nil*.

QUETTA TOURNAMENT.—9th Lancers beat Station Team by 13 goals and 11 subsidiaries to *nil*.

POONA OPEN TOURNAMENT.—3rd Bombay Cavalry beat 4th Hussars by 7 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 4 subsidiaries.

NAINI TAL TOURNAMENT.—Naini Tal Gymkhana beat Civil Service (A Team) by 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

DILKUSHA TOURNAMENT.—6th Dragoon Guards (A Team) beat R. A. by 5 goals and 1 subsidiary to *nil*

MEERUT AUTUMN TOURNAMENT.—15th Hussars beat Rifle Brigade by 6 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

LUCKNOW CUP TOURNAMENT.—15th Hussars beat 4th Dragoon Guards by 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 3 subsidiaries.

MADRAS INFANTRY TOURNAMENT.—2nd Queen's Own Sappers and Miners beat Royal Warwickshire Regiment by 6 goals and 1 subsidiary to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary.

ALWAR TOURNAMENT.—4th Dragoon Guards beat 31st Lancers by 7 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 2 goals.

PUNJAB TOURNAMENT.—9th Lancers beat Queen's Own Corps of Guides by 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

DACCA TOURNAMENT.—Cachar beat Unceremonials by 13 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 3 subsidiaries.

CALCUTTA EZRA CUP TOURNAMENT.—Viceroy's Staff beat Commander-in-Chief's Staff by 8 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal.

CONNELL CUP TOURNAMENT.—4th Lancers beat Royal Irish Rifles by 8 goals and 1 subsidiary to 4 goals and 1 subsidiary.

CAWNPORE TOURNAMENT.—The Privateers beat the 4th Lancers by 3 goals and 4 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

VENUGOPAUL CUP TOURNAMENT.—(Madras). Golconda Team beat 4th Hussars by 9 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary.

NARAIN SINGH TOURNAMENT.—(Lucknow). The Privateers beat Lucknow Gymkhana by 3 goals and 4 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 3 subsidiaries.

NORTH-WEST FRONTIER TOURNAMENT.—(Peshawar). The Guides beat The Queen's by 5 goals and 4 subsidiaries to 1 subsidiary.

NATIVE CAVALRY TOURNAMENT.—(Lahore). 11th P. W. O Lancers beat 9th Hodson's Horse by 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries to *nil*.

INFANTRY TOURNAMENT.—Seaforth Highlanders beat Queen's Regiment by 4 goals and 1 subsidiary to 2 subsidiaries.

NATIVE INFANTRY TOURNAMENT.—Queen's Own Corps of Guides beat 24th Punjabis by 4 goals and 4 subsidiaries to *nil*.

INTER-REGIMENTAL TOURNAMENT.—15th Hussars beat 9th Lancers by 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

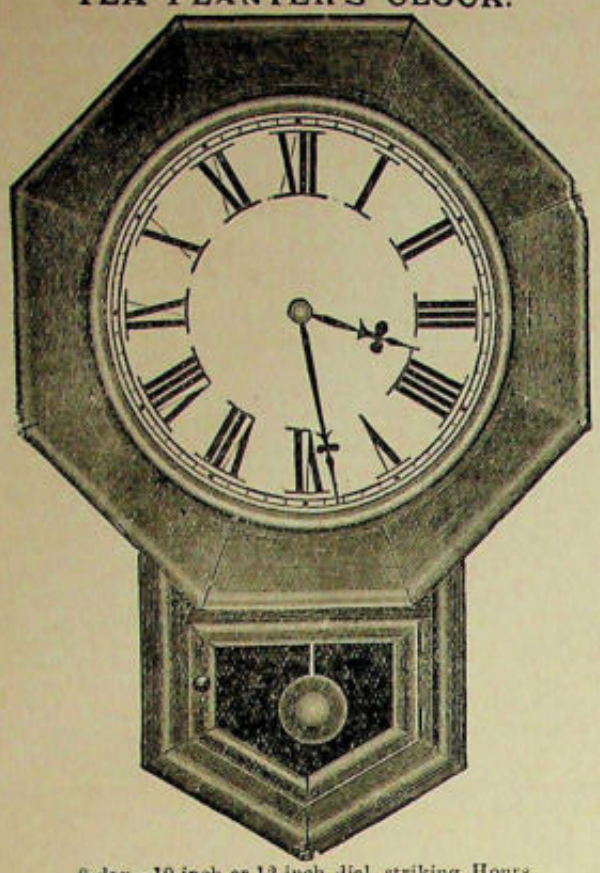
NOVICES' TOURNAMENT.—20th Deccan Horse beat Bangalore Gymkhana by 4 goals and 6 subsidiaries to 2 goals.

SUBALTERNS TOURNAMENT.—4th Dragoon Guards beat 9th Lancers by 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 3 goals

RAWALPINDI TOURNAMENT.—9th Lancers beat 12th Lancers by 1 goal and 1 subsidiary to 3 subsidiaries.

"One swallow does not make a summer." There are many "yarns" as poor anglers are asked to swallow—I mean real yarns—but the following is true ; it appeared in the *Gentlemen's Magazine*, 1738:—"A boy having swallowed a fish-hook, endeavoured to pull it with the line, but without effect, as it was last. Surgeons could give him no assistance, until making as small hole in a leaden bullet ; the line being put through it, he swallowed it, which running down the line, by its weight loosened the hook from its hold, which was then drawn up with ease."

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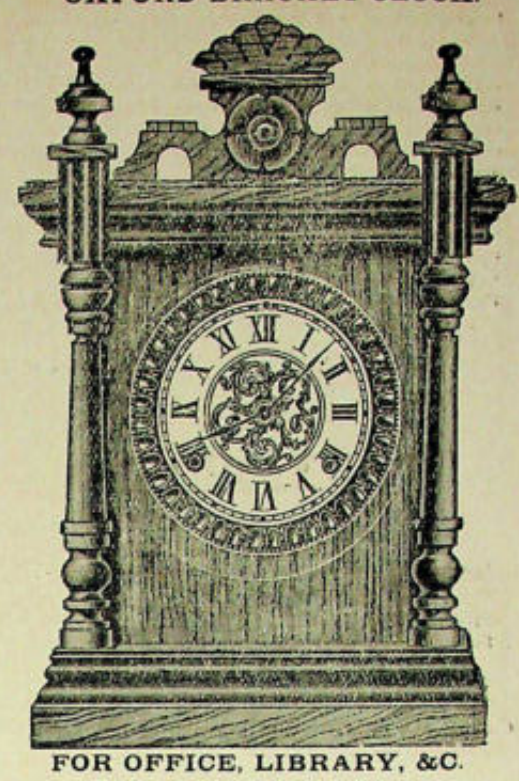
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Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME

LONDON, *Friday, 15th April* 1904.

THE dull and damp days which we have experienced since the advent of the new year have had a most depressing effect upon the cycle and motor industry. However, the long looked for termination of incessant rains and floods arrived at Easter, and "Old Sol" spread his cheerful countenance over the face of the land. More bicycles and motors will be required this year than ever, and reports from all parts of the country are to the effect that both agents and manufacturers have entered a period of renewed prosperity. Favourable weather is the only thing needed to level matters up.

The annual general meeting of the Cyclists' Touring Club was held recently at Westminster, when it was reported that the received subscriptions for 1903 were 33,314. To this be added the candidates for January, 437, February, 685, March, 744, April, 716, May, 935, June, 964, July, 997, August, 1,208, September, 1,208, October, 418, November, 177, December, 76, and the life members (including 18 honorary) 193, when the total for the year ending 31st December will be found to be 42,141. This total represents a decrease upon the total for 1902 of 3,067, which is in a way regarded as satisfactory, because the decline in 1903 was only half that for 1902.

The cycle racing season was inauguarated all over the United Kingdom at Easter under not very favourable circumstances, a stiff wind—that bugbear of the racing man—hampering the riders, together with frequent heavy showers, which somewhat interfered with the programme in many cases However, good sport was the order, and big gates the rule, at practically all the meetings. At Canning Town, Bardgatt, an American rider, won the professional match very easily At the same venue, Reed won the Amateur Scratch race. Some exciting racing was witnessed at Carmarthen, Janson beating Casey, the Putney rider. After a great set-to at Herne Hill, little Wills succumbed in his match with Edmonds and Appleton, who rode a tandem. A coming man in Draper secured a double event at the Putney meeting, winning both the half-mile and one-mile. Leon Meredith, the Paddington rider, scored at Burnley, and Benyon, the Chester crack, won the five miles scratch at the same meeting. A surprise was in store at the Anerley meeting, where Buck defeated champion Reed, who for once was caught napping Reed, however, won the ten miles scratch race. In Dublin, the Agents' Cup was won by E. Martin, J. Martin was second, and the world's champion prize-winner, J. J. Condon, occupied third place.

The experience of travelling through the country on a speedy high-grade motor bicycle is not one to be readily forgotten. There is so much to be seen on the country roads. It is probably the least expensive form of holiday-making, and one which gives the most genuine pleasure. To those riders who are going touring, a good machine and an ample luggage-carrier at least two essentials towards an enjoyable motor trip. In transporting luggage from place to place the motor cyclist undoubtedly has an estimable advantage as compared with his brother of the pedal-propelled machine.

He can explore the country fully equiped with everything necessary towards his comfort without, of course, incurring the bodily fatigue of the ordinary bicycle not to speak of propelling the extra weight and even then traversing only about half the distance as compared with the mechanical machine. A most important equipment, and one which no motorist should fail to carry in his kit, is the tyre-repairing out fit. After all, where would the motor tourist be with a punctured tyre and no means of effecting a repair? An outfit specially designed and made for the use of motor cyclist is the Dunlop. It contains everything necessary for mending a puncture in any form. With the splendid materials, all of Dunlop manufacture, a repair can be accomplished in a rapid and effectual manner. It is sold at 1s. 6d., and procurable of all cycle and motor depôts.

There has recently been placed on the market in England an invention for automatically recording the speed of a motor car. It consists of a clock that shows the time, and also moves a wheel on which are arranged raised letters and figures, representing minutes, seconds, hours, days, and months. Over this wheel a tape is unwound from a "drum" and removed on another drum. Every 55 yards the car travels a hammer falls on the tape. The tape is marked off spaces by the tape wheel, one for every 55 yards, and the time being impressed at the same moment, a simple calculation gives the pace travelled.

For example, if a quarter-mile is covered, and the time recorded is one minute, the pace is 15 miles an hour. When the car is at rest, the hammer and movement of the tape stops, the duration of the stop being indicated when the car starts again. The recording tape is, of course, removable, and its record is absolute proof of disputed speed in a police-court case. There is another side, too, to the invention; for any excess of the legal limit is at once signalled by a bell—easily heard by policemen as well as passengers. And, as a warning is given beforehand there will be no excuse for breaking the law. The inventor is Richard Paulson, of Brighton, and he is in hopes of the Government taking it up and making it compulsory on every car.

Trembler coils are coming into such extensive use that the question is often asked: has the trembler coil any advantage over the ordinary make-and-break system? Many of the motor dealers state the trembler coil is immeasureably superior in every way to other methods of spark production, mainly on account of the smaller consumption of current, greater ease of starting, and more regular firing at low speeds. It should be remebered, however, that against the make-and-break system a trembler coil has two points where the current is interrupted; whereas the make-and break has only one point on the primary current, and consequently is less liable to give trouble. The management of a "buzzer" coil, too, is a far more difficult task than the manipulation of a plain make-and-break, and if the adjustment of a trembler coil is not very carefully done the motor will not run at all well. The trembler coil no doubt has its advantages in the case of a car, but for use on motor cycles the non-tremble coil is more than likely to hold its own for some time to come.

Cricket.

THE YEAR'S CENTURIES.

THE following centuries were made in India from 1st May 1903 to 30th April 1904.

Name.	Place.	Match.	Score
G Lechler	Yercaud	Residents *vs* Visitors	104*
F G Smallwood	Srinagar	Station *vs* Volunteers	147*
H Sinclair	Dharwar	Dharwar *vs* Bellary	106
F P Colabawala	Bombay	Bombay Gymkhana and Visitors *vs* Baronet C C	100*
Telang	Poona	Poona Gymkhana *vs* Bombay Hindus	101
H Cheetham	Bombay	Bombay Gymkhana *vs* B B and C I Ry	102*
Narsoo	Poona	Poona Gymkhana *vs* Poona Hindus	131*
Darawalla	Poona	Presidency *vs* Parsees	113
R Mac Tier	Belgaum	Belgaum *vs* Dharwar	108*
Lieut Franklin	Shillong	Civil *vs* Military	100*
R M Somji	Poona	Islam Gymkhana *vs* Mahboob C C	109*
V H Wilson	Lahore	Lahore *vs* Mian Mir	167
V H Wilson	Lahore	Lahore *vs* Mian Mir (return)	124
V Gundry	Kolar	Kolar G F C C *vs* North Arcot	102*
Capt A J Poole	Belgaum	Belgaum *vs* Bellary	107*
R T Arundell	Barrackpore	Barrackpore *vs* Aryan C C	101
Capt J C D Pinney	Dehra	Imperial Cadet Corps *vs* the World	1 5
F H Dansey	Rawalpindi	Royal Irish Fusiliers *vs* Wiltshire Regiment	111
Masani	Bombay	P J Hindu Gymkhana *vs* Baronet C C	118*
Meherhomjee	Bombay	P J Hindu Gymkhana *vs* Baronet C C	101*
Lieut Johnson	Meerut	Royal Welsh Fusiliers *vs* 15th Hussars	182*
Tr Major Lawson	Meerut	Royal Welsh Fusiliers *vs* 15th Hussars	139
Capt English	Bareilly	Bareilly *vs* 1st Norfolk Regiment	107*
Capt M G Heath	Lahore	Queen's Regiment *vs* Somerset Light Infantry	109
G H Banda	Bombay	Hindu Gymkhana *vs* Bombay Gymkhana	100*
P H Browne	Calcutta	Ballygunge *vs* Ballygunge Chummeries	150
S Boo	Dum-Dum	Customs *vs* Dum-Dum	117
B N Bosworth Smith	Calcutta	Hornets *vs* U P Wanderers	101
T Pruce	Calcutta	U P Wanderers *vs* Royal Lancasters	134*
Lieut H E Etlinger	Umballa	N Stafford Regiment *vs* Black Watch	111
Ahsan ul Huk	Bombay	Aligarh College *vs* Mr. Aston's XI	101
G H Cookson	Lahore	Punjab *vs* N W Frontier Province	205
H P Reynolds	Jhansi	U P Police *vs* Jhansi	122
Lieut Brander	Bombay	Bombay Gymkhana *vs* H M S Hyacinth	157
Vasu	Bangalore	Bangalore Gymkhana *vs* Ulsur	118
Capt Wigram	Calcutta	C C C *vs* St James' School	141*
C Cookson	Rawalpindi	Gordon Highlanders *vs* 60th K R Rifles	128
Capt Maitland	Rawalpindi	Gordon Highlanders *vs* 60th K R Rifles	129*
Capt Mc Conaghey	Allahabad	Gen Spen's XI *vs* Sir John Stanley's XI	102*
H J Hilary	Calcutta	C C C *vs* Mr A S Judge's XI	105
Capt Wigram	Calcutta	C C C *vs* Mr A S Judge's XI	173
P D Stewart	Sialkot	Gordon Highlanders *vs* Wiltshire Regiment	147
S M Robinson	Lahore	Lahore and Mian Mir *vs* Chief Court	101*
L C Glascock	Lahore	Married *vs* Single	100*
T R Scott	Calcutta	C C C *vs* King's Own Regiment	100*
H P Burn	Peshawar	Gordon Highlanders *vs* Jat Sikh Brigade	126
H Read	Gaurangdi	C C C *vs* Barrakur Gaurangdi C C	113
G O Reaks	Gaurangdi	C C C *vs* Parrakur Gaurangdi C C	134*
Lieut L P Collins	Umballa	Gurkha Brigade *vs* Umballa	122 / 126
A E McGrath	Calcutta	Sibpur College *vs* St Xavier's College	109
Sergt Cheshire	Bombay	Bombay Gymkhana *vs* Cheshire Regiment	143
Lieut L P Collins	Meerut	Gurkha Brigade *vs* Greenjackets	119 / 116*
K O Goldie	Cawnpore	Cawnpore *vs* Baharatpur State	103
F C Mackrodt	Allahabad	Allahabad Volunteers *vs* Railway A C Lucknow	113
K O Goldie	Cawnpore	Gurkha Brigade *vs* Cawnpore	154
E R H English	Bareilly	Gurkha Brigade *vs* Bareilly	121*
Lieut L P Collins	Bareilly	Gurkhal Brigade *vs* Bareilly	306* / 110*
C R Alexander	Aligarh	Aligarh College *vs* Mr J C Rees' XI	100
H D Kanga	Bombay	Bombay Gymkhana *vs* Wilson College	100*
Lieut L P Collins	Lahore	Lahore *vs* Mian Mir	135
L C Glascock	Jullundur	Lahore *vs* Jullunder	112
Lieut H E Etlinger	Umballa	N Stafford Regiment *vs* Black Watch	146*
Lieut H E Etlinger	Umballa	N Stafford Regiment *vs* Oxford Light Infanty	130*
Lieut H E Etlinger	Umballa	N Stafford Regiment *vs* Umballa Garrison	122

[*Signifies not out.]

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—Played on the Gymkhana grounds on the 26th instant. Scores:—

CIVIL.

C. Morrison, b Hay	89
W. W. Phillips, c Dewing, b Hay	71
K. Seshachari, c Dewing, b Manson	8
Major Gunn, b Dewing	0
Sir J. Bourdillon, c Dewing, b Baker	12
A. Rambler, c and b Dewing	7
F. Hannyngton, not out	2
Hutchins, c Milner, b Dewing	0
S. A. Walker, not out	3
A. Gallett[illegible]	0
Extras	10
Total for 7 wickets	212

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Dewing took three wickets for 18 runs; Hay two for 38 runs.

MILITARY.

Major Noone, c Walker, b Morrison	...	13
Major Jollie, c Galletti, b Morrison	...	0
Captain Manson, c Hutchins, b Bourdillon	...	24
Captain Copeland, b Morrison	...	16
Major Dewing, not out	...	14
Baker, not out	...	8
Captain Milner, Captain Hay, Colonel Teversham, Captain Gilles, Captain Ward	did not bat.	
Extras	...	0
Total (for 4 wickets)		75

Football.

The following are the results of Tournaments played in India from 1st May 1903 to 30th April 1904.

THE MURREE TOURNAMENT.—Queen's beat 2nd King's Royal Rifles by 2 goals to 1.

CALCUTTA LEAGUE COMPETITION.

The following statement shows the final position of the Clubs in the League Competition during the season 1903:—

Name of Club.	Matches Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points	Goals For	Goals Agst.
93rd H'ldrs	16	15	0	1	31	47	6
Calcutta	16	12	2	2	26	36	10
K O S B's	16	9	6	1	19	37	17
Dalhousie	16	7	5	4	18	24	17
Rangers	16	6	7	3	15	20	23
Y M C A	16	6	7	3	15	14	19
Howrah	16	3	10	3	9	9	32
64th R F A	16	2	12	2	6	12	42
Burns A C	16	1	12	3	5	8	41

THE TRADES' CUP.—Medical College beat the Seebpore College by 1—0.

I. F. A. SHIELD.—Calcutta beat K. O. S. B.'s by 2 goals to 1.

CALCUTTA SENIOR RUGBY CUP.—West Riding Regiment beat Calcutta by a goal and 3 tries (14 pts.) to a try (3 pts.)

DURAND TOURNAMENT.—Royal Irish Rifles beat the Queen's by a goal to *nil*.

BOMBAY ROVERS ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT.—Cheshire Regiment beat Royal Scots by three goals to *nil*.

MADRAS RUGBY TOURNAMENT.—Welsh Regiment beat Bombay Gymkhana by 2 goals and 3 tries (19 pts.) to 1 try (3 pts.)

BOMBAY RUGBY TOURNAMENT.—Calcutta F. C. beat Gloster Regiment by 2 tries (6pts.) to *nil*.

RAMPUR CHALLENGE CUP. (Naini Tal).—St. Joseph's Seminary beat Band, 5th Dragoon Guards, by 2 goals to *nil*.

HARRIS TOURNAMENT.—(Poona).—North Stafford Regiment beat Cheshire Regiment by a goal to *nil*.

MURRAY TOURNAMENT.—(Lucknow).—Royal Irish Rifles beat the Black Watch by a goal to *nil*.

MADRAS TOURNAMENT.—Leicestershire Regiment beat the Middlesex Regiment by a goal to *nil*.

SECUNDERABAD TOURNAMENT.—Middlesex Regiment beat L. Battery, R. H. A., by 4 goals to *nil*.

N.-W. RAILWAY TOURNAMENT.—(Finney Cup). Left Half Company Dorsets beat Right Half Company by a goal to *nil*.

1st. P. V. R. TOURNAMENT.—Gordon Highlanders beat Somerset Regiment by 1 goal to *nil*.

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE CALCUTTA MEDAL.—Played on the 16th and 19th ultimo on the Guindy and Island links. Colonel Benson was in good form with a total of 97 Scratch. Major Thomson and Mr. D. Dewar tied for first place with 95. The latter having scratched the medal goes to Major Thomson. Scores:—

	Guindy.	Island.	H'cap.	
Major J Thomson, R A M C	62	+45	−12 =	95
D Dewar	67	+48	−20 =	95
Col P H Benson, I M S	56	+41	−scr =	97
F M Robinson	59	+48	−10 =	97
Major E Waller	64	+50	−10 =	104
A M Urquhart	71	+47	−14 =	104
J M Brown	61	+45	−scr =	106
O J Sykes	66	+50	−10 =	106
C E Ross	72	+51	−17 =	106
F H Longhurst	68	+47	− 8 =	107
J P Davidson	66	+49	− 4 =	111
B Meredith	84	+53	−20 =	117
Col F W Boteler, R A	72 retired			
W A Beardsell, retired.				

THE GUINDY CUP.—The first qualifying round was played on the 23rd ultimo. Messrs. Ross and Balston returning good scores and qualifying for the final stage. Score:—

C E Ross	61	−10 = 51
C R T Balston	60	− 8 = 52
Major J Thomson, R A M C	59	− 6 = 53
A M Urquhart	67	− 8 = 59
O J Syke	66	− 6 = 60
Major E Waller	67	− 6 = 61
J M Brown	64	− 0 = 64
B Meredith	78	−12 = 66

Col P H Benson, I M S, and Mr. J P Davidson, retired.

THE MONTHLY MEDAL CHALLENGE CUP.—The first qualifying round for this Cup was played off on the 25th ultimo on the Island links 9 holes Medal play, handicap. The scores made by Sykes and Urquhart, who qualify for the second and final stage of the competition, were exceptionally good. Scores:—

O J Sykes	41	−4 = 37
A M Urquhart	44	−6 = 38
Major J Thomson, R A M C	45	−6 = 39
F M Robinson	46	−4 = 42
G E Ross	49	−7 = 42
D Dewar	51	−9 = 42
J M Brown	43	−0 = 43
A M Smart	52	−9 = 43
C R T Balston	49	−4 = 45
B Meredith	55	−8 = 47
F A Dene	59	−8 = 51
J P Davidson	retired.	

Hockey.

THE BEIGHTON CUP.

THIRD ROUND.

HORNETS *vs.* BALLYGUNGE.—The Calcutta ground was the venue of this match last Saturday. The Hornets played a very good game and won by four goals to one. The Hornets were first away and rushing down forced a corner: nothing came of it and the ball was taken away by Ballygunge. Yackjee relieved and the Hornets once more attacked. Mabert putting through. They continued to press and before the interval Apcar had scored twice. After half time the Ballygunge forwards showed improved form and getting away with a good run Zimmermann found the net. They attacked again and the game was better contested. Shortly before time, however, the Hornets took the ball down and L. Rosser scored their fourth goal. Teams:—

HORNETS.—Cooper, *goal*; Yackjee and Brown, *backs*; Power, A. Rosser and Young, *halves*; Mabert, Simmons, Apcar, Knowles and L. Rosser, *forwards*.

BALLYGUNGE.—Coulthard, *goal*; Macrae, Warrick Smith, *backs*; Harris, Groves and Sharpe, *halves*; Braithwaite, Heilgiers, Martin, Zimmermann and De Guerier, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. H. V. Low, C. F. C.

RANCHI *vs.* MOHUN BAGAN.—Played on the Town Club ground on the 30th ultimo, the Ranchi men having no difficulty in beating their opponents by two goals to *nil*. The Mohun Bagan men were compelled to defend all through and Boas scored before the interval: the Rev. Whitley netting in the second period. Teams:—

RANCHI.—Nehemiah, *goal*; Edward and Isri, *backs*; Boas, Sharan and Luleman, *halves*; Sadhu, Nirmul, Rev. E. H. Whitley, Daud and Jaeman, *forwards*.

MOHAN BAGAN.—P. Dey, *goal*; S. Bose and A. Dass, *backs*; J. Dey, D. Guin and S. Bhaduri, *halves*; A. Datt, G. Ghosh, B. Datt, P. Bose and H. Ghosh, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. T. Walsh, Rangers.

SEEBPORE COLLEGE *vs.* CUSTOMS.—These teams met on the Dalhousie ground last Saturday, a good game resulting in a win for the Engineering College by three goals to one. The first half was not particularly exciting as play ruled up and down and the interval arrived without either side having scored. On changing ends the Engineers played in their best form. They immediately took the ball down and Ansell put through. On restarting they again got away and Ansell once more found the net, after an unsuccessful attempt by Nyss; Seebpore continued to press and it was not long before a third goal was added to their credit, Ansell again being responsible. Just before time the Customs put in a fine run and McCready scored their only goal. Teams:—

SEEBPORE COLLEGE.—Skempton, *goal*; Fox and Showers, *backs*; Street, Lewty and Patterson, *halves*; Brown, Starling, Lawton, Nyss and Ansell, *forwards*.

CUSTOMS.—Anderson, *goal*; Adams and Quiterio, *backs*; Barlow, Maitland and Vaughan, *halves*; Nicolls, Jewell, Macready, Burnett and Vears, *forwards*.

Referee.—Messrs. MacMillan and Lees, Rangers.

THE following are the results of Tournaments played in India from 1st May 1903 to 30th April 1904.

BEIGHTON CUP.—Ranchi beat St. James by one goal to *nil*.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.—(Bombay) Cathedral Old Boys beat The Buffs by three goals to one.

MADRAS TOURNAMENT.—Durham Light Infantry beat Leicester Regiment by four goals to one.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.—(Poona) East Lancashire Regiment beat R.G.A., Colaba, by three goals to one.

ALL-INDIA TOURNAMENT.—North Stafford Regiment beat Devonshire Regiment by two goals to *nil*.

BENGAL NATIVE ARMY TOURNAMENT.—18th Pioneers beat 17th Infantry by a goal to *nil*.

PUNJAB NATIVE ARMY TOURNAMENT.—38th Dogras beat 36th Sikhs by two goals to one.

THE LAVERS TOURNAMENT.—(Secunderabad) Middlesex Regiment beat Lincoln Regiment by two goals to one.

Lawn Tennis.

LAWN TENNIS AT COONOOR.

The finals of the Ladies' Duffer Tennis Tournament were played off on Monday the 25th ultimo. Scores:—

Miss Greenaway (+30) beat Miss Cox (+½ 15) 6—5; 6—2.

Miss Cautley (+15) beat Miss Staines (+½ 15) 6—5; 6—2.

Mrs M Smith (+½ 15) beat Miss Keene (−½ 15) 6—2; 6—4.

Miss Dobbs (−½ 30) beat Miss D King (−½ 15) 6—2; 6—2.

Miss Dobbs beat Mrs Smith 4—6; 6—5; 6—3.

Miss Cautley beat Miss Greenaway 6—5; 6—2.

Miss Leech (−½ 30) beat Miss G Greenaway (+30) 6—3; 6—0.

Miss Leech beat Miss Dobbs 6—5; 5—6; 6—1.

Miss Leech beat Miss Cautley 3—6; 6—3; 6—5.

OOTACAMUND TOURNAMENT.

The following are the results in the Ootacamund Tennis Tournament:—

MEN'S OPEN SINGLES.

Capt Copeland beat Major Dewing 1—6; 6—1; 6—5.

Holton beat Capt Richards 6—1; 6—1.

Mathews beat Zemindar Marungapuri 6—2; 7—5

Fewkes beat Holton 11—9; 6—2; 7—5.

B Fewkes beat Captain Copeland 6—2; 6—2.

MEN'S OPEN DOUBLES.

Fewkes, Nicholas beat Mair, Mathews 6—1; 6—2.

Capt Copeland, Major Jollie beat C Morrison, Zemindar Marungapuri (*Final.*)

Capt Copeland, Major Jollie beat Fewkes, Nicholas 6—1; 6—3; 6—2.

MEN'S HANDICAP SINGLES.

F Hannyngton (−½15) beat Simpson (−½15) 6—2; 6-4

Pike (−½15) beat Payne (scr) 6—2; 4—6; 6—5.

Zem of Marungapuri (−15) beat F Hannyngton (−½15) 6—3; 6—3.

Capt Copeland beat Pike. Pike scratched. (*Final.*)

Capt Copeland (−30) beat Zem of Marungapuri (−15)

OPEN MIXED DOUBLES.

Miss Marriott, Capt Copeland beat Mis Morgan, Major Jollie 6—2; 7—6; 6—3.

Miss F Marriott, Major Dewing beat Mrs Gibbs, Pike. Mrs. Gibbs and Pike scratched.

Miss Marriott, Capt Copeland beat Mrs Mathews, Mr Mathews (*Final.*)

Miss F Marriott, Major Dewing beat Miss Marriott, Capt Copeland

MIXED HANDICAP DOUBLES.

Miss E Baddeley, A. C. H. Garsia (−30) beat Miss F Marriott, Baker (−½30) 6—2; 6—4.

Mrs Westlake, Major Dewing (−½30) beat Mrs Gibbs (scr), Pike 6—4; 3—6; 6—4.

Mrs Hemingway, Mr Hemingway (scr) beat Miss N Marriott, Capt Copeland (−30)

Miss Morgan, F Hannyngton (−½15) beat Mrs Kay-Lees, Col Kay-Lees (+½15) 6—5; 6—1.

Miss Marriott, Capt Swan (−½15) beat Lady Price, Simpson (scr) 3—6; 6—0; 6—1.

Miss Morgan, F Hannyngton (−½15) beat Miss Marriott, Capt Swan (−½15) 6—4; 6—5.

Mrs Westlake, Major Dewing (−½30) beat Miss Baddeley, A C H Garsia (−30) 6—1; 5—6; 6—3.

Mrs Westlake, Major Dewing (−½30) beat Mrs Hemingway, Mr Hemingway (scr) 3—6; 6—3; 6—5.

Miss Morgan, F Hannyngton (−½15) beat Miss Lushington, Harding (−15) 6—4; 6—5. (*Final.*)

Mrs Westlake, Major Dewing (−½30) beat Miss Morgan, Mr F Hannyngton (−½15)

MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES.

C Morrison, Zem Marungapuri (−½15) beat Major Dewing, Capt Gibbs (−15) 6—2; 6—2.

Col Kay-Lees, Hemingway (scr) beat Capt Copeland, Major Jollie (−30) 6—4; 3—6; 6—4. (*Final.*)

C Morrison, Zem of Marungapuri (−½15) beat Col Kay-Lees, Hemingway (scr)

LADIES' HANDICAP DOUBLES.

Mrs Westlake, Mrs Lushington (−15) beat Mrs Kay-Lees, Mrs Hemingway (−15) 6—4; 6—3.

Miss Onslow, Miss Vans Agnew (+15) beat Miss FitzGerald, „ D FitzGerald (+15) 6—5; 6—5.

Mrs Walker, Miss F Baddeley (scr) beat Lady Price, Miss N Marriott (+16) 6—5; 6—5.

Miss Marriott, Miss F Marriott (−30) beat Mrs Westlake, Mrs Lushington (−15) 6—0; 6—2.

Mrs Walker, Miss E Baddeley (scr) beat Miss Onslow, Miss Vans Agnew (+15) 3—6; 6—1; 6—2 (*Final.*)

Miss Marriott, Miss F Marriott (−30) beat Mrs Walker (scr), Miss E Baddeley 2—6; 6—2; 7—5.

LADIES' HANDICAP SINGLES.

Miss Morgan (—30) beat Miss E Baddeley (scr) Miss Baddeley scratched.

Mrs Gibbs (scr) beat Miss F Marriott (—30) 6—2; 6—2.

Mrs Gibbs (scr) beat Miss N Marriott (—½30) 6—2; 6—2.

Miss Morgar (—30) beat Mrs Hemingway (scr) 2—6; 6—1; 6—5. (*Final.*)

Miss Morgan (—30) beat Mrs Gibbs (scr) 6—1; 6—4.

The late General Pearson was a great believer in early trials. Before the flat season commenced, he invariably knew the worth of his young stock. By no means a heavy bettor, the general did not like to make a mistake when he did put his "stuff" down, and whenever a youngster was about to be tried he would say to the jockey—"Don't ride him too gingerly; let him know what the prickers mean."

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Bowls.

CALCUTTA G. C. *vs.* HOWRAH B. C.—The second match of the season between the above teams was played at Howrah on the 30th instant the Home team winning by 8 points.

	CALCUTTA.		HOWRAH.	
1	W E G C Dickson (skip) R M Michell Innes E D Mansell E J Wright	11	L McLaren (skip) W L Shanks W Munroe H Orford	15
2	G S Hannah (skip) A J Dent G Harris F T Payne	19	T Maxwell (skip) A M King G D Gray D Black	9
3	W D Stevens (skip) J D Murray D Drimmie W T Reid	11	J M Gilmour (skip) J M Macfarlane J D Ness R Spiers	25 —
		41		49

Racquets.

BANGALORE RACQUET TOURNAMENT

THE tournament came to an end on the 28th ultimo and has been a great success. Appended are details:—

REGIMENTAL SINGLES.

(Semi-Finals.)

Colonel Stevens beat General Nixon, 15—12, 15—7.
Captain Robertson beat Major Roe, 15—3 15—5.

(Final.)

Captain Robertson, R. E., beat Colonel Stevens, 64th Madras Pioneers, 15—9, 15—10.

Both were good, but Captain Robertson was the stronger all-round player, and there was never much doubt as to the result.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

First Ties.

Captain Scott-Elliot (–1) beat Mr Kidd (+8)
21—15.

Major Roe (—1) a bye
General Nixon (+1) a bye
Major Hayes (+5) a bye
Colonel Stevens (+2) beat Mr Moore, I C S (+8)
21—18.

Captain Watson (+8) a bye
Mr Crookshank (+5) beat Mr Bushell (+8)
21—19.

Captain Robertson (—4) a bye.

Second Ties.

Captain Scott-Elliott (+1) beat Major Roe (—1)
21—7.

Major Hayes (+5) beat General Nixon (+1)
21—17.

Colonel Stevens (+2) beat Captain Watson (+8)
(Score record lost)

(Semi-Finals.)

Major Hayes (+5) beat Captain Scott-Elliott (—1) 15—2; 18—16; 15—3.

Colonel Stevens (+2) beat Mr. Crookshank (+5) 18—16; 15—18.

In the first of the above two matches the second game was well contested, but in the other two Major Hayes, getting in some useful services, had easy victories.

The other match proved exciting, but Colonel Stevens pulled up his points and gained a well-deserved win.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

First Ties.

General Nixon / Colonel Stevens (+cr.) beat Capatin Scott-Elliott / Mr Kidd (—3)
21—9.

Mr Crookshank / Mr Bushell (+8) beat Major Hayes / Captain Clarke (+8)

Major Roe / Captain Robertson (—4) beat Mr Moore / Mr Whitby (+8)
23—19.

Colonel Jones / Mr H F Wilkieson (—7 & 1 hand) beat ——— a bye.

(Semi-Finals.)

Mr. Crookshank / Mr. Bushell (+8) beat Genl. Nixon / Col. Stevens (scr.)
15—3; 15—0.

Col. Jones / Mr. Wilkieson (—7 & 1 hand) beat Major Roe / Capt. Robertson (—4)
15—10; 15—5.

(Final.)

Mr. Crookshank / Mr. Bushell (+8) beat Col. Jones / Mr. Wilkieson (—7 & 1 hand)
11—15; 15—8; 15—2.

Playing very strongly, Colonel Jones and Mr. Wilkieson won the first game, only allowing their adversaries to score a single ace. The handicap, however, was a very heavy one, and the receivers of points won the next two games and the match without very great difficulty.

REGIMENTAL DOUBLES.

Major Roe / Capt. Robertson beat Genl. Nixon / Col. Stevens
15—10; 7—15; 15—8.

Mr Crookshank / Mr Bushell beat Major Hayes / Major Whitby
15—2; 15—13.

(Semi-Finals.)

Mr Crookshank / Mr Bushell beat Mr Kidd / Capt. Watson
15—5; 5—6.

(Finals.)

Major Roe / Capt. Robertson beat Mr Crookshank / Mr Bushell
15—8; 15—7.

The R. E. representatives played a really fine game in the final, and always held their opponents safe, although the latter had played steadily in their previous matches. Captain Robertson indeed has been consistently brilliant throughout the Tournament.

Sports.

GYMKHANA AT DARJEELING.

Saturday, 30th April 1904.

ANOTHER Gymkhana advertised to take place last Saturday was, owing to the threatening aspect of the weather, rather sparsely attended. The officers of the Royal Fusiliers at Lebong do not appear to go in much for the Gymkhanas so that the bulk of the entries are left to those who go down from Darjeeling; and these are small in numbers unless the afternoon happens to be exceptionally fine. Mrs. Elliott scored two wins and Miss McNamara one, and as these two ladies appear to be the only ones in the running for the special season prizes, the results of their endeavours are being watched with much interest. Some excellent prizes were distributed by Mrs. Walsh at the conclusion of the Gymkhana, and which were worthy of better entries. The following are the particulars :—

1 T EVENT.—For gentlemen. Cut a banging potatoe jump a hurdle, take a ring and a peg, all with sword. Gentlemen to supply their own swords.

Mr W. H. Edwards's 00110013 (winner) : Captain Rennie, second. Also competed Messrs. Wyvill, A. Power and A. Price.

2ND EVENT.—For Ladies. Pickpocket Race Three stakes will be placed in a row, on each stake there will be a handkerchief. Ladies to snatch one handkerchief at a time and, returning to Grand Stand, place it in a basket. First to place three handkerchiefs in basket to be the winner.

Mrs Elliott won this event from Miss. M. Namara, Miss Power and Miss George.

3RD EVENT.—Ladies Nomination. Thread the Needle Race. Gentleman to ride to lady with a thread, lady to thread a needle. Gentleman to ride back to starting point with needle threaded.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Harold Edwards were successful here, Mr. A. Power and Mrs. Elliott being a close second. The unsuccessful competitors were Mr. A. Price and Miss. Birch, Mr. Bullard and Miss McNamara, Mr. Wyvill and Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Mytton and Miss Power, and Captain Rennie and Miss Bainbridge.

4TH EVENT.—Polo and Tennis Affinity Race. Ladies and gentlemen in pairs. Gentlemen to hit a polo ball round the course through two goals and round two posts, and finish through first goal Ladies to accompany gentlemen balancing a tennis ball on a racquet If lady drops her ball, gentleman must dismount and hand it to her First pair through final goal, the gentleman having hit a goal and the lady with a tennis ball balanced on racquet, winner. After the start no lady may touch her tennis ball with anything but her racquet.

Miss McNamara and Captain Rennie secured this event, Mr. A Power and Miss Power being second. Mr. W. H. Edwards and Mrs. Elliott failing.

5TH EVENT.—The "Artists" Stakes. For Ladies and Gentlemen in pairs. Gentlemen to ride up to Grand Stand with a sealed envelope containing the name of an animal, this he will hand to a lady and retire five yards. The lady will draw on Black Board the animal named in envelope. As soon as he recognises the animal, gentleman will ride back to post and report its name Gentleman reporting correctly in quickest time to be winner.

This most amusing event was won by Mrs Elliott and Mr. Power with a sketch of a Giraffe, the unsuccessful competitors being Mr. H. Mytton and Miss Power, Captain Rennie and Miss Bainbridge, Mr. Wyvill and Miss McNamara, Mr. W. H. Edwards and Mrs. Duncan, and Mr. A. Price and Mrs. Birch. Some of the gentlemen were dense enough to mistake a cat for a rat, a hippopotomus for a beetle, a swan for a duck, etc.

6TH EVENT.—The Whippet Stakes. Open to soldiers of the Garrison. Competitors to stand at one end of the ground and whistle to their dogs at the other. Handicap.

Prizes, Rs. 5, 3 and 2. Distributed by the officers to the winners.

The Garden.

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Monday, 2nd May 1904.

The Flower Show of this year took place in most inauspicious weather, but this did not seem to have any effect on the number of visitors, for the large hall of the Rink, where the Show was held, was crowded from the opening to the close. H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Fraser were present, and nearly all the planters in the district, the D.-H. Railway running a special train for the occasion. Mr. Morganstin carried off the coveted Lieutenant-Governor's prize with a really artistic arrangement. The principal ladies' prize was won by Mrs. Maidlow with an admirable decoration of orchids, ferns and iris. Mrs. Hartless' decoration of orchids from Chatterjee's, which secured the second prize, was also much admired. As a matter of fact these table decorations were quite a feature of the Show, nearly all showing most exquisite taste in arrangement and style. The display of vegetables and fruit was very good, and shows what can be raised here in spite of the usually moist conditions Mr. Stolke had some fine exhibits, for which he was well rewarded.

Mr Searight and Mr. Hartless have worked hard to make the Show a success, and that it was an improvement on previous years is due in no small measure to their exertions. The following were the prize-winners in the flowers divisions :—

DIVISION A.

COLLECTIONS OF PLANTS IN POTS.

Special Prizes.—A prize presented by H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. Class No. 1. Mr. E. J. Morganstin, 1. Mr. J. Stolke, 2. Mr. F. Chamberlain, 3.

Open to all comers.—Prizes, 1st a Silver Medal, 2nd Rs. 5. Presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar. Class No. 2. Mr. J. Stolke, 1. Mr. F Chamberlain, 2.

Presented by H. H. the Maharaj-Adhiraj of Burdwan. Class No. 3. Mr. J. Stolke, 1. Mr. W. Green, 2.

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Presented by J. Stolke, Esq. Class No. 6. Mr. J. Stolke, 1. St. Joseph's College. 2.

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Presented by Major Buchanan, R.A.M.C. Class No. 11. Mr. F. Chamberlain, 1.

Presented by R. D. Mackie, Esq. Class No. 13. Mr. F. Chamberlain, 1. The Loreto Convent, 2.

Presented by C. G. H. Allen, Esq. Class No. 14. Mr. F. Chamberlain, 1.

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Class No. 19. Mr. C. Bald, 1. St. Joseph's College, 2.

Class No. 20. Mr. F. Chamberlain, 1.
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Class No. 22. Maharaja of Cooch Behar, 1. Mr. F. Chamber,—lain, 2.
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Class No. 25. Mrs. E. A Wernicke, 1.
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Class No. 27. Mr. J. Stolke, 1. Mrs. W., Ager, 2.
Class No. 28. Mr. C. Bald, 1.

DIVISION B.

CUT FLOWERS.

Special Prizes for Ladies.—Presented by Mrs. J. H. E Garrett. Class No. 29. Mrs. A. Maidlow, 1. Mrs. A. C. Hartless 2. Mrs. B. R. Morgan, 3.

Presented by Mrs. W. R. M'D. Parr. Class No. 30. Mrs. C. E. B. Seal, 1. Miss Williamson, 2. Mrs. A. C. Hartless, 3.

Presented by Mrs. L. P. Shirres. Class No. 31. Miss Wernicke, 1. Miss Wearing, 2.

Presented by Mrs. Macdonald. Class No. 32. Miss V. Grimley, 1. Master Eric Scaright, 2. Miss Gladys Scaright, 3. Miss Walsh, 4.

Class No. 35. Mr. E. J. Morganstin, 1. Mati Amusement Club, 2.

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Class No. 44. St. Joseph's College, 1. Mrs. Wearing, 2.
Class No. 45. Mrs. E. A. Wernicke, 1. Mrs. W. Ager, 2.
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Class No. 47. Mr. C. Bald, 1. The Presbytery, 2.
Class No. 48. Mr. A. Price, 1. Mrs. Kerr, 2.
Class No. 49 Mrs. Kerr, 1. Mr. F. Buckley, 2.
Class No. 50. Mrs. W. Ager, 1. Mr. J. Stolke, 2.
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Class No. 57. Mr. W. Weston, 1. Mr. J. Stolke, 2.
Class No. 58. Mrs. Kerr, 1. Mr. S. E. Ansell, 2.
Class No. 59. Mr. J. Stolke, 1.
Class No. 61. Mr. J. Stolke, 1.
Class No. 62. Mr. S. E. Ansell, 1.

Travel and Adventure.

HIMALAYAN PLAYGROUNDS.

THREE circumstances combine to give a certain topical interest to Himalayan climbing. Mr Douglas Freshfield lately published the complete account of his exploration in most unfavourable weather, of the glaciers of Kanchenjunga; a recent *Alpine Journal* furnishes important particulars of the claim of Dr. and Mrs. Bullock-Workman to have established a world's record for high altitudes in that range: and a British expedition has been threading Himalayan passes on its way to Lhasa. We may well be reminded, not merely of the good work done by a few enterprising travellers, but also of the magnitude of our ignorance concerning the snow peaks on our long Indian frontier and of the difficulties in the way of any great extension of our knowledge of them. There are those, no doubt, who regard the Himalayas as the natural playground of India, and who wonder why the adventurous Anglo-Indian does not attack Mount Everest as eagerly as the adventurous Englishman attacked Mount Blanc and the Matterhorn. There may be many reasons why he does not, but there is one reason which is unanswerable. He is not allowed to do so. Mount Everest is in Nepaul, and neither Anglo-Indians nor any other Europeans are permitted to travel there. Sir Joseph Hooker did, rather more than half a century ago, get within fifty miles of the mountain; but the road he took has since been closed to white men, and it is not in Nepaul alone that exploration by Europeans is impossible. The mountains byond Kashmir towards Hunza and Chitral are at present unapproachable by European travellers, and we are also rigorously excluded from the range that runs along the northern frontier of Bhutan. Such knowledge as we have of the topography of these districts is mainly derived from the native explorers in the Secret Service and they, though they go to and from among mountains, surveying and measuring them to the best of their ability, are hardly mountaineers in the Alpine Club sense of the word. Roughly speaking, the available climbing centres have been the Karakorams and Sikkim—that little wedge of territory between Bhutan and Nepaul. The two districts, as Mr. Freshfield points out are as far apart as the Gross Glockner in Carinthia and Mont Perdu—in the Pyrenees. In both districts alike a certain amount of progress has recently been made. In the latter, as has been said, Mr. Freshfield made the tour of Kanchenjunga; while in the former Dr. and Mrs. Bullock-Workman attained to a height of 23,394ft.

To a certain extent, no doubt, the progress of Himalayan climbing had been delayed by the facts that comparatively few of the expeditions that have travelled among them have been composed of experienced climbers, and that the Indian Government has not always encouraged climbing even on the part of its surveyors. According to Mr. Freshfield the self-styled "Indian mountaineers" who write letters to the papers about Himalayan exploration frequently do not know one end of an ice-axe from the other; while Dr. Norman Collie has related the treatment meted out to Mr. W. H Johnson, the surveyor who did actually delight in climbing for climbing's sake, and endeavoured, though unsuccessfully, to organise a Himalayan Alpine Club. While waiting for permission to enter Turkestan he climbed three peaks —those marked in the map as E 57 (21,757ft.), E 58 (21,971ft.), and E 61 (23,890ft). It was a fine performance, though there is reason to believe that there was some error in the measurement of the last-named summit; but the Political Department reprimanded Mr Johnson for making the journey, with the result that he retired from the British service and entered that of the Maharajah of Kashmir. Chiefly for these reasons serious attempts to scale important Himalayan peaks have until recently been rare. The earliest seems to have been that of Captain Gerard, in the Spiti district, who attained a height (trigonometrically measured) of 19,400ft. in 1818, and made a first ascent of an unnamed peak of 20,400ft ten years later. Sir Joseph Hooker did not beat this record, his highest point being only 18,890ft. Then came the brothers Schlagintweit, the first travellers who brought to the Himalaas a knowledge of snowcraft acquired in the Alps. Their highest point, on the slopes of Kemet or Ibi Gamin, was 22 359ft.—a record which, on the assumption generally made that Mr. Johnson was mistaken about E 61, held the field for a considerable number of years. The date of Mr. Johnson's principal climbs was 1865, and, after that, little of note was done until Mr. Graham's expedition of 1883. His claim to have climbed Kabru (24,015ft.), has been the subject of somewhat animated controversy, but is supported by Mr. Douglas Freshfield, who was lately in the neigbourhood of Kabru. Sir Martin Conway followed in 1892, and climbed Pioneer Peak (22,600ft.), which he claimed as a record on the ground that Mr. Graham's ascent was not sufficiently well attested. No such elevation was attained in the expedition of 1895, in which Dr. Norman Collie accompanied the late A. F. Mummery or in Mr. Freshfield's remarkable tour; but Dr. and Mrs. Bullock-Workman have done better. Their objective was a peak of 24,486ft. They attacked it from a camp pitched at 19,365ft., but had to turn back without reaching the summit, the actual altitude attained being determined barometrically at 23,294ft., which constitutes a record in the opinion of some controversialists.

As to the future of Himalayan climbing it is almost equally to be sanguine and despondent. The political considerations which limit mountaineering enterprise in that part of the world will, no doubt, be ultimately removed. But there is no immediate prospect of their removal; and they are by no means the only difficulties which climbers have to encounter. The country to be traversed before the high altitudes can be reached is not as a rule agreeable. Major Waddell has described how one of his own expeditions led him through a forest infested by leeches which attacked him fiercely, almost as mosquitoes might. In a country in which there are not only no inns, but no inhabitants, the problem of supplies is necessarily grave and it is the graver, because of the nature of the rations required by the coolies by whom the supplies have to be carried. They insist upon rice, which is a bulky article of food, and they are reluctant and timorous mountaineers, liable to mountain sickness, and blind to the advantages of beginning the day's work at an early hour. To start about ten o'clock, after a leisurely hot breakfast, is their ideal, and they are disposed to mutiny or desert when the sahib interferes autocratically with their luxurious habits. Of such material the climber can obviously make but little. By degrees, however, the material may improve or better material may become available. Picked Gurkhas, if the military authorities would allow it, might, be trained, at any rate, to the level of good Alpine porters and there are some excellent men among the native explorers already alluded to. Their help, already to a certain extent procurable, should eventually do much to diminish the obstacles in the climber's path, with the result that the question of the accessibility of the giants of the Himalayas will not be very different in kind from the question of the accessibility of the major peaks, if not of the Alps, at least of the Andes and the Caucasus. They have dangers of their own, due mainly to the greater frequency of avalanches, but these are dangers which the experienced climber will know how to minimise if he cannot altogther avoid them, and, for the rest, the question will be mainly one of mountain sickness. The efficacy of that bar to the very highest altitudes can only be tested by experiment. The experience so far acquired justifies no certain inference It is a fact, however, that mountain sickness tends to become less formidable as mountaineers gradually learn to train themselves and to economise their energies. At one time an attack of the malady was a usual incident of an ascent of Mont Blanc, but Zurbriggen did not suffer from it on Aconcagua, which is 8,000ft. higher than Mont Blanc. On grounds such as these Mr. Freshfield and other climbers have based a prediction that Kanchenjunga itself will not always remain a virgin summit. Time will show, and our belief is that time will give the verdict in its favour.—*The Field.*

Poetry.

"THE FINE YOUNG BENGAL GENTLEMAN."

Air.—*The fine Old English Gentleman.*

THE other day, while looking through an old volume of *The India Sporting Review*, dated June, 1845, we came across the following effusion: "Young Bengal" sixty years ago seems to have been much as we find him in the present year of grace.

I'll sing you a new song, made by a whimsical old cock,
Of the fine young Bengal Gentleman all from the parent stock;
A different "genus homo" altogether from his dad—
Be he Moosulman or Hindu—is this enlightened lad:
The fine young Bengal Gentleman all of the present day.

Paternity sports cotton hose to keep his old shanks warm,
In boots and breeks "enlightened" doth now encase his form,
And turbans, too, give place to hats and caps of various name;
But whatever change externals show the inner man's the same
Of this fine young Bengal Gentleman all of the present day.

'Tis nuts to see him in the field, when on pig-sticking bent—
He with the line the cover beats on doughty deeds intent;
Instead of driving out the boar for his mounted friends to ride,
He coolly shoots him, and commits in this wise suis-cide:
Does the fine young Bengal Sportsman all of the present day.

The dresses and the vanities of the Christians to assume,
Is easy, and 'twere easy too for their virtues to find room;
But the binding of the work alone doth catch our young friend's eye—
The gem that sparkles bright within he idly passes by:
Does the fine young Bengal Gentleman all of the present time.

In one respect he differs, too, from his ancestors of old,
For they were finished gentlemen, as he needs scarce be told;
To poor and rich alike polite, and courteous in style,
'Neath natural urbanity they ever hid each wile:
Did the fine old Bengal Gentleman all of the olden time.

Now none can tax our rising youth with any such deceit,
At Cover side or on Race Course, or wherever be the meet;
The modesty of merit's missed—though merit may be there;
And where the polished sires had blushed, the enlightened sons but stare:
Like fine young Bengal Gentleman all of the present day.

Sir Joseph Hawley was occasionally very out-spoken. Not long before his death the Jockey Club had rejected some of his proposals for the amelioration of the Turf. At dinner that evening Sir Joseph, in his wrath, proclaimed that the senate was composed of rogues and fools.

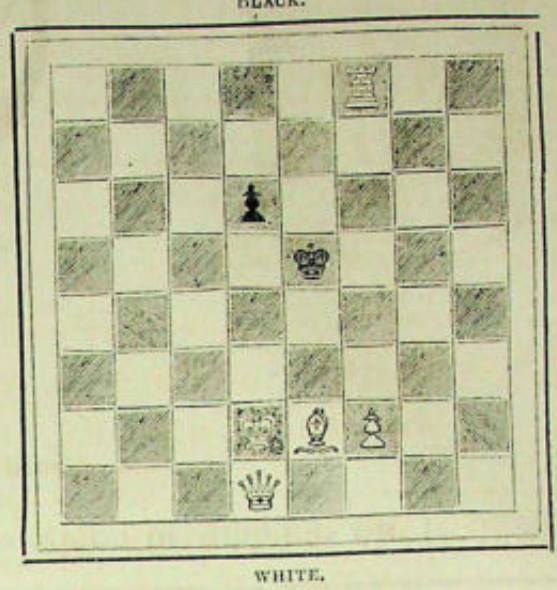
"And under which category do I come?" inquired a well-known baronet, still living.

"Upon my soul," was the rejoinder, "I think you're about half and half."

Chess.

PROBLEM XXXIII.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

GAME No. 32.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P to K 4	1. P to K B 4
2. Q Kt to B 3	2. Q Kt to B 3
3. P to K Kt 3	3. P to K Kt 3
4. B to Kt 2	4. B to Kt 2
5. K Kt to K 2	5. P to K 3
6. P to Q 3	6. K Kt to K 2
7. B to K 3	7. Kt to Q 5
8. Q to Q 2	8. P to K B 4 (a)
9. P to K R 4	9. Q to Q R 4
10. P to R 5	10. K Kt to Q B 3
11. R P takes P	11. R P takes P
12. R takes R (ch)	12. B takes R
13. B takes Kt	13. P takes B
14. Q Kt to Kt square	14. Kt to Kt 5 (b)
15. Q Kt to R 3	15. K to B 2
16. P takes P	16. Kt P takes P
17. K to B square	17. P to Q 3
18. Q to R 6	18. K B to Kt 2
19. Q to R 7 (c)	19. P to K 4
20. Q Kt to Q B 4	20. Q to Q B 2
21. P to Q R 3	21. Kt to B 3
22. B to Q 5 (ch)	22. K to B 3
23. R to K square (d)	23. B to Q 2 (e)
24. P to K Kt 4 and wins (f)	

(a) This looks premature. Black's game is not sufficiently developed for a successful attack. (b) We should have preferred exchanging Queens. (c) Much better than checking at R 5, as White now threatens Kt to K B 4 with telling effect. (d) To prevent Black posting his Bishop at K 3. (e) Had he played B to K 3, White could have taken B with B, and in answer to K takes B checked with the Kt at K B 4, winning a piece. (f) Threatening Kt to Kt 3 and P to Kt 5, after which Black's game is hopeless.

Cards.

SOLUTION TO DOUBLE DUMMY PROBLEM NO. 17.

1. A leads Heart 2; X puts on K; won by B.
2. B leads Diamond Q; Z puts on 5 (covering with K would be fatal); won by B.
3. B leads Heart 10; won by X.
4. X leads Club 4; Z puts on 2; won by A.

The only way of succeeding is by forcing A to win thegtrick.

5. A leads Heart 4; won by B.
6. B leads Diamond 2; Z puts on 6; X trumps; won by X.
7. X leads Club Ace; won by X.
8. X leads Clubs 7; A discards Spade 4; won by Z.
9. Z leads Club 8; A discards Spade 10; won by Z.

At this trick, A is in a fix; any way the result is the same.

10. Z leads Spade Q; A covers; won by X.
11. X leads Spade 8; won by A.
12. A leads Diamond Ace; won by A.
13. A leads Diamond 10; won by Z

At trick 6, B can lead small Spade, X wins with Ace, and proceeds on same principle as above.

At Baden-Baden, some twenty-five years ago, the Great International St. Leger was secured by double Zero, a colt through whose veins coursed some of the stoutest of Yorkshire blood. Closely related to the celebrated Voltigeur on his sire's side, and claiming kinship with another winner of the great Doncaster event through his dam's pedigree, it was only fitting that he should win this St. Leger, and maintain the family reputation for staying.

Olive, the dam of Double Zero, went through a series of adventures before becoming a stud matron Her first appearance on the Turf was in a selling race at Brighton, where she failed to score, and was claimed by Count Stephen Batthyany, who despatched her to Hungary. In the course of a few months Olive was purchased by a Mr. F. Andre, and then the Austrian-German War of 1866 broke out.

Shortly afterwards, her new owner rode the mare in the battle of Oswieczum, in Gallicia, when, chancing to get separated from his company, he was pursued by a picket of Austrian Lancers. To avoid capture, Andre rode to the banks of the Vistula, and although the water lay fully twenty feet below, the gallant animal jumped fearlessly. Horse and rider were separated by the impact, but both escaped the Austrian shots, though Olive, on losing sight of her master—who was making for the German shore—swam back to her foreign home.

Though captured by the Austrians, it was impossible for any of them to ride such a high-spirited animal, and she was constanly changing owners until she was eventually purchased by Count Lemberg, then well known in Leicestershire as a bold horseman. The count ran Olive in a hurdle race, and then tried her with the hounds, but she was quite unmanageable, and was sent to the stud Believing her to be barren, the count gave her to Prince Louis Rohan, in whose paddocks Olive foaled Double Zero.

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THURSDAY, 12th MAY 1904.

SOME MOTOR CAR MATTERS.

SPEAKING at a meeting of the Council of the Hunters' Improvement Society during the show week, Sir Walter Gilbey expressed the reassuring belief that the motor car so far from undermining the position of the carriage horse and the hack would ere long be productive of good results. In that famous horse-breeder's opinion the improvement of motor cars and the advocacy of motorists is calculated to stimulate a spirit of rivalry among horsemen with the consequence that more attention will be paid to the carriage horse and the hack. And he said, what no sane man will deny, that while ladies were conscious that they look better on horseback than they do in motor car, smothered in protective garments against dust and wind, they are not likely to renounce the saddle for the motor: the same cogent argument holds good in respect of the well turned out carriage. The invention of a machine that does not tire, can be taken out day after day without hurt and which boasts a decreasing disposition to break down at inconvenient and unexpected junctures, has admittedly gained great headway in England among those who can afford the expensive luxury of a first-class car: but we do not observe that carriage horses have become appreciably cheaper nor that they are any easier to obtain than they were five years ago; nor are there any indications that carriage horse breeding is otherwise than in an increasingly flourishing state as witness the "record" tale of entries for the recent show of the Hackney Horse Society in London. The increasing popularity of the motor car, it is true, is imposing fresh obligations upon horse owners and obliging a higher standard of education and manners among horses for use by road. We noticed in a recent home paper a case in which a county court judge, in deciding a question of horse warranty, held that the familiar clause "quiet to ride and drive" must now and hereafter receive a broader construction: he ruled that a horse so warranted must be one who preserves his self-control and equanimity in the face of the rushing motor car and the electric tram car. Though our sympathies are entirely with the horse who hates the rushing mystery that seems about to sweep him off the face of the earth, we cannot fail to recognise the justice of that county court judge's new definition of "quiet to ride and drive." If the motor car, as it certainly appears to be, is becoming weekly more numerous in the country roads of England as in English towns, then it is manifest that a horse which will not face a common object of the roadside, is not warrantable as quiet. Heretofore, as advertisements of horses for sale have shown us, sellers have made a point of the fact when an animal has been schooled to endure these terrors: but not a little trouble has arisen through the circumstance that the horse with perhaps pardonable narrowness of mind, accepts the motor car as an admissible incident of town work and street scenery, but will none of it in the country road. It is a little curious that the same horse should regard the machine from two diametrically opposite points of view accordingly as he encounters it in town or country, but the fact remains that he does. We may account for it by supposing that one abomination more or less counts for nothing in the whirl and chaos of street traffic as seen by the equine eye, while anything so overwhelm-

ing in its aggression and so out of harmony with peaceful surroundings is objectionable to equine standards of propriety in the country. Whatever the explanation, many disputes have arisen over the conduct of horses which, warranted and proved indifferent to the motor in the town, have demonstrated in the country an antipathy to the same, ruinous to shafts, and shattering to nerves.

It is many months now since the rabid anti-motor spokesman committed diatribes and floods of invective and warning to print. The violent hostility awakened by the last motor car Act has subsided into gloomy resignation and the motor car man has responded to this more indulgent attitude by getting himself fined with less frequency than was his wont. His less common appearance before the bench may perhaps be due to the greater elasticity now allowed him in the matter of speed; or it may be due to a conscience suffering from a number plate shrieking his identity in four-inch letters fore and aft: or both these factors may be operative in keeping him within the law. A judicious tendency to recognise the corrective influence of the press was made manifest at the General Meeting of the Automobile Club held on 10th March. The Earl of Shrewsbury moved a resolution to the effect that nobody engaged in the motor car trade and no journalist should be eligible for a seat on the Club Committee. That motion was promptly rejected: we do not know how many journalists are members of the club, but the "trade" is strongly represented and the circumstance that the motor car interest has its own journals—very well conducted journals too—will explain the rejection. Another motion to the effect that it is a violation of club etiquette for any member of a club to discuss any affairs of his club and especially of his committee in the press met the same fate. Now, such a motion as this latter would in any ordinary social club, be carried without a dissentient voice if it occurred to anybody that it was necessary to bring it forward. An ordinary club is a private body and the members would be justly irate if its private affairs were made public property by a member from whatever motive. The Automobile Club, however, stands upon a widely different footing: it is a social club to the extent that it has a club house of its own and is conducted by the orthodox machinery, but its functions are entirely distinct from the functions of an ordinary club. It has appointed itself the ruling body of the motor car interest: it has asserted a certain authority and its authority exercised with a discretion all acknowledge as eminently praiseworthy and in the public interest has been accepted by motorists. It is, as far as conditions of such widely dissimilar interests allow, what the Jockey Club is to the English Turf and, in less degree, what the Cyclists' Touring Club is to the cyclist. Under such conditions of responsibility-self-assumed, the Automobile Club can hardly claim that the proceedings of its committee or of itself as a club should be conducted with the privacy respected in the proceedings of the Bachelors, the "Rag" or any other club of kindred character. The motion that aimed at making an offence—in criminal code of clubs—of giving publicity to the committee's proceedings was a radical error and it was properly defeated. If the Automobile Club elected to make over its authority to the Motor Union of Great Britain, nobody could complain if it followed up the step by claiming the right to reticence as to its subsequent doings: but a ruling body which denied the right of all and sundry to criticise in these days is an impossibility.

Special Telegrams.

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(From Our Own Correspondent.)

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London, *Monday, 9th May 1904.*

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Lord Marcus Beresford's bk c CERISSIER, by Cherry Tree—Last Love, 4yrs, 6st, Bott 2
Mr G A Prentice's br c GENERAL CRONJE by Gallinule—Moira, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs, Trigg 3
Mr S Darling's ch c FERMOYLE, by Florizel II—Deception, 5yrs, 7st 0
Mr L Neumann's br c L'AIGLON, by St Simon—Self-Sacrifice, 4yrs, 6st 10lbs ... 0
Mr Reid Walker's b g TEMPLEMORE, by St Hilaire—Little Widow, 6yrs, 7st 3lbs 0
Mr S B Joel's ch c BACHELOR'S BUTTON, by Winkfield—Miladi, 5yrs, 8st 11b ... 0
Sir E Vincent's ch c COUNTERMARK, by Worcester—Assaye, 4yrs, 7st 2lbs ... 0
Lord Dunraven's b g SALUTE, by Carbine—Festa, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs 0
Lord Howard de Walden's b c KILGLASS, by Isinglass—Kilkenny, 4yrs, 7st 2lbs ... 0
Mr Blaskovitz's b c HAZAFI, by Orwell—Ollyan—Nines, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs... ... 0
Mr J B Joel's ch g DEAN SWIFT, by Childwick—Pasquil, 3yrs, 6st 2lbs ... 0
Mr C Hodge's br g NEWSBOY, by Common—Gamin, 3yrs, 7st 11b 0
Mr James Daly's br c ST BRENDAN, by Hackler—Court Card, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs ... 0
Mr J Hammond's ch c BURSES, by Childwick—Bendlet, 5yrs, 7st 3lbs 0

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

Betting: 100 to 12 agst Ypsilanti, 10 to 1 Cerissier, 100 to 6 General Cronje, 100 to 15 L'Aiglon, 15 to 2 Dean Swift, 100 to 12 Templemore, 100 to 8 each St. Brendan and Kilglass.

Won cleverly by three-quarters of a length; same distance between second and third.

Pedigree of Winner.

YPSILANTI (1893).

Stellarius (1872)	Stefanette (1884)	Galore (1885)	
	Peter (1878)	Lady Maura (1879)	Galopin (1872)
Stella (1860)	Hermit (1854)	Nabloise (1865)	Vedette (1844)
Tyndale (1861)	Lady Masham (1866)	Macaroni (1860)	Flying Duchess (1853)
			Voltigeur (1847)
		Swiftmas (1842)	Mrs. Ridgway (1849)
		Jocose (1843)	Flying Dutchman (1849)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Stockwell (1849)	Martha Lynn (1837)
		Brown Duchess (1858)	Non Darroll (1841)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Sweetmeat (1841)	Sly Maid (1835)
			Barbelle (1836)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Lollypop (1836)	Yehodjeh (1817)
		Footmouse (1844)	Glaskator (1843)
		Dasher (1825)	Non Darroll (1841)
			Voltaire (1826)
		The Baron (1842)	Martha Lynn (1837)
		Feemahantha (1837)	Non Darroll (1841)
			Voltaire (1826)
		F. Dutchman (46)	Barbelle (1836)
		Espoir (1841)	Yehodjeh (1817)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Touchstone (1831)	Martha Lynn (1837)
		Beeswing (1838)	Non Darroll (1841)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Tadmor (1837)	Sly Maid (1835)
		Miss Sellon (1851)	Barbelle (1836)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Y. Melbourne (56)	Yehodjeh (1817)
		Gamesboy (1838)	Glaskator (1843)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Don John (1838)	Martha Lynn (1837)
		Miss Lydia (1848)	Non Darroll (1841)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Birdcatcher (1833)	Sly Maid (1835)
		Elphine (1837)	Barbelle (1836)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Touchstone (1831)	Martha Lynn (1837)
		Whisker III (1839)	Non Darroll (1841)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Melbourne (1834)	Martha Lynn (1837)
		Mowerina (1843)	Non Darroll (1841)
			Voltaire (1826)
		Chanticleer (1843)	Martha Lynn (1837)
		Ellerdale (1844)	Non Darroll (1841)

*Sent to U. S. A. in 1898. †Sent to U. S. A. in 1892.

Previous Winners.

1887 Bendigo a 9st 7lb (18)	1896 Victor Wild 6y 9st 7lb (15)
1888 Minting 5y 10st (19)	1897 Clwyd 6y 7st 5lb (14)
1889 Amphion 3y 7st 11b (18)	1898 Diana Forest 6y 7st 7lb (16)
1890 The Imp 3y 6st 11b (17)	1899 Knight of the Thistle 6y 8st 4lb (17)
1891 Nunthorpe 5y 9st (19)	1900 Sirenia 5y 8st 6lb (20)
1892 Euclid 3y 7st 4lb (21)	1901 Santoi 4y 8st 6lb (22)
1893 Orviete 5y 9t 5lb	1902 Royal George 4y 6st 9lb (17)
1894 Avirgton 4y 8st 11b (20)	1903 Ypsilanti 5y 8st 11b (19)
1895 Victor Wild 5y 8st 4lb (18)	

THE NEWMARKET STAKES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Newmarket Stakes—Of 50sovs. each, 20ft. to the fund, with 1,500sovs. added. For three-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies 8st. 11lbs.: the second to receive 150sovs., and the third 50sovs., out of the Stakes. A. F. (1 mile 2 furlongs).—76 subs. Closed 30th September 1902.

Mr J Musker's br c HENRY THE FIRST, by Melton—Simena, Madden 1
Sir J Thursby's b c JOHN O'GAUNT, by Isinglass—La Fleche, Mr G Thursby ... 2
Mr L. De Rothschild's b c ST AMANT, by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule, K. Cannon ... 3
His Majesty's b c CHATSWORTH, by Persimmon—Meadow Chat 0
Lord Farquhar's b c AIRLIE, by Ayrshire—Lady Ermine 0

(*Winner trained by Gilbert.*)

Betting: 9 to 4 on St Amant, 100 to 30 agst John O'Gaunt, 100 to 7 Henry the First.

Won by a head; four lengths between second and third.

PEDIGREE OF THE WINNER.

HENRY THE FIRST (1901).

Simena (1896)	Flying Footstep (1884)	Galopin (1872)	
		Flying Duchess (53)	
	St. Simon (1881)	St. Angela (1865)	
		Doncaster (1870)	
Melton (1882)	Violet Melrose (1875)	Scottish Chief (1851)	
		Violet (1861)	
	Master Kildare (1875)	Silk (1849)	
		Lord Ronald (1862)	
Atalanta (1875)	Galopin (1872)	Vedette (1844)	
		Flying Duchess (53)	
	Doncaster (1870)	Stockwell (1849)	
		Edith (1857)	
Galopin (1872)	Vedette (1844)	Voltigeur (1847)	
		Mrs Ridgway (49)	
	Flying Duchess (53)	Flying Dutchman (49)	
		Merope (1841)	
Perfection (1868)	King Tom (1851)	Harkaway (1833)	
		Pocahontas (1837)	
	Adeline (1855)	Ion (1837)	
		Little Fairy (1852)	
Thormanby (1857)	Stockwell (1849)	The Baron (1842)	
		Pocahontas (1837)	
	Marigold (1849)	Newminster (1848)	
		Diadumia (1852)	
Woodbine (1860)	Voltigeur (1847)	Bay Middleton (1833)	
		Alice Hawthorn (36)	
	Mrs Ridgway (49)	Sweetmeat (1841)	
		Fernhanita (1843)	
	Flying Dutchman (49)	Dey of Algiers (36)	
		Orelopa	
	Merope (1841)	Touchstone (.831)	
		Pair Ellen (1842)	
	Stockwell (1849)	Little Known (36)	
		Bay Miss (1843)	
	Housekeeper (61)	Wintonian (1841)	
		A Hawthorn (36)	
		Stockwell (1849)	
		Housekeeper (61)	
	Yeddite (1834)	The Baron (1842)	
		Pocahontas (1837)	
	Flying Dutchman (49)	Bay Middleton (1833)	
		Alice Hawthorn (36)	
	Teddington (1851)	Sweetmeat (1841)	
		Fernhanita (1843)	
	Sis. to Sanspareil (42)	Dey of Algiers (36)	
		Orelopa	

Previous Winners.

1889 Donovan ...	... 17	1897 Galtee More	...
1890 Memoir ...	... 12	1898 Cyllene ...	... 11
1891 Mimi ...	... 12	1899 Dominie II	... 9
1892 Curio ...	... 11	1900 Diamond Jubilee	... 6
1893 Isinglass ...	... 7	1901 William the Third	... 7
1894 Ladas ...	... 5	1902 † Fowling Piece	... 10
1895 The Owl ...	... 7	1903 Flotsam ...	... 8
1896 Galeazzo ...	... 15		

† And Patrick came in first but was disqualified.

Sporting Notes.

FURTHER reports of the Rangoon Spring Meeting appear in our Turf columns to-day. The second day's racing was much marred by torrential rain which came down as the proceedings opened, and had more than a little to say to some of the results, causing a few falls—luckily unattended by serious damage and being responsible for some upsets, notably in the Rangoon Derby, in which the street corner tip, Forlorn Hope, having been left at the post, the winner turned up in High Flyer, who served up a big surprise and the big totalisator dividend of Rs. 171 per five-rupee ticket. It was not by any means a favourite's day and messieurs les bookies *ought* to have had a good day; though it is quite possible that they would deny the soft impeachment.

Apropos of bookmakers we may as well throw a little more light on the difference of opinion between them and the Stewards which led to the "strike" alluded to in our last issue. The fact that the Stewards tried to put the screw on in the shape of an enhanced fee, that the books in a body decided to stand down, and that three firms eventually did pay might sound as if that astute body had practically acknowledged defeat. Not so, however; they seldom or ever give in when once they have taken a stand, and in this instance they scored hugely over the Stewards as thus: Ten bookmakers refused to pay Rs. 300 each per day, and the Stewards remaining firm in their decision to take that amount or none, the bookies arranged for three of their number to bet and the rest chipped in on the "share and share alike" principle. Hence we found Messrs. Goldspink, Coutts and Chard betting for the ten, the Club losing Rs. 1,600 a day and the three bookies still raking in all the money there was to be taken from the public. Sagacious Stewards; simple bookies!

On the third they there was more boiling over of pots on some of the little things the public were so sweet on: for instance the success of Chitsway in the Indo-Burma Handicap was an unmitigated surprise to the general body of backers and a very welcome windfall to the two enterprising punters who had taken a ticket each on the horse's chance in the totalisator and drew therefrom Rs. 310 each. On the day the Tote dividends were good, and again the bookmakers, as represented by "the dauntless three," raked in the public money in the busiest manner possible from start to finish.

The racing has shown one thing, and that is the urgent need of very careful attention to the course, which, in addition to being badly drained, has a sharp and dangerous turn which, in the opinion of many, was the direct cause of the fatal accidents connected with the first day's racing. These and other matters will doubtless be taken up in due course; meanwhile the Stewards are to be congratulated on the results of their enterprise in respect of the new stands and other improvements.

The Burman jockey, who was thrown on the first day when Regina bolted in the Larrikin Plate, succumbed to his injuries we are sorry to hear.

The Beresford Cup Polo Tournament (Simla) has been postponed until the 6th June. Entries will now be received up to the 30th May.

In our issue of date we publish the programme of the Mussoorie Races, which are to be held on the 9th and 11th June. The second entries close on the 20th instant and the final entries on the 4th June. There are six races of Rs. 200 on the first day and seven of a similar value on the second. The programme has been carefully framed and ought to attract good entries.

We remind owners and trainers that the first entries for the Mysore Races close on the 15th instant.

First entries for the Civil Service and Army Cups are published in our Turf columns to-day. The Civil Service has drawn nine, among which we find Bess, Idle Bell, Housemaid II., Not Yet and Don John. The Army Cup has drawn no less than thirty-seven, most of which are of the usual unknown quantity class. Second entries for both races close on the 1st July.

Besides reports of the racing at Rangoon, our Turf Columns this week contain details of the Darjeeling and Ootacamund Meetings, and the Second Open Gymkhana at Meerut.

Mr. R. S. Sievier has brought an action against Sir James Duke, Bart., arising out of some words spoken by the latter at the Raleigh Club. The case was to come off at the end of last month.

According to "Ranger" of the *T. S. and D. News*, Londoners are to be provided with a new social club on the lines of Ranelagh and Hurlingham, a large estate just ripe for development having been bought by a wealthy syndicate with a view to providing for sportsmen and women amusement similar to that to be had at the London clubs named, with the additional attraction of being in a pleasant part of Surrey. The park is between Mitcham and Sutton, not far from the Epsom coaching road, and already plans have been drawn up for the provision of polo, tennis and croquet grounds, while a considerable space will be set apart as an enclosure in which driving competitions, horse and dog shows, and other out-door gatherings can be had without interference with other sections of sport. Should all go well, the park will be one of the most pleasant resorts within driving distance of London, for its natural attractions are great. The district is a rapidly growing one, development during the last few years having been enormous.

Nothing gives greater pleasure than the tempering of justice with mercy, and turfites of all classes will be glad to hear that the Jockey Club have seen fit to withdraw the "warning-off" ban so far as Rickaby and Lester Rieff are concerned. In the case of the latter, this is not, perhaps, a matter of much moment, for, owing to his weight, race-riding meant a life of severe deprivation, and, having settled down as a farmer in California, he is not in the least likely to wish to return to England even were it known that his license would be restored to him. But with Rickaby the case is altogether different. During his period of "rustication" he remained faithful to Newmarket, and the notification that he is at liberty to use the famous Heath again doubtless means that at no very distant date he will be allowed once more to follow his vocation. All who admire good horsemanship will hope that such may be the case.

Now that Russia and Japan are at war matter of the best type of cavalry horse comes up for the discussion in a fresh and potent form, for the reason that it is possible, from the magnitude of the interests involved and affected directly and indirectly, that much of the Eastern world may be set by the ears. It is known that Japan has few horses. It is not so long ago that there were only a few thousands in that collection of islands. Russia, on the other hand, owns an enormous number of horses, not many of them large, but most of them well suited to the uses of the soldiers who ride them. Indeed it has been said that the much-dreaded Cossack troops of Russia have been made by their mounts, not their mounts by their riders. The Cossacks are known as among the most mobile troops in the world. This is a point which should be remembered in this discussion. Here is another bearing along much the same line.

When Oom Paul made up his mind that some day or other he would send an ultimatum to the British suzerain he wisely set about the preliminary mobilization of his troops. From Australia and elsewhere small thorough-bread stallions were procured in large numbers. These were mated with the Basuto and other native pony mares and the resulting remounts surprised the world with the rapidity with which they transported their rather heavy riders from point to point. It cost the British nation blood and treasure to learn the lesson, and the result is well worth noting. On demand of Lord Roberts some 40,000 horses were purchased for British troops in South Africa. These were not heavy horses. They were wanted strong-backed, short-legged, wiry, compactly built and standing between 14-1 and 15 hands. Many such animals were found in Hungary, Russia and the United States. Of course many larger horses were also bought, but the main demand was for these small animals.

The reasons advanced were that small horses of wiry nature can get over as much ground as larger ones and do it on less food and with less trouble. As military evolutions must now be performed it is hard to keep the forage trains up with the forward line of march. The foot soldier, not being well accustomed to the saddle, gets on and off a small horse more easily than a tall one. Other reasons for the preferment of such small horses might be named, but these are sufficient to show why the change has overtaken the demand for army horses and why the aims of governments have also been transferred from the production of the large to the small.

The most recent effort toward the breeding of these horses is reported from the United Kingdom, where it has been announced that the best possible way in which to produce the required sort is believed to be mating thoroughbred stallions with pony mares, that is mares really belonging to the pony breeds, the Welsh, Exmoor and the like. It is announced that by such unions a small wiry animal will be bred that in the field will get over all the ground required, that will do it on little carried food, find a living for itself almost wherever placed and be easy to mount and dismount from, standing much hardship and preserving a great degree of health at all times.

To breed such animals from the native ponies of South Africa operations have already been begun. Inquiries have already been ordered renewed in the Canadian Northwest. Hundreds of Texas, Montana, Wyoming and Colorado ponies bought during the Boer rebellion are still in use in the Transvaal and Orange River colonies. They seem to have survived unscathed where heavier and softer-bred animals died by the score. Britain evidently means to breed some of the same sort for itself.

Our London Sporting Letter this week gives full details of the Great Metropolitan and City and Suburban Stakes. During the running for the former race, when some seven furlongs from home, St. Patrick's Day struck into another competitor and fell, the result being that Grey Tick and Induction also came to grief. Grey Tick unfortunately fractured a leg and was subsequently shot. The three jockeys, Madden, McIntyre, and Benson, happily escaped injury, the first-named returning on a motor car. The death of Grey Tick is undoubtedly a serious loss to Mr. W. Bass. The horse was purchased early last year for the purpose of leading Sceptre in her exercise, and by doing work with the famous filly improved sufficiently to credit Mr. Bass with the Cesarewitch.

The betting on the Derby, the day the last mail left London, Friday, 22nd April, was as follows :—

13 to	2 agst	St. Amant (t)	...	A. Hayhoe
7 —	1 —	Gouvernant (t)	...	In France
100 —	12 —	Henry the First (t)	...	Gilbert
10 —	1 —	John o'Gaunt (t)	...	G. Edwards
100 —	7 —	Fiancee (t)	...	J. Chandler
100 —	8 —	Rydal Head (t)	...	J. Porter
25 —	1 —	Airlie (t & o).	...	Mr. G. Lambton
40 —	1 —	Montem (t)	...	R. Marsh
10 —	1 —	Darley Dale (t)	...	J. Porter.

We learn from an American exchange that Arthur Redfern, the highest-paid jockey in America last season, will ride in England next year. At the end of this racing season in America he will make a visit to England and France with his parents. Redfern was offered a large salary to go to England to ride this season, but declined it, as he was under contract with the late Mr. W. C. Whitney, and then followed the E. R. Thomas contract.

We have to thank the Editor of *The Polo Annual* for a copy of that most useful compilation.

The Lucknow Open Gymkhana fell through.

We recommend such of our readers as are in need of horses, and who can take advantage of the opportunity, to visit Messrs. Milton and Company's stables and look over the shipments recently landed *ex* steamer *Gracchus*. The shippers are Messrs. G. Meeke and L. Glance, and our old friend Mr. Oscar Batters, who has not visited the Shiny East for many moons.

The second Gymkhana at Simla, on the 7th instant, attracted a large gathering, Lady Ampthill also being present. There were five events, proceedings opening with the Pony Race, for which there were six entries. Captain Liverton's Cronje won, but was disqualified, and the race awarded to Major Tod's Ayraki. The Wand Race was run off in three heats; the finals provided a close finish between Mrs. McLeod and Mrs. Crocker, the latter winning with Miss Ibbetson third. Twelve couples entered for the Skilful Amazon Competition, which was most exciting. Colonel Read and Mrs. Carnduff beating Captain McConaghey and Mrs. Vandaleur after four runs in the final seat. The Not-at-home Stakes, for which there were ten couples, was won by Captain Courage and Mrs. Morgan. The Marketing Stakes brought the proceedings to a close. Fourteen couples competed, Mr. and Mrs. Carnduff being successful.

The Mahableshwar Polo Tournament was concluded on the 5th instant. In the first round the 29th Lancers beat the 93rd Highlanders by three goals and one subsidiary to one goal and one subsidiary. In the second round the 29th Lancers were beaten by the 33rd Queen's Light Cavalry by six goals to *nil* and the Government House team, playing a man short, defeated the Baroda team. The finals resulted in a win for the 33rd Light Cavalry, who beat the Government House team.

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The Darjeeling Sky Races just over provided one of those pleasant little gatherings so well known in our hill retreat. The racing was excellent and a very fair class of ponies competed; everything went with a swing, no hitch of any sort occurring. In other years this meeting has been strongly supported by the regiment in garrison at Lebong; but this year, owing to the regiment being under orders for home, and having in consequence disposed of all their ponies, they were not able to help with the entries. On the other hand, the Dooars contingent, who very seldom put in an appearance, this time sent half a dozen handy gees and we are glad to see that they appropriated some of the spoils with the aid of Bluebell and the evergreen Arab Commissioner.

Mr. Price's Energy stands out as the champion pony of the meeting, and the way she beat her field in the Kinchinjunga Plate with the solid weight of 12st. on her back, stamps her as a very useful animal indeed. The course was put into nice going order and there was not a single spill all through, although part of the first day's racing was carried out in heavy rain. There was very little wagering all through the meeting and the totalisator returns were very small indeed. The bookmaker present told us that his field money on one of the races was the grand total of Rs. 41! There was rather a poor attendance on the first day; but it was up to the average on the second. Full details of the racing will be found in our Turf columns.

The Lahore Hunt wound up their season with a Point to Point race which teemed with exciting incidents and which was won by Captain W. E. B. Smith on Rover. He was followed home by Miss Collen, who thus secured the Ladies' Prize. Then came the Hunt dinner, which was a most successful feast.

Jockeys Bennett and Carter, now in Australia, are expected back in India in August.

With the object of giving owners a chance of making final selections for the big Mysore meeting, it has been arranged to have three extra days' racing at Bangalore on the 28th instant and 4th and 11th June.

Bob Vinall again acts as starter to the Mysore Races, and Mr. Cursetji Dhunjishaw handicaps.

Dignum and Watson, the trainers, are expected back in India next month. *On dit* the latter has remarried.

The announcement that a 10ft. 8in. tiger had been shot has, naturally, aroused the interest of sportsmen all over India, especially in view of the fact that it is the record. It has also once again raised the question as to the proper method of measurement—the tip to tip between perpendiculars, or the tip to tip over the curves of the body. "Solid Lead," writing to the *Pioneer*, says:—

"The paragraph further states, that the measurement was made 'in the usual manner from tip of the nose to tip of the tail following all curves.' This may be the usual method of measuring tigers in the Terai, but is not the one ordinarily adopted in the Central Provinces, where the measurement is usually made between two uprights placed at the tip of the nose and the tip of the tail. The measurements given from the two methods when applied to the same tiger usually show a difference of about five inches, but if the tape be closely pressed to the back of the tiger throughout his length when measuring along the curves, a greater difference will appear. The 10ft. 8in. tiger shot in the Terai, if measured between uprights would not exceed 10ft. 3in. in length. It is a matter of regret that sportsmen have not definitely adopted one method of measurement. There is no doubt that by measuring between uprights there is less scope for inaccuracy, and for this reason it is preferable. The tiger should be placed so as to give the maximum measurement between two vertical sticks held touching the tip of the nose and the tip of the tail. If several persons, measure the same tiger in this method the results will not differ by half an inch, whereas, if they measure following the curves, differences of several inches will appear."

[Quite so, but who is to lay down the rule? Both methods of measurement have adherents, about equally divided let us say; or if opinions preponderate either way probably the "over the curves" will be found to be more numerous; for it is only in human nature for a sportsman to give his trophies the benefit of as many inches as he can, and when he finds that by measuring over the curves his tiger tapes a few inches more than if he measured him between perpendiculars why it's 10 to 1 he will reject the latter method. It is, we are convinced, one of those points on which there never will be agreement, for wherever the "personal equation" comes in there must always be differences.—Ed., *I. F.*]

Sailing men always thought that Mr. Vanderbilt was well equipped with the two magnificent steam yachts that he has at present in American waters; but yachting creation is to be "licked" with the new twin-screw vessel *Warrior* that is being completed for him just now at the famous yard of the Ailsa Shipbuilding Company at Troon. She is Watson designed, and as she lies in the dock receiving her finishing touches, she is as fine a specimen of a boat as could be dreamed of. Schooner-rigged, with a massive funnel, her graceful clipper bow is surmounted by the figure of an ancient warrior clad in mail and carrying over his shoulder a gleaming double-edged sword. The boat has a fine sheer, and there is a great overhang aft. When the vessel is delivered Mr. Vanderbilt will have a yacht that cost him close upon £100,000. She has on board all the latest appliances provided for the safety and good working of ships, and for securing the comfort of those who go to sea in them. Magnificent apartments are being fitted for Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt, and the guests will find their quarters palatial. The *Warrior's* draught is about 15ft. aft, and her crew will number forty. Her annual cost, to say nothing about renewals and repairs, docking, etc., will amount to over £30,000. The *Warrior* is to go to Norway, and will afterwards cruise in European waters before being brought to America. Mr. Vanderbilt, who is now in England, takes great interest in the shaping of his new ship, on which an army of workmen are now engaged, including a batch of specially-hired French cabinet-makers, who are sumptuously arranging the cabin walls and upholstering the yacht.

Androcles and his lion are nowhere, writes a Paris correspondent. The record has been beaten by the sick tigress and M. Dramard, the "vet" of Mr. Bostock's menagerie in Paris. The tigress's own name is Paris. She has a husband named Depew. And Mr. Depew is a jealous husband, so jealous that he has given her a dreadful mauling because of some flirtations with a neighbour. From this barbarous behaviour of his, it is clear that Stripes has not yet acclimatised himself to the moral atmosphere of Paris. When Stripes does that, Stripes will become more of a philosopher. Well, Madame Stripes had to be surgically treated. It was no easy matter. Chloroform was out of the question. No tiger ever yet has been chloroformed. [Yes, in the Calcutta 300 years ago.—Ed.] For all one knows it might have taken all the chloroform in Paris to put Madame Stripes to sleep. She had to be lassooed. Eight men assisted in the process. Among them was the tamer, Mr. Miller, whom she nearly killed a few days ago. The abscess in the left paw was opened. A bad wound in the shin bone was dressed. Madame Stripes groaned a little. To keep her quiet they gave her a chunk of wood to play with. It became weak as a straw in her awful mouth while the "vet" exercised his skill on her vast limb, with all its fearful "symmetry." "Did he who made the lamb make thee?" Certainly. The "sinews," of her heart relaxed, and at last Madame Stripes, turning her great head round, tried to lick with her tongue the operator's hand. The paw has been poulticed and bandaged. The patient is getting on most satisfactorily. And she takes her milk (milk!) diet like a Christian.

The aims and objects of the Society for the Protection of Birds should appeal to every sportsman and reader of *The Indian Field*. We have before pointed out that practical sympathy need in no way clash with the operations of the shooter of feathered game, and if any there be who harbour doubts on this head they have only to ask for a statement from the Honorary Secretary in India of the Society's objects. In this connection we invite attention to a letter from Mr. William Jesse which appears in our Correspondence columns, and commend, to the practical support of our readers, the appeal which he makes in the concluding paragraph thereof.

The Calcutta Clay Pigeon Club opened its season on the 8th instant. There was a fair muster of members, most of whom seemed to think the trap was an improvement on the hand flingers hitherto in use. It is probable the traps will be adopted.

When the King was in Portugal last year he offered a prize of a silver salver to be shot for at the principal pigeon shooting club. This year the cup has been won by the King of Portugal, who is a first-class shot, and King Edward has sent a congratulatory telegram to his Royal brother.

Athletic Notes.

THE Honorary Secretary of the Calcutta Football League has favoured us with a copy of the Handbook for the current year. It is priced at four annas per copy, and for that modest outlay the man interested in football generally and the League in particular gets a large amount of useful and interesting information comprising, among other things, the League rules, results of the competitions since 1898, laws of the game, plan of the field and the League fixtures for the season about to begin.

A regatta will be held on the lake at Ootacamund on the 23rd May, entries closing on the 16th instant. The list of events include Men's Pairs (Lady cox), Mixed Pairs (Lady cox), Men's Pairs (Lady cox), Mixed Fours Double Sculls (Lady cox), Mixed Double Sculls, a Sculling Race and a Bath Tub Race. Major Bagnall is the Sub-Secretary.

Mr. M. Mertig, the energetic Joint Honorary Secretary of the Calcuttta Revolver Club, went home this week on a short holiday; Mr. J. E. Vallance, his fellow "Joint," carries on the Secretaryship alone during his absence.

The annual general meeting of the Colombo Rowing Club was held at the Boat House, Slave Island, on the 22nd instaat. Mr. V. A. Julius presided, and others present were:—

Messrs. D. M. Hanna (Honorary, Secretary), F. M. Simpson, W. C. Macready, C. W. Horsfall, H. S. Dix, J. G. Garratt, A. L. Hine Haycock, and E. R. Porteous (Honorary Treasurer).

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The Treasurer then submitted the statement of accounts which was duly passed, and it was agreed to pay off Rs. 500 of the loans still due on account of the new Boat House. On the receipts side of the accounts for 1903, the balance brought forward from 1902 was Rs. 1,277·19, entrance fees Rs. 260, subscription Rs. 250, sale of refreshments Rs. 311·40—total Rs. 2,098·59. Against this wages, upkeep and repairs took up Rs. 1,072·55, water, light, etc., Rs. 59·94, cost of refreshments Rs. 212·03, stationery and postage Rs. 62·05, Madras visit (payment to the C.C.C.) Rs. 13·85, cost of Regatta 1903, Rs. 69·05, and balance carried forward Rs. 609·12—total Rs. 2,098·59. The new Boat House account came up to Rs. 1,500.

Mr. G. Hathorn and Mr. V. A. Julius were re-elected President and Captain, respectively; Mr. H. S. Dix was elected Honorary Secretary in place of Mr. D. M. Hanna, resigned; and Mr. E. R. Porteous was elected Honorary Treasurer. The following were re-elected to serve on the Committee:—Messrs. G. H. Garratt, A. A. Hankey, F. M. Simpson and E. R. Williams (re-elected) and Messrs. D. M. Hanna and F. R. Watson in place of Messrs W. T. Highton and John Scott who have left Colombo.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes:—Another six weeks will see the opening of the cricket season in Bombay, and as far as the Gymkhana are concerned, the prospects are none too rosy. During the past month or so quite a number of well-known local players have gone on leave to Europe, and as far as I can see at present new players of promise are conspicuous by their absence. In past years we have been able to rely on the British regiment stationed here to supply two or three good players, but the Cheshires do not appear to have any good cricketing officers in Bombay, while further losses to local cricket have resulted from the departure for the north of the 117th Maharatta Infantry. Captain McDonald and Mr. F. St. George Gratwicke have arranged an excellent list of fixtures for both the first and second elevens of the Gymkhana, and no pains have been spared to get the playing pitch in good condition. Last season, it will be remembered, very few matches were played on the new pitch owing to the way in which the water used to stand about on it. In the interval, however, every effort has been made to effect a remedy, and there is every prospect of success. Your readers have already been made acquainted with the dates of the annual matches between the Presidency and Parsees. The chances of the Europeans being able to put a strong eleven in the field are very remote, but one cannot tell what will happen between now and August. I would rather, therefo e, defer any remarks on this matter until a later date, when I hope to be able to allude to a rosier state of things than exists at present.

The chief interest in Bombay is now centered in the forthcoming Aga Khan Hockey Tournament, which will be in full swing before this note appears in print. The teams entered this year number seventeen—four less than last year—and followers of the game are looking forward to some

exciting encounters. The Gymkhana have entered a team, and its chances of success though not good are not hopeless. When the season opened it looked as if they would be able to put a fairly decent team in the field, but this anticipation has not been justified by results. From among the large number of men who are members of the Gymkhana, I am certain a good team could be drawn. But what does really happen? The same eleven can never be got together for two matches in succession, the Committee are always making the mistake of chopping and changing men about from one position to another, and the result is defeat upon defeat—even schoolboys who have only just started the game beat them. A night or two since I went down to see the Gymkhana play the Grant Medical College, and was very disappointed with their miserable exhibition. The College won by six goals to one—on their play they deserved to have won by more. The Gymkhana will possibly beat the R. G. A., against whom they are drawn, but I much doubt if they will get much further in the rounds. As to the coming tournament, the present holders, the Cathedral School Old Boys, should just about win. They show plenty of combination, are fast, and will be trained up to the minute.

The yachting season is now fast drawing to a close, but interest in the weekly races, held by the Royal Bombay Yacht Club, continues to be well sustained. Saturday's races were sailed in a fresh to a light breeze from the north-west. The "A" class yachts sailed a course of between thirteen and fourteen miles, the race being won by *Melody*, who got the better of *Sapphire* by 35 seconds, the finishing times being as follows:—

Names of Boats.	Time allowance on course. M.	S.	Entered by	Time of arrival. H.	M.	S.	Corrected time. H.	M.	S.
Melody	... 11	30	Mr J B K Macbeth	6	1	30	2	35	0
Sapphire	... 1	28	Capt Muter, R E and Mr R H H Hopkins	5	52	3	2	35	35
Stella	... scr		Lt-Col H W Boyd, I M S	5	52	45	2	37	45
Isca	... 17	02	Mr E Faulkner	6	40	54	3	8	48

The "B" class yachts sailed a course of just over nine miles, the prize being won by *Erin*, with the times as follows:—

Names of Boats.	Time allowance on course. M.	S.	Entered by	Time of arrival. H.	M.	S.	Corrected time. H.	M.	S.
Erin	... 5	22	Mr R H Ireland	4	51	24	1	46	2
Trixie	... 8	4	Mr A M Monteath	4	50	12	1	47	8
Janetta	... scr		Officers, R E	4	47	20	1	47	20
Sayonara	... 9	12	Major Curtis, R A M C	5	3	30	1	54	18

In the "Tomtit" race *Tomtit* won the first prize, *Maud* the handicap prize. The times were:—

Names of Boats.	Time allowance on course. M.	S.	Entered by	Time of arrival. H.	M.	S.	Corrected time. H.	M.	S.
Tomtit	... scr		Dr F M Gibson	4	47	19	2	2	19
Meg	... scr		Mr C H Byrne	4	40	14	2	4	14
Maud	... 9	58	Mr J E Needham	4	55	0	2	0	2
Lapwing	.. 6	08	Mr E C Richards	4	55	21	2	4	13
Coralie	.. 11	30	Lt E C I Lazenby, R I M	4	59	25	2	2	55

Football in Calcutta has begun already. Last Saturday Dalhousie, on their own ground, met and defeated a Calcutta F. C. team, composed entirely of recruits, by no less than six goals to one.

The Y. M. C. A. journeyed to Chinsurah and played a game against the local club, with whom they made a draw of it of a goal each.

A "boxing" match, we see, has been arranged between Brophy and Tully, and it is to come off in Madras. ! Patrons of the noble art in Calcutta, who have had time to get over their disappointments in respect of these boxers, will smile and wish their fellow sportsmen all the enjoyment they can get out of the treat in store for them.

The Lord Provost of Glasgow, Sir John Ure Primrose, is a strong advocate of amateurism in football, and feels strongly that the Queen's Park, Scotland'sonly leading amateur team, is often in sad straits for young blood to maintain the supply of players as the older members drop out and vacancies occur. With the object of fostering the Association game in the schools, he called a meeting of head masters of secondary schools, which he maintains ought to be the feeders of amateur senior teams, and this meeting was held in the Municipal Chambers, Glasgow. Sir John presided. His lordship, however, did not get so much support as he expected. Most of those present represented schools in which Rugby has for generations been the traditional school game, and they saw difficulties in inducing their pupils to take up the other code. This feeling was also expressed in the letters read from the head masters of such schools as Fettes and Edinburgh Academy; but Dr. Kerr, of Allan Glens' School, and other head masters gave the scheme their heartiest approval. and, indeed, all the head masters were united in approving the idea that any attempt to raise the status of the Association game was deserving of encouragement. Although no great step forward was taken, the result of the meeting should be for the good of the game, the Q. P. representatives carrying away with them several suggestions worthy of their consideration.

Winchester easily won the Public Schools' Racquets Championship at Queen's Club, West Kensington. Malvern were defeated in the final match by four games to love, as will be seen from the full report given in our London Sporting Letter.

Jack McAuliffe's recent boxing show in Rangoon was successfully brought through, though the house was discouragingly small. Bert Delaney's artistic and clever ball punching turn opened the card and was succeeded by a few sparring exhibitions of more or less merit. Then came the ten rounds between Burridge and McGuinness; but as Burridge had to retire in the first round owing to a dislocated thumb, the spectators were disappointed. The exhibition between McAuliffe and Delaney began well, but got no further than the second round, in which Delaney was disqualified for persistent holding.

The Rev. A. N. Cooper, the Vicar of Filey, who has achieved some notable feats of pedestrianism, and is known as "The Walking Parson," whose interesting book was reviewed some time ago in the columns of *The Indian Field*, left York for France on the 12th ultimo. He proposes to walk to Andorra, a small and quaint Republic between the French department of Ariego and the Spanish province of Lerida. Mr. Cooper in 1887 walked to Rome, a distance of 743 miles. He has travelled on foot across Ireland, from Hamburg to Paris, across Belgium and through Spain and he has also walked to Budapest, Monte Carlo, and Venice. The vicar usually covers about 30 miles a day, and his tramps form the subject of interesting lectures, which he delivers to the members of his congregation.

The Calcutta Golf Club has arranged for the annual competition for the St. Andrew's Silver Tankard to take place on the 13th and 14th instant.

We commend to the attention of Calcutta footballers the special article by "Touch," which will be found further on.

Messrs. John Dewar and Sons, Limited, have just received, through their Head Office at Perth, further substantial orders from His Majesty the King for their famous Scotch whiskies, which is continued proof of His Majesty's satisfaction with the well-known "Dewar" Brand, and evidence, if such were needed, of Royal connoisseurship in such matters.

The final game in the Beighton Hockey Cup Tournament, played on the Rangers' ground last night, resulted in a win for the Hornets who beat the United Service by two goals to *nil*. Details in our Hockey column.

London Week by Week.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 22nd April 1904.*

IT is interesting to watch the trend of opinion in Russia and Germany concerning the Anglo-French Agreement. There seems an increasing tendency in the Russian papers to regard the strengthening ties between England and France as helpful to trail the wings of the German eagle, if I may borrow the falconer's phrase. Germany, if her papers represent her true feeling, eyes the agreement with a dismay she knows she ought to conceal while doubting her ability to veil her chagrin. It is curious how the press of the various Powers turn with unanimity to Germany with a how-do-you-like-it sort of expression. Russians talk of an Anglo-Russian agreement—still with an eye on Germany! but the time for that is surely not the present.

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After four weeks of troublesome work the ill-fated submarine has been raised and towed into Portsmouth Harbour. The inquest has been held and a verdict of accidental drowning returned. Practically all the evidence given was that of Captain Bacon. He said that the whole injury was confined to the top of the conning tower, and the only breakage would have been through the hole between the water-tight lid and the part of the tower bent down all round the hole through which the optical tube was fitted: that such a leak could easily have been stopped and that three hours would have been required to fill the vessel through the leak. The bodies of all the crew were found at their stations, that of Mr. Mansergh, the officer commanding, being in the conning tower; and from this circumstance the witness concluded that every man on board fell stunned by the impact of the collision and lay stunned until the rising water drowned them where they lay.

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This was Captain Bacon's view of the circumstances under which the collision actually occurred. "About 1-45 P.M.," he said, "I signalled A1 to attack a cruiser about four miles to the south of the Nab. I saw her dive in that direction. From an examination of the top of the conning tower and reports from the divers who examined the bottom of the *Berwick Castle*, as well as from the direction of the cruiser, I concluded that the submarine was steering south." The *Berwick Castle* was steering about south-east, and therefore coming up on the starboard quarter of the submarine. The submarine is fitted with an optical tube which gives a view equal to the naked eye. She was also fitted with an electrical apparatus to allow the whole of the horizon to be surveyed. The *Berwick Castle* was going about nine knots and the submarine about six knots. Under these conditions unless the tube had been revolved so as to be on the beam of the submarine the *Berwick Castle* would not have been sighted until about 150 feet off. The submarine had the choice of doing two things—(1) of blowing out her tanks, starboarding her helm, and risking a grazing collision on the surface; (2) diving underneath the bottom of the *Berwick Castle*. The latter was undoubtedly chosen. If the *Berwick Castle* were sighted 150 feet off, and allowing five seconds for the captain of the submarine to make up his mind, the boat would have struck in exactly the position she was on the top of her conning tower, which was 25 feet below the surface. Had she had about three more seconds, she would have passed clear under the bottom of the *Berwick Castle.*

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Surgeon W. B. Maurice, R. N., answered the question which presented itself to everyone: he thought that the collision would produce sufficient concussion to render all the crew unconscious, they being in a confined space. It may be remarked that notwithstanding their prolonged submersion the bodies were easily identified: for some obscure reason decomposition had been singularly slow.

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The extreme swiftness of the *Petropavlovsk's* sinking gave rise to much discussion: an "authentic account" of the disaster from Petersburg on Saturday told us that it was due to an explosion of the boilers which re-acted on the magazines with the result that huge holes were torn in the hull: this account says that it is officially denied that the Japs had anything to do with the disaster. The Russian General Staff opines that the vessel touched one of the defending mines, and other accounts give us to understand that when the Japanese lured the Russian fleet out of Port Arthur, their destroyers went in and sowed the entrance with mines: and yet other accounts attribute the loss to submarines employed by Japan. The drowning of Vassili Verestchagin, the great Russian painter who was on board the *Petropavlovsk*, is something more than a Russian loss: he was the most mercilessly truthful among the great artists of Europe.

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The Chancellor of the Exchequer made his Budget speech on Tuesday night, and he is pronounced a bold statesman or a creeping cowardly huckster of makeshifts, or anything between as party glasses colour the speaker's vision. The majority seem to think it a straightforward and business-like bit of steering through a rather difficult channel buoyed by Mr. Balfour on the one hand and Mr. Joseph Chamberlain on the other. A penny on the income tax is its most objectionable feature: a shilling per pound on foreign cigarettes its best; but then I pay income tax and I hate cigarettes. It was plain to see that Mr. Austen Chamberlain deplored the loss of the Registration shilling on corn: the loss had been greater than was anticipated. Never was tax removed for less reason nor with less advantage to them that did the removing.

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The Government's new Licensing Bill, which was brought and read on Wednesday, does not seem to satisfy anybody. The United Kingdom Alliance condemns it because it curtails the power of the local licensing authorities and enhances the authority of quarter sessions: and because it will strengthen the position of license holders. The National Temperance Federation protests because the bill's "obvious purpose is to meet the demands of the liquor trade to check reduction:" because it disapproves the scheme of compensation and because it curtails the power of local justices. Some license holders, so far as their views have been ascertained, object because the proposed tax would fall on small "pubs" while the richer escaped: others approve the bill as more favourable to their trade than they dared hope: which last I apprehend is reason enough to set the teetotalers screaming.

O these Humanitarians! Their latest freak has been to ask Lord Selborne to allow them to take photographs of boys in the Navy being birched. That they may from such photographs produce pictures wherewith to placard the walls of London and the chief sea ports. They say frankly, these delicately organised beings, that their view is to arouse public opinion on the enormity of caning bad boys. Lord Selborne's answer to this amazing appeal has not transpired, but I suspect it was brief. What would satisfy public opinion would be the appointment of some robust old dame to address the tenderest spots of these faddist idiots with a slipper. Is there any country in the world which would tolerate such rampant idiocy as we do?

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After seeing Mr. R. C. Carton's original three-act comedy, "The Rich Mrs. Repton," at the Duke of York's, one can only deplore the omission of providence to furnish this commonplace world with an adequate supply of Mrs. Reptons. Mrs. Repton (Miss Compton) is a widow of matrimonial experience and vast wealth: she is a sort of minor providence with a pardonable bias in favour of good-looking young bachelors: to the end that she may the better promote the welfare of poor but deserving bachelors, she turns part of her London house into a club where her protégés do congregate: and when any gentleman is hard up or wants his new play acted or his sick aunt (or was it sister) sent to Madeira, there is Mrs. Repton cool, calm and slow, but a very present helper. There is a telephone from the Clubroom to her boudoir: and when a member wants advice or help he resorts to that invaluable telephone: and never in vain. It is Mrs. Repton's original comedy with Lord Charles Dorchester that provides the main spring of the play. Lord Charles (Mr. A. E. Mathews) is engaged to Nora Lamonby (Miss Dora Barton), but as he is head over ears in debt, Miss Lamonby's parents feel a pardonable diffidence about sanctioning their marriage. Lord Charles has got a bookie to lay enormous odds against a horse, and if only that horse can pull off the race two months hence, all will be well (copyright phrase). Meantime his duns are many and pressing, can he hold out? What is he to do to keep them off? Consult Mrs. Repton is the obvious step. Mrs. Repton consulted, reflects. She has it! She will dish the duns. She gives out that Lord Charles is engaged to her: thus the duns are held in check till that horse (good old horse!) wins and puts Lord Charles on his financial feet again. The necessary wickedness is supplied by Mr. and Mrs. Fitzroy Marrack (Mr. Dawson Milward and Miss Florence Sinclair) who plot to blackmail Lord Charles in his flat one night: but what chance has wickedness against the ubiquitous and indefatigable Mrs Repton? None. That minor providence was in the next room and overheard all they said: I, for one, was not a bit surprised when she walked in and knocked the Marrack plot sideways. Excuse slang: Mrs. Repton deals rather extensively in—metaphor—and it comes naturally in describing her doings. The piece was very well acted by all concerned. The Bishop of Droneminster (Mr. Charles Allan) who comes on in Act III to expose Mrs. Repton's part (she divorced her brutal No. 1 and ran away with her rich No. 11), did not impress me as a fair example of the episcopal bench: but that is the playwright's fault. Miss Sinclair was very good as the lady blackmailer and Miss Compton as you may guess was perfectly suited with Mrs. Repton's part.

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There is verve and go in "Miss Elizabeth's Prisoner" produced at the Imperial on Monday. This "Romantic Comedy" is a dramatised version of an American novel and the epoch is the disturbed time which followed the Declaration of Independence: thus we have an atmosphere thunder charged to work in. The whole action takes place at Philipse Manor near New York and occupies an afternoon and evening and another afternoon a week later: three acts. Captain Harry Peyton Mr. Lewis Waller), a British officer, has gone over to the American side. Wanting a horse he requisitions Miss Elizabeth Philipse's favourite and pays for it in notes: when Miss Elizabeth tears up those notes we foresee trouble for Peyton. It soon comes: she has a bullying lover named Colden, Major in the New Jersey Volunteers (Mr. Norman McKinnel): she does not care much for him, but if he will kill Peyton she will fulfil her promise. Exit Colden blood thirstily. Sound of hoofs without: it is Miss Elizabeth's own horse which has bolted home carrying Peyton wounded and helpless. Miss Elizabeth eagerly takes him in to keep as a prisoner guest till she can surrender him to the British to be hanged as a deserter. In Act II Peyton has so far recovered that he recognises his hostess' sinister intentions and realises that his only chance is to appeal to her affections: he makes love to her and does it for all he is worth: so successfully that when Colden returns, she hides Peyton and says he has escaped. A wretched old marplot, Mr. Valentine (Mr. E. Lyall Swete, joint author of the play), intrudes, and upsets a very progressive love making by telling Elizabeth that Peyton only makes love to her to secure his own safety: he certainly began business to that intent, but by the end of the week he is really in love: so is she. She humiliates Peyton and lets him go as he is now able to ride, then she regrets it and sends her servants to bring him back tied up. Colden is at Philipse Manor when they return with him and his conduct to the man tied and helpless is that of a first class "howler." Elizabeth frees Peyton: then there is a row which is stopped by the sound of approaching troops outside. Colden has time to rejoice in the prospect of seeing Peyton hanged by the new Jersey Volunteers, but of course the men turn out to be Peyton's selected Rebels (or Lee's Light Horse). Exit Colden hurriedly, to let Peyton and Elizabeth come to an understanding. The piece was rapturously received. Miss Grace Lane played up to Mr. Waller, and I have not seen her so well suited with a part for a long time. Mr. Waller was—Mr. Waller—the brave, careless soldier with a touch of swagger is the man he does best; and the excitement of the business kept the audience agog all through. One novelty be noted: Black Sam and Cuff, Miss Philipse's niggers, were played by coloured actors: and very well they did it.

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"The Wheat King," also versioned from an American novel, appeared at Apollo on Saturday also. The interest of the play centres on Curtis Jadwin's neglect of Mrs. Jadwin in favour of business. He is a Chicago man and though wealthy has been tempted to try and make a "corner" in wheat. He buys up all the wheat in the world and runs it up to famine prices: fortune Immense, Incalculable, looms ahead: but he forgot one thing, and really the thing was so obvious I wonder his office boy did not point it out. He forgot that more wheat would grow: it grew and Mr. Jadwin was "broke:" being broke, business ceased to interest and he turned to his neglected wife (Miss Esme Beringer) who takes him to her heart again. The least satisfactory scene in the play is that which shows us "The Pit" in Chicago: it might have been a political meeting dissolved in fisticuffs: or a mob dealing with a Welsher: or anything else chaotic and rowdy. Of course it may be a true representation of the Chicago wheat market, but of that I am not qualified to speak. Mr. Murray Carson was convincing as Jadwin, save in this scene: and Miss Beringer made every point an interesting and playable part gave her. There are no other characters particularly worth mentioning, but they two easily sustained the action. The play is very well received.

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The Mermaid Society produced Congreve's "Way of the World" at the Court last week for a few nights. The performance was chiefly noteworthy for Miss Ethel Irving's admirable acting as Millamant. The Arm of the Law which has been played to full houses at the Garrick comes off early next month to make way for Mr. W. S. Gilbert's. "The Fairy's Dilemma" which the author describes as an Original Domestic Pantomine: whatever it be we may be quite sure of its originalty. "The Darling of the Gods" is now on the boards of the Hammersmith Theatre as well as His Majesty's. The Kendals seem to be making a suburban tour as they are at the Camden Theatre this week. Sir Henry Irving has revived Tennyson's "Becket" at Newcastle.

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The private detective has never enjoyed a good name and the result of the now notorious Pollard case will be to make it a good deal worse. The trial compelled by intervention of the King's Proctor revealed a state of things one can only describe as startling. Mrs. Pollard had separated from her husband who ill-used her and wanted a divorce: Slater's agency, the much advertised, was requested to help, and it was proved that Slater's agents entrapped Pollard into visiting Jersey, plied him with drink and procured commission by him of the offence desired: then wired home to headquarters the expressive word "victory." Headquarters, however, thought the campaign had been conducted on lines a shade too reckless and did not care to face it out in court: but, still anxious to oblige, Mrs. Pollard engaged a shoddy solicitor named Osborn to undertake the collection of "evidence" against Mr. Pollard. Armed with Mr. Pollard's photograph and a supply of cheap old scandals, Osborne went to Plymouth and eventually found a woman of the street who for a consideration consented to "identify" Pollard as one of her clients: and on such evidence it was that Mrs. Pollard obtained the decree *nisi* which was yesterday revoked.

Various items: Mr. Brodrick's Fourth Army Corps passed plainlessly away on Tuesday after inspection by Lord Grenfell on Wimbledon Common. The deceased Army Corps was twelve months and eighteen days old. Primrose Day was less widely observed than usual yesterday if I may trust my own observation: it struck me that the number of button holes sported in the street was a good deal below last and previous year's displays. A Royal Commission has been appointed to enquire into the alleged prevalence of breaches or neglect of the law relating to the Church of England. A strong deputation on Wednesday waited on the Local Government Board to pray for legislation on behalf of the oyster: it is desired to secure sanitary surroundings for the oyster who, it was eloquently pointed out, is more sinned against than sinning. Remove the contamination which haunts the oyster's dwelling and himself will become pure and above reproach: Mr. Grant Lawson was sympathetic. On the same day Lord Londonderry received a deputation which seeks support to found a National Museum for Wales, Lord Londonderry was sympathetic: not encouraging but he has a partner, Mr. Jorkins--otherwise the Treasury. He would do his best with Mr. Jorkins if the committee would frame a definite scheme—but Mr. Jorkins is notoriously very hard to move from the beaten track. Dr. Jules Rehns of the Pasteur Institute claims to have cured completely a mild case of external cancer by the use of radium; and the success which has followed the application of radium to much graver cases shows that it has a curative effect and that it may prove a valuable remedy. Atkinson, the famous bonesetter, died on Saturday. A "vet" by profession he turned his attention to the human subject and disdaining diplomas made a great and deserved reputation as a bonesetter: he was only fifty years of age. Three notable figures in Sir Henry Thomson, Mr. John Coleman and "Self Help Smiles" have also passed away since I last wrote. Miss de Keyser's private hospital for officers who have to undergo operations, will open next Monday at 9, Grosvenor Gardens as "King Edward VII's Hospitals." Miss de Keyser is the lady whose name will be familiar to you in connection with wounded officers from South Africa.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

AMERICAN HORNED GAME.

THIS, the latest, addition to that admirable series, the "American Sportsman's Library" fully maintains the high level attained by its predecessors, and will be found teeming with interest alike to sportsmen and naturalists of all nations; while its low price puts it easily within reach of all readers. In heading our review "American Horned Game" we desire to emphasize the fact that this volume contains an account of all the true hollow-horned ruminants (*Bovidæ*) found from one extremity to the other of the great American continent. The prongbuck, or "antelope," stands apart from these by the annual shedding and replacement of its horns, as well as by their bifurcate character, while the deer are, of course, broadly distinguished by carrying antlers instead of horns properly socalled.

In spite of the multiplication by many American writers of so-called species out of what are really nothing more than local races or colour-phases, it is not a little remarkable (although it had been often insisted upon) that America really possesses but four species of true hollow-horned ruminants, namely the musk-ox, the bison, the big-horn sheep, and the white, or Rocky Mountain, goat. The first three of these have, or had in the epoch immediately antecedent to the present one very near relatives in the northern ports of the Old World; the Kamchatkan and East Siberian wild sheep and the extinct musk-ox of Northern Asia and Europe being, in our view, specifically identical with their New World representatives. The white goat, on the other hand, appeared to have no very close relative in the Eastern Hemisphere, although it is probably not very far removed from the serows of the Himalayas and other parts of Asia.

None of these four ruminants, it should be observed, have ever succeeded in gaining an entrance into Central or South America; a fact which may be taken as an indication of the comparatively late date of their arrival in the New World, which they doubtless reached by way of the neighbourhood of Behring Strait, when there was free land communication in this region between the two hemispheres. Now all these mammals, together with horses, many kinds of deer, the mammoth, and the camel tribe, which are, or were, common to the Eastern and the Western Hemispheres, are creatures capable of withstanding a great degree of cold. This will indicate not only that when the ancestors of these groups entered the New World from the Old (or, in some instances possibly, *vice versâ*, the migration took place in high latitude, when the temperature was probably at least as low as it is at the present day; but it also serves to show why the great majority of the hollow-horned ruminants of the Old World, such as giraffs, okapis, and antelopes (of which a number of types now restricted to Africa and Syria formerly abounded in India, China, and Europe) were never able to reach America. They could not, as a matter of fact, withstand the rigorous climate of the line of communication between the two continents. Why certain more boreal types of Old World hollow-horned ruminants, such as the saiga antelope, and the Mongolian and Przewalski's gazelles, were likewise barred from travelling eastward across the tract now sundered by Behring Strait, is a question which does not admit of such a ready answer. Possibly these creatures were of less roving habits; at any rate we must take it that for some, doubtless sufficient, reason they never did pass into the Western Hemisphere, which is thus strangely contrasted with the opposite side of the globe by its paucity in species of hollow-horned ruminants. What, however, it lacked in regard to species, it fully made up by the enormous number of individuals of some of these species it does, or rather did, possess.

It is of these species that the present volume tells in bright and attractive style, the history; a history which in the case of the bison has been already narrated many times before, but which, on account of its sadness and interest, will well stand at east another repetition.

Not that the story of the bison, as here unfolded by that excellent sportsman, *raconteur*, and field-naturalist, George Bird Grinnell, is by any means to be regarded as mere *réchauffée* of the efforts of his predecessors. On the contrary, such a brilliant writer would not be himself had he not much that is new and interesting to tell us even with regard to such a hackneyed subject as the extermination of the American bison, or 'buffalo;' this new matter being derived either from his own personal experiences, or from those of others who have hitherto been but little before the public.

To one point in connection with the bison, we very briefly refer, but in the main our remarks will be chiefly confined to the musk-ox, as being a much less well-known animal.

The point in question is "the popular but erroneous belief that the buffalo performed extensive migrations in spring and fall. This is not true. There were, unquestionably, certain seasonal movements east and west, and north and south yet these movements were never very extended, and constituted nothing more than the very general shiftings which are made by many ruminants between a summer and a winter range. Throughout the country lying between the Saskatchewan and the Missouri River, the buffalo, in summer, moved close to the mountains and even into the foot-hills; and at the coming of winter, with its snows and its bitter winds they moved to the eastward again, seeking the lower ground and such shelter as the ravines and buttes and timbered river valleys of the prairie might afford."

The musk-ox and its hunting are treated of by the Editor of the Series, Mr. Caspar Whitney, who was himself one of the earlier sportsmen to brave the hardships inseparable from a trip into the Barren Grounds in search of this handsome and hardy ruminant. After discanting on the nature of the equipment necessary for such a trip, and the description of rifle and ammunition best suited for sport of this nature, Mr. Whitney enters into the method of hunting musk-oxen. The chances of getting these animals in the Barren Grounds are much less favourable in summer than in winter, owing to the fact that at the former search the sportsman has to travel by canoe and is thus bound to keep to the chain of lakes. In winter, on the other hand, he can go across country. In the one case his chief enemies are mosquitoes; in the other the intense cold and the danger of running short of supplies.

"The distance you make in a summer day of Barren Ground's travel may depend entirely on your inclination, for with the fish and the moving caribou you are fairly well assured against hunger, and the weather is comparatively warm and permits of lingering along the route. It is quite another story in the winter, for then food is always a problem, and every day draws on your slender supply of food. Of course the further you penetrate, the nearer you get to the Arctic Coast, the more likely you are to see musk-oxen; and the faster you travel, of course, the further you penetrate. We averaged about twenty miles a day."

But the author, by no means, confines his attention to the difficulties of travel, or to the successes, or otherwise, with the rifle. He has, on the contrary, much to say with regard to the natural history of the musk-ox; and it is this which gives to his work a much wider interest than it could otherwise claim. Mr. Whitney is fully convinced that the East Greenland musk-ox is entitled to be regarded as distinct from the Barren Grounds form.

"Until 1898," he writes, "*Ovibos Moschatus* was the only existing type known to either hunter or scientists. In that year, however Lieutenant Peary, the Arctic explorer, killed in Bache Peninsula, Greenland, a series of specimens which, on being sent to the Museum of Natural History of New York, were decided by Professor J. A. Allen as having sufficient distinction to warrant classification. Meantime Rowland Ward, the London taxidermist, had secured, by purchase, a couple of similar specimens from East Greenland which Mr Lydekker* recognized as a new variety, and in honour of Mr Ward named *O. Moschatus wardi*. Mr. Ward's specimen were secured from whalers who, in turn, got them from trading with natives in East Greenland. Lieutenant Peary's specimens, however, were collected on the ground by himself, and he is certainly entitled to the honour of the new variety bearing his name So Professor Allen rightly thinks, and though he has adopted Mr. Lydekker's name, he reserves *O pearyi* (Allen) as a provisionary one which may be accepted for the Grinnell Land animal in case it should prove to be separable. This, however, does not appear likely The most distinguishing difference between the *O. wardi*, as called, or *O pearyi*, as it should be known, and *O. Moschatus*, is in the head."

This, we are afraid, "wonst wash." Priority in nomenclature at the present—whatever may be said with regard to the past must be rigidly enforced, or otherwise Zoology would soon be in hopeless confusion; and the Greenland and Grinnell Land musk-ox must be known as *O. Moschatus wardi* (for it is a race and not a species). But hereby hangs a tale, when Mr Lydekker (as we have the best means of knowing) brought the type specimens of that race to the notice of the Zoological Society, the then Secretary made certain remarks which the describer regarded as altogether uncalled for, and the latter accordingly sent the description of the animal to *Nature*. Had this event not occurred, it is quite probable that Dr. Allen's name might have had the right of priority!

The two excellent articles on the big-horn or mountain sheep and the white goat are contributed by Mr. Owen Winter, another well known sporting writer; but this review has already extended to such a length, that we are reluctantly compelled to pass over both without further notice.

Although it is repeating a hackneyed phrase to say that this volume "should be in every sportsmans, library," yet it is in this case so eminently true that we are compelled to repeat it. All that is worth knowing with regard to the practical natural history and the hunting of the four species of animals described will be found compressed within the 284 pages of this volume; in which, moreover, there is not a dull or over technical sentence from cover to cover.

AMERICAN HORNED GAME.—Musk-Oxen, Bison, Sheep and Goats. By C. Whitney and others. American Sportsman's Library, New York, and Macmillan & Co., Limited, London, 1904, pp. 284. Illustrated. Price, 8s. 6d. net.

* Erroneously "Professor" in the original.

In the "good old days" there were not a few wagers made that would nowadays raise doubts as to the sanity of the contracting parties. Perhaps one of the most daring ever carried out was that made by a certain well-known cross-country rider, who took a thousand pounds to a couple of hundred that, mounted on a favourite hunter, he would beat a friend over a previously named distance of country. The fact that added to the excitement of the challenge was that the well-known rider was to have his hands securely fastened in front.

At the appointed time the twain started. In order to have some slight control over the horse the handicapped one had the reins placed in his mouth. Both successfully negotiated every obstacle until a small river was reached, when the non-challenger's animal refused. In response to the call made upon him by the handicapped rider, however, the other horse safely got over the water, and steadily pursuing his way was a long distance ahead before the "jibber" could be persuaded to cross the silvery streak. After making practically all the running it was in a degree satisfactory to find the tied one successful, for it required not a little nerve under the circumstances to attempt the many stiff jumps that were marked out on the course.

Shikar.

A SHORT HOLIDAY ON THE HILL RANGES OF THE COIMBATORE DISTRICT.

ON a lovely cool morning, we bestrode our bikes and started off for camp in high spirits. After fifteen miles on a good road we halted for a little refreshment and met the pony "jutka" in which the remaining portion of our journey was to be done. On arriving at our first camp, we discovered it was market day, and the villagers were swarming like so many ants. Their noises were appalling, and the smell worse. A large square structure with a small open courtyard in the centre affording the only light was our shelter for the night. Had there been a ganja plant in the middle, it might perhaps have been the abode of an ordinary native gentleman!

The next few days were spent in a bungalow where we had a magnificent view of the Bhowani bridge with its winding river, while arrangements were being made for an extended tour on the hills where supplies were not procurable

An enterprising Monegar (the village headman) received us with great ceremony at the foot of the hills and feasted us regally on sugar-candy and plantains. The house in which he entertained us was adorned with most impossible pictures and quaint transfers. In the back ground amidst a group of admiring shy native women we discovered a curious "Swamy" reported to be the god of the ghaut road. Dug up during the excavation of the road this 'Swamy" had been brought to the house of the Monegar for luck.

Preceded by an almost endless line of coolies we mounted our ponies and began the ascent. The scenery through which we passed as we rode through the graceful bamboos and forests of *Albergia* and *Latifolia* was most picturesque The plains appeared to spread out like a gigantic chess board, and the hills in front grew ever higher the nearer we got to them. At last we arrived at an open plateau dotted about with hill cultivation and pretty little hamlets. Our accommodation for the night consisted of a one roomed hut and a tent.

Here we made the acquaintance of the Walas, a wild and uncouth people who cultivate the hill lands. Their still wilder brethren the Sholago's live in the dense forest. Their chief characteristic is their blanket which they use alternately as an overcoat, vest and honey-strainer.

Our next move brought us to an artistically designed bungalow where our time was pleasantly occupied in various little shooting excursions. Here grouse, quail and partridge afforded us amusement and sport, and on no less than three occasions we came across spotted deer but no stag fit to kill.

About two miles distant were the gold mines which we visited with great interest. Escorted by the mining engineer we entered the long dark Adit where we were shown the various strata by the light of a flickering candle. We were also taken to see several shafts, and were shown samples of the gold bearing quartz. Should this enterprise prove a success, there is little doubt that what is now wild, almost inaccessible, forest will become a flourishing settlement. At this camp three tiny tiger cubs were brought to us by the local shepherds. They could not have been more than a week old, but already showed their savage nature with snarls and weird cries. We noticed they had no yellow on them but were of a nondescript grey colour with deep black stripes.

We now entered the heart of the forest, amid a wealth of tall grass, large trees with their lovely contrasts of light and shade with varied gold and brown reminding one of the autumn tints at home.

We were greatly interested in the sandalwood tree here. For an experiment of the whole root system several trees were exposed to view so that we could see the tiny parasitic root through which the sandal tree derives its nourishment. It was interesting to note how the stronger sandal trees feed on the weaker ones, when there is no other root handy, and on one root we found no less than thirty-one of these tiny root parasites.

Down the winding ghaut again and we found ourselves on the lower plateau, feeling that half of our pleasant holiday was over.

About three miles from the taluq head-quarters, there is a tank where we had some good snipe shooting. It was a pretty sight to see the birds rising on every side at the first shot. Crack! Crack!! went the guns and down came the birds. We arrived at camp very muddy and hot, but thoroughly satisfied with ourselves and our morning's sport.

We spent a very enjoyable afternoon in examining a splendid collection of butterflies, known to be one of the finest in Southern India. The Atlas moths—that had been reared from caterpillars were magnificent specimens. The butterflies with hairy legs, and transparent wings resembling bees were most curious, and one which when caught exudes an extraordinary odour interested us greatly. There were also specimens quite unknown to science which were very valuable.

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From here we made a little expedition to see the Cauvery Falls. Though by no means at their best, at the time of our visit, the beauty and grandeur of the scene was really most impressive, with their ever-changing waters as they dashed over the rocks. The electric works which utilize some of the water of the river for making electricity to carry over ninety miles is well worth visiting, but would take too much space to describe at present.

Another week of camping, and we began our ascent to a totally different range of hills. An endless vista of mountains and valleys was spread before us as we climbed the ghaut, and on crossing the saddle a totally different view of villages and cultivated land met our eyes.

One of the interesting features of the latter half of our tour was the constant sight of what appeared to be large stacks of bamboo taties, but on close inspection they proved to be nests for silk worms and cocoons, showing a thriving local industry.

We were here able to enjoy some more shooting, and on one occasion a florican was shot, a rather uncommon bird in these parts.

Our owl hunt was a very amusing episode. Evidently a homeless owl found its way into our bungalow, and disturbed our rest by flapping its wings against the roof. We accordingly armed ourselves with slippers and other handy articles, and proceeded to shy them at our tormentor. At first he did not seem to mind our efforts to oust him, but after he had been hit about a dozen or more times, and half our articles of apparel, shoes etc., had been deposited in the rafters, a really accurate shot by one of my companions, brought him to earth, and he was speedily despatched by our dog. The owl was then skinned and stuffed by our female taxidermist, and will in due course be sent to the Calcutta Museum.

The cows in this locality are as numerous as bees. A herd of over fifty was driven to our bungalow each day to supply us with milk. Our consumption, however, was not so enormous as might be imagined as each cow only produced about the proverbial "thimbleful."

Our last day on the hills was saddened by the loss of one of our dogs. We went out for our usual morning sport, taking our pack with us, and had several shots at jungle and spur fowl, which were plentiful in the locality. We were returning to camp when a rustling in the brushwood attracted our attention and we heard one of our dogs give a little bark—then all was silent. At that moment a jungle cock flew over our heads which was fired at after which we moved homewards We missed Nelly and in the afternoon went in search of her and on cutting away the undergrowth we discovered the body of our good and faithful animal with her head and neck bitten off. I suppose by a panther, who, no doubt, dropped his prey on hearing the shot when in the act of carrying away our good Nelly. We buried her where we found her, feeling that she had died as she lived a good and trustworthy little pal.

A rubber of cutthroat Bridge was our usual way of amusing ourselves after dinner until overwhelmed by the attractions of bed. One of our hands deserves mention as it contained no card above an eight and with only three trumps.

At some places on our road down from the hills, one looks down a precipice of about five hundred feet without a parapet In fact they surpass the well-known sensation points in Ceylon. Two more marches brought us back to the land of plenty. We now look back with longing eyes to the Nilgiris and wish that its pleasant climate could be carried to the low sweltering plains.

NASTURN.

Fishing.

THE WHITE CARP. MIRGIL, AND OLIVE CARP.

THE White Carp (*Cirrhina cirrhosa*) and Mirgil (*Cirrhina mrigala*) are much alike and may be at once distinguished from the Labeo family by their slender mahseer-like shape, and the mouth which is quite unlike that of the Rohu. The Mirgil is a very active fish and a six-pounders I caught lately, struck me as giving as much, or more, sport than a ten-pound Rohu. All the three fish whose names I have given above are bottom feeders and take paste, and are caught along with Rohu, and are the same tackle.

From the little I know of the Mirgil I should say it was a decidedly shy biter.

The Olive Carp (*Barbus chrysopoma*) is a very common fish in Madras and Ceylon: I have not come across it so far in Northern India. Although very insignificant when compared with the Labeos, yet the Olive Carp attains considerably larger dimensions than given credit for by Thomas. Thus I have notes of having caught three in Kantalai Lake, Ceylon, weighing 1¼lbs., 1¼lbs. and 1½lbs. respectively, besides several more of a pound each. Chrysopoma takes a small paste bait freely, but the ordinary Rohu tackle is rather too heavy for these fish, and I prefer fine gut and a small hook. The float should be a light quill with a single shot a few inches from the bait. Either the paste or the shot should just touch the bottom: in clear water I prefer the shot to touch the bottom and the gut between it and the paste to lie flat. The Olive Carp has a fairly capacious mouth and having taken the paste into it, pulls the float under and away.

When a tank is shallow at the edge it is better to erect a staging which will permit one to reach deep water.

Although fishing without a float is quite practicable, it has many disadvantages when fish are biting shyly. There must always be a lot of line between the rod point and the bait, which makes really quick striking almost an impossibility. The broader the shallows between the bank and deep water, the more line must one have out, and the more difficult it is to detect bites. As, however, many occasions may arise when a float cannot be used, it is a great advantage to have the method described in my former letter, to fall back upon; always, however, remembering that float fishing *when practicable*, is infinitely the most killing method of angling for the paste-taking carps.

In tank fishing a rod rest, and quiet, are very essential. When a float is used, the rod rest should be so arranged that the rod point is just over the quill. The rest must also be such that the rod can be picked up, and the strike made *without the least delay*. Talking of course does not in the least disturb fish; it is tramping about on the *machan*, or bank, which causes vibration, and scares them.

No account of tank fishing would be complete without a reference to the turtle. A burst of small bubbles all rising in a bunch to the surface, is a sure sign that one of these reptiles is foraging about below If they were small so that one could pull them out and kill them, it would not so much matter; but one is liable at any time to hook a great reptile of thirty to fifty pounds, and if it does not cut one's gut, yet much valuable time is wasted over landing it, while its struggles will very possibly disturb one's pet fishing stand badly. A possible way of getting rid of some of these pests would be to row a boat very gently about, looking for bubbles; having located a turtle the boat should be brought above the spot and a barbed spear driven down into the creature's back. In a shallow tank at any rate I should imagine this plan would be quite successful.

FLEUR DE LYS.

Shooting.

CALCUTTA REVOLVER CLUB.

The second monthly Revolver Shoot was held at the Milton Park Range on Saturday last. The conditions were six shots with the left hand, range 20 yards. The following were the best scores returned:—

S J K Chase	...	...	38–6—32
J E Vallance	...	...	36–6—30
P E Rice	...	...	35–5–30
M Mertig	...	...	35–5–30
F K Dobbin	...	...	30–4—26

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200 yards,	4 4 4 4 3 3 3	equals 25
500 yards,	3 4 4 4 3 4 4	equals 26.
600 yards.	4 3 4 4 4 4 4	plus 1* equals 28.
Total		97

*Points added for Lee-Enfield Carbine.

The second prize, Rs. 49 (half entrance fees), has been won by Sergt.-Farrier A. C. Walker, "A" Troop, Assam Valley Light Horse, with a total score of 75 points.

Sergt Mackintosh's scores are, 1897-98, 75; 1901-02, 78; and 1903-04, 79.

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The following are the total number of scores made at 200, 500, and 600 yards, respectively, with an additional point added for Carbine:—

Sergt. D. J. Mackintosh, A. V. L. H., "A" Corps ...	79
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LATE SNIPE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—During my 30 years' experience, I have never seen snipe staying so late in Lower Bengal. I was rather astonished, when I got my first birds on the 17th April and ever since have been getting snipe almost daily. Blue-winged teals have also been very plentiful in April, and I believe, there are some still to be had and intend having a try for them to-morrow. Black partridges are fairly plentiful about here and I have got several of them lately. These birds seem to be migratory in this part of the district. The natives say, that they usually begin to come about April, their favourite haunts are the *til* or *sesamum* crops and they generally begin nesting in them or in any other suitable cover towards the end of May and most of the birds leave again about the latter part of August. For the table I have found the blacks simply excellent, the meat I found to be tender and well flavoured and most of those I shot were a mass of fat. So from the above it will be seen that I do not quite agree with "Fleur de Lys" as regards blacks from an epicurean point of view, though I must say he is perfectly right as regards the two sexes not usually being found together, for *all* the birds I shot lately were cocks. Blacks may be safely shot at least in this district till the end of April as they do not begin nesting until the end of the following month.

RAOUL.

Bag from the 17th April to the 3rd May.

17th April	4	Snipe	1 Blue-winged teal.
19th "	7	"	2 Black partridges.
20th "	13	"	1 Cotton teal.
23rd "	8	"	3 Black partridges.
26th "	13	"	5 Blue-winged teal.
29th "	11	"	1 Black partridge.
30th "	7	"	2 Blue-winged teal.
3rd May	5	snipe.	

With the exception of one fan tail all the rest were pintail snipe.

CLOSE SEASON FOR QUAILS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Under the Bengal Game Regulations issued over the signature of Mr. H. M. Kisch, Officiating Secretary to the Government of Bengal, one finds that a "wild bird" for the purposes of those rules includes Quail. The regulations lay down that the breeding season "extends from the 15th March to the 15th August," and rule No. IV. runs as follows:—

"Whoever during the breeding season has in his possession any *wild bird*, deer, or hare, recently killed or taken, or *exposes for sale* any such bird or animal, living or dead, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding Rs. 5 for each bird or animal."

May one be permitted to enquire whether the Calcutta Municipal Market is exempted from the operations of these regulations? Hundreds of miserable quails are at the present moment "exposed for sale," to use the words of the regulation, in this market, and, one observes with humiliation, that these unfortunate little victims to Mahomedan rapacity and ignorant appetite are daily purchased by those who cater for the tables of Europeans!!

Now, if the Government of Bengal makes rules and regulations, it should make proper provision for the enforcement thereof, otherwise it is borne in on one that Mr. Bumble was very near the mark when he declared that the "law is a hass." But there it is the Bengal Government says these birds shall *not* be sold, while the Municipal Commissioners, the aforesaid Moslem vendors and the Superintendent of the market decide that they shall be sold. Clearly this law was only made to be broken and, if the game regulations in other parts of India are as loosely administered as they are in the metropolis, the sooner they are repealed the better. Then we can all please ourselves: the ignorant and the vicious can continue in their criminal practices, and law-abiding citizens will not be shocked to see the Government stultified by a handful of rascally native bird dealers whose contumacy richly deserves the punishment, which under any other Government they would undoubtedly receive.

SPORTSMAN.

7th May, 1904.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF BIRDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I should esteem it a favour if you would kindly allow me to explain, through the medium of your columns, the delay which has occurred in issuing the Annual Report of the Society for the Protection of Birds. On going on leave I unfortunately put away and locked up, some important papers, bringing with me by mistake others of no particular value. As I do not wish to issue an incomplete Report, I am waiting until I return to Meerut in July.

I intend shortly to send to each member a brief account of the Society's proceedings during the past year.

Meanwhile it may interest those who are concerned at the destruction of our Indian Fauna, to know that we have a balance of nearly Rs 335. and this, in spite of our expenses, being somewhat heavier than last year.

The Indian branch of the Society concerns itself not only with the protection of birds but of the fauna of India in general, and of the game of our Eastern Empire in particular.

Lord Curzon's Act prohibiting the export of feathers, etc., and the practical promise to take up the question of game protection after his return, show, I hope, that the Society's work has not been entirely fruitless.

May I point out that, in spite of our balance we need further help, if we are to do all we should like. Any subscriptions or donations addressed to Meerut College, Meerut, will be forwarded, and will be gratefully received and acknowledged by

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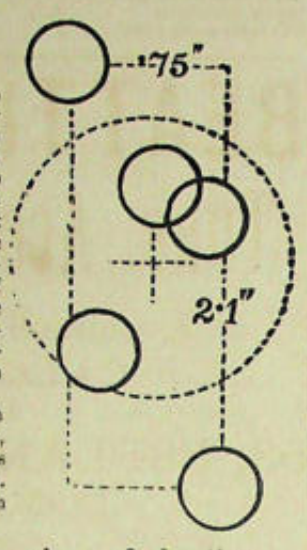
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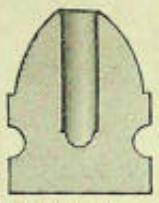
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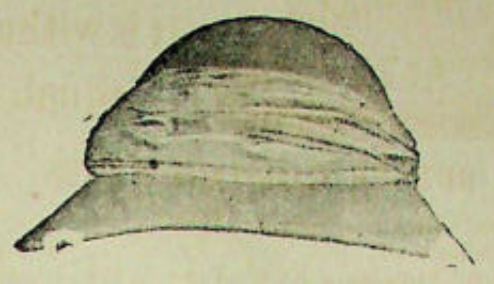
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	Month	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Baroda Spring .. –	May	12 and 14	
Mussoorie First Open Gymkhana ..	,,	12 & 14	
Quetta Spring	,,	24, 26 & 28	554
Simla Summer .. – ..	,,	24, 26 and 28	
Columbo Monsoon	,,	26 & 28	
Bangalore Extra	,,	28	
Mussoorie Summer Races	June	9 & 11	28
Mysore	,,	25, 28, 30	451
Pachmarhi Open Gymkhana – –	,,	6 & 8	
Bangalore Extras – –	,,	4 & 11	
Bangalore Races	July	9, 12 & 14	
Colombo August ..	August	6, 9, 11 & 13	507
Poona First Extra – ..	July	30	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	6	
,, Third ,, ...	,,	13	
,, Fourth ,, ...	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,, ...	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,, – ..	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,, .. –	Sept.	3	
,, Eighth ,, ...	,,	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	Sept.	21, 24, 26 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 5	506
Simla Autumn – ..	Oct.	4 & 6	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	,,	25 & 27	625
Umballa Autumn	Nov.	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky .. .	,,	15, 17, & 19	
Lucknow Autumn .. –	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	10	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	17	
,, First Meeting .. .	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup .. – ..	,,	27	
Lahore Xmas	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	,,	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting .. – ..	,,	14 & 21	
,, Third Extra	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,, .. –	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Quetta Spring .. –	Third –	..	15th May
Mussoorie Summer .. –	Second ..	..	20th May.
	Final ..	..	4th June.
Bangalore .. .. –	First –	–	1st June.
	Second ..	–	15th June.
	Third ..	..	1st July.
Poona Races	First ..	..	2nd August.
	Second ..	..	23rd ,,
	Final ..	..	6th September.
Army Cup – .. –	Second ..	..	1st July.
	Third –	..	1st October
	Final ..	..	15th Nov.
Civil Service Cup .. –	Second –	..	1st July.
	Third ..	–	15th Sep.
	Fourth ..	..	1st December.
	Final ..	–	20th January.
Umballa Autumn .. –	First –	..	13th August.
	Second ..	–	17th Sept.
	Third –	..	28th Oct.
Calcutta First Extra –	..	–	.. 6th December.
,, Second Extra	..	..	.. 13th ,,
,, First Meeting ..	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	8th ,,
,, Second Meeting ..	First ..	..	30th Nov.
	Second ..	..	7th January.
Lahore Xmas	First ..	..	1st July.
	Second ..	..	1st Nov.
	Third –	..	1st Dec.
Meerut Autumn Sky	First ..	..	1st Aug.
	Second ..	..	15th Sept.
	Third ..	..	6th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	..	1st Nov.
	Second ..	..	30th ,,
,, ,, Second Day	First ..	..	1st Nov.
	Second ..	.	2nd January

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.

Mahableshwar Closed Tournament .	Now on
Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August
Simla Beresford Cup	Begins 6th June.
Ootacamund Gymkhana Club Tournament ..	9th 11th and 13th May.

LAWN TENNIS.

Kashmir Tournament .. – ..	Begins 30th May.

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club 50 yds.	21st May.

ATHLETICS.

Simla Volunteer Sports –	21st May.

HOCKEY.

Aga Khan Tournament	Begins 9th May.

ROWING.

Ootacamund Races	23rd May.
Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta ..	July.
Ditto. 3rd Regatta	September.
Ditto. The Power Cup –	October.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla) – –	14th and 27th September.
Calcutta Football League	Begins 14th May.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Bogey Competition .. .	From 2nd to 31st May.
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BOXING.

Poona Military Tournament – ..	Now on.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay) ..	23rd, 24th and 25th August
,, (Poona) ..	13th, 14th and 15th Sept.

SHOWS.

Ooty Horse Show	20th and 21st May.
Kandy Dog Show – – –	13th May.
Simla Horse and Dog .. – ..	4th June.

SPORTS.

Simla Gymkhanas – – ..	14th and 28th May. 11th, 18th and 25th June. 2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Prix du Jockey Club (French Derby)(1½ miles) ..	Saturday, 29th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ miles) – ..	Friday, 27th May
The Derby (1½ miles) –	Wednesday, 1st June.
The Coronation Cup .. – –	Thursday, 2nd June.
The Oaks (1½ miles)	Friday, 3rd June.
Duchess of York Stakes Hurst Park (1½ miles)	Saturday, 11th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furs.) .. –	Sunday, 12th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles) .. .. –	Tuesday, 14th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furs. 166 yds.)	Wednesday, 15th June.
Gold Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 16th June.
New Stakes (5 furs. 136 yds.) .. .. –	Thursday, 16th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 17th June.
Northumberland Plate (3 miles)	Wednesday, 22nd June.
July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.) ..	Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes .. .. –	Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ miles) .. .. –	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.) – ..	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs) –	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles) .. .. –	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate .. – ..	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs) . ..	Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.) ..	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles) . ..	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridge Shire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong) ..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs) ..	Friday, 11th November..
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles) ..	Saturday, 26th Nov.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Golf, Amateur Champ Sandwich ..	16, 17, 18, 19 20 May.
Golf, Open Champ Mtg Sandwich ..	8, 9 June.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords)	30th June
Amateur A. A. Meeting	2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords)	3th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords)	4th July.
Henley Regatta	5th, 6th, and 7th July
Gentlemen vs. Players (Oval) .. –	7th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords) ..	27th July.
Dublin Horse Show	23rd August.
Birmingham Dog Show	28th November.

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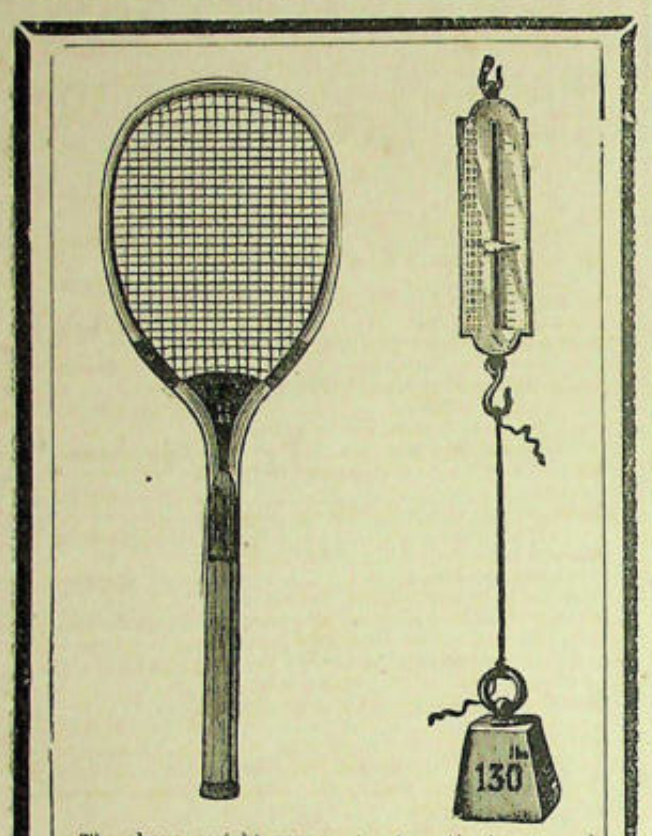
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Second Day, Thursday, 28th April 1904.

THE attendance to-day was a good one, in spite of the heavy showers at the beginning of the afternoon's proceedings. The course was very slippery in places and a few falls took place. Nonpareil coming down in the Merchants' Cup and Lah Kenny and Tsain Tin in the Roadster Plate. The racing was interesting, but it was an afternoon of upsets. The Rangoon Derby resulted in a win for a rank outsider, High Flyer, by half a length. The public fancy, Forlorn Hope, was left at the post. The Stewards' Cup provided a capital finish, Edith just beating Topsy III by a neck after a great race. Brownie was an easy first in the Roadster Stakes, the much-favoured Tsain Kyu only running third—another upset. Details:—

THE NEW COURSE PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs 50 to the third pony. For Indo-Burmans, Country-breds, and Burma-bred ponies 13-0 and under. Distance about 5 furlongs.

Mr R C Bevill's br aus m Ida 10st 5lbs .. Lansdown 1
Mr Hashim's bk aus m Black Gin, 9st 11b Mg Glay 2
Mr C H Holder's ch aus m Clara, 10st 9lbs Powell 3
Mr W Riddell's br aus m Tiny, 9st 5lbs .. Po Mut 0

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Black Gin, 2 to 1 agst Ida, 3 to 1 Clara, 10 to 1 Tiny.

Won by two lengths; three lengths separating second and third. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

THE IMPORTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For Griffins imported by the Stewards and drawn in February, 1904. 14 hands and under. Distance about 6 furlongs.

Mr L Taik Kee's dn aus g Whirlwind, 7st 6lbs ... ... Po Khai 1
Mr S Cowasjee's ch aus m Lalla Rookh, 10st 4lbs ... ... Lansdown 2
Miss Adamson's b aus g Comet, 9st 8lbs Mr Aldworth 3
Mr Yeo Eng Hock's b aus g Sein Ban, 10st ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr L Bin Cheong's b aus m Nun Thoo, 8st 4lbs (car 8st 6lbs) ... ... Po Shoay 0
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Aung Byan, 8st 13lbs (car 9st) ... ... Po Zan 0
Mr Ko Oung Thoo's b aus m Shoay Hla Min, 9st 8lbs ... ... Mg Glay 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Comet, 3 to 1 Shoay Hla Min, 5 to 1 each Sein Ban, Lalla Rookh, and Whirlwind, 10 to 1 Nanthoo, 20 to 1 Aung Byan.

Won by two lengths; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1 min. 38⅕secs.

THE STEWARDS' CUP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For ponies 13-2 and under. Distance about 6 furlongs.

Mr. A A Bham's b aus m Edith, 11st 2lbs Po Mut 1
Mr C H Holder's b aus m Topsy III, 11st ... ... Powell 2
Mr L Chin Tsong's ch e m Little Sarah, 9st 1lb ... ... Po Khai 3
Mr A G Naikwara's ch aus m Red Rose, 10st 5lbs ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr Brown's b aus m Annis, 10st 7lbs ... Lansdown 0
Mr R C Bevill's ch e g Golden Valley, 9st 11lbs ... ... Egan 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Edith, Red Rose and Annis, 4 to 1 Golden Valley, 8 to 1 Topsy III, 10 to 1 Little Sarah.

Won by a neck: half a length between second and third. No time taken.

THE RANGOON DERBY.—Rs. 800 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For Indo-Burman ponies 13 hands and under. Distance about 7 furlongs.

Mr R P Rowe's b ib g High Flyer, 8st 4lbs M White 1
Mr Mg Thin's g ib g Kyet Taw, 9st 6lbs ... Lansdown 2
Mr S Cowasjee's g ib g White Face, 7st 9lbs ... ... Po Chin 3
Mr Jardine's br ib g Aung Ba Lay, 8st 6lbs (car 8st 7lbs) ... ... Mg Nge 0
Mr E Rahman's b ib m Kawlin, 8st 6lbs (car 8st 7lbs) ... ... Po Mut 0
Mr C Stewart's ch ib g Forlorn Hope, 8st 10lbs ... ... Mg Glay 0
Mg Po Choe's b ib p Kyee Byan, 8st 12lbs Po Thit 0
Mg Myein's b ib m Goolandamm, 10st 12lbs ... ... Po Tay 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Forlorn Hope, 3 to 1 agst Goolandamm, 6 to 1 Kyee Byan, 7 to 1 Kyet Taw, 8 to 1 White Face, 10 to 1 each High Flyer and Aung Ba Lay, 15 to 1 Kawlin.

Won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—1 min. 54⅕secs.

THE MERCHANTS' CUP.—A piece of plate, value Rs. 500, presented by the Merchants of Rangoon and Rs. 1,000 from the Fund to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third pony. For ponies 14 0 and under. Distance about 1 mile.

Mr Cecil's b k aus m Miss Beryl (late Vera), 9st 11b ... ... O'Neill 1
Mr J A Gordon's br aus m Cissy J, 9st 5lbs W White 2
Mr A A Bham's b aus m Jiffy, 8st 8lbs ... Po Mut 3
Mr A A Bham's br aus m Miss Prominence 8st 9lbs (car 8st 10lbs) ... ... Bloss 4
Mr R C Bevill's ch aus m Zillah, 8st 12lbs Lansdown 0
Mr C H Holder's b aus g Ivanhoe II, 11st 2lbs ... ... Powell 0
Mrs Cox's ch a p Nonpareil, 7st ... Dhondi fell
Mr J C Galstaun's ch aus m Western Queen, 10st 7lbs ... ... Owner, 0
Mr B N Burjorjee's br aus m Lillith, 10st 8lbs ... ... Juggai 0
Mr Batcheldor's ch cb g Barney Barnato, 9st 8lbs (car 9st 9lbs) 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Miss Beryl, 5 to 1 agst. Western Queen, 6 to 1 each Nonpareil and Cissy J 7 to 1 Ivanhoe II, 10 to 1 each Zillah, Lillith and Barney Barnato, 12 to 1 Miss Prominence.

Won by a neck; half a length between second and third.

THE ROADSTER PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For ponies 14-0 and under. Distance about 7 furlongs.

Dr Blake's b aus m Brownie, 8st 11b (car 8st 5lbs) ... ... Po Mut 1
Mr Yoe Eng Pwa's b aus m Mah Hla Gyee, 9st 12lbs ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 2
Mr Hyder Doo's br aus m Tsain Kyu, 8st 7lbs ... ... Mg Glay 3
Tin Tin's b aus m Tsain Tin, 9st 13lbs ... Bloss fell
Mr Aldworth's ch aus m Thain Gwai, 8st 2lbs ... ... Baiyal 0
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Nga Mouk Gyee, 8st 8lbs, ... Mg Henry 0
Mr Abdul Rahman's bk aus m Kemendine, 10st 3lbs ... ... Lansdown 0
Mr R J Saxton's ro aus m Lady Kenny, 8st 12lbs ... ... Murgal fell
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Tine Tone, 6st 6lbs (car 7st 4lbs) ... Po Kin 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Tsain Kyu, 5 to 1 Brownie, 6 to 1 each Tsain Tin, Kemendine and Thain Gwai, 10 to 1 each Mah Hla Gyee and Lady Kenny, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by three lengths; three parts of a length between second third. Time—1min. 4⅖secs.

Third Day, Saturday, 30th April 1904.

The attendance to day was again a very large one in spite of the heat. Fields were good and the sport provided ditto. There were six races on the card, the two last being the only events in which favourites gained winning honours. The others proved great upsets—notably in the Indo-Burman Handicap when Chit Sway caught the judge's eye. The totalisator paid the fine dividend of Rs. 310 to win on this race. Cornet provided a surprise in the Steward's Handicap winning by a length. Ida won the Amalmated Handicap and Browne had an easy victory in the Medium Handicap, the favourites—Edith and Topsy III, finishing in the ruck. Details.

THE AMALGAMATED HANDICAP.—Rs 300 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second, and Rs 25 to the 3rd pony. A handicap for Indios Burmans and country breds, 13-0 and under, and English and Australasians, 12-3 and under. About 5 furlongs.

Mr R C Bevill's br aus m Ida, 10st 12lbs. ... Landown 1
Mr W Riddell's br aus m Tiny, 7st 10lbs. ... ... Eusoof, 2
Mr Hashim's bl aus m Black Gin, 8st 12lbs ... ... Mg Glay 3
Mr C H Holder's ch aus m Clara, 9st 9lbs ... O'Neil 0

BETTING: Evens Clara, 3 to 1 each agst Tiny and Ida, 6 to 1 Black Gin.

Won by a length and a half, two dividing second and third. Time—1 min. 31 secs.

THE STEWARDS' HANDICAP.—Rs 300 to the wiener, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs 25 to the third pony. A handicap for the new batch of Griffins 14-0 and under about 5 furlongs.

Miss Adamson's b aus g Comet 10st ... Mr Alworth 1
Mr Yeo Eng Hock's b aus g Sein Ban, 9st 7lbs ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo, 2
Mr Po Byaw's bl aus g Darketh, 10st 12lbs Po Tay 3
Mr Than Phew's ch aus g Aung Balay 7st 5lbs. (car 7st 7lbs) ... ... Po Nyun 0
Mr S Reddiar's ch aus m Hla Nyoon, 8st 3lbs (car 9st)... ... ... Po Thoung 0
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Aung Byan 8st 2lbs ... ... Po Kin 0
Mr S Cowasjees ch aus m Lalla Rookh, 10st Lansdown 0
Mr Ko Oung Tho's bl aus m Shoay Hla Min 9st ... ... Mg Glay 4
Mr Yeo Bah Gwai's b aus m Mah Mai Gyee, 7st 12lbs ... ... Dhondi 0
Mr L Taik Kee's dn aus g Whirlwind 8st 10lbs ... ... Po Khai 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Whirlwind, 3 to 1 Darkech, 4 to 1 Shoay Hla Min 6 to 1 each Comet and Lalla Rookh, 10 to 1 Aung Balay and Sein Ban 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length, half a length separating second and third. Time 2 min 13⅗ sec.

THE MEDIUM HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A handicap for ponies 13-2 and under. About 7 furlongs.

Dr A Blake's br aus m Brownie, 8st 10lbs Po Mut 1
Mr R C Bevill's ch e g Golden Valley, 9st 4lbs ... ... Lansdown, 2
Mr L Chin Tsong's ch e m Little Sarah, 8st 8lbs ... ... Po Khai 3
Mr Brown's b aus m Annis, 9st 4lbs ... Bloss 0
Mr A A Bham's br aus m Edith, 10st 12lbs Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr C H Holder's b aus m Topsy III, 10st 4lbs ... ... Powell 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Edith and Topsy III, 4 to 1 each Golden Valley and Brownie, 6 to 1 Annis, 8 to 1 Little Sarah.

Won by two lengths, half a length between second and third Powell on Topsy III broke his off stirrup leather which fell soon after the start. Time—1 min. 38⅘ secs

THE INDO-BURMAN HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs.50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the thrd pony. A handicap for Indo-Burman and Burma bred ponies 13-0 and under about 5 furlongs.

Mr Jardine's br i b m Chit Sway 7st ... Dhondi 1
Mg Thin's g i b g Kyet Taw, 8st 7lbs ... Lansdown 2
Mr C Stewart's ch ib g Forlorn Hope, 9st Mg Glay 3
Mr Mg Myin's b ib m Goolandamm, 10st 7lbs ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Ko Kyee's ch bb p Rajah Ram, 7st ... Po Chin, 0
Mr G Coia's ch bb g No Joke, 7st (car 7st 5lbs ... ... Po Nyun 0
Mr Cassim Jewa's ch ib p Sanmatoo, 7st 7lbs (car 7st 11lbs) ... ... Po Thit 0
Mr M A Ariff's b ib g High Flyer 8st 10lbs White 0
Mr S Cowasjee's g ib g White Face, 8st (car 8st 11b) ... ... Po Shan 0
Mr E Rahman's b ib m Kawlin, 8st 7lbs Po Mut 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Forlorn Hope, 5 to 1 each Kyet Taw, Rajah Ram and Goolandamm, 6 to 1 High Flyer, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a neck, half a length between second and third. Goolandamm was fourth. Time—1 min. 18⅘ secs.

THE SPRING HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs 25 to the third pony. A handicap for ponies 14-0 and under. About 7 furlongs.

Mr J A Gordon's br aus m Cissy J, 9st ... W White 1
Mr A A Bham's b aus m Jiffy, 8st 4lbs (car 8st 6lbs) ... ... Po Mut 2
Mr J C Galstaun's ch aus m Western Queen 10st ... ... Owner 0
Mr G Batchelder's ch cb g Barney Barnato, 8st 4lbs (car 8st 13lbs) ... ... Lansdown 0
Messrs Saxton & Steward's b aus g The Captain, 8st (car 8st 4lbs) ... Murgae
Mr B N Burjorjee's br aus m Lillith, 7st 7lbs Dhondi 0

BETTING: Evens Cissy J; 3 to 1 agst Western Queen, 5 to 1 Jiffy; 6 to 1 each Barney Barnato and the Captain, 8 to 1 Lillith.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Barney Barnato was fourth. Time—1min. 37secs.

THE ROADSTER HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A handicap for ponies imported by the Stewards under the Griffin scheme, 14 hands and under. About 6 furlongs.

Mr Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Mah Hla Gyee, 9st ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 1
Mr Abdool Rahman's bk aus m Kemendine, 9st 12lbs ... ... Po Mut 2
Mr M A Wahab's dn aus m Zernigar, 10st Bond 3
Mah Thay Thay's b aus g Nga Mouk Gyee, 8st 10lbs (car 8st 12lbs) ... ... Po Zan 0
Mg Po Byaw's bk aus g Darkech, 9st ... Tun Eo 0
Mr R J Saxton's ro aus m Lady Kenny 8st 12lbs, ... Lansdown 0
Mr Hyder Doo's br aus m Tsain Kyu, 9st Mg Glay 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Mah Hla Gyee, 3 to 1 each Laddy Kenny and Tsain Kyu, 6 to 1 each Kemendine and Zernigar, 10 to 1 Nga Mouk Gyee, 15 to 1 Darketh.

Won by half a length; the same distance between second and third. Lady Kenny was fourth. Time—1 min 25⅘ secs.

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First Day, Thursday, 5th May 1904.

Novice Stakes.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, others 13-3½ and under that have never won a stake value Rs. 40 or over. Arabs and C.-B's 14-1 to carry 12st., and others 13-8½ to carry 12st 6lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr P Sen's b aus m Lady Glen, 10st 4lbs... Capt Travers 1
Mr W H Edwards' b aus g Speculation, 11st 11lbs .. ..Mr WH Edwards 2
Mr F Metcalfe's b aus m Sarah Belle, 10st 4lbs ... ... Mr C Smith 3
Mr H Jones' b aus g The Jap, 10st 11lb ... Native 0
Mr A J Shillingford's blk cb m Martha, 9st 6lbs ... ...Mr F C Metcalfe 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200. Lady Glen Rs. 95, Martha Rs. 60, Speculation Rs 40, The Jap Rs. 30, Sarah Belle Rs. 22.

Betting : 2 to 1 each Lady Glen, and Speculation, 4 to 1 Martha, 5 to 1 The Jap, 8 to 1 Sarah Belle.

This was virtually a match between the two first horses, Speculation having a little advantage till down the straight, when Lady Glen came up and beat the other cleverly by half a length.

Desert Stakes.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For Arabs and C.-B's 14-2 and under. 14-2 to carry 12st, W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr G Hennessy's g a h Victory, 10st 4lbs Capt Travers 1
Mr A J Shillingford's b cb m Comely, 10st 4lbs ... ...Mr F C Metcalfe 2
Mr J Wedderspoon's ch a g Vodki, 8st 8lbs Native 3
Mr W M Fraser's g a g Arab Commissioner, 8st 11lbs Native 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs 200. Comely 70, Victory Rs. 55, Vodki Rs. 30 Arab Commissioner Rs. 25.

Betting : Evens Comely, 6 to 4 Victory, 2 to 1 Vodki, 5 to 1 Arab Commissioner.

Comely got off nicely and held a clear lead till the last turn when Victory got ahead and won with something in hand. There was something pathetic in seeing an erstwhile Army Cup favourite in Arab Commissioner tailing the field from start to finish.

Lhasa Plate.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For all Bhutia ponies. 13-1 to carry 11st. W. I. previous winners of Rs. 40 or over once 7lbs., twice 14lbs., three times or over 21 lbs. extra. 1 mile.

Mr W H Edwards' d bh g Paddy, 8st 13lbs .. Capt Travers 1
Mr K Skempa's g bh g Peacock, 8st 6lbs ... Native 2
Mr A Wright's g bh g Jester, 12st 12lbs ... ... Mr F C Metcalfe 3

Lotteries :—Tickets. Rs. 100. Paddy Rs. 40, Peacock Rs. 35, Jester. Rs. 30.

Betting : Evens Peacock, 6 to 4 Paddy, 3 to 1 Jester.

Peacock and Paddy had this race to themselves, running neck to neck the whole way, Paddy just finishing in front of the other by a neck.

The Lieut-Governor's Cup.—For a cup, value Rs. 49, presented by H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. For all ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 500 or over. English and Australasians 14-1, 12st 2lbs.; Arabs and C. B's. 14-1, 10st 4lbs. W. I.-Penalties—Winner of a race value Rs. 200 or over, once 5lbs, twice 8lbs., oftener 10lbs. Ponies that have never won a race value Rs 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 1 mile.

Mr A Price's b aus m Energy, 11st 3lbs ... Mr A Power 1
Mr A J Shillingford's b cb m Comely, 9st 6lbs ... ... Native 2
Mr H Jones' br aus m Dolly, 8st 9lbs ...Mr F C Metcalfe 3
Mr P Sen's b aus m Floradora, 10st 11lbs... Capt Travers 0
Mr K Shawe's g aus m Birdie, 8st 10lbs ... Native 0
Mr Daniell's blk aus g Black Leg, 10st 11lbs Owner 0
Mr C H Smith's blk or br aus m Bluebell, 10st ... ... Owner 0

Lotteries : Tickets Rs 20'. Energy Rs. 90, Dolly Rs. 85, Bluebell Rs. 80, Birdie Rs. 75, Floradora Rs. 65, Black Leg Rs. 30, Comely Rs. 25.

Betting : 5 to 2 Energy, 3 to 1 Floradora, and 3 to 1 Bluebell, 4 to 1 each Dolly and Birdie, 6 to 1 Black Leg, and 10 to 1 Comely.

Floradora extinguished her chances by bolting to a false start. When they were sent off, Energy was taken to the front and keeping there won somewhat easily by a couple of lengths. There was a good race for second place.

Kakina Cup.—For a cup, value Rs. 49, presented by the Raj Kumar of Kasina. For Ladies' genuine backs. English and Australasians 14-1 to carry 12st 2lbs., Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 10st 4lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr A J Shillingford's blk cb m Martha, 7st 10lbs ... ... Native 1
Mr W H Edwards' b aus g Speculation, 10st 3lbs ... ... Capt Travers 2
Mr H Jones' b aus g Clifton, 10st ... Mr Metcalfe 3
Mr Clayton Daubeny's b aus g Gentleman, 11st 4lbs ... ... Mr Wyvill 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs 200. Speculation Rs. 65, Martha Rs. 44, Clifton Rs. 20, Gentleman Rs. 10.

Betting : 2 to 1 on Speculation, 6 to 4 Martha, 3 to 1 Clifton, 4 to 1 Gentleman.

Speculation led away and continued ahead till nearing home when Martha caught him and a ding dong finish resulted in the Judge being unable to separate them. The rest nowhere. In the run off Speculation got away again, but Martha caught him again nearing home and another great race was given in favour of the mare by a length.

Polo Scurry.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For all polo ponies that have played regularly in the Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri districts during the current season Best of three heats without dismounting. Catch-weights over 11st. 7lbs ¼ mile.

Mr G Hennessy's g a h Victory ... Capt Travers 1
Mr Gardner's b cb m Hyacinth ... ... r Wyvill 2
Mr Daniell's ch a g Paul ... ... Owner 3
Mr Harcourt's b aus m Rosie ... ... Mr Oakley 0

Lotteries : Tickets Rs. 200. Victory Rs. 80, Hyacinth Rs. 40, Rosie Rs. 40, Paul Rs 20.

Betting : 2 to 1 on Victory, 2 to 1 Rosie, 3 to 1 Hyacinth 8 to 1 Paul.

Hyacinth won the first heat from Victory and Rosie, but ran off the course and tumbled into a drain taking no part in the second heat, which was won after a good race by Victory from Rosie. In the third heat Hyacinth was sportingly allowed to go again, but Victory showed a clean pair of heels to them all, and won easily by a couple of lengths.

The Cooch Behar Cup.—For a cup, value Rs 49, presented by H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar. For English and Australasians 13-2½ and under and Arabs and C.-B's. 14 hands and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-0 and others. 13-2½ to carry 12st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr C H Smith's bk or br aus m Bluebell, 12st ... ... Owner 1
Mr H Jones' br aus m Dolly, 11st 2lbs ... Mr Metcalfe 2
Mr P Sen's b aus m Lady Glen, 10st 10lbs Capt Travers 3

Lotteries : Tickets Rs. 200. Bluebell Rs. 65, Dolly Rs. 65, Lady Glen Rs. 25.

Betting : 2 to 1 on Lady Glen, 6 to 4 Bluebell, 3 to 1 Dolly.

Lady Glen was winning this race somewhat comfortably, but a dog got in her way down the straight and put her out of her stride allowing Bluebell to come up and win by a neck.

The Fred Archer Plate.—Rs. 20 to the first and Rs. 10 to the second for all Bhutia ponies that have been regularly hired out in the station, to be ridden by N.-C.O's, or men of the Garrison. Catch-weights 11st 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Owing to the dense mist it was impossible to see how many entered for this race, or how the race was run: so that this usually amusing event was shorn of all its interest. Private Wilkins was eventually returned the winner.

Second Day, Saturday, 7th May, 1904.

Hurlingham Vase.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all polo ponies that have played regularly during the current season. 3 furlongs.

Mrs K Shawe's g aus m Birdie, 10st 7lbs ... Stuffy 1
Mr G Hennessy's g a h Victory, 11st 7lbs... Capt Travers 2
Mr Gardner's b cb m Hyacinth, 11st 2lbs... Mr Wyvill 3
Mr Harcourt's b aus m Rosie ... Mr Metcalfe 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200 Birdie Rs. 80. Victory Rs. 70, Hyacinth Rs. 30, Rosie Rs. 20.

Betting : 6 to 4 on Birdie, evens Victory, 3 to 1 Hyacinth, 4 to 1 Rosie.

Won easily by Birdie, a good race for second place.

Thibet Stakes.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all Bhutias. 1 mile.

Mr W H Edwards' d bh g Paddy, 10st 6lbs, Capt Travers 1
Mr K Skempa's g bh g Peacock, 9st 6lbs Mr Metcalfe 2
Mr A Wright's g bh g Jester, 11st 6lbs ... Stuffy 3

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200. Peacock Rs. 75, Jester Rs. 50, Paddy Rs. 45.

Betting. Evens Peacock, 5 to 4 Paddy 2 to 1 Jester.

As on the first day this race resulted in practically a match between the first two. They ran level all the way, Paddy getting just the best of it at the finish by half a length. Jester beaten off

Himalayan Purse.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all Arab and C.-B ponies 14-2 and under. ¾ mile.

Mr G Hennessy's g a h Victory, 10st 12lbs, Capt Travers 1
Mr W M Fraser's g a g Arab Commissioner, 8st 7lbs ... ... Native 2
Mr J Wedderspoon's ch cb g Vodki, 9st ... Stuffy 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200. Victory Rs. 95, Arab Commissioner, Rs 60, Vodki Rs. 20.

Betting : 2 to 1 on Victory, 2 to 1 Arab Commissioner, 4 to 1 Vodki.

This race was a moral for Victory and he justified the confidence of his backers by winning handsomely. Vodki refused to join in the race and was left at the post.

The Burdwan Cup.—For a cup, value Rs 49, presented by H. H. the Maharajah of Burdwan. Handicap for Arabs and C. B.'s 14-1 and under, others 13-3½ and under that have never won a race value Rs 200 or over. ¾ mile.

Mr H Jones' br aus m Dolly, 11st 2lbs ... Native 1
Mr C H Smith's bk or br aus m Bluebell, 11st 7lbs ... ... Owner 2
Mr P Sen's b aus m Lady Glen, 9st 9lbs .. Capt Travers 3
Mrs K Shawe's g aus m Birdie, 10st 4lbs ... Stuffy 0
Mr Harcourt's b aus m Rosie, 10st 4lbs ... Mr Metcalfe 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200. Birdie Rs. 60, Lady Glen Rs. 60, Bluebell Rs. 50, Dolly Rs. 30, Rosie Rs. 5.

Betting : Evens Lady Glen, 3 to 1 Birdie and Bluebell each 4 to 1 Dolly 10 to 1 Rosie.

Birdie made the running for half a mile followed by Lady Glen and Bluebell, Dolly next and Rosie whipping in. At the last round Birdie shot per Bolt and fell back beaten and Lady Glen and Bluebell went on followed by Dolly. At the turn for home Dolly was called upon, and improving her position at every stride she went up to, the leaders and beat them down the straight, winning a good race by about a length. Blubell just beat Lady Glen on the post for second place.

Lebong Purse.—For all Bhutia ponies the property of natives and to be riden by the same.

Half a dozen entered for this race which was well ridden and contested. The winner turned up in a pony named Punray, who lay last all the way till entering the straight, when the weight of a diminutive boy (about 5 stone) commenced to tell in his favour, and he gradually worked his way to the front winning by a length and a half amidst, a great demonstration from the hundreds of natives present.

The Commissioner of Rajshai's Cup.—For a cup, value Rs. 49, presented by C. R. Marindin, Esq. For all ponies *bona fide* the property of Owners, Managers and Assistants of Tea Gardens in the Rajshai Division, that have been regularly ridden on gardens up to 15th March 1904. W. I. 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs Bhutias allowed 3st, Arabs and C.-B.'s 21lbs., previous winners of Rs 40 or over once 5lbs., twice 10lbs., three times or over 14lbs. extra. 5 furlongs.

Mr W M Fraser's g a g Arab Commissioner, 9st 9lbs ... ... Mr F C Metcalfe 1
Mr J Wedderspoon's ch cb g Vodki ... Stuffy 2
Mr C H Smith's blk or br aus m Bluebell Owner 3

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200. Blabell Rs. 70, Arab Commissioner Rs. 25 Vodki Rs. 15.

Betting : 2 to 1 on Bluebell, 6 to 4 Arab Commissioner, 5 to 1 Vodki.

Bluebell apparently took it all out of herself in the Burdwan Cup for she never ran kindly at any part of the race. Arab Commissioner led without being troubled from start to finish, winning easily by a couple of lengths.

Kinchinjunga Plate.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all ponies that have run on the first day. 1 mile.

Mr A Price's b aus m Energy, 12st ... Mr A Power 1
Mr P Sen's b aus m Floradora. 10st ... Capt Travers 2
Mr H Jones' br aus m Dolly, 9st 10lbs ... Native 3
Mr A J Shillingford's b cb m Comely, 8st 10lbs ... ... Mr Metcalfe 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200, 200. Energy Rs. 125, Rs. 105, Floradora Rs 60, 60. Comely Rs. 60, 35, Dolly, Rs. 25, 15.

Betting : Evens Energy, 2 to 1 Floradora, 3 to 1 Comely, 4 to 1 Dolly.

This was a capital race, the handling of the favourite by Mr. Power being much commended. Comely and Floradora went off at a great pace, Energy lying third, with Dolly in the rear. This position was maintained till the last round when Mr. Power gave Energy the office and she answered under her great weight in the gamest manner possible. At the far side she had her field beaten and sailed home a gallant winner under a crushing impost.

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Chowrasta Handicap.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B's 14-1 and under, others 13-3 and under that have never won a stake value Rs. 40 or over. ¼ mile.

Mr H Jones' b aus g The Jap, 8st 10lbs ... Native 1
Mr A J Shillingford's blk cb m Martha, 9st 9lbs ... ... Mr Metcalfe 2
Mr P Sen's b aus m Lady Glen, 11st 11lbs Capt Travers 3
Mr W H Edwards' b aus g Speculation, 11st 11lbs ... ... Owner 0

Lotteries :—Tickets Rs. 200. Lady Rs. Glen 75, Martha Rs. 35, Speculation Rs. 20, Jap Rs. 5.

Betting : 2 to 1 on Martha, 2 to 1 Lady Glen, 3 to 1 Speculation, 10 to 1 The Jap.

Martha was a good favourite and was prominent all through the race. She looked all over a winner till half way down the straight when the boy on The Jap came up, and making the most of his light weight joined issue with the leader. A most determined finish ensued and the waler lasting out the longer just snatched the long odds by a neck.

MEERUT SECOND OPEN GYMKHANA.

Thursday 5th May 1904.

There was a good attendance on the course this afternoon to witness excellent sport : appended are details.—

Polo Scurry.—Rs. 32 and 10 to second.—A Handicap for all *bona fide* polo ponies the property of residents in Meerut. Three furlongs.

Capt Gaussen's b aust m Godiva, 11st ... Owner 1
Mr Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe. 9st 7lbs ... Mr Barry 2
Capt The Hon Nugent's ch a h Wasp, 9st 5lbs ... ... Baichan 3
Mr Pollock's b aust g Cavalier, 10st 5lbs Mr Fail 0
Capt the Hon Nugent's b sth af g Old Gold, 10st 11b .. .. ..Capt Rickman 0

Won by a length easily ; bad third.—Time—43secs.

Distance Handicap.—Rs. 32 and 10 to second.—A Distance Handicap for horses and ponies 14-2 and under.—Five furlongs.

Mr Steele's b cb m Hottentot Lass, 35 yards, 10st 7lbs ... ... Mr Croker 1
Mr Fail's blk aust g John J P, 35 yards, 10st 7lbs ... ... Owner 2
Pte Pope's b a g Hercules, 45 yards, 10st 3lbs ... ... Pte Bott 3
Mr Pollok's b aust g Ding Dong, scratch 11st ... ... Owner 0
Mr Pollok's b aust m Wings of the Wind 5 yards, 9st 7lbs ... ... Mr Barry 0
Capt Gaussen's b a g The King, 37½ yards, 10st ... ... Owner 0
Major Bramwell's g aust g Placid Joe, 50 yards, 10st 12lbs ... ... Capt Banks 0
Capt The Hon Nugent's b a g Benhead, 50 yards, 10st 9lbs ... ...Capt Rickman 0
Mr Ratcliff's b a g Kuchnahin, 50 yards, 11st ... ... Owner 0
Mr Nicolson's ch a h Confidence, 70 yards, 9st 0lbs ... ... Owner 0
Major Kennard's b cb g Eka Pony, 200 yards, 8st 3lbs... ... ... Baichan 0

Won easily by two lengths ; bad third.

Novice Stakes.—Rs 32 and 10 to second.—For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a gymkhana or race of any description. Arabs 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs, C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 12st W. I. Half-a-mile.

Nawab Bahauddin Shah's g a g Magnus, 11st 7lbs ... ... Mr Fail 1
Col Beaver's b a h Ballot. 9st 2lbs ... Baichan 2
Mr Nicolson's g cb g Kubra, 11st 8lbs ... Owner 3

Won by a length easily; two lengths between second and third. Time—60 secs.

N. C. Officers' Stakes.—A handicap for all ponies the property of N. C Officers and men of the Meerut Division. Five furlongs.

Pte H Bott's Mayfly, 10st 2lbs ... Owner 1
Sergt Hopper's Dame. 11st 8lb ... Corpl Bank 2
S C Stephen's Bobs II, 10st 12lbs ... Br Arnold 3
Pte T Pope's Hercules, 11st 12lbs ... Owner 0
C S Ross' Angelos, 9st 10lbs ... Pte Archer 0
Br Scarterfiled's Tommy, 9st 10lb ... Pte Robinson 0

Good race, won by half a length, a length between second and third. Time—1 min 15 secs.

R. C. Cup—Rs. 32 and 10 to second. For Arab and C.-B ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under Arabs and C-B's 14-2 to carry 9st 11lbs Others 11-1 to carry 10st 9lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of Gymkhana or other races once 3lbs ; twice 5lbs ; oftener 7lbs. Allowance—Ponies never won a race of any description allowed 3lbs. R. C.

N Baker Ali Shah's m aus g Grig, 9st 11lbs, Capt Gaussun 1
Mr Walker's sk ba aus g Lillimure, 8st 13lbs ... ... Baichan 2
Mr Fail's blk aus h John J P. 10st 3lbs ... Owner 3

Won by a length ; a neck between second and third. Time—2mins. 1sec.

Tent-Pegging Competition.—Rs. 20 and Rs. 10 to second. 72nd Battery, R. F. A., Sergt. Dickenson, Br. Frith, Br. Standen, Br. Dickenson 1
"B" Squadron, 15th Hussars, Sergt. Marshall, Sergt. Russell, Pte. Key. Pte. Marshall 2

Also took part : "D" Battery R. H. A., Sergt. Willis' "Section" ; 24th Battery, R. F. A, Sergt Bridges, Corpl. Clarkson, Br. Redding Dr. Colgan, "A" Squadron, 15th Hussars, Sergt Marchant, Pte. Kerry. Pte. Thurston, Pte. Warnock ; "C" Squadron, 15th Hussars, S. S. M. Ayrton, Corpl. Banks, Pte. Edgar, Pte. Robinson ; "D" Squadron, 15th Hussars, Sergt Jessup, Corpl. Phillips, Pte. Hall, Pte. Roberts.

OOTACAMUND RACES.

STEWARDS:

Col J P Grant | Capt C T Swan
Major F C Logan-Home | H P Hodgson, Esq
Capt R D'A Fipe | L C Liebenrood, Esq

Honorary Secretary—H. Irwin, Esq., C. I. E.

First Day, Thursday, 5th May, 1904.

The opening day provided an excellent afternoon's sport which attracted a large attendance Fields were small but the racing good. Madeira was the only favourite to come through, all the others going down. The Novice Plate resulted in a dead heat between Wadhurst and Daroji. In the run off Wadhurst won by a length. Hoyt rode three winners. Details :—

The Ladies' Purse—Rs. 200. Rs. 100 to second and Rs. 50 to third. For Arab ponies. 1 mile.

Colonel Sprot's ch a h Harefoot, 11st 10lbs ... ... Major Dougall 1
Captain Toogood's g a g St Gris 9st 3lbs ... ... Hoyt 2
Mr Franklyn's g a g Bijli, 9st 12lbs ... 0

Betting : 2 to 1 on St Gris, 3 to 1 agst Harefoot, 6 to 1 Bijli.

Won by a short head. Time—2 mins. 3⅘ secs.

The Mysore Cup—Rs 500, Rs. 100 to second and Rs. 50 to third. For horses. 1 mile.

Hon'ble H Thellusson's b mth am m Madeira, 9st 4lbs ... ... Hoyt 1
Major Campbell's b aus g Bengal, 8st 7lbs ... ... King 2
Mr Anketel Jones' ch aus g Grand Duke, 8st 7lbs ... ... Gooloo 3
Captain Swan's ch aus g The Cardinal, 8st 7lbs 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Madeira, 2 to 1 agst Grand Duke, 5 to 1 the others.
Won by a length and a half. Time—1 min. 48⅘ secs.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 200, with Rs. 100 to second and Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies. 5 furlongs.

Mr Graham's ch aus m Shot Silk, 9st ...	Hoyt	1
Mr Webster's br aus m Flight, 9st 7lbs ...	Gooloo	2
Major Logan-Home's br aus m Nipcat, 10st 4lbs	Mr Casson	3
Capt Hardy Newman's br aus m Paddy Melon, 11st 7lbs		0

BETTING : 3 to 2 agst Paddy Melon, 3 to 1 Shot Silk, 4 to 1 Nipcat, 5 to 1 Flight.
Won by half a length ; three lengths between second and third. Time—1 min. 10⅘ secs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200, with Rs. 100 to second and Rs. 50 to third. For horses, maiden on 1st January, 1904. 6 furlongs.

Mr Tate's g aus g Wadhurst, 9st 7lbs ...	Gooloo	1
Major Logan-Home's ch aus g Daroji, 8st 7lbs	Hoyt	2
Mr Liebenrood's ch aus m Latchkey, 8st 7lbs	Owner	3
Major Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher, 10st 6lbs		0

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Kingfisher, 3 to 1 agst Darcji, 5 to 1 Wadhurst, 8 to 1, Latchkey, Dead heat for first place. Time.—1 min. 23¾ secs. In the run off Wadhurst won by a length. Time—1 min. 23⅗secs.
Betting on run off:—3 to 1 on Daroji, 3 to 2 agst Wadhurst.

THE CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 200. Rs. 100 to second and Rs. 50 to third For Ponies. ¼ mile.

Mr Kindersley's br e m Freda, 9st 4lbs ...	Hoyt	1
Major England's blk aus m Ena, 9st 10lbs	Owner	2
Major Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane, 9st 8lbs	Mr Stewart	3

Also ran : Lady Jess 9, 10.
BETTING : Evens Ena, 1¼ to 1 Lady Jess, 5 to 1 each Mary Jane and Freda.
Won by three-quarters of a length. Time—52½secs.

MAHABLESHWAR SKY RACES.

First Day, Thursday, 5th May, 1904.

Good sport, pleasant weather conditions and a large attendance were the feature of the first day's racing. The programme was composed of five races of which Captain Bayford's stable carried of three, and Major Edward's and Mr. Cooper's one each, while Major Edwards gained four seconds. Details :—

OPEN POLO STAKES.—For all *bona fide* Polo Ponies. Arab and C.-B. ponies, catch weights over 11 stone and other catch weights over 12st 7lbs. 2½ furlongs.

Capt-Bayford's b aus m Rosie Ball ...	1
Major Edwards' g a b Fiddler	2
Mr Cooper's b a h Pluto	3
Capt Jones' b a h Brown Eyes	0
Capt Benn's b a h Saturn	0
Col Scott's b a h Juniper	0
Col Scott's Golden Flower	0

Won by three-quarters of a length.

LINGMALA STAKES.—For Maiden Arabs and C-B.'s. 14-1 and under. W I. 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs. Ponies that have won a race of Rs 49 or over once 4lbs, twice 7lbs and oftener 10lbs. extra. 1 mile.

Mr Cooper's b a h Duldul, ...	1
Major Edwards' g a h Kazban, ...	2
Mr Lucas' g a h Promise	3
Captain Jeune's g a h Shillouk	0
Capt Bayford's bl ch h Black Strap, ...	0

Won by five lengths.

THE STAFF CUP.—For all Maiden Ponies, Arabs and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under, others 13-3½ and under. Above heights to carry 11st 7lbs W. I. Penalties—Ponies that have won a race over Rs. 100, once 4lbs, twice 7lbs, oftener 10lbs extra¼ Mile.

Capt Bayford's b a g Hailfellow	1
Major Edwards' bl e g Cornet, ...	2
Capt Jeune's g a h Trout	3
Capt Bayford's g a h Alcahest, ...	0

Won by two lengths.

VICTORIA POLO CUP.—All Polo Ponies played in Mahablesh war Polo Tournament. Arabs and C.-B. Ponies to carry 10st 7lbs , others 12st. Catch weights. 2 furlongs.

Capt Bayford's b aus m Rosie Ball	1
Major Edwards' b a g Daimyo	2
Capt Birch's g a g Iman	3
Capt Jeune's b a h Brown Eyes	0

Won by a length.

WOODSIDE CUP.—For Arabs and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Major Edwards' g a g Fiddler	1
Shrimant Fatehsing's Gaekwar b a h Duke	2
Capt Bayford's gr a h	3
Capt Jeune's g a h Trout, ...	0
Capt Meynell's g a h Adham, ...	0

Won by one and half a length.

Second Day, Saturday, 7th May, 1904.

The second day was a great success. Lord and Lady Larmington and a large assemblage were present. The five events on the card were well filled ; Captain Bayford once more scored three wins, Rosieball being again twice victorious. Details :—

OPEN POLO CUP STAKES.—Handicap for ponies. 3 furlongs

Capt Bayford's b aus m Rosie Ball ...	Owner	1
Capt Birch's b a g Iman ...	Owner	2
Capt Bayford's gr a h Borderer ...	Capt Meynell	3
Major Edwards' bl e g Cornet		0
Capt Jeune's b a h Brown Eyes		0
Mr Cooper's b a h Pluto		0

BETTING : Evens Rosie Ball, long odds the rest. Won by two lengths.

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.—Handicap for ponies. A mile and a half.

Capt Jeune's g a h Shillouk, ...	Capt Gossett	1
Mr Lucas' g a h Promise, ...	Mr Cooper	2
Major Edwards' g a g Fiddler	Capt Hopewood	3

BETTING : 4 tol agst Shillouk and 3 to 1 Promise.
Won by four lengths.
PANCHGANI STAKES Six furlongs.

Major Edwards' g a h Kazban ...	Mr Cooper	1
Capt Bayford's b a g Hailfellow ...	Capt Meynell	2
Mr Jackson's b a b Duke ...	Capt Hopewood	3
Capt Jeune's g a h Trout		0

BETTING : Evens Hailfellow, fours Kazban.
Won by four lengths.

THE CLUB CUP.—Handicap for polo ponies. Two and a half furlongs.

Capt Bayford's b aus m Rosie Ball, ...	Owner	1
Major Edwards' b a g Daimyo ...	Capt Hopwood	2

BETTING : Rosieball ; 2 to 1 Daimyo.
Won by half a length.

THE CONSOLATION CUP.—Handicap for ponies. ½ a mile.

Capt Bayford's g a h Borderer ...	Capt Meynell	1
Capt Bayford's g a h Alcabest ...	Mr Cooper	2

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Borderer, 2 to 1 Alcabest.
Won by four lengths.

Entries for Races.

LUCKNOW SPRING MEETING, 1905.

First Entries closed 2nd May.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—6 furlongs.

1	Mr J C Galstaun's	br aus m	Rosa Lea, 13-3½
2	Mr J C Galstaun's	b aus m	Not Yet, 13-3½
3	Mr S Brandreth s	b cb h	The Butler, 13-2½
4	Mr W H Walmsley's	b aus m	Housemaid II.,13-2½
5	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g	Idlebell, 13-3½
6	Capt Hon F E Guest's	b aus g	Don John, 13-3½
7	Col Beaver's ...	br aus m	Bess, 13-3
8	Lieut-Col E A Kettlewell's	b e m	Richesse, 13-3½
9	Capt J P Coley's	br e m	Sago, 13-3

Second Entries will close on 1st July.

LUCKNOW AUTUMN MEETING, 1904.

THE ARMY CUP.—7 furlongs.
First Entries Closed 2nd May.

1	Capt Wilson's ...	ch a h	Winchester, 13-1½
2	Mr H Campbell's	b a h	Zarafshan, 13-3
3	Mr Culme-Semour's	ch a g	Chance, 13-2½
4	Maj. Whitla and Maj. Murray's ...	b a h	Midshipmite, 14-0
5	Mr R G Alexander's	fl g a g	Bombay, 13-3½
6	Mr A B Reynolds	g a g	Austerlitz, 13-2½
7	Mr F St J Atkinson's	ch a g	Cyllaros, 13-2½
8	Col Hon E Baring's	b a g	Peninsular II., 13-2½
9	Major Jameson's	b a h	Bugler, 14-0
10	Mr C C West's	g a h	Tornado, 13-3½
11	Maj C F Murray's	b a h	Salvation, 13-3½
12	Maj G F Steele's	g a h	Flying Childers, 14-0
13	Mr Godlingham's	g a g	Grey Friar II., 13-2½
14	Mr J Norwood's	g a h	Scamperdale, 14-1
15	Mr Frank's ...	g a h	Chick-a-dee, 13-3
16	Mr A E Dailey's	g a h	Hailstorm II , 13-3½
17	Mr R Milvain's	b a g	George.
18	Maj Bell's ...	g a g	Superb, 13-2½
19	Mr F Barrett's	ch a g	Corncob, 13-3½
20	Mr Locke's ...	g a h	Euphrate's, 13-2½
21	Messrs Lyne-Evan and Badger's ...	ch a h	William Rufu 13-2
22	Col Leake's ...	g a h	Russia, 13-2½
23	Mr Symond's ...	b a h	King Edward,13-3½
24	Capt J B Cautley's	g a h	Merrick.
25	Mr Symond's	b a m	Jaooza, 13-3½
26	Capt Sullivan's	b a h	Fakir II., 14-0½
27	Capt Cobbe's ...	ch a g	Hannibal.
28	Mr W F S Casson's	br a h	Eager, 14-0½
29	Maj G Moore's	ch a g	Champion, 13-3
30	Maj G Moore's	bk a h	Dachshund, 13-3
31	Capt Goodfellow's	fl g a g	Delvin
32	Lieut-Col Brazier Creagh's	ch a h	Young Prince, 13-2½
33	Maj F H Gwynn's	ch a h	Shamus, 13-2½
34	Maj Watson's	b a h	Anthony 13-2½
35	Capt Davie's ...	b a h	Minting King, 13-3
36	Capt Barlows' ...	g a g	Minden
37	Capt J T Coley's	b a h	Visitor, 14-0½

Second Entries will close on 1st July.

Races to Come.

MUSSOORIE SUMMER RACES.

9th and 11th June.

FIRST DAY.

SCURRY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 3lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st ; others 13 3½ to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 2 furlongs.

THE CLARENCE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Maiden Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and other Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 9st 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; others 14 1 to carry 11st 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs.

MUSSOORIE ARMY CUP.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Maiden Arabs and C-B. Ponies 14-1 and under unconditionally the property of officers in His Majesty's Service on full pay. Above heights to carry 12st. W. I. 6 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties.—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs. oftener 10lbs

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 3lbs , others 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W.I 2½ furlongs.

THE SAVOY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C. B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st.; others 13-3½ to carry 12st. W. I. 4 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs., Maidens 7lbs Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of races value Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,500, 10lbs., and to Rs. 2,000, 14lbs.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. Ponies 14-1 to carry 12st. W.I. 4 furlongs. Allowance—Maidens, 7lbs. Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs.

SECOND DAY.

CRITERION HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for Maiden Arabs and C-B.'s 14-2 and under. And other Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

CHARLEVILLE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 4 furlongs.

POLO HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies 14-1 and under. 2½ furlongs.

RAJPORE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for Maiden Arab and C-B Ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A Handicap for Ponies 14-1 under. 5 furlongs.

ARAB HADINCAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Ponies which have run at the Meeting and have not won. 2½ furlongs.

CONDITIONS.

1. The Stewards may declare any race void in which there are less than six entries under Rule 140.
2. No subscription will be charged for running ponies at the races.
3. Ponies not having C. T. C. or W. I T. C. certificates will be measured in accordance with Rule 39.
4. All entries go to the fund subject to Rule 139.
5. The following will be the scale of entries for all races :—

1st entries ...	...	Rs.	5, close 10th May.
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DERBY MEETING.

RACING under the conditions that prevailed during the Craven Meeting is a pastime that appeals irresistibly to the sport-loving public, and the contingent that journeyed across from Newmarket to Derby on the 15th instant to wind-up a memorable week at the capital of the Midlands was a comparatively strong one. They were reinforced this morning by a considerable body of Metropolitan pleasure-seekers who think nothing of travelling to and fro daily now that the railway facilities have reached such a high pitch of excellence, and it was a fair gathering that assisted at the proceedings. Unfortunately, a breakdown in the weather entirely spoilt what should have been a most enjoyable day's racing. The rain which set in the previous evening continued almost without cessation throughout the night, and it came down with monotonous persistency the whole time that racing was in progress, rendering the going soft and sticky. The strength of the fields was well maintained, however, and race after race was fought out to the bitter end, lending additional zest to the sport.

THE SUDBURY STAKES of 453sovs. ; for two year olds ; colts 8st. 1wlbs., fillies and geldings 8st 7lbs.; penalties, etc. Five furlongs.

Mr L E B Homan's ch f Norman Bride, by Best Man—Normania, 8st 4lbs ...	Griggs	1
Mr J B Joel's b c Lancaster Gate, 8st 7lbs	O Madden	2
Mr G Edwardes's b f Gondolette, 8st 4lbs	Butchers	3
Mr E Dresden's Angelico, 9st 3lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr F Hardy's Tyntesfield, 8st 7lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr H Powney's Budget. 8st 7lbs ...	Scourse	0
Mr H E Randall's Luvwin, 8st 7lbs ...	J Jarvis	0
Mr L de Rothschild's Arnobius, 8st 7lbs ...	K Cannon	0
Lord Durham's Camoens, 8st 7lbs ...	Watts	0
Mr J S Crawford's Chili, 8st 4lbs ...	G Burton	0
Mr E C Clayton's High Havens, 8st 7lbs ...	Trigg	0
Mr T Leader's Trias, 8st 4lbs ...	J H Martin	0
Mr H Lindemiere's Ariadne, 8st 4lbs ...	W Lane	0
Mr W B Purefoy's Cyanean, 8st 4lbs ...	B Dillon	0
Mr Athol Thorne's Gay Star, 8st 4lbs ...	B Lynham	0

(*Winner trained by Walters, jun.*).

BEITING : 2 to 1 agst Norman Bride, 5 to 2 Ariadne, 8 to 1 Briget, 10 to 1 each Tyntesfield and Lancaster Gate, and 100 to 8 any other (offered.)
Won by a short head ; a length and a half between the second and third. Ariadne was fourth, Camoens fifth, Trias sixth. Cyanean seventh, and Budget eighth.

THE DOVERIDGE HANDICAP PLATE of 562 sovs. The Straight Mile.

*Sir R Waldie Griffith's br c Hymenæus, by St Frusquin—Wedding Bell, 3yrs, 6st 8lbs	Griggs	1
Sir S Lockhart's b f Donnetta, 4yrs, 6st 6lbs*	Rollason	2
Mr A P Cunliffe's b g Caper, 4yrs, 6st 13lbs*	Butchers	3
Mr H Barnato's Wolfshall, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs, W Lane	.....	0
Col E W Baird's Martaban, 6yrs, 7st 12lbs	O Madden	0
Mr G Edwardes's Pollion, 5yrs, 7st 3lbs (car 7st 4lbs)*	Compton	0
Mr B Ellam's Pitch Battle, 4yrs, 6st 13lbs (inc 10lbs ex)*	Hunter	0
Mr F Bibby's Pain Bis, 4yrs, 6st 12lbs ...	Trigg	0
Mr Russell Swanwick's Tiberia, 3yrs, 5st 9lbs (car 5st 11lbs)*	McIntyre	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.
(*Winner trained by R. Sherwood.*)

BETTING : 11 to 8 on Wolfshall, 4 to 1 agst Caper, 6 to 1 Donnetta, 100 to 9 Pitch Battle, 100 to 7 Pollion, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).
Won by a head; two lengths separated the second and third. Wolfshall was fourth, Pain Bis fifth, Pitch Battle sixth, Pollion next, and Martaban last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 45 ⅕secs.

The clashing with Windsor could not but exercise a detrimental effect upon the concluding stage of the Derby fixture, the Metropolitan division of racegoers preferring to patronise their home meeting, whilst certain trainers and jockeys who took an active part in the first day's proceedings had to fulfil engagements at the Royal Borough The football match between Everton and Derby County proved a formidable counter-attraction for the local half-holiday folk, and, having due regard to the circumstances, the attendance, especially in the cheaper enclosures, was decidedly good. This was due in a great measure to the improved climatic conditions. Bright, sunny weather prevailed throughout the day, and the ground,

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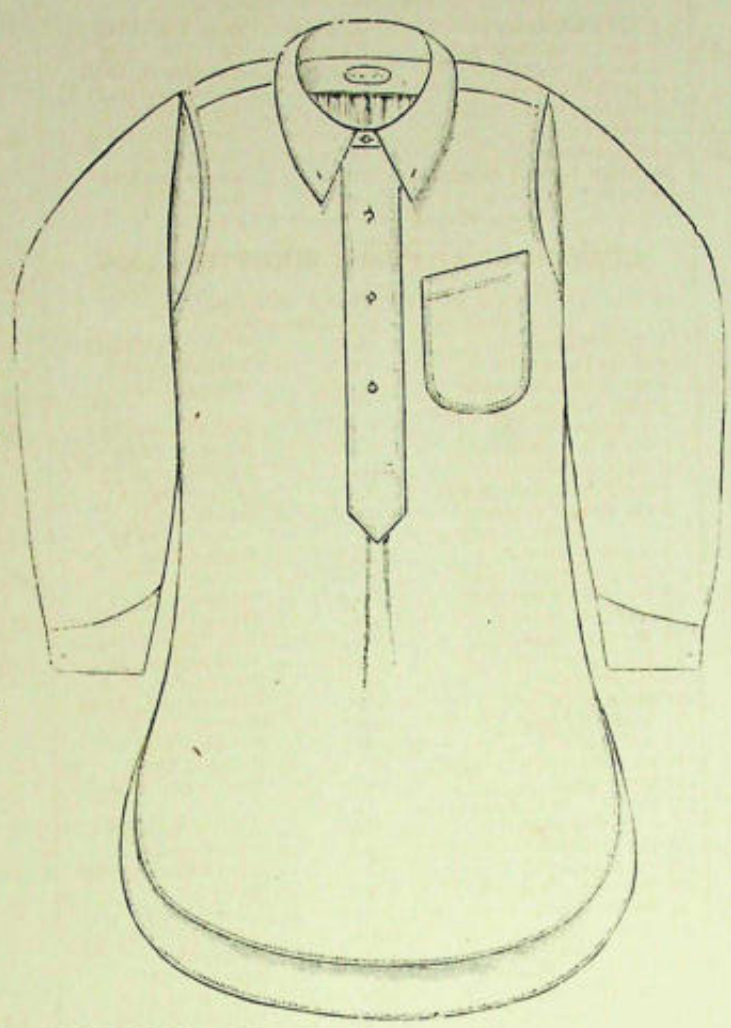
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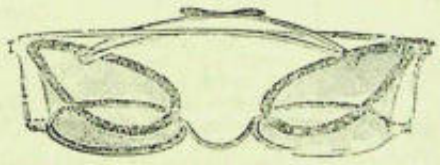
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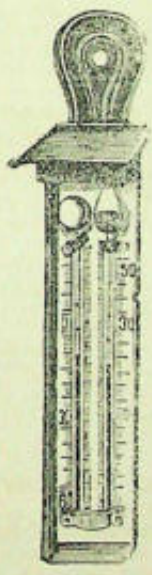
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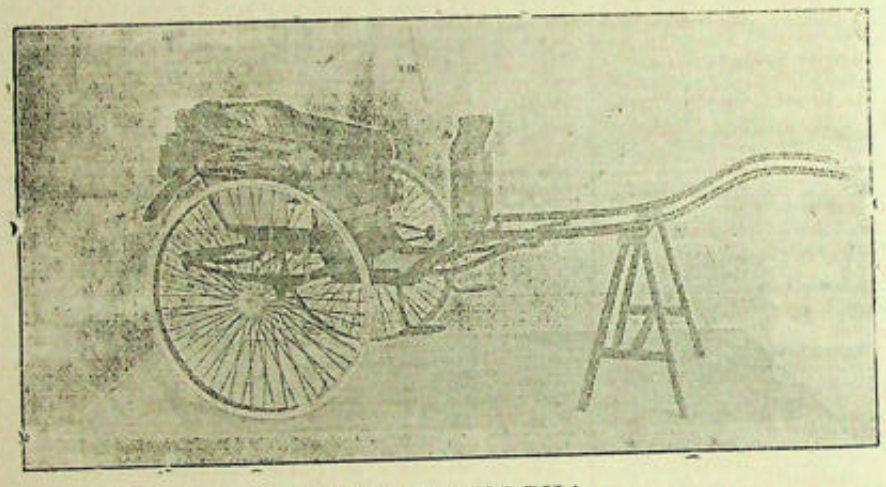
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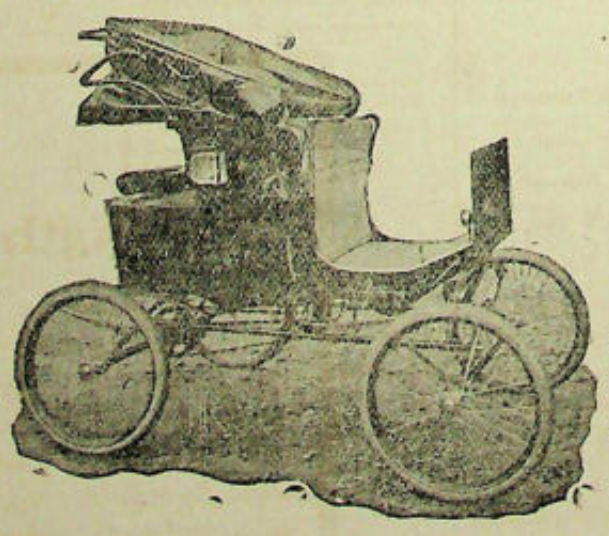
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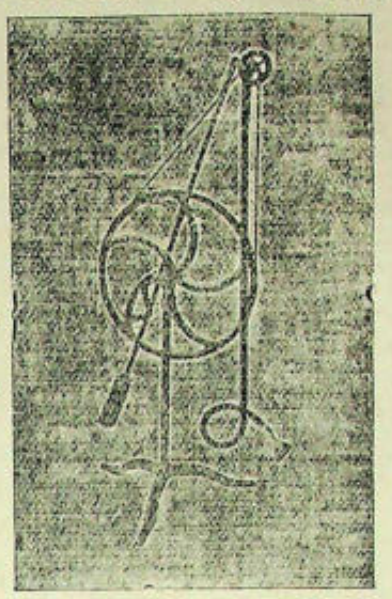
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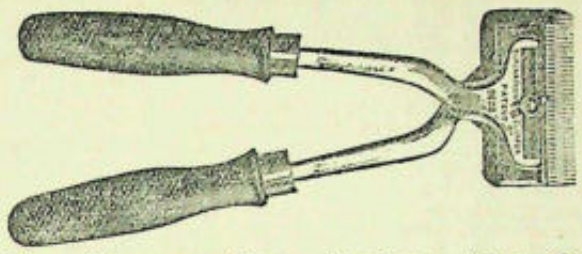
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THE CHADDESDEN PLATE (a high-weight handicap) of 185sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr J Musker's ch c Gilbert Handley, by Melton—Dunover, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs ...	O Madden	1
Mr Allerton's br c Otherwise, 3yrs, 7st ...	Murray	2
Col H T Fenwick's br f Lotten, 4yrs, 8st ...	B Dillon	3
Maj Vaux's Japan, 4yrs, 8st 11 lbs ...	Yarnell	0
Mr F Hardy's Wild Night Again, 5yrs, 8st 7lbs	Halsey	0
Mr Lionel Robinson's Roseate Dawn, 3yrs, 8st 4lbs (car 8st 7lbs)	M Cannon	0
Mr C Lawman's Ventriloquist 4yrs, 8st 11b (car 8st 3lbs)	Watts	0
Mr W H L Ewart's Nippon, aged, 7st 6lbs*	Rollason	0
Mr J C Dyer's Corunna, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs ...	Walker	0
Mr A P Cunliffe's Be Careless, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs	Plant	0
Mr E Bonner's Mount Lyell, 6yrs, 7st 4lbs	W Lane	0
Mr W S Brechin's Jubal, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs ...	J McKenzie	0
Lord Ellesmere's Parapet, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs ...	Jarvis	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Gilbert.*)

BETTING: 9 to 2 each agst Wild Night Again and Mount Lyell, 8 to 1 each Gilbert Handley and Parapet, 10 to 1 each Japan and Nippon, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won easily by two lengths from Otherwise, who took second place close home; a neck divided the second and third. Japan was placed fourth, Roseate Dawn fifth, Corunna sixth, Ventriloquist seventh, Mount Lyell next, and Jubal last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 17⅘secs.

THE DERBYSHIRE PLATE (high-weight handicap) of 220sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr Ledlie's br g Thoas, by Buckingham—Amphithura, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs ...	B Dillon	1
Mr R Stott's b c Sir Laddo, 4yrs, 8st ...	W Lane	2
Mr J Rowson's br g Zam, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs ...	O Madden	3
Sir W Ingram's Cottager, 6yrs 9st ..	M Cannon	0
Mr E Foster's Coldra, 5yrs, 8st 3lbs (car 8st 4lbs)	Halsey	0
Mr de Wend-Fenton's Uncle Reggie, 4yrs, 8st 3lbs	Watts	0

(*Winner trained by Cort.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Sir Laddo, 9 to 4 Coldra, 5 to 1 Zam, 10 to 1 Thoas, and 100 to 8 each Cottager and Uncle Reggie.

Won by a head; four lengths separated the second and third. Cottager was fourth and Uncle Reggie last. Time by Benson's chronograph 2mins 45⅖secs.

EPSOM MEETING.

In brilliant weather on the 19th at Epsom the Great Metropolitan maintained its reputation for sensational developments, the favourite, Mark Time, being defeated by Elba, whilst of three horses who fell in the course of the race Grey Tick broke his leg and had to be shot. In the Tattenham Plate, Stephen's Green followed up the initial success of his career, (when as the Talky Talky colt he accounted for a big field at Lincoln), but, as was the case on the Carholme, he owed his victory in a great measure to a speedy beginning. The start was unfortunately a very indifferent one, Little Willie swerving badly as the tapes were released, with the result that he not only put himself out of court, but extinguished the chances of some of his nearest attendants. He is a free-striding colt by Bill of Portland out of Elfin Queen, for whom Mr. Joel gave 360 guineas as a yearling, and he will assuredly prove well worth the money. Bramble Jelly colt did not get away on quite such good terms as the winner, and as he ran him to a length there can be very little between them. A very curious-looking customer is the Drill colt, one of the get of Sir Hugo, as he is a bright chestnut plentifully flecked with large white spots.

The fact that Extradition had shown his liking for the course by appropriating the Tattenham Plate on the corresponding day a twelvemonth ago was not overlooked when Mr. A. L. Duncan's colt was saddled for the North Park Plate, and he enlisted such a universal following that the tardy ones had to lay slight odds on his chance. He looked well, as did Challenger, who carried a splendid polish, and cut down his field without an effort when it came to racing, the favourite being unable to get within six lengths of Mr. Lionel Robinson's colt as they passed the Judge. By Isinglass out of Meddlesome, Challenger is grandly bred, and S. Darling will be able to get a line to the classic form thought to day's victory. The colt is engaged in the Two Thousand Guineas and Derby, and, though he ran thrice as a two year old, his juvenile performances throw little light upon his present capabilities. Citrine hung fire at the start and figured in the rear throughout. The field for the Great Metropolitan numbered four more than a year ago, when Wavelet's Pride finished first on the two occasions that the race was run. Seldom, perhaps, has such a warm favourite started for this event as did Mark Time. He had done so remarkably well under N. H. Rules, and won so handsomely at Lincoln, that the Epsom race was voted an almost sure thing for him, and no more than evens could be obtained about the four year old. For the greater part of the journey backers of the favourite were on good terms with themselves. At Tattenham Corner he held a commanding lead, and it then looked all over. Below the distance, however, Lord Cadogan's mare challenged resolutely, and, in the hands of W. Lane, wore Mark Time down, eventually winning a pretty race by half a length, the starting price of the victor being 100 to 8. Elba had no recent from to recommend her; she did not gain a bracket last year, but she will be remembered as having inflicted defeat upon Sceptre in the Park Hill Stakes, Doncaster, 1902.

THE GREAT METROPOLITAN STAKES (handicap) of 935 sovs. About two miles and a quarter.

Lord Cadogan's b m Elba, by Prisoner—Simoom, 5yrs, 8st 7lbs	W Lane	1
Mr J G Clarke's ch c Mark Time 4yrs, 8st 7lbs (inc 5lbs ex) ...	G McCall	2
Sir E Cassel's b c Lovat, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs ...	W Halsey	3
Mr T Corns's Rightful, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs ...	K Cannon	0
Mr W Bass's Grey Tick, aged, 8st 13lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mr C B Newton's Servitor, 6yrs 8st 12lbs...	D Maher	0
Mr Ferns's Puerto 6yrs, 7st 11lbs ...	W Clark	0
Mr R C Dawson's St Patrick's Day 4yrs, 7st 11lbs (inc 10lbs ex)	R McLntyre	0
Mr C Russell's Florinda, 4yrs, 7st 13lbs ...	J Jarvis	0
Sir E Vincent's Parody, 5yrs, 7st 8lbs ...	C Trigg	0
Lord Wolverton's Flor Di Cuba, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs	R Jones	0
Mr J Hammond's Astolat, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs...	W Griggs	0
Mr T Jennings's Induction, 5yrs, 6st 4lbs	A Benson	0

*5lb apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Cole.*)

BETTING: Evens Mark Time, 7 to 1 agst Lovat, 100 to 9 Parody, 100 to 8 Rightful, 100 to 8 Elba, 100 to 7 Puerto, 100 to 6 Grey Tick, 100 to 1 any other (o)

The first to leave the paddock was Servitor, and he was followed in the parade by Elba, Rightful, Lovat, Flor di Cuba, St. Patrick's Day, Astolat, and Grey Tick, the whippers-in being Induction and Mark Time, whilst Puerto was an absentee. Elba led the canter from Rightful, Servitor, and Lovat, and it was 3-17 when the white flag was hoisted. A capital start was effected at 3-25. Grey Tick being the first to break the line, attended by Lovat and Flor di Cuba, but on settling down Puerto showed the way to St. Patrick's Day, Lovat, Rightful, Mark Time, and Induction, with Flor di Cuba next, in advance of Grey Tick, the whipper-in being Servitor to the turn out of the straight, where Rightful took third place, with Mark Time, Lovat, Grey Tick, Flor di Cuba, and Parody next. About halfway St. Patrick's Day took a slight lead of Puerto, the pair going on clear of Lovat, Mark Time, Rightful, and Elba, these being well in front of Grey Tick and Parody, whilst Flor di Cuba, dropped into the rear, but, passing the mile post Mark Time joined St. Patrick's Day and Puerto, and the three were well clear of Elba, Servitor, Grey Tick, and Lovat when St. Patrick's Day struck into something seven furlongs from home, falling and bringing down Grey Tick and Induction. Mark Time then drew out with a two-length lead of Elba, with Servitor, Puerto, and Lovat in hot pursuit, but below the distance Elba challenged, and a tremendous race all the way home resulted in the victory of the mare by half a length; five lengths divided the second and third. Rightful was placed fourth by the judge. Astolat was fifth, Florinda sixth, Parody seventh, Servitor next and Puerto last. Grey Tick broke his leg by his fall and had to be destroyed. Time by Benson's chronograph, 4mins 11⅘secs.

THE GREAT SURREY HANDICAP. Of 430sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr J Buchanan's b f Bachelor's Fancy, by Winkfield—Fanessa 4yrs, 6st 11lbs*...	Hunter	1
Mr W Raphael's ch f Skyscraper 4yrs, 7st 13lbs	B Dillion	2
Mr G Thursby's b m Indian Corn, aged, 7st 7lbs	Trigg	3
Lord Dunraven's Livia, 3yrs, 7st ...	Griggs	0
Mr A Cohen's Master Willie, aged 9st 7lbs	Halsey	0
Mr H J King's Mimicry, 5yrs, 7st 10lbs ...	J H Martin	0
Mr J W Horsman's Goldrush, 5yrs, 7st 4lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	East	0
Lord Westbury's Holme Lacy, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs	Plant	0
Mr S B Joel's Tippler, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs (car 7st 8lbs)	W Lane	0
Lord Carnarvon's Haut en Bas, 6yrs, 7st 2lbs	J Jarvis	0
Mr T A Edney Hayter's Milford Lad 3yrs, 6st 9lbs * (car 6st 13lbs)	Butchers	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Flying Footstep, 3yrs 6st 12lbs (car 6st 13lbs) ...	Miller	0
Sir E Vincent's Chairetta, 4yrs, 6st 10lbs *	Rollason	0

*5lb apprantice allowance deducted

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst Indian Corn, 5 to 1 Mimicry, 100 to 14 Skyscraper, 8 to 1 Flying Footstep, 100 to 12 Goldrush, 10 to 1 each Master Willie and Milford Lad 100 to 8 each Bachelor's Fancy, Tippler, and Haut en Bass, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; a head separated the second and third. Livia was fourth, Goldrush fifth, Milford Lad sixth, Tippler seventh, Flying Footstep eighth, Mimicry ninth, Holme Lacy next and Chairetta last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 56⅗secs.

Green fields, a cerulean sky, hedgerows bursting with tender leaf and starred with daisies, stretches of golden gorse, and the countryside bathed in sunshine—all these conditions combined to make the journey by road or rail to Epsom a memorable day in the history of the City and Suburban. And then the delightful walk over the crips, springy turf in a volatile atmosphere and a vision of fat pastures and cornfields beyond the blue haze left an all too rare feeling of physical exhilaration. For once the calendar was at fault. There was nothing on the downs to remind one that we were still in early spring. It was warm enough for a July day, and the gentle easterly breeze accentuated rather than minimised the grateful warmth of the sun. A more perfect day for the first big metropolitan handicap could not have been desired, and the dimensions of the crowd were suggestive of Derby Day.

THE CITY AND SUBURBAN HANDICAP. Of 1,675sovs. About one mile and a quarter.

Lord Carnarvon's br h Robert le Diable, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay, 5yrs 8st 2lbs	W Lane	1
Mr J B Joel's ch g Dean Swift, by Childwick—Pasquil, 3yrs, 6st 5lbs (car 6st 7lbs)	C Trigg	2
Lord Westbury's bl or br c Cerisier, by Cherry Tree—Last Love, 4yrs, 6st 5lbs	J Bott	3
Mr S B Joel's Bachelor's Button, by Winkfield—Milday, 5yrs, 8st 8lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr H Sleath Skelton's Happy Slave, by St Serf—Good Lady, 5yrs, 7st 2lbs * ...	G Buchers	0
Mr B Ellam's Switchap, by Colorado—Bay Celia, 4yrs, 7st 2lbs *	R McIntyre	0
Capt Forester's Hackler's Pride, by Hackler—Comma, 4yrs, 8st 11lbs ...	B Dillon	0
Lord Ellesmere's Kroonstad, by Kilwalin—Sabra, 4yrs, 8st 3lbs	W Halsey	0
Mr J F Hallick's Sun Bonnet, by Baton Rouge, dam by Selby—Tertia, aged, 6st 12lbs *	J Rollason	9
Mr J Buchanan's Kano, by Trenton—Rabia, 4 yrs, 7st 9lbs	E Wheatley	10
Miss Clinton's Sun Rose, by Sheen—Nina 4yrs, 6st 13lbs	Plant	11
Mr Arthur James's Achaicus, by Persimmon—Lucky Lady, 5yrs, 6st 13lbs ...	T L Miller	0
Mr E C Irish's Over Norton, by Adieu—Lady Why, aged, 8st 11lbs ...	K Cannon	0
Mr G A Prentice's Dumbarton Castle by Wolf's Crag—Chemistry, 4yrs, 8st 5lbs	O Madden	0
Sir E Cassel's Love Charm, by Love Wisely—Omaha, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs (car 7st 12lbs)	H Aylin	0
Mr J Hammond's Burses, by Childwick—Bendlet, 6yrs, 7st 10lbs	J H Martin	0
Mr J A Miller's Muriel II, by St Simonmimi—Miss reston, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs	W Griggs	0
Mr Lionel Robinson's Niphetos, by Bill of Portland—Tea Rose, 5yrs, 7st 2lbs ...	R Jones	0
Mr Leopold de Rothschild's Bass Rock, by Grey Leg—Pindi, 8yrs, 6st 9lbs * ...	J W East	0
Mr W M G Singor's Gascony, by Kendal—Gas, 5yrs, 6st 9lbs * ...	F Hunter	0
Mr N G Higham's Prince Royal, by Royal Sovereign—Juno, 4yrs, 6st 12lbs ...	J Jarvis	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Greusil.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 agst Niphetos, 11 to 2 Hacklers Pride, 100 to 12 Prince Royal, 100 to 8 Burses, 100 to 8 Kroonstad, 100 to 7 Cerisier, 100 to 7 Achaicus, 20 to 1 Kano, 25 to 1 Dean Swift, 25 to 1 Bachelor's Button, 25 to 1 Bass Rock, 33 to 1 Switchcap, 33 to 1 Sun Rose, 40 to 1 Robert le Diable, 40 to 1 Over Norton, 40 to 1 Sun Bonnet, 5 to 1 Happy Slave, 50 to 1 Love Charm, 50 to 1 Muriel II., 60 to 1 Dumbarton Castle and 66 to 1 Gascony.

PLACE BETTING 1, 2, 3: 5 to 4 agst Niphetos, 7 to 4 Hackler's Pride, 9 to 4 Prince Royal, 7 to 2 Cerisier, 7 to 2 Burses, 7 to 2 Kroonstad, 4 to 1 Achaicus, 5 to 1 Kano, 6 to 1 Dean Swift, 6 to 1 Bachelor's Button, 6 to 1 Bass Rock, 8 to 1 Switchcap, 8 to 1 Sun Rose, 100 to 12 Over Norton, 10 to 1 Robert le Diable, 10 to 1 Sun Bonnet, 10 to 1 Muriel II., 100 to 8 Dumbarton Castle, 100 to 8 Happy Slave, 100 to 8 Love Charm and 100 to 8 Gascony.

The first to leave the paddock was Kano, whose followers in the parade were Over Norton, Love Charm, Kroonstad, Prince Royal, Burses, Robert le Diable, Niphetos, Gascony, Switch Cap, Muriel II., Happy Slave, Dumbarton Castle, and Achaicus, the last trio being Bachelor's Button, Sun Bonnet, and Bass Rock. The canter was led by Over Norton from Love Charm, Kroonstad, Prince Royal, and Kano, and Bass Rock was again the whipper-in. The white flag was hoisted at 3-40, and just six minutes later Mr. Owen despatched the field to an excellent start, Love Charm, on the inside, being the first to show in front of Switchcap, Bass Rock, Robert le Diable, and Hackler's Pride, these being clear of Niphetos, Sun Bonnet, and Kroonstad, with Kano whipping-in, to the mile post, where Bass Rock and Niphetos improved their positions, taking second and third places slightly in advantage of Cerisier, Hackler's Pride, Prince Royal, and Robert le Diable, with Sunrose and Switchcap next, in advance of Kroonstad and Bachelor's Button, Kano still bringing up the rear. Making the bend for home, Bass Rock joined Love Charm, and the pair came on in command of Cerisier, Hackler's Pride, Niphetos, Robert le Diable, and Bachelor's Button, but Niphetos hung out signals of distress entering the straight and dropped out of the race. About a quarter of a mile from home Love Charm was done with, and Robert le Diable, dashing up on the rails, took up the running on the inside, from Cerisier, whilst Dean Swift, wide on the outside became third, clear of Happy Slave and Bachelor's Button, but the issue was never in further doubt, Robert le Diable holding his own to the end and winning in a canter by three lengths from Dean Swift, who deprived Cerisier of second place at the distance; a length and a half divided the second and third. Bachelor's Button was placed fourth by the judge, Happy Slave was fifth, Switchap sixth, Hackler's Pride seventh, Kroonstad eighth, Sun Bonnet ninth, Kano tenth, Sunrose next, and Gascony last, behind Prince Royal. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins 8⅘secs.

THE HYDE PARK PLATE. Of 561sovs., for two year olds; colts 8st 12lbs, fillies 8st 9lbs. with penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Lord Wolverton's br f by Rightaway—Fuji Yama, 8st 9lbs	H Jones	1
Mr L de Rothschild's b f Lador, 8st 9lbs ..	K Cannon	2
Lord Howard de Walden's br c Ladle, 8st 12lbs	M Cannon	3
Mr G M Inglis's Molly Blyth, 8st 9lbs ...	H Aylin	0
Mr Jersey's Sing Sing, 8st 9lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr W Raphael's f by Orme—Crusado, 8st 9lbs	O Madden	0
Capt F Forester's c by Islington—Mouche d'Or, 8st 9lbs	B Dillon	0
Mr T W Blenkiron's f by Marco—Calypso, 8st 6lbs	Trigg	0

(*Winner trained by R. Marsh.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Fuji Yama filly 100 to 30 Lador, 4 o 1 Molly Blyth, 10 to 1 Ladle, and 100 to 6 any other (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; a head between second and third. Molly Blyth was fourth, Crusado filly fifth, and Sing Sing last.

SANDOWN PARK MEETING.

It was a relief after the stress and turmoil of Epsom with its dust its crowd of holiday-makers, and congested programme, to assist at the quiet, decorous gathering at Sandown Park yesterday. The half dozen items of which the card was composed sufficed to afford an enjoyable and diverting entertainment—exclusive of the run-off for the dead heat—and had the weather only been more genial no fault could have been found with the day. As it was the conditions were almost wintry. A bitterly cold north-easterly wind swept the hill, and little shelter was obtainable in the stands, which were exposed to the full force of the gale. Nor did the solar rays go far towards gladdening the scene, as the sky was dull and overcast throughout the afternoon. Despite the inclement weather, the King honoured the proceedings with his presence, and Prince Christain and the Duke and Duchess of Westminster were prominent amongst a fashionable but somewhat meagre attendance. Big fields were seen out, and the equine arrival list for to-morrow is a lengthy one. The going was firm, and even dusty in places, a little rain being required to freshen up the turf.

THE PRINCESS OF WALES'S HANDICAP of 439 sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr B Ellam's b c Mouraviff, by Bentinck—Dramatic, 4yrs, 6st (car 6st 11lb) ...	Plant	1
Mr S B Joel's ch c Tippler, 4yrs, 7st 4lbs (car 7st 8lbs)	W Lane	2
Mr R H Henning's br c Xeny, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs	Trigg	3
Mr H J King's Orchid, 6yrs, 9st	R Jones	0
Mr T Pilkington's Verus, 5 yrs, 7st 11lbs	O Madden	0
Mr G Edwardes's Country Boy, 4yrs, 7st*	Page	0
Lord Dunraven's Livie, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs ...	Griggs	0
Mr F Hardy's f by Burnaby—Oriental Princess, 3yrs, 6st 3lbs* (car 6st 4lbs)	East	0
Mr J Wallis's Logan Rock, 4yrs, 6st 2lbs*	Hunter	0
Mr W F Foy's Tariff, 3yrs, 6st 1lbs* ...	McIntyre	0
Mr R S Sievier's Boycot, 3yrs 6st 11b ...	McGill	0
Sir J Kelk's Clermont, 3yrs, 6st (car 6st 3lbs)	J Jarvis	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Gurry.*)

BETTING:—4 to 1 agst Mouraviff, 5 to 1 Country Boy, 8 to 1 Xeny, 8 to 1 each Verus and Livia, 100 to 12 each agst Oriental Princess filly and Clermont, 10 to 1 Orchid, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by a length and a half; three lengths divided the second and third. Boycot was fourth, Verus fifth, Clermont sixth, Orchid seventh, Oriental Princess filly next, and Tariff last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 4sec.

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THE ESHER STAKES (HANDICAP) of 1,225 sovs. About one mile and 5 furlongs.

Mr L Neumann's br c L'Aiglon, by St Simon—Self Sacrifice, 4yrs, 7st 6lbs ...	W Lane	1
Mr Polebampton's br c Thunderbolt, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs	J H Martin	2
Lord Ellesmere's br c Gower, 4yrs, 8st ...	H Jones	3
Mr E A Wigan's Lapsang, 4yrs, 7st 9lbs	B Dillon	0
Mr W Goodchild's Scullion, 6yrs, 9st ...	K Cannon	0
Mr Spencer Gollan's Seahorse II., aged, 8st 4lbs	Halsey	0
Mr G Thursby's Vendale, 5yrs, 8st 4lbs ...	D Maher	0
Mr W M G Singer's Pradella, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs	O Madden	0
Lord Dunraven's Morgendale, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs	Griggs	0
Mr B Gottschalk's Emily Melton, aged 6st 12lbs*	East	0
Miss Clinton's Jason, 4yrs, 7st ...	Trigg	0

5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(Winner trained by Mr. Gilpin.)

BETTING :—7 to 2 each agst Vendale and L'Aiglon, 6 to 1 Thunderbolt, 7 to 1 Seahorse II., 100 to 12 Lapsang, 10 to 1 Gower 100 to 8 each Scullion, Pradella, Morgendale, and Emily Melton, and 20 to 1 Jason (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; a head divided the second and third. Lapsang close up, was fourth, Seahorse II., fifth, Pradella sixth, Vendale seventh, Jason eighth, Scullion next and Morgendale last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 6secs.

The following are the important results at Sandown Park to-day.

THE CLAYGATE PLATE of ; 200 sovs. winner to be sold for 100 sovs ; second to receive 5 sovs. One mile.

Mr G A Prentice's c by Winkfield—Surrender, 3yrs 7st 8lb	Madden	1
Major J D Edwards's Chronos, 3yrs, 7st 5lb	Griggs	2
Mr W G Stevens's f by Despair—Flower of Teviot, 3yrs, 7st	East	3
Mr F R Fry's Walk Over, 6yrs, 9st 11lb ...	Halsey	0
Mr W Farrish's Energetic, 6yrs, 9st 4lb	W Lane	0
Mr George Milligan's Strettington, 4yrs, 9st	H Jones	0
Mr H Barnato's Express, 4rs, 8st 11lb ...	M Cannon	0
Mr J A Doyle's Altruist, 3yrs, 7st 3lb ...	Anson	0
Mr H Flaval's Lord Warden, 3yrs, 7st 3lb	Reynolds	0
Mr J S Morrison's Poplar, 3yrs, 7st 8lb	Stokes	0
Mr T Cannon's Black Mingo, 3yrs, 7st 5lb	Smythe	0
Mr Harry Powney's f by Freemason—Cyclone, 3yrs, 7st	Noon	0

(Winner trained by J. Powney.)

BETTING :—2 to 1 agst Chronos, 9 to 2 agst Express, 8 to 1 each Energetic, the Surrender colt, and Strettington, 100 to 8 agst the Flower of Teviot filly or any other (offered).

Won easily by a length and a half; a head between the second and third; Time, 1min. 50⅗secs.

THE SANDOWN PARK STUD PRODUCE STAKES by subscription of 3 sovs each stallion; the nominator of the stallion which is the sire of the winner to receive 10 per cent., and of the second horse 5 per cent. of the whole stake; a sweepstake of 1 sov each or 20 sovs in addition if not struck out; with 200 sovs added (being the amount of the subscription for stallions and the remainder from the fund); the owner of the second to receive 100 sovs out of the stakes. Five furlongs. One hundred and fifty entries 1 sov forfeit declared for 68 and 11 sovs for 52.

Mr de Wend Fenton's Vedas by Florizel II.—Agnostic, 9st	B Dillon	1
Capt H A Johnstone's Norman Bride, 8st 5lbs	Madden	2
Mr L de Rothschild's Khammurabi, 8st 2lb	K Cannon	3
Mr Spencer Gollan's Tiritiri, 8st 11lbs ...	B Lynham	0
Lord Derby's c by Simontault—Engina, 8st 9lbs	Maher	0
Lord Wolverton's c by Ugly—Pensee Triste, 8st 5lbs	Watts	0
Duke of Devonshire's Variation, 8st 2lbs ...	Trigg	0
Mr D E Higham's Solisarum, 8st 2lbs ...	Griggs	0
Mr S B Joel's Bright Eyes, 8st 2lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr G Blackwell's f by Newhaven Peace, 7st 13lbs	W Lane	0

(Winner trained by W. Robinson).

BETTING :—3 to 1 each agst Vedas and the Peace filly 100 to 30 Norman Bride, 7st 1 Khammurabi, 100 to 8 any other (offered.)

Won in a canter by three lengths; five lengths separated the second and third. Time, 1min. 5⅗secs.

THE THIRTEENTH YEAR OF THE TUDOR PLATE of 1000 sovs. for three-year-olds which have not won any race up to the time of entry; second to receive 100 sovs, and the third 50 sovs. One mile.

Mr J Musker's Admiral Breeze, by Velasquez—Seabreeze, 9st	Madden	1
Mr J H Peard's Mountain King, 9st ...	B Dillon	2
Capt Greer's St Day, by St Serf—Corday, 9st	M Cannon	3
Mr Horatio Bottomley's c by Kilcock—Gentle Ida, 9st	Hare	0
Mr J Buchanan's St Kilda, 9st ...	B Lynham	0
Mr Richard Croker's Herbert Vincent, 9st	J Thompson	0
Mr J H Houldworth's Gavello, 9st ...	Maher	0
Capt Laing's Antonio, 9st	Watts	0
Mr Edmund Lamb's c by Hackler—Erin, 9st	H Aylin	0
Mr Low's Imari, 9st	K Cannon	0
Lord Savile's Right Honourable, 9st ...	W Lane	0
Lord Wolverton's Golden Touch, 9st ...	H Jones	0
Sir E Cassel's Love Potion, 8st 11lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr Fairie's Bona Dea, 8st 11lbs ...	Miller	0
Mr G Faber's Nun Superior, 8st 11lbs ...	Griggs	0

(Winner trained by Gilbert.)

BETTING :—100 to 8 agst Admiral Breeze, 7 to 2 Mountain King, 7 to 4 St Day.

WINNING CROSS-COUNTRY JOCKEYS.

(COMPILED FROM 1ST JAN. TO 16TH APRIL INCLUSIVE.

	Mounts.	Won.	Lost.
P Woodland	122	43	79
F Mason	155	26	129
G Goswell	90	21	69
F Hartigan	100	21	79
J Phillips —	105	18	87
Mr R Payne	50	17	33
F Lyall	78	17	61
E Piggott	116	17	99
R Woodland	51	16	35
E Matthews	62	15	47
H Taylor —	73	15	58
E Driscoll	105	14	91
Mr J T Rogers ... —	49	13	36
F Freemantle	73	13	60
Mr A W Wood	63	12	51
G Williamson	26	11	15
D Read	59	11	48
R Gordon	39	10	29
Mr Ivor Anthony	41	10	31
T Fitton —	61	10	51

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(COMPILED FROM 21ST MARCH TO 15TH APRIL).

	Mounts.	Lost.	Won.
O Madden	86	72	14
W Lane	73	61	12
C Trigg	53	43	10
D Maher	28	19	9
J Jarvis	33	25	8
W Halsey	58	50	8
G McCall	33	27	6
H Randall	22	17	5
K Cannon	88	83	5
W Griggs	60	55	5
H Jones	27	23	4
F Hardy	27	23	4
J East	36	32	4

FOOTBALL.

THE SCOTTISH CUP

FINAL TIE.

GLASGOW RANGERS (HOLDERS) *vs.* CELTIC.

If New Hampton Park, the colossal ground of the Queen's Park F. C., Glasgow, was denied the opportunity of having its holding capacity tested on the occasion of the International match between Scotland and England on the 9th instant, all its detractors then must certainly have been silenced for all time after the admirable manner in which was housed within its confines on Saturday, the 16th, a spectatorate numbering 65,000, or half as many again as that present at Celtic Park witnessing the downfall of the Thistle in her last International of the year. In no case was the swaying and crushing, which are not unusual when large crowds are assembled in limited space, observed, and great as the attendance was there appeared to be full room for a few thousands more. In all, the sum of £1,400 was drawn at the gates and £400 at the stands, and with members and ticket-holders added there could not have been less than the number stated in the enclosure when the game—the thirty-first final and the third played between Saturday's opponents—commenced. Perfect conditions prevailed, there being little wind and a moderate sun, while the turf was in excellent condition. Taken over both periods, it was a capital encounter, full of incident, good and fast play, with an absence of that rougher element past matches between these old rivals have had recorded against them. Ably supported by a strong half-back line, the Celtic forwards practically commanded matters in the opening stages, but their ascendancy was cut short at the close of the initial quarter of an hour. Some really clever combination between Robertson and A. Smith on the Ranger's left wing enabled the latter to send across a high drive, which Speedie, lying handy, diverted into the net, a success which restored the confidence of the Cup holders, somewhat staggered by the first onslaughts of their opponents. Becoming more even, the exchanges continued fast, the battle waging from goal to goal but a decided set in favour of the "Light Blues" became evident when Speedie a second time snatched a short pass forwards and at close range scored. The advantages thus gained, however, were not long held, the Colts—mainly through Quinn, whose fast dashes were a constant source of trouble to the veteran backs on whom the Rangers relied—became more aggressive, and through weak back play—certainly the most prominent failing on the holders representation—that player lessened the leeway, and ere the interval be was instrumental in equalising the game. Changing ends with honours easy, the pace remained as in the preceding period, neither side claiming any preponderance in play, and it was not until forty minutes had elapsed when Quinn again had the better of an encounter with the opposing defence and notched the third as it proved, the winning point. The closing stage was quietly contested, and, no further scoring occurring, the Celts were returned winners by three goals to two.

ASSOCIATION RULES.

THE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

DIVISION 1.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 16TH APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Manchester City ...	33	19	6	8	44	71	44
Sheffield Wednesday ...	32	18	7	7	43	42	26
Newcastle United ...	34	18	6	10	42	58	45
Aston Villa ...	33	17	7	9	41	68	44
Everton	32	17	5	10	39	54	32
Sunderland ...	34	17	5	12	39	63	49
Sheffield United ...	33	15	7	11	37	60	55
Wlvrhmpton Wdrs ...	33	14	7	12	35	44	66
Notts Forest ...	33	11	8	14	30	56	56
Middlesbrough ...	33	9	11	13	29	45	46
Notts County ...	33	12	5	16	29	37	59
Blackburn Rovers ...	33	11	6	16	28	46	57
Bury	33	7	14	12	28	40	53
Small Heath ...	33	10	8	15	28	37	52
Derby County ...	32	9	9	14	27	57	57
Stoke	33	10	6	17	26	53	56
Liverpool	33	8	8	17	24	46	60
West Brom Albion ...	32	7	9	16	23	34	54

DIVISION 2.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 16TH APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Preston North End ...	32	19	9	4	47	61	24
Woolwich Arsenal ...	32	20	6	6	46	88	22
Manchester United ...	31	18	7	6	43	58	31
Bristol City ...	33	17	6	10	40	71	40
Burnley	33	16	8	10	38	48	53
Grimsby Town ...	33	14	8	11	36	49	46
Bolton Wanderers ...	33	12	9	12	33	59	41
Bradford City ...	32	12	7	13	31	45	54
Barnsley	32	10	10	12	30	35	60
Gainsbrough Trin ...	33	13	3	17	29	51	57
Burton United ...	33	11	7	15	29	45	58
Lincoln City ...	33	11	7	15	29	41	57
Burslem Port Vale ...	32	10	8	14	28	53	50
Chesterfield —	33	10	8	15	28	36	45
Glossop	33	10	6	17	26	57	62
Stockport County ...	33	8	10	15	26	38	70
Blackpool ...	32	10	5	17	25	38	66
Leicester Fosse ...	33	6	10	17	22	40	77

Some people would be inclined to think that Joe Cannon is not quite the kind of man to be led away by superstitions, but the following incident would lead one to suppose that at any rate he has never since the occurrence took place brought thirteen horses to a meeting.

In 1875, Cannon was training for Captain Machell at Bedford Cottage, and in making up his lot for Goodwood that year, the total number of the string amounted to thirteen.

"I don't like that number," remarked the considering Joseph. "Here, put in Trappist with them—that will make fourteen."

As luck would have it, Trappist was fortunate enought to pull through successfully in the Stewards' Cup—the most important event of the meeting.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 9TH APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Southampton ...	34	22	6	6	50	75	30
Portsmouth ...	31	17	6	8	40	38	33
Tottenham H'spur ...	32	15	10	7	40	50	34
Bristol Rovers ...	33	16	8	9	40	63	41
Queen's Park Rgrs ...	33	14	11	8	39	51	36
Reading	33	13	13	7	39	45	35
Millwall	32	15	8	9	38	61	40
Luton Town ...	33	13	12	8	38	36	32
Plymouth Argyle ...	33	12	10	11	34	42	36
Fulham	32	9	10	13	28	31	38
Swindon Town ...	32	8	11	13	27	37	44
Brentford... ...	33	9	9	15	27	34	42
West Ham United ...	31	10	6	15	26	38	32
Northampton ...	31	10	6	15	26	36	56
New Brompton ...	34	6	13	15	25	26	49
Wellingborough ...	31	10	4	17	24	37	56
Brighton & Hove A ...	33	6	12	15	24	45	63
Kettering ...	33	6	7	20	19	38	76

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

THE LEAGUE MATCHES.—DIVISION 1.

	G.			G
Newcastle United ...	4	bt	Sheffield Wednesday ...	0
Everton	1	bt	Derby County ...	0
Blackburn Rovers ...	2	bt	Middlesbrough ...	0
Aston Villa	3	bt	Notts Forest ...	1
Sunderland	2	bt	Sheffield United ...	1
Manchester City ...	4	bt	Small Heath ...	0
Liverpool	3	bt	Bury	0

DIVISION 2.

Manchester United ...	1	bt	Gainsbrough Trin ...	0
Bristol City	3	bt	Burton United ...	2
Preston North End ...	1	dr	Barnsley	1
Stockport County ...	1	bt	Bolton Wanderers ...	0
Burslem	3	bt	Chesterfield ...	0
Grimsby Town ...	2	dr	Woolwich Arsenal ...	2
Burnley	3	bt	Lincoln City ...	1
Bradford City ...	2	bt	Leicester Fosse ...	1

THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

West Ham United ...	0	bt	Southampton ...	0

THE MIDLAND LEAGUE.

Sheffield United Reserves...	3	bt	Lincoln City Res ...	1
Burnsley Reserves ...	1	bt	Gainsbro Trinity Res ...	0
Whitwick White Cross ...	0	dr	Thornhill	0
Rotherham	7	bt	Hinckley	0
Sheffield Wed Res ...	2	bt	Newark	1
Denaby United ...	2	dr	Worksop	2
Gresley Rovers ...	3	bt	Doncaster Rovers ...	1

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

Tottenham Hotspur ...	5	bt	Kettering	1
Brentford	0	dr	Fulham	0
Portsmouth	0	dr	Queen's Park Rangers ...	0
Swindon Town ...	1	bt	Wellingborough ...	0
Northampton	2	bt	Millwall	0
Luton	1	bt	New Brompton ...	0
Bristol Rovers... ...	0	dr	Reading	0

SURREY SENIOR CUP.—REPLAYED FINAL TIE.

Townley Park	4	bt	Guards' Depot ...	3

THE EAST KENT LEAGUE.

Faversham	3	bt	Whitstable	0

THE SOUTH ESSEX LEAGUE.

Chelmsford	2	bt	Grays Town ...	1
Shoebury Town ...	5	bt	Southchurch Rovers —	0
Newportonians ...	1	bt	Leytonstone Reserves ...	0

THE EAST SURREY LEAGUE.

Redhill	3	dr	Guildford	3

THE SOUTH-EASTERN LEAGUE.

New Brompton Reserves ...	2	bt	War Office	1
Watford	4	bt	Brighton & Hove Res ...	1
Qu's Pk Rangers Res ...	4	bt	Hitchin Town —	1
Chesham Generals ...	1	dr	Luton Reserves ...	1

THE KENT LEAGUE.

Chatham ...	2	bt	Dover ...	1
Tunbdge Wells Rangers ...	2	bt	Sittingbourne ...	0
Maidstone	1	bt	Ashford	0

THE MIDDLESEX CHARITY CUP.—FINAL TIE.

Ealing	4	bt	Shepherd's Bush ...	2

SCOTTISH CUP.—FINAL TIE.

Celtic ...	3	bt	Glasgow Rangers ...	2

INTER-CITY LEAGUE.

Third Lanark	1	bt	Dundee	0
Hearts of Midlothian ...	1	bt	Queen's Park ...	0

EAST OF SCOTLAND LEAGUE.

St Bernards	2	bt	Hibernians ...	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—DIVISION 2.

Albion Rovers	3	bt	Arthurlie	1

WEST OF SCOTLAND LEAGUE.

Kilmarnock	1	bt	Port Glasgow Ath ...	0
Motherwell	2	bt	Clyde ...	— 1
				2

OTHER MATCHES.

Reigate Town Old Crocks ...	3	bt	Rgte Town O'Crcks (A)	1
Reigate Town	10	bt	Civil Service ...	2
Kensington Town ...	3	bt	St Albans ...	— 0
London Caledonians ...	7	bt	1st Grenadier Guards ...	0
Norseman	6	bt	Weybridge	1
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Cromer	4	bt	Lowestoft	2
Freemantle	4	bt	Southampton Reserves...	1
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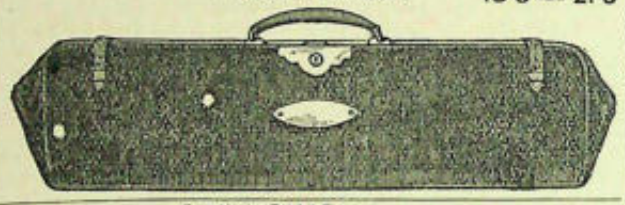
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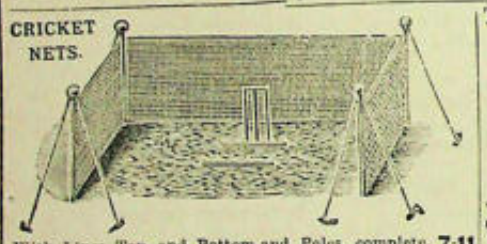
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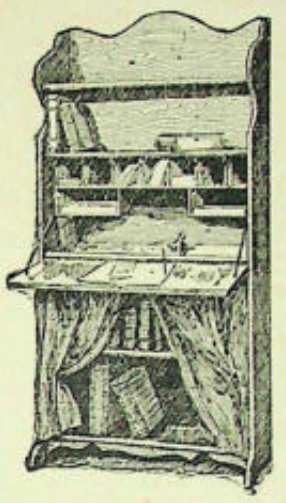
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ATHLETICS.

S. L. H. SPRING MEETING.

A fine, sunny afternoon and the promise of witnessing excellent sport at the South London Harriers' spring meeting, had the effect of drawing a remarkably large crowd to Kennington Oval on Saturday last. The turf was a trifle soft, and at times a shifting wind bothered the runners, slight incidents these in otherwise fine conditions. With regard to the programme, most interest was evinced in A. Shrubb's attack on Sid Thomas' five mile record of 24mins. 53⅗secs., made at the Essex Beagles' meeting at Romford Recreation Ground as far back as 1892. On the occasion of a match with C. E. Willers (Essex Beagles), Mr. Parker had prepared a handicap with the idea of fully extending the four-mile and cross-country champion, who, it may be mentioned, has never been beaten on even terms at any distance short of fifteen miles since he finished third in the four-mile championship of 1900. He was now called upon to concede 50secs. to A. Aldridge, 1min. to G. Fearce, and 1min. 25secs. to G. Still, the four-mile midland champion, the limit man in a field of twenty-two, receiving 2mins. 30secs. start. At the outset, Shrubb, who met with a very cordial reception, quite electrified the crowd by his dash, and he actually covered the first mile 10secs. in front of Thomas' time. Without showing any diminution of pace the South London Harrier completed the second mile in 9mins 40⅖secs., as against 9mins. 47secs., but from that point he began to slacken somewhat, and half a mile further found him one-fifth of a second outside the old figures, while at three miles he was 5⅘secs. to the bad, and at three miles and a half, 10⅖ secs. outside his record. Never making at the gap in the times, Shrubb failed to cut the old figures, by 16⅖secs. Good judges opined that the champion took too much out of himself in the first two miles. Shrubb was naturally disappointed, but considering that he has only recently concluded a heavy season of cross-country work and was now virtually stepping from field to path, his display cannot be called a bad one. The handicap fell to G. F. Pepper of the Belgrave Harriers, who was one of a trio allotted 2mins 30secs start, but the outstanding feature was the smart running of Aldridge, whose net time, 25mins. 14⅘secs., was only 4⅘secs. slower than his great rival Shrubb's. Details :—

100 YARDS HANDICAP (open).

Final.

J W Morton, South London H (½yd) 1
T Poole, Northampton Institute (1yd) 2
W J McKae, Edinburgh University (8½yds) 3
J L Bell, Putney A C (2½yds) 4

Morton got away splendidly, and overhauling Poole and McKae about ten yards from the tape, just snatched a victory by inches, with only a foot dividing second and third. Time—10⅘secs Bell was a good fourth.

HALF MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP.

Final.

H A Jones, Marlborough C C (85yds) 1
C V Clark, Tottenham C C (50yds) 2
P Wiley, Thames Ironwork (75yds) 3
G A Beck, Excelsior C C (70yds) 4

A grand race between Jones and Clark resulted in favour of the former by half a length; Wiley being some five lengths behind Clark, with a wheel separating Beck from the third man. Time—1min 9secs.

880 YARDS HANDICAP.

Final.

Clay Thomas, S L H (65yds) 1
R E Wilson, Highgate H (81yds)... 2
W Mathewson, Belgrave H 3
T H Blake, Highgate H (82yds) 4

Coming round the bend for home Wilson was in command, but directly the straight was entered Clay Thomas challenged, and quickly getting on terms finished a winner by a yard and a half; six yards divided second and third. Mathewson beat Blake for third place by two yards. Time—1min. 57⅘secs.

FIVE-MILE INVITATION HANDICAP.

THOMAS. Mls.	Time. M. S.	SHRUBB. Mls.	Time, M. S.
¼	1 6⅖		
½	2 18⅘	¼	2 9⅘
¾	3 32⅘	½	3 22⅘
1	4 46⅖	1	4 36⅖
1¼	6 1		
1½	7 16⅘	1¼	7 6⅘
1¾	8 32	1½	8 24⅖
2	9 47	1¾	9 40⅘
2¼	11 1⅗	2	10 59⅗
2½	12 17	2¼	12 17⅕
2¾	13 33	2½	13 35⅕
3	14 49	3	14 54⅗
3¼	16 4	3¼	16 13⅕
3½	17 20	3½	17 30⅖
3¾	18 37	3¾	18 47⅘
4 — ...	19 53	4	20 7⅗

Mls.		Time. M. S.	Mls.		Time. M. S.
4½	... ...	21 9½	4½	... ...	21 23½
4½	... ...	22 25	4½	... ...	22 40⅗
4½	... ...	23 41	4½	.. ...	23 59
5	Record ...	24 53⅘	5	... ...	25 10

The handicap produced a keen struggle between Pepper Pearce and Aldridge. Two laps from the finish Pepper was twenty-five yards in front of Pearce, with Aldridge, Delaney and Clark all running prominently in the rear. At the bell, Aldridge took second place, but he could not get up to Pepper, who, stalling off several challenges by the Highgate man, won by a dozen yards Pearce being a similar distance behind Aldridge. Time—24mins. 21½secs. Aldridge took 24mins. 24½secs. His net time, 25mins. 14½secs., was only 4½secs. slower than Shrubb's Others who started in this event were: G. Still, Highgate H. (Four-mile Midland Champion), 1min. 25secs. start; J. E. Deakin, Herne Hill H., 1min. 30secs.; F. J. Spencer, S. L. H., 1min. 35secs.; F. C. Neaves, Hampton H., 1min. 36secs.; J. G. Coughlin, Isledon H., 1min. 45secs.; F. James, Herne Hill H., 1min. 55secs; W. Edwards, Belgrave H., 2mins. 10secs.; F. A. Knott, S. L. H., 2mins. 10secs.; P. A. Casserley, S. L. H., 2mins. 16secs.; A. W. Cooks, Herne Hill H., 2mins. 15secs.; H. Grant, Essex Beagles, 2mins. 15secs.; E. Jarvis, S. L. H., 2mins. 15secs.; E. R. Small, Blackheath H., 2mins. 20secs.; N. S. Hutchinson, Herne Hill H., 2mins. 25secs.; J. Thielemann, Polytechnic H., 2mins. 30secs.; H. Hobbs, Queen's Park H., 2mins. 30secs.

TWO-MILE WALKING HANDICAP.

H. C. Bailey, Epsom H., 260 yards start 1
G. W. Lansley, Finchley H., 240 2
G. W. Sims, Sphinx A. C., 330 3
T. E. Norton, Cambridge H., 230 4

The field numbered fifty seven. After a mile and a half had been traversed the order was: Lansley, Bailey, W. F. K. Herbst, D. Razzell, and Sims, Thompson, second in the Brighton walk last week, being ninth. In the last lap Lansley lost the leadership to Bailey, who won by half a dozen yards. Sims, spurting pluckily towards the close was eight yards behind Lansley, with Norton a good fourth. Time—13mins. 58⅗secs. The scratch man, T. O. Gorman, Essex Beagles, covered a mile in 7mins. 7½secs., and for the full journey he occupied 15mins. 6½sec.

300 YARDS HANDICAP.

Final.

E H Fealt, L A C (26yds) 1
F Poole, Northampton Inst. (23yds) 2
E R Townend, Belgrave H (29yds) 3
H Norrey, S L H (29yds) 4

Fealt took the lead some distance from the tape, and was by about two yards from Poole; a moderate third. Time—31⅗secs.

ONE MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP.

Final.

A W Hunt, Balham C C (85yds)... 1
C V Clark, Tottenham C C (90yds) 2
H A Jones, Marlboro' C C (160yds) 3
F Milner, Rodney C C (140yds) 4

A fine struggle throughout. Hunt came away with a nice spurt in the straight and defeated Clark by a length and a half; Jones was only a wheel behind the second, and the fourth man was close up. Meredith retired. Time—2mins. 25⅕secs.

1,000 YARDS INVITATION HANDICAP.

E H Montague, S L H 28 yards start 1
A P Dean, Baroda A L C (65yds)... 2
D F McNicol, Thames Valley H, (50yds) 3
P B Dodd, S L H, (22yds) 4

Dean cut out the early work, but then dropped back, and when the bell sounded Parsons and McNicol led the field, half way round Montague assumed command from Dean and finishing strongly secured premier honour readily; three yards separated second and third; Dodd being a yard behind McNicol. Time—2mins. 15⅘secs.

ONE MILE AND A HALF HANDICAP.

R Reeves, St Bride's Inst, A C 165 yards' start ... 1
E Still, Belgrave H, 142 2
J J Burgess, St Bride's Inst A C, 175 3
J Payne, Essex Beagles, 180 4

Burgess, J. Lumley, Reeves, and Still was the order at the bell lap, Lumley then gave way to Reeves, who was in front when the last 100 yards had to be negotiated. Still made a good race with Reeves who, just staying home, won by four yards; a moderate third. Time—6mins. 43⅗secs.

RACQUETS.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP.

FINAL MATCH.

The annual competition for the Public Schools Racquets Championship came to an end on the 15th afternoon at the Queen's Club, West Kensington, W., and resulted in a decisive triumph for the really fine pair representing Winchester. The Wykehamists thus placed the name of their college on the list of winners for the second time, the previous occasion having been so long ago as 1889. Notwithstanding the heavy rain, a large number of enthusiasts visited the famous West End enclosure, and the gallery in the first court has rarely contained more people, the youthful element, of course, predominating. Several ladies were also present, and among the gentlemen in attendance we noticed the Rev. S. R. James, Rev. L. J. Percival, Major Lyon, Messrs. A. J. Webbe, J. R. Mason, H. D. G. Leveson-Gower, G. J. V. Weigall, E. B. Leaf, S. Heap, F. Dames Longworth, E. B. Noel, Vane Pennell, M. C. Kemp, H. K. Foster, C. R. Durant, Malcolm Roberts, H. S. Mahony, C. J. B. Marriott, and Stanley Brigge. The two pairs left in were those representing Winchester and Malvern, and *en route* to the final the Wykehamists had beaten Haileybury, Charterhouse, and Rugby, while Malvern accounted for Clifton, Wellington and Marlborough, the Malvernians, in fact, not having lost a single game. A great struggle was expected yesterday, but, contrary to anticipations, Winchester quite outplayed their opponents and won a love match. Bruce and Wright played together in beautiful style, and never allowed Malvern to get properly going. Foster, without being quite at this best, played brilliantly at times, but Day was rather off colour and frequently made the fatal mistake of returning the ball too high. Mr. F. Dames Longworth (Charterhouse and Cambridge) officiated as referee, Messrs. A. J. Webbe (Harrow and Oxford) and M. C. Kemp (Harrow and Oxford) were the umpires, and Holden marked and clearly called the scores. Details:—

FINAL MATCH.

Winchester College (Hon'ble C. N. Bruce and E. L. Wright) beat Malvern College (G. N. Foster and A. P. Day) by four games to love (15—12, 15—11, 18—13, and 15—9), 63 aces to 45. The aces were scored by: Bruce 40 (24 by service). Wright 23 (14 service), Day 26 (11 service), and Foster 19 (12 service).

Day opened the proceedings for Malvern and went to 5 love (4 by service) before missing a low return, and, after both the Wykehamists had failed, Foster put in a single. Day and Wright lost their service, but Bruce scored twice, and then Foster and Day made it 11—2 before Wright opened his account with a couple. Bruce succeeded and, serving a brilliantly cut length, obtained a sequence of nine before he put himself out. Wright followed with two scoring services, Winchester took the first game at 15—12. Resuming, small hands and splendid rallies between Bruce and Foster were the chief features until Foster got in and contributed a nice run of six, making the scores 8—5 in favour of Malvern. Bruce equalized at 9 all, and, although Foster went to 11—9, Bruce once more drew level at 11 and went out with five (4 by service) at 15—11, making Winchester two games up. On continuing, Bruce increased his sequence by four, and a ding-dong struggle ensued for fifteen small hands, when the game was set to five "13 all." Bruce obtained one, and, after both Day and Foster had been put out without scoring the Wykehamists took the third game at 18-13. At the fourth and final meeting runs of five each by Wright and Bruce enabled Winchester to possess a commanding advantage at 13—1, but then, following five barren hands, Day drew up with a splendid sequence of eight. Malvern did not have another chance, for Wright secured the next two aces, and Winchester won the match, amid great enthusiasm, by four games to love. Time—46mins.

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1898—Harrow (F. W. A. Rattigan and L. F. Andrewes).
1899—Eton (S. M. Macnaughten and Ivor de la Rue).
1900—Malvern (B. S. Foster and W. H. B. Evans).
1901—Marlborough (A. J. Graham and L. E. Gillett).
1902—Harrow (G. A. Phelips and C. Browning).
1903—Harrow (G. A. Phelips and L. M. McLean).
1904—Winchester (Hon'ble C. N. Bruce and E. L. Wright).

GOLF.

OXFORD *vs.* CAMBRIDGE.

Famous amateur golfers assembled in strong force on the Woking Links on the 20th instant, the occasion being the twenty-sixth annual match between the Universities. On previous seasons the struggle has taken place at either Sandwich or Wimbledon, the former course having been utilised for the past six years, but it having been decided to favour an inland enclosure again, Woking was selected. The links proved in glorious condition, the turf being as dry as the proverbial bone, and with the prevalence of glorious sunshine and just a slight touch of keenness in the wind, one felt it good to be alive on such a day. Each team possessed five old choices, and on previous performances this season, the Cantabs were supposed to possess a good chance of checking their rivals' long sequence of victories. The Light Blues certainly flattered their supporters during the morning, for at the end of the first round (the matches were all 36 holes each) Oxford were no fewer than twelve down, the respective scores of the players being: Cambridge—Hoffman, 0; McDonell, 1; Gillies, 0; Stuart, 2; Wedderburn, 2; Potter, 3; Simpson, 1; Allen, 4. Oxford—Humphreys, 1; W. Grundy, 0; Graham, 0; Girdlestone, 0; Alison, 0; Fairlie, 0; Sanderson, 0; G. Grundy, 0. After luncheon, however, the Oxonians pulled up in great stye, and when the scores came to be reckoned up at the finish it was found that Oxford had just won the match by two holes. The final figures were:—

OXFORD.	Holes.		CAMBRIDGE.	Holes.
J L Humphreys (Bromsgrove and Brasenose) ...	9	*vs.*	G H Hoffman (Giggleswick and Caius) ...	0
W M Grundy (Malvern and All Soul's)	0	*vs.*	H C McDonell (Winchester and Corpus) ...	0
A J Graham (Marlbro and Trinity)	2	*vs.*	H D Gillies (New Zealand and Caius) ...	0
G R Girdlestone (Charterhouse and New) ...	0	*vs.*	C E Stuart (Ireland and Trinity)	7
C H Alison (Malvern and New) ...	0	*vs.*	C C Wedderburn (Uppingham and Pembroke) ...	1
J O Fairlie (Glasgow and New)	0	*vs.*	W N Potter (Malvern and Pembroke) ...	4
G B Sanderson (Malvern and Brasenose) ...	2	*vs.*	R C Simpson (Harrow and Trinity)	0
G E Grundy (Malvern and Brasenose)	1	*vs.*	M T Allen (Aldenham and Trinity)	0
Total	14		Total	12

Taken on the whole, the golf was quite up to the average, but Cambridge should have won after securing such a strong advantage during the earlier stages. To begin with, Hoffman held his own fairly well with Humphreys, the Cantab being only one down at the interval, but subsequently the Oxonian had matters all his own way. At this second round Humphreys did the journey in 77, his scores being:—

Out: 5 4 5 5 4 4 4 3 5 4—38
Home: 4 3 4 4 4 6 5 4 5 4—39

Total, ... 77

The Cambridge captain, McDonald, had a hard fight with W. M. Grundy, but the old Wykehamist ought to have won. He was one up at the seventeenth hole in the second round, but his drive found the ditch, and having to lift, his second shot landed in the pond. Grundy played steadily, and managing to make all square, just about gave Oxford the verdict. Graham and Gillies were a well-matched pair, but the former never threw a chance away in the afternoon. Stuart ran away from his opponent, Girdlestone, in the second round—the easiest Cambridge triumph of the day, and Fairlie found Potter much too good. The meetings of Alison and Wedderburn and G. E. Grundy and Allen were very close affairs, but Sanderson comfortably won his match against Simpson.

Oxford have now won fourteen times to Cambridge eleven, the match in 1896 resulting in a tie.

BOXING.

THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

Jimmy Walsh, the clever little bantam-weight boxer, from Boston, U.S.A., experienced his first defeat on the 18th instant, when at the National Sporting Club, he met Digger Stanley, of Fulham, in a fifteen-round contest at 8st, for £100 aside and a purse given by the management. The bout was bright and sparkling throughout, fought in a give and-take manner on such even lines that few would have cared to lay the slightest shade odds on either when the gong went for the last time. Walsh boxed as we anticipated, right and left, relying on his rushing tactics and two-handed work at close quarters to pull him through against a youth his superior in both height and reach. For the first half-dozen rounds the visitor made good headway. Stanley fought below his form, and, instead of relying, as he usually does, on his straight left, he played as it were, into the other youth's hand by standing and mixing it at close quarters. Subsequently, the Londoner settled down to his best form. Now and again he infringed the rules by holding, and, in the eighth round, he came in for a severe and what looked like being a final caution for so doing. Mending his ways, the Englishman then fought in fairer fashion, and after a desperately close finish the verdict went his way. With Stanley upright, and Walsh crouching a good deal, the first-named looked more than his inch the taller. Walsh sparred like the majority of the Americans, very wide and with the open glove, and though each scaled 7st. 11lbs, as they shaped Stanley took the eye as the bigger youth. The Yank was aggressive from the start, and, before the two had boxed a round, it was seen that in-fighting was his forte. Stanley commenced in rather a wild and erratic manner, and he wasted some of his strength in swinging blows, mostly lost in the air. Twice in the first three rounds the Londoner led yards out of distance and lost his balance in doing so, and Walsh, crowding in a lot of good work at close quarters, established a lead. After six rounds had been contested, however, Stanley displayed improved form and making more use of the ring and showing better generalship, he began from this stage to rub off the points scored against him by the American. As round by round went by excitement as to the result reached a great pitch. Walsh fought in dogged fashion never relaxing for a moment in his efforts to get inside the other man's guard, and put in some telling work on the body. Served by his reach, however, the Londoner scored the faster in the last three rounds and won. It was a fast and scientific battle, so close at the finish that a draw would have created no surprise to the backers of either. Harry Barrett, of Islington, who met Sergeant Fox, of the Scottish Rifles, in a ten-round catch-weight contest, was a good stone the heavier. The civilian, who has a fairly good record, forced the business from the start, and, making the most of his strength, he soon had the soldier in trouble. Fox, who, on his first visit to the club, boxed in fairly good form while beating Tom Clifford, was quite outclassed and defeated easily halfway through the second round. In his bout with Gunner Hewitt, champion of the Navy, Gunner Moir added another victory to his long list of successes, as Hewitt, standing toe to toe with a slogger of the first water, was beaten to a standstill in a little over two minutes.

JUMPING.

ARDWICK RUNNING GROUNDS, MANCHESTER.—At the above ground on Saturday, W. Barker, of Openshaw, was down to beat the following records, *viz.*: Five spring-jumps without weights and four hops and jump for a stake of £400. His first attempt was at the four hops and jump, and his first effort was a yard short, but on toeing the mark again he cut Higgins's record of 19 yards 9in. by 10in. The final jump was five springs, but in this he failed to beat the mark made by Darley, at Dudley, of 61ft. of 5½in. in three attempts, although his second jump was the best, and this was five inches short of that made by the record holder.

THE WEASEL.

Cricket.

CRICKET CHAT.

THE usual hot weather exodus of Anglo-Indian cricketers has commenced and among those who proceeded home by the P. & O. Co.'s mail steamer *Arabia* on leave last Saturday, I notice the names of the following: C. L. Barnes and H. P. Hebblethwaite, two well-known Bombay players, C. H. Browning, the Central Provinces slow bowler and Old Merchant Taylors, S. Cayley, the old Cliftonian and Madras player, E. W. Wilson-Johnston, the old Rugbeian and Northern India player, F. G. E. Lamb and G. A. Iles, two well-known United Provinces players, and K. S. Ranjitsinhji. The latter will be home in time to assist his county in the fourth fixture of the season against Gloucestershire.

The dates for the Presidency-Parsee matches have been fixed, but Presidency supporters are wondering where their team is to come from. There is certainly no improvement in the Presidency prospects since I last wrote things if anything looking gloomier. Had H. Cheetham, G. G. S. Brander, G. A. Akers-Douglas, F. L. Spratt, J. J. MacDonogh, and Major H. E. Lowis all been available quite a good side would have represented the Presidency. Unfortunately Cheetham, Brander, and Akers-Douglas have gone home on leave, J. MacDonogh is not now in the Presidency, Spratt has been transferred to Sind and will not be available, and Lowis has announced that he will not play any cricket this year. Among other players who will not be available are W. F. O. Faviell, E. L. Sale, and J. T. Weatherby who have all gone home, and H. C. John who has decided to play in no more important matches. An another player who might have been useful, but who has also gone on leave, is C D G. Lyon, the old Wellingtonian, whose battery is stationed at Kirkee. The conclusion of operations in Somaliland gave room for some hope that such players as Captain J. G. Greig, Captain L. M. R. Deas, Captain A. C. Edwards, and the old Reptonian T. G M. Harris would be back in time to assist the Presidency, but I learn that Greig is going home on leave where Deas has already preceded him and that Edwards and Harris are also more likely to go West than East. Even B. E. A. Manson, who played in the Poona match last year with some success, will not be available this year having left the country. Who then will be available is the question that Presidency supporters are anxiously asking each other. The Bombay sporting organ is silent on this point, though an announcement was made in its columns three weeks ago that a list of candidates for Presidency honours would be given the following week. Of the players who represented the Presidency last year in one or both matches the following are still available:—B. M. Carroll, E. E. Coombs, A. L. Smith, A. P. Langhorne, J. Monteath, Captain E. Campion, H. D. Sinclair, C. Walcott, and A. H. C. Kearsey. Carroll, Coombs, Monteath, Campion, and Walcott will all very likely receive further trials, but the others are not class enough for these important fixtures. Captain M. D. Wood, an old tried Presidency player, is back in India from leave, but is stationed with his regiment at Quetta and we know from said experience that it is a far cry from Quetta to Bombay or Poona. Anyhow the old Wellingtonian's appearance for the Presidency this year is extremely problematical. Among those players whose names came up for consideration in connection with the Presidency matches last year the following are still available: Captain G. L. Hobbs of the Connaught Rangers (Ahmednagar). Captains A. J. Poole and R. H. W. Brewis of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment (Belgaum) and Captain A. B. Sangster, the old Brightonian (Nusseerabad). The influx of new players has unfortunately not been proportionate with the exodus and as far as Bombay is concerned there is only one new player with any pretentions to Presidency form, J. L. Ainsworth, the old Marlburian and ex-Lancashire county bowler, to with whose name I mentioned in my last notes. The 10th Hussars who are stationed at Mhow have a useful trio of batsmen in Major Hon. T. W. Brand, Captain Hon. G. W. S. Cadogan, both old Etonians, and H. P. Chaplin, who, if I am not mistaken, is the best bat of the three. I am not, however, in a position to say whether these players are in form or have been keeping up their cricket, though Cadogan,

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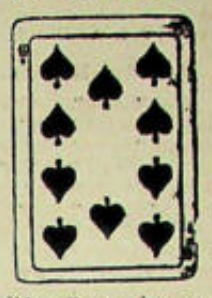
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who played in a match at Bombay last January, ought to be in form. The new men at Poona are J. Kennedy, S. Langton, and O. C. Herbert of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Captain H. K. Umfreville, the old Brightonian and Captain G. R. C. Stuart of the East Lancashire Regiment. The two first-named are fine bats and if they are in form should be a great acquisition to the Presidency in this department. Kennedy is, I should mention, an old Haileyburian and for two seasons did well in Calcutta cricket. Umfreville and Stuart of the East Lancashires are also good bats. The Selection Committee should give outstation cricketers a trial this year and not depend altogether on Bombay and Poona talent as has been the case during the last five or six years. If the team is to be called a Presidency team let it be so in more than name. The Bombay military command is a large one and in stations like Mhow, Quetta, Indore, and Nussecrabad there are usually a number of good cricketers, some of them unquestionably quite up to the standard required of a Presidency candidate. Quetta has several good men in Captain G. G. Lang, J. C. Gretton, P. S. Fryer, and L. D. Rollo of the West Yorkshire Regiment, and B. F. Vernon-Harcourt, R. H. Montgomery and R. S. Jones of the Welsh Regiment. Mhow too can point to some players above the average in A. C Cameron, L. J. Jones, and H. G Manson. If the claims of outstation players to representation on the team are carefully considered the Presidency may be able to place a team in the field no weaker than that which took the field last year, but if the selection of the team is to be confined to Bombay and Poona players the matches with the Parsees will be an easy walk over for the latter.

The number of old Harrovians in India who obtained their "blue" has been added to by the arrival of Captain J. L. Fisher of the Royal Fusiliers who has already made his mark in Darjeeling cricket this year. Captain Fisher was a member of the Harrow XI. of 1894 and headed the bowling averages with the useful figures of 8·52 for 17 wickets. His batting average was only 8·66, but he was unfortunate in rarely finding a wicket to suit him being a slow wicket player and the wickets that year owing to the dry season being hard. He has been useful with both bat and ball for Darjeeling station this year in the first few matches of the season and will doubtless do better as the season advances.

Individual scores of three figures in Ceylon cricket are as a rule few and far between in a season, but this year there has been a plethora of centuries culminating last week in no less than three batsmen achieving the feat. The successful batsmen were F. J. de Saram, the old Cliftonian and brother of D. L. de Saram who visited Bombay last December in connection with the Indian team for England who scored 111 out of 191 for seven wickets for the Colombo Sports Club *vs.* the Colombo Rovers; J. Atkin who made 103 for Umbegamawa *vs.* Dikoya; and S. S. Jayawickrame who compiled 115 out of 129 for eight wickets for Mahindu College *vs.* Muslim C. C.

There are several prominent cricketers at Darjeeling this season, among them Captain J. L. Fisher, the old Harrovian, D. S. Murray, the old Malvernian, J. T. Uzielli, the old Marlburian, Captain P. A Turner, the old Cheltonian, Captain C. A. H. Blairet, Cyril Hogg, E. Hewit and S. R. Hignell, the old Malvernian. Later on these will be joined by S. L. Maddox and E. L. L. Hammond of the I. C. S. which will enable Darjeeling Station to place a very strong team in the field. *Apropos* of Darjeeling cricket I notice that Cyril Hogg playing for the Station *vs.* St. Joseph's College last week made 37 top score for his side. A. Bryan, who is the best school bat in India bar none made 83 for the College. Hogg was the most successful bowler for the station capturing four wickets. The old Bedfordian who showed good form for the Goorkha Brigade team recently is one of the best all round players in the station this season. A most interesting match was that between Kailana Depôt and the Royal Welsh Fusiliers at Kailana recently. The Kailana team included the Rev. R. N. Kirwan (Forest School), Captain F. C. Pilkington, the old Etonian, J. R. C Gannon, and P. D. Saxton (Bath College). The latter made 91 not out and was chiefly responsible for the Depôt's victory by 49 runs. The Welsh Fusiliers which possesses one of the strongest officers' teams in India compiled 186, towards which Captain F. C. France-Hayhurst, the old Etonian, contributed 57. He also captured five wickets.

The first important match of the Ootacamund season.—Civil *vs.* Military—played last week was chiefly remarkable for a fine first wicket stand by C. Morrison (89) and W. W. Phillips (71) for the Civil who had all the best of a drawn game. The only other double figure contributor to the Civil total was Sir J. Bourdillon (12), who, it is pleasant to see, still keeps up his cricket. C. T. Studd was an absentee, but among those who donned flannels for the Civil was K. Seshachari, the famous wicket-keeper. The most prominent players who turned out for the Military were Major R. H. Dewing, the old Brightonian, Captain B. E. H. Manson, Captain E. H. Boome, Major Jollie and Captain Copeland. The Ooty-Bangalore match should prove an interesting one this season and I hope to deal with it in my next notes.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

NEXT Saturday will see the opening of the Calcutta Football League Competition. The League Committee, at their Annual Meeting held last month, restricted the number of competing teams to eight so the three vacancies caused by the departure of the 93rd Highlanders and K. O. S B.s and the withdrawal of Burns A. C. were reduced to two, which were filled by the election of the King's Own and West Ridings; the remaining five local clubs and the 64th R. F. A. from Barrackpore who played last year being unanimously re-elected. The rejection of the other teams anxious for admission naturally occasioned much disappointment but they have consoled themselves by the formation of another League, "the Civil and Military," of which more next week. Of the teams left out the 79th R. G. A. are apparently the pick, and they are no doubt disappointed at not having a show amongst the senior clubs, but eight teams is undoubtedly the correct number for this competition.

I noticed a suggestion in a local daily last month that the League should admit twelve teams instead of eight, and the season be extended by a fortnight or a month, but the author of this suggestion had evidently not taken into consideration the fact that twelve teams in the League would necessitate the playing of no less than 132 matches as against the present 56, and that even the apparently small reduction in the number of teams from nine to eight has cut down the matches by 16. The main point which is generally left out of consideration by those who propose extending the League appears to be that the period during which matches can be played is limited to the few weeks which intervene between the Beighton Hockey Cup ties and the I F. A. Shield Tournament and that the rugger season commences directly after the latter competition closes. It is obvious that the middle of May is early enough to start footer, in fact, most people think it is too early, therefore those who argue in favour of an extended League Competition wish it to continue into August or later. How many local clubs would like to continue playing in a League for this length of time and after the excitement of the I. F. A. Tournament is over? Very few, I am sure. As matters stood last season several clubs complained that the playing of two, and sometimes three, hard games a week was more than they could tackle.

Casually taking up the subject it, of course, seems that the I. F. A. Tournament could be put back a month if necessary; but carefully considering local conditions it will be seen that this is not so. Rugger in Calcutta may be at a low ebb, but it attracts a large number of players and as our local clubs cannot keep two grounds going, the rugger season must be separate from the soccer, and, as the evenings get too short after August for a game to be played after office hours, the rugger games and cup ties cannot be played later in the year. This being so it follows that the I F A. Tournament cannot be held later with ut interfering with the Rugby season and, therefore, the League cannot be extended with any prospect of general approval.

The League rules have been largely amplified this year and appear to provide for all contingencies. Several points which were made the subject of protests last year have now been allowed for in the rules, the new rule which provides that protests must be submitted in regular form and with a deposit of Rs. 10 is an excellent one. As the deposit is forfeitable if a protest is not sustained clubs will now no doubt, think twice before sending in protests, especially such absurdities as appeal against a refere's decision on a point of fact. Rule 23, concerning suspended players, also appears to be needed and the suggestion that club officials should use their best endeavours to keep spectators at least six yards behind the touch lines has been made none too soon. These rules, together with the current laws of the game, the League record and fixtures for 1904 are all included in the new annual Handbook which football enthusiasts can purchase for four annas from the Honorary Secretary.

I would draw the attention of all footballers to the new Law X of the game by which a goal may be scored from a free kick, whether the ball first touches a player or not, if the kick is awarded for tripping, kicking, jumping at or pushing an opponent or intentionally handling the ball. It should, however, be remembered by referees that a free kick awarded for any other breach of the laws, such as off side, an improper throw in, etc., does not come under this new law. There is also an addition to the penalty kick law by which a referee may refrain from awarding a free kick if he is of opinion that his doing so would give an advantage to the offending side. This is an important and valuable addition.

There has not so far been sufficient football to give one much idea of the probable form of the various teams in the forthcoming League Competition, as owing to the number of draws which have taken place in the Beighton Hockey Cup Tournament the principal grounds have been engaged every evening for Hockey. Most of the clubs have had a scratch game or two but only the military teams have gone in for any hard practice; they have been hard at it in the Fort and at Dum-Dum and Barrackpore and, no doubt, will turn out very fair elevens. I haven't seen the 64th R. A. or West Ridings play, but they should not, at any rate at first, give their opponents a hard game, as the former eleven are about the same as last year and the latter are more up in rugger than soccer. The King's Own are supposed to have left their best footballers behind when they sailed from Malta but with over 800 men to pick from they are sure to turn out a good string. They have had two or three matches with the 79th R. A. in the Fort and last Saturday played and beat Calcutta. In this latter match the forwards made a very good display except for a strong tendency to lie offside, and Anness at half showed great promise. I trust the manner in which some of the spectators at this match were allowed to crowd over the touch lines is not a sample of what we are to expect during the season Club officials please note.

With regard to the civilian teams Calcutta have unfortunately lost the services of Buckley, Fyfe, Gillespie, Stewart, Walker and Pearson, and there are rumours that Todd will not play at all and the elder Cooper but seldom, so at first sight it looks as though this club were in a bad way. New blood is not, however, so scarce as in former years and I think they will make a good show. Dodds, who played well for Burn's A. C. last year, will keep goal, and Badham, Ansell, Smith, and the younger Cooper should get places in the eleven the old hands being represented by Maunder, who is now captain, Crawford and the two Shermans.

Dalhousie have lost Margrett, Wade, Echlin, Bushby and Rosser so seem as unlucky as Calcutta, but they, too, have new blood to draw on and have the makings of a very level team indeed. I haven't seen much of their play yet but they appear to have secured a good left winger in Price and Street in goal will no doubt shape well. The Rangers with Behrend, Margrett, Anderson, Lees and Schumacher should have a good back division and Rosser, Macready and Russell will considerably strengthen their forward line Howrah will no doubt be strengthened by Burn's A. C. having withdrawn from the League, notably by the return of Woods, but the Y. M. C. A. have apparently had several defections owing to the formation of a new league. At present it seems that this latter club will not make a big show in the competition. Space being limited I shall have to reserve further comments till next week.

The matches which open the League Competition on Saturday next are :—64th R. F. A. *vs.* Rangers; Dalhousie *vs.* Howrah; King's Own *vs.* West Ridings, and Y. M. C. A. *vs.* Calcutta.

TOUCH.

A friend of Fred Swindell, acting on the latter's advice, once managed to get one of his horses nicely weighted in the Cambridgeshire, and though it was thought the mare could not lose, yet, owing to an incident that occurred during the race, she finished in the ruck After this unexpected *contretemps* the owner was loud in his lamentations, much to the disgust of Fred, who had no sympathy with bad losers.

"He's like a lot more of them," Swindell said, when expressing his contempt for the chicken-hearted turfite. "Directly they lose a race through an accident they go about crying how they have the worst luck in the world, let everyone know what a splendid trial the horse won, the amount of money they had on and how it would have rolled in but for the accident Of course, it gets in everybody's mouth, and then another time when you want to have a go the handicapper remembers this, and even if he treats the horse fairly there's the public on the look-out for it, so what chance have you got. The thing to do when you've been beaten like that is to go about with a downcast expression, and hint that you must have been a fool to have backed a horse that had been tried with such indifferent tackle and the next time you put one through the mill it won't be like that. After a while some of them will think you're right so that the next time you get a chance, there's no one to interfere with the market."

That Swindell acted on the above advice was shown by his conduct after Wallace, whom he had backed for over £100,000, was left at the post for the Derby, but finished in the first flight. So discreetly was everything managed that the unlucky animal secured the Goodwood Stakes and £30,000 for his owner, who well deserved to be known as the Turf Talleyrand.

FOOTBALL IN CALCUTTA.

CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE FIXTURES, 1904.

Saturday, May	14th	Hornets	Measurers.
" "	"	La Martinière	Caledonia.
" "	"	St Joseph's	79th R G A.
" "	"	Sibpur	B N R.
Monday	" 16th	Caledonia	Hornets.
" "	"	Measurers	La Martinière.
" "	"	B N R	St Joseph's
Saturday	" 21st	Hornets	79th R G A.
" "	"	B N R	La Martinière.
" "	"	St Joseph's	Caledonia.
" "	"	Sibpur	Measurers.
Monday	" 23rd	Hornets	Sibpur.
" "	"	79th R G A	La Martinière.
" "	"	Measurers	Caledonia.
Saturday	" 28th	La Martinière	Hornets.
" "	"	Measurers	St Joseph's.
" "	"	Caledonia	B N R.
" "	"	79th R G A	Sibpur.
Monday	" 30th	79th R G A	B N R.
" "	"	Sibpur	La Martinière.
" "	"	St Joseph's	Hornets.
Saturday, June	4th	La Martinière	St Joseph's.
" "	"	79th R G A	Measurers.
" "	"	Caledonia	Sibpur.
" "	"	B N R	Hornets.
Monday	" 6th	Caledonia	79th R G A.
" "	"	Sibpur	St Joseph's.
" "	"	Measurers	B N R.
Saturday, June	11th	Measurers	Hornets.
" "	"	Caledonia	La Martinière.
" "	"	79th R G A	St Joseph's.
" "	"	B N R	Sibpur
Monday	" 13th	Hornets	Caledonia.
" "	"	La Martinière	Measurers.
" "	"	St Joseph's	B N R.
Saturday	" 18th	79th R G A	Hornets.
" "	"	La Martinière	B N R.
" "	"	Caledonia	St Joseph's.
" "	"	Measurers	Sibpur.
Monday	" 20th	Sibpur	Hornets.
" "	"	La Martinière	79th R G A
" "	"	Caledonia	Measurers.
Saturday	" 25th	Hornets	La Martinière.
" "	"	St Joseph's	Measurers.
" "	"	B N R	Caledonia.
" "	"	Sibpur	79th R G A
Monday	" 27th	B N R	79th R G A
" "	"	La Martinière	Sibpur.
" "	"	Hornets	St Joseph's.
Saturday, July	2nd	St Joseph's	La Martinière.
" "	"	Measurers	79th R G A
" "	"	Sibpur	Caledonia
" "	"	Hornets	B N R.
Monday	" 6th	79th R G A	Caledonia.
" "	"	St Joseph's	Sibpur.
" "	"	B N R	Measurers.

Golf.

GOLF IN CALCUTTA.

THE CALCUTTA G. C. ANNUAL FOURSOMES.

THIS tournament has just been concluded on the Calcutta maidan and produced as usual a number of close and interesting games, though the entries showed a decided falling off, owing to the difficulties of getting four players together on an ordinary week-day evening, and to the greater attraction for golfers of Tollygunge, which is now so easy of access. It eventually resulted in a win for Mr. F. H. Stewart and Captain McCay, the latter of whom, though practically a beginner, has been showing such steady form throughout the season, but they had to work very hard for their victory two of their matches being only decided at the last hole, and the other two at the last but one. The ordinary ties were as usual nine holes each, and the final eighteen holes, and in this game Messrs. Stewart and McCay beat Messrs. Wild and Williamsom to whom they were conceding two strokes, by two up and one to play after an exciting game in which Mr. Stewart played good golf, and Mr. Wild, one of last year's winners also showed up well. The results of the various matches were as follows.

FIRST ROUND.

Mr. B. Sinclair and Mr. D. A. Cuthbert (1) beat Mr. D. L. Miller and Capt. Burn (2) by 2 and 1.

Mr. H. R. D. Munn and Mr. G Pickford (3) beat Dr. W. Forsyth and Mr. E. Watson (2) by 2 and 1.

Mr. J. H. Hechle and Mr. A. E. Todd (2) beat Mr. A. H. Nicoll and Mr. D. Drimmie (4) by 2 up.

Mr. A. Economo and Mr. A. F. Bruce (3) beat Mr. C. Engle and Mr. J. A. Tassie (3) by 5 and 4.

Captain D. McCay and Mr. F. H. Stewart (1) beat Mr. C. T. Godfrey and Mr. E. A. Lyon (3) by 1 up.

Mr. H. W. Dick and Mr. D. K. Hall (2) beat Major F. J. Drury and Mr. E. T. Plummer (3) by 1 up.

The following had byes :—

Mr. E. A Wild and Mr. R. W. Williamson (2).

Major J. H. Tull Walsh and Mr. E. J. Oakley (5).

SECOND ROUND.

Mr. E. A. Wild and Mr. R. W. Williamson (2) beat Mr. B. Sinclair and Mr. D. A. Cuthbert (1) by 2 and 1.

Mr. J. H. Hechle and Mr A. E. Todd (2) beat Mr. H. R. D. Munn and Mr. G Pickford (3).

Captain D. McCay and Mr. F. H. Stewart (1) beat Mr. A. Economo and Mr. A. F. Bruce (3) by 3 and 1.

Mr. H. W. Dick and Mr D. K. Hall (2) beat Major J. H. Tull Walsh and Mr. E. J. Oakley (5) by 5 and 3.

THIRD ROUND.

Mr. E. A. Wild and Mr. R. W. Williamson (2) beat Mr. J. H. Hechle and Mr. A. E. Todd (2) by 2 and 1.

Captain D. McCay and Mr. F. H. Stewart (1) beat Mr. H. W. Dick and Mr. D. K. Hall (2)

FINAL.

Captain D. McCay and Mr. F H. Stewart (2) beat Mr. E. A. Wild and Mr. R. W. Williamson (4) by 2 up and 1 to play on 18 holes.

ON THE LINKS IN GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

THE Easter Meeting of the Royal St. George's Golf Club held at Sandwich, on 2nd and 4th April, was productive of some very fine scores, despite the fact that a strong westerly wind amounting to almost a gale was very unfavourable to low returns. Mr. S. Mure Fergusson was in fine form and for the club handicap memento returned a card of 79, which, however, with 4 strokes added as his handicap debarred him from the position of winner. On Monday, 4th, the wind was even higher, but notwithstanding this drawback, Mr. A. D. Blyth succeeded n making a new competition record of 75 with the following figures : 5—4, 5, 3, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4 = 33 out—54, 5, 6, 7, 4, 3, 3, 5 = 42 in. and in spite of his handicap of plus 3 his 75 secured him the scratch medal and the handicap prize.

In the foursome tournament some fine play was witnessed, the four surviving pairs of the earlier heats being Messrs. Caird and Hughes, C. M. Smith and G. E. Kekewich : S. Mure Fergusson and C. Eric Hambro, M. P., W. H. Murphy Grimshaw and James Tabor.

Messrs. Caird and Hughes somewhat easily disposed of their opponents, Messrs. Smith and Kekewich by 6 and 4, and Messrs. Mure Fergusson and Hambro beat Murphy Grimshaw and Tabor by 3 and 2, in the semi-finals. And in the finals although Messrs. Fergusson and Hambro had had many doughty foes to overcome on their road to victory, still the glamour of great names and great deeds has undoubtedly some effect, and from first to last the "crack" couple were equal to all demands and eventually scored a big victory over their final opponents, Messrs. Caird and Hughes by 6 and 4.

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At Felixstowe, Mr. V. A. Pollock accomplished an extraordinary feat. Playing with his brother in a four ball foursome against Mr. Henderson and the Secretary of the club he holed the 18 holes in the grand score of 70, breaking Braid's professional records of 74 by 4 strokes, and his own, the amateur one, of 77, by 7 strokes.

Mr. W. Travis, the American Champion, is on his way to England, to take part in the Amateur and Open Championship, and Miss Mabel Higgins, one of America's most renowned lady players, is also *en route*, to compete at Troon in the great event of Ladies' Golf on 9th May, and following days.

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Among the ladies, golf is at its perennial height. Open meetings Club meetings, matches and fixtures of all sorts are crowding thick and fast on each other. Captains of counties are very busy now and great and heated are the discussions on the alteration in the number comprising a county team. Starting when this "department" of the game was inaugurated five years ago, with a team 10 in number, the Central Committee three years ago reduced this number to eight ; at their meeting in January last still further, and according to universal opinion very unwisely, reduced the team to seven, did away with halved individual matches and effectually guarded against a tie of any sort occurring in the finals as was so unfortunately the case last November at Sunningdale.

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Miss M. A. Graham, the Lady Champion of 1901 showed fine form at Moreton recently in a Medal Competition, winning the trophy with the splendid score of 74+4=78. Miss Lottie Dod of Tennis and Golf fame taking 81 strokes for the round. Cheshire and Lancashire have once again joined the Counties Association and both can muster very strong representative teams; these two counties with Yorkshire (under the able captaincy of that first-class golfer Miss Bertha Thompson) form the Northern Division.

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The Irish Ladies' Championship will be held over the beautiful Links at Lahnich on 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th June. Hitherto this course has not been the privileged hunting ground of a Ladies Championship ; Portrush, Newcastle, Portmarnoch, having been the favoured and favourite Links, but those who know Lahnich are rightly much enamoured of the course and its surroundings and fresh from the competition and premier honors at Troon will be all Erin's most formidable champions amongst whom may safely be reckoned Miss Rhona Adair, the Misses Hezlet. Miss F. Walker Leigh (last years' runner-up), Miss M. E, Stuart, etc,

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James Braid is just now playing a remarkably strong game, and is by most "in the know" looked upon as probable open champion this year at Sandwich. Playing quite recently on the Links of the Cinque Ports Club at Deal he easily broke all former records, the exact figures of which his remarkable round consisted are as follows :—

Out, 4, 4, 5. 2, 5, 3, 4, 5, 4, =36 }
In, 3, 5, 4, 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 4, =34 } =70.

His hitting was long, his iron play was strong, his putting accurate, and with confidence. The previous record was held by Mr. Eric Hambro, M. P. with a total of 75. Braid is now going to take up his duties at the New Club, Walton Heath, his many friends at Romford have in vain tried to induce him to remain there, and his loss will be greatly deplored on the popular Essex Course.

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Among other records Mr. R. H. de Montmorency made a new competition one of 74 at Rye, in Sussex. Those who know this very sporting and first-class Links will recognize from the following figures compiling his score that it was no mean performance.

Out, 3, 5, 3, 5, 3, 4, 4, 5, 4=36 }
In, 5, 3, 4, 5, 4, 3, 5, 4, 5=38 } =74.

Mr. Montmorency playing an ordinary round last year holed the full course in 71.

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Members of the Fettesian-Lorettorian Club recently held their annual competition at Muirfield ; it was won by Mr. Jopp with 84 despite a strong wind. Following the competition a match was played between this Club and the Edinborough Academicals, which resulted in a win for the Fettesian-Lorettorian Club by 10 holes. The teams consisted of 11 a side. In the match between the Bar Golfing Society and the Irish Bar at Formby on 8th April, the Society were disappointed at the last moment of the services of Mr. Marshall Hall, K. C., but in both signals and foursomes the B. G. S. were successful, winning respectively by 6 matches to 2 and by 3 to 1.

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On 25th May a professional match will be played at Guildford in which Braid, J. H. Taylor, Ralph Smith, and Jack White will take part.

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The Inter-'Varsity Match played over the beautiful looking course on Wednesday, 20th April was full of interesting and even unusual incidents For the sixth year in succession the dark blues have now won the contest, although at the end of the first round of 18 holes Cambridge was leading by 13 holes to 1, and there was every appearance of a speedy end to Oxford's run of victories. But Golf is essentially a game in which surprises play a prominent part, and the luncheon interval proved disastrous in its effect in the Cantabs. When 6 of the couples were in (the teams was 8 aside) Cambridge still led by 1 point, but the 7th dark blue man came in 2 holes up, thus turning the tables and giving Oxford the advantage of a hole, and on the conclusion of the last player's round it was found that in spite of his having been 4 down to Mr. Allen in the forenoon, Mr. Grundy had not only wiped off the 4 holes, but finished his round with a victory of 1 hole, thus leaving Oxford 2 up. Since the two 'Varsities tied in 1896 this is the closest match and especially full of incidents, one of the most remarkable of which occurred in the match between Mr. Alison (Oxford) and Mr. Wedderburn (Cambridge). Going to the last hole in the morning Mr. Alison's ball landed in the roof of the club-house and there it very inconsiderately remained. not to be done, Mr. Alison procured a ladder, climbed on to the roof and from there played a beautiful shot on to the green below and halved the hole in 5.

The best form displayed in the match was by Mr. Humphreys who finished 9 up on Mr. Hoffman the Cambridge Secretary. Mr. Humphrys' afternoon score was made up as follows :—

Out, 5, 4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 3, 5, 4=38 }
In, 4, 3, 4 4, 6, 5, 4, 5, 4=39 } =79

The teams and matches are as appended :—

OXFORD.		CAMBRIDGE.	
Mr J L Humphreys (Bromsgrove and B N C) ...	9	Mr G Hoffmann (Gigglewich and Caius) ...	0
Mr W M Grundy (Malvern and All Souls) ...	0	H C McDonnel (Winchester and Corpus) ...	0
Mr A J Graham (Marlboro and Trinity ...	2	H D Gillies (New Zealand and Caius) ...	0
Mr T R Girdlestone (Charterbouse and New) ...	0	Mr C E Stuart (Ireland and Trinity) ...	7
Mr C H Alison (Malvern and New)	0	Mr C C Wedderburne (Uppingham and Pembroke)	1
Mr J O Fairlie (Glasgow and New)	0	Mr W N Potter (Malvern and Pembroke) ...	4
Mr G B Sanderson (Malvern and B N C) ...	2	Mr R C Simpson (Harrow and Trinity) ...	0
Mr G E Grundy (Malvern and B N C) ...	1	Mr M T Allen (Aldenham and Trinity) ...	0
Total ...	14	Total ...	12

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While the two great Universites were fighting for honour at Woking, the ladies of Great Britain were fighting for their country, their respective clubs, and their individual selves at Ranelagh. Instituted some 10 years ago by Miss Issette Pearson, this annual meeting has increased year by year in popularity until it has now reached enormous proportions while not even the limiting of handicaps, can keep the fair sex away.

Last year with 210 entries, the place seemed crowded to overflowing, but 40 more were added and the number on 20th and 21st April included nearly all the best known lady players of the period (that is to say from England and Ireland.) Miss Rhona Adav was there, also the Misses Hazlet, Miss Dod, Miss Glover, Miss G. C. Nevill, as well as an imposing crowd of ordinary scratch players. One of the great features of this meeting is the contest for the International Cup given by the Ranelagh Club, and now in 1904 for the first time England has succeeded in wresting it from the Emerald Isle. Next week I hope to give fuller details of this important fixture with the names of winners, etc.

The Hampshire ladies taking advantage doubtless (and very wisely two) of the cheap tickets issued by the Railway Companies for the Ranelagh Meeting are playing some of their county matches on Suburban Green. On Monday, 18th, Essex on their home green with a strong team scored a "grand slam" over their visiting opponents. On the Ranelagh Course next day. Sussex met and defeated them by one point and as it proved by *one small putt* in the last green.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

THE BEIGHTON CUP.

THIRD ROUND.

UNITED SERVICE *vs* ST. JAMES.—After three unsuccessful attempts this match was brought to a definite conclusion on the 6th instant. The teams met on the Calcutta ground, there being a very large gatherin of spectators. The game was a very exciting one and was keenly contested from start to finish. The United Service men were in splendid form the combination of their forward line being very good, and they were eventually victorious by two goals to nil. The United Service rushed down at the start, but Durnford relieved and St. James attacked. Duff missed a chance of scoring, but Walkem sent in a shot which Hogg cleared at the expense of a corner Nothing resulted but St. James continued to press their forwards, losing opportunities owing to wild shooting. Then Spry got away for the United Service and a fine bit of passing by the front rank carried the ball to their oppenents' circle, where Szczepanski put through. St. James played hard to get level but were unsuccessful. After the interval the United Service again attacked and Dr. Wilson sent in a stinging shot, which Simpson stopped, but Le Fleming got possession and put the ball through. St. James made great efforts but were unable to reduce their opponents' lead, the United Service back division offering a sturdy resistance. The game thus ended in a win for the United Service by two goals to nil. It was a victory which was hailed with satisfaction by the public, for the school team on occasions adopt tactics which do not make for popularity. Teams :—

UNITED SERVICE.—Cooper, *goal* ; Captain Gardner and Dyer, *backs* ; Hogg, McCleverty and Wagstaff, *halves* ; Spry, Dr. Wilson, Le Fleming, Szczepanski and Arundell, *forwards*.

ST. JAMES.—Simpson, *goal* ; Boo and Adams, *backs* ; Cox, Hollow and Durnford, *halves* ; Walkem, Cook, Duff, O'Sullivan and Hailes, *forwards*.

Referees :—Messrs. F. Lees and A. O Henry, Rangers.

SEMI-FINALS.

RANCHI *vs.* HORNETS.—These teams met on the 5th instant when a good game resulted in a draw, but the match was replayed on the Rangers' ground last Saturday, and ended in a victory for the Hornets by the narrow margin of one goal to *nil*. The Ranchi representatives did not play up to their usual fine form, while their opponents gave a great display. The game began with fast exchanges and good runs by both the forward lines, then the Hornets got right away and Mabert passing to Apear, the latter sent in a good shot which Nehemiah saved : but L. Rosser was on the ball and banged it in before the Ranchi goal-keep could recover himself. The Hornets continued to press and forced two corners, but failed to convert. After the interval the Hornets again pressed and obtained a corner. Then Ranchi took the ball down and the Hornets had to concede a corner ; a shot by Daud just failed to find the net, but the Ranchi men kept the ball in their opponents' goal making desperate efforts to score. They were unsuccessful, however, and the Hornets won as stated by a goal to *nil*. Teams :—

HORNETS.—R. Brown, *goal* ; A Browne and Yakchee, *backs* : Young, A Rosser and Powell, *halves* ; Mabert, Simmons, Apear, Cooper and L. Rosser, *forwards*.

RANCHI.—Nehemiah, *goal* ; Isriprasad and Edward, *backs* ; Suleman, Sharan and Boss, *halves* ; Jasman, Daud, Sadu, Rev. Whitley and Pathras, *forwards*.

Referees.—Messrs. F. Lees and T. Walsh, Rangers.

UNITED SERVICE *vs.* SEEBPORE COLLEGE.—The meeting of these teams was looked forward to with the greatest interest for a good game was expected, nor was the large gathering of spectators on the Calcutta ground on Tuesday disappointed. The United Service had in no way gone off the form displayed against St. James's and once more giving a fine exhibition in all departments of the game won by four goals to *nil*. The for-

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wards played a great game, Dr. Wilson and Messrs. Arundell and Le Fleming being very conspicuous, while the fine defence of the back division and especially the brilliant play of Captain Gardiner evoked loud and most deserved applause on several occasions. For Seebpore Lawton, Street, Lewty and Ansell were in good form.

The College were the first to attack and forced a corner, nothing resulted, however, and the United Service rushed down, a pass from Arundell glancing off one of the opposing backs and dribbling into the net. Seebpore tried to retrieve this reverse and a good run by Lawton ended in an unproductive corner. The United Service brought the ball back and Lewty conceded a corner. From the hit in Dr. Wilson almost scored, but Skempton saved, the ball was stopped by Le Fleming who found the net with a stinging shot. Following on the bully Arundell got away and taking the ball down himself scored the third point after tricking the Seebpore custodian. The college played hard after the interval and pressed time after time, Cooper being called upon to save on a couple of occasions which he did in masterly fashion. The United Service defence was splendid and they always got the ball away. At length Le Fleming once more got going and a good bit of passing culminated in his scoring the fourth goal. Seebpore played pluckily to the end but were unable to score, the final result being a win for the United Service by four goals to *nil*. Teams :—

UNITED SERVICE.—Cooper, *goal*; Captain Gardner and Dyer, *backs*; Hogg, McCleverty and Wagstaff, *halves*; Spry, Dr. Wilson Le Fleming, Szczepanski and Arundell, *forwards*.

SEEBPORE.—Skempton, *goal*; Fox and Showers, *backs*; Street Lewty, and Patterson, *halves*; Brown, Starling, Lawton, Nyss and Ansell, *forwards*

Referees.—Messrs F. Lees and T. Walsh.

FINAL.

HORNETS *vs.* UNITED SERVICE. The final match in the tournament was played last evening, the usual big assemblage which attends final games lining the ropes on the Rangers' ground. The result was a win for the Hornets, a team who make up in individual brilliance what they lack in combination. The United Service men did not appear to be in such good form as in their recent displays against the Seebpore College and St. James's. They played a splendid game, however, and stuck to it pluckily to the end. The weather conditions were perfect at the beginning of the afternoon, but the storm which came up after half time just held over till the end of the game, the final stages of which were contested in a high wind. The Hornets were the first to attack, and going away forced a corner Nothing came of it; but they continued to press and L Rosser sent in a hot one, which was stopped by Cooper only to be banged into the net by Apcar. The United Service then had return, after determined rushes by the forwards they obtained an unproductive corner, then a fine run down by Arundell, culminated in a goal, Szczepanski finding the net. They kept up the attack till the interval. On resuming, the game ruled very even, neither team gaining any advantage, till Mabert got away for the Hornets and from a melee in front of goal the ball was put through by Knolles. The U. S. were on their mettle and tried hard to equalise. They did all the attacking, but could not break through the fine defence of the Hornets backs. Play was extremely fast and the U. S. forwards made desperate attempts, but were unable to score, the game ending in the victory of the Hornets by two goals to one. Mrs. Szczepanski gave away the cup and medals.

Teams.—

UNITED SERVICE.—Cooper *goal*; Capt. Gardner and Dyer, *backs*; Hogg, McCleverty and Wagstaff, *halves*; Spry Dr. Wilson, Le Fleming, Szczepanski and Arundell *forwards*.

HORNETS.—Brown *goal*: A Rosser Yakchee *backs*; Young, Simmons, and Powell *halves*; Mabert, Knolles, Apcar, Cooper and L. Rosser *forwards*.

The following are complete results :—

First Round.

Town Club beat Cyclists by 4 to 2.
B.-N. Railway beat Y. M. C. A. by 3 to 1.
United Service beat Aryans by 6 to 1.
Calcutta beat Canal Sporting by 7 to 1.
Seebpore beat Rangers by 2 to 0.
St. James beat Barrackpore by 5 to 0.
Howrah United beat King's Own Regiment by 1 to 0.
Mohan Bagan beat Howrah Sporting by 2 to 0.
Caledonians beat 79th R. G. A. by 1 to 0.
Dalhousie beat Rovers by 1 to 0.
Ballygunge walked over, Nawab's Union, Dacca having scratched
Customs, LaMartiniére, Hornets and Ranchi—byes.

Second Round.

Seebpore beat B.-N. Railway by 3 to 2.
Hornets beat Caledonians by 2 to 0.
United Service beat Howrah United by 4 to 1 after a draw of one goal all.
Customs beat Town Club by 1 to 0.
Mohan Bagan beat La Martiniére by to 1, after a draw of one goal all.
Ballygunge beat Dalhousie by 1 to 0.
St. James beat Calcutta by 2 to 0.
Ranchi—a bye.

Third Round.

Hornets beat Ballygunge by 4 to 1.
Seebpore beat Customs by 3 to 1.
Ranchi beat Mohan Bagan by 2 to 0.
United Service beat St. James by 2 to 0, after three draws (0-0, 1-1, 0-0.)

Semi-Final.

Hornets beat Ranchi (holders) by 1 to 0, after a draw of one all.
United Service beat Seebpore College by 4 goals to 0.

Final.

Hornets beat United Service by 2 goals to one.

THE AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.

(By Special Telegram.)

This annual tournament was commenced at Bombay on Monday, the 9th instant, when two games were decided. In all eighteen teams entered, but the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders had to scratch at the last moment. The remaining seventeen teams are fully representatives of local clubs and there being a fair number of up-country elevens, good sport should be witnessed on the Cooperage and Marine Lines grounds during the ensuing twelve days.

The arrangements for the tournament have been well carried out by Mr. E. R. Fisher, the Honorary Secretary and a brother of Mr. Percy Fischer whose name and fame is well known throughout India.

YORK AND LANCASHIRE *vs.* ELPHINSTONE HIGH SCHOOL.—These teams met in the only game in the first round. The Elphinstonians were the first to get away with the ball; but in the greater part of the first half stood no chance whatever against the repeated attacks of the military team from Mhow. Play had been going ten minutes when the York and Lancashire scored their first goal and from this point up to the time of the team's crossing over the military scored with great freedom and when they changed ends the score stood 6 goals to *nil*.

The second half was productive of more even play and to their credit the High School eleven held their own to the finish, the concluding portion of the game being full of interest. But the military played cool defence and ran out winners by 7 goals to *nil*.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* R. G. A.—The opening match in the second round a well fought out match was witnessed. Neither team showed very good combination, but there were many pretty bits of play. The soldiers had the advantage of weight; but the Gymkhana men were faster. At the outset the soldiers rushed into the Gymkhana half, Lazenby relieving to the centre; the Gymkhana then took the play into the Artillery half and forced a "corner." But the Gunners once more rushed to the other end where Brand misjudged the ball and Kewan shot into the net. After a spell of play in midfield the civilians attacked and the R. A. custodians kept out hot a shot; but a moment later Fischer experienced hard lines in not scoring, the soldiers' goalkeeper just managing to keep out a high shot Eventually the civilians secured a goal through Griffiths, and from now up to half time play ruled fairly even, and there was no further score. At the restart the Artillery attacked and Marsh saved a hot shot. Fischer was next responsible for a capital run down the wing from which he forced a corner, and a minute later Reed scored. The R. G. A. made strenuous effort to score and during the rest of the game the Gymkhana had a very anxious time; again and again the soldiers carried the ball into their opponents' circle and experienced hard lines in not scoring on three or four occasions. The whistle went with the score standing: Gymkhana 2 goals; R. G. A. 1 goal.

Lawn Tennis.

LAWN TENNIS IN CALCUTTA.

CALEDONIA A. CLUB.—A small party of members and friends witnessed the finals of the Handicap Tennis Tournament on Friday last, the counter-attactions being too strong to admit of a large attendance.

Last year's winner, E. O. Elliot, had got through all his matches with ease, but his opponent, H. Chandler, had stiff fights with G. V. Wade in the third round, and W. J. Morrow in the semi-finals, so that Elliot was the favourite for the challenge cup, the gift of the Right. Hon'ble Sir Joseph Dimsdale, Bart, P. C., M. P.

The match proved one-sided, for although Chandler made a good show in the first set, he fell off form altogether in the second, and lost the match by three sets to love.

Mrs. J. H. Dimsdale presented the cup to E. O. Elliot, the runner-up receiving a traveller's watch from the club. The Honorary Secretary called for a vote of thanks for Mrs. Dimsdale which was heartily accorded.

Things are not always what they seem. Soon after Lord Falmouth's return to the Turf he won a race at Salisbury. As his popular colours had not previously caught the judge's eye that season, the noble owner was naturally pleased, especially as the horse had apparently something in hand.

"Goater" his lordship said, addressing the rider of Mohawk, is he not a good horse? He won rather easily, it seemed to me."

"Well, my lord," bluntly returned Jem, "he certainly won easy enough; but I don't know how he'd have gone if any of the other beggars had been spinning."

Boxing.

POONA TOURNAMENT.

THE following are the results of the above competition up to date:—

BANTAM WEIGHTS.

Driver Miller (L Batty R H A) beat Pte Condon (Connaught Rangers).
Pte Blundell (Bedfords) *vs* Pte Dowd (Connaught Rangers), both disqualified for open hand fighting.
Sergt Jobson (E Surreys) beat Pte Ormsby (Connaught Rangers).
Pte Haggard (15th Hussars) beat Pte Langthorne (East Lancashires). Langthorne defeated after an extra round.
Pte Wilson (Royal Scots) beat Dr Coombs (28 Batty R F A)
Pte Lamie (93rd Highlanders) beat Dr Cook (24th Batty R F A)
Pte Hoolan (15th Hussars) beat Dr Alderman (47th Batty R F A).
Pte Scurr (Suffolks) beat Dr Miller (L Batty R H A).
Pte Wilson (Royal Scots) beat Pte Haggard (15th Hussars).
Corpl Blackman (10th Hussars) beat Pte Scannel (S W Borderers).
Pte Henderson (Durhams) beat Pte Walsh (Connaught Rangers).
Pte Byrne (R I Rifles) beat Dr Anoting (L Batty R H A).
Pte Lamie (93rd Highlanders) beat Pte Hoolan (15th Hussars).
Pte Scurr (Suffolks) beat Sergt Jobson (E Surrey).
Corpl Blackman (10th Hussars) beat Pte Wilson (Royal Scots).
Pte Henderson (Durhams) beat Pte Byrne (R I Rifles).

LIGHT WEIGHTS.

Gunner Robson (60th Batty R G A) beat Pte Ramsden (15th Hussars).
Pte Milton (Leicesters) beat Pte Ryan (York and Lancaster).
Gr Chapman (G Batty R H A) beat Pte Moran (93rd Highlanders).
Gr Greene (L Batty R H A) beat Gunner Webster (45th Batty R F A).
Lce-Corpl Regan (Connaught Rangers) beat Pte Robson (East Lancashire) Robson disqualified.
Pte McNiff (93rd Highlanders) beat Pte O'Neill (R I Rifles).
Pte Harris (Durham L I) beat Lce-Corpl Rea (Connaught Rangers).
Corpl Jones (10th Hussars) beat Gr Robson (60th Batty R F A) Robson disqualified.
Gr Chapman (G 4th Batty R H A) beat Pte Milton (Leicesters).
Gr Greene (L Batty R H A) beat Lce-Corpl Regan (Connaught Rangers).
Pte Hayes (Sussex) beat Pte Kelly (Connaught Rangers).
Dr Bollard (Connaught Rangers) beat Lce-Corpl Sabine (Middlesex).
Pte Shoyer (15th Hussars) beat Pte Cunningham (Leicesters).
Pte McNiff (93rd Highlanders) beat Pte Harris (Durhams).
Gr Chapman (G Batty R H A) beat Corpl Jones (10th Hussars).
Gr Greene (L Batty R H A) beat Pte Hayes (Essex).
Pte Shoyer (15th Hussars) beat Dr Bollard (Connaught Rangers).

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.

Lce-Corpl McManus (Connaught Rangers) beat Pte Farley (4th D G).
Pte Jones (Royal Warwicks) beat Pte Severn (Cheshires).
Pte Hill (Essex) beat Dr Dawson (P Batty R H A).
Pte Swan (R I Rifles) beat Corpl Keenan (75th Batty.)
Pte Weir (R I Rifles) beat Pte Hughes (12th Lancers).
Pte Crake (Durhams) beat Br Jones (76th Co G A).
Pte Hall (Leicesters) beat Gr Crickmore (55th Batty R F A).
Pte Swan (R I Rifles) beat Lce-Corpl McManus (Connaught Rangers).
Pte Hill (Essex) beat Pte Jones (Royal Warwicks).
Sergt Chesterman (E Surreys) beat Pte McCarthy (Suffolks).
Pte Grant (R I Rifles) beat Gr Kemp (18th Batty R F A).
Br Gibson (12th Batty R F A) beat Lce-Corpl Smith (Warwicks).
Pte Weir (R I Rifles) beat Pte Crake (Durhams).
Crake injured his thumb.
Pte Hall (Leicesters) beat Pte Swan (R I Rifles).
Sergt Chesterman (E Surreys) beat Pte Hill (Essex).
Pte Grant (R I Rifles) beat Gr Gibson (12th F B).

BOYS.

Boy Deane (East Lancashire) beat Boy McCulloch (93rd Highlanders).
Boy Dale (Durhams) beat Boy McLachlan (93rd Highlanders).
Cadet Cody (Poona Volunteers) beat Boy Ryan (East Lancashire).
Cadet Brewin (Poona Vols) beat Boy McKillighan (93rd Highlanders)
Boy Orme (East Lancashires) beat Boy King (East Lancashires).
Boy Dale (Durhams) beat Boy T Deane (East Lancashires).
Cadet Cody (Poona Vols) beat Cadet Brewin (Poona Vols).
Boy G Deane (East Lancashires) beat Boy Dooley (Connaught Rangers).

The late Count Lagrange had a somewhat unique method of trying his young stock. His invariable system was to draw one against the other in much the same fashion as though arranging for a coursing meeting.

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The Horse.

USEFUL HINTS AND OPINIONS.

THE following suggestions in regard to training and conditioning trotting horses are taken from the published writings of some of the leading trainers of America from the days of Hiram Woodruff to the present time :—

"No man is fit to handle colts or horses unless he has perfect control of his temper, for you can do much more with coaxing than you can with harsh treatment ; for, when an animal becomes afraid of his trainer he loses confidence and will not improve in that man's hands. This applies to aged horses as well as colts."—A. J. Feek.

"Further than halter-breaking I have never thought necessary during the first year. The fall and winter after weaning, they should have all they will eat, and on every dry day they should run out in the fields and take all the exercise they will ; for plenty of food and plenty of exercise are equally necessary to accomplish the best results.

"There is no process, not even the starving process, that I think more injurious to the colt than overfeeding, with little or no exercise. The legs cannot grow and develop without plenty of galloping, and if well fed and turned out in the fields in good weather, they will run and play."—A. J. McKimmin.

"The first thing in training a horse is to make a careful study of the animal, learning all his peculiarities, faults weakness, habits, etc. I think one vital mistake made by men training horses is that they do not seem to think that horses are made of flesh and blood, and very nearly human in all their ways."—John Splan.

"Two-thirds of the promising and fashionably bred colts are ruined through mismanagement, which includes over-conditioning, bad shoeing, excessive use of boots, weights and ointments, which incite and weaken, through increased growth, the hoof one of the most fruitful sources of malformation.' —Alexander Dunbar.

"It used to be a custom to send a three-year old colt, half-halter broken, and give him one month to complete his education, and return it fit and safe for any use. This was a great mistake; the man had either to half kill the colt or return him half broken, or perhaps both. It takes a bright, intelligent boy ten or fifteen years to complete a good education and it can hardly be called fair to expect a dumb beast to be fit to graduate at the end of a month. A colt, when thoroughly broken should have a graceful, easy carriage, a pleasant mouth, be obedient, and yield promptly to every requirement. He should go at his work cheerfully, and with as much apparent pleasure as his driver takes in riding after him. By such behaviour he would indicate at once that he was an educated horse, and not an abused and half-killed brute. To take a green colt and return him in this condition requires considerable time—at least three months."—H. C. Woodnutt.

"The commencement of Lady Suffolk's history interested those who remembered her performances five-and-twenty years before and revived the discussion about the forcing system and early maturity. It was admitted that David Bryant trotted the mare too much in her first season; but some still held that early maturity was a good thing, and predicted that it will be hereafter one of the chief aims of the breeders. I am somewhat afraid that it will; and being convinced that it will be mischievous, and end in the premature decay of many good horses, I have protested against it. The argument is this: If a colt can be made as good at three years old as another will be at five or six, there is a great saving of time and expense. Now, this is not the proper way to state the question; for a colt may be as fast at three as another is at five or six, and still be an inferior horse ; and it is my opinion that the method adopted to make him at three equal to what the other will be at six is almost certain to render him an inferior animal as regards duration."—Hiram Woodruff.

"In regard to colts, I have previously observed that the forcing system in the raising of trotters was not advisable. I am satisfied that it is not only expense laid out to no use, but for a purpose which is likely to be mischievous. Very early maturity is only to be attained accompanied with the liability, the almost certainty, of corresponding early decay ; and, to achieve such excellence as that to which Dutchman attained, the trotting horse must have all his powers long after the period at which most running horses have left the turf. The reason is obvious. The trotter has to be educated up to his best and strongest rate, and the education takes many years Dutchman improved until he was ten or eleven years old, and it may be questioned whether his very best capabilities were ever brought out ; for the change into new hands just when he had come to the highest pitch that we know of was not altogether favourable to continued advance. Therefore, when a trotting horse has attained the ago of seven, and is aged, or arrived at natural maturity, he has only just reached that stage when we may begin to expect the development of his finest powers ; and that development, according to my experience is likely to be gradual, and to continue for along time. No doubt many horses never improve after they are seven; and in some cases the speed comes to them all at once, as the saying is. In the former, the constitution, breeding or form is probably defective. A century of work would not improve some horses. They get to their best early, and only because their best is very bad."—Hiram Woodruff.

"Many trainers ought never to be allowed to get into a sulky in possession of a whip. They are so constituted that they cannot control their temper, and they often whip when there is no better reason for it than the gratification which the doing so yields their ill-nature. One single cut with the whip at the wrong time will not be forgotten by some horses during a whole season, and may cause the horse to become timid and irritable—may, in fact ultimately ruin him—causing him to prove unreliable, both as regards gait and everything else considered as exceptionally valuable."—Farmers' Home Journal.

"Drivers are born, not made, and it is impossible to teach a man so that he can get up behind a horse and drive him well unless he has the natural gift; and only this, with experience, makes a good driver. You want a steady, firm hand, and yet a light one. You want a firm hand, but not a rigid, unyielding one, for a certain ease is necessary to give the horse confidence If the driver be nervous and unsteady, the horse will soon know it, and his steadiness will be affected by it. Never take more hold on the horse than is necessary to give him confidence, and to hold him steady and safe. A good driver must be a good judge of pace and of distance, cool-headed, with presence of mind, and able to take in a situation at a glance and act upon it instantly. He must be ready to see an advantage the moment it presents itself, and seize it the moment he sees it. All this, as I have said, cannot be learned; there are certain qualities of the brain and the hand that must in a degree be natural to the man, though they may be perfected by acquirement. A driver may be good when going at a 2-40 gait, but the same man may be all at sea when going at a 2-16 gait. The difference in results that will follow a move at 2-40 gait and that which may follow a move at 2-20 gait is marvellous."—Charles Marvin.

"In order that a fast horse should be under circumstances to do his best, he should be as much at his ease in his harness and general rig as possible. If he is not, he is placed at almost as much disadvantage as if sore or stiff, or suffering from some bodily ailment. You may see horses brought out of the stable to trot, with a very tight check to keep their heads up, and a tight martingale to keep it down. Such a horse is in irons ; and when to this is added a dead drag at the reins, and no movement of the bit from end to end, I cannot see how he should do his best. People talk about a steady, bracing pull ; but, in my opinion, that is not the right way to drive a trotter. There is a great difference between letting go of your horse's head and keeping up one dull, deadening pull all the time."—Hiram Woodruff

"Bits are often kept in places to which the frost penetrates in very cold weather. The bits become frosted ; and, without a thought of what he is doing, the man claps a frosted steel bit into the horse's mouth. The consequence is a sore mouth, just about as certainly as if the bit had been nearly at a red heat ; and then the man bothers his brains to find out what caused it. If he had put the frozen bit into his own mouth, it would have brought the inner skin of the lips away with it, and then he would have felt the mischief. In very cold weather, take your bits to the fire, and be sure that there is no frost in the steel when the bit is placed in your horse's mouth."—Hiram Woodruff.

"My experience has been that no horse can be successfully driven with anything like a severe bit. I never saw one that was even broken of the habit of pulling in that way. If you put a severe bit in the horse's mouth and pull on it it makes the horse mad and irritates him; the further you drive him and the harder you pull him, the more he will pull against it. When I was a boy, almost every trotter I saw would pull in a disagreeable manner when being driven at top speed. At the present time I cannot think of one horse that is anything like first class that pulls enough to make it disagreeable for a man at any time. A great many people think that every horse should be driven with an overcheck. I can remember when I had the same opinion myself. I am now satisfied that it is a serious mistak'. There are a great many horses that will not take kindly to an overcheck, and if you insist on using it on them it will sooner or later spoil the horse's disposition to a great extent "—John Splan.

"The mouth is now fine and sensitive; and it ought to be kept so, because this is the great organ of communication between a good driver and the trotter, when he is cultivated and improved into a fast horse. What you want the trotter to do when he is at speed is to be got into him through his mouth. You may encourage him by speaking to him, or sting him into a greater effort with the whip; but neither of these is half as good as the play upon the reins, with which you let him know what you want through his lively sensitive mouth. You are then to keep in constant mind the necessity of not impairing the colt's mouth by rough handling of the reins. If you pull and lug at the bit, the colt, in his efforts to resist what hurts him will very soon pull too, for he will find out that this numbs and deadens the jaws; but this is at the expense of ruination to the mouth. It will become hard and insensible ; and the first and the largest part of the mischief which goes towards the making of a hard puller is done."—Hiram Woodruff.

'Checks and bits have a good deal to do with balancing the horse, and the less restraint or annoyance these appliances give the horse the better. I like plain bits If you cannot control a horse with a plain bit, you have small chance of making a trotter of him at all. Such bits as the 'Perfection.' 'Rockwell,' etc., I consider pernicious contrivances. There are cases where a horse has improved with a severe bit, but they are exceptional. With what extreme measures have achieved I do not quarrel, but I do argue against using artificial and unusual appliances unnecessarily, and this applies not only to bits, checks, shoes, weights, etc., but to everything connected with training."—Charles Marvin.

"The stallion (Kemble Jackson) was then sent to me to be handled; and, in order to prevent him from throwing down his head between his knees when he broke, the well known Kemble Jackson check, since in use all over this country, and introduced in England also, was invented. It answered well in this case, and must always be of great use in similar ones; but I think it is often applied in cases when it is not only unnecessary, but does harm instead of good."—Hiram Woodruff.

"I would teach every colt or horse to drive with and without blinds or winkers."—A. J. Feek.

"How far to work a colt, I cannot tell you any more than I can how big a lump of chalk is. Colts differ in size, stamina, disposition and strength. Some have got to indulge in a little foolishness before they are ready to do right—play with the birds along the fence, or the shadows of the poles—while others are strict business all the time. It is safe enough to figure not to exceed four mile a with any colt and not less than two and one-half. With the proper care, such as walking and turning out, colts do not need much jogging. They are ready to speed very soon after getting to the track "—Thomas J. Dunber.

"I think it is a mistake to job horses too far. From three to five miles a day is ordinarily sufficient for most horses, except that on one day in each week it is best to job seven or eight miles, so the horse will get a little leg weary. Some days three miles and some four and five miles; but I do not believe in slow jogging for more than one mile. After going the first mile, it is best let them jog along good and strong, as I am satisfied that from three to five miles stiff jogging will do a horse more good than twenty miles at a slow, poky gait. I also think a great many horses are jogged so far and slow that it takes away their speed; besides, it gets monotonous to the horse, and he does not take his work as cheerfully as a horse that is jogged short and lively. "—Edward F. Geers.

"The object of the driver should then be to support him with as little pull as possible, but still to support him. The horse with a good mouth will always feel the driver's hand; and, when the latter is as skilful as he ought to be for the handling of the first rate fast trotter, he may play upon the rein with a touch like that of a harper upon the strings, and the horse will answer every touch with the music of the feet and wheels."—Hiram Woodruff.

"It will be remembered that I have spoken of three prime qualities in the trotting horse; *viz.*, speed, bottom and the power to pull weight. I was already confident that little Flora Temple possessed the last, as well as the other two. People are apt to think that great size is demanded for a weight puller, but there are plenty of notable instances to show that this is a mistake. Still, though there need not be great size, and though some big horses are the very worst of weight-pullers, coming right back as soon as they are required to take along a wagon and a heavy man, strength is certainly demanded This strength in small horses is the result of a nice adaptation of parts, together with particular power in the loin and hind-quarters. If a little horse of that sort be particularly examined it will commonly be found that, they are long in all the moving parts; and their quarters are generally as big, and sometime a deal bigger, than those of many much larger horses."—Hiram Woodruff.

A young Tasmanian newspaper man had a somewhat peculiar experience the other night. He was invited to a party at a home which had recently been blessed with an addition to the family. Accompanied by his best girl he went, and on meeting his hostess at the door, he naturally, after the customary salutations, asked after the new baby. The lady was suffering from a severe cold in the head, which made her slightly deaf, and she mistakenly supposed he was inquiring about her cold. She replied that though she usually had one every winter, this was the worst she ever had ; it kept her awake a good deal, and at first confined her to her bed. Then noticing that the scribe was becoming pale and nervous, she made confusion worse by remarking that she could see from his looks that he was going to have one just like hers, and asked him if he wished to lie down. The paper came out as usual next day, but that pressman has given up enquiring about babies.

The Theatre.

VAUDEVILLE AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

A GOODLY house assembled to see the entertainment given last Saturday night at the Theatre Royal and on the whole those who rolled up had no reason to be disappointed. The first point to appeal to the critical observer was the excellence of the management and this was strikingly manifest all through the evening. The name of the responsible party was not vouchsafed on the programme but whoever he was there could be no question as to his being an old hand at the game.

But to pass to the performance itself. First on the card was Mr. S. Garrett, a gentleman with a good presence and a pleasing voice, but "Blow, Blow thou winter wind" was rather too much for his powers and in a slightly less ambitious venture he would have undoubtedly scored higher than he did. Mr. Bert Flatt, who in the role of a musical burglar witched the audience for an all too brief period in the first part is that brand of comedian who walks straight into the affections of his audience and keeps there. The fact of his being a masterly performer on the bassoon mouth organ and banjo was not "in it" in the opinions of the audience compared with his touching reminiscences of his friend Jones "who was so pow'ful fond of his wife." Mr. Flatt worked like a beaver the whole evening, and, with his capable and artistic help, was a great factor in the undoubted success of the entertainment. Messrs. Franklin and Douglas in their "Americanisms" would have been better had they been louder : their dancing was distinctly good. The second part consisted of a playlet entitled "After Dinner" where Mr. Flatt scored again as also did Mdlle. Morosini who not only acted exceptionally well, but sang a number of songs with great verve, in addition to the excellent rendering of the lively numbers allotted to her, her words could be heard in the back row of the pit. Mr. H. Mathew was obviously not sufficiently rehearsed and moreover he did not appear at all happy in the part. "Down South," which was the concluding item, hung dreadfully at the start, and the liberal use of a blue pencil at the beginning would be a great advantage. Mr. Mathew's acting was not as good as his make up. In fact the piece would have been infinitely better if the whole of the first scene had been ruthlessly cut out. From the moment the "Lost Father" enters the piece is excellent—in fact it would not be too high praise to say that nothing equal to it has ever been seen in Calcutta. The fun is kept going at the highest pitch and when the curtain finally drops the audience must be indeed hard to please that is not in a state of absolute enthusiasm. One little suggestion and that is, the words of the coon songs should be sung by *one* man, they were not quite distinct enough and the excellent effect was somewhat marred.

Special mention must be made of Mdlle. Morosini her first song "Espana" was just a trifle too much *café chantant*, but her second a laughing song was so undeniably clever that one could not help feeling that the performance would have been more enjoyable if the costume had not been so absolutely modelled on the "Folies Bergeres." Her cake walking was exceptionally good.

During the evening Mdlle. Marguerite Maryx gave some pianoforte solos, well selected and brilliantly played, that were alone worth the entrance money.

Altogether it may be said that "music, song and dance" with a few emendations here and there should hold the stage for an unlimited number of Saturday nights.

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THURSDAY, 19th MAY 1904.

SOME POSSIBLE OUTSIDERS FOR THE DERBY OF 1904.

IT is a peculiarity of the Derby that while in the great majority of years the favourite, or at any rate one of the best supported competitors, is returned the winner, still there is almost a regularity with which the victor turns up from the ranks of the "outsiders" and the cycle seems to be something like five or six years. Thus it was in 1898 that Mr. Larnach's Jeddah won the great race at the record odds of 100 to 1, and out of the five years since then the winner has on four occasions been the actual favourite in the Ring and even for weeks prior to the race, and on the fifth occasion one of the most highly thought of candidates, Ard Patrick, secured the spoils. Before Jeddah there were five winners at short odds against or odds on, and then came Sir Hugo, who at 40 to 1, defeated the great La Fleche in 1892; there was then a series of practical favourites till the deadheat in 1884 of St. Gatien and Harvester at fairly long prices; another series of four years carries us back to the 20 to 1 chance Sir Bevys and again five years further back in 1873 there was Doncaster, or as he was originally named "All Heart and No Peel," at 45 to 1: and so on, as anyone may see for himself by referring to some book of turf records. It may, therefore, be not altogether unreasonable to prophesy that this year the Derby will be won by something from the "any price you like" division, and indeed the events of the Craven Meeting at Newmarket and the more recent form exhibited in the Newmarket Stakes, lend some little justification for such an expectation.

Throughout the winter and early spring such betting as was recorded showed clearly that the race was generally regarded as a match between Mr. de Rothschild's St. Amant (St. Frusquin—Lady Loverule) and Mr. Musker's Henry the First, son of Melton and Simena, each of whom was always quoted at 5 to 1, or slightly longer or shorter odds, but with never more than a point between them. These two champions, however, cut but sorry figures at the Craven Meeting; St. Amant failing in the Biennial Stakes, apparently through sheer want of courage, to concede 12lbs. to His Majesty (Melton—Silver Sea), who as a two-year-old had run three times without ever getting into the first three; and Henry the First finishing unplaced without once looking like a winner in the Craven Stakes, which fell to the lot of Airlie, a bay colt by Ayrshire out of Lady Ernie with the Duke of Westminster's Grey Plume second, beaten a head after a most punishing and exciting finish. His Majesty and Airlie are both possible, if not probable, competitors for Derby laurels, and it may be indeed that one of them is destined to have much to do with the finish of the great contest at Epsom on the 1st of June, as each one is finely bred and capable of much improvement by the eventful day; but there are others who though little thought of, or perhaps quite ignored at the present time, may come into serious reckoning, and amongst them may possibly be another Jeddah or Doncaster.

First amongst these "long shots," one may draw attention to Mousqueton, the property of Mr. D. Baird and trained by Enoch at Newmarket. This colt is a son of the great New Zealand-bred sire Carbine and Musa, an Oaks winner, and granddaughter of Bend Or, himself a grandson of the

mighty Stockwell; time and again has it been proved how efficacious can be this union of the blood of a Colonial sire and a Stockwell mare, and it would not be surprising if one of such breeding were one day to achieve the highest distinction possible on the Turf. Mosqueton individually is a colt of excellent merit and gameness, and as a juvenile not only won three good races, but ever performed with credit and unflinching courage. According to the training reports he has been continually doing good and steady work, no one knowing better how to train a Derby horse than his astute trainer, and it is at least significant that the colt was not entered for any of the handicaps so far published, from which it is a fair deduction that his connections regard him as of some promise for the classic races.

Then there is Admiral Breeze, belonging to Mr. Musker, who did not run at all last year, but on his first outing as a three-year-old he finished a respectable fourth to Airlie in the Craven Stakes with his stable companion Henry the First behind, form which has since been enhanced by the victory of the "Admiral" in the Tudor Plate at Sandown. Admiral Breeze is a chestnut son of Velasquez and Seabreeze, by Isonomy out of St. Marguerite by Hermit, his sire being by Donovan, so that he can claim a pedigree equal to any and belongs to the famous No. 4 of the Bruce-Lowe families. It is remarkable how rarely has a chestnut horse won the Derby, but singularly enough the only two winners of this colour during recent years were the long-priced Jeddah and Sir Hugo, so that those who "listen with credulity to whispers of fancy and pursue with eagerness the phantoms of hope" may find herein an omen for the success of Admiral Breeze at long odds.

Mr. Lionel Robinson, who trains with S. Darling at Beckhampton, owns at least one possible "outsider" in Challenger by Isinglass out of Meddlesome, who at Epsom on the Great Metropolitan Stakes Day (the 19th April) won the Nork Park Plate, run over the last mile of the Derby course, in a common canter by six lengths, and as a winner over the course he will certainly merit consideration should he appear fit and well at the post.

Richard Marsh of Newmarket has no less than thirteen of his charges entered, and of these Mr. Arthur James's colt, Jupiter Pluvius, *holds a fair outside chance*. As a two-year-old he ran unnamed as the St. Simon—Andromeda colt, but his achievements were very poor, for out of five attempts he only once earned winning brackets in a Mile Nursery Handicap on the last day of the season, when he carried the moderate weight of 7st. 4lbs. His record so far for the present season is, however, remarkably good and proves that he has come on by leaps and bounds and moreover that he is a splendid stayer. On the first day at Lincoln he easily accounted for the Chaplin Plate, run over ten furlongs, and then beat a fairly good field in the Northamptonshire Stakes (1 mile 5 furlongs) in a common canter, though he was disqualified for going the wrong side of a post. It is perhaps a mistake, however, to attach too great importance to this performance, with the example of Florinda, who won the same race as a three-year-old last year and did nothing at all afterwards. It may be that this stable will provide a more likely candidate in Montem, a daughter of Ladas and Kermesse, and as it is nearly a quarter of a century since a filly won the Derby (the last was Shotover in 1882) perhaps it is time that this happened again. Montem last year won the New Stakes at Ascot and the July Stakes at Newmarket, so that she is quite entitled to take rank with the very first-class, but probably her journey is more likely to be the Oaks, where, however, she will have to tackle the flying and unbeaten Pretty Polly.

From Kingsclere, Porter may as likely as not send up the winner, for he has a string of eleven from which to choose, the most likely one, so far as public form goes, being the Duke of Westminster's Rydal Head, though he can hardly be regarded as an outsider, indeed from all one can hear at the time when these notes are being written this son of St. Frusquin is very likely to prove the winner. The others are all practically "dark horses," with the exception of the Scribe, and it would be no surprise if this colt proved to be the best of the lot, disappointing as were his performances in his juvenile days; for with Isinglass, a Triple Crown winner, as his sire, and Memoir, who won the St. Leger as well as the Oakes, for his dam, he could hardly be better bred, and his victory would be welcomed by all lovers of racing, for there is no better sportsman than his owner, the Duke of Portland: still he will probably give way to his stable companion Rydal Head.

But whatever may be the result of the great race and whether it is destined to be won by a favourite or an outsider, there is every promise that there will be a good field of thoroughly trained horses to compete for the Blue Riband of the Turf, and may the winner prove both as a race-horse and at the stud to be a worthy successor of the heroes of the past.

THE EVERGREEN "W. G."

THE English Cricket season opened at the end of April under better auspices of weather than the game enjoyed last year. The first match of the season, London County *vs.* Surrey, as reported in our London Sporting Letter, is not one that would call for special attention from us, but for the circumstances that the London County Captain was none other than Dr. W. G. Grace and that the veteran batted with all the vigour and certainty of the "W. G." of twenty years ago. As the "Grand Old Man of Cricket" he certainly promises to justify the title, inasmuch as he will attain his fifty-sixth birthday on the 18th July next, and played in his first match at Lord's in July 1864. Dr. Grace played in a game at the Crystal Palace not long before the official commencement of the season, and we then noticed that the critics considered him to be in form: it was anticipated that he would prove up to his mark when real business began: but his innings of 52 for London County seems to have surpassed all expectation. He was at the wicket for nearly an hour and a half before Lockwood dismissed him with a good ball, and his style seems to have lacked nothing of the ease and power of his best days: we are told that he timed the ball without difficulty, that some of his drives were very powerful and that his placing to leg and his late cuts were quite perfect. Abel, Richardson, Murdoch and Braund were among the players, but "W. G." stood out once more as head and shoulders above the best of the batsmen on the ground. His innings was played without a mistake, and until a fast break back from Lockwood dismissed him he never made a mistake. The performance for a man nearer sixty than fifty was indeed remarkable, and we look forward with no ordinary interest to Dr. Grace's doings during the season which is now in full swing.

Dr. Grace, as we have said, completes the fortieth year of his cricketing career in July and we do not think that the records of the game can show a player who has borne a prominent part in first-class cricket for a period nearly approaching it. George Parr, one of the best men of his day, had a long and successful cricketing life: but between his first match at Lord's and his last was twenty-five years. A. P. Lucas and W. L. Murdoch maintained their form for periods as long or longer: it is more than twenty years since the latter made 286 not out for an Australian team against Sussex at Brighton, and though he is still to the fore—was playing for London County in this first match of 1904 at the Crystal Palace—he is not the man he was. The late Arthur Shrewsbury occurs to mind as a player who kept his form in all its vigour for an unusually long period: students of cricketing reports will no doubt remember that Shrewsbury's batting in 1902 was the subject of general remark as being something worthy of special commendation for a player who had then some twenty-six seasons of first-class cricket behind him.

The minor lights of cricket, those who do not achieve fame in "first-class" cricket suffer from their obscurity: the chronicler who watches the game with the eyes of a lynx cannot spare attention from the doings of the conspicuous, however remarkable the achievements of these lesser planets. The late Mr. Fred Gale ("the Old Buffer"), whose recent death removed a link between old time cricket and the modern game, played until near his eightieth year, but it goes without saying that his passionate love of the game outlived his "form" by thirty years or more.

One of the most extraordinary cricketers who blushed unseen by the patrons of what we call public cricket was Mr. Charles Absolon who belonged to a Holloway Club. He was born in the year 1817, began playing in his fourteenth year, and when we last heard of him, seven years ago now, he was still going fairly strong though in his 80th year. Mr. Absolon in his degree was a remarkable example of the hale old cricketer: he took a just pride in his game and could boast that in the fifteen years of play, which ended in 1893, he had scored 24,189 runs and had taken 7,339 wickets. He confessed to "going off a bit" when he had passed the ripe cricketing age of 72: for his tale of runs in 1889, in which year he attained that age, was but little over 1,000, whereas in 1877, being then 60 years old, he made 1,179 runs and took 362 wickets: as a bowler he lasted longer than as a batsman, for in May 1896 he took four wickets for five runs. We have written of Mr. Absolon in the past tense, for his days in the cricket pitch are over, if indeed his mortal career has not ere now reached its close. Had his lines been cast in different places this wonderful old man might have ranked among the historical giants of the game: but even as a player of only minor cricket his performances deserve to be rescued from oblivion, if only as an example of human vitality.

Were we to take the records of cricket during the earlier half of the nineteenth century and search these for names and performances to set beside those of Dr. Grace and his contemporaries, we should find that in our grandfather's cricketing days men played to a more advanced age than they generally do now, or have done since cricket was made the exact science and serious business it is since become. But any parallel drawn between early or pre-Victorian cricket and the modern game would be misleading and false. For example William Lillywhite took eight wickets in a first-class match in 1850 when he was 58 years old. In 1852 Mr. E. H. Budd played a capital game for Burton at Lord's, being then 67 years old. But cricket in those days was not the tax upon strength and staying power it has become with billiard table wickets: there was not the same wear and tear. Matches were very often played to a close in one day and it was quite the exception for a match to run into a third day: fixtures were fewer and a player was rarely asked to play in more than one match a week: a very different state of affairs from that now prevailing, when owing to pressure of engagements only a proportion of matches are played to a close at all, and when players often hurry from the ground to the railway station to speed across England and play another match. Such a life as the first-class cricketer leads now-a-days makes heavy demands on stamina: which suggests the reflection that had that gamest of old players Mr. Absolon ever found his way into the team of a first-class county his cricketing career might have been much shorter, if more brilliant.

Dr. Grace's achievements then must be tried against those of his contemporaries and his pre-eminence remains unchallenged. When he scored his ninety-ninth "century" (for M. C. C. V., Sussex) in 1895, which he did at the rate of about one run per minute, a critic remarked that "for any other man rapidly approaching his forty-eighth birthday this would be held a phenomenal performance, but no achievement of 'W. G.' can occasion more than passing surprise." And perhaps the fact that the great cricketer put together 52 runs in his first match of the season which will see his 56 birthday and did it in a style which was more like that of a young man whose hand half a season of cricket had put thoroughly in, than that of a veteran who has just taken bat in hand after the winter, will occasion less surprise than gratification. "W. G." is a national possession: and his achievements make for pride in our nationality.

Special Telegrams.

LATEST DERBY BETTING.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Wednesday, 18th May 1904.*

Gouvernant	...	9 to 4
Henry the First	...	5 to 1
John o Gaunt	...	5 to 1
St. Amant	...	6 to 1
Dividend	...	20 to 1
Andover	...	20 to 1
Ajax ...	...	20 to 1

Sporting Notes.

SOME surprise has been occasioned by the announcement that the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, last week issued orders whereby a couple of well-known firms of bookmakers, who have hitherto had business premises in that city, wherein they have been conducting S. P. betting on the principal English races, have had to close their establishments. This mandate was issued under the provisions of the Bombay Gaming Act of 1897, and though it is possible the aggrieved bookies will endeavour to get the order set aside, we fear they will find the law against them. Together with the surprise caused by this announcement, there has been a feeling of alarm in certain quarters that the prohibition will extend to the operations of the bookmakers in the recognised enclosures of race-courses. From enquiries made we conclude that there has been a disposition to make a mountain out of a molehill and, while we sympathise with the firms concerned in the suspension of this branch of their business, we are informed that there is no intention of interfering with the privileges hitherto enjoyed by the bookmakers who do business in India. The action, so far, is entirely confined to the two firms, who, by opening business premises, have brought themselves within the four corners of the Act. The order of the Bombay Commissioner having been promptly complied with, we are given to understand the incident is closed.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes:—Three extra days' racing are already announced to preceed

the big meeting at Mysore next month. These are all to be Saturday functions, the 28th instant, and the 4th and 11th June being the dates mentioned. Each race will be worth Rs. 150, of which Rs. 25 will go to the second animal. It remains to be seen how the entries will pan out, but the Bangalore Stewards have certainly made a move in the right direction, by giving possible visitors from outside stations something to do with their ponies. There will certainly be a considerable influx of bookmakers soon, and owners will be able to back their animals to their hearts' content. That marvellously well-bred horse Carberton by Carbine out of Miss Butterwick is in regular work now on the race-course, but his forelegs are giving his trainers some anxiety. At first, indeed, they seemed to be going very seriously wrong, but are now much finer. English horses are bound to feel the jar of the hard ground on Indian courses, and a very experienced racing amateur lately recommended special rubber-lined shoes for Carberton. What makes matters worse is that Bangalore has had very little rain this year so far, though it is all round us and must come before long. Certain improvements are also being taken in hand with regard to the Bangalore Course, and on the whole it may be hoped that Carberton will be fit and well at the Mysore and Bangalore meetings.

The Mysore Stewards—who are distinct from the Bangalore executive—are taking much trouble with the Mysore race-course in the way of levelling and draining, and incidentally it may be noted that these efforts have been extended to the polo ground, which has also been levelled, and is watered from hydrants which have been constructed round it. Stabling has been erected in the neighbourhood of the race-course, and with regard to the polo ground it is an absolute picture, and beautifully green. The Mysore management is represented by Mr. Maconochie, I.C.S., Colonel J. P. Grant, Colonel J. Desaraj Urs, Mr. M. Kantaraj Urs, and Mr. P. F. Bowring, and anxiety is great that the Mysore race week, which will embrace the Birthday Polo Tournament, should be a success. It must be confessed that as I write the entries for the race meeting which have come in are not very promising, but it is to be hoped that some will come at the last moment, and that the second entries will improve matters. It would be a thousand pities, after all the trouble which has been taken, and the really good stakes which are offered, if the meeting should be a failure, or even result in mediocrity.

In Bangalore also a good deal is being done, and owing to an excellent fall of rain during the last week the course is looking beautifully green and fresh. I have an impression somehow that Bangalore will be the better meeting of the two, but time will show. Horses here are looking pictures of health, and are ready to kick themselves out of their skins in the morning air on the course. Bundook, Rapid Pilgrim and Peppercorn are entered at Mysore, and the first-named is simply above himself, although doing good work. He kicked half-a-dozen times in thirty yards, from sheer lightheartedness the other morning, and although it is early days to prophesy, I doubt if anything will beat him for the Maharaja's Cup at the capital. Peppercorn galloped six furlongs this morning, the clocking being 1min. 27secs., but the course was decidedly heavy after the recent rain, and is proverbially a slow one. Two unnamed colts in Watson's stable—at present in Gerrard's charge—also did a goodish gallop this morning, being eased towards the end, but they are evidently both good ones. Old Ocean looks as well and fit as ever—I heard his age variously stated as from 12 years to 20—and other horses in steady work are Wild Raven, Goldsmith, Wallgrove, Trenton, Caroline and Johore. Colonel Desaraj Urs' new English pony—which it strikes me there will be some difficulty in measuring—does not fill the eye at present. He may be—indeed he looks like a galloper, but if, as is rumoured, it is intended to put him to the stud afterwards, I should doubt success in this direction.

In connection with stud matters, it may interest some of your readers to know that Messrs. Madden and Company of Madras have just purchased five beautifully-bred fillies in Australia for the Mysore Government stud farm. Of these, three are by Gassoon who was sired by Galopin, with Yattendon blood on the dam's side, whilst the other two are by Haut Brion (more St. Simon blood), and of Musket descent on the side of the mother. These mares, when old enough, will be mated with Courage, the well-known Australian sire now at Kunigal. A Kunigal country-bred that will be worth watching at Mysore and Bangalore is Philistine, belonging to Colonel J. P. Grant. It will be remembered that he won last year both at Bangalore and Poona.

Reports of the extra day's racing at Rangoon, the Mussoorie Gymkhana and the Dibrugarh Sky Meeting appear in our Turf columns to-day.

During the week previous to that on which the last mail left England, three celebrated names were added to the equine obituary of the year. The death of Bendigo we have already announced: within a few days of his demise there died the famous old time American horse Foxhall and the more recent favourite O'Donovan Rossa.

The experience of the Central Provinces would seem to suggest that big game shooting is less popular than it used to be, or that sportsmen have less time than they once had to devote to shikar, observes the *Madras Mail*. Despite the fact that rewards of Rs. 500 each were offered last year for the destruction of four man-eating tigers, not one of the tigers was killed. A claim was made for the rewards offered for the Salekassa tigress in Bhandara, but it was not proved. However, this tigress has ceased killing in Bhandara, but is said to have moved to another district. The Central Provinces authorities require, as is natural, very clear proof that a tiger killed is a man-eater before paying over the reward, but such proof is almost impossible to obtain, and refusal to pay leads sportsmen to say unkind things about the officials. However, a new system has been introduced in the Jubbulpore Division which should prove more satisfactory. A reward of Rs. 150 will be paid at once for the shooting of any man-eater, to be followed by a further reward of Rs. 350 at the end of six months if human kills in that district cease entirely. It appears that in 1903 tigers killed 190 persons in the Central Provinces and that 199 tigers were killed. Forty-eight persons were killed in the Sambalpur District alone, and the whole of these deaths are attributed to one tigress, which has infested the Ambadhona jungles for some years.

Out of a total of 180 deaths due to panthers and leopards, no fewer than 110 took place in the Raipur District, and this district also suffered severely from wolves, 42 deaths out of 50 for the whole of the Provinces being credited to it. The mortality among cattle from wild animals is reported to have been much greater than in the previous year, being put down at 16,810, while snakes are reported to have killed 584 more cattle. Tigers, panthers and wolves account for an increased mortality amounting to some 2,600 animals. In the Chanda District it is believed that the increase in the figures is due to better reporting, but elsewhere it is thought the increased mortality is due to the disappearance from the jungles of the game which forms the natural food of carnivora, and to the growth of scrub round the villages during recent famine years which has given increased cover to beasts of prey.

A correspondent writes:—"I enclose a little joke which, perhaps, you might find room for. The scanning is, of course, weak; but the humour is fairly good."

POACHING UP-TO-DATE.

[Two men were fined £120 a piece for poaching white rhinoceros.—*Times of Africa.*]

I've poached a pickle pairticks when the leaves were turnin' sere,
I've poached twa-three hares an' groose an' mebbe whiles a deer:
I've poached a pickle pairticks when the leaves were mysterious.
Hoo any mortal could contrive tae poach a rhinocerious.

I've crackit wi' the keeper, pockets packed wi' phensants' eggs,
An'a ten-pun' salmon hangin' doun in baith my trouser legs:
But eh, I doot effects wud be a wee thing deleterious
Gin ye should stow intil yer breeks a brace a' rhinocerious.

I mind hoo me an' Wullie shot a Royal in Braemar,
An' brocht him doon tae Athol by the licht o' mune an' star;
An' eh, Sirs! but the canny beast contrived tae fash an' weary us—
Yet staigs maun be but bairn's play tae a weel-grown rhinocerious.

I thocht I kent o' poachin' jist as muckle's ither men,
But there is still a twa-three things I doot I dinna ken:
An' noo I canna rest, my brain grows that deleerious
Tae win awa' tae Africa an' poach a rhinocerious.

"Toots," the correspondent of a Madras contemporary, has some remarks to make on the subject of some recent fatal shikar accidents, as thus:—Having had a certain amount of experience with these creatures, I cannot help thinking that with a little more caution at least one of these two unfortunate victims might be now alive. To take the case of the first one. He had wounded a tiger in the night, and, on following it up in the morning, found it lying facing him. As is well known, a tiger can lie with its body practically hidden behind its head, and in the jungle where it would be lying amongst grass and undergrowth, it does not in such a position offer much of a mark to a man who has been tracking it in the heat of the hot weather and carrying a heavy rifle. At such a mark I understand Mr. Woodhouse must have fired, and weather he hit it or not I do not know, but the brute bounded out and seized him. Surely it would have been better to have waited, and, instead of taking this frontal shot, to have got a side shot at a vital spot later. I have known of face shots to come off, but have seen a face shot at four yards that had no stopping effect. Since this unfortunate accident I had the chance of an exactly similar face shot on an unwounded but very angry tigress in thorny

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grassy scrub, but preferred to wait for a side shot later, which I eventually got.

As regards Mr. Todd at Chandia, it is difficult to tell exactly from your note what really happened, and no details are given in the case of Lieutenant Johnston, but one at least was injured from following a wounded tiger. Every year in the hot weather, men, especially subalterns with no experience of these animals, go out for shikar, and if they wound a tiger, naturally don't wish to lose it, and without proper precautions proceed to follow it up, hoping to find it dead. I have done the same myself, and so know exactly how one looks at it. One finds blood marks and goes on thinking that the beast must be dead, and that it will be all right, and when one does not find it as soon as one expects, one continues to proceed to find it. If the tiger is not dead the chances are all against the sportsman, as the former hears the approach of the latter and gets himself into the aforesaid position which offers the smallest and the least visible mark to the latter and the greatest facility for sudden attack for himself. In such a case, if one does not find the tiger dead at once it is best to send for the village cattle, black buffaloes preferably, and drive them through the part of the jungle where the wounded beast is supposed to be. If it is not dead there will be quite excitement enough in despatching it when discovered by the buffs under more equal circumstances than by direct attack, when one cannot tell exactly where it is. Considering the number of good sportsmen who are killed in this way a little advice to the inexperienced ones may not be altogether out of place.

The following unusually good scores were made at the last shooting competitions with Rook rifles, 100 yards range, at the Tollygunge Club :—In the Affinity Quick-firing Match, Mr. P. C. Palin and Commander E. J. Beaumont broke all their 8 chatties in 30 seconds.

In the Gentlemen's Singles, 10 shots at the target, Mr. J. H. Allen scored 50 points—a possible.

Many people in Calcutta will share our regret on reading of the death in London, on the 8th instant, of Mr. Arthur Bois, late senior partner of Messrs. Cook & Co., Calcutta.

Mr. J. S. Middleton, of the Cadamaney Estate in South Mysore, has passed his four score years, but withal the hand of this veteran shikari has not lost its cunning. We hear that the other day Mr. Middleton brought down an elephant with a ·577 bullet which penetrated the animal's forehead and dropped it in the spot. Mr. Middleton, by the way, is the only planter in South Mysore who holds a license to shoot elephants.

The Annual General Meeting of the Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Association takes place at the Club on the 31st of this month.

We are glad to learn that the Government of Mysore have given permission to Mr. G. E. Ricketts, Deputy Conservator of Forests, to accept a cheque for £100, presented to him by Lord Manners on the occasion of his visit to Mysore. It will be remembered that Mr. Ricketts was instrumental in organising a most successful shoot in the Mysore hills for his Lordship.

It is a pity that inclement weather should have interfered with H. H. the Maharaja of Mymensingh's shoot the other day. His Highness had to return to Mymensingh on the 15th after about ten days in the howdah, but during that period a very creditable bag was secured. It consisted of two splendid tigers, two leopards, ten deer, one large bull buffalo and over a hundred partridges, hare and other small game.

There appears to be no lack of shikar in Kulu at present. Leopards are the terror of the shepherds and their flocks so that these worthy gentlemen have bethought them of keeping as many sheep dogs as possible and the tables have been somewhat turned in master spots. The other day, according to a Kulu correspondent, a leopard, which had killed seven goats belonging to *Guddis* on the Praur mountain, was himsels killed by three large sheep dogs. Another leopard who seized the dog in the village of Balu was at once attacked by every dog in the village, about a score of them. A huge mongrel between a sheep dog and a fighting bull terrier got fixed on to his throat and tore it open, the rest of the pack worrying wherever they could get a bite. The leopard had no chance and was killed in a few minutes. Three bears were also shot in Bilan on the 29th of last month and another bear was shot on the 5th. Three more leopards were shot in the Chauri district of Mandi by shepherds whose flock they were stalking.

Captain T. G. Peacocke, Honorary Secretary, has issued the prospectus of the horse and dog show which will be held at Simla on 4th June. The Viceroy gives a cup for the best horse in the show, and the Committee a similar prize for the best pony. There are the usual jumping competitions for horses and ponies. There are ten classes for horses and ponies and fifteen for dogs.

Athletic Notes.

OUR Bombay correspondent writes :—The yachting season in Bombay was brought to a very successful conclusion on Saturday, when a series of races were sailed, finishing at Hog Island. A light breeze was blowing from the south-west, which made an outing on the harbour a pleasant change after the heat on shore. The first yachts to start were those of the "B" class, with time in hand. The course was from the Committee Vessel round Butcher Beacon (leaving it to port), round Red Channel Buoy, north of Butcher Island (leaving it to starboard, round) B.W.H.S. Buoy, north north-east of Elephanta (leaving it to starboard), and finishing off Hog Island Bunder, a total distance of between ten and eleven miles. Sayonara crossed the line first, followed by Erin and Trixie, Butcher Beacon being rounded in the same order as at the start. On the beat to the Red Channel Buoy Erin overhauled Sayonara just before rounding the mark, and Trixie overtook the latter yacht when near the B. H. S. W. Buoy, the result being as follows :—

Yacht.	Time allowance on course. M. S.	Entered by	Started at H. M. S.	Time of arrival. H. M. S.
Erin	3 30	Mr B H Ireland	2 56 30	5 3 25
Trixie	2 30	Mr A M Monteath	2 57 30	5 7 7
Sayonara	12 20	Major Curtis, R A M C	2 47 30	5 8 45
Janetta	scr	Officers, R E...	did not start.	

The "A" class yachts, which were the next away, sailed the same course. Isca was the first to leave at 3h. 2m. 30s., followed by Melody, Sapphire and Stella. No change of order took place on the run to Butcher Beacon, but on the beat to the Red Channel Buoy Melody overhauled and passed to windward of Isca, and Stella overtook Sapphire just before reaching that mark. From then to the finish it was a dead run before the wind. Melody increased her lead and won the first prize, the times being as follows :—

Yacht.	Time allowance on course. M. S.	Entered by	Started at. H. M. S.	Time of arrival. H. M. S.
Melody	8 0	Mr J R K Macbeth	3 7 0	5 1 0
Isca	12 30	Mr E Faulkner	3 2 30	5 6 30
Stella	scr	Lt-Col H W Boyd, I M S	3 15 0	5 9 40
Sapphire	2 0	Capt Muter, R E, and Mr R H Hopkins	3 13 0	5 16 25

The Tomtit class sailed a course of between nine and ten miles. They all got away to a fairly good start, Meg being first over the line, closely followed by Tomtit, Hawthorn, and Lapwing. On the run to Tucker Beacon Meg maintained her lead, and rounded the mark 18 seconds ahead of Tomtit, with Lapwing 37 seconds later, and Hawthorn about the same interval. From this mark to the Red Channal Buoy it was a free reach.

Tomtit and Meg had a short luffing match in which the former gained the lead, and went round the buoy 28 seconds ahead of Meg, Lapwing still keeping the same distance behind the leading boat, and Hawthorn losing ground slightly. No change took place on the run to the finish, but the distance between the boats was somewhat increased. The finishing times were as follows :—

Yacht.	Time allowance on course. M. S.	Entered by	Started at. H. M. S.	Time of arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected time. H. M. S.
Tomtit	scr	Dr F M Gibson	3 20 5	6 30	5 6 30
Meg	scr	Mr O H Byrne	3 20 5	7 45	5 7 25
Lapwing	3 8	Mr F C Richards	3 20 5	8 30	5 5 22
Hawthorn	5 29	Mr L Worgan	3 20 5	11 30	5 5 34
Coralie	7 50	Mr D B Binning	Did not start.		

The usual dinner took place in the evening at Hog Island, bringing to a close what may be considered to have been one of the most successful yachting seasons of recent years.

As I telegraphed you on Monday night, the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament opened on that day, and during the past week we have witnessed some interesting games. The second round was continued on Tuesday evening, when the Middlesex Regiment, from Secunderabad, met the Pioneers, a local civilian club. The game opened in favour of the soldiers, but during the next twenty minutes things ruled very even, play being rapidly transferred from one end of the ground to the other. Eventually, however, the soldiers put on three goals in rapid succession, while close upon half-time the civilians sent into the net. Crossing over with three goals to one in their favour, the regimental team throughout the second-half kept up a hot attack on the Pioneers' goal. They were, however, unable to penetrate the civilians' defence, and there was no further scoring. The same evening the Royal Scots, from Kamptee, met the Customs, but a very disappointing exhibition of the game was witnessed. A couple or three years ago the Scots had one of the finest hockey teams in the Presidency. Since then, however, they have lost the services of a number of their best players, and those who have come in to take their places are by no means such good exponents of the game. As to the Customs the majority of their players are practically new to the game, and in the match on Tuesday, there was plenty of evidence of this fact. "Sticks" were frequent, while one player caused no little amusement by the way in which he wildly careered about the ground waving his hockey stick all over the place. The result was a win for the Scots by seven goals to *nil*. By the way, the refereeing in this match was by no means as good as it might have been, one referee in particular failing to pull men up on many occasions, when he certainly should have done. For a tournament of this kind it is essential that official referees should be appointed who have a thorough knowledge of the game.

In consequence of the Poona Gymkhana scratching and giving the East Lancashire Regiment a walk-over there was only one game on Wednesday evening. The contesting teams were the Grant Medical College and the Cathedral Old Boys' "B" team, and an excellent exhibition was given by the medical students, who eventually ran out winners by eight goals to nil. This team has entered the tournament for the first time this year, and on all hands it was acknowledged that rarely have we had a team in Bombay who could give such a pretty exhibition of the game—their combination was brilliant, every man was always in his place, and their play was marked by an absence of infringements of the rules. On Thursday evening a couple of matches were played off, both were productive of somewhat ragged exhibitions. On the Cooperage the Cathedral Old Boys' "A" team met the Royal Garrison Artillery from Karachi, and won by four goals to nil. For the first 20 minutes of the game the soldiers managed to hold their opponents, but after that the Old Boys were constantly on the attack, and but for bad shooting the margin in their favour would have been much greater. On the Marine Lines ground "D" Company of the Cheshire Regiment were opposed to the Byculla Education Society's eleven, and a close struggle was witnessed. There was little to choose between the play of the two teams. Play on either side was not of a very high order, and the match resulted in a win for the Cheshires by the only goal of the match, which they were somewhat lucky in scoring during a scrimmage in front of the net at the close of twenty minutes' play.

The concluding game in the second round, and the opening game in the third round, were played on Friday evening. On the Marine Lines' ground the York and Lancaster Regiment were opposed to the Elphinstone College, and a capital game resulted. There was very little to choose between the two teams, and from start to finish it was practically a case of "anybody's game." At half-time the College held a lead of one goal to *nil*. Soon after the re-start the military players considerably increased the pace. Several times they sent in shots, but for a time the civilian custodian remained unbeaten. Eventually, however, the military succeeded in equalising, and a few minutes later added their second point from a scrimmage in front of goal. With only five minutes left for play, the College once more made the score level, but a couple of minutes before the close the military forward made a grand combined rush and again found the net, the game terminating in a win for the soldiers by three goals to two.

The opening game in the third round was between the Gymkhana and the Royal Scots, and was of a somewhat one-sided character, the Scots asserting their superiority in all departments of the game, especially towards the close. In this match the civilians made a big mistake in making changes in their team. To start with, they put a man in goal who had never played in that position before, and another change was made in the half-back line, which weakened rather than strengthened it. The Committee would have done well to have played the same two outside half-backs as against the Royal Artillery. The change should have been at centre-half, which was really the weakest spot in the team. In the early part of the game the Gymkhana held the Scots in check with success. In the second-half, however, they went all to pieces, the military team eventually proving victorious by four goals to *nil*.

The match of the tournament, so far as it has gone, came off yesterday (Saturday), when the Grant Medical College and the Cathedral Old Boys "A" team met on the Marine Lines' ground. The general opinion was that this match would really decide the ultimate winners of the tourna-

ment. Never have I seen a bigger crowd at a hockey match in Bombay than that which turned up to see this match. The supporters of both teams came in their hundreds, and when the game started there must have been close on four thousand people present. The game itself was a grand one, both elevens playing at the top of their form. The only goal of the match was scored soon after the start, when Fido found the net with a brilliant shot and thus gave the Medical College the lead. From this point to the close the "Old Boys" did their utmost to score, but they could not penetrate the College defence, while the students came very near adding to their score on two or three occasions. It was a grand game, and excitement ran high, the supporters of the teams lustily cheering one against the other. The hero of the match was Fido, the College centre forward, who, I have no hesitation in saying, is the best centre forward taking part in the tournament. The other match, yesterday, was between the East Lancashires and the Middlesex Regiment, the winners being the latter, who scored four goals to two.

In an interview in Mr. C. B. Fry's new magazine Dr. Warre, the headmaster of Eton, tells the following cricket story :—

I once committed myself in an article I wrote to the opinion that the majority of boys, if left to themselves, would never play any games that called for great exertion. A remarkable instance of this occurred during the earlier half of the last century. A certain celebrated public school was then established. The first headmaster, a very distinguished man, who afterwards became a bishop, noticed that the boys, who were always very industrious and attentive in school hours, only loafed hopelessly through the playtime. So one day he took off his coat, called an assistant master to bowl to him and he began batting hard in the playing field. Gradually a few of the bigger boys joined in, and to-day that school sends out some of the best scholars and best cricketers you could wish for.

"Remember this," continued Dr. Warre, "the school with a good record for games is almost always in the front rank of scholarship. So far from the one destroying the other, I maintain that wise athleticism helps to good scholarship. Fagging in the cricket or football field does good in this way, it ensures the attendance of the younger boys who would otherwise only loaf about the field. I prefer, perhaps, that the boys' playtime should be at their own disposal. It is the more ideal plan, but I see and recognise the necessity for certain amount of discipline in the playing-field as in the schoolroom.

The death is announced of William Spiller, the well-known professional billiard player.

It was only in the early part of last November that he left England for Africa in search of better health, after a long and wearying illness in that country. Born in Hertford on 21st February 1868, Spiller first learnt to play the fascinating game at the Vine Hotel in the town of his birth. He was not twenty years of age when he made his first public appearance, for in the early part of 1887 he competed in the Jubilee "spot barred" Handicap promoted by Messrs. Wright and Company at the Royal Aquarium, and won by the late H. McNeil. His first match of real importance was with Dawson at the Royal Aquarium in November 1890, when he received 1,000 in a game 4,000 up, spot barred. The scores were called 2,173 all and in an interesting finish Spiller won by 93 points. Such a promising player was Spiller that Messrs. Burroughes and Watts soon after this engaged him as billiard coach, a post he kept until his health broke down. Most of Spiller's matches were played at the Dean Street establishment, and the season of 1895 saw him perhaps at his best, for in that year he successfully engaged such formidable opponents as Dawson and Diggle. His biggest break was 529 made in a spot barred match with H. W. Stevenson on 19th March 1896. His other best runs were 419 in 1896 and 407 in 1897, both against C. Dawson. He had great power of cue, a fine touch, and was particularly good at making nursery cannons. The deceased was married and leaves a widow.

Among last week's important English cricket results were the following :—

Leicestershire beat Warwickshire by eight wickets.

Notts beat Kent by three wickets.

Yorkshire beat Cambridge University by an innings and 117 runs.

Oxford University beat Somerset by an innings and 45 runs.

Marylebone beat Sussex by 24 runs and Surrey beat Essex by 125 runs.

The question of fixed-seat rowing has again cropped up in England mainly at the instigation of London R. C. members, we believe. No thoughtful man can get away from the fact that a preliminary course of fixed-seat rowing is essential to everybody who aspires to become a first-class oarsman. This on the face of it. The art of rowing is an intricate one at all times, and very few can excel at it intuitively, so to speak. Some "born not made" oarsman may, perhaps, master its mysteries right away, but the species is rare. How, therefore, can the average oarsman expect to commence his training on sliding-seats?

In the final round of the Amateur Championship of Racquets H. K. Foster, the Worcestershire captain, defeated Eustace Miles by 15-8, 15-5, and 15-11. On Monday, the 25th ultimo, Foster played E. M. Baerlein, the holder, in the championship round, and won. Full details in our London Sporting Letter.

Mr. Foster's chief victories at racquets are as follows :—

1892—Public Schools' Doubles Championship with his brother W L Foster.
1893-6—Inter-University Singles, for Oxford.
1893-6—Inter-University Doubles, for Oxford, with F G Ridgway (three times) and J L Johnson (once).
1894, 1900, 1904 } Amateur Championship.
1894—Amateur Doubles Championship with F G Ridgway.
1896—Amateur Doubles Championship with P Ashworth.
1897—Amateur Doubles Championship with P Ashworth.
1898—Amateur Doubles Championship with W L Foster.
1899—Amateur Doubles Championship with P Ashworth.
1900—Amateur Doubles Championship with P Ashworth.
1903—Amateur Doubles Championship with B S Foster.

That rowing does not shorten life was demonstrated anew at the end of last month at the unique assembly of veteran rowing men, which took place at Putney. The L.R.C. eight-oared crew which won the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley thirty years ago—in 1874, to be precise—were photographed together, and afterwards dined at the L.R.C. headquarters. Their names are :—(Bow) B. Horton, C. S. Routh, C. E. Routh, E. B. Parlour, A. de L. Long, F. L. Playford, S. Le Blanc Smith, F. S. Gulston (stroke), V. Weston (cox). It may be noted that Messrs. Smith, Playford, Long, and Gulston also won the "Stewards" in the same year. A glance at the names, however, will show that Ibsen's heredity theory has a deal of truth in it after all. What's bred in the bone," etc., has been proved a truism, notably in the case of Mr. Long and Mr. Le Blanc Smith. When a new edition of Dr. Morgan's "University Oars" is issued, emphasis should be laid on the historic aquatic gathering in question.

Mr. C. C. Pilkington, the Oxford, Lancashire, and Middlesex cricketer, was married on 21st April to Miss Emilia Lloyd. Mr. Pilkington played for Oxford against Cambridge in 1896, scoring 4 and 44.

Old Cambridge men will have heard with regret the announcement of the death of Mr. John Hilton Ridley, who was one of the crew which turned the tide of the Oxford successes under J. H. D. Goldie, in 1870. But Mr. Ridley was not only a fine oar, he was also an athlete, and in 1868 won the Quarter Mile for Cambridge in the Inter-University Sports in 51secs. In the following year he was given a place in the University boat, and rowed two behind Goldie, who was also rowing for the first time in the race. Cambridge was not successful on that occasion, but in 1870 Mr. Ridley occupied his old place in the boat, and had the satisfaction of being one of the crew which beat Oxford in the boat race for the first time after nine years. Mr. Ridley, who was educated at Eton and Jesus, took his degree in 1871, and then became a civil engineer settling down in Northumberland. He had been ill for some time before his death. In Dr. Morgan's book, "University Oars," a letter is published from Mr. Ridley, in which he says, I certainly think that the training for the "Varsity Race could not possibly damage a man unless he was in a bad state of health to begin with, and such a man is not likely to be chosen. As for myself, I felt more 'fit' and well each day as we got on in training; in fact, I never was better in my life."

Last Saturday evening a sporting littl. match was brought off on the Kidderpore water over a half mile course by two crews of Calcutta Rowing Club members. Messrs. Tassie and Wilson and Messrs. Hales and Blumenthal having entered for the Tub Pairs event in the regatta that fell through last month, decided to row the race nevertheless, and brought it off before a small but very select gallery. It has been our privilege but once before, in a rowing connection of over thirty years, to gaze on a larger and more awe-inspiring bow than Mr J. A. Tassie—that was the memorable occasion on which Messrs. F. C. Danger and J. B. Hoare won the Tub Double Sculls three years ago. Mr. C. S. Wilson, too, has plenty of beef, so that when the crews got aboard their craft the prospect of a win for the big 'uns, who weighed about ten stone more than

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their opponents, seemed assured. In spite of the crab with which Wilson led off, they soon had a lead and with Hales and Blumenthal practically settled half way, they forged ahead and won easily by ten lengths.

The Second Regatta of the Calcutta Rowing Club will be held in July and will include that usually popular race the Class Fours and the Junior Sculls, for which Biffen's new skiffs are shortly expected. We might suggest that intending entrants for the Class Fours begin bestirring themselves to get their crews together. Coaching is available and will be on hand whenever members notify their desire for such to the Honorary Secretary.

Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co. are bringing out a new edition of their War Map. Even the most high priced maps now in circulation have most defective information regarding the Liao-Tung Peninsula, where the interest at the present moment, of course, centres. By a piece of good fortune the publishers have come across a Russian Survey of the Peninsula recently and have included the additional information obtained therefrom in an inset on the extremely generous scale of forty miles to an inch, the country covered being practically up to Harbin. The publishers have endeavoured to bring the eccentric Russian spelling into line with that favoured by English newspapers, but in some cases it will be found that the spelling of words does not quite agree with the English. The information contained on the map may, however, be reckoned on as being quite reliable. The printing is in six colours, and the price twelve annas.

London Week by Week.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 29th April, 1904.*

HAVING held a Court at Buckingham Palace on Friday evening, the King and Queen embarked for Ireland on Monday. The "Official Programme" published in the papers, covers their Majesties' movements until 4th May, when they re-embark at Kingstown. The intention to make the visit in any sense "private" seems rather to have failed, for private letters confirm the newspaper reports which describe the welcome of the King and Queen as splendid. What brought the ebullitions of royalty to boiling point was the Royal visit to Punchestown on Tuesday and Wednesday: and I doubt not that the visit to Leopardstown to-day will evoke demonstrations equally cordial.

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The much-needed Aliens Bill passed its second reading by a thumping majority on Monday night. If we could be astonished by any vagary of C. B. & Co., the attitude of some of that Great Man's supporters would have startled us; some among these got up and wept hysterically over the fathomless iniquity of refusing alien criminals a haven of rest in these islands. A short and useful contribution to the debate was Sir Howard Vincent's: that level-headed man told the House that 13,000 alien criminals were sent to our gaols for various offences every year.

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We were rather taken aback on Thursday morning to learn that on the 21st a mixed force of bluejackets and Hampshires had stormed Illiq on the Italian Somali Coast. It was on the 1st, if I remember aright, that Mr. Arnold Forster told the country that the Mullah's forces had been reduced to a condition of such *débris* that operations against him were over. The remains of that Mullah and his men had escaped into Italian territory and were to be there left alone. Now the merest pen and-ink fellow can see that there is a difference between keeping the field and holding a fortress well planned and strong as Illiq appears to have been: but it was inconsiderate of the Mullah to sustain such severe losses in men and animals and then put up such a good fight as he did on the 21st under any circumstances. It has made the Government look rather foolish.

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Matters are not going too well with Russia apparently, successes in sinking unarmed transports notwithstanding. That discovery of mines floating down the Neva with obvious designs on two ships of war must have been disconcerting, whether they were set afloat by disaffected Finns or anyone else. Now it is reported that a local militia is to be formed for the defence of Sakhalin, that dreariest and worst administered of convict settlements. If true, this idea of arming convicts in the cause of Holy Russia, suggests paucity of material: it is difficult to imagine that they can be depended on to do anything, but turn against their guards and those in authority over them. A telegram from St. Petersburg yesterday said that Russia has now four submarines ready for work at Port Arthur. Like the cooly I am a very poor man who knows nothing, but it does cross my mind that if I had got four such terrible engines of war and wished to get the full value out of them I should keep my possession a close secret and bring the submarines into action to the devastation of mine enemy next time he made the attack which is now about due. Of course if I had no submarines at my hand, and wished to prevent another attack on my port, it might occur to me to let mine enemy know by a side wind that I had received incredible quantities of submarines per goods train. I shall watch for news of the next Japanese attack on Port Arthur with peculiar interest.

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Professor Hans Delbrück of Berlin is, I believe, a man of much account in Germany; his mind is the mirror of all that is most representative of German thought. I hope this is not so though, because the professor has just been letting himself go in a journal or magazine with a (to me) unpronounceable name and the telegraphic summary of his views is attracting attention. He says that the mission of Germany is to prevent the world from becoming British. He regards the Anglo-Saxonisation of the universe as a mere matter of time if Germany does not step in to prevent it. Germany, he says, must be exerting her power to the utmost to enforce the principle of the equal rights of the plurality of nations. I am not quite sure that I know what that means, but perhaps it is the "own correspondent's" way of watering down "the equal rights of all nations" when it would be comprehensible to mean intellects like my own. So far there is no great cause of quarrel with the professor, but when he goes on to express his opinion that "war may still be avoided between Great Britain and Germany" one asks what in the name of Anglo-French agreement is the matter with Germany? I glean that he anticipates with cheerful confidence a fierce row between Russia and England when the former has done with Japan or when Japan has done with Russia and that event he says "should supply Germany with the unique opportunity of saving her place as a World Power." Meantime we can only stare in amazement and ask how and where is her place as a Power, World or otherwise, threatened. It is difficult to believe that the professor really speaks for his Fatherland.

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The New Army Order is directed against the exercise of "interest" I suppose. Under this officers are forbidden to write to officials at the War Office privately about personal matters as steps, appointments, transfers, etc.; they are forbidden to ask for any interview with any War Office official without written permission from the General, unless they belong to battalions abroad, when they may apply for an interview direct. "Attempts to obtain favourable consideration of any application by the use of outside influence are forbidden:" such attempt will be held to prove that the officer is not qualified for the post he so attempts to obtain. Dear me! Has "interest" been so mischievous as to require such measures as these? I can quite understand the anxiety to check the stream of anxious enquirers who have written to ask for something and "run up to town to ask what my chances are:" these are numerous to a nuisance as I can see for myself: but has "interest"—sheer downright exertion of influential friends—been the means of jobbing round pegs into square holes to such a degree that drastic measures are needed? Men will have to be very careful what they say to friends, as if anybody ask for anything on behalf of an officer the officer will be held responsible unless he can prove that he had no knowledge of the application.

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To-day is the Private View of the Academy. Having spent Wednesday there among the pressmen, and having this letter on my hands to-day, I beg leave to postpone detailed remarks till next week. The show struck me as particularly strong in portraits, though there are no sergeants of the startling kind that catch you firmly by the eyes and bid you sit down and let the effect sink in. The new gallery has been open for several days and it is on my conscience that I did not write of this show last week.

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Watts is represented by five pictures: he grows allegorical to mystery. "Whence, Whither?" (No. 39), a chubby child just out of the dark sea behind him, liked me best: but it irresistibly recalls "Good luck to your fishing," and one is inclined to ask the chubby child what he has done with his wings and hand line. Sargent has a capital likeness of "Toby M. P.;" the man himself alive, alert. J. M. Strudwick has a beautiful allegory of the school we know, "Passing Days." There are some really great portraits: Shannon's of little 'Joan Ratcliffe," Sargent's "Mrs. Hugh Smith,' Richard Jack's wonderfully graceful "Mrs. Leonard Avery," and the Hon'ble John Collier's daring achievement "Mrs. Anthony Hope Hawkins," in gold and yellow in startling harmony with the lady's red brown hair. Among the landscapes nothing sticks more in mind than Mr. Charles Whymper's "On the Top of Schichullion," lichen rocks tenanted by a few ptarmigan in summer dress, with wonderful atmospheric effects. Mr. Adrian Stokes' "November in the Dolomites" is another striking bit of work.

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Miss Nellie Farren died yesterday. Her name will always be inseparable from that of the Old Gaiety, behind whose footlights she made her last public appearance the night before the house was closed for demolition. Her famous benefit in 1898 provoked the most extraordinary display of affectionate loyalty to an actress ever seen in London: people assembled in hundreds at the theatre door more than 24 hours before the curtain was to rise and the total realised was £7,000. Nellie Farren's popularity was probably greater and wider than that of any burlesque actress before or since, and she owed it entirely to her boundless animation, good humour and native drollery. She was not a beautiful woman: she lacked the "presence" which goes for so much; but success showed how other gifts more than compensated for those nature denied her. Who that saw Nellie Farren in Little Dr. Faust will ever forget her? or as the street Arab in Aladdin?

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But one dare not begin the congenial task of reviewing the Gaiety pieces in which Nellie Farren shone: that were to write the history of the old theatre for just quarter of a century, and that the brightest period of its career first under Mr. Hollingshead and then under Mr. Edwards. Graceful, original, sympathetic, and full of ready humour, Nellie Farren had no twilight in her stage career: it was cut short abruptly by the rheumatic attack which crippled her and for more than ten years she had been more or less an invalid. Her death was due to some affection of the heart, but her end was unexpected, and only on Wednesday did there appear any cause to expect it.

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Exceedingly clever and pathetic is Miss Hilda Trevleyan's reading of the part of Amanda Afflick, the workhouse girl heroine in "'Op o' me Thumb," which piece, having been played by the stage society, was promptly secured as a curtain raiser to "Saturday to Monday" at the St. James'. I am not over partial to moving plays, but there is a freshness and humanity about this little piece that fascinates. 'Op o' me thumb is engaged at a laundry and reads penny novelettes at odd moments: she lives in a world of dreams whereunto mangle and soap suds enter not. Out of her novelettes she invents parents and relations to satisfy the searching curiosity of her fellows: but the action centres on her appointment of Horace Greensmith (Mr. Nye Chart), a working man who brings his "other shirt" to be washed, to be her lover. The man has never even noticed her, but they make acquaintance one day when he comes for that shirt and he then learns that he is 'Op's ideal. He is a good fellow and offers to take her for a Bank Holiday outing, but 'Op, who is observant, sees that he would be ashamed to be seen with her and refuses to go: so she declares she has been fooling him and they part with manifest reluctance on both sides. Curtain. A little, little thing, but a veritable gem of minor tragedy.

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Sir Edward Clarke had a dig at the cryptogramists in his speech at the Savage Club on Saturday night. He delighted the savages by demonstrating that by the careful application of Mrs. Gallup's principles it could be shown that William Shakespeare wrote the prayer book version of the psalms. His remarks were timely as they were busy with the annual festival at Stratford on Avon last week, and the "London Shakespeare League," which, I believe, aims at keeping alive that which will never die, was hard at work all Saturday visiting such remnants of Elizabethan London as have not been county councilled out of existence, in hearing speeches and in dining at the Cri: (the reckless modernity of it! but I suppose they had to dine somehow and somewhere). They did what they might to import a Shakespearian atmosphere to the banquet, regaling themselves with music of the period, including a "pavan and galliard for three viols and virginals." This seems an appropriate place to remark that on Saturday was sold for £305 the original warrant on which John Bunyan was committed to Bedford gaol on 15th March 1674, the term of imprisonment during which he is believed to have begun the "Pilgrims' Progress."

The dramatic world is rather disturbed by the latest move of the Lord Chamberlain. Managers of theatres have been informed by circular that encore verses and gags must be submitted to the censor before they may be used on the boards. As regards encore verses these are often topical and, I conceive, not to be called impromptu : and if the censor is to "pass" the original verses of a song it seems only consistent that he should pass any additions to it. "Gags" are rather different and I imagine it is the restriction placed on these that annoys the manager. After all the hardship should not be very great: the Lord Chamberlain is not likely to take proceedings against an actor who happens to gag one night : and if the utterance be incorporated into the play there will be plenty of time to obtain the censor's approval or reverse. Meantime the order serves useful purpose as a gag. George Grossmith last night in the Orchid pleaded the Lord Chamberlain's leave for mentioning *apropos* of nothing of course, that Cambridge won the boat race.

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Mr. Beerbohm Tree's Academy of Dramatic Art was formally inaugurated by a meeting at His Majesty's on Monday. Mr. Tree gave an outline of the curriculum. He did not put the item first, but perhaps he might have done it without criticism,—students "would learn to think dramatically" (he thanks the Joe for teaching him that phrase). The academy will teach elocution, fencing, dancing, deportment, pantomime and gesture, and will train pupils by rehearsal. There has been an entrance examination for more aspirants to the stage than the academy could hold, and 20 per cent. of these were advised that there was no histrionic force in them. Those who have passed in will be told if they are not likely to succeed. Mr. Tree hopes eventually to obtain a charter and to translate his academy into a public institution : but where lies the benefit of such translation should the school become, as it hopes, a self-supporting institution.

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Various items : the Pollard trial, as everyone foresaw, has been followed by the arrest of six of those who figured as witnesses in those remarkable divorce proceedings. The house in Coventry Street, formerly known to many of us as the Lyric Club, has been re-opened as the Walsingham on much the same lines as the old one. A place where one could get supper after the theatre is much needed and the Walsingham will provide it up to the reasonable hour of 2 A. M. The L. C. C. have decided to contribute £,8000 towards the purchase of the land it is sought to add to Hampstead Heath. £48,000 is wanted and the total contributions promised so far are thus brought up to £30,000. Mr. F. K. Munton, Mr. Hadyn Coffin's legal adviser, has recommended the shareholders of the defunct Lyceum Theatre Company to refuse the princely dividend of seven pence in the pound which it has been proposed to pay.

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The Admiralty made no answer at all to the idiotic request of the Humanitarian League to be allowed to take photographs of boys in the Navy being whipped. The request, as mild Parliamentary language puts it, "was considered an improper one." Rev. Henry George Woods, Rector of Little Gaddesden, Herts, and for ten years President of Trinity College, Oxford, succeeds Canon Ainger as master of the Temple. The L. C. C. have refused to allow two Boer guns to be placed on the Victoria Embankment because it "did not approve" the South African War and because it shrank, the tender body, from a step which might hurt the feelings of Boers. Mr. Kensit's appeal against his conviction and fine by the Lord Mayor for brawling in St. Paul's was rejected with costs. Mr. Brodrick announced on Wednesday that Coopers Hill is to be closed as a measure of economy, other engineering colleges providing sufficient candidates for the P. W. D.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

IN BIRDLAND WITH FIELD GLASS AND CAMERA.

WE were very pleased to receive this most interesting little book on British birds. It is divided into four parts dealing with those birds found in the woods, fields and hedgerows, the stream and its banks and some Norfolk birds. The greatest feature in the book is its illustrations which are all from photos taken by the author himself. There are many of these and they are all excellent. It is hard to say which of these is the best, but perhaps the most interesting are those of the Bearded Tit or Reedling, these birds being so rare at home, in fact they were a few years back, supposed to be extinct in Britain, and even now it is only in the Broads of Norfolk where one is likely to come across them. They are also said to occur in Devonshire. We are given three photos of this species, one of the nest and eggs, one of the young being fed and a most interesting one of one of the old birds in the act of cleaning out the nest. Many hours were spent in obtaining these photos ; Mr. Pike must have the patience of Job to have waited the long time which he did in taking them. We ourselves would have given it up in disgust long before he did.

For taking occasional snapshots he advocates the use of a gun camera in which you can focus the bird up to the moment of exposure.

Mr. Pike is a keen ornithologist and one who evidently loves birds for their own sakes and not simply as creatures to be shot down or robbed of their eggs. He is very strong against the wholesale robbing of nests but doesn't object to a few being taken, he himself being a collector.

One bird he has never been able to snapshot on the nest is the Moorhen. He tells us of how he has tried over and over again and how near success he has been, but something always happened to scare the bird away. We wish him luck in his further endeavours of obtaining the long wished for photos. Writing about the Great Spotted Woodpecker Mr. Pike mentions ' what a number of attempts this Woodpecker makes at boring a hole for its nest before it finally settles on a suitable tree!" We have noticed this also repeatedly out here more especially with the small Indian Pigmy Woodpecker, evidently the smaller the bird the more difficult it is for it to get wood soft enough for it to bore into deep enough for the laying of its eggs. The handsome little Blue it is evidently not a bird to be kept in aviaries with other small fry as we read of one which when it found its companion in difficulties, being caught in a trap, uttered a cry of exultation and pounced on the unfortunate prisoner vigorously pecked at his head until it was able to eat the brains. Accounts of the habits of many species are given and are told just as observed by the author, and these make most interesting and edifying reading.

We are given a sad account of the extermination of a colony of herons in Florida as told by Mr Gilbert Pearson at the World's Congress on Ornithology at Chicago in 1897. Mr Pike also speaks very pathetically about the sport of rook-shooting, but whether his account is too highly coloured or not we can't say, never having indulged in this sport. He first gives an account of a colony of rooks busy with their domestic affairs and then another account of the same old rookery but a little later on. Standing under the trees are several sportsmen dealing out death to the poor helpless young birds, of whom some fall back wounded into the nests that have been their happy homes ; others, while their life is ebbing, cling to a branch, but at last fall back, and as their hold loosens they drop to the ground with loud thuds. The distracted parent Rooks, flying out of gunshot, are entreating their young to leave the nest and some will attempt to do this ; but after flapping a short distance they fall a prey to the guns. Thus the spring day passes, the many tinted flowers of the smiling and perfumed meadow seeming to be quite out of keeping with such cruel extermination... but it does not strike one as being genuine sport, this standing beneath a tree to shoot helpless birds which cannot fly many yards, which even have to be hustled out of their nests to become a mark for "sportsmen" below.

In Bird-Land with Field Glass and Camera.—By Oliver G. Pike. London :—Messrs T. Fisher Unwin.

Shikar.

A HOT WEATHER SHOOT.

AT the beginning of April 1903 I found myself at C. which is overrun with tigers and panthers. About a month before my arrival two of my friends had been in camp there for a weak or so, and had had 11 bullock killed but never got a shot. My luck, however, was out. On the second day a man was carried off while cutting grass some two miles from my camp, but although I set up beat the beast never appeared. After four days of fruitless tying up I had to leave. The lack of game was probably due to jungle fires which were raging all round. On the 15th I arrived at a small village called G. where I made arrangements for a beat as I was told that pig and four-horned antelope were abundant. We started out about 2 P M. and at 3 P.M. the beat commenced. I had only a ·256 with me as I expected nothing big. At the end of the beat a four-horn gave me a very difficult shot which I missed and then the beaters appeared all very excited. I got down from my ladder and one of my stops told me that just before I fired a tiger had walked past him. The beast must have passed within 60 yards on my left, but it was too thick for me to see. Collecting the beaters and telling them not to begin beating till I sent word, I went quietly on through the jungle for about three-quarter of a mile and took up my position on a Mohwa tree. I had a very good position as the tree was on a path at right angles to the direction of the beat and I could command a good hundred yards on either side. Having posted half-a-dozen stops on each side of me I sent back word for the beat to begin. The jungle in which the tiger was supposed to be was about two miles by half a mile wide and I was in the middle. On each side were open fields of long dry grass which I caused to be fired at the beginning of the beat. I was sitting there listening to the beating and trusting that if there was a tiger it would give me a standing shot, when I heard a rustling in front and suddenly caught a glimpse of a fine panther trotting along. He came to a halt on the path and looked about him. It was not a nice shot as he was partly hidden by a bush, but I didn't like to let him go on as the jungle was thick. The shot broke his hip and he rolled over on the path growling and snapping at his paw. He was then right under the tree and the second shot took him in the centre of the chest coming out between the shoulder blades and just missing the spine. On receiving the shot he scrambled into the jungle behind me and I fired a third shot as I saw him crawling away but missed. The beaters were shrieking and howling like fiends and it was some time before I could get them to hear that the beast had gone on. When they came up they told me that at the first shot a tiger had broken back. Of course, if I had known that a tiger was really in the beat, I might have let the panther go, but when I saw it I made sure they had not seen a tiger but only this panther However, it was too late to do anything. One of my stops had marked the panther down under a tree and climbing another tree close by I saw the beast lying panting and put a bullet through his head. He was a fine male of 7′ 1″ in good coat. Feeling satisfied with the day's work and trusting for more luck we went off to the bungalow at J. some 6 miles distant.

I got to J. about 6 P.M. and was met by the headman who said that a tiger had been killing lately and that he had tied up four old bullocks as bait. This was good news and I went to bed full of hope. Next morning the headman turned up and said that one of the bullock had been killed and the body dragged away about 100 yards. I went out to the place which was about a mile from the bungalow. The cow, or rather bullock, had been killed on a path and the body dragged into a bend some 100 yards away and nearly all of it eaten. There were mark of two tigers. There was very little of the bullock left but I determined to sit over what there was and at the same time have another tied about a mile away at a small tank. I sat up from about 4 P.M till 9 P.M. and never saw a thing except a jungle cock. I have, however, no doubt that the tigers were about as the crows began to make a great noise at 6 P.M., but I fancy the tiger saw me as the *machan* had to be made in a very open place.

Next morning I was told that a panther had killed the decrepit bullock tied up near the tank and had dragged away the body. This struck me as an unusual exhibition of strength as the bullock had been tied by the leg to a tree and the rope was a good cotton one what I had supplied. The body had not yet been found as the men did not like to go into the thick jungle. I went out at once, some 2 miles, and found as I expected that the bullock had been taken by tigers, their pad marks being very numerous. They were evidently the same tigers who had killed the first bullock.

We followed the track of the body for about 200 yards and found the horns and a few bones under a tree. it had been entirely eaten, and the ground all round was trampled and rolled over by the tigers There was no use in sitting up so I sent out at once and at 1 P.M. had 150 beaters ready. The jungle, where the tigers were, was an ideal place to beat. A strip of fairly light *sâl* jungle extending from the village of J. to a range of hills some 6 miles distant. This strip was in no place more than half a mile wide. All the other bits of cover close by had been recently burnt. The tank where the bullock had been killed was two miles from J and about a mile and a half from there the strip of jungle narrowed to 200 yards in width. I took up my position in this neck and posted stops on each side. I commanded the whole of the narrow part and if the tigers were in the beat I must get a shot. The *machan* was six feet off the ground, in the middle of a small clump of *sâl* saplings but I had a 10-bore rifle and trusted to keep any tiger off with that.

It was very hot and still and I could hear the beat start, at least two miles away. The beaters came slowly closer and closer and when they were about 250 yards off I began to fear that the tigers were not there. Just then my nearest stop on the right began making violent signals from the top of his tree I looked towards when he was pointing and was cheered by the sight of two tigers walking slowly towards me on my right front some 50 yards away. As I looked one of them spotted me and stopped. Without a moment's delay I gave him the 10-bore in the chest. He gave a coughing roar and through the smoke I saw him standing on his hind legs and striking at the empty air with his fore paws before falling back. Before the smoke cleared another tiger tore past the *machan* on my right making a great noise. The second barrel missed. I jumped up and seized the Mannlicher and gave it two shots as it was departing but missed. Re-loading, I looked to my stop for information about the first tiger. He said that it had crawled back towards the beaters. I shouted this information to them and told them to climb trees and see if they could see it, but not to come on till they know where it was I had hardly spoken when I saw a tiger dash right across my front, from right to left, at a distance of about 70 yards. It was impossible to get a shot. The beaters were making a great noise especially those on the left. I was waiting anxiously for news of the wounded tiger when my eye was attracted by something on my left front about 50 yards off. I looked up and saw a tiger standing facing me but with his head over his shoulder listening to the beaters. I fired at his chest with the 10-bore and knocked him over into a date bush. Up he jumped and came straight for the *machan* roaring like a devil. I determined to keep the remaining barrel till he was at the *machan* and then see what the ·256 would do. However, the tiger's spirit failed, and about 15 yards off he turned sharp to his right and passed the *machan*. I gave him the second barrel through the ribs and dropped him. He died in a most remarkable attitude, just subsiding on the ground, so that when we went to look at him he was crouched as if in the act of springing. While I was attending to this tiger a fourth had broken beat. The beaters now shouted that they had marked down the wounded tiger and he was very sick. I went off to them. The jungle looked like a menagerie of black monkeys as every tree within view of the tiger was crowded with beaters. Making my way to the tree nearest to him I climbed up and saw the wounded brute evidently very sick. Not being able to see his head I took a shot with the Mannlicher at his neck. On receiving the shot he scrambled to his feet and made a rush to a very thick bush some 30 yards from him, when he subsided. I couldn't get a shot from where I was so I got down and sending for my elephant I got on her back and went to a tree some 10 yards from the bush where the tiger was The elephant unfortunately was not quiet under fire so I climbed from her back into the tree and saw my friend lying down and turning his head from side to side. A bullet through the brain finished him. The tigers were both young males and each was exactly 8′ 6″. I had evidently come upon a family party. The only thing that annoyed me was missing the second tiger, it was a fairly easy shot, but I suppose my excite-

ment spoilt it. The return to the bungalow was most imposing as the villagers garlanded the tigers and four men danced before them waving flowery branches whilst others beat tomtoms and made strange sounds through various weird wind instruments that they had brought to beat (!) with. On arriving at J. the village all turned out and escorted us to the bungalow where the beaters were paid off and the work of removing the skins commenced.

MONDAY.

Fishing.

THE ROHU (LABEO ROHITA).

THE Rohu and Kala-Bans (*Labeo calbasu*) or *Kalbose* of Bengal, are the two best known members of the Labeo family. The latter fish is the common Labeo of Madras.

The Rohu is so widely spread, so generally accessible, and grows to such a size, that it deserves a very warm corner in all Indian anglers' hearts. As it is essentially a bottom feeder, and has to be sought in the sleepy depths of tanks and lakes in the plains, there will be no charms of mountain scenery and rushing water, as with the mahseer, to enhance the pleasures of the sport. The Rohu has to rely entirely on its own solid merits for popularity. Its large size and dogged resistance when hooked, have gained for it a high place as a sporting fish, in spite of the absence of all poetry from its surroundings! Although Rohu are invariably angled for with a paste or worm bait resting on the bottom, yet the methods of presenting the lure and detecting the cautious bites, are so different under differing circumstances that it will be necessary to make some sort of classification.

First there is the tank or lake with deep calm water close to the edge. The depth of the water permits of large fish coming close to the side and feeding there during the day. Unless there is six to eight feet of water near the bank big fish are very chary of coming close to in the daytime, and, moreover, if the water is shallow they are scared at once, by any movement of the angler or of the rod. The absence of ripple allows of a float being used. Deep calm water close to the side is therefore an ideal condition for bottom fishing in a tank. The tackle under these circumstances is simple, a stiff light ten or eleven-foot ringol rod with upright rings and a check winch with 100 yards of fine line.

The weight may be of lead wire wound round the shank of the hook as recommended by Thomas, or the *atta* bait alone may be relied upon to pull the float down the necessary distance. The main object of a weight is to sink the pellet of paste rapidly, and thus prevent its being knocked about by small fish on the way down.

In addition to the single hook carrying the lump of paste Thomas advises a pair of Limericks whipped back to back hanging below and unbaited. There should be two inches of gut between the single paste hook, and the unbaited pair of hooks. These latter lie flat in the mud and are not noticed by the Rohu; so that when you strike, if the top hook fails to get him in the lip, there is every chance of the double hooking him under the jaw.

Luscombe's advice is to have a big shot attached to the double gut cast a short distance above the hook, which is a special short shanked round bend, manufactured expressly for this fishing. The depth should be plumbed so that the shot just rests on the bottom, with the float upright and about one inch of it out of the water. [We prefer this method.—ED.]

Both systems of fishing have strong points in their favour. If the fish will bite when Thomas' tackle is used, there is certainly no doubt that the disposition of hooks gives one the very best chance of catching them. I believe, however, there are many tanks where a Rohu would not have anything to do with a lump of paste which had a piece of vertical gut going straight from it to the surface Moreover I am sure that shy fish are very suspicious of any unnatural weight or drag about the piece of paste offered to them: I would, therefore, if possible, dispense with the lead wire wound round the shank of the bait hook. I have tried the short shank Rohu hooks and have a very high opinion of them, because they enable one to bury a fairly large and powerful hook in a moderate sized lump of paste. The long shank is objectionable as that part so readily becomes bare of paste when a fish nibbles; it also stiffens and lengthens the bait making it less easy for a fish to take the lump of dough into its mouth, without detecting that there is a hard and foreign substance concealed inside.

When the shot rests on the bottom, the paste bait has no signs of gut in its immediate vicinity: the part between the shot and the hook lies flat on the bottom out of sight.

If there should be a strong ripple on the water, a float is useless: it is then a good plan to use an auxiliary rod as recommended by Thomas. The small rod is simply employed to detect the bites with and to strike from; the fish when hooked are played from the ordinary rod and reel.

As the line will have to go through two top rings (the main and auxiliary rods) the paste cannot be cast from the rod in the ordinary way: it is necessary to coil up the line on the ground so that it can run out freely, and then throw out the bait by hand.

The auxiliary rod should be of thin light cane going to a fine point so as to be as sensitive as possible. I have heard that a whalebone tip is a great improvement. There should be a small ring at the tip of the small rod for the running line to go through. When a fish has been hooked the little rod is at once dropped, and the ordinary rod picked up and the fish played from it.

This system of fishing is, I hear, used in the large wind-swept lakes in the Jhansi district.

There are many water ponds and lakes which, though calm enough, are yet so shallow at their edges that the paste bait has to be cast far out. You cannot see the movements of a Rohu float at a distance, so that here, too, the quill must be dispensed with. Owing, however, to the calmness of the water we are able to do without the troublesome auxiliary rod, and fish direct with the ordinary ringol. The bait should be cast out, the line drawn gently taut, and the rod laid over a forked stick so that the line goes off it almost at right angles; this is arrived at by laying the rod nearly parallel to the bank.

I always watch the line more than the rod tip; when the water is calm the slightest touch to the bait is indicated by vibration of the line.

If Rohu are biting boldly, a few gentle tugs will be followed by a long slow drag; it is during this drag that one should strike.

It is quite hopeless attempting to formulate genera rules as to when to strike. Rohu behave quite differently under differing conditions, and, moreover, when fishing for them one often gets bites from Mirgil (*Cirrhina mrigala*) and Kala-Bans, which still further complicates matters.

Rohu are curiously different in their behaviour when hooked some leap into the air, and then go off with a rush; others allow themselves to be drawn to the side directly they are hooked, and only begin to fight after they have seen the landing net. As a rule they take a long time to tire out, and though they may not run out much line after the first rush or two, yet they make a prolonged and dogged resistance. Ground baiting should not be overdone, especially in small tanks. In some places turtles are a great nuisance; the bigger ones are almost impossible to get out on ordinary tackle.

A large hook on strong Hercules gimp, with a big lump of paste or meat, in combination with a short strong sea rod and stout line, will be found equal to most turtles.

Having had my gut smashed one evening in a pool in the Jumna, I rigged up some tackle as described above to defeat the turtles and very soon caught two of about 50lbs. and 60lbs. respectively. For large Rohu I prefer a cast made of double sea-trout gut throughout. The strands are laid side by side, not twisted, and each pair fastened to the next with buffer knots. It is a little difficult at first when making up traces, to get the lengths of gut exactly even, but it is most important that each strand should bear a fair share of the strain. When fish run under ten pounds single gut is good enough.

I hate Tussa lines and never use one: I think that at least thirty yards of one's line should be plaited silk, waterproofed for preference. This does not tie itself up into hopeless snarls, and when the water is unsuitable for float, you can swing out a paste bait a long distance without the least difficulty. It is a pity no effort is made in India to produce plaited Tussa silk lines: they would be first rate for everything.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

Correspondence.

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THE CLOSE SEASON FOR GAME.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I was interested in reading two letters in your edition of yesterday, one by *Raoul* headed "Late Snipe" and detailing bags made by him of Snipe, Teal and Partridges between the 17th April and 3rd May, and the other by *Sportsman* headed "Close season for Quails" giving the regulations with regard to the close season and suggesting that the vendors of game in the close season should be prosecuted.

Surely it is as great an offence to kill game during the close season as it is to offer it for sale, and it seems to me that *Raoul* renders himself liable to punishment. His defence might be that the game he has been shooting does not breed in the plains. This would not hold, and surely he can get sufficient shooting during the seven months in the year to give birds a rest during the remaining five?

PINTAIL.

13th May 1904.

A COINCIDENCE

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I seldom break golf clubs and for many a day have not had such a misfortune. I played golf this morning with a friend who tells me his experience is the same.

At the fifth hole I played a clean shot off the tee and the ball flew straight and fell about 100—120 yards off: my driver head, alas! flew also, about 30 yards off.

My friend then went and did the same, his ball being exactly 4 yards beyond mine, his driver head a little short of mine (sorry I forgot to measure the distance). Both shots clean hits, both balls straight, neither head nor shaft the least bit hurt.

As there's nothing very meritorious in above I withhold names, though men have received Kaiser-i-Hinds for less, but if anyone collects details of curious coincidences and wishes the above authenticated my name and official rank with address are at his service.

9th May, 1904. JACK.

THE MEASUREMENT OF MEN!

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Most of us have heard of, and are acquainted with, the measurement of horses, of dogs, of monkeys even, and occasionally of other animals, and have recognized such as data zoologically—and incidentally anthropologically—interesting and acceptable in our estimate of the physical attributes of the dumb creation, when it has been a matter of assessing the worth or otherwise of creatures necessary or desirable for our use or comfort, whether it has been for sporting, domestic, or playful purposes. Some of these measurements, too, have of course found their place in what is known to sporting men as natural history record. Now, however, certain faddists at Home, known academically as "Anthropometricians" are venturing on further scientific research, for English papers lately to hand advise that a scheme is on foot having for (apparently) its chief object the ascertainment of the exact aggregate anthropometrical value and resource of the British nation, with a view to provincially-differential comparison!

We are solemnly told that "there is a likelihood that the Committee which is at present investigating the alleged decline of the national physique will recommend a scheme for measuring and weighing the population of the United Kingdom. The desirability of adopting such a scheme has been strongly urged upon the Committee by doctors and anthropologists. The development of a project of such magnitude will necessarily occupy considerable time, but it is understood that it has so far advanced that a schedule based upon measurements and tests prepared by Dr. Cunningham, of the Edinburgh University, is now being drawn up by a section of the British Association." One pauses to think what such knowledge, when acquired, may not evoke in the breasts of our friendly foes! To further this most interesting scheme, it is suggested that a copy of the schedule alluded to should be sent to "every householder with a request that he state therein the age, height, weight, chest measurement, and other facts respecting the physical condition of himself and each member of his family. Furthermore, it is proposed to establish in every important centre of population a bureau where men and women of all ages will be encouraged to present themselves for measurement by male and female enumerators."

One of the committee members advocating this very exhaustive and expansive scheme, had the hardihood to point out a few of the "many" difficulties confronting the project. Let us take one only! That is in reference to "obtaining the measurements of girls in a higher social sphere than those employed in mills or shops, but the hope has not been abandoned that in the interests of science and the public well being they would supply privately the required information. Anthropologists are anxious that the measurements should include those of the skull." Yes: and I think they would—eventually if the idea were attempted, say somewhere up in Durham, "where the coals come from!"

But seriously speaking, one may well ask the promoters of this unique and fantastic scheme, *cui bono*. So far as I have been able to see there has been advanced no suspicion even of any possible practical good to the present generation, or to the next, or to those that may follow, in the derivation of the knowledge which it is fatuously—very fatuously—sought to acquire. Of course England, or rather Great Britain, or, a bit further rather, Greater Britain, might be found to possess greater stature, strength and weight than our foes even now suspect, or it might be the reverse, but from a purely insular point of view, this ethnic information would be practically valueless to us, as we should have no other racial statistics of like nature with which to compare our aggregate national physique. As one of the committee remarked, we have "no precedent for our guidance, as an anthropometrical survey on like extensive lines has never been previously undertaken in Europe." No, nor in any other part of the world either.

It is claimed that the statistics obtained by the proposed census would be of immense value in future comparisons, and as regards present practical use, it is urged that the survey would demonstrate whether the general physique of the residents of one British town, say, was superior to that of residents of another, for then, "local authorities could investigate the cause of any inferiority shown, and remedy the circumstances contributing to it," presumably by removing them. It is difficult to follow the committee in their sanguine anticipation. It is generally conceded that the causes of dissimilarity in physique have been known for generations, not only to scientists and statisticians, but to the ordinary "man in the street." Scotchmen, for instance, are invariably accredited, and rightly, with the possession of hardier constitutions and robuster physiques generally than those who live, say, in London! And why? A more invigorating climate, freer inhalation of a purer and cooler atmosphere, plainer and more wholesome diet, and in other respects less depressing and enervating surroundings." No municipality can change its climatic conditions at will; no "local authorities" can inculcate into the minds of the residents the alpha and omega, of health, strength, and physique, seeing that, since time immemorial, medical men have failed to impress the a b c (and z) of salutary principles upon the individual, to the extent of much material beneficial inception.

Local influences have admittedly a very great deal to do with genealogical physical deterioration, for there can be no possible doubt that the increase of a town's population, and its concomitant "cribbing, cabining, and confining," as the late Charles Du Val would have said, of its units and its industries, into a more and more circumscribed space as the years roll on, must of necessity tend towards a gradual vitiation of that pure atmosphere which is Humanity's breath and life! The

British public have "to live and move and have their being" entirely in accordance with individual possessive circumstances. And not all the anthropologists in Greater Britain will ever be able to evolve from their metrical comparisons any plan by which those circumstances can be mitigated—even if their census scheme be found to be practicable! One has no need to enquire why the Zulus, to take another instance, are such a fine upstanding race. Their very mode of life proclaims the answer. It is a matter that goes without saying. Sociologists probably have their own theory to account for the supposed physical deterioration of the British nation. Physicists, on the other hand, may argue that loss in stature and general bodily development is a feasible correllative of a nation's *mental* expansion. I should prefer to accept *this* dictum if it were not for the very palpable insalutary influences. But whatever be the causes that conduce to Britain's most alarming (!) tendency towards pygmean conditions, it is certain that these Daniels who are coming to our judgment—eminently scientific though they be—will never succeed in advancing any practical remedy, that will be accepted for adoption, for the evils that it may please them to saddle with our terrible doom! Again I ask of their scheme *cui bono?* Their labour *must* end in vain. Can any of your ethnological readers perceive any possible future advantage in any "civilized" race of people knowing to a pound and an inch their aggregate national physique?

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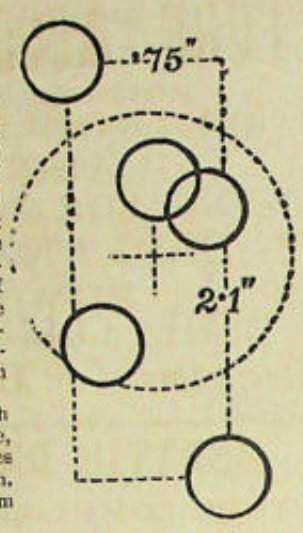
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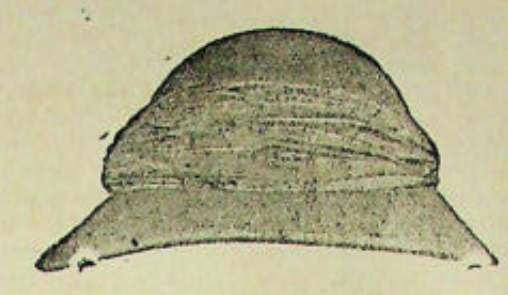
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Simla Summer	,,	24, 26 and 28	
Colombo Monsoon	,,	26 & 28	
Bangalore Extra	,,	28	
Mussoorie Summer Races ..	June	9 & 11	38
Mysore	,,	25, 28, 30	451
Peshmarhi Open Gymkhana ..	,,	6 & 8	
Bangalore Extras	,,	4 & 11	
Bangalore Races	July	9, 12 & 14	
Colombo August	August	6, 9, 11 & 13	507
Poona First Extra	July	30	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	6	
,, Third ,, ...	,,	13	
,, Fourth ,, ...	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,, ...	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,, ...	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,, ...	Sept.	3	
,, Eighth ,, ...	,,	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	Sept.	21, 24, 26, 28	
		Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	
Lucknow Autumn Sky ..	,,	25 & 27	625
Umballa Autumn	Nov.	8, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	,,	15, 17, & 19	
Lucknow Autumn	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	10	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	17	
,, First Meeting	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	27	
Lahore Xmas	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	,,	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	14 & 21	
,, Third Extra	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,, ...	Feb.	4	

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Mussoorie Summer	Second ..	20th May.
	Final ..	4th June.
Bangalore	First ..	1st June.
	Second ..	15th June.
	Third ..	1st July.
Poona Races	First ..	2nd August.
	Second ..	23rd ,,
	Final ..	6th September
Army Cup	Second ..	1st July.
	Third ..	1st October
	Final ..	15th Nov.
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,, Second Meeting ..	First ..	30th Nov.
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Meerut Autumn Sky	First ..	1st Aug.
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	Third ..	8th Nov.
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Manchester Cup (1¼ miles) – ..	Friday, 27th May
The Derby (1½ miles) – ..	Wednesday, 1st June.
The Coronation Cup .. –	Thursday, 2nd June.
The Oaks (1½ miles)	Friday, 3rd June.
Duchess of York Stakes Hurst Park (1½ miles)	Saturday, 11th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furs.) ..	Sunday, 12th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 14th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furs. 166 yds.)	Wednesday, 15th June.
Gold Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 16th June.
New Stakes (5 furs. 126 yds.)	Thursday, 16th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 17th June.
Northumberland Plate (3 miles)	Wednesday, 22nd June.
July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.) ..	Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes	Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs) –	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles) – –	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs) –	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate .. –	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Eber Handicap (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs) – ..	Thurday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes .. – ..	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap –	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.) ..	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) .. –	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles) .. –	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong) ..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) .. –	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs) ..	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles) ..	Saturday, 26th Nov.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Golf, Open Champ Mtg Sandwich ..	8, 9 June.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords)	30th June
Amateur A. A. Meeting	2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords) – ..	3th July.
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First Day, Thursday, 12th May 1904.

THE possession of a polo ground—only just completed—has enabled Mussoorie to indulge in the luxury of races. An attractive programme was drawn up and the first day's racing proved interesting if not good The feature of the afternoon was the great struggle in the Mussoorie Plate between Dewdrop and Queen of Gems, the former winning after a grand run home by half a head. Maureen proved somewhat disappointing in her second race in fact she might have been more scientifically ridden with advantage.

The attendance was bad not more than a hundred people being present, this is probably accounted for by the rather threatening weather. Details :—

NOVICE STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second. For ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any descrip tion value Re. 1 or over. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's b aus m Queen of Gems, 11st 6lbs ... ... Capt Holden 1
Mr J S Cooper's ch aus g Just in Time, 12st 7lbs ... ... Mr McCall 2
Mr O Mayer's g a g Taj, 10st 11b ... Native 3
Mr Stewart Williams' g cb m Starlight, 8st 12lbs ... ... Native 0
Mr A E Powell's b cb m Audrey, 10st 6lbs Owner 0

Audrey gave a lot of trouble at the start and then was all but left behind. Queen of Gems led all through and won easily by about three lengths.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second. For all *bonâ fide* Polo ponies 14-1 and under. W. I. 2½ furlongs.

Capt Cautley's b aus m Maureen, 9st 13lbs Capt Holden 1
Mr J D Scott's br a h Gunball, 7st 9lbs ... Native 2
Mr McCall's b aus m Dewdrop, 11st 2lbs... Owner 3
Cap Walter's ch aus m Jean, 12st 7lbs ... Owner 0
Mr W B Garnet's g a g Pakcha, 10st 7lbs Mr Crawshay 0

Maureen led out from the start and was never pressed. A good race for second place, Gunball just getting in by a head.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 49 to winner, Rs. 20 to second. For maiden Arab Ponies 14-1 and under W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's g a g White Heather, 11st... Capt Holden 1
Mr Mayer's g a h Kalru, 9st 6lbs ... Native 2
Capt J B Cautley's g a h Merrick, 11st 7lbs Mr McCall 3
Mr E Rigdway's ch a g Roy, 9st 11lbs ... Mr Crawshay 0

White Heather led throughout and won easily. This made the third win in succession for Captain Holden.

THE MUSSOORIE PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 tothe second. For all ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr McCall's b aus m Dewdrop, 10st 11lbs Owner 1
Mr J D Scott's b aus m Queen of Gems, 10st 8lbs ... ... Capt Holden 2
Major W E Berryman's b aus m Canary, 10st 5lbs ... ... — Native 3
Mr J D Scott's b a g Secunder, 10st 7lbs ... Native 0
Mr H Matting's b a g Horseplay, 10st 7lbs Mr Crawshay 0

The race of the evening. The lot went away in a clump. Dewdrop and Queen of Gems then drew out and raced home abreast, the former winning by half a head.

THE VISITORS' PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second. For maiden Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and other maiden ponies 13-3½ and under. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Major W E Berryman's sk aus g Quilt, 11st Mr McCall 1
Capt J B Cautley's b aus m Maureen, 11st 10lbs ... ... Native 2
Mr Stewart Williams' g cb m Starlight, 8st 9lbs ... ... Native 3

Maureen seemed rather tired and did not make any great effort, Quilt coming away comfortably.

THE SELLING PLATE.—For ponies 14-1 and under entered to be sold for Rs. 800. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's br a h Gunball, 7st 13lbs ... ... Native 1
Capts Cautley and Grech's ch cb m Hope Terry, 8st 9lbs 2
Capt Walter's ch aus m Jean, 12st 7lbs Capt Holden 3
Mr A Powell's b cb m Audrey, 10st 6lbs ... ... Mr Crawshay 0

Gunball got off well but was closely attended by Hope Terry ill the turn home, when he drew away and won by two and at lengths.

Second Day, Saturday, 14th May 1904.

The weather again marred the afternoon's racing and had a bad effect on the attendance which, if anything, was smaller than on Thursday. A smart shower fell soon after the first race. This was the main cause of Mr. McCall's accident. Fortunately he was not very seriously damaged, though he could not ride again. His substitute, Mr. Crawshay, pulled off the next race rather cleverly. His saddle slipped right back, and he had to finish seated a foot in front of it.

THE SAVOY HANDICAP SELLING RACE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second For all ponies which ran the first day. Winner to be sold for Rs. 800. 6 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's br a h Gunball, 9st 6lbs (car 9st 10lbs) ... ... Native 1
Capt Cautley s g a h Merrick, 10st 7lbs ... Mr McCall 2
Mr H Nutting's b a g Horseplay, 8st ... Native 3

Gunball got off well and soon drew away coming in at a canter. Horseplay's jockey lost his stirrup at the start and dropped off about half way through.

THE CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second. For Maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's h a g Secunder 11st ... Capt Holden 1
Capt Cautley and Grech's ch ab m Hope Terry, 8st 2lbs ... ... Native 2
Mr J D Scott's b a h Hindustan, 8st 11lbs Native 3
Mr O Mayer's g a g Taj, 9st 11b ... Native 0
Maj Berryman's ch cb m Hopeful, 8st 11lbs ... ... Mr McCall fell.

BETTING: Evens Hopeful, 2 to 1 agst. Hope Terry, 3 to 1 Hindustan, 6 to 1 Secunder, 20 to 1 Taj.

With the exception of Taj the ponies kept in a bunch till the far turn when Hopeful slipped and fell, Mr. McCall breaking his collar bone. Secunder then drew away and won by a length. Four lengths between second and third.

THE OAKS HANDICAP—Rs 49 to the winner, Rs 20 to the second. For Maiden Arabs and C.-B.'s. 14-1 and under and other Maiden Ponies 13-3½ and under. 5 furlongs.

Maj W E Berryman's sk aus g Quilt, 10st 9lbs ... ... Mr Crawshay 1
Capt Cautley's b aus m Maureen, 10st 7lbs Capt Holden 2
Mr Stewart Williams' g cb m Starlight, 7st 7lbs ... ... Native 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Quilt, 2 to 1 agst. Maureen, 15 to 1 Starlight.

Maureen and Quilt kept well together till the turn home, when Quilt drew away and won by three lengths. Mr. Crawshay's riding was much admired. About half way through his saddle slipped, he having to finish the race bare back.

THE CHARLEVILLE HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second. For all ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over which ran the first day. 5 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's b aus m Queen of Gems, 11st 6lbs ... ... Capt Holden 1
Mr Berryman's b aus m Canary, 10st ... Mr Crawshay 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Canary.

Only two entered for this, the result being a foregone conclusion. Won by a couple of lengths.

ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second. For all Arabs which ran on the first day. 6 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's g a g White Heather, 10st 10lbs ... ... Capt Holden 1
Mr O Mayer's g a g Taj, 9st 7lbs ... Native 2
Capt Cautley's g a h Merrick, 10st 7lbs .. Mr Crawshay 3

BETTING: 3 to 1 on White Heather, 4 to 1 agst., Merrick, 6 to 1 Taj.

White Heather immediately took the lead and was never much pressed. Taj might have done better with less nervous riding A length between first and second. Half a neck between second and third.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second. For all ponies which have run at the meeting and have not won. 2½ furlongs.

Capt Walter's ch aus m Jean, 10st 12lbs ... Capt Holden 1
Capts Cautley and Grech's ch cb m Hope Terry, 9st 4lbs ... ... Native 2
Mr H Nutting's b a g Horseplay, 8st 4lbs...Capt Branbreth 3
Mr A E Powell's blk cb m Audrey, 8st 4lbs Native 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Hope Terry, 2 to 1 agst. Horseplay, 3 to 1 Jean 10 to 1 Audrey.

Jean led away and won by three lengths. Hope Terry and Horseplay making a good race for second place, the former winning by a neck.

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Saturday, 7th May 1904.

The extra day's racing was successfully carried through this afternoon. The card provided six races and a scurry for the Military Police. Fields were small but the racing was good and there were several close finishes. Favourites were victorious in four of the races but in the Antiquated Handicap Tsain Tin, who went out at 2 to 1 on, was beaten by Thain Gwai and the Kandawgyee Handicap was won by The Captian, 8 to 1 chance, Jiffy the popular fancy, being never in it. Mr Aldworth secured two wins, Rownuck winning the Consolation Handicap and Thain Gwai the opening event. In the Military Police scurry prizes went to Nizamudeen, Hijan Singh and Kalka Singh. Details :—

THE ANTIQUATED HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies imported by the stewards under the Griffin Scheme, 14 hands and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr Aldworth's ch aus m Thain Gwai, 8st 3lbs ... ... W White 1
Tin Tin's b aus m Tsain Tin, 9st 8lbs ... Mg Glay 2
Mr Wahab's dn aus m Zernigar, 9st 5lbs (car 9st 6lbs ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 3
Mr Hyder Doo's br aus m Tsain Kyu, 8st 10st (car 8st 13lbs ... ... Po Mut 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Tsain Tin, 3 to 1 agst Thain Gwai, 5 to 1 Zernigar, 6 to 1 Tsain Kyu

Won by half a length, a length between second and third. Time—1 min. 26½secs.

THE KEMENDINE HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, and, Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for all ponies 13-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr R C Bevill's ch c g Golden Valley, 9st Lansdown 1
Mr Sarkies' ch aus m Ruelle, 8st ... Capt Jinks 2
Mr L Chin Tsong's ch e m Little Sarah, 8st Po Khai 3
Mr A A Bham's br aus m Edith, 11st ... Po Mut 0
Mr R C Bevill's br aus m Ida 7st, ... Po Chin 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Golden Valley, 3 to 1. Edith, 4 to 1 Little Sarah, 6 to 1 Ida, 8 to 1 Ruelle.

Won by a head, a length and a half between second and third. Time—1 min. 11⅘secs.

THE RANGOON HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for Indo-Burman and Burman bred ponies, 13-0 and under. ¼ mile.

Mr C Stewart's ch ib g Forlorn Hope, 8st 7lbs ... ... Mg Glay 1
Mr Maung Thin's gr ib g Kyet Taw, 8st ... Po Khai 2
Mr A M Hady's br ib g Aung Balay, 8st 4lbs ... — ... Po Thit 3
Mr Scott's b bb g Rolly, 7st (car 7st 3lbs) Po Kin 0
Mr E J Tilly's dn ib g High Flyer, 8st ... W White 0
Mr Mohun Singh's b ib m Kawlin, 8st 4lbs Mg Bah 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Forlorn Hope, 2 to 1 Kyet Taw, 5 to 1 each High Flyer and Kawlin, 6 to 1 Aung Balay, 10 to 1 Rolly.

Won by half a length; a length between second and third. High Flyer was fourth and Rolly last. Time—59secs.

THE GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for all griffins 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards in February, 1904. ¼ mile.

Miss Adamson's bk aus g Comet, 9st 6lbs .. Mr Aldworth 1
Mr L Taik Kee's dn aus g Whirlwind, 8st (car 8st 11b) ... ... Po Khai 2
Mg Po Byaw's bk aus g Darketh, 10st ... Po Tay 3
Mr Chadwick's bk aus m Marjory 8st (car 8st 6lbs) ... ... Po Mut 0
Mr R J Saxton's ro aus m Lady Kenny, 9st Mg Glay 0

BETTING: Evens Comet, 3 to 1 agst. Darketh, 4 to 1 Lady Kenny, 5 to 1 Whirland, to 1 Marjory.

Won by half a length; a length between second and third, Lady Kenny was fourth.—Time 54⅘secs.

THE KANDAWGYEE HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies 14-0 under. About 6 furlongs

Messrs Saxton & Stewart's h aus g The Captain, 8st 7lbs ... ... Juggai 1
Mr G Batchelder's ch cb g Barney Barnato, 9st 2lbs ... ... Lansdown 2
Mr R C Bevill's ch aus m Zillah 8st (car 8st 5lbs) ... ... Po Mut 3
Mr A A Bham's br aus m Miss Prominence 8st 7lbs (car 8st 12lbs) ... ... Owner 0
Mr Abdool Rahman's b aus m Kemmendine, 8st ... ... Po Khai 0
Mr J Gordon's br aus m Cissy J, 11st ... Bloss 0
Mr A A Bham's b aus m Jiffy, 10st 4lbs ... White 0
Mr B N Burjorjee's br aus m Lilith, 8st 3lbs Eusoof 0

BETTING: Evens Jiffy, 3 to 1 agst. Cissy J, 5 to 1 Zillah, 6 to 1 Kemendine, 8 to 1 each Barney, Barnato and The Captain, 10 to 1 any other. Won by half a length; half a between second and third. Time—1min 24secs.

THE CONSOLATION HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies imported by the Stewards under the Griffin scheme 14 hands and under. About ¼ mile.

Mr Aldworth's ch aus m Rownuck 10st 3lbs, Owner 1
Mr Yeo Eng Seng's ch aus g Sein Gain, 8st 9lbs ... ... Mg Glay 2
Dr Blake's ch aus m Injunction, 8st (car 8st 6lbs) ... ... Po Mut 3
Moung Po Thain's b aus m Duchess, 8st 12lbs (car 8st 13lbs) ... Bah Thwin 0
Mah Thay's br aus g Nga Mouk Gyee, 9st Po Zan 0
Mr L Shoays Wah's br aus m Myah Thain Nyoon, 8st ... ... Po Khai 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst Rownuck, 2 to 1 Injunction, 5 to 1 each Sein Gaing and Nga Mouk Gyee, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a half a length, a length between second and third. Time—55⅕secs.

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Second Day, Saturday, 7th May, 1904.

THE races were continued to-day in perfect weather, another large attendance gracing the proceedings. Sport was good, but fields were small, with the exception of those in a couple of the events. The Ootacamund Cup, the principal race of the day, was won by Madeira who went out favourite at evens. Three to one on was to be had about Mary Jane in the Tallyho Cup, and her backers were not disappointed for she won by half a length after a fine finish with Zouave. St. Gris was the only other favourite to roll home. Major Logan-Home secured two wins and Hoyt rode three winners. Details.—

THE PAVILION PLATE.—Rs. 200, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Horses. 1 mile.

Major Moore s ch aus g Daroji, 8st 9lbs .. Hoyt 1
Mr Tate's gr aus g Wadhurst, 9st ... Gooloo 2

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Wadhurst, even money Daroji.

Won by a length. Time—1min. 52secs.

THE COUNTRY-BRED'S RACE.—

Mr Liebenrood's br cb g Landwind, 9st ... Owner 1
Mr Morey s b cb g Kunnigal R 7st (dec 6lbs) ... ... King 2
Mr R Kindersley's b cb m Drumbeg, 9st 7lbs 0

BETTING: Evens Drumbeg, 2 to 1 agst Landwind, 6 to 1 Kunnigal R.

Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 69⅕secs.

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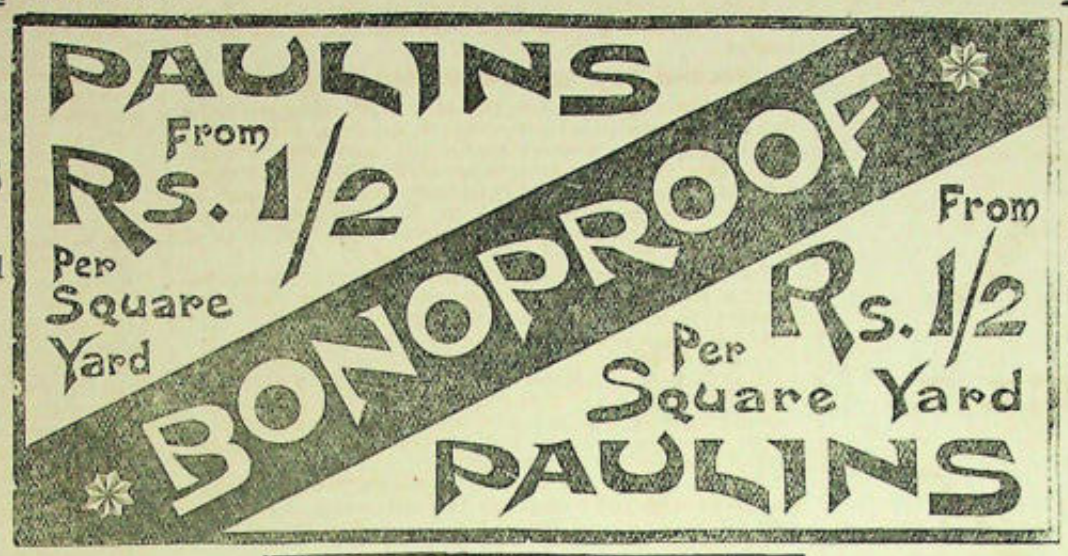
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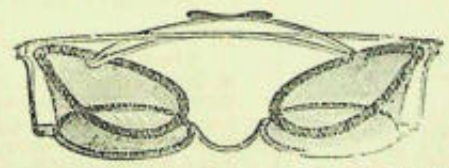
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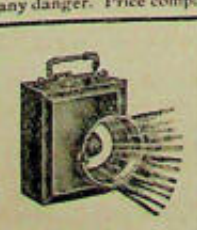
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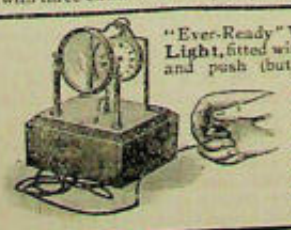
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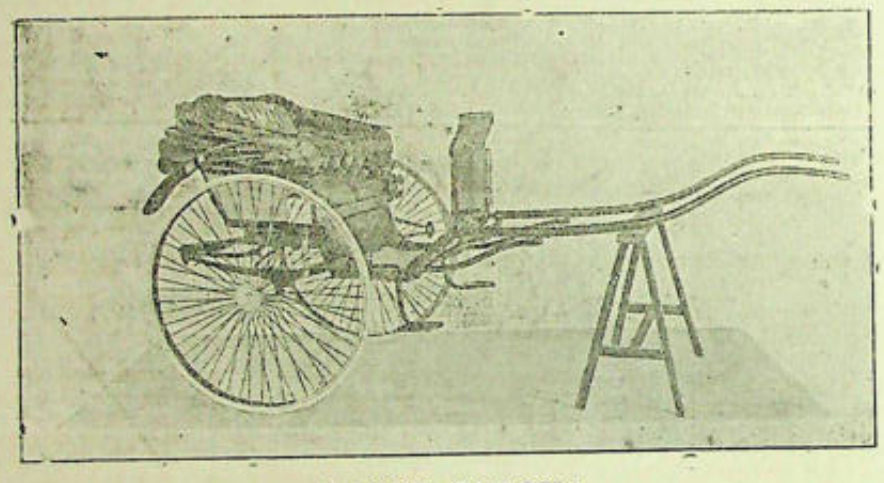
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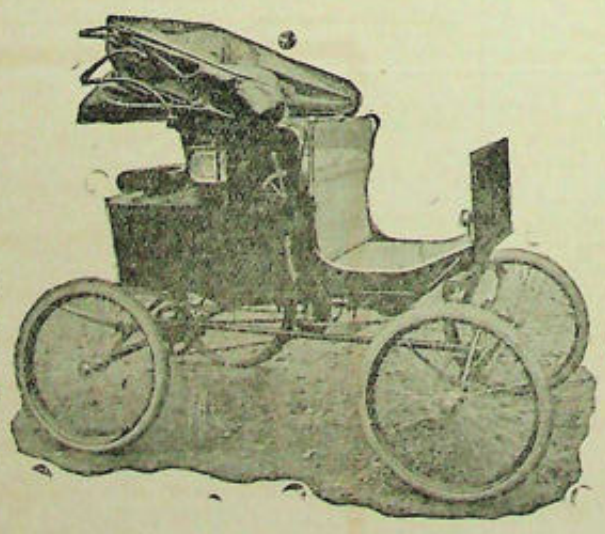
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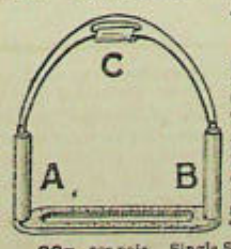
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Major Logan-Home's b aus g Harkaway, 7st 7lbs 0
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Mr Colin Mackenzie's rn aus g Warrior, 6st 11lbs (dec. 5lbs) 0

BETTING: Even Madeira, 4 to 1 agast Harkaway 5 to 1 De Wet, 8 to 1 each Bengal and Warrior, 6 to 1 Viking, 10 to 1 Kingfisher, and 20 to 1 each Tippookhana and Latchkey

Won by four lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—2mins. 55secs.

After the race Mcquade, the rider of Bengal, lodged an objection against Gooloo, who was steering De Wet, for foul riding, but this was overuled.

THE TALLYHO CUP—Rs.200, with Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies regular y hunted with a recognised pack of bounds during the previous seasons, subject to the approval of the Stewards (The Master's certificate, of the pack hunted with, that the pony is duly qualified, must be provided). 1¼ miles.

Major Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane, (12st) ... ...Major Doughall 1
Mr Phillips' blk a g Zouave, 8st 10lbs. (dec 9lbs) ... ... Capt Swan 2
Mr L C Liebenrood's b cb h Gadabout, 8st 2lbs. (dec 11b) 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on My Jane, 3 to 1 agst Gadabout, 4 to 1 Zouave.

Won by half a length. Time—3mins. 8⅕secs.

THE ARAB SCURRY.—Rs. 150 to the first, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For all Arab Ponies. 3½ furlongs.

Capt Toogood's g a g St Gris, 9st ... Hoyt 1
Mr E W Henderson's ch a h Trump, 9st ... Mr Cassen } dead-
Mr Heinemann's b a h Bayard, 8st 10lbs Gooloo } heat

Also ran: Superb, 10-0 Bijli, 9-4; Whiteface 19-0 (dec. 2lbs): Punch, 8-7.

BETTING: 1¼ to 1 agast St. Gris, 3 to 1 Bijli, 4 to 1 Superb, 6 to 1 Bayard, 15 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; deadheat for second place. Time—49 secs

THE OPEN PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the first, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For all ponies. 5 furlongs.

Major Logan-Home's b aus m Nipcat, 10st 11lbs ... ... — Mr Cassen 1
Mr Webter's b aus m Flight, 10st 10lbs ...Major Doughall 2
Major Moore's b a m Lady Jess, 11st ... Owner 3

Also ran: Paddy Melon, 11-0; Two Step, 8-7; Heathed, 8-0.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Flight, 4 to 1 each Paddy Mellon, Lady Jess and Heathed, 5 to 1 Nipcat, 6 to 1 Two Step.

Won after a splendid race by a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 13secs.

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Saturday, 7th May, 1904.

THE Dibrugarh May Races were held in most shocking weather, though rain did not actually fall whilst the races were run. This accounted for the paucity of entries and small attendance which was, however made up in great measure by the keenness of those who did attend. Lotteries held overnight were good and the handicappers were flattered by the public failing to make any prominent favourites. Times were bad as the ground was very heavy.

POLO RACE.—Rs. 100 to the winner Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for Polo ponies 13-1 and under. (Certificate as per rule 8 must accompany entry, or it will be refused.) 5 furlongs. (Rs. 90).

Mr Gordon's ch aus m Fairy Queen, 10st 2lbs Owner 1
Mr Kershaw's b aus g Fox Glove, 10st ... Parcell 2
Mr Collins' bl aus m Gypsy, 9st 12lbs ... Mr Flory 3

Won by five lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—60secs. All three ponies ran the complete course to a false start the result being identical with the actual race.

JUNCTION PLATE.—Rs. 100 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third, Handicap for ponies 13 1 and under. Owned by men who have never won a race value Rs. 100 or over. 3 furlongs. (Rs. 90).

Dr Flory's b aus g King, 10st 11b ... Owner 1
Mr Johnstone's b aus g Paddy, 10st 7lbs... (car. 10st 12lbs) ... ... Mr W Holder 2
Mr Mackintosh's b aus g Sirocco, 9st 9½lbs Mr Langley 3

Won by three lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—44secs.

STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Handicap for maiden ponies 13-1 and under. 1¼ miles. (Rs 90).

Mr Hadow's b aus m Shellileigh, 10st 5lbs Mr Langley 1
Mr Copeland's b aus m Partridge, 9st 12lbs Mr Parcell 2
Mr Hutchinson's b aus m Invernet, 12st ... Mr Allen 3
Mr W Holder's b aus g Nap, 10st 2lbs ... Mr Green fell

Won by four lengths; seven lengths between second and third. Time—not taken.

LAKHIMPUR PLATE.—Rs. 100 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-1 and under, that have not won a race value Rs. 100 or over. ¼ mile. (Rs. 90.)

Mr Barnes' br aus m Tartar, 9st 8lbs ... Green 1
Dr Flory's blk aus m Becky Sharpe, 10st 7lbs ... ... Owner 2
Mr Mackintosh's b aus g Sirocco, 10st 7lbs Mr Langley 3
Mr Johnstone's ch cb g Darjeeling, 9st 11lbs Parcell 0

Won by a head; five lengths between second and third. Time—63⅘ secs.

THE MAY PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second. Rs. 50 to the third, and Rs. 25 to the fourth. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. ¼ mile. (Rs. 185).

Messrs Finches and Mr Holder's br aus m No Trumps, 9st 7lbs ... ... Parcell 1
Mr Grunings b w m Lady Jane, 11st ... Mr Green 2
Mr Miller's b aus m Peg, 9st ½lb ... Lalsing 3
Mr Kershaw's b aus g Fox Glove, 9st 3lbs Sukram 0
Dr Flory's b aus g King, 9st 12lbs ... Owner 0
Mr Gosset's b aus g Dodo, 10st 8½lbs ... Mr Soole 0
Mr Cavendish's blk w m Comilla, 10st 8lbs Owner 0

Won by a length; four lengths between second and third. Time—57⅘secs.

ASSISTANTS RACE—Rs. 100 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second. Handicap for ponies 13-1 and under owned by assistants and others drawing Rs. 350 or less per mensem. ½ mile. (Rs. 90).

Mr Gordon's ch aus m Fairy Queen, 10st 2lbs ... ... — Owner 1
Mr Green's b aus m Fanny, 10st 2lbs ... Owner 2
Mr Johnstone's b aus g Paddy, 10st 2lbs ... Parcell 3

Won by six lengths; ten lengths between second and third. Time—61secs.

BUGGY PLATE.—Rs. 100 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 13-3 and under that have been regularly driven and that have never won a race value Rs. 300 or over. (Handicap. Rs. 90).

Mr Hutchinson's b aus m Invernet, 11st 9½lbs ... ... Mr Winsland 1
Mr Copeland's b aus g Pheasant, 9st 11½lbs Parcell 2
Mr Glennie's b aus g Drayton, 9st 8lbs ... Green 3
Dr Flory's blk aus m Becky Sharpe, 10st... Owner 0

Won by four lengths; five lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 7secs.

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FIRST DAY.

SCURRY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 3lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st; others 13 3½ to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 2 furlongs.

THE CLARENCE PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Maiden Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and other Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 9st 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; others 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs.

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POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 3lbs, others 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W.I. 2½ furlongs.

THE SAVOY PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st.; others 13-3½ to carry 12st. W. I. 4 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs., Maidens 7lbs Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of races value Rs 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,500, 10lbs., and to Rs. 2,000, 14lbs.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under Ponies 14-1 to carry 12st. W.I. 4 furlongs. Allowance—Maidens, 7lbs. Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs.

SECOND DAY.

CRITERION HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for Maiden Arabs and C-B.'s 14-2 and under. And other Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

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8. Starting declarations, accompanied by the Jockey's fee for a losing mount, if not a'ready paid, for all races must be made before 12 noon on days preceding races. The declarations shall be in writing, on forms which can be obtained from the Honorary Secretary.
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LONDON, *Friday, 29th April* 1904.

THE TURF.

SANDOWN PARK MEETING.

THE Jockey Club campaign has always got well under way before the metropolitan winter season receives its final quietus at Sandown Park, and the last day's cross-country work is, as a rule, productive of some of the best sport of the whole year. Saturday was no exception A liberally endowed programme attracted the very cream of the National Hunt performers to this venue, and the strength of the fields was well maintained. The form has been so exhaustively threshed out by the middle of April that backers can generally look back with complacency at the results of their speculations on the concluding day of this fixture, but those who threw in their lot with the favourites this afternoon experienced an almost endless succession of reverses which must have seriously depleted their exchequers. Notwithstanding that the half-holiday folk flocked in overwhelming numbers to the Crystal Palace to witness the final for the Cup tie, the company at Esher was considerable in excess of the total on the 22nd, and they were favoured with bright and enjoyable weather, whilst the going was all the better for a series of soaking showers that fell during the night.

THE GRAND INTERNATIONAL STEEPLECHASE (handicap)—of 412sovs. About three miles and a half.

Maj J D Edwards's b g Glenrocky, by Glenvannon—Frances, aged, 9st 12lbs R Woodland 1
Mr Moorgate's br g Prince Tuscan, aged, 9st 11lbs ... ... E Driscoll 2
Mr C E Byrne's ch f Strategy, 5yrs, 10st 11lbs ... ... A Magee 3
Mr J A Scorror's Arnold, agad, 10st 2lbs ... T Bissell 0
Mr W E Nelson's Patlander, aged, 12st 7lbs E Matthews 0
Mr W H Moore's The Actuary, 6yrs, 11st 2lbs — ... ... Piggott 0
Mr F Bibby's Kirkland, aged, 11st 11b ... F Mason 0
Mr C Levy's Cottenshope, aged, 10st 4lbs (inc 4lbs ex) ... ... Freemantle 0
Mr J S Morrison's Shipshape, aged, 10st 3lbs ... ... P Woodland 0
Col H T Fenwick's Phil May, 5yrs, 9st 10lbs Dwyer 0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Kirkland, 7 to 1 each The Actuary and Glenrocky, 8 to 1 each Patlander, Shipshape, and Arnold, 100 to 12 Strategy, 10 to 1 Cottenshope, and 100 to 7 any other.

Won a good race by a neck; six lengths divided the second and third. Arnold was a bad fourth, Shipshape was fifth, Kirkland sixth, and The Actuary was the only other to complete the course. Time by Benson's chronograph, 7mins. 51secs.

THE GREAT SANDOWN HURDLE RACE (handicap) of 412 sovs. Two miles.

Mr T Clyde's b g Colcu, by Hackler—Cedula, 5yrs, 10st 7lbs ... ... J O'Brien 1
Mr A Stedall's b rig Hartfield, 4yrs, 10st 13lbs ... ... A Nightingall 2
Mr Spencer Gollan's ch h Seahorse II., aged, 10st 10lbs ... ... A Birch 3
Mr G A Prentice's Karakoul, 5yrs, 12st 8lbs G Williamson 0
Mr J S Morrison's John M P., 5yrs, 12st 11b P Woodland 0
Mr W M G Singer's Hearwood, aged, 11st 7lbs ... ... Mason 0
Capt Forester's Lady Drake, 4yrs, 11st 5lbs ... ... Graham 0
Mr C Hibbert's Lucinda, 6yrs, 11st 3lbs ... J Nightingall 0
Mr H J King's Prince Florizel, 5yrs, 10st 11lbs ... ... E Driscoll 0
Mr C D Marnes's Royston, 5yrs, 10st 8lbs Piggott 0
Mr H S Mitchison's Bibury, 4yrs, 10st 2lbs T Dunn 0

(*Winner trained by Greuell*).

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst Seahorse II., 5 to 1 each Karakoul and Prince Florizel, 8 to 1 each John M P and Hearwood, 100 to 12 each Royston and Bibury, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by two lengths; a length and a half between second and third. Hearwood was fourth, Bibury fifth, Royston sixth, Prince Florizel seventh, Carakoul next, and John M P last throughout. Time by Benson's chronograph, 4mins. 4⅗secs.

NEWMARKET

The First Spring Meeting, big with the fate of the Two Thousand and One Thousand Guineas, always appeal more strongly to the racing public than its predecessor the "Craven," and, notwithstanding that the King had to forego the pleasure of presiding over the gathering owing to his Irish holiday, the leading lights of the Turf were present in sufficient strength on the 26th instant to ensure the social success of the reunion, though there was no appreciable increase in the general attendance for the opening stage of the fixture. Apart from the doings on the racecourse, the attention of owners will be occupied by Messrs. Tattersall's sales of bloodstock at Park Paddocks, and there is so much to be seen in the way of morning

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Sir J Miller's b f Amitie, by Chaleureux—La Sagesse, 9st	D Maher	1
Mr W Raphael's br f Graceful, 8st 9lbs	O Madden	2
Mr T G Cartwright's ch f Lady Madcap, 8st 9lbs	C Leader	3
Lord Wolverton's c by Ugly—Bramble Jelly, 9st 3lbs	Watts	0
Lord Bradford's Sir Lovel, 9st 3lbs ...	B Dillon	0
Mr H E Randall's Captain Pott, 8st 12lbs	Trigg	0
Mr J Wallace's Spear, 8st 12lbs ...	J Jarvis	0
Lord Derby's f by Le Var—Pace Egger, 8st 9lbs	H Aylin	0
Duke of Devonshire's f by Galeazzo—Sweet Lavender 8st 9lbs	Halsey	0
Mr L Neumann's Keemun, 8st 9lbs ...	W Lane	0
Mr L de Rothschild's Lador, 8st 12lbs ...	K Cannon	0
His Majesty's Politely, 8st 9lbs ...	H Jones	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Ladie, 8st 12lbs ... ... —	M Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Amitie, 11 to 2 each Lador and Graceful, 100 to 12 The Bramble Jelly colt, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won cleverly by half a length from Graceful; a head separated the second and third. Bramble Jelly colt was placed fourth, Lador was fifth, Spear sixth, Politely seventh, Ladie eighth, Sweet Lavender filly ninth, Sir Lovel next, and Captain Pott last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 1⅘secs.

THE HASTINGS PLATE of 50 sovs. for three years olds; colts 8st 10lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 7lbs, with penalties and allowances. A F (one mile two furlongs).

Mr W Jarvies's b c Cades by Cyllene—Lorette, 8st 3lbs, — ...	J Jarvis	1
Capt Laing's b c Antonio, 8st 3lbs ...	Halsey	2
Mr Douglas Baird's b c Islesman, 9st 1lbs	H Aylin	3
Sir E Vincent's Orgueil, 8st 3lbs ...	W Lane	0
Mr Ed Lamb's Mentor, 8st 7lbs (car 8st 8lbs,	M Cannon	0
Mr E C Clayton's Blue Vinny, 8st 3lbs ...	H Jones	0
Mr Fairie's Charms, 8st 3lbs	O Madden	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's Ivan, 8st 3lbs ...	J H Martin	0
Mr Wallace Johnstone's Captain Cook, 8st	Trigg	0
Duke of Portland's Count Hannibal, 8st...	Watts	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst Antonia, 3 to 1 Cades, 100 to 15 Captain Cook, 8 to 1 Charmus, 10 to 1 Islesman, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three lengths; five lengths between the second and third. Orgueil was fourth, Ivan fifth, Count Hannibal sixth, Charmus seventh, Blue Vinny next, and Mentor last throughout. Time by Benson's chronograph 2mins. 5⅘secs.

The Weddesday of the First Spring Meeting is one of the few occasions in the year when excursion trains are run on a comprehensive scale in conjuction with racing at "headquarters," and from many parts of the country—London and the North in particular—there was a influx of holiday-makers that betokened that the Turf world was on the eve of momentous issues. Having regard to the bright and reassuring outlook, however, the company that assembled on the Heath was comparatively light for a Two Thousand Guineas day, much larger crowds having been associated with previous celebrations of the great race. The sale of Mr. Sievier's horses in training was but sparsely attended, and more interest seemed to be taken in the early doings on the Heath, a goodly number of visitors turning out to witness the exercise gallops. This was not to be wondered at, as the morning was Eilightfully fine and bright, and, though the sky became overcast later, the afternoon was for the most part sunny and springlike. A little rain fell before daybreak but it barely sufficed to lay the dust, and the surface of the round was dry and firm in spite of the luxurious herbage which, covers the racecourse.

THE TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS STAKES of 5,300sovs., for three year olds; colts 9st, fillies 8st 9lbs. R M. (one mile,)

Mr Leopold de Rothschild's b c St Amant, by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule, 9st	K Cannon	1
Sir John Thursby's b c John O'Gaunt, by Isinglass—La Fleche, 9st ...	Mr G Thursby	2
Mr J Musker's br c Henry the First, by Melton—Simena, 9st	O Madden	3
Lord Carnarvon's Santry, by Gallinule—E P., 9st ... — ...	W Iane	0
Lord Farquher's Airlie, by Ayrshire—Lady Erminee, 9st	H Aylin	0
Mr J Buchana's Lancashire, by Kingston—Calico, 9st	G Manser	0
Lord Wolverton's Montem, by Ladas—Kermesse, 8st 9lbs	J E Watts	0
Duke of Westminster's Rydal Head, by St Frusquin—Rydal, 9st	M Cannon	0
Mr Arthur James's Jupiter Pluvius, by St Simon—Andromeda, 9st — ...	H Jones	0
Mr Linnel Robinson's Challenger, by Isinglass—Meddlesome, 9st	W Halsey	0
Mr R Croker's Clonmell, by Florizel II—Iernor, 9st	J H Martin	0
Lord Derby's His Majesty, by Melton—Silver Sea, 9st...	B Dillon	0
Sir J Miller's Cinquefoil, by Sainfoin—Countess Macaroni, 9st	D Maher	0
Mr C Perkins's Inverkeithing, by Kendal—Primrose 9st	H Randall	0

(*Winner trained by A Hayhoe.*)

BETTING: 1 to 4 agst St Amant 5 to 1 Santry, 8 to 1 Henry the First, 3 to 1 Airlie, 10 to 1 John O'Gannt, 100 to 8 Rydal Head, 100 to 8 Challenger, 100 to 7 Jupiter Pluvius, 100 to 6 Montem, 25 to 1 Clonmell, 25 to 1 Cinquefoil, 33 to 1 Lancashire, 33 to 1 His Majesty, 33 to 1 Inverkeithing (0).

PLACES (1, 2, 3) 5 to 4 on St Amant, 7 to 4 agst Airlie, 2 to 1 Henry the First, 9 to 4 Santry, 5 to 2 John O'Gannt, 3 to 1 Rydal Head, 8 to 1 Challenger, 7 to 2 Jupiter Pluvius, 4 to 1 Montem, 5 to 1 Clonmell, 6 to 1 Cinquefoil, 8 to 1 Lancashire, 8 to 1 His Majesty, 8 to 1 Inverkeithing.

Montem was the first to leave the paddock, and she was followed to the post by Jupiter Pluvius, His Majesty, St. Amant, Airlie, John o' Gaunt, and Challenger, the whipper-in being Inverkeithing. John o' Gaunt was a little troublesome at the post, and when the barrier was raised to a capital start he whipped half round, Henry the First, in the centre, being the first to break the line from St. Amant, on the right, Santry on the top ground, Montem in the middle, and Rydal Head, with Cinquefoil and His Majesty close up, and Challenger and Airlie heading the middle division, the last two being John o'Gaunt and Inverkeithing. So they swept across the flat to the Bushes when Henry the First lost his place, and St. Amant came on in the centre with a clear lead of Santry, wide on the right, Airlie and John o'Gaunt, Henry the First being next, slightly in front of Lancashire. Rishing out of the Dip Henry the First came again and took third place, but the issue was placed beyond doubt a long way from home, St. Amant winning easily by four lengths from John o'Gaunt amidst tumultuous applause; two lengths divided the second and third. Santry was officially placed fourth and Airlie fifth, heads only separating third, fourth, and fifth; Lancashire was sixth, Montem seventh, Rydal Head eighth, Jupiter Pluvius ninth, Challenger tenth, Inverkeithing next, and Clonmell last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 38⅘secs.

The early risers were present in strong force on the Heath yesterday morning to watch the exercise gallops and imbibe the pure, exhilarating air which renders a sojourn in the Turf metropolis so rejuvenating. Owing to the recent drought the only portions of the racecourse side available for use were the summer gallop beyond the Ditch and the Flat, so most of the work was done on the Bury Side, and things ruled very brisk. The Thursday of the "First Spring" is generally in the nature of an "off" day, and the conversation turned on the gallant victory of St. Amant and his prospects of adding the Derby to his list of triumphs rather than on the affairs of the moment. The One Thousand Guineas also provoked some discussion, but by general consent the race is voted almost a walk over for Pretty Polly, and no attempts were made to wager on the result. The dust in the High-street was almost intolerable until the water carts were brought into requisition, and the going on the course was abnormally hard and dry for April, a copious downpour of rain being urgently required. The afternoon was dull and threatening, and, needless to say, there was a considerable falling off in the attendance as compared with yesterday.

THE NEWMARKET TWO YEAR OLD PLATE of 257sovs; colts 8st 10lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 7lbs; winners extra. Rous Course (five furlongs.)

Mr A James's br f Mirabelle, by Persimmon—Acunha, 8st 7lbs	H Jones	1
Sir E Vincent's b c Rivaulx, 8st 10lbs ...	Brumby	2
Mr F Bibby's ch c Monsieur Beaucaire, 8st 10lbs	H Aylin	3
Lord Falmouth's Galeas 8st 10lbs ...	Watts	0
Mr A W Davis's Tribonyx, 8st 7lbs ...	W Lane	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Field Sable, 8st 7lbs	M Cannon	0
Mr T Phillip's Green Berry, 8st 7lbs ...	Griggs	0

(*Winner trained by R. Marsh.*)

BETTING: 11 to 8 on Galeas, 9 to 2 agst Mirabelle, 6 to 1 Monsieur Beaucaire, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won an exciting race by a short head; three lengths separated the second and third Galeas was fourth, Field Sable fifth, and Tribonyx last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2secs.

THE MARCH STAKES of 490sovs.; weight for age, etc. A. F. (one mile two furlongs).

Mr Reid Walker's b g Templemore, by St Hilaire—Little Widow, 6yrs, 8st 4lbs	W Lane	1
Mr F Luscombe's ch c Sansovino, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs	Miller	2
Sir R Waldie Griffith's br c Hymenæus, 3yrs, 7st 12lbs...	Griggs	3
Lord Penrhyn's Perfection, 4yrs, 8st ...	H Jones	0
Mr R H Henning's Foundling, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs	Trigg	0

(*Winner trained by W. T. Robinson.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Templemore, 7 to 1 agst Sansovino, 8 to 1 Hymenæus, 100 to 8 Perfection, and 20 to 1 Foundling.

Won in a canter by a length; six lengths separated the second and third. Foundling was fourth. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 6secs.

The meeting concluded to-day. I have just time to give the results of the One Thousand Guineas and two other races.

THE ONE THOUSAND GUINEAS of 100sovs. each h. ft. for three-year-old fillies 9st each, the owner of the second to receive 400sovs and the owner of the third 200sovs. out of the stake; R. M. 9½ subs. Closed 14th November 1902.

LONDON, *Friday, 29th April 1904.*

Maj Eustace Loder's ch f Pretty Polly, by Gallinule—Admiration ...	W Lane	1
Mr Douglas Baird's b s Leucadia, by Martagon Santa Maura		—2
Lord Stanley's br f Flamma, by Florizel II.—Hand Grenade		—3
Lord Derby's ch f Altcar, by Persimmon—Alt Mark		—0
Lord Falmouth'h b f Fiancee, by St Frus—Wise Virgin		—0
His Majesty's b f Piari, by Persimmon—Nonsuch		—0
Mr H Sandford's ch f Berbette, by Avington—Breach		—0

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

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Pretty Polly, 33 to 1 agst Leucadia, 100 to 1 Flamma.

Won easily by three lengths; four lengths between second and third.

THE CHIPPENHAM PLATE of 500sovs.; second to receive 50sovs; for three year olds. Last mile and a half of the Cesarewitch course.

Mr W Hall Walker's Jean's Folly, by Ayrshire—Black Cherry, 8st 7lbs ...	W Lane	1
Mr W Low's Imari, 8st 3lbs	Madden	2
Sir J Miller's Santa Claus, 8st 10lbs ...	Maher	3
Mr R H Henning's Flower Seller, 8st 10lbs	Halsey	0
Mr J H Houldsworth's Gavello, 8st 3lbs ...	Miller	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's f by Isinglass—Sweet Duchess, 8st	J H Martin	0
Mr J Pincus's Proffer, 8st 7lbs ..	M Cannon	0
Mr L de Rothschild's Queen of the Lassies, 8st 3lbs	K Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by W Robinson.*)

BETTING: 6 to 5 on Jean's Folly, 2 to 1 agst Santa Claus 20 to 1 Imari or any other (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; three lengths separated the second and third; Gavello was fourth; the Sweet Duchess filly fifth; Proffer sixth; and Queen of the Lassies last. Time—2mins. 7⅗secs.

THE MAY PLATE of 200sovs. for two year olds. Rous Course. 5 furlongs.

Lord Carnarvon's Grandiflora, by Jaquemart—Magnitude, 8st 2lbs ...	W Lane	1
Mr Arthur James's Chain Stitch, 8st 7lbs...	H Jones	2
Capt J Orr-Ewing's Thrush, 8st 8lbs ...	Randall	3
Miss Clinton's Herbanum, 8st 10lbs ...	C Leader	0
Lord Londonderry's St Florentin, 8st 10lbs	J H Martin	0
Sir E Cassel's Loves Fool, 8st 7lbs ...	Halsey	0
Col E W Baird's Queen of the Lilies, 8st 7lbs	M Cannon	0
Sir T R Dewar's Refiner, 8st 5lbs ...	B Dillon	0
Lord Durham's Orator, 8st 5lbs ...	Maher	0
Mr L de Rothschild's Kammurabi, 8st 5lbs	K Cannon	0
Mr H J King's Carrelet, 8st 5lbs ...	R Jenes	0
Sir E Vincent's Sable Orr, 8st 2lbs ...	Brumby	0
Mr H Lindemere's Princess Sagan, 8st 2lbs	Madden	0

(*Winner trained by Greusil.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst Thrush, 7 to 2 Chain Stich and Orator. 6 to 1 Princes Sagan, 8 to 1 each Khammurabi and Grandiflora, 100 to 8 any other.

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

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(*Compiled from 1st January to 23rd April inclusive.*)

	Mounts.	Won.	Lost.
P Woodland	129	43	86
F Mason	171	31	140
G Goswell	101	27	74
Mr R Payne	56	22	34
F Lyall	91	21	70
F Hartigan	100	21	79
R Woodland	58	18	40
H Taylor	76	18	58
J Phillips	115	18	97
E Driscoll	119	18	101
E Piggot	120	17	103
Mr J T Rogers	53	15	38
E Matthews	66	15	51
Mr Ivor Anthony	51	14	37
Mr A W Wood	78	14	64
F Freemantle	79	13	66
G Williamson	29	12	17

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(*Compiled from 21st March to 22nd April.*)

	Mounts.	Lost.	Won.
W Lane	101	83	18
O Madden	111	93	18
C Trigg	79	68	11
W Halsey	82	71	11
D Maher	41	31	10
J Jarvis	41	33	8
W Griggs	87	79	8
B Dillon	38	31	7
H Randall	31	24	7
G McCall	35	29	6
H Jones	40	34	6

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DIVISION 1.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 23RD APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Ags.
Sheffield Wednesday ...	33	19	7	7	45	46	28
Manchester City ...	33	19	6	8	44	71	44
Newcastle United ...	34	18	6	10	42	58	45
Everton	33	18	5	10	41	58	32
Aston Villa ...	34	17	7	10	41	70	48
Sunderland ...	34	17	5	12	39	63	49
Sheffield United ...	34	15	8	11	38	62	57
Wlvrhmpton Wdrs ...	34	14	8	12	36	44	66
Notts Forest ...	34	11	9	14	31	57	57
Middlesbrough ...	34	9	12	13	30	46	47
Small Heath ...	34	11	8	15	30	39	52
Bury	34	7	15	12	29	40	53
Notts County ...	34	12	5	17	29	37	61
Derby County ...	33	9	10	14	28	58	58
Blackburn Rovers ...	34	11	6	17	28	48	60
Stoke	34	10	7	17	27	54	57
Liverpool	34	9	8	17	26	49	62
West Brom Albion ...	34	7	10	17	24	36	60

The outstanding matches are: Everton *vs.* Manchester City, at Everton, and Derby County *vs.* Sheffield Wednesday, at Derby.

DIVISION 2.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 16TH APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Woolwich Arsenal ...	33	21	6	6	48	91	22
Preston North End ...	33	19	10	4	48	61	24
Manchester United ...	32	19	7	6	45	60	31
Bristol City ...	34	18	6	10	42	73	41
Burnley	34	15	9	10	39	50	55
Grimsby Town ...	34	14	8	12	36	50	49
Bolton Wanderers ...	33	12	9	12	33	59	41
Barnsley	33	11	10	12	32	38	56
Gainsbrough Trin ...	34	14	3	17	31	53	60
Bradford City ...	34	12	7	15	31	45	59
Lincoln City ...	34	11	8	15	30	41	58
Burton United ...	34	11	7	16	29	45	61
Burslem Port Vale ...	33	10	8	15	28	54	52
Chesterfield ...	33	10	8	15	28	36	45
Blackpool	33	11	5	17	27	40	66
Stockport County ...	34	8	11	15	27	40	72
Glossop	34	10	6	18	26	57	64
Leicester Fosse ...	33	6	10	17	22	40	77

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 23RD APRIL (inclusive).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Southampton ...	34	22	6	6	50	75	30
Bristol Rovers ...	34	17	8	9	42	66	42
Portsmouth ...	33	17	7	9	41	40	37
Reading	34	14	13	7	41	43	35
Tottenham H'spur ...	32	15	10	7	40	50	34
Millwall	33	16	8	9	40	63	40
Luton Town ...	34	14	12	8	40	38	33
Queen's Park Rgrs ...	33	14	11	8	39	51	36
Plymouth Argyle ...	34	13	10	11	36	44	34
Fulham	34	9	12	13	30	34	35
Swindon Town ...	34	9	11	13	29	29	42
West Ham United ...	33	10	7	16	27	39	43
Brentford... ...	34	9	9	16	27	34	48
Northampton ...	32	10	6	16	26	35	58
Wellingborough ...	33	11	4	18	26	41	60
New Brompton ...	34	6	13	15	25	26	43
Brighton & Hove A ...	34	6	12	16	24	45	69
Kettering ...	34	6	7	21	19	39	78

THE F. A. CUP FINAL.

MANCHESTER CITY *vs.* BOLTON WANDERERS—Played at Sydenham on the 22nd instand, Manchester city winning by a goal to *nil*.

Meredith beat Brown in the toss, and Yenson kicked off for Bolton towards the cricked ground end, the breeze not being of sufficient strength to give Manchester any material advantage. Immediately after the start Meredeth was prominent on the Manchester right. He was checked by Freebairn, but, with characteristic dash, he returned to the attack, and forced a corner off Struthers. The City settled down much quicker than the Wanderers, but the latter, by pick and rush tactics, made a few incursions towards Hillman. Burgess and McMahon were very safe, however, and the Manchester goalkeeper was not seriously troubled. For a time the play was of a rather scrambling nature, but eventually the Mancunians arrived at a nice understanding, their methods being pretty to watch. Meredith proved a rare handful for Struthers and Freebairn, who were a trifle unsteady, and once the last-named made a poor kick that sent the ball in the direction of his own goal. At length Taylor who had not hitherto had much to do was prominent on

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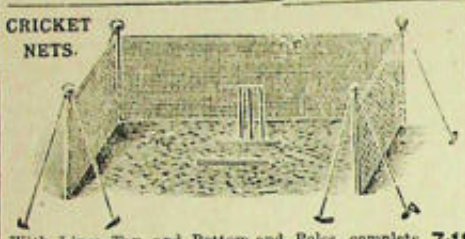


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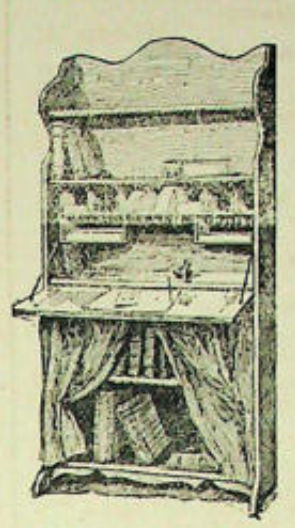
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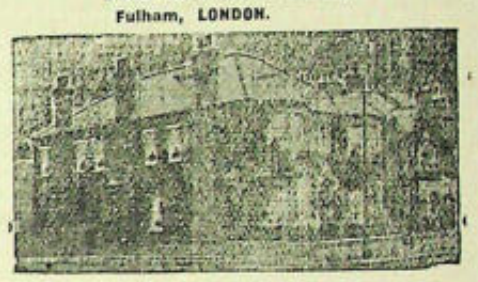
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the extreme left for Bolton, and, following a header to Hillman, he tested the goalkeeper with a slowish screw shot that required careful handling. A corner next fell to the City, but Bolton then had a look in, Burgess passing back for safety A little later Hillman ran out and stumbled, at the same time throwing the ball in the air, the Manchester goal at this period having a narrow escape The pressure was relieved by McMahon with a fine kick, and Livingstone headed in cleverly to Davies, who brought off a capital save. Meredith next swung the ball across to Booth, who also tested Davies, the Bolton custodian being prominent at this stage by his smart handling of the ball and his effective clearances. Manchester were awarded a free kick, but this proved of no advantage owing to Gillespie getting offside. Now having very much the better of matters, Manchester pressed heavily and the Bolton defence had to work very hard indeed to prevent a score. Davies ran out and cleared from both Booth and Turnbull, while a weak kick by Struthers might easily have proved costly. Although contested in resolute fashion, the game so far had progressed without any roughness. Pretty passing by Livingstone and Turnbull led to a corner being conceded by Struthers, who rushed across in the nick of time. Davies saved cleverly, but had to concede a further corner, while Manchester continued to play the better football and be the chief aggressors. Spirited and plucky play by the Wanderers—all of whom worked untiringly—kept the City from getting through. Brown accomplished some fine kicking at full back, and at length the pressure was relieved. Yenson racing away at top speed. The old West Ham man had practically beaten all opposition but the goalkeeper when Burgess brought him down a little way outside the penalty area, a claim for a foul not being allowed. Some fairly even play followed, but when the game had progressed twenty-three minutes, a great demonstration of enthusiasm greeted a goal for the City. The ball came over from the left wing to Livingstone, who in turn passed to Meredith the latter executing a clever dribble completely outwitting Struthers, and then scoring with a pretty cross shot from an extremely narrow angle. There was naturally great rejoicing at Manchester's success, and one burly and excited North-countryman required so much cooling down that five policemen removed him from the ground, subsequently permitting him to return. Immediately on resuming, Manchester were again aggressive and Davies was tested with a header from Meredith. Bolton still pegged away with commendable grit, but Burgess stopped the progress of both Taylor and Freebairn. The International back was beaten by Stokes, however, who sent across to White, the latter failing to seize an opportunity to shoot. At the other end Manchester's left wing made a pretty combined movement, and a very hot shot by Turnbull was parried by Davies at the expense of a corner. By strong, methodical football, the Mancunians were clearly proving themselves the better team at this stage of the game. A clearance by McMahon from Stokes was followed by Gillespie being pulled up for getting hopelessly offside, Davies—in great form—next pushing out an awkward shot from Meredith. An injury to Ashworth caused a temporary stoppage

and on restarting Bolton were lustily urged on by their supporters. An equalising goal nearly came from Taylor who followed a stirring sprint with one of the finest shots of the match. Hillman, to whom the ball came chest high, had to be very alert to stop it at all. As it was, he conceded a corner, the ball rebounding off his hands with such force as to go high over the line near the corner flag. Kick and rush continued to be the tactics of Bolton, and Marsh once charged down a kick from Burgess but failed to finish well. Meredith and Ashworth were both prominent in a Manchester attack, and from the latter's shot Struthers saved the situation by kicking the ball out of play when nearly under the bar. For a second time Yenson was brought down by Burgess just outside the penalty area and on this occasion a free kick was allowed from which nothing tangible resulted. Another brief stoppage occurred through Struthers being slightly damaged in a charge. A splendid flying shot by Gillespie, which just missed the mark, was the last feature of the initial stage, and the following was the state of the game at Half-time :—

Manchester City ... ... One goal
Bolton Wanderers ... ... Love

The second stage opened with Meredith and Livingstone forging ahead, but Bolton replied with a spirited attack, and Burgess made a rather bad mis-kick. Coming a long way out of goal to a low shot, Davies gathered the ball smartly and punted away, but Booth obtained possession and sent wide. Bolton gradually began to find their proper form, but as the Wanderers improved Manchester showed a corresponding falling off. Stokes now stirred himself to useful purpose on the Bolton right, and on one occasion he was brought down by Burgess, whose offence was again committed just wide of the penalty area. Following the resultant free kick, the Manchester goal was hotly assailed, a clearance by Hillman, who ran a long distance away from his charge, being succeeded by a corner. Capital efforts to score were made by Stokes and Yenson, while Talor distinguished himself by testing Hillman with a high shot that screwed in awkwardly. Hands against Livingstone led to a further Bolton attack, and at this period the bulk of the Manchester defence devolved upon Burgess and McMahon, the halves for a time being far less prominent than formerly. Manchester now and again indulged in some pretty wing play, but Meredith had to be pulled up for offside, while Brown played a very skilful game at full back and frequently checked Turnbull and Booth. Somehow or other, the Manchester wings lost touch with their centre forward, and their attack was not characterised by its former sting. Booth once put rather tamely over the bar on receiving from Meredith, but Bolton had by far the larger share of the play and set up a very persistent attack. In this Marsh made a fine overhead kick close to goal and gave Taylor a chance which was not turned to good account. The Wanderers forced a corner, and then Hillman had to run out to Taylor. Greenhalgh was very noticeable at this stage for some accurate placing, and, taken altogether, Bolton were rather unlucky not to equalise. White received a bad shaking in a charge from Meredith, and was carried off to the side of the field. Happily he speedily recovered, and was out of the game for barely two minutes. A little undue vigour being introduced into the proceedings, the referee administered a few timely words of advice, after which Yenson, Stokes, and Marsh indulged in a combined run for Bolton, the last named shaping poorly at Burgess, who easily robbed him. Meredith, who was assiduously fed by his colleagues, did many good things on the Manchester right, but once he carried trickiness to excess and let slip a good opportunity to shoot when close up. He next forced a corner, which was immediately following by another, and with Bolton at this time seemingly feeling the effects of the pace, Manchester were once more having a look in. Meredith had a knack of hanging too far up and being penalised for off side, but he was still the chief aggressor, the Manchester halves scarcely paying enough attention to their left wing. Booth made one capital run, but finished with a shot over the bar, and it was noticeable that Manchester were now confining their chief efforts to defence Ashworth playing well back. Bolton appeared to have shot their bolt about twelve minutes from time, and their goal had a narrow escape, when Davies mishit the ball, which bounced on to the posts. A slight injury to Meredith was followed by Livingstone making poor use of a good chance, Struthers next conceding a corner through treading on the ball in an attempt to kick it. Davies was equal to a few shot by Gillespie, while Booth skimmed the bar with a beautiful effort The Wanderers all at once recovered themselves and, in the closing few minutes struggled in a gallant style for an equalising goal. Stokes made some plucky attempts, but generally found Burgess too clever for him. There were loud cries of "goal" when White shot at a tremendous pace, but unhappily for Bolton the ball want whizzing just outside the net. From a forward pass Stokes seemed likely to get clean away, but the ball travelled too fast for him, and went over the line. A dangerous Manchester attack was led by Meredith, and both Booth and Turnbull nearly scored, while Davies once ran out and caught a dropping shot. A final effort was made on behalf of Bolton by Marsh, Taylor, and Stokes, the last named heading in to Hillman, but a Cup-tie, which had been conducted in capital spirit, and produced play above the average of recent finals, resulted in a narrow win for the Mancunians, thus exactly bearing out the anticipations expressed in Saturday's Sportsman. As the teams came off the field, it was pleasing to note the friendly hand-shaking between victors and vanquished, all of whom seemed to have heartily enjoyed a memorable struggle

RESULT.

Manchester City ... ... One goal.
Bolton Wanderers ... ... Love.

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CHALLENGE CUP.

*Manchester City	...	1	bt	Bolton Wanderers ... 0

* At the Crystal Palace.

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION 1.

West Bromwich Albion	...	2	dr	Sheffield United ... 2
Stoke	...	1	dr	Derby County ... 1
Notts Forest	...	1	dr	Middlesbrough ... 1
Liverpool	...	3	bt	Blackburn Rovers ... 2
Small Heath	...	2	bt	Notts County ... 0
Sheffield Wednesday	...	4	bt	Aston Villa ... 2
Bury	...	0	dr	Wolverhampton Wndrs 0

DIVISION 2.

Lincoln City	...	0	dr	Preston North End ... 0
Blackpool	...	2	bt	Bradford City ... 0
Manchester United	...	2	bt	Burton United ... 0
Stockport County	...	2	dr	Burnley 2
Bristol City	...	2	bt	Burslem Port Vale ... 1
Barnsley	...	3	bt	Grimsby Town ... 1
Gainsborough Trinity	...	2	bt	Glossop 0

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

Millwall	...	2	bt	Brentford 0
Luton	...	2	bt	Kettering 1
Bristol Rovers	...	3	bt	Wellingborough ... 1
Swindon Town	—	2	bt	Northampton ... 0
Plymouth Argyle	...	2	bt	Portsmouth ... 0
Reading	...	3	bt	Brighton & Hove Alb ... 0
West Ham United	...	1	dr	Fulham 1

DIVISION 2.

Watford	...	2	bt	Southall 0
Grays United	...	2	bt	Southmpton Reserves ... 0
Wycombe Wanderers	...	7	bt	Millwall Reserves ... 1

THE LONDON LEAGUE.

Kingston	...	2	bt	Walthamstow Town ... 0
Willesdon Town	...	5	bt	Leyton 1
Woolwich Polytechnic	...	5	bt	Hanwell 3
Finchley	...	4	bt	Boleyn Castle ... 1

OTHER MATCHES.

Sunderland	...	3	bt	Newcastle United ... 0
Everton	...	4	bt	Queen's Park Rangers ... 1
Kirkley	...	6	bt	Cromer 0
Lowestoft	...	6	bt	Beccles 0
Norfolk Regiment	...	2	bt	Colchester Crown ... 1
Bungay	...	1	dr	Southwold 1
Norwich City	...	1	dr	Norwich C.E.Y.M.S. ... 1
Chelmsford	...	3	bt	Alleyn 0
Lynn	...	3	bt	Norwich C.E.Y.M.S. ... 0
Halstead	...	8	bt	Haverhill Rovers ... 1
Leiston	...	4	bt	Lowestoft 2
Thetford Rovers	...	3	bt	Bury St. Mary's ... 0
Hibernians	...	0	dr	St. Bernards ... 0
St. Leonards	...	1	dr	London Caledonians ... 1
Queen's Park	...	2	bt	Clyde 1
Maxwelltown Volunteers	...	3	bt	Dumfries 1
Beith	...	1	bt	Maybole 0
Johnstone	...	1	dr	Renton 1
Boness	...	1	dr	Bathgate 1
Galston	...	4	bt	Annbank 1
Thornliebank	...	3	bt	Arthurlie 1
Lochgelly United	...	3	bt	Aberdeen 1

RACQUETS.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The famous Worcestershire cricketer, H. K. Foster, regained championship honours at amateur singles racquets, with a decisive triumph over the previous holder, E. M. Baerlein at the Queen's Club, West Kensington, W., on the 25th instant. Foster displayed magnificent form to win a love match, and quite outgeneralled his younger opponent, who failed to do himself justice owing to having caught a slight chill. The veteran set a tremendous pace, and his judgment was superbly clever. Foster won his way to the Championship round with previous victories over L. F. Andrewes, Ivor de la Rue, E. H. Miles, and F. H. Browning, and he accomplished the wonderful performance of going right through the competition without losing a single game. The Old Malvernian has now won the championship on no fewer than eight occasions. A large number of people witnessed yesterday's match, among those present in the gallery of the first court being Major Cooper Key, Captain H. Balfour-Bryant, Lieutenant P. Bramwell-Davis, Messrs. E. H. Buckland, S. D. Muttlebury, H. M. Leaf, H. L. Doherty, Vane Pennel, W. G. H. Price, H. S. Mahoney, B. S. Foster, E. Temple Gurdon, E. B. Noel, B. S. V. Dyas, E. H. Miles, G. J. V. Weigall, Malcolm Roberts, and C. J. B. Marriott, and Peter Latham, the famous professional. Mr. F. H. Browning officiated as referee and Holden clearly called and accurately marked the scores. Details :—

H. K. Foster (Malvern and Oxford) beat E. M. Baerlein (Eton and Cambridge) by three games to love (17—14, 15—7, and 15—12), 47 aces (24 by service) to 33 (15 by service).

Baerlein commenced operations with a barren hand, but after Foster had scored a run of three, the old Cantab got in and registered a fine sequence of six (four by service) before being put out by a beautiful low shot just above the board. The following eight hands were all small, with Baerlein steadily leading, but when the holder possessed the advantage at 9—5 Foster contributed a brilliant sequence of eight. Baerlein drew up with three, and at length the game was set to three at "14 all." Baerlein failed, and then Foster ran out with a hand of three, thus taking the first game at 17—14. On resuming, Foster early took the lead with three, but his opponent soon got on terms. Forter, however, would not be denied, and, mainly by means of an extremely powerful service put on successive runs of four and seven, reaching game ball six. Baerlein obtained one more ace, and Foster secured the second game at 15—7. At the third and final meeting six hands saw Baerlein in front at 4—2, but then Foster's terrific service enabled the old Oxonian to forge ahead with a sequence of five. Subsequently, Foster always held the advantage in small hands, his generalship being perfect. Foster eventually captured the third game at 15—12, and thus won a love match. Time—33mins.

LIST OF WINNERS.

1888 C D Buxton	1896 H K Foster
1889 E M Butler	1897 H K Foster
1890 P Ashworth	1898 H K Foster
1891 H Phillipson	1899 H K Foster
1892 F Dames-Longworth	1900 H K Foster
1893 F Dames-Longworth	1901 F Dames-Longworth
1894 H K Foster	1902 E H Miles
1895 H K Foster	1903 E M Baerlein
	1904 H K Foster

ATHLETICS.

L. A. C. FIRST SPRING MEETING.

The appearance annually at the spring meeting of the L. A. C. of the representatives of the Public Schools lends additional interest to the first fixture of the athletic season. A record entry, good performances, and close finishes combined to make the sport at Stamford Bridge on Saturday, the 23rd, quite enjoyable, and with the weather holding fine the crack club opened the term in a successful and satisfactory manner.

One Mile Challenge Cup (members)—J. H. Bessell, 1. J. B. Cleave, 2 ; A. Cleave, 0. A. Cleave led, with Bessell next until the bell rang, when the last-named shot past. At the top of the ground A. Cleave collapsed, and with his brother run to a standstill in the straight, Bessell won as he liked. Time,—4mins. 54⅗secs.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS 100 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP.—

Final Heat.

W Brass, Eton	...	...	— 1
J D Dickson, Epsom	...	...	... 2
R W Marris, Wellingborough	...	..	... 3
F W Little, Blundell's School	...	...	... 4

Brass got well away, but Dickson joined issue in the last thirty yards, only to be beaten by a yard ; same distance between second and third. Time,—10⅘secs.

150 YARDS HANDICAP (open.)

Final Heat.

L J de B Reed, S L H, 8½ yards start	...	...	1
A Goodal, L A C, 10½	...	...	2
J B Densham, L A C, 7	...	...	3
C E Towers, S L M, 10	...	...	4
L F Trecer, L A C, 1	...	...	5

After a splendid start Read quickly drew on Towers and catching Goodall forty yards from home he won handsomely by a yard and a half, half a yard between second and third. Time—15⅘secs.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS HIGH JUMP CHALLENGE CUP.

A C Leith, Bedford Grammar School, 5ft 4½in			— 1
W H Dunnett, Ipswich, 5ft 3½in	...	...	... 2
E C Stubbs, Epsom, 5ft 2½in	...	...	... 3

N. J. Cox (Highgate), D. Greenway (Worcester), A. Wilken (Reading), H. G. Yates (Battersea Grammar), C. H. Crowdy (Framlingham) also competed.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS 440 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP.

L D Dickson, Epson	...	...	... 1
R W Marris, Wellingborough	...	...	... 2
J S Thomson, Highgate	...	...	... 3

Also ran : H. G. Yates, Battersea Grammar ; C. B French, King's College School. Dickson, on the inside, was first away, closely followed by Marris. The last-named made strenuous efforts to get on terms, but Dickson was never caught, and won by two yards, ten dividing second and third. Time—52⅖secs.

THREE-QUARTER-MILE HANDICAP (open).

E H Montague, S L H, scratch	...	...	... 1
A W Clay Thomas, S L H, 42 yards start	...	...	... 2
E F Judson, Blackheath H, 45	...	...	... 3
S W Fowler Dixon, L A C, 38	...	...	... 4
G Dewar, Ranelagh H, 55	...	...	... 5
A L Woodard, L A C, 48	...	...	— 6

Also competed : P. B Dodd, S. L. H., scratch ; T. Hampson, Herne Hill H., 18 ; A. Cleave, L. A. C., 40 ; H. E. M. Martin, S. L. H., 45 ; H. F. Pash, L. A. C., 48 ; J. L. Churchill, S. L. H., 50 ; J. Embling, L. A. C., 55 ; H. G. Sydes, L. A. C., 60 ; E. F. Vowles, L. A. C. 60 ; E. R. Small, L. A. C., 60 ; M. E. Benois, Ranelagh H., 65 ; F. B. Thompson, L. A. C., 65 ; H. Norrey, 70 T. W. Blott, L. A. C., 70 ; G. I. Brassey, L. A. C., 80 ; and G. L. Merritt, Ranelagh H., 80

Won a good race by three yards, one yard dividing second and third. Time—3mins 16⅗secs.

120 YARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS HURDLES CHALLENGE SHIELD.

Final Heat.

R F Kalberer (holder), Exeter	...	...	... 1
J G Milton, Bedford Grammar School	...	...	... 2
E C Stubbs, Epsom	...	...	... 3

The last named hit his seventh hurdle, and the other two, who had jumped together nearly all the way, rose level at the last. Milton, unfortunately, caught his timber, and the holder won by a yard and a-half. Time—18⅖secs.

440 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP (members.)—

J. B. Densham (holder), 1 ; H Watson, 2 ; R. S. Paine, 3 ; L. F. Tremeer, 0. Tremeer went off with the lead, which at the top of the ground he resigned to Densham, who coming away down the straight finished with a lot of power first by eight yards ; three yards between second and third. Time—52⅖secs.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS 880 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP.

F Heyes (Holder), Wimbledon	...	...	... 1
M E Dellschaft, Merchant Taylors	...	...	... 2
S P L Lloyd, S E Loud S. E. College, Ramsgate			... 3
F R Farquharson, Reading	...	...	... 0

Won cleverly by five yards. Lloyd was a yard and a-half away third. Time—2mins. 6⅘secs.

PUBLIC SCHOOL LONG JUMP CHALLENGE CUP.

J A Taylor, Wellingborough, 19ft 6¼in	...	...	1
F W Little, Blundell's school, Tiverton 18ft 9½in			... 2
W H Dunnett, Ipswich, 18ft 8in	...	...	... 3
J G Milton, the holder failed, at 18ft 6in	...	...	... 0

PUBLIC SCHOOLS' THREE QUARTER MILE STEEPLECHASE CHALLENGE CUP.

M E Dellschaft, Merchant Taylors	...	...	1
F R Farquharson, Reading	...	...	... 2
E Goldie, Wimbledon	...	...	... 3
J Goldie, Wimbledon	...	...	... 0

Farquharson made the running until half-way round the last lap, when Dellschaft went past and won easily by ten yards. Time—4mins 31secs.

TWO-MILE STEEPLECHASE CHALLENGE CUP (members.)—

R. R.Sharp, 1 ; E. R. Small, 2 ; J. H. Bessell (holder), 0 ; E. S. Ward, 0 ; A. M. Slingsby, 0. Ward led for a lap and then gave way to Sharp, who was closely attended by Bessell. At the half-distance the holder retired, and half a mile later, Ward, having hurt his ankle, followed suit. In the next lap Slingsby gave up, and finally Sharp beat Small by 250 yards. Time—12mins. 8secs.

ONE MILE PUBLIC SCHOOLS CHALLENGE CUP.—

F Heyes (holder), Wimbledon	...	...	... 1
K C Lacey, Reading	...	...	... 2
M E Dellschaft, Merchant Taylors		...	... 3
P Johnson, Highgate	...	...	... 4
T C C Evans, Epsom	...	...	... 5
E S F Ridout, Ipswich	...	...	... 0

Ridout cut out the work at a slow pace from Evans, with Heyes lying third. At the end of the first lap the holder ran into second place, and at the half-distance was treading almost on the heels of Ridout. When the bell ran the Ipswich boy was still in command, and Heyes, having taken a teeler, dropped back third. At the top of the ground Ridout was beaten and dropped out, and Lacy was the first to swing round the bend for home. Down the straight Heyes came through full of running and sprinting home in fine style he won very easily by fifteen yards ; a good third. Time—¼ mile, 2mins. 21secs., one mile, 4mins. 49⅘secs.

CRICKET.

LONDON COUNTY *vs.* SURREY.—The following are scores as I close my letter.

SURREY.

Holland, c Grace, b Hesketh Prichard	...	33	
Abel, c Sewell, b Hesketh-Prichard	...	22	
Hayes, c Sewell, bBraund		8	
Moulaer, c Sewell, b Hesketh-Prichard	...	4	
Lord Dalmeny, l-b-w, Hesketh-Prichard	...	13	
Lockwood, c Sewell, b McGahey	...	48	
Lees, run out	...	—	9
Strudwick, b Sewell	...	...	10
Mr K J Key, c Board, b Hesketh-Prichard	...		17
Richardson, b Vine	...		49
Jackson, not out	...		6
Byes, 5 ; Leg-Byes, 6	...		11
			230

LONDON COUNTY.

Mr W G Grace, b Lockwood	...	...	... 52
Mr W L Murdoch, b Lees	...	...	... 0
Braund, b Richardson	...	...	... 8
Mr C McGahey, run out	...	..	... 41
Mr L O S Poidevin, c Strudwick, b Lockwood			... 65
Knight, run out	...	...	... 22
E H Sewell, not out	...	..	... 83
Mr J H Douglas, not out	...	...	... 8
Leg-bye, 1	...	...	... 1
			280

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

SURREY—First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Braund ...	22	5	84	1	Vine ...	3	0	9	1
Prichard ...	26	4	106	5	McGahey ...	2	1	4	1
Sewell ...	6	1	16	1					

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SENIORS MATCH.

To-days' scores,—

MR. E. G. WHATELY'S SIDE.

Mr O T Norris, l-b, w b Lyle	...	...	1
Mr R W Awdry, c Udal, b Worsley	...	...	47
Mr G G M Bennett, c Udal, b Mulholland	...		59
Mr L D Brownlee, c Macdonald, b Goodliffe		...	15
Mr G Le Blanc Smith, c Worsley, b Goodliffe		...	41
Mr E G Whately, c Bird b Udal	...	...	65
Mr R Lee, c Greene, b Udal	...	...	12
Mr L H Shuttleworth, c Macdonald, b Goodliffe		...	6
Mr S G Tinley, b Goodliffe	...	...	29
Mr F A H Henley, not out	...	...	— 0
Mr H Bomford, b Udal	...	...	... 1
Bye, 1 ; leg-byes, 3	...	...	... 4
			310

MR. V. H. CARTWRIGHT'S SIDE.

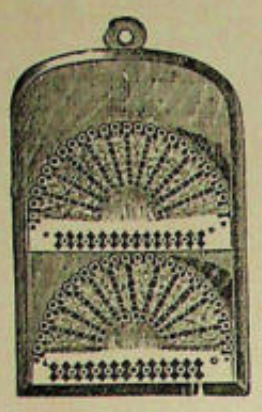
Mr C L Macdonald, not out	...	...	... 37
Mr V H Cartwright, b Henley	...	...	... 25
Mr A E Worsley, c Bomford, b Whately	...	...	5
Mr B L Peel, b Whately	...	...	... 2
Hon A E S Mulholland, not out	...	...	... 23
Bye, 1 ; leg-byes, 1	...	..	... 2
			94

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

MR. WHATELY'S SIDE.—First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Udal ...	17·4	0	102	3	Greene ...	2	0	15	0
Lyle ...	11	0	60	1	Mulholland ...	7	0	14	1
Goodliffe ...	16	1	70	4	Worsley ...	3	0	18	1

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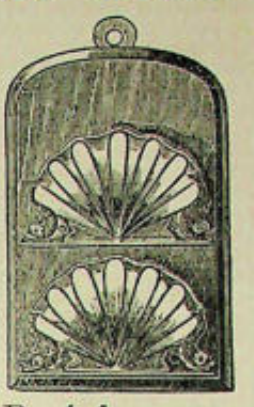
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DEATH OF MR FRED GALE.

We regret to announce the death on Sunday, the 24th instant in the Charterhouse—of the brotherhood of which foundation he had been a member for some five years—of Mr. Fred Gale, who in his school days figured in the Winchester eleven, and for many years subsequently interested himself heart and soul in the welfare of Surrey cricket, at the annual meetings of which body he was until recently a familiar figure.

How we shall miss this genial man, and miss the "Old Buffer's" reminiscent talk. A sportsman to the core and in every sense a fine old English gentleman, Mr Frederick Gale endeared himself to all who love cricket. We can take down his works from our bookshelves and turn over the files of "Bell's Life" again and again and never grow weary of reading the charming articles that breathe the every spirit of sport. But the greatest pleasure of all—meeting Mr. Gale at a cricket match and listening to his stories of bygone days on the green sward, delivered in a style of rhetoric peculiar to himself—will be denied us for ever. No one had such store of reminiscences such as the beloved "Old Buffer," and it falls to the lot of few to leave this world as absolutely free from enemies. Born on 16th July 1823, and therefore at the time of his decease in his eighty-first year, Mr Frederick Gale was a son of the Rev Thomas Hinxman Gale, vicar of Milton, Lillibourne, Wilts. His father was also curate of the adjoining parish of Woodborough, and it was at the Rectory in this place that Mr. Fred Gale first saw the light. The parson was himself a keen all-round sportsman, and it was not surprising that the son developed a passionate love for the green fields and manly games. At twelve years of age young Frederick—whose home was then at Rainham, in Kent—entered Winchester where he remained for nearly seven years. He was a promising cricketer—his best work being accomplished as a fieldsman—and he appeared against Eton at Lord's in 1841. Winchester won the match by 109 runs. Gale going in first wicket down and recording one and sixteen. In the same year he figured on the losing side against Harrow, fourteen and six being his contributions. In this latter match one of his opponents was Mr William Nicholson, a fine batsman and a splendid wicketkeeper. At Winchester Mr. Gale was also captain at football, and in 1842 he was launched on a legal career, being articled to a prominent London firm. We read in "Baily's" that he did not at first take too kindly to his profession his love for the pursuits of country life being ever uppermost. In the prosperous times of 1846, however, he transferred his services to a firm in Westminster, this being largely due to the extraordinary number of railway bills then introduced into Parliament and the many favourable opportunities in consequence afforded the legal profession. In Parliamentary business Mr. Gale speedily made his mark, and for forty years—until 1886—he remained a familiar figure in Parliament street. Meanwhile, he delighted the sporting public with his contributions to "Baily's Magazine," "Bell's Life," "The English Illustrated," "Boy's Own Paper," "The Sporting Life," and numerous other publications. Among his familiar writings were: "The Country Parson,' The Old Dover Road," "Tom Spring's Back Parlour," and in 1888 he published 'The Game of Cricket" and "Sports and Recreations in Town and Country," the latter being a delightful volume. He contributed "Country Cricket" to the Badminton Library. "Winchester of Fifty Years Ago" to "The English Illustrated," and at the special request of old Harrovians, the memoirs of Robert Grimston. At sixty-eight years of age—in 1891—Mr Gale left his native country for Manitoba, where he spent two very happy years among the prairies. Fortunately, he returned to England to further entertain with his writings, and it was not so very long ago that we met him at a county match in Kent, as keen as ever on the grand old game he loved so well. He has left us, after an honourable life at a ripe old age, but the world of cricket will cherish the memory of the genial, sympathetic, and kindly nature, while his writings will serve as a perpetual monument. But, to end as we began, how we shall we miss his charming personality! And it is sorrowful, indeed to think that the familiar initials of "F. G." and the cherished *nome de plume* "The Old Buffer" have been written by Fred. Gale for the last time!

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

AFTER a fortnight of drought with catchy scent and the Downs as hard as iron it was a very welcome change on Monday (9th May) when we met at Kandal Cross Roads at 6-30 on a fine fresh morning with a heavy dew and the country greatly improved by the recent rain. The station is now quite full and there are besides a large number of men up for the races, so that the field that met Captain Fife, the master, was a large one. From the Cross Roads we trotted on to Mills' Covert and a start to draw it had hardly been made when hounds hit off a line and went away on a splendid scent at a great rate. The jack took us, still going very fast half way up Blackmoor vale, over the top of Newmarket, then leaving Rawling's nullah on our right, on to Bluegums. This is a very large covert, but hounds were never at fault and drove their jack through it without a pause, then on through Porlock Wood and on to Governor's Shola. The jack skirted the bottom of this as far as the Toda School and then turned up the Hill to Martyn's Shola Here he turned very short and there was a short check Hounds were not many minutes in hitting off the line again and drove the jack out at the bottom, whence he set his mask again for Governor's Shola: hounds were very close to him by now and in the lower part of Governor's Shola they killed him. He was a very large dog jack and had given us a splendid run.

As we were passing through Bluegums, Mr. Hodgson, the Field Master, had viewed a fresh jack away at the bottom and we therefore trotted back down the stream and towards the end of Lawley's course. Hounds were not long in finding the line and ran up through round Shola, and at the top, though Martyn's Shola and over to the Yemakal Valley. The sun by this time was very hot and hounds and horses nearly exhausted. Besides this sambur and jungle sheep were jumping up in all directions. The body of the pack, however, stuck to the line of the hunted jack who took them down the side of Yemakal Shola and then straight across the Valley to the Pykara River. Here he turned up the right bank of the river and eventually ran hounds out of scent. It was a grand run, but there was no one to share it with the Field Master, who was the only man to see it through. Captain Fife had stayed behind with some tail hounds in the dangerous country for riot and sent a whip to bring back the hounds.

The following Thursday, we met at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar, the field being one of the largest of the season as there were more than a hundred out. The morning was cold and fine with a chilly wind. We first tried from Pamela's Crossing, over Dartmoor Vale and then on to the swamp between Wapshare's Hare Shola and the old Pykara Road. In the swamp hounds struck a good line and ran at speed across it and the new Pykara Road to the rising ground between Chemmund and Wenlock Wood. Here there was a check, but only a short one, and, hitting it off again hounds took us above Khed Shola and from there, leaving Road Shola on their left, streamed down and away over the long slope to the Shola below the Toda Coffee Shop. Another short pause in this Shola and then they were away again on the other side and we had to gallop all we knew to keep them in view at all. The jack followed the Pykara Falls bridle paths up to the Glen Morgan Tea Estate and there beat hounds in the thick cover Captain Fife then took us back to the coverts near the seventh milestone on the old Pykara Road and we had not been there long before a jack went away from the Bracken covert. Scent was not very good, however, and we hunted him slowly into Wenlock Wood. Here he ran a ring and then broke at the low side, taking us back across the road and through the various coverts between the road and Dunsandle, until at the high ground where the old road crosses it at the sixth milestone we had to give him up on account of the failure of scent. Scent was not good all day; but it was an excellent morning's sport.

BLUE GUM.

Polo.

OOTACAMUND TOURNAMENT.

DURHAMS "B" *vs.* BANGALORE GYMKHANA.—This was the opening match of the tournament and was played on the Hobart Park ground on the 9th instant. The Bangalore team completely outplayed their opponents and won by 7 goals and 12 subsidiaries to 1 subsidiary.

First Chukker.—Bangalore got right away and Hayes hit a goal: an effort by the Durhams was checked, and Neave running down put through. Peel adding a third goal shortly after. The Gymkhana team continued to press, and Neave and Wagstaff each scored a subsidiary. *Score:* Bangalore, 3 goals 2 subsidiaries; Durhams, *nil*.

Second Chukker.—Wagstaff took the ball down and passed to Neave who hit a goal. The Durhams then had a turn and after several unsuccessful attempts at goal a subsidiary was obtained by Jeffreys. *Score:* Bangalore, 4 goals 2 subsideries; Durhams, 1 subsidiary.

Third Chukker.—Peel opened with a subsidiary. Then Neave got in a good run which ended in a goal. The same player next hit a subsidiary. The Durhams played hard and kept their opponents out for a space, but they got in again and three subsidiaries were obtained in quick succession. A combined effort by the Durhams was checked and Wagstaff getting on hit a minor point. *Score:* Bangalore, 5 goals 8 subsidiaries; Durhams, 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—Fast play throughout. Bangalore got away but were stopped and Garsia went down with a good run. He overran the ball, however, and Bangalore got possession. A foul against the Durhams resulted in Hayes hitting a subsidiary which was followed by a goal scored by Neave, Peel adding another just before time. *Score:* Bangalore, 7 goals 9 subsidiaries; Durhams, 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—Peel hit a minor point then Garsia and Jeffreys got away for the Durhams, but the former shot wide. Peel and Wagstaff scored subsidiaries. *Score*: Bangalore, 7 goals 12 subsidiaries; Durhams, 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—Garsia made a fine run but failed to score and the game terminated in a win for the Gymkhana by 7 goals and 12 subsidiaries to 1 subsidiary. Teams:—

D. L. I., "B" TEAM.			BANGALORE GYMKHANA.	
Capt J W Jeffreys	...	1	Lieut Neave, Essex Regt	1
Lieut A C Garsia	...	2	Capt E J Peel, R H A	2
Major G C Mansel	...	3	Lieut C M Wagstaff, R E	3
Capt W Northey (*back*)			Major R H Hayes, Middlesex Regt (*back*).	

Umpires.—Captain R. L. Faunce and Captain L. T. Hay.

OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA *vs.* DURHAMS "A".—Played on the 9th instant, a fine game resulting in a win for the Gymkhana by the narrow margin of a goal.

First Chukker.—The Durhams pressed for a short time and Turner scored a subsidiary after a good run. Ballantyne then got away for the Gymkhana and hit a goal; an attempt by Fife was stopped and Turner relieved. *Score:* Ooty, 1 goal; Durhams, 1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—Play ruled fast and very even and the period closed without further score.

Third Chukker.—The Gymkhana rushed down and pressed hard two shots narrowly missing. The Durhams defended pluckily, but the Gymkhana broke through and hit another goal. Fast and even play closing the chukker. *Score:* Ooty, 2 goals; Durhams, 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—A heavy shower stopped play for a time, but on resuming the Durhams displayed much improved form. The Gymkhana obtained a subsidiary, followed by a goal scored from a scrimmage. Then the Durhams got away and the ball was put through. After the restart Barr rushed away and scored a good goal. Play ruled up and down till a foul was given against the Durhams. The hit was well met and the Durhams rushed down and scored a goal. *Score:* Ooty, 4 goals 1 subsidiary; Durham, 2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Durhams pressed hard throughout this period, and rushing away hit a goal. They continued to keep their opponents on the defensive, but were unable to add to their score. *Score:* Ooty, 4 goals 1 subsidiary; Durhams, 3 goals 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—Only a few seconds remained and nothing was scored, the Gymkhana winning by 4 goals 1 subsidiary to 3 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams.—

DURHAM L. I. "A" TEAM			OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.	
Lieut A F Hartley	...	1	Capt Henderson, 27th L C	... 1
Lieut R V Turner	...	2	Capt Barr, C I H	... 2
Capt J S Cuthbert	...	3	Capt Ballantyne, 27th L C	... 3
Lieut A W B Wallace (*back.*)			Capt D'A Fife, York Regt (*back.*)	

Umpires.—Major Hoare and Captain R. L. Faunce.

SEMI-FINALS.

THE CARABINIERS *vs.* IVTH QUEEN'S OWN HUSSARS.—These teams met on the 11th instant, a fast and exciting game resulting in a win for the Hussars.

First Chukker.—The Carabiniers attacked but the ball went behind. They returned to the charge but were stopped and the Hussars scored a subsidiary, Major Hoare following this up by hitting a splendid goal. Then the Carabiniers got possession and going away Watson put the ball through. *Score*: Hussars, 1 goal and 1 subsidiary; Carabiniers, 1 goal.

Second Chukker.—Play ruled up and down till the Hussars came away with a rush and Hoare hit a goal. The Carabiniers next got away but were stopped. *Score:* Hussars, 2 goals and 1 subsidiary; Carabiniers, 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—The Carabiniers opened by scoring a goal, the Hussars replying with a subsidiary. They continued to press and Hoare added another minor point. The Carabiniers were next away and Swifte going down obtained a goal with a pretty shot. *Score*: Hussars, 2 goals and 3 subsidiaries: Carabiniers, 3 goals.

Fourth Chukker.—The Carabiniers started off at a great pace but were stopped and their opponents taking the ball down obtained a subsidiary. The Hussars kept up the attack till Swifte relieved. Following on some play in midfield the 4th got going and Brodie hit a subsidiary. *Score*: Hussars, 2 goals and 5 subsidiaries: Carabiniers, 3 goals

Fifth Chukker.—Play ruled very fast and the Hussars soon got going, Hoare putting through. Then the Carabiniers pressed and after an unsuccessful run by Dormer, Kennard raced away and hit a goal. Both teams worked hard and play ruled very even till Bell made a grand run and hit through. *Score*: Hussars, 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries; Carabiniers, 4 goals.

Sixth Chukker.—The Hussars attacked and Hoare scored a minor point. The Carabiniers tried hard to increase their total

but were unsuccessful, the Hussars thus winning by 4 goals and 6 subsidiaries to 4 goals. Teams :—

4TH (QUEEN'S OWN) HUSSARS		THE CARABINIERS.	
Lieut L C Brodie	.. 1	Lieut W Dormer	... 1
Major R Hoare	... 2	Lt M N Kennard	... 2
Lieut A D Bell	... 3	Capt W E Watson	... 3
Lt C M Lewin	(*back*)	Lt A M Swifte	(*back*)

Umpires.—Major G. C. Mansel and Captain R. de L. Faunce.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *vs.* OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.—Played on the 11th instant, the Ootacamund Gymkhana being victorious by 3 goals to 2 goals and 4 subsidiaries after a good game.

First Chukker.—The Bangalore were first away and Neave scored a subsidiary. After they had been pressing for some time Ooty broke away but could not score and a foul against them let in Wagstaff who scored a minor point. *Score* : Bangalore, 2 subsidiaries ; Ooty *nil*.

Second Chukker.—Bangalore again got away and Wagstaff put through, they kept up the pressure but were unable to get past again and Ooty getting the ball worked it down and Fife nearly scored. *Score* : Bangalore, 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries ; Ooty *nil*.

Third Chukker—First Bangalore attacked but Ooty got possession and Barr rushing down scored a goal. They kept the ball in their opponents' territory and before the period ended had put on another goal. *Score* : Ooty, 2 goals ; Bangalore, 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—Ooty still showed excellent form and Barr once more hit a goal, just missing another a little later. After some fast play Bangalore began to show up again and Neave and Peel scored subsidiaries. *Score* : Ooty, 3 goals; Bangalore, 1 goal and 4 subsidiaries.

Fifth Chukker.—Bangalore pressed hard but were unable to break through till Neave came away with a good run and scored a goal. Then Ooty took the ball down but failed to add any more points to their total. *Score* : Ooty, 3 goals ; Bangalore, 2 goals and 4 subsidiaries.

Sixth Chukker.—Only a few seconds of play remained and there was no further scoring the Ooty Gymkhana winning by 3 goals to 2 goals and 4 subsidiaries as stated. Teams :—

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.		OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.	
Lt Neave, Essex Rgt	... 1	Capt Henderson, 27th L C	1
Capt Peel, R H A	... 2	Capt Barr, C I H	... 2
Lieut Wagstaff, R E	... 3	Capt Ballantyne, 27th L C	3
Major Hayes, Mid Regt	(*back*)	Capt DA Fife, York Regt	(*back*)

Umpires.—Captain R. de L. Faunce and Captain L. T. Hay.

FINALS

The final match in the Polo Tournament was played on the 13th instant. There was a delay of over half an hour on account of the rain. After a very good match, the 4th Hussars beat the Ootacamund Gymkhana by 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 2 goals.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT DARJEELING.

THE STATION *vs.* THE ROYAL FUSILIERS.—Played on "The Shrubbery" ground on Thursday, 12th May, and resulted in an easy win for the Fusiliers by 182 runs. Captain P. Turner won the toss for the Station and sent in Mr. Cyril Hogg and Mr. D. S. Murray, who were opposed to the bowling of Captain Fisher and Mr. A. S. Hewitt. Mr. Murray was the first to go, hitting out at a ball which just touched his bat and flew into the hands of Mr. Hewitt at short slip. Mr. Uzielli came next, but after a couple of fours he misjuged a hit and put the ball beautifully to Private Crane in the long field who easily secured it. Mr. Hugh Mytton was the next man in, but he soon lost Mr. Hogg, who was out to a catch at short slip. Captain Healing followed, but after scoring 1, he was caught by Corporal Sunshine. Mr. Clayton Danberry looked like scoring, but Captain Fisher was bowling well and he soon got a ball in which took his off stump. So far the disasters were appalling, but the side had hopes of Captain Turner making a stand with Mr. Mytton, who appeared to be well set and was scoring consistently. After Captain Turner had hit a four, he was bowled and Captain Fisher had secured his fourth victim Mr. A. E. Power was next in and before he scored had the mortification of seeing Mr Mytton caught and bowled by Captain Fisher, after a well played innings of 29. The rest made very little addition to the score, and the innings closed at 1 o'clock for the poor score of 84. Captain Fisher and Mr. Hewitt bowled unchanged throughout the innings, the former securing 8 wickets.

Captain Fisher and Mr. Hewitt went in first for the Fusiliers, and hit about them in great style treating the bowling with scant respect, and they were still together when an adjournment took place for lunch with the score at 26. On resuming Mr. Hewitt soon succumbed to one of Captain Healing's leg breaks, and Sergeant Fraser joined his Captain who was bowled after a couple of overs, after a merry innings of 35. Private Battle joined Fraser and the two played splendid cricket, the latter doing all the scoring, while the former kept his wicket up. All the Station bowlers were put on, Mr. Danberry having 13 scored off him in one over, and a separation was not effected until the two had added 68 to the score. Captain Legge and Mr. Peel scored well, but they were playing mostly to Mr. Uzielli's tempting bowling, and should have been caught early in their innings. Three catches from Captain Legge were missed in one over! Altogether five catches were dropped from Mr. Uzielli's bowling in as many overs. The Station, however, had already lost the match, and had got rather slack in their fielding. Over one hundred people witnessed the match, and proceedings were enlivened by some excellent music by the fine Band of the Royal Fusiliers. Score :—

THE STATION.

Mr Cyril Hogg, c Fisher, b Hewitt	...	22
Mr D S Murray, c Hewitt, b Fisher	...	0
Mr T J Uzielli, c Crane, b Fisher	...	8
Mr H F Mytton, c and b Fisher	...	29
Capt P Turner, b Fisher	...	4
Mr Clayton Danberry, b Fisher	...	5
Mr A E Power, b Fisher	...	7
Capt Healing, c Sunshine, b Fisher	...	1
Mr E Cudlip, c Sub, b Hewitt	...	0
Capt J S Maidlow, l-b-w, b Fisher	...	0
Mr C A Meadows, not out	...	4
Byes ...	...	4
Total	...	84

THE ROYAL FUSILIERS.

Mr A C Hewitt, b Healing	...	11
Capt J L Fisher, b Danberry	...	35
Sergt Fraser, c Healing, b Danberry	...	60
Pte Battle, b Cudlip	...	19
Capt Palairet, hit wkt, b Healing	...	9
Corpl Sunshine, stpd Mylton, b Uzielli	...	40
Capt S F Legge, not out	...	47
Mr J J R Peel, c Meadows, b Danberry	...	26
Major Menzies, b Healing	...	0
Pte Crane, b Uzielli	...	14
Byes ...	...	5
Total	...	266

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

BANGALORE *vs.* OOTACAMUND.—This match was concluded on the 9th instant resulting in a win for Bangalore by 24 runs. Appended are full scores and analysis :—

BANGALORE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt Standage, b Morrison ...	5	c Morrison, b Jackson ...	30
J G Tait, c Norrie, b Manson...	3	b Unthank ...	7
Major Hayes, c Dewing, b Morrison ...	35	b Morrison ...	5
Capt Copeland, b Morrison ...	18	b Unthank ...	4
Hanson, run out...	17	c Norrie, b Unthank ...	33
Sir J Bourdillon, c Hemingway, b Unthank ...	3	b Unthank ...	2
Capt Peel, b Morrison ...	20	b Morrison ...	14
Moore, l-b-w, b Morrison ...	2	not out ...	55
Harris, not out ...	18	c Manson, b Unthank ...	0
Rolland, b Morrison ...	3	st Manson, b Morrison ...	23
Moss King, run out ...	4	run out ...	2
Kanaga Rathnam, b Morrison	20	c Gunn, b Jackson ...	6
Extras ...	15	Extras ...	34
Total ...	173	Total ...	215

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Manson ...	17	2	45	1	17	1	63	1
Morrison ...	20 4-6	5	51	7	25	9	67	2
Jackson ...	4	0	19	0	5	1	17	2
Hemmingway ...	5	0	13	0	1	0	5	0
Unthank ...	8	1	26	1	12	1	21	5
Dewing ...	4	0	4	0	3	0	9	0

OOTACAMUND.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
W W Phillips, b Copeland ...	43	b Harris ...	6
Manson ...	—	b Harris ...	2
Major Dewing, b Harris ...	10	run out ...	9
Major Norrie, b Pillay ...	27	b Pillay ...	69
A B Jackson, c Harris, b Copeland ...	23	c Hanson, b Rolland...	35
Capt Unthank, b Copeland ...	5	did not bat	
C Morrison, c Moss King, b Copeland ...	10	not out ...	43
F R Hemmingway, l-b-w, b Copeland ...	8	c Moore, b Harris ...	0
R Simpson, c Pillay, b Standage	21	b Copeland ...	10
F Hannyngton, b Standage ...	0	c Copeland, b Pillay ...	2
Maj Gunn, c Hayes, b Harris	4	run out ...	2
A T Forbes, not out	— 6	c Harris, b Pillay ...	0
Extras ...	... 17	Extras ...	4
Total	... 182	Total	... 182

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Harris ...	16	3	44	2	20	0	75	3
Copeland ...	16	3	62	6	13	1	46	1
Pillay ...	8	0	27	1	17	1	84	0
Standage ...	5	1	17	2	3	0	9	2
Rolland ...	3	1	11	0	6	1	13	1

Football.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

RANGERS *vs.* 64th R. F. A.—These teams met on the Rangers' ground on Saturday, a well contested game resulting in a win for the home team by two goals to one. The Rangers were the first to attack and forced a corner but failed to improve upon it. Then the gunners got going and the forwards put in some good runs but missed opportunites of scoring owing to erratic shooting. Following some even exchanges Rosser got away and put through. On changing ends the Artillerymen had the better of the game and from a corner Douglas equalised. The game ruled very even till the end when the home forwards rushed down and Affleck registered their second point. Teams :—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal* ; Margrett and Anderson, *backs* ; Boilard, Lees and Russell *half-backs* ; Affleck, Cuthbert, Rosser, McCready and Vears, *forwards*.

64TH R. F. A.—Harrison, *goal* ; Prince and Quinn, *backs*, Connolly, Obsorne and Donnely, *half-backs* ; Woods, Hingley, Young, Nicol and Douglas, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr Grieg, Dalhousie.

HOWRAH *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—Played on the Dalhousie ground, the home team being victorious by two goals to *nil*. The visitors had if anything the better of the first moiety but were unable to score. The Dalhousie men also put in some fine runs but failed to put through and the interval arrived without any score. On resuming the homesters showed improved form and kept their opponents busy. At last they got the ball to the Howrah twenty-five where a great struggle took place, Stewart eventually finding the net. Another point was scored by Holley from a capital run just before time. Teams:—

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal* ; Robinson and Templeton. *backs* ; Phelps, Dalling and Evans, *half-backs* ; Stewart, Frike, Doherty, Boner and Holley, *forwards*.

HOWRAH.—Bennet, *goal* ; Burns and Curtis, *backs* ; Morrow, Jackson and Sharp, *half-backs* ; Echlin, Smith, Woods, Kerr and Linton. *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. R. Remfry.

KING'S OWN REGIMENT *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—The West Ridings met the Fort team on the latter's ground last Saturday, the King's Own winning by two to *nil* after a good game. They kicked off and carried the ball to their opponents' half where Roberts was called upon to save. They continued to attack and Ashworth found the net. Then the West Ridings ran down and forced a corner. Nothing resulted, however, and the interval arrived with the Lancasters leading. On resuming play was very even, neither side getting any great advantage till a good run by the Dum Dum forwards gave Wood an opportunity which he missed. Just before time Carman ran down and put through, the King's Own winning as stated. Teams :—

LANCASTERS.—Hill, *goal* ; Miller and Cottam, *backs* ; Lonard, Ennis and Quin, *half-backs* ; Jones, Biddell, Ashworth, Carman and Wittingham, *forwards*.

WEST RIDINGS.—Roberts, *goal* ; Stewart and Evans, *backs* ; Reeves, Turner and Morris, *half-backs* ; Collins, Kelly, Wood, Drew and Hollier, *forwards*.

Referee.—Captain Gardner.

CALCUTTA *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—The Y. M. C. A. ground was the venue of this match on the 14th instant, the visitors who were a stronger team defeating the Young Men by three goals to *nil*. Calcutta were first away and invaded their opponents' territory, V Sherman scoring after a combined run. The home team then got going but were unable to gain any advantage and Baker relieved. Calcutta again attacked and forced two corners which proved abortive. After the interval the visitors returned to the charge and H. Cooper scored from a pass by H. Sherman. This was followed by a third goal soon after, V. Cooper beating Curtis with a low shot. The Young Men played hard to the end but were unable to score and Calcutta thus won by three goals to *nil*. Teams :—

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal* ; Baker and Badham, *backs* ; Maunder, Crawford and Wickham, *half-backs* ; H. Sherman, V. Cooper, H. Cooper, V. Sherman and Smith, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A.—Curtis, *goal* ; Baldwin and Stokes, *backs* ; Redmond, Pooler and Mason, *half-backs* ; Price, Collingwood, Scully, Vanspaul and Schaumberg, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. P. Willder.

HOWRAH *vs.* 64TH R. F. A.—This match was played at Howrah on the 17th instant the Gunners having an easy win by three goals to *nil*. They had the best of the game throughout and had it not been for the strong defence of Curtis and Annett might have scored more points. They put on one goal in the initial stage and two goals after the interval, Osborne being responsible for all three. Curtis was injured in the second-half and had to be carried off the field.

CALEDONIA A. C. *vs.* RANGERS F. C.—This friendly match was played last Thursday on the Caledonian ground when both clubs put out teams which were expected to represent them in their respective leagues. Winning the toss the home team played with the breeze in its favour, and though the forwards were slow on both sides, the players settled down to a fairly good game. Harrington, Chandler, Wilson and Nickel all got in good shots but Behrend kept the Rangers' goal in fine style. After half time the Caledonians had to defend, the visitors' five got in some good bouts of passing and Byrne was called upon to save from scrummages in front of his goal. Time was called without any score being made. Teams :—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal* ; Margrett and Anderson, *backs* ; Affleck, Lees, Russell and *half-backs* ; McCready, Cuthbert, Smith, Gault and Biers, *forwards*.

CALEDONIANS.—Byrne, *goal* ; Wade and Park, *backs* ; Chandler, Harrington and Tierney, *half-backs* ; Davis, Wilson, Nickel, Davison and Tenbrocke, *forwards*.

THE CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE.

The above opened on Saturday, the 14th instant, when three matches were played. The Hornets had an easy victory over the Measurers by six goals to *nil*. The 79th R. G. A. beat St. Joseph's by three goals to *nil* and La Martiniere defeated the Caledonians by two to *nil*. On Monday three more games were played, La Martiniere defeated the Measurers on the latters' ground. St. Joseph's and the B.-N. Railway drew with a goal each while the match between Caledonians and the Hornets ended in a victory for the former by two goals to *nil*, and is reported below :—

CALEDONIA A. C. *vs.* HORNETS F. C.—On the ground of the former the home team gained an unexpected victory. The Hornets on Saturday had beaten the Measurers handsomely while the Caledonians succumbed to La Martiniere. The Hornets were without Apcar and played short during the first-half and the Caledonians had a much re-arranged team out. The football was good in the first-half but very scrambling in the second, and very much in favour of the home club. T. Davis and Tenbrocke, who each scored goals, infused much life into the forward line. Yackjee at back, Rosser and Russell played best for the Hornets. The Caledonians have a splendid full-back in Park, but the team requires to play together more if good results are to be obtained.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

OF the four matches which opened the League season last Saturday, the meeting of Dalhousie and Howrah attracted the largest crowd and, although the former team won, the game was much more evenly contested than the score of two goals to *nil* would seem to indicate. Howrah lost several chances of scoring, but with a bit more practice, Woods will have his forward line in good trim. For the winners Stewart, Prike and Doherty showed up well in the forward line, though the latter was very erratic at times, and Templeton at back was in great form ; the team as a whole, however, will profit by more combined practice. Echlin played for Howrah against his old club, and did not show up very strongly, the best men on the Howrah side being Woods and Smith.

Calcutta had no difficulty in defeating the Y. M. C. A. by three goals to *nil*, and had it not been for the good kicking of their backs, the Young Men would have had a greater score against them. The Calcutta backs were lucky in not having a strong forward line opposed to them. They seem to have trouble in keeping their places, and although Badham is a sound player and will improve weekly, he wants more weight and will no doubt get considerably hustled in playing against a heavy team, the King's Own for instance. Crawford was by far the best man in the half line, his tackling being at times extremely good. The Cooper-Sher-man combination kept things moving among the forwards and with a little more practice Smith will be a handy left-winger. For the Y. M. C. A. Baldwin and Stokes played well at back, and Price, Collingwood and Scully in the forward line, the team as a whole, however, are at present the weakest in the competition.

The Rangers—64th R. A. match did not attract a large crowd, but those who were present were agreeably surprised at the form shown by the men from Barrackpur. They seem to be a far better team than they were last year, although most of the old men are playing, their improvement being in no small way due to the energetic coaching of their Secretary, Bombardier Smith. The Rangers came off victorious by two goals to one, but the R. A. had most of the game and should have at any rate made a draw of it. Lieutenant Shaw has vacated his place at centre forward in favor of Young and the team will not now include an officer. They have good men in Young and Douglas and are not likely to carry off the wooden spoon this season. For the Rangers Rosser was the best in the forward line, and the club have been lucky in securing his services ; Macready, too, will make a good forward with practice, Lees played his old game at centre half and Anderson and Margrett are fairly reliable backs though the latter seemed off-color at times. Behrend had no chance of saving the one shot which passed him. He is likely to be as useful to his side as aforetime.

Though there is no doubt that the best team won in the contest between the "King's" and "Duke's," the the latter team deserve praise for the unflagging energy with which they fought out a losing game. Their back division were kept going almost the whole time by the combined rushes of the Lancasters' forwards and Roberts had a lively time of it in goal. Their attack suffered for want of combination, the centre forward especially seemed unable to get the ball away promptly to his wings, thus on many occasions losing the advantage gained by a stiff tussle with the enemy's halves. The latter are a tough trio and take a lot of moving, and they have two strong backs behind them ; Miller especially on Saturday showed himself to be a fine kicker. The entire King's Own team show evidence of steady combined practice and understand one another thoroughly, as is generally the case with a military team, and the forwards worked together perfectly, the only fault to find being their habit of persistently lying offside, this constitutional tendency of Thomas A. keeping the referee (Captain Gardiner) continually on the go. Whittingham on the left was perhaps the best of the line, his centering being admirable, while Ashworth in the centre played a dashing game. Calcutta will have their hands full on Wednesday.

(*N. B.*—These notes are written up to Tuesday evening ED.)

A word about the field on which the above match was played. Owing to the Caledonia A. C. having marked out their ground



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almost on the King's Own touch-line (in fact along nearly the whole of the eastern side there is barely 4 or 5 feet between the two grounds) the regimental ground is hemmed in badly. It was bad enough before on the western side, owing to its close proximity to the Calcutta F. C. ground, but now it will be almost impossible to keep spectators off the field when the King's Own and Caledonias are both playing home matches at the same time. The soldiers have unfortunately made the mistake of digging a regular trench for a touch line on one side of their ground. I hope this will be filled in before some player hurts his ankle. With regard to the other grounds, Dalhousie's seems to be in better condition than last year, but the Y. M. C. A. pitch is the same as of yore, not very good. The Rangers are for the present playing on their old hockey ground, and a nice ground, too, if a bit small ; but it will be unplayable in wet weather as the tram-road end is a regular swamp after a heavy shower. Howrah ground is as last year and given fine weather one need not want a better of its size. It is a pity, however, that it cannot be extended. The Calcutta ground is as good as ever, which is all that need be said of it.

Regarding the institution of a second League this season there does not appear to be much to say as it is now an accomplished fact. Putting aside the question of whether it was advisable to start another League or not it seems a pity that such an amalgamation was not run in conjunction with the Calcutta Football League and so made an opportunity of binding the various football clubs more firmly together—making it a junior League with a proviso that men who had played in Calcutta Football League matches would not be eligible to compete in it would have given a fine impetus to junior football, but the opportunity has apparently been lost. Then again had the new League been inaugurated on the same lines as the second division of the English League, the prizes in which consist of entry into the first division of the winners and runners up, there would have been a good reason for the exclusion of native teams, the Calcutta Football League being restricted to European Clubs : but as the "Civil and Military" is apparently to be run entirely separate from the older organisation it seems a pity that the two or three best native clubs were not admitted. Apart from these two points, the independence of the Civil and Military and the non-inclusion of native teams, all who have the interests of football at heart will welcome the new League as a means of raising the standard of play generally. but native clubs will now find more difficulty than ever in arranging matches with European teams and *their* football will consequently suffer, although they have or had last year a small League of their own.

There is one military team in the new combination, the 77th R. G. A., and they seem likely to head the list. The Hornets are a strong team on paper, but although they played a good game on Saturday, on Monday they could make no headway against the Caledonias which does not argue well for their success. Of the remainder two are school teams, with whose play I am not at present acquainted, and one the Licensed Measurers, seem to be rather weakif the beating they received from the Hornets is any criterion. Seebpur have not yet had an oppor tunity of displaying their form.

The Calcutta Football League matches for next Saturday are 64th B. F. A. *vs.* West Ridings, Calcutta *vs.* Dalhousie, King's Own *vs.* Howrah and Y. M. C. A. *vs* Rangers, the first of these being played at Barrackpur and the other three on the Calcutta *maidan*. I hope suitable arrangements will be made for keeping the spectators on the narrow strip between the Calcutta and King's Own grounds off the fields of play.

The positions of the various clubs in the League up to Saturday, the 14th, was as follows :—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals, For.	Goals, Against.
Calcutta ...	1	1	0	0	2	3	0
King's Own ...	1	1	0	0	2	2	0
Dalhousie ...	1	1	0	0	2	2	0
Rangers ...	1	1	0	0	2	2	1
64th B. F. A. ...	1	0	1	0	0	1	2
West Ridings ...	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Howrah ...	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Y. M. C. A. ...	1	0	1	0	0	0	3

TOUCH."

The man at the bazaar, says *Answers*, had been using a vast amount of persuasion in trying to induce a visitor to purchase a phonograph. "Wonderful instrument," he remarked. "I've a blank cylinder here, if you care to hear yourself." The visitor's eyes brightened. "I play a flute a little," he replied, producing an instrument. "If you don't mind——." The bazaar man did not, and the wax cylinder was soon indented with something that only a Scotland Yard detective could have recognised as "Alice, Where Art Thou ?" "Is that really me !" asked the flutist, when his performance was repeated by the instrument. "That's you exactly, sir. Will you buy the phonograph ?" "No," was the sad reply. "I'll sell the flute, though."

Hockey.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.

MIDDLESEX REGT. *vs* PIONEERS.—These teams met on the Marine Lines ground on the 10th instant, the Regiment winning by three goals to one. At the start the Middlesex were the first to open the attack and had matters somewhat their own way for a few minutes. This led to the Pioneers settling down to combined work, and for the remainder of the first half the game was very fast and brilliantly contested. The Pioneers had rather the better of the exchanges for a considerable period till eventually the Middlesex breaking away, Brown was able to score their first goal from a good centre by Peel. The regimental team then continued to attack and gave Phillips an opening which he took advantage of. This was followed by a determined rush down the ground by the Pioneers and led to Stringmore deserting his goal circle and suffering the penalty. The Middlesex followed this up by pressing hard, but the more than excellent defence of the Pioneers' backs and goalkeeper resisted all their attacks until Phillips again scored. The Pioneers then became the aggressors and a minute before half time scored their first and only point in the match. Crossing over with 3 goals to 1 in their favour the regimental team throughout the second period had much the better of the attack which was mainly located in the Pioneer's territory. A series of "bullies" near the civilians 25 yards led up to the Middlesex sending in a volley, the ball, however, rebounding into play off the goal post. From this point the pace slowed down considerably. The military continuing to press obtained a penalty 'bully" within the Pioneers' circle. The ball was well cleared by one of the latter's backs and led up to attacks being made on either goal in succession. A brief spell of more open exchanges following resulted in the Pioneers missing a possible chance of adding to their score. For the remaining few minutes the Middlesex attacked well, but were unable to break down the defence of the civilian players No addition to the score having been recorded in the second half, the Middlesex won a good game as stated. Teams.—

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.—*Goal* : Private Stringmore ; *backs*: Private Kelly and Lance-Corporal Pateman; *half-backs*: Privates Dallaway Shepherd and Holman; *forwards:* Privates Mayling, Peel and Phillips, Lance-Corporal Brown and Band-Sergeant Tierney.

PIONEER CLUB.—*Goal* : J. Mudi ; *backs*: V Baloo and N. Lam *half-backs* : M. Kapadia, A. Barry and P. Chinoy : *forwards*: Montgomery, B. Kamah, P. Baloo, S. Baloo and S. Chinoy.

Referees: Messrs P. F. Fischer (Gymkhana), and Millard (Byculla Education Society).

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* CUSTOMS.—Played on the Cooperage on Tuesday, the 10th instant the soldiers had the best of matters from start to finish, and ran out winners by seven goals to nil. From the start the Customs carried play into their opponents' half, but were seen driven back and after this the Scots were constantly on the attack. Play had only been in progress about five minutes when Pryde opened the soldier's account with a splendid shot from the left. The military team kept up the attack, but their combination was weak, and many chances of scoring were lost. Eventually, however, they were rewarded by further success Henry dribbling well up and putting into the net with a shot which the Customs' custodian had no chance of stopping. After this the civilians rallied somewhat and took play to the other end. Their stay there, however, was of but brief duration, and they were soon busily on the defence. Again and again the Scots took play into the circle, but it was not until close on half time that Reed once more found the net. The soldiers thus crossed over with a lead of three goals to nil. In the second half play way of a still more one sided character, and the soldiers added four more goals to their score, eventually leaving the ground winners of a very disappointing game by seven goals to *nil*. Teams.—

ROYAL SCOTS.—*Goal* Keggen ; *backs* Harley and Mackenzie *half-backs*: Backs, Lieut. Robertson, and Watson : *forwards* Fraser, Lieut. Henry, Lieut, Reed, Collens, and Pryde.

CUSTOMS.—*Goal* : Donoghue : *backs* Briscoe and Selkirk : *half-backs :* Potts, Tyler and Gibbons ; *forwards :* Scott, Smith, Williams, Cassells, and Maidment.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE *vs.* CATHEDRAL OLD BOYS "B" TEAM.—This match was contested on the Cooperage on the 11th instant. The Grant College winning easily by 8 goals to *nil* The Old Boys were outclassed and forced to defend throughout The Medical College got away and scored their first goal a few minutes from the start They continued to press but could not get through till just before the interval when they put on their second point. On resuming the College made a good run resulting in the third goal Keeping up the attack two more goals were scored then the Old Boys got away but were unable to score and the ball being returned to the territory the medical team netted a sixth goal. They attacked till the end of the game and before the call of time had added two more goals to their total thus winning by 8 goals to *nil*.

CHESHIRE REGIMENT "O" CO. *vs.* BYCULLA EDUCATION SOCIETY.—Played on the Marine Lines ground a good game resulting in a win for the Regiment by a goal to *nil*. Play ruled very even for the first twenty minutes when the Cheshires broke away and from a scrimmage in front of goal put the ball through. After the interval the regiment tried to add to their score but were unable to pass the Byculla backs and the game ended as stated. Teams:—

CHESHIRE REGIMENT "D" COMPANY.—*Goal* ; Private J. Tully ; *backs*: Lance-Corporals Bury and Price ; *half-backs* ; Private M Tully, Lieutenant Governor and Private Kinsey ; *forwards* ; Privates Edwards and Park, Sergeant Harvey, Private James, and Sergeant Corwood.

BYCULA EDUCATION SOCIETY —*Goal* ; C Paul ; *backs:* O. Murray and G Dudley ; *half-backs* : W Brown, C Dudley, and R Ryton ; *forwards:* R Kennedy, G. Wilson, A Hanson G. Mungavin and G Rogers.

Referees : Messrs Phillips (Gymkhana) and Barkhett (Gymkhana.)

CATHEDRAL OLD BOYS "A" TEAM *vs.* ROYAL ARTILLARY KARACHI.—On the Cooperage on the 12th instant the cup holders beat the Karachi gunners by four goals to *nil*. The Old Boys pressed from the start and forced a corner. Nothing resulted but they continued to attack and after several attempts to the goal the ball was put through by Gawthorne. From the bully the old Boysigot away again and Spilling scored. Half time arrived without further addition to the score. On changing ends the Old Boys again attacked. Then the gunners got away and their centre forward almost scored. The Cathedral custodian relieved and play was again transferred to the Royal Artillery ground where two corners were obtained. The Greene got away and netted the third goal for the Old Boys. The Artillery men played hard but were unabe to score, the Cathedral team finding the net once more won by four goals to *nil*.

EAST LANCASHIRE *vs.* MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.—These teams met on the Cooperage last Saturday, a well contested match resulting in a win for the Middlesex Regiment by 4 goals to 2. They were the first to score, the ball being put through in a scrimmage. They attacked and soon after found the net again. The Lancashires then got away and hit a goal. Up and down play followed till the Middlesex men got going and scored a third point. In the second stage the play was very even, and it was not till within the last few minutes that the East Lancashires scored once more, their opponents immediately replying with a fourth goal.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE *vs.* CATHEDRAL OLD BOYS' "A."—This match was played on the Marine Lines ground on Saturday, 14th instant. There was a large crowd and a splendid game resulted in the defeat of the Old Boys by a goal to *nil*. The opening exchanges were very even, then the Grant College got away and Fido rushing down put the ball through. The Old Boys then attacked and kept up a vigorous onslaught, the play being very fast They forced a corner, but nothing came of it, and the Medical team relieving, took the ball down, Fido sending it between the posts. He was penalised far off side however. On resuming after the interval the game was very exciting, both teams playing at the top of their form. The Old Boys made desperate attempts to score, but were unsuccessful and the game ended as stated.

CHESHIRE REGIMENT, "D" CO. *vs.* YORK AND LANCASHIRE.—The concluding game of the third round was played on Monday afternoon. Almost throughout the first half the Cheshire representatives held the upper hand ; but no scoring occurred. Crossing over with a clear score sheet the Cheshires asserted themselves ; their centre forward was badly fouled and, taking advantage of a free hit, the team rushed the ball into the net. Immediately afterwards they scored again and again, three goals being recorded in as many minutes. After resisting the pressure another ten minutes the York and Lancashire became dangerous, but could not score, and eventually the Cheshires, working down the left wing, scored their fourth goal and the game closed with the score. Cheshire, "D" Co. 4 goals : York and Lancashire *nil*

THE SEMI-FINAL.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE.—At the outset the College attacked and Fido had a possible chance, but the ball went behind. Good combination between the Scots' half-backs and forwards transferred the scene to hostilities to the other end, but they were unable to penetrate the Collegian's defence. Back to the other end the students took the ball, and once more Fido was just pulled up in time by the military goal-keeper. During the next five minutes the local men gave their opponents an anxious time ; but the defence was sound. Eventually the Scots rushed down and Reed sent in a well directed high shot which the homesters' custodian well saved at the expense of a corner. The soldiers now attacked strongly and on three or four occasions the College custodian was called upon and each time saved in splendid style. The Scots were not to be denied, however, and a minute later their inside right opened the account with a low shot, the College goal-keeper had no chance of stopping. From now until the half-time the Kamptie men had decidedly the best of matters and just before the whistle sounded Reed sent in a second goal. Immediately after the resumption of play the collegians attacked, and on two occasions Fido was only just pulled up in time. Eventually the soldiers broke away, but their stay at the other end was of brief duration. During the last fifteen minutes of play the College men made strenuous efforts to score and again and again got within their opponents' circle ; but the Scots backs defended splendidly and, try as they would, the students were unable to score. The whistle at length piped time and the Scots were winners by two goals to *nil*.

Boxing.

POONA TOURNAMENT.

THE following are the concluding results in the above tournament :—

BOYS.

Semi Finals.

Boy Dale (Durham L I) beat Boy Orme (E Lancs).
Cadet Cody (Poona Vols) *vs* Boy Deane (E Lancs).
Latter scratched.

Final.

Boy Dale (Durham L I) beat Cadet Cody (Poona Vols).

BANTAM WEIGHTS.

Pte Scurr (Suffolks) beat Pte Lamie (93rd Highlanders).
Corpl Blackman (X Hussars) beat Pte Henderson (Durham L I)

Final.

Corpl Blackman (X Hussars) beat Pte Scurr (Suffolks).
Six-round Contest.—Driver Miller (L Batty) beat Driver Cook (21th Batty, R F A).

LIGHT WEIGHTS.

Semi Finals.

Gunner Chapman (G Batty, R H A) beat Pte McNiff (93rd Highlanders).
Pte Shoyer (XV Hussars) beat Gunner Greene (L Batty).

Final.

Gunner Chapman (G Batty, R H A) beat Pte Shoyer (XV Hussars).
Six-round Contest.—Pte McNiff (93rd Highlanders) beat Pte Robson (E Lancs).

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.

Semi Finals.

Pte Hall (Leicesters) beat Pte Weir (R I Rifles).
Pte Grant (R I Rifles) beat Sergt Chesterman (E Surreys).

Final.

Pte Grant (R I Rifles) beat Pte Hall (Leicesters).
Six-Round Contest.—Lce-Cpl Smith (Warwicks) beat Lce-Cpl McManns (Connaught Rangers).
Brigadier Jones (76 Co, R. G A. beat Pte McCarthy (Suffolks).

CATCH WEIGHTS.

Semi Finals.

Pte Gipsy Smith (Lincolns) beat Cpl Smith (E Lancs).
Gunner Forsbery (P. Batty) beat Pte J. Smith, Lincolns.
Smith disqualified.

Final.

Pte Smith, Lincolns *vs* Gunner Forsbery, "P" Horse Battery
P Smith, owing to a fractured rib, was not allowed to fight.

OFFICERS' COMPETITIONS.

Middle and Light Weights.—Capt Kemp, I M S.

The Horse.

THE SHYING HABIT—CAUSE AND CURE.

A DRIVING or riding horse which forms the habit of shying is a constant menace to safety, whether he is by nature vicious or kind. Shying is nearly always a growing habit which, if not overcome, gets to be chronic and difficult of cure. The animal affected will often seem to go out of his way searching for or inventing bugaboos to furnish an excuse for shying or bolting.

The well-bred and high-spirited animal of mixed breeding is more liable to form the shying habit, but there are occasional causes where veritable deadheads under ordinary circumstances become the most unmanageable of shyers and bolters after they have developed an unreasoning fear of some commonplace object, as a certain shaped or coloured stone or plant, the drooping leaves of the mullen or plumes of the goldenrod.

Whatever the cause of the shying, it nearly always has its beginning in improper or careless handling when the animal is feeling very fit and "toppy." Sometimes the habit originates through some imperfection of sight which causes objects to look distorted and terrifying. Again, a colt will form the habit of shying at some particular object simply because he feels disturbed and lonesome from being kept from his companions and accustomed surroundings. In some cases among older animals it is not fear, but simply a nervous condition, which prompts them to wish to get into a mix-up; and if persisted in, and an advantage is gained over the driver occasionally, the chance for a tilt and a bolt gets to be enjoyed.

As to remedies, the best is prevention or overcoming as soon as possible after the trait shows. First ascertain that it is not a result of defective eyesight. If the animal is a colt, nervous and timid, hook him double with a well mannered horse until he gets way-wise. Should he continue to show fear of some object, induce him to get a satisfying knowledge of its harmlessness through both his senses of sight and smell. Do not attempt to force his acquaintance of it suddenly. Lead the way yourself and handle it; do not force him to it under the whip.

It is more often the colts that are entirely country reared and broken which give the most trouble from shyidg. When driven in town or City from the start their attention is divided and diverted by so many sights and sound as to cause little notice to be paid to anything but their driver's wishes.

There are occasional cases among older horses where the shying is caused by none of the causes mentioned, but is simply a headstrong challenge to try conclusions with the driver. Where such a condition is proved, it will be advisable to have a reliable and expert horseman try heroic measures by using strong harness and rigging and a bit that will afford complete mastery over the animal. Then when an attempt is made to shy and bolt, let a convincing introduction to a first-class whalebone be judiciously, but not brutally and blindly, applied. A treacherous, unsafe animal can thus be sometimes made to see the unwisdom of his ways when kindness alone fails entirely. The best cure for the generality or early and slight attacks of the shying habit is sufficient and regular road work to keep the animal's nervous and muscular tension down to a normal condition.

The Story Teller.

"IN THE CAUSE OF CHARITY."

THE season of amateur theatricals is upon us—a dismal and a boresome season—it is all set about with traps and pitfalls for the feet of the unwary. It seems to have set in this year with redoubled ardour, an irrepressible enthusiasm which bids fair to drive one to flee the country and seek shelter in the calm of Monte Carlo or the less exigeant Sahara Desert!

The shooting season has been a poor one—disappointing bags, birds scarce and wild and weather execrable. The hunting season has been so far a trial to the patience and temper of most of the hunting world, but the amateur theatrical season positively threatens to romp in!

What with bills and begging letters the New Year early posts were never an inviting prospect, but when added to that we find every second letter contains an invitation to attend—with or without payment—some fresh display of histrionic art on the part of our large circle of friends and acquaintances it becomes an act of heroism to tackle the post bag at all.

There is another curious development about these performances which gives food for reflection.

Formerly you were only invited as a mere guest to witness the attempts of your friends to amuse themselves and your hostess frankly thanked you for coming. Now a very different attitude is imposed upon one. You are not only invited to attend, but you are expected to pay for the privilege! To pay good money down for the doubtful comfort of a cane-bottomed bed-room chair in a crush where you could see nothing if you wished to, and of being bored to death for two mortal hours, added to which you are expected to pay fulsome and preposterous compliments to the players, the stage managers, the hostess, the prompter, the scene shifters, the orchestra, and the individual (generally an irrepressible schoolboy with a bent for practical joking) who "manages"? the curtain?! one and all they seem to think that they have a personal claim on your gratitude and —— self consciously while you rack your brains to find suitable expressions of wonder and admiration! You need never be afraid of over doing it or laying it on too thick.

It is simply amazing what the average amateur will swallow in that way and, what is more, honestly believe it too!

Truly charity covereth a multitude of sins! Hence alas! all these amateur crimes seek shelter beneath her friendly wing.

But its rough on the rest of the world. Under the old *régime* we could at least hug ourselves on good nature, but now! good Lord! we have not only got to bear it, but we got to pay for bearing it and pretend a gratitude and an enjoyment which it becomes year by year more difficult to simulate

They no longer honestly admit, that they are a little dull and want something to amuse and occupy a few wet days, to fill up a country house visit! Good gracious, no! That is not at all the line they take! Now they "graciously give their services" in the cause of charity, and assume an air of conscious virtue, though as a matter of fact they care nothing about the particular charity in question, and as a rule have some difficulty in fixing on a suitable purpose to which to devote the funds, should there be any, after defraying the expenses.

This point usually produces a considerable amount of argument and heated discussion—it is indissolubly bound up with the choice of the play. On one point only are they all agreed—they *must* act something, and it follows that they must therefore act it in the cause of some charity—but what?

It would never do to merely announce that having nothing better to do they were bent on performing a play for their own selfish amusement and that they would be immensely grateful to their friends if they would so far sacrifice their own comfort and feelings to the extent of sitting through the performance and lending it an air of reality and gaiety that the mere presence of the servants and workpeople could never produce alone!

But this is rank heresy, an unheard of, an inconceivable view to take of the kindness, the good nature, the benevolence of these condescending ladies and gentlemen!

The very tone in which they mention the subject fills you with resentment and a desire to be crushing not to say rude. The sort of proud humility with which they assure you that they could not well refuse to help in such a cause—that though their time is valuable they are glad of course to give their services, etc.!

Irritating is not the word for it and the desire to laugh at times beyond poor human powers of resistance?

"David Garrick is the thing to act—I've acted a drunken scene before—it's a piece that takes a bit of doing and it's not too long."

"David Garrick! my dear chap! Rot! Let's have something with some dances and a song or two—Pantomime Rehearsal or the "Country Girl" or something in that style. I have it "A Chinese Honeymoon"! That's the piece, plenty of fun and go in it!"

My dear follow impossible, absurd! Where are you going to get a Louie Freear from? Besides it's quite unsuitable in such a cause. Do remember this is a charity performance in aid of the society for clothing converted Boers or reforming inebriates or something moral like that! you must have a serious piece for such a purpose of course."

Bunkum! Charity be jiggered! Or change the blessed cause then give the money—there won't be any, there never is—to the hospital or to the actors' benevolent fund. That's a good idea! They won't care what you act and I dare say poor devils they be glad of a five-pound note too. Good idea that too. Tell you what! We might have a collection just among ourselves the performers you know, at the end and send them a trifle anyhow even if there isn't any money—which there wont be, there never is? Only do lets act something decent, none of your blooming starchy four-act tragedies. Besides I have a fancy I may be wrong of course, though I can generally trust my intuitions in those things, that I could do Louie Frear's part myself!" he smiles deprecatingly. A howl of derision meets this proposal accompanied by shouts of laughter and a chorus of jeers and jibes whereupon the aspirant to the part of Miss Freear gets up with offended dignity and prepares to leave the room, "all right you can act any silly thing you jolly well please, only don't count on me that's all!" and he stalks towards the door followed by the expostulations and appeals of the company.

The stage manager in his efforts to effect a reconciliation goes so far as to assure him in an under tone, that of course, anyone could see with half an eye that he was just cut out for the part, but where was he likely to find others capable of sustaining the characters necessary to support him, "after all you know my dear chap, what would be the good of a Louie Frear by herself?"

Even this obviously unanswerable argument, however, has no effect on the aspirant to Miss Frear's special shoes and he remains obdurate not to say sulky though he returns to his place in the discussion with a feigned air of somewhat overdone reluctance.

A perfect bable of suggestions follows, each proposing a more or less pretentious and impossible play containing at least one or two characters which appeal to the professor as particularly suited to their own special personality. That they should consider anything but their own particular parts or that the suitability of the play as a whole is of the smallest importance does not seem to occur to any of them, and the purpose to which the profits, of which "there won't be any" as the Louie Frear individual continues at intervals according to the state of his temper to assure them, are to be devoted is a matter of the most complete indifference, provided only that it is one that will leave them a free hand all round and not hamper them in any way in the choice of a play or interfere with their personal peculiarities as to the height of a kick, the length of a skirt, the vulgarity of a song, etc.

"Oh do let me do a slavey. I really can do that kind of part awfully well" exclaims the beauty of the family with a bewitching glance from the corner of her blue eye. She has no idea of acting, but she loves to black her nose and speak with a broad country twang and comport herself as much like a street arab as she can—indeed it is almost the only form of "acting" she can attempt, and as she always insists on doing it, there always has to be a "slavey" introduced into the piece somewhere, no matter what the play chosen; Hamlet or Macbeth would have to submit to a dirty and irrelevant kitchen maid; flouncing about with a tea tray, or a broom and duster, placing her arms akimbo and haranguing the audience at considerable length with a face adorned with marvellous smudges and a still more marvellous accent what intended to represent no one has ever discovered!

The variety of suggested plays is only rivalled by the variety of arguments and objections with which each is met. The stage manager has his work cut out to keep the peace and he is only partially successful, for long before the rehearsals are half over there is only a very thinly veiled antagonism between half the performers and an armed neutrality between the other half. Indeed the wonder is that peace is kept as well as it is considering all things.

However, things settle down more or less and adjust themselves and the rehearsals proceed, only disturbed now and then by first one and then another threatening to throw up his or her part at the eleventh hour.

The eventful day finds them in a state of more or less unpreparedness which in no way interferes with their feeling of complacent satisfaction. They declare with conviction that they will be "all right" at the real show and assure each other that they never can really act at rehearsals, which is a self-evident fact and no sort of consolation to the stage manager!

Threats or blandishments, scolding or cajoling alike has no effect upon any of them. Useless is it to repeat the same instructions over and over again, each has his or her own pet theory which nothing would induce them to abandon however absurd or inconvenient to the other actors. That they should be expected to be "word perfect" is an idea they scout with derision. What on earth is the good of a prompter if they have got to know their parts!

But then "they *do* enjoy it so" as the hostess remarks, surveying the antics of her family with maternal pride and admiration! There is no doubt about that, if no one else does they most certainly enjoy themselves thoroughly from start to finish with a zest and gusto which is refreshing—at least it would be if the conditions were a trifle less of a strain on the patience of the audience.

The room is very hot, very crowded; the chairs, a miscellaneous assortment, are small, hard and unpleasantly near together. One elderly lady of goodly proportions trying vainly to find a position in which she can rest some adequate proportion of her weight on the diminutive seat provided, remarks fretfully to her neighbour that she hopes it's not a very long play and she can't think what they they want to do it for at all!

"Oh! but it's for a charity you see and of course they have to put the seats near together in order to make as much as possible," replies her neighbour in a soothing whisper. "and Captain Trotter is taking part, he is very good, you will like him they say. He was once on the real stage for a short time and he is a ventriloquist—he's got a doll and it's really very funny, if you don't look at him you can almost believe it's the doll speaking!"

"Humph," grunts the old lady quite unappeased by this alluring prospect, "all I can say is I call it iniquitous dunning your friends to take tickets and then not even giving them a chair they can sit on! Charity indeed! Much charity there is about it! What are they doing now? Oh! that girl and her broom again! Who's she talking to! The prompter, not intended to hear that? Well, there's nothing else to listen to! I can see much with all these heads in front of me, but I don't mind that, I have seen them all off the stage and they are just the same on it. Well, I shall be glad when it's over!"

The audience laugh and whisper and applaud at intervals, at last rising with a buzz of relief and pent-up feelings the moment the curtain finally descends, hardly waiting to clap the performers as they come on singly and in pairs, bowing and smiling and smirking with pleased condescension and that air of self-conscious complacence which appears to be inseparable from the amateur actor, male or female and which has such an unfortunately irritating effect upon the onlookers.

Every one hurries off in search of refreshments; they feel they have earned something and the hostess is wise who is careful to see that at least there is nothing left to be desired in this direction. Wonderful what a good supper and good wine will do towards disarming criticism and appeasing the feeling of the guests.

"It was a ghastly performance of course, but what can you expect with that Trotter and that little fool with her eternal smuts and her country accent! As for Brown why he is always Brown, just that! But the supper wasn't bad and the wine was quite good!"

"Well I am glad it's over, there weren't even any decen frocks I wonder she didn't run to something fresh. I've seen that pink gown half a dozen times last summer! However I suppose they are pleased, and that's all that matters. I must go and say goodbye and get off as soon as possible. Dull! I believe you—but so dull!"

"So good of you to take so much trouble—charming! and how well they all acted. Dear Eva so amusing, so full of spirits she was quite the life and soul of the piece and how lucky to secure Captain Trotter. He is a bo n actor? What a pity he couldn't introducee his doll though—but with such a very long play perhaps it would have been too much."

"Really you are a public benefactor—so kind of you! The district nurse ought to be most grateful! I hope you have made quite a nice large sum for her by your most successful entertainment."

"Oh! the district nurse! Well we haven't got a district nurse at present, but then one never really makes anything at these performances, so she won't be disappointed! One has to do something to amuse the young people, and they are all so keen on acting that we are only too pleased to let them get it up. Tom was really very good, wasn't he and May looks so sweet in that pink frock! We hired all the wigs and the men's dresses.

"Every one seems so pleased I think we may congratulate ourselves on a most successful evening."

"D—d rot I call it victimising one's friends in that way." And this is true hospitality!

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THEATRE ROYAL.

THE entertainments of music, song and dance continue to run their prosperous course at the Theatre Royal, where a warmly appreciative audience gathered last Saturday night and thoroughly enjoyed a highly interesting programme. Next Saturday the third entertainment will be presented when an entire change will be made in the first part of the programme which will include part songs by the Minster Quartette; character songs by Miss Beryl Mackay, a song by the popular favourite, Mrs. D. S. Richmond and a novel act by Messrs. Flatt, Franklin, and Douglas entitled "White and Black introducing many new and comic situations songs, and dances; a newversion of 'The Musical Burglar" by Mr. Bert Flatt; and new songs by Mdlle. Morosini. Mdlle Maryx will play Chopin's "Polonaise." In the second part many new items will be introduced into the plantation sketch, Down South" the principal of which will be "A Party in Fairyland" and "Sammy." A crowded house should award the efforts of the two enterprising young ladies, Mdlles. Morosini and Maryx, who are doing so much to relieve the tedium of the present dull season.

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THURSDAY, 26th MAY 1904.

SPORT THEN AND NOW.

THE appearance of a reprint of Henry Alken's famous folio *The National Sports of Great Britain*, with the fifty coloured plates which form its chief attraction—we might, without disparagement to the writer of the English and French letterpress, say its only attraction—serves to remind us of the gulf which has grown up between our grandfathers and ourselves in sport. Alken's work was published in London in the year 1821 and the plates include some of the finest drawings that most capable of sporting artists ever committed to paper: it is claimed for these plates that they cover the entire range of British sport, and the criticism we are tempted to offer from memory is that the claim falls short of fact: for Alken has here given us pictures of pursuits which in no other contemporary work are mentioned in the category of sport. Was bittern shooting, for example, ever a recognised sport in England? Neither Daniel nor Hawker refer to *Botaurus stellaris* as a game bird, or as one that offered any attraction to the wild fowler, and the knowledge possessed by both these authorities is beyond challenge. The probability is that bittern shooting was a strictly local form of sport which became familiar to the artist through residence in the eastern counties in whose marshes the bird was always most plentiful while it remained a common species in England.

Henry Alken was born in Suffolk in 1784 (the place of his birth is not known with precision) and he married at Ipswich in 1809; whence it would appear that he had opportunities of informing himself concerning local sport which might not have been known to others. "Owling" is another sport which perhaps may rank with rat catching, bat fowling, and the many forms of bird netting by night which were beloved of our forebears. Daniel has a few words to say about owl catching, but the five lines he devotes to the subject relate to the brown owl as vermin and recommend its capture by the pole trap which has so recently been proscribed by law.

Apart from these and similar forms of sport, a mental review of *National Sports* invites the reflection that our grandfathers had larger choice than ourselves. Bull baiting—one of the most spirited of these fifty pictures—was abolished in 1835 and bear baiting went with it: cock fighting followed in 1849 as a public spectacle at all events and badger drawing is gone. Falconry survives, but almost as an exotic, for the number of hawking men in Britain at the present day are to be counted by tens and deplorably few tens at that. We need not regret the disappearance of the bull ring, bear pit and badger cask; for it would be difficult to find a word to say in defence of any one of them on the score of humanity. Badger baiting was denied a place among legitimate sports by Daniel twenty years before Henry Alken perpetuated it as a "National" amusement. "The baiting the badger with dogs," says the Rev. W. B. Daniel, "is a cruelty usually confined to the vicious and inhuman, who delight in seeing an innocent animal surrounded by its enemies and which although torn from his haunts where his gallantry might possibly repel his assailants, and although oppressed by numbers, defends himself from their combined attacks with wonderful activity and effect." Substitute "bull" or "bear" for "badger" and Daniel's remarks

will apply: but on bull and bear baiting and cock fighting, the great authority is silent, these sports not coming within the scope of his survey.

Hunting and racing were the subjects to which Alken as an artist was most devoted, and his pictures accentuate the difference between these sports in George III.'s day and our own. Smaller fields and, probably, more foxes: neither wire nor railway line to obstruct. Our horses and hounds are faster no doubt, but we can boast no other improvement, if indeed we may claim greater speed as a point to the good; for if a modern hunting field has more galloping it sees a good deal less of true hunting; whether the majority wish to see more of the latter, however, is another thing. The changes in the turf have been reviewed ere now in these columns and we need not recall them now.

Perhaps none of the sports which were national in 1821 and remain so have undergone such changes as shooting, more especially pheasant shooting. It is difficult to recognise as "pheasant shooting" the picture of two sportsmen with single muzzle loaders, accompanied by a brace of setters; heavy bags of pheasants eighty years ago were unknown in England and twenty years later the *Oracle of Rural Life and Sporting Almanac* refers to "that continental import the *battue*;" terms which indicate its novelty. Tastes differ in shooting as in other matters; for ourselves we cannot but feel that there was far more sport in working copse and ragged hedge row with a couple of clever dogs and killing two or three brace of pheasants in the old style than there is in "pulling 'em down" by the score, even though skill is rejoiced by the sight of three birds falling at once to prove marksmanship and sleight of hand in changing guns. The above-mentioned *Oracle of Rural Life* gives a picture of covert shooting much as Alken pourtrayed it. "At this period of the year (January) covert shooting is delightful, because the trees are divested of leaves, and the working of the spaniels and the movements of the game become more clearly perceptible. There is something remarkably interesting and indeed animating in the working of a well trained team of spaniels." That sight is a thing of the past, though there are some modest sportsmen who do not "run to big shoots" that use the spaniel regularly in their quiet informal shooting on their own ground.

Coaching was still at its zenith when the *National Sports* appeared and of course it figures among the subjects dealt with. Alken as a horse painter has had few rivals and no superior; and it is the verisimilitude of his hunting and coaching scenes that have kept his memory green. Coaching at the present day, kept alive by the Four-in-hand and Driving Clubs and by the London coaches which ply in summer, is a pale reflex of the ancient glories of the road in the golden age of coaching. From the practical point of view it is almost as dead as bull baiting. We forget now whether *National Sports* include yachting, or sailing in any form, but if memory does not deceive, it has nothing to say or to show in this department; yet yacht races were held regularly in the Thames Estuary and in the Solent during the earlier years of the nineteenth century and Alken could not have been wholly unacquainted with the fact of their occurrence.

Unless we are content to give motor racing a place among our modern sports (and we confess that by no stretch of indulgence can we see how driving machinery at speed can be considered "sport" in any legitimate sense) there is no single form of English sport we enjoy which was denied our grandfathers while they enjoyed many which are denied to us. Home-staying folk have nothing to replace bull and bear baiting and badger drawing which aforetime gave pleasure—whether legitimate or not—to thousands; and in that respect our forebears were much better circumstanced than ourselves; and if the faddist element represented by the so-called Humanitarians are allowed to have their way, our grandchildren will draw envious comparisons between our opportunities and those which a sickly sentimentality has left for their delectation.

In this country we are better off in some respects at least; we have never yet been able to ascertain for certain who was the pioneer of hill sport and when Europeans first discovered the joys of bagging markhor, ovis ammon or other wild sheep. Such sport was unknown in the twenties or we are greatly mistaken, and in those days, there was so much game and so accessible in the plains that sportsmen had little temptation to look farther afield, even if they possessed weapons of sufficient precision to do justice to wary hill game; which they had not. Taking a wider cast, it need hardly be said that the great shooting grounds of Africa and North America were practically untouched by white men, though a few early sporting books give us accounts of the shooting that was enjoyed by travellers of more than ordinary enterprise. It is a fact patent to all that so far as big game is concerned the golden age of sport is past; the multiplication of sportsmen, the ease of transport, the spread of colonisation and the vast improvements in firearms have made it necessary for nearly every corner of the earth to take step to preserve what is only too often the remnant of its large fauna; it is improbable that shooting without restriction will ever again be possible in lands where game bears any comparison in quantity with the game of even forty years ago.

Special Telegrams.

BETTING ON THE DERBY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *25th May 1904.*

Mr E Blanc's ...	Gouvernant ...	11 to 4	agst
Mr J Musker's ...	Henry the First	9 to 2	,,
Sir John Thursby's	John O'Gaunt...	6 to 1	,,
Mr L Rothschild's	St Amant ...	6 to 1	,,

Twenties and longer odds the rest.

Sporting Notes.

THE first entries for the Mysore races are quite good and a successful meeting is assured. Not quite so many visitors from the west of India as was anticipated have entered at present, but the second entries may produce additional nominations from this source. It is curious to note the different class of horses in some of the races, and Mr. Cursetjee will indeed have his work cut out to bring them anywhere near together. It always appears a cruel thing to crush a good horse with a welter weight, but, from what one can see, welter weights will be the order of the day in a good many events. Meanwhile there must be plenty of sport. As an instance, there are fourteen entries for the Maharaja's Cup, and twenty for the Palace Cup.

The Bangalore meeting will, we confidently believe, be a real bumper one. Coming close after Mysore, many visitors who run horses or ponies at the former meeting will most probably wait for the latter and we know personally of some real good horses that are going at Bangalore. Bundook will probably be seen there as well as at the capital, and at least half-a-dozen more from Ferguson's stable, which are not running at Mysore will figure in the Bangalore entries. Carberton, the English horse, already several times referred to in these notes, did a good half-mile gallop the other evening, and there is not much doubt about his pace. But his forelegs will want care, and it must be a relief to his connections that the recent copious rain has made the course such good going.

Paperchasing has begun at Bangalore: the 19th instant saw a point-to-point ride from the 3rd mile-stone on the old Madras Road. Captain Adams, of the 28th Light Cavalry, was first home, followed closely by Mr. Hawley of the same regiment. Mrs. Georges, the popular wife of Colonel Georges, commanding the 28th Light Cavalry, came to grief in a nullah—there were a good many of these, and they wanted doing—but most happily no damage was done to either horse or rider.

We regret to notice the death of the mare Matsa, the property or Mr. R. Henderson, of Cachar; she broke her back in struggling to free herself from the stable wrecked in one of the late storms. Her local reputation and performances justified the expectation of seeing her down in Calcutta, as also at other Bengal meetings.

Cachar owners have not been in luck's way lately, as anthrax has broken out in the district, and has already claimed two victims in the well-known ponies Raffer and Ginger belonging to that accomplished wielder of the stick Mr. Carslaw. It is to be hoped the disease will soon be stamped out for in no part of the country are there so many polo nags gathered in close proximity.

The Gymkhana at Simla, on the 21st instant, was again very successful, there was a big gathering, Lord and Lady Ampthill and Lady Rivaz being among those present. Proceedings opened with tent-pegging, for which there were fifteen competitors, Mr. Lyne Evans winning. The second event was for ladies—to pick polo balls off posts and place them in buckets. There were four heats, Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. Crocker, Mrs. Rivett Carnac and Mrs. Robinson meeting in the final, which was won in fine style by Mrs. McLeod. Hitting the Polo Ball for gentlemen attracted sixteen competitors, Captain V. Brooke, A.-D.-C., winning the finals. A match for Rs. 100 a side between Mr. Davies' Katerfelto and Captain Maconchy's Minden proved an easy thing for the former. The Rounding-up Stakes with goats provided great amusement and was won by Major W. Campbell and Mrs. Heneage. The Cigarette Scurry was the final event, and twenty entered. Gentlemen were to gallop to the rail where their partners rolled cigarettes to be smoked on the return journey. Captain Popham, A.-D.-C., and Miss Patterson won, with Mr. Gabbett and Mrs. Shikleton a close second.

McQuade, the Southern India trainer, had a most successful time at the recent Wellington and Ootacamund Meetings, at which he led in no less than fifteen winners.

On dit that the Quetta executive have decided not to hold lotteries in connection with their forthcoming meeting.

Training in Colombo for the approaching Monsoon Meetings is now in full swing. Jockeys Lansdowne, Wiles, Morrison, Sullivan, Fisher and Johnston are there: the latter may be coming up to Calcutta after the meeting on the lookout for something with which Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa may have a shy at the Governor's Cup.

All who knew Mr. Justice Norris in India will regret to hear of his death. A hater of humbug, a staunch advocate of common sense and equity as often opposed to the law, a man of unbounded and quick sympathy he was, perhaps, not a brilliant success as a High Court Judge—"too human altogether" we heard him called—but he was a man conspicuous for those qualities of head and heart that never fail to compel our respect and warm admiration. He did a great deal for the S. P. C. A. in Calcutta and was one of our bright particular society stars, a charming host and a *raconteur* of rare gifts. It will be remembered by card players here that he was one of the whist party which had a complete hand of one suit dealt to each player.

Mr. Justice Grantham and a special jury, sitting in the King's Bench on the 3rd instant, had before them the case of Sievier *vs.* Duke alluded to in a recent issue. This was an action brought by Mr. Robert Standish Sievier, the well-known owner of race-horses, to recover damages from Sir James Duke for alleged slander. The defence pleaded was privilege.

Mr. Eldon Bankes, K.C., and Mr. Norman Craig were counsel for plaintiff; while defendant was represented by Mr. Lawson Walton, K.C., Mr. C. F. Gill, K.C., and Mr. Spence.

The words complained of were to the effect that the reputation of plaintiff was that he was "a card-sharper, a thief, and a murderer;" further, that he had been thrown from a boat into the sea owing to his having cheated at cards; and, with regard to the alleged murder, a dead man was once found under his window in Australia, and that it was common repute the plaintiff murdered him. There was a further alleged slander, which was to the effect that Mr. Sievier had allowed his race-horse Sceptre to be pulled when running in the Derby which was the means of his winning much money, and that at a certain club the matter was mentioned with the result that plaintiff had been unmasked and turned out.

In opening the case, Mr. Bankes said the accusations brought against plaintiff were of a most terrible character. In the Raleigh Club, in 1903, card-sharping allegations were made by the defendant to Major Seller, and plaintiff was also said to have caused the pulling of Sceptre, whereby the animal lost the race. Such statements were entirely wrong and when the jury had heard the whole of the evidence they must come to the conclusion the defendant spoke recklessly and maliciously. The occasion in question was when defendant, seeing the plaintiff in the club, asked the Major whether he had introduced the plaintiff, and being answered in the negative, the remarks were made.

Counsel said he considered the plaintiff was entitled to such damages as the odium of the slanders warranted. Besides Mr. Sievier, there were other people whose future depended upon the jury's verdict. This inquiry merited a very careful, patient,

and independent hearing. The life which Mr. Sievier lived was such that no charges should be brought against him of dishonesty in connection with racing or improper dealing in betting transactions. It was admitted that Mr. Sievier had been on three occasions bankrupt, and it might have been that he was unfortunately in a room playing cards in the presence of certain individuals—unknown to him certainly—who were of disreputable character.

His Lordship: Nothing worse? (Laughter.)

Mr. Bankes: Of disreputable character; but Sir James Duke is not entitled, nor is any other man entitled, to say what he has said; and I ask you, gentlemen of the jury, to protect him and award such damages as you think right, in order that Mr. Sievier may go forth from this court clear of these odious accusations.

Major Seller, of the 4th Dragoon Guards, then gave evidence on behalf of plaintiff. He stated that the words were uttered to him by Sir James Duke in a private part of the club, and he considered they were not privileged.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lawson Walton, he said he could not say what Mr. Sievier's business was in this affair. Sir James Duke did not say when he uttered to him the words complained of that he wished him to listen to him in a private room. It was not a confidential talk.

His Lordship: Where was he when you saw him first?—Witness: In the hall.

Why should he not have spoken to you there if he did not wish it to be private?—I could not tell you, my lord.

Does not it strike you when a person, as an ordinary practice in society, takes you into a private room to talk over something, he means it to be private?—Well, I never asked him.

His Lordship: Now, does it not look rather as if he considered it a private conversation?—Witness: I suppose he did, my lord.

Mr. Lawson Walton: Did he not say, "Is Sievier the sort of man you would introduce to your wife?"—Witness: No.

Or "socially?"—Certainly not.

Did he say this: "Would you take him to your mess?"—He mentioned that.

Would you introduce him to your mess to-morrow?—Not while this action is going on.

Witness felt sure that Mr. Sievier could not have ordered the horse Sceptre to be pulled, because it was Mr. Sievier's greatest wish to win the Derby. He knew that Sievier was formerly a bookmaker in Australia, but that did not make any difference in his friendship for him. He knew nothing whatever against him. Witness admitted that he had had loans from Mr. Sievier, but only to the extent of £25. On both occasions, added Major Seller, the defendant said to him at the end of the conversations about plaintiff, "Now you may tell Bob Sievier, with my compliments." It was suggested that the rider of Sceptre should be called to prove that he did not pull the horse, but upon a protest by Mr. Walton that it was not necessary the jockey was not sworn.

Mr. Sievier then went into the box: in reply to Mr. E. Bankes, he said he was passing the Raleigh Club in the company of the Major, when the latter turned towards the club and said he was sorry he could not take him inside. The witness looked aghast, as he had been into the club the previous night, and asked the reason. In the end the Major said, "Certain things have been said against you. You will forgive me. I will see you at the Carlton Hotel between four and five." The witness was surprised, and asked for an explanation. After great pressure the Major told him the slander.

The witness was examined at some length as to his career. He said he was formerly in the Army, went through the Kaffir war, and received medals. Then he went to Australia and started as a bookmaker under another name. He had a row with a certain lord, who would now be named X, because that lord owed him money. When he demanded it, the noble lord wrote him that he could go and be d—d. Next time he met his lordship he was told that as his lordship was a high police official he should arrest the witness. As his lordship was in a bad humour, and said he should not pay him, the witness smacked his face. Then he was "run in," and was obliged to appear in the police court, where there was a packed bench of twenty magistrates. It was what was called in the colonies a "packed" bench, because he was told long beforehand that in any event he would be convicted. He appealed from the decision, and the appeal was upheld. He admitted that in 1888 he was to have been presented at Court, but this was cancelled on account of his having made a book in Australia. The plaintiff in detail denied various allegations as to his not having discharged his debts, as to his playing cards and billiards and as to his turf transactions, and the case was proceeding when mail left.

It is rumoured that Scott has purchased (in France) for the Kour Saheb of Patiala a horse named "La Belle France." We have been unable to trace the animal—there is a La Belle and a La France, but a search among files and turf registers has not so far revealed "La Belle France."

We see by our home papers to hand this week that St. Amant defeated Sceptre's time record in the Two Thousand Guineas by one-fifth of a second, and Pretty Polly in the One Thousand beat the record Mr. Bass's filly made in the "One Thousand," also by one-fifth. The value of the fillies, race—4,000 sovs—was 200 sovs in advance of the sum earned by Quintessence a year ago, but it fell £1,450 less than the value of Sceptre's "One Thousand." This is due to the fact that in Sceptre's year the number of subscribers was the highest in the history of the race, which was established in 1814.

At Chester races on the second day of the meeting a curious sight was seen. A brougham was observed being dragged across the Roodee without a horse by a mob of 500 people. The brougham was hoisted over the rails on to the course, turning a somersault, righted on to its wheels again, dragged on across the course, hoisted over the other rails, righted on to its wheels and sent helter skelter down the banks of the Dee into the river. It was said to have been occupied by bookmakers who had not liquidated their liabilities, and, be this as it may, it is a fact that there was an individual in the carriage throughout the whole of its exciting transit from the ring to the river. By the time the vehicle had got into midstream this individual, apparently none the worse, managed to get out, swim ashore, and escape.

The death of Janissary, at the Abony Stud, Hungary, at the age of seventeen years, is recorded by *Deutscher Sport*. Janissary was a bay son of Isonomy out of Jannette and, as a juvenile, once ran second to Signorina. In the following season he won two races, one being the St. James's Palace Stakes. His chief feat at the stud was siring Jeddah, the great outsider who won the Derby of 1898, but he also begot other useful ones in Amurath (winner of the Brocklesby), Valide, Lock and Key, Violenta, etc. He was sold at the first July sales of 1902 to Baron Harkanyi for 500 guineas.

We regret to hear that Ranjitsinghji, the cricketer, has been guilty of a piece of sporting vandalism in that he has shot a lion in the Gir forest. There are (it is believed) but a dozen or so of these noble creatures left, and in the natural course of events the Indian lion may soon become extinct. It seems a pity this much puffed cricketer should have been permitted to help in hurrying on such extinction.

Old Lady (to taxidermist): "You see for yourself, man. You stuffed my poor parrot only this summer, and here are his feathers tumbling out before your eyes. Taxidermist: "Lor' bless you, ma'am! That's the triumph of the art. We stuff them so natural that they moult in their proper season.

Among Mr. R. McKenna's recent purchases for India is Diapur, a jump horse by Grand Flaneur, and reputed of more than average quality over hurdles and fences.

With characteristic generosity and that sporting spirit which so materially helps to make the "wheels go wound" Mr. George Lund, of the well-known firm of Messrs. Lund and Blockley, Bombay, has offered to provide, in future years, medals for the winners and runners up in the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament, an offer which, of course, the executive will cheerfully and gratefully accept. So far the winners have carried off nothing but the Cup.

On a reference made by Mr. T. Hunt, Honorary Secretary of the Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Association, the Government have pointed out that a notification, empowering Subdivisional Magistrates to grant licenses, under the Game Rules, has been issued in order to avoid unnecessary delay; and concurring with the Conservator of Forests and Deputy Commissioner of Hassan, they deem it inexpedient to prohibit entry into District Forests for shikar, except on permits, as the provision of the Game Rules afford sufficient protection to all animals of game, and the fact that the hunting and beating for other animals disturb game is not by itself sufficient to call for action as suggested by the Association, because the other animals chiefly pursued are pigs and carnivorous, which are destructive to crops and cattle, and which consequently do not deserve special protection.

"Baron Munchausen" writes to the *Madras Mail*:—I noticed with interest in your issue of yesterday a criticism of a book of some so-called incredible snake stories from Bengal. It is long since I have

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been before the public, and to satisfy the curious I may say I am making scientific solar experiments in this red hot district of your sultry Province ; but I hasten to uphold the veracity of the author in question. I have had experiences in this snaky country, which go far to corroborate the most improbable of snake stories. I shall not weary you with a long account, but content myself (and you?) with one instance. I was once in the Godavery District, and walking one day (armed with a butterfly net) near the mighty river of that name, was horrified to see a hamadryad snake, the cobra maxilla of the author, coming towards me at a furious pace. I did not wait to see exactly how it got along ; it seemed to be bounding, as would a thick india-rubber hoop violently impelled forward over rough and stony ground. I say I did not wait to see, but fled for all I was worth, with the hamadryad after me. Fortunately, the river was within half a mile, and into it I plunged, swimming for dear life. The Godavery is fairly wide in this part, and the current swift. However, I am a good swimmer and after an arduous struggle I approached the opposite side, fondly hoping and expecting that I had distanced the snake. Imagine my horror and surprise, when I found my enemy calmly waiting for me on the bank ! For a moment my presence of mind fairly forsook me, but only for a moment. Exhausted though I was, I plunged into the water again—and this time waited for a boat.

The Kuar Sahib of Patiala has purchased the English race-horse Parody, for 400 guineas.

Athletic Notes.

THE Nizam of Hyderabad is away on another of his big shooting excursions.

Last week brought us the news of the death, in Scotland, of Mr. J. J. J. Keswick, formerly of the firm of Messrs. Jardine Skinner and Company, of Calcutta. He was a very prominent figure in commercial circles years ago, and the leading part he took in the Ilbert Bill agitation gained for him the title of "The Uncrowned King of Calcutta." He was an enthusiastic supporter of manly sports, and many of the older generation of sportsmen will remember the impetus he gave to local football and athletics by the presentation of Challenge Cups for Rugby, Tug o' War and what not.

Some results of last week's county cricket :—

Surrey beat Worcestershire by 100 runs.

London County beat Derbyshire by an innings and 31 runs.

Middlesex *vs.* Sussex, and Yorkshire *vs.* Oxford University abandoned on account of rain.

Cricket in Darjeeling will shortly lose Captain Fisher, Captain Palairet, Captain Legge and Mr. Hewitt, who are off with their regiment, The Royal Fusiliers, to Tibet, for the more serious game of war.

Mr. Gordon Home, in his studies of great cricketers appearing in *Land and Water*, thus refers to Mr. E. H. D. Sewell, the Essex professional, formerly well known in India. "Few personalities in the cricket field are more interesting than that of Sewell. If, as a player, he has not yet taken the position which, in the opinion of the best judges, his abilities merit, it is because he does not always do himself justice. Lord Hawke has given it as his opinion that it always takes three years to make a county player, and Sewell is anticipating the forthcoming season with greater eagerness than ever....That's the man who Mr. C. R. Borrodaile always hopes will emulate Mr. Jessop for Essex, and assuredly a mighty hitter at Leyton would draw such crowds that all financial anxiety would soon be lifted from the mind of the County Committee. So far Sewell has not realised that ideal fondly imagined by the keen Secretary. But a lot of us believe that, given a hard season, with the confidence of one or two big innings he would—in slang parlance—'get going for all he is worth.' Last season Sewell established himself on a far better footing, and if he had not fallen off terribly in August, would have had a very excellent average indeed. Even yet, however, he does not seem to have acquired the confidence to let himself go freely, nor has he obtained his first three figure contribution in county cricket. After 95 for L. C. C. *vs.* Sydenham on Easter Monday, 13th April, for Dr. Grace's Club *vs.* Surrey he rattled up 90, in cold, sunny weather, and with the unwonted obligato of some snowflakes to usher in the wettest cricket season ever known. I hope in the season just inaugurated, Sewell will be able to do himself the fullest justice." Since this was written, as our readers know, Sewell has scored his century.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes :—The second game in the semi-finals of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament was played off on Tuesday evening, when a closely contested game was fought out between the Middlesex Regiment and "D" Company of the Cheshire Regiment. During the first fifteen minutes of play the exchanges ruled fairly even, but eventually Taylor sent into the net for the Cheshires. As soon as the ball was again put in play the Middlesex men attacked and equalised matters by sending in a high shot which found the net. This was the extent of the scoring up to half time. On the resumption of play the Cheshires again attacked with vigour, but failed on two occasions to work the ball into the net, while at the third attempt the Middlesex goal-keeper saved a well judged shot. Play was once more carried out to the centre, and up to the call of time exchanges ruled fairly even. The scores being level, an extra ten minutes' play was ordered, during which the Middlesex men added a goal to their score, and thus ran out winners by two goals to one. Taken on the whole, the match cannot be said to have been productive of a very good exhibition of Hockey—there was plenty of hard hitting, but good combination was conspicuous by its absence.

The final was played off on Thursday in the presence of a large attendance of spectators. The competing teams were the Middlesex Regiment and the Royal Scots. As far as public opinion went, the Scots were the favourites, but I for one had rather a fancy for the Middlesex men, who have twice won the Laver's Cup at Secunderabad, and who, in my opinion, had not shown their best form in the previous matches of the tournament in which they had been engaged. During the first five minutes of the game the Scots attacked, but after that they had to mainly confine their attention to staving off the almost continuous attacks of their opponents, who were much the fastest on the ball. The Kamptee men defended stubbornly, and up to half-time they proved successful in keeping the ball from being shot into their net, and the teams crossed over with the scoring sheet blank. On the resumption the Middlesex men at once returned to the assault, and after being momentarily repulsed as far as the centre of the field, again bore down by a combined rush on the Scots' citadel. Getting well within the circle one of the Middlesex men missed an easy chance, but ere the Scots could get on the ball a comrade rushed in and sent in a high shot which found the net. With one goal against them, the Scots forced the contest for a few minutes and got close up to the Middlesex circle. Failing to break through the latter's defence they were compelled to retire, and directly afterwards had a second goal scored against them. From now until the call of time play was of a fast and exciting nature, and both goals were frequently in danger. Try as they would, however, neither side could score, and the game resulted in a win for the Middlesex by two goals to *nil*.

Monday's mail brought us the news of the death, in England, of Mr. Charles Palmer, the respected head of the well-known firm of Messrs. Cutler, Palmer and Company. The business will be carried on as usual under the same name and style as heretofore.

If we are to believe the famous racquets champion, Mr. Eustace H. Miles, one of the great problems of the age is not "Do we eat enough," but do we eat proper nourishing food of the right consistency. Mr. Miles, in addition to being a great athlete, is an ardent food experimentalist, and, as he never gives advice about a diet without an exhaustive test of its value and effects on the constitution, one is compelled to admire his philanthropy.

Lecturing at Kensington Town Hall early this month, Mr. Miles presented his audience with a new series of simple food recipes, from which one gathered that at the cost of 5d. one could obtain a satisfying, nourishing and palatable lunch. Mr. Miles assured his hearers that he is not a vegetarian faudist. "I can do without vegetable foods," he declared. "This diet consists mainly of animal foods without flesh foods. It comprises plasmon (which is dried milk) cheese, milk and butter—all animal foods."

Concerning the meal under notice, it consists of savoury sandwiches and vegetable soup, and entree embracing such elements as beans, lentils, cheese and sprouts, plasmon snow or blancmange and fruit, and finally lentil savouries. The meal, according to the lecturer, is an ideal one, and amply nourishing : it is neither starchy, sloppy, nor bulkly.

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Mr. Miles's lecture was principally directed towards emphasising the importance of proteid foods. Proteid is indispensable. It is the only material that can build up the body and repair its waste. With it and a few other elements Sir Michael Foster declares we can maintain life indefinitely. The prospect of a new race of proteid beings with an indefinite existence before them is distinctly romantic. We shall proceed to become a proteid slave immediately and defy the insinuating insurance agent and the dread undertaker. Those who do not know how to commence a proteid diet and what to choose will be interested to learn that Parmesan cheese, pulse foods, and nuts contain the greatest percentage of proteid. Beef contains only 20 per cent.; the rest is water—"an expensive way of buying water," as Mr. Miles naively remarked.

The lecturer delivered a heavy blow at vegetarianism when he declared that one would have to consume sixteen pounds of potatoes and cabbage—an elephantine meal—to get four ounces of proteid inside one.

And now as to the effect of such a diet, as Mr. Miles has drawn up for his daily consumption, upon athletes. Eight years ago, when his tastes were carnivorous, Mr. Miles lost all three of his last tennis matches through cramp. Since changing his diet he cannot remember to have lost a match through feeling tired, and can lead a sedentary life for weeks together without going out of training. "That," said he, "is what everybody wants. Why remain slaves to the old fetish about the necessity for daily exercise?"

Mr. Miles frankly admits that his diet may not suit everybody, but then he agrees that no food reform can gain the public confidence if its failure are not stated as well as its successes. Out of the many people—peers, Parliamentarians, schoolmasters, and International athletes—who have tried his diet, only five have declared it a failure At present Mr. Miles is engaged in a slow-eating experiment—testing the number of bites he can make at certain foods before they lose their taste—and next week he is going to try living on two pence a day. He has already done himself well at the modest expense of three pence a day. Truly, he deserves well of the nation as a food publicist and economist, and when he succeeds in his ambition to run a restaurant for the supply of proteid foods only who knows but we shall witness the dawn of a new era for the community at large. If the champion racquets player can win a great athletic event upon a glass of hot milk and three spoonfuls of plasmon, we have visions of a great milk-distributing centre at Smithfield a generation hence.

Those Madras sportsmen who paid to see the alleged boxing match between Brophy and Tully are very angry and talk of "fakes," "fiascos" and "disgraceful exhibitions." Apparently they do not read, or at any rate remember the reports of Calcutta boxing or they could surely never have expected anything else but what was served up for their delectation last week. We were much amused when reading the announcement of "the big-fight" between these fistic professors and their individual "records," as published at some length in the Madras papers, said records being curiously silent on the subject of certain little episodes and achievements which most Calcutta men could have filled in. Well the "contest" came off under the auspices of the Southern India Athletic Association. Absolutely nothing was done in the first two rounds if we except an exhibition of clumsy, meaningless see sawing and dodging around that could not by any stretch of indulgence be called "boxing" and during which not a real blow was struck. In the third round Brophy went down, it is said to a blow, though apparently no one noticed it and to the general amazement he was counted out and the "fight" given to Tully. Those who have seen Brophy succumb to these invisible knock outs will sympathise with the "indignation and discontent" as expressed in Madras. What we cannot understand is how the Southern India Athletic Association came to countenance a meeting between these two men whose doings we should have thought were, by this time, well known throughout India.

Mr. F. S. Kelly, we hear, will defend his title to the Diamonds and Wingfield Sculls this season.

Messrs. H. T Blackstaffe and D. Fitte are in steady work for the "Goblets."

The only foreign entries for Henley Royal Regatta (5th, 6th, and 7th July) made under Rule 4, Part 1, are those of Harrison Burke, of the Tasmanian R. C., and L. F. Scholes, of the Don R. C., Toronto, for the Diamond Sculls. The French, German, Dutch, Belgian and Canadian clubs enter on or before 1st June.

It is understood that the Winnipeg R. C. will have an eight for the grand Challenge Cup, and a four for the Stewards' Challenge Cup. They sail

for England on 15th June, and will be coached by Captain R. K. Barker, of the Argonaut Club, Toronto.

The Regatta Stewards have again taken Phyllis Court, the fine grounds of which stretch down to the river a little way below the winning-post on the regatta course.

It is hoped that the King will visit the regatta this year, and should he do so, Phyllis Court will form an ideal place of entertainment for Royalty.

The Calcutta Swimming Club opened their season last Friday, the 20th May, with the two lengths Novices' Handicap. We are indebted to the Honorary Secretary for a programme of the season's fixtures, which run up to the 17th September, terminating with the Autumn Meeting on that date.

London Week by Week.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 6th May, 1904.*

THE King and Queen returned to London last night after a most successful visit to Ireland. His Majesty's speech at Kilkenny, wherein he spoke of the "new spirit" that is abroad in Ireland, is likely to do more to promote the new spirit than all the politicians put together. There has not been a discordant note in the proceedings from start to finish: and if Irish M. P.'s held aloof, their constituents combined to demonstrate that their views as regards the Royal Visit are not those of their M. P.'s

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Telegrams from Petersburg and Tokio have been coming every day this week and each successive message makes it clearer that the Japanese prowess on land is, so far, as great as Japanese success by sea. The first Russian messages sought to minimise the defeat: it was suggested that the retreat was a strategic move to lure the Japanese on: it was stated that General Kuropatkin in a despatch to the Czar expressed his satisfaction at the crossing of the Yalu by the Japs, and that he "did not intend to accept a serious battle before the middle of May." Yesterday's messages and to-day's tell another story and one that confirms on all points the news received from Tokio, though heroic endeavours are still made to explain away the importance of the defeat. In the clubs, the question one oftenest hears asked is will the Japanese be able to keep their heads and follow up or make the most of this first great land success: or will they make the mistake of under-rating a powerful enemy? There can be no doubt of the magnificent spirit displayed by the Japanese troops: on the other hand the Russians seem to have fought a losing battle with splendid pluck.

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The season is fairly begun. The R. A. Banquet was held on Saturday evening: the great ones of the earth assembled together with that judicious peppering of small fry required to afford great men a comforting sense of their own importance. The speeches are recorded at length as usual, but that is because they were spoken by noble lords on an occasion almost statutory and not because the noble lords had anything to say. The park was full every afternoon for the road menders having seen the error of their ways, got over the repairs with unwonted expedition and heavily rode away on their own steam rollers. The "Personal" column of the *Morning Post* is prolonged with three line announcements of arrivals in town: blinds are up in the windows of the seats of the mighty, and we feel that things generally are alive: for the sun is shining and fires are out of place till nightfall.

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There was reason to think, for a few years, that the coaching interest was reviving in London. I don't refer to the private clubs, but to the road coaches plying to Guildford, Oxford, Windsor and so on. Apparently the enthusiasm was washed away by the awful weather of 1903, or the motor-car has supplanted the team: at all events where eighteen coaches plied a couple of years ago only seven are billed to run this summer: and so far these are doing poor business. For some reason Americans are the great patrons of the road coaches out of London: I don't know why Britishers do not patronise them more generally, for once you get over the idea that a coach and team are going at a snail's pace, there is no more delightful way of spending an idle day in the country.

Monday was the opening night of the opera. Dr. Richter conducted Don Giovanni before a large audience which included the Duke and Duchess of Fife. I was not there myself, but the authorised agent was a little disappointed with Fräulein Destinn's voice: the lady took Donna Anna's part and her voice is not quite so fresh as it used to be. Mdme. Suzanne Adams carried off honours among the vocalists.

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By the way, Messrs. Chappell, the music publishers, have offered a prize of £100 for the best libretto for a comic opera in two or three acts. 'Tis a good move: when one considers what dreary, deplorable drivel the verses in most comic operas are, one marvels that those who write the really smart and clever verses in the weeklies are not enlisted to write for the stage. It will be interesting to see what response is made to the offer.

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A funny mistake, and one that caused many people to rise up and call their misleading morning papers anything but blessed, occurred a few days ago. There was to be a "Staff Ride" in the South-Eastern district and the "ride" was chiefly per steamer, officers being required to report on the facilities for landing troops at various places on the South Coast concluding with Folkstone. Somehow the papers got hold of the idea that there was going to be a big field-day and that an "invading" Army Corps would land at Folkstone: the railway companies put on special trains to meet the passenger traffic, and as it was a lovely day the crowd that assembled to see about fifteen puzzled officers land at Folkstone was numbered by tens of thousands.

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Another new Army Order: about "Ragging" this time. It points out that inasmuch as Commanding Officers, in certain cases, have not discovered the unfitness of a ragged officer until he has been ragged, the Powers That Be opine that such Commanding Officers cannot be in touch with their officers, or that they report unfavourably on the be-ragged victim to condone delinquencies "which reflect unfavourably on their method of command." The Army Council knows that unsuitable men sometimes do get Commissions, but it will not have them shot out of the service by "indirect means." And Commanding Officers are required to note that if any ragging goes on in their battalions, they, the Commanding Officers, will be held defaulting and will run grave risk of being gazetted out. I wonder if there has ever been a case of ragging in which the victim did not deserve what he got: and wouldn't it be possible to take measures to test the fitness of men for a soldier's career before they are given their Commissions.

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By the way, a man who ought to know has been telling me that the Army Order aimed at "interest" is more than welcomed by those whose chairs are set in Pall Mall. For some time past ladies' visits to the penetralia of the War Office have been discouraged: and now, remarked my informant, "there ought to be an end of invitations one doesn't want and presents of game one would like to send back. I didn't know that there were women who thought they could secure a favour for a friend by a couple of brace of pheasants."

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Some interesting figures concerning the "daily breads" traffic have been given the London Traffic Commission: the day population of the City is estimated at 359,940 persons: the night population at under 27,000: number of people who "go to the City" daily having no offices therein one million and a quarter, number of vehicles entering the City daily about 100,000.

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The "Fairy's Dilemma" appeared at the Garrick on Tuesday night and proves to be pretty much on the lines we expected: to wit a Gilbert and Sullivan opera without the music. The most astonishing thing about the play is its extraordinary freshness and vigour: as the handiwork of a man nearer seventy than sixty it is a marvel: the creator of Iolanthe and the rest jumps into the ring, so to speak, in the pink of condition, toes the line and sets him to hit out all round. The Army, the Bench, the Church, the State, the Stage, the Press—every mortal institution comes up in turn for the exercise of Gilbertian satire, good humoured, but tingling with wit. Lacking music we are not left without verse: and the rhymes are as neat and pointed as the rhymes of the Gilbertian vintage years of long ago.

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author's exuberant fancy. We begin with the "Abode of the Demon Alcohol:" hence to the Rev. Aloysius Parfitt's the Vicarage of St. Parabola's. Act II. Mr. Justice Whortle's country house: Cloudland: "Grand Transformation Scene. The Revolving Realms of Radiant Rehabilitation": a London Street: the Vicarage of St. Parabola's. The moving spirits of the "domestic pantomime are the Demon aforesaid (Mr. Jerrold Robertshaw) and the fairy Rosebud (Miss Jessie Bateman). Rosebud is out of work: her *rôle* in life has been to unite young lovers and the growing scarcity of these threatens her office with extinction and the relegation of herself "to the back row among the fat ones:" which is the last stage of degradation for a ballet fairy. To her, in distress, enter Alcohol. Alcohol is sadly handicapped by the remorseless convention which compels Pantomime demons to speak in verse, and to cope with the difficulty he always carries a rhyming dictionary (Pray observe how the Pantomime is made to make fun of itself). Rosebud enduces Alcohol to help her "put up a job:" a lady, Rosebud says it is the Hospital Nurse, is about to marry Rev. Aloysius Parfitt: and Colonel Sir Trevor Maulevier, Wicked Baronet (of the Household Cavalry), is trifling with her. Now, if Alcohol will kindly attach himself to the Bad Baronet and help him to abduct the lady, Rosebud's manifest duty will oblige her to come to the rescue: whereby she will demonstrate the necessity for such an office as hers and save herself from the awful fate that threatens her. I merely add that Rosebud made a sad mistake: that the Hospital Nurse is not the lady to whom Rev. Aloysius is engaged, that the Nurse is not a real Nurse but Lady Angela Wealdstone, daughter of the Earl of Harrow in disguise: that Clarissa, daughter of Mr. Justice Whortle, is the padre's fiancée and that Sir Trevor is pursuing the Hospital Nurse but with the most honourable intentions: that to deceive the ambitious Whortle, the Baronet and the Clergyman make love to one another's intendeds whenever the Judge is around: and you have a game of cross purposes whose ingenuity would baffle the ablest demons and fairies to unravel.

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Of course the Demon, misled by Rosebud, abducts the wrong lady, and does it with needless display: he appears through the vicarage floor with half a dozen attendant imps who harry the padre while Alcohol carries off the bride. Act II produces Rosebud in a terrible state of mind at Mr. Justice Whortle's: she has discovered her mistake: we last saw her driving the poor padre to distraction with her assurances that he shall marry the Angela he doesn't want: now she has to put things right somehow, and this can only be done by a regular overboiling of the Gilbertian pot. The plot grows a trifle misty about this epoch: we are translated to those Revolving Realms (Scene 3) and there the most radical "Transformations" take place. Rev. Aloysius becomes Harlequin and the Nurse-Lady Angela becomes Columbine: Sir Trevor, who is really a most gentlemanly and dignified man, turns into the Clown and the Judge is Pantaloon: in which several capacities they act the parts allotted by time-honoured convention, sorely against their will. To crown the whole absurdity with a thoroughly up-to-date bit of satire these transmogrified players have to listen to a "favourable notice" of their pantomime performance read from *The Times*. This was the funniest thing I have heard for many a day, and the house simply rocked with laughter. The point of the joke may possibly be lost to those who did not follow the quarrel between Mr. Bourchier and "Mons" Walkeley over the latter's criticism of H. A. Jones' plays: but it came home to a first night audience and the laughter exceeded even that evoked by Miss Boucicault in "Little Mary." But we missed the music that would set a "Fairy's Dilemma" on the old plane.

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Mr. Arthur Law's "The Bride and Bridegroom," which was produced by Sir Charles Wyndham at the New last night, is chiefly remarkable for the extraordinary and scandalous uproar which came from the gallery just before curtain fall. The piece is a poor one: so dull that its failure relieves me of the necessity to say anything about it, for we are not likely to see its name in the bills for many nights. The row seemed to have been organised. When Sir Charles answered the yells by coming forward there were demands to know where Miss Terry Lewis was, that lady not having a part in the piece. Sir Charles stood his ground keeping a cheerful countenance, but in my humble opinion he had done better not to answer the disturbers who hurled insults at him. Removing one rioter did not improve matters, for it only led to scrimmages with the police. Finally Sir Charles apologised to the stalls and dress circle for the gallery's misconduct and the incident closed in ominous growlings from above

There is a new departure at Burlington House this year. The big gallery No. III heretofore practically consecrated to R. A.'s, A.'s and the elect is opened to the lesser brethren: and one of the pictures in that gallery that most liked me is Mr. Herbert Draper's "The Golden Fleece:" a remarkably finished and vigorous work, illustrating the moment when Medea caused her young brother to be thrown over board that her pursuing father, H. M. of Colchis, may heave to and be delayed by the rescue. Mr. Watt's great equestrian statue, "Physical Energy," is in the courtyard: it is an imposing piece of work, full of life and movement. So striking is it that one does not care to consider the horse by mere practical standards. There are half a dozen Sargents in the exhibition, but only one, I think, has the extraordinary qualities of style which we have learned to associate with his work. His portrait of Mrs. Wertheimer is far and away the best of his six pictures: the rest lack wholly his distinctive method.

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Mr. Briton Riviere's picture "Youth" is one of the best things of his that I can remember: there is an idea in it, and the idea of recklessness is mostly cleverly expressed by the heedless lad who is intent on talking to his hawk while his horse shrinks from the edge of a precipice. It is a "portrait" year, however. Mr. Bacon has done "Tay Pay" and a very characteristic likeness he has made. Mr. Von Herkomer has a portrait of "Joe" likewise admirable: Mr. Shannon has Mr. Martin Harvey as Sydney Carton: Mr. Orchardson's picture of Sir Samuel Montagu is among the best: but I suppose you would rather I did not go through the catalogue. One of the most impressive pictures in the Academy is Mr. J. C. Dollman's "Famine:" a painful conception carried out with remorseless skill: Death, robed and hooded stalks across a snowy plain accompanied by starving wolves: ominous black sky above: below measureless snow and everywhere wolves, droves and masses of wolves. I can't get the thing out of my mind. Mr. Dollman gains power every year, but this is a distinct, long step in advance.

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The London School Board read its own burial service yesterday week. Born in 1870, the deceased institution was in its twenty-third year. During its working life it has raised the proportion of children in standards 3 to 7 from 2 per cent. of the whole to 30 per cent.: it has raised evening schools and schools for the training of children physically and mentally defective: it has raised 475 permanent schools: it has also raised the cost per head of educating the children as we know to our cost: but with the deceased School Board we part from evils we knew something about and make over its work to the L. C. C.: and our confidence in the L. C. C. as a business-like administrative body is some few degrees less than that we had in the School Board.

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The cathedral city of Exeter has had its dignity rudely shaken. His admirers having raised a memorial to the late R. W. Blackmore, the Dean and Chapter corrected the inscription to read "This tablet *with* the window above *are* a tribute of admiration," etc., etc., and the faithful sculptor, blindly obedient to that august tribunal, 'graved the sorry blunder in monumental marble and nobody noticed it till the tablet was solemnly unveiled. Then a rude fellow saw it and he wrote to *The Times* casting bitterly ironical reflections on "Exeter English" whereto he did not sign his name: and now the Dean, and the Chapter's component parts, and the sculptor person, and Bishop and aliens and all sorts and conditions of men have fallen upon one another in *The Times*, and there is raging and gnashing of teeth. Who is to blame? Not me, sir: not me, sir: and so say all of them. A small and sensible voice has suggested taking down the tablet and correcting the grammar, which is to be done: but a more violent storm never raged in a tea cup.

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Various items: Nellie Farren was buried in Brompton Cemetery on Monday. The afternoon was wet, but there was an enormous crowd in and about the cemetery. The number of wreaths was something unprecedented: they came from actors and actresses, clubs, institutions and private individuals. The sad case of Mdme. Clara Davies, not so long ago one of the most popular of concert singers, is settled: she goes to Farmfield under the Inebriates Act for 14 months to finish a term of two years. The London and North-Western has begun to accelerate some of its best trains, and their fastest, which began the new timing this week, covers the 188½ from Euston to Manchester in three hours and a half. The next entrance exam. for the P. W. D. will be held as usual: and the successful men will go to schools or colleges of their own choosing approved by the Secretary of State for India. By 1908 the change of the existing system will be completed and exit Coopers Hill. One cannot help feeling that the Indian Government's wishes should have prevailed after reading the correspondence that passed between the India Office and Simla: the full details are not yet published. There has been much indignant talk about the slackness of Unionist M. P.'s in their attendance at Westminster: various suggestions have been made to explain, the soundest being, perhaps, the disinclination of Unionists to support Radical measures brought in by their own chiefs. A very strong deputation yesterday waited on Mr. Balfour to urge the glaring necessity to readjust the scale of representation which gives Ireland thirty members more than she ought to have according to population. The feeling that the present Parliament ought to correct this state of affairs is growing steadily. The "proceedings were private," but promises appear to have been the breath of the time. They generally are: "Fulfilment is a kind of last will or testament"—but you know the rest.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

"PRIMARY EDUCATION" AMONG WILD ANIMALS.

MR. LONG'S book is an addition, and a most welcome one, to what we may perhaps call the thoughtful literature of natural history. It is the work of a man who has realised how little we really know of the life and character of wild creatures, and who has set himself as a labour of love to learn more concerning those species with which his opportunities bring him in contact. And if in his long vigils in the woods of North America, he appears to read into movement and action more of purpose and meaning than we are prepared to admit, we must bear in mind that Mr. Long is practically an explorer in a field of enquiry which is almost untouched, and that he who lifts the veil from things that have lain hid, always lays himself open to the criticism of those who lag behind. Our own feeling is one of almost complete surrender to the author; his singular patience, his discernment, charity of thought, combined with his close observation and sympathetic interest, win our ready attention: we are conscious as we follow him in his discussion concerning the bear, porcupine, heron, moose, and others that his conclusions are much what we should deduce ourselves in the like case, and even when we catch ourselves doubting whether the detected motive exists in the animal or in the reasoning mind of the author, we are free entirely from the discomforting sense that he is endeavouring to enhance the interest from the wealth of a vivid imagination.

The following sentence may stand as the keynote of the author's work:—"Personally after many years of watching animals in their native haunts, I am convinced that instinct plays a much smaller part than we have supposed: that an animal's success or failure in the ceaseless struggle for life depends, not upon instinct, but upon the training which the animal receives from its mother." Mr. J. G. Millais in England and Mr Thompson Seton in America have voiced much the same view: but we quote this passage as indicating Mr. Long's attitude in his study of wild life: he looks, not for evidences of instinct, but for evidences of mother-trained intelligence; led thither by his own observation. We are willing to accept the theory—the more willing when taught by so fascinating a teacher—but almost at the outset we recognise that we must not suffer ourselves to be led blindly. "Those young birds and animals that are left by sad accident or sadder wilfulness without their mothers' training profit little by their instincts. They are always first to fall in the battle with the strong. Those alone that follow their natural leaders, till they learn wisdom, live to grow up in the big woods." That is a sweeping assertion and objections raise their heads as we read. What of the cuckoos reared by foster parents whose life, habit, apart from diet, is dissimilar from their own? What of the mound building birds whose young hatch out without parental aid at all, and embark on life, so far as is known, with no educational equipment and no parental protection whatever? We cannot part with the theory of inherited instinct, though we readily concede that the tuition of parents is of the greatest possible benefit: for we have proof of it in the absolute fearlessness of some young animals which later in life, under maternal guidance, learn to fear where fear is desirable in the struggle for existence. It is no surprise to find that Mr. Long is a whole-hearted believer in the sane and sound doctrine that "there is no terror in extreme watchfulness. To the animal it is simply the use of his unusual powers, with the joy and confidence that the use of his unusual powers always brings to animals as well as men." We may perhaps doubt whether an animal can be said to enjoy conscientiousness of unusual powers: but if read "knowledge of superiority" in certain vital respects, no doubt we shall take correctly Mr. Long's meaning.

But to revert to the "Educational" theory. The author undoubtedly brings much evidence to support his view: his study of "Ismaques, the fish hawk," of "Moowees, the bear," of "Unk Wunk, the porcupine" (he has a fancy for using the popular names current among the Millicete Indians) undoubtedly show that some parents at all events among birds and beasts do educate their children. We cannot read the account of the hen hawks fish-catching exercise before her well-fledged young without recognising this, and take this passage from the chapter on the bear: If you should ever have the good fortune to watch a mother bear and her cubs when they have no idea that you are near them, you will note two characteristic things. First when they are travelling..... you will see that the cubs follow the mother closely and imitate her every action with ludicrous exactness,—sniffing where she sniffs, jumping where she jumps, rising on their hind legs with forearms hanging loosely, and pointed noses thrust sharp up into the wind on the instant that she rises, and then drawing silently away from the shore into the shelter of the friendly alders when some subtle warning tells the mother's nose that the coast is not perfectly clear. So they learn to sift the sounds and smells of the wilderness. ..... And second, when they are playing, you will see that the mother watches the cubs' every action as keenly as they watched her's an hour ago .....noting every detail of their boxing, wrestling and climbing, as if she had shown them once how it ought to be done and were watching now to see how well they remembered their lessons."

Similarly, the author illustrates the "school life" of the moose and cariboo calves, and other rising generations.

Incidentally we learn much that is new to us concerning the habits of North American beasts and birds: and, we feel sure, from a sound teacher. It is news to us that any bird repairs and makes safe from the winter storms the nest to which it will

return next breeding season. Mr. Long tells us that "Ismaques," the osprey before mentioned, wedges large fresh sticks across the top of his nest before he leaves for winter quarters; pulls out doubtful sticks and replaces them with new. He does not suggest that this is the habit of the species; he states that it was done by a pair of his acquaintance. The writer of a recent book on English natural history, Mr Cuming in his *Arcadian Calendar*, has suggested that the tastes or acts of bird or beast need not necessarily be the tastes and acts of the whole species, but merely of individuals: and we are of the opinion that there would be fewer disputes among naturalists, could they bring themselves to adopt the very reasonable theory that the individuals of any given species are not *de facto* unanimous in taste and action. It is information to us that young herons "grow suddenly seasick, as if they had swallowed ipecac" when a man climbs to the nest—a proceeding which checked summarily Mr. Long's enterprise in this direction—that some of the petrels—adults—employ somewhat similar defensive methods is of course common knowledge. Another thing we did not know is that the porcupine's tail is a potent weapon of offence which he uses at need with terrible effect.

We are much tempted to linger over Mr. Long's chapters on the moose, chapters wherein the naturalist routes the sportsman, and to consider his argument concerning the attraction of the "call" which, unlike any moose-made-sound that ever was, nevertheless brings the love lorn or battle seeking bull with absolute certainty. This matter is one which has special interest for the thinking sportsman: our own view is that the over-mastering motive of the hour-sexual desire—dulls all other senses and that in its eagerness the animal is deceived, willing to be deceived, if we may go so far—by the sorriest imitation of the cry of a possible mate.

The book is admirably illustrated by Mr. Copeland, whose drawings show not only close and intimate study of anatomy, attitude and character, but are often distinguished by a delicate and delightful humour.

School of the Woods. Some Life Studies of Animal Instincts and Animal Training. By William T. Long. Illustrated by Chas. Copeland, Grinn and Co., London and Boston, U.S.A.

Shikar.

A SIX DAYS' BIG GAME SHOOT.

A FEW years ago I was living in a district, in one of the larger provinces of this country, which was well known for its shooting as well as its fishing. Towards the end of February N., who was then in charge of the district, asked me to join him in a short shoot. The grass in the jungles had commenced to be burnt, a distinctly warm feeling was to be experienced in the day, although the nights were still very cool and though the shoot was to be a general one there was every chance of getting a tiger. I was only too pleased to accept the kind invitation and the morning of the 24th February saw us on our way out. Our first camp was some 20 miles out. We drove 11 miles and then had to walk about two more, where the elephants were assembled under the able leadership of a native gentleman known as "the Raja," a thorough sportsman and A-1 shot, who was to be one of the party also.

It was a nice, clear, fresh morning as we rattled along in a four-wheeled conveyance. The twittering of the birds, the buzzing of the bees, the air laden with the scent of numerous flowers and the foliage of the trees all betokened the arrival of spring. Occasional patches of cultivation, wheat, barley, gram, oats, which were ripening, caught the eye and formed a pleasing contrast to the sombre hues of the forests by which they were surrounded. Away to the north the outer ranges of the Himalayas stood out in bold relief against a clear blue sky and from the foot of those great hills the forests stretched away south and east. All the conditions under which we sallied out were favourable. The scenery and climate were all that could be desired and so was the companionship of my kind host and "the Raja."

It was about 11 A.M. when we climbed into our howdahs, a line was formed and we moved forward towards our camp, some 6 miles off. The shooting to-day was of a general description. In the early part of the day small game, partridges, peafowl and jungle fowl afforded us much sport. The jungle fowl particularly required some hitting. Later on we got into an enormous sounder of pig They were running about in all directions like rabbits and a furious fusillade went on for some minutes. Three pig were slain and in case this should rouse the ire of pigstickers I would explain that the country was not rideable! A lull ensued after the sounder had been dispersed and although we beat some excellent ground for cheetal and hog deer, we saw no stags, which was distinctly disappointing. It was now getting on in the day so the usual halt was called for lunch. This was done ample justice to and I would remark, in parenthesis, that my host's catering *bundobust* was excellent! In the early part of the day the beat had been through forests, from the time the pig were started up to lunch it was along the banks of a river—a really good bit to look at, where cover, shade and water were in abundance. After lunch we moved away from the river and tried some *bajis*, but to no purpose. The deer were not at home and some further additions of small game made were only to the bag. We got into camp at 7 30 P.M. after a long and enjoyable day. No news of tiger so far. The bag to-day was three pig and much small game.

25th February.—None of the buffaloes which were tied up last night were killed, so the day was devoted to another general shoot. We shot our way to another camp some 8 miles south. Tried a very well-known beat along the banks of a river, which later on is a sure find for tiger; but we were a bit early in the season, as water was still to be had in the minor range of hills a short distance off, which afforded the tigers excellent cover and which they would not leave until the hot weather had set well in, when the want of water drove them down to the jungle along the river. Still there were hopes of seeing a tiger and the cover was magnificent enough to hold anything. The beat produced a good stag *para* which fell to N. and a small stag cheetal which I got. A very fine stag cheetal made good his escape in the heavy jungle. The beat was over by luncheon time and the rest of the day was unproductive. Reached camp soon after sunset.

26th February.—Our numbers last night were disturbed by a wild elephant which, in its nocturnal rambles, came on to the outskirts of our camp and made a good deal of noise by breaking branches of trees as it went slowly feeding along. "The Raja" tried to get a shot with a double ·500· Magnum, built by Alexander Henry and a really splendid weapon, but did not succeed. The whole *lashkar* was very glad when the unwelcome visitor had moved off, because it was a solitary tusker of a cantankerous disposition. I believe the beast was "proclaimed" not many months after this incident and was shot by 'the Raja.' This was a day of misfortunes. Clouds had gathered in the night and a nasty, cold drizzle went on, more or less, the whole day and as we had to march back to camp No. 1, this was not very pleasant. Then N. was prevented by work from accompanying us in our shoot and finally for some reason or other the line was reduced to the two howdah elephants which "the Raja" and myself rode. Prospects were not, therefore, bright. This bad luck dogged us the whole day. In the morning, before breakfast "the Raja" and myself did a stalk. Came on a herd of cheetal, with a very fine stag, close to camp. There was every hope of the stalk being a successful one, when a number of peafowl were suddenly disturbed and flew straight in the direction of the deer, giving vent to their cry of alarm. This was too much for the cheetal, which vanished like ghosts. We saw nothing else in our morning ramble. About 10-30 A.M. N. went off to his work, "the Raja' and myself mounted our elephant and started to shoot our way to our former camp. The jungle was all thick *sâl* forest with seas of grass so two elephants were not likely to be of much use. Till close on 2 P.M. we saw nothing. Then we put up a fine sambur stag which we succeeded in killing, "the Raja" getting in the first shot. As we had no pad elephants with us we had to skin and cut up the stag. This was a most laborious operation and took some two hours, even pocket knives being used! While the sambur was being skinned we heard the crack, crack of branches of trees being broken in unpleasant proximity. There was no doubt there was a wild elephant on the feed and very possibly our nocturnal visitor. For some time we remained on the *qui vive*, with our rifles in our hands, expecting the elephant to appear every moment, but he moved off in another direction.

It was about 4 P.M. before the sambur was cut up and placed in sections on our howdah elephants and as it had been drizzling the whole day, on and off, by the time we resumed shooting our ardour, as well as our clothes, had been somewhat damped! The forest was very thick, the grass was very heavy and the light, as may be imagined, *very* bad. We were moving slowly homewards when in some particularly dense *sâl* forest with thick undergrowth I saw an animal moving, but owing to the thick cover and the bad light I could not discern what it was. Moving my elephant forward I just caught sight of the posterior half of a full-grown tiger disappear. The animal just glided out of sight before I could get my rifle up and have a snap shot. We never saw him again although we beat high and low, it was like looking for the proverbial needle! If we had had more elephants we possibly might have found him again, or if my mind had acted quickly enough and I had plugged him the instant I saw him he probably would have been bagged, but the fact of the matter was that a tiger was the last animal I expected to see and in the bad light the yellow foundation of the skin looked a dirty white, though the stripes were clearly visible It would have been a grand finale to a dismal day had we bagged him. Oh! the pity of it! the pity of it! Wet, tired, disappointed we got into camp somewhere about 6 P.M., but it was not very long before I, at any rate, was to be well recompensed for the disappointments of to-day.

PEELER.

(To be continued.)

Shooting.

CALCUTTA REVOLVER CLUB.

THE first 50 yards' competition was held at the Club Range on Saturday afternoon. A strong breeze was blowing across the Range and prevented high scoring. The following were the best scores returned:—

S. J. K Chase ...	...	34—1=33
W. Boeckel ...	...	31+2=33
J. E. Vallance ...	...	34—2=32

Correspondence.

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LATE WADERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Since writing you on 10th instant I have seen Wood Sandpipers daily until 14th, and yesterday, 15th instant, I saw two Stilt Plovers.

SWEYTOWS.

ACCURACY *vs.* POWER IN 12-BORES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Will you kindly settle this point for us.

Smooth bore cylinder gun 12-bore firing 13-bore solid bullet: will it be more *powerful* with 4½ drams powder than 3? If so why? By powerful I mean *practically* so, as against a tiger for instance: no doubt if the tiger were a foot off the muzzle then 4½ drams would be more useful than 3. But for the sake of discussion let us say the tiger is between 20 and 30 yards broadside on and I fire at *and hit* the shoulder, do I stand a better chance with 4½ than 3 drams? My idea is that after a certain amount the excess powder burns to waste even if it does not by excess force play the deuce with the accuracy of the flight. My friend says that subject to a proviso about the strength of the gun, its ability to bear the strain, the more powder the better. He quotes an express rifle: but against this I argue that the bullet sets into the grooves and there can be no escape of powder till the bullet leaves the rifle, which is not the case with a gun.

J. S.

AMRAOTI, *21st May 1904.*

[Three drams with spherical bullet is quite enough for any ordinary 12-bore gun. Providing the gun were strong enough to stand a largely increased powder charge there is no reason to suppose that it would not be burnt in the barrel, giving increased velocity and striking force with at least equal accuracy (the thick felt wad acts as a gas check) Twelve-bore ball guns have been made for five and six drams of powder with spherical bullets, and such weapons are naturally more efficient than ordinary guns.—ED.]

WASHED OUT GAME.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—The recent tremendous downpour throughout the eastern districts will have driven all big game into the ravines, where it may be expected to lie pretty closely packed for the next two months; previous firing of the hill sides and plateaux affording till then neither cover nor herbage, while, except in the case of moish and bheelwah, the lowlands are too stodgy for occupation. Anyone wishing to secure good heads, antlers being in their prime at the close of the rutting season, can now do so without any great amount of exertion, by trying the gullies that run in from the orange groves in North Sylhet. If the moon serves, a tramp through the groves themselves should meet with due reward, for deer generally remain out in them throughout the night to avoid the prowlers among the rocks. Enquiries should also be made as to what may be in the isolated teelahs round the Sylhet station, which seldom contain aught but small deer under ordinary circumstances, being full twenty miles from the mountain proper. On a former occasion when a sudden spring downpour occurred the rapid gorging of the torrents cut the denizens of the intervening lowlying bheels off from the main range forcing them to take refuge in the teelah alluded to and sambur could be heard belling within a mile of the station. In fact a metna was shot on the Kalagool Tea Garden within two miles, so that any shikari wading up the innumerable small trout streams, cherras that intersect this jungly amphitheatre in all directions, is likely to secure something. The beds of these streams are chiefly hard sand, so little noise beyond splashing need be made when on the stalk. The Sylhet teelahs at other times are now hardly worth attention, save for fowl, but on occasions such as the present are well worth trying. No camping out is required as one can go out on the jaunts recommended, day by day making the dâk bungalow his home.

SENEX.

SYLHET, *14th May 1904.*

"GAMAGE'S"

We have before us a copy of the report presented to the shareholders of Messr. A. W. Gamage, Ld., at the seventh annual generals meeting, which was held at that cheerful rendezvous, the Holborn Restaurant, on the 4th instant. A glance at the balance sheet and profit and loss account up to the end of last January discloses a flourishing condition of affairs, on which we tender our congratulations to all concerned in the well being of this firm, whose popularity is well nigh world wide. The volume of business done shows a satisfactory increase on that of previous years, large amounts are placed to reserve fund, a fat balance is carried forward and a 7 per cent. dividend is declared.

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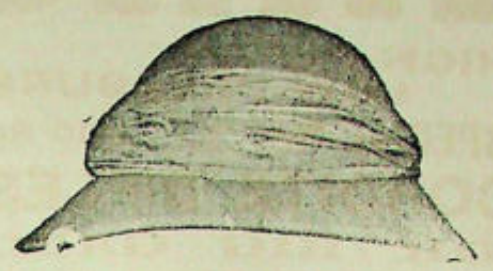
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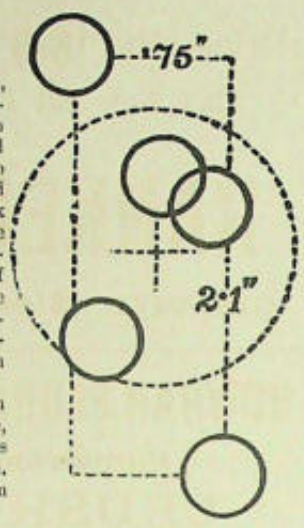
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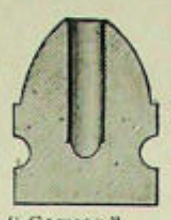
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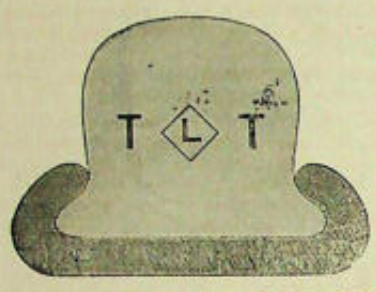
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	Month	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Quetta Spring	May	26 & 2	554
Simla Summer	,,	26 and 28	
Colombo Monsoon	,,	26 & 28	
Bangalore Extra	,,	28	
Mussoorie Summer Races ..	June	3 & 11	38
Mysore	,,	25, 28, 30	451
Pachmarhi Open Gymkhana	,,	6 & 8	
Bangalore Extras ..	,,	4 & 11	
Bangalore Races	July	9, 12 & 14	
Colombo August	August	6, 9, 11 & 13	507
Poona First Extra ..	July	30	
,, Second ,, ..	,,	6	
,, Third ,, ..	,,	13	
,, Fourth ,, ..	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,, ..	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,, ..	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,, ..	Sept.	3	
,, Eighth ,, ..	,,	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	Sept.	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	
Lucknow Autumn Sky ..	,,	25 & 27	625
Umballa Autumn	Nov.	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	,,	15, 17, & 19	
Lucknow Autumn ..	,,	22 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	10	
,, Second ,, ..	,,	17	
,, First Meeting ..	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	27	
Lahore Xmas	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	,,	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	,,	14 & 21	
,, Third Extra ..	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,, ..	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Mussoorie Summer ..	Final ..	.. 4th June.
Bangalore	First ..	.. 1st June.
	Second ..	.. 15th June.
	Third ..	.. 1st July.
Poona Races ..	First ..	.. 2nd August.
	Second ..	.. 23rd ,,
	Final ..	.. 6th September
Army Cup	Second ..	.. 1st July.
	Third ..	.. 1st October
	Final ..	.. 15th Nov.
Civil Service Cup ..	Second ..	.. 1st July.
	Third ..	.. 15th Sep.
	Fourth ..	.. 1st December.
	Final ..	.. 20th January.
Umballa Autumn ..	First ..	.. 13th August.
	Second ..	.. 17th Sept.
	Third ..	.. 28th Oct.
Calcutta First Extra ..	..	.. 6th December
,, Second Extra ..	..	.. 13th ,,
,, First Meeting ..	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	.. 30th ,,
,, Second Meeting ..	First ..	.. 30th Nov.
	Second ..	.. 7th January.
Lahore Xmas	First ..	.. 1st July.
	Second ..	.. 1st Nov.
	Third ..	.. 1st Dec.
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	First ..	.. 1st Aug.
	Second ..	.. 15th Sept.
	Third ..	.. 8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	.. 1st Nov.
	Second ..	.. 30th ,,
,, ,, Second Day	First ..	.. 1st Nov.
	Second ..	.. 2nd January

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	.. Begins 29th August.
Simla Beresford Cup	.. Begins 6th June.

LAWN TENNIS.

Kashmir Tournament	.. Begins 30th May.

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club Third Monthly Meeting	4th June.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta	.. July.
Ditto. 3rd Regatta ..	.. September.
Ditto. The Power Cup ..	.. October.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla)	.. 14th and 27th September.
Calcutta Football League	.. Now on.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament ..	.. Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Bogey Competition ..	.. From 2nd to 31st May.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs., Parsees (Bombay)	.. 23rd, 24th and 25th August
,, (Poona)	.. 13th, 14th and 15th Sept.

SHOWS.

Simla Horse and Dog	.. 4th June.

SWIMMING.

Calcutta S. C. 2 lengths Handicap ..	.. 27th May.

SPORTS.

Simla Gymkhanas	.. 28th May. 11th, 18th and 25th June. 2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Prix du Jockey Club (French Derby)(1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 28th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ miles)	.. Friday, 27th May
The Derby (1½ miles)	.. Wednesday, 1st June.
The Coronation Cup	.. Thursday, 2nd June.
The Oaks (1½ miles)	.. Friday, 3rd June.
Duchess of York Stakes Hurst Park (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 11th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furs.) ..	.. Sunday, 12th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	.. Tuesday, 14th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furs. 166 yds.) ..	.. Wednesday, 15th June.
Gold Cup (2½ miles)	.. Thursday, 16th June.
New Stakes (5 furs. 136 yds.)	.. Thursday, 16th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Friday, 17th June.
Northumberland Plate (3 miles) ..	.. Wednesday, 22nd June.
July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.)	.. Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes	.. Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	.. Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.) ..	.. Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)	.. Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	.. Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	.. Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1½ miles)	.. Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	.. Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles) ..	.. Wednesday, 24th Augus .
Gimcrack Stakes (5 furlongs) ..	.. Thurday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	.. Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	.. Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	.. Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	.. Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) ..	.. Friday, 9th September,
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Thursday, 29th Septemer.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 12th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) ..	.. Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	.. Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs) ..	.. Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) ..	.. Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	.. Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 26th Nov.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Golf, Open Champ Mtg Sandwich ..	.. 8, 9 June.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords) ..	.. 30th June
Amateur A. A. Meeting	.. 2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords)	.. 3th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords) ..	.. 4th July.
Henley Regatta	.. 5th, 6th, and 7th July
Gentlemen vs. Players (Oval) ..	.. 7th July.
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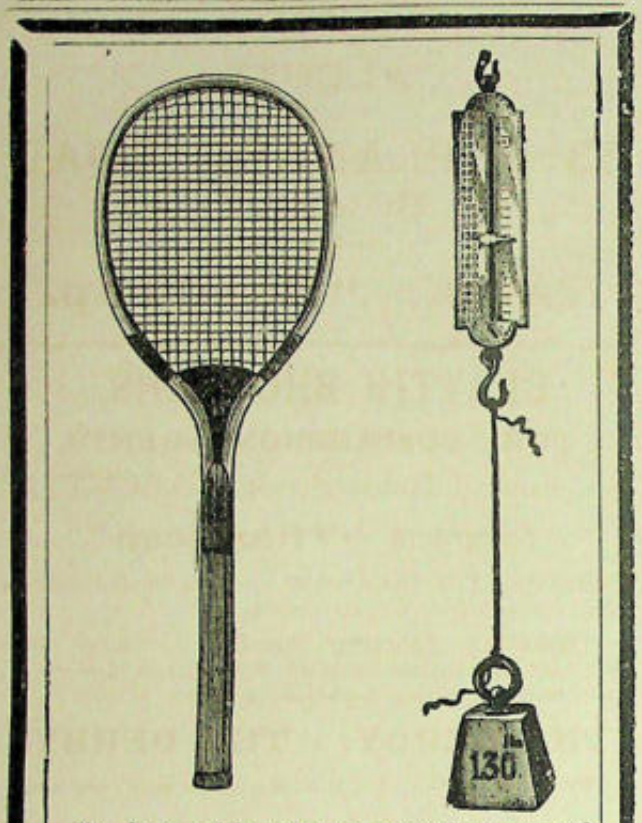
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First Day, Tuesday, 24th May 1904.

THE weather looked very threatening to-day, but the rain held off and good sport was witnessed by a large attendance The Kour Sahib of Patiala's stable was most successful, securing the Jakko Plate, The Elysium Plate, and the Curzon Plate. Details.—

JAKKO PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 50 to second, Rs. 25 to third. Hurdle Race for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and others 14-0 and under Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and others 14-0 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs 50 or over once 4lbs., twice 7lbs, oftener 10lbs. Distance.—About 1¼ miles, over eight flights.

Kour Sahib of Patiala's Tom, 10st 6lbs ... Hard 1
Capt Grogan's Rifleman, II. 11st 11lbs .. Capt Lannowe 2
Col Blenerhassett's Emerald, 11st 11lbs ... Capt Holden 3

Also ran : Quilt, 9st 11lbs ; Sillyloo, 11st 5lbs ; King Edward, 9st 10lbs.

BETTING. 6 to 4 on Tom, 2 to 1 agst Quilt, 3 to 1 Rifleman, 4 to 1 each Emerald and Sillyloo, 10 to 1 King Edward.

Won comfortably by two lengths ; half a length between the second and third. Time—3mins. 4secs.

BEGINNERS-PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 50 to second, Rs. 10 to third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase value Rs 50 or over. C.-B's. 14-1 to carry 11st 10lbs ; Arab 14-1 to carry 11st 3 lbs W. I. Distance—600 yards.

Mr S J S's Labby Annie, 9st 11lbs ... Native 1
Major Berryman's Hopeful, 9st 8lbs ... Mr McCall 2
Kour Sahib of Patiala's Sweet Nellie, 11st 7lbs ... ... Mr Barrow 3

Also ran : Jewel, 11st. ; Tagra, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 12lbs.) ; Chemjee, 10st. 10lbs. ; Chirria, 9st. 7lbs.

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Labby Annie, 4 to 1 agst. each Jewel and Sweet Nellie, 5 to 1 Hopeful, 10 to 1 any others.

Won by a half length ; one length between second and third. Time—39½secs.

ELYSIUM PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 50 to second, Rs 10 to third. For maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Distance—1,400 yards.

Kour Sahib of Patiala's Parlourmaid, 10st 12lbs ... ... Hard 1
Mr Kelghley's Toss, 12st ... ... Capt Holden 2
Mr Bond's Burlesque, 11st 5lbs ... Owner 3

Also ran : Play Bell, 10st. 13lbs.

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Parlourmaid, 3 to 3 agst. Play Bell, 6 to 1 Toss, 8 to 1 Burlesque.

Won easily by three lengths ; four lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 36½secs.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 150 to winner, Rs. 30 to second. For maiden Arab and C.-B. polo ponies 14-1 and under. Certificates from Honorary Secretaries of Polo Clubs must accompany entries Catch weights over 11-7. G. Rs. Distance—600 yards.

Capt Smith's Kargosh 11st 7lbs ... Owner 1
Mr Mill's Ruby, 11st 11lbs ... Owner 2
Mr Bond's The General, 11st 7lbs ... Owner 3

Also ran : Naseri, 11st 7lbs. fell.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Naseri, Evens Ruby, 6 to 1 agst. Kargosh, 10 to 1 The General.

Won by two lengths ; six lengths between the second and third. Time—38½secs.

CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 50 to second, Rs 10 to third For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and others 13-3½ and under, that have not won a flat race value Rs. 900 or over since 31st March 1901. Arabs 14-1 to carry 11st. 2lbs. C.-Bs. 14-1 to carry 11st. 12lbs. others 13-3½ to carry 12-0. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Allowance.—Ponies that have never won a race. value Rs. 50 or over 5lbs. Distance—About 1 mile.

Major Berryman's Canary, 11st 9lbs ... Mr McCall 1
Kour Sahib of Patiala's Cadet, 12st 10lbs Mr Barrow 2
Colonel Blennerhassett's Vanity III, Capt Lannowe 2

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Cadet, 2 to 1 agst. Canary, 6 to 1 Vanity.

Won easily by four lengths ; three lengths between the secoup and third. Time.—57secs.

CURZON PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 50 to second, Rs. 10 to third. For Arab ponies, 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 11st 10lsb. W. I. Penalties.—Winners of a race value Rs. 200 or over once 4lbs, twice 7lbs., three times 10lbs. oftener 14lbs. Allowances. Maidens 7lbs. Ponies that have never won a race value Rs 50 or over 5lbs in addition. Distance—About 4½ furlongs.

Kour Sahib of Patiala's Shahjehan, 9st 11lbs ... ... Hard 0
Mr Sewell's Naseri, 9st 9lbs (car 10st 3lbs ... Captain Lannowe 0
Messrs Milvain and Badger's Caledonia, 9st 9lbs ... ... Capt Peacocke 3

Also ran : Impostor, 9st 11lbs Sweet William, 8st 8lbs (car 8st 11lbs) Volcano, 9-6; Jaooza, 9st 10lbs.

BETTING : Evens Volcano 6 to 4 against Shahjehan, 3 to 1 Jaooza, 6 to 1 and 8 to 1 agst the others.

Won easily by two lengths from Nateri who overhauled the rest of the field at home turn. Time—1min. 5½secs.

Entries for English Races.

THE MANCHESTER CUP.

FRIDAY, 27TH MAY.

THE MANCHESTER CUP.—Of 3,000sovs. (200sovs. in plate the rest in specie), added to a handicap sweepstakes of 25sovs. each, 10forfeit. winners (selling races excepted after 5th May at noon, 3lbs., twice or once of 400sovs. 7lbs., twice of 400sovs. or once of 1,000sovs. 10lbs. extra ; second to receive 500sovs. and the third 100sovs. ; entrance 5sovs., the only forfeit if declared by Tuesday next. Cup Course, one mile and-a-half. (45 entries.)—Closed 5th January.

		ys.	st.	lb.
Mr W Low's Littleton	Pickering	4	9	0
Mr James Daly's St Brendan	In Ireland	5	8	11
Mr S B Joel's Bachelor's Button	C Peck	5	8	11
Mr C Perkins's Cliftonhall	K Anson	5	8	9
Mr Reid Walker's Templemore	Robinson	6	8	9
Duke of Devonshire's Cheers	Goodwin	5	8	5
Sir J Miller's Rondeau	Blackwell	4	8	3
Mr J Musker's McYardley	Gilbert	6	8	2
Mr W Goodchild's Scullion	Sherrard	6	8	1
Lord Howard de Walden's Kilglass	Beatty	4	8	1
Mr J C Sullivan's Winkfield's Charm	Owner	5	7	13
Mr G A Prentice's General Cronje	J Powney	4	7	13
Major Eustace Loder's Gold Lock	Mr Gilpin	4	7	12
Mr G Thursby's Aggressor	Edwards	5	7	12
Mr W Waugh's The Bishop	Owner	6	7	11
Mr George Faber's Lovcite	Darsing	5	7	11
Mr B Ellam's Switchcap	Gurry	4	7	11
Lord Carnarvon's Mountain Rose	Greusil	4	7	10
Mr J Hammond's Burses	Webb	4	7	10
Sir E Cassel's Love Charm	Mr F Lambton	4	7	9
Count de Bresson's Germain II	In France	4	7	9
Mr N G Higham's Prince Royal (h-b)	Russell	4	7	9
Capt Forester's Queen's Holiday	Fallon	3	7	8
Mr P P Gilpin's Roe O'Neill	Mr Gilpin	4	7	8
Mr J G Baird Hay's Palmy Days	Peacock	4	7	5
Mr J B Joel's Dean Swift	Morton	3	7	3
Lord Rosebery's Ladurlad	Blackwell	4	7	2
Mr W Bass's Wet Paint	Taylor	5	7	2
Mr T Corns's Rightful	H Chandler	5	7	1
Mr J C Sullivan's Winkfield's Fortune	Owner	4	7	1
Lord Dunraven's Morgendale	R Sherwood	4	7	0
Duke of Portland's The Scribe	Porter	3	7	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Pursuivant	Beatty	3	6	12
Mr J Wallace's Grey Goblin	Jarvis	3	6	11
Lord Carnarvon's Missovaja	Greusil	3	6	9
Mr L Brassey's Black Fancy	H Sadler	5	6	9
Mr J Hill's Barbette	I'Anson	3	6	9
Mr S Platt's Monitress	C Waugh	5	6	7
Mr L de Rothschild's Proteus	Hayhoe	4	6	4
Mr L de Rothschild's Cormac	Watson	4	6	3
Mr J T Wood's Castro	Watson	4	6	3
Mr R H Henning's Retrieve	Brewer	3	6	2

Races to Come.

MUSSOORIE SUMMER RACES.

9th and 11th June.

FIRST DAY.

SCURRY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 3lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st ; others 13-3½ to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 2 furlongs.

THE CLARENCE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Maiden Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and other Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 9st 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; others 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs.

MUSSOORIE ARMY CUP.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Maiden Arabs and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under unconditionally the property of officers in His Majesty's Service on full pay. Above heights to carry 12st. W. I. 6 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties.—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs, oftener 10lbs.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 8lbs , others 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W.I. 2½ furlongs.

THE SAVOY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st.; others 13-3½ to carry 12st. W. I. 4 furlongs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 7lbs., Maidens 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of races value Rs 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,500, 10lbs., and to Rs. 2,000, 14lbs.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under Ponies 14-1 to carry 12st. W.I. 4 furlongs. Allowance—Maidens, 7lbs. Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs.

SECOND DAY.

CRITERION HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second. and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for Maiden Arabs and C-B.'s 14-2 and under. And other Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

CHARLEVILLE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 4 furlongs.

POLO HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies 14-1 and under. 2½ furlongs.

RAJPORE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for Maiden Arab and C-B Ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A Handicap for Ponies 14-1 under. 5 furlongs.

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1st Entrances close Saturday, 13th August
2nd Entrances close Saturday, 17th September } 1904.
3rd Entrances close Friday, 28th October

First Day, Saturday, the 5th November 1904.

FIRST RACE.—PONY STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second and Rs. 100 to the third. A Handicap Steeplechase for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and others 14-1 and under. Distance.—About 2 miles over the Steeplechase, Course. Entrance—13th August Rs. 15, 17th September Rs. 30, 28th October Rs. 45, with Rs. 15 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Thursday, the 3rd November.

SECOND RACE.—NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race of the value of, Rs. 50 or over 14-1. to carry 10-7, W. I. Distance—4 furlongs Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs. 10, 28th October Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Thursday, the 3rd November.

THIRD RACE.—TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for horses that have never won a Flat Race of the value of Rs. 1,000 or over. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs 5, 17th September Rs 10, 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Thursday, the 3rd November.

FOURTH RACE.—MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 9-7. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over, once 6lbs, twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Winners of races value Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,200, 7lbs., in addition to other penalties. Distance—1,000 yards. Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs. 10, 28th October Rs. 20 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Thursday, 3rd November.

FIFTH RACE.—PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C B ponies 14-1 and under and other maiden ponies 13-3½ and under that have not won races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,000. C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. Arab Ponies 14-1 to carry 8st, other ponies 13-3½ to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties.—Winners once 6 lbs, twice 10 lbs, oftener 14 lbs. Distance—4 furlongs, Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs. 10, 28th October Rs. 20 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Thursday, the 3rd November.

SIXTH RACE.—C-B PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A Handicap for C-B ponies 14-0 and under that have never won a race of the value of Rs. 1,000 or over. Distance—1,000 yards, Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs. 10, 28th October Rs. 20 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Thursday, the 3rd November.

SEVENTH RACE.—UMBALLA CUP.—A Cup value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For *bona fide* registered chargers that have never won a flat Race, Hurdle Race, or Steeplechase value Rs. 50 or over at the time of entry. To carry 13 stone. Gentleman Riders only. Distance—About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course. Entrance—,3th August Rs. 10, 17th September Rs. 20, 28th October Rs. 40 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Thursday, the 3rd November.

Second Day, Tuesday, the 8th November 1904.

FIRST RACE.—PONY HURDLES—Rs 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, Rs 100 to the third. A Handicap for Arab and C-B ponies 14-2 and under and others 14-1 and under. Distance. About 1½ miles over 6 flights of hurdles. Entrance.—13th August Rs 15, 17th September Rs 30, 28th October Rs. 45 with Rs 15 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Saturday, the 5th November.

SECOND RACE.—ARABIAN PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs 5, 17th September Rs 10, 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Saturda , the 5th November.

THIRD RACE—HORSE PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for Horses that have never won a Flat Race value Rs 2,000 or over. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs 10, 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Saturday, the 5th November.

FOURTH RACE.—STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for Maiden Arab and C-B ponies 14-1 and under and other maiden ponies 13-3½ and under. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs 5, 17th September Rs 10 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Saturday, the 5th November.

FIFTH RACE.—MALL PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second and Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14 1 and under. Distance—4 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs 5, 17th September Rs 10, 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Saturday, the 5th November.

SIXTH RACE—PAGET PARK PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. A Handicap for maiden Arab and C-B ponies 14-2 and under and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs. 10, 28th October Rs. 20 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Saturday, the 5th November.

SEVENTH RACE.—AMATEUR CUP.—A Cup value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For all *bona fide* registered chargers that have never won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race, or Steeplechase value Rs. 50 or over at the time of entry. To carry 12-7. Gentleman Riders only. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs. 10, 17th September Rs. 20, 28th October Rs. 40 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Saturday, the 5th November.

Third Day, Thursday, the 10th November 1904.

FIRST RACE.—PONY CHASE.—Rs 500 to the winner, Rs 200 to the second, Rs 100 to the third. A Handicap Steeplechase for Arab and C-B ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course. Entrance—13th August Rs 15, 17th September Rs 30, 28th October Rs 45 with Rs 15 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Tuesday, the 8th November.

SECOND RACE.—MILITARY CUP.—A Cup value Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for chargers that ran in the Umballa Cup first day. Gentleman Riders only. Distance—3 miles over the Steeplechase Course. Entrance—13th August Rs 10, 17th September Rs 20, 28th October Rs 40 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Tuesday, the 8th November.

THIRD RACE.—THE STAND PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for horses that have never won a Flat Race value Rs 2,000 or over. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—13th August Rs 5, 17th September Rs 10, 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Tuesday, the 8th November.

FOURTH RACE.—DESERT HANDICAP—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third. A handicap for Arab Ponies 14 1 and under Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs 5, 17th September Rs 10, 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Tuesday, the 8th November.

FIFTH RACE.—PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second. Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for Arab and C-B. ponies 14-1 and under and other ponies 13-3½ and under that have never won a Flat Race of the value of Rs 1,200 or over. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs 5, 17th September Rs 10, 28th October Rs 20 with Rs 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Tuesday, the 8th November.

SIXTH RACE.—PRODUCE PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 5 to the third. A Handicap for C-B ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a Flat Race of the value of Rs. 1,000 or over. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs. 10, 28th October Rs. 20 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Tuesday, the 8th November.

SEVENTH RACE.—SIRHIND PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third. A Handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14 2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of the value of Rs. 1,200 or over. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—13th August Rs. 5, 17th September Rs. 10, 28th October Rs. 20 with Rs. 10 additional for each pony not struck out by 12 noon on Tuesday, the 8th November.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. All entrances, forfeits and acceptances to go to the Fund, except where otherwise stated, subject to Rules 82 and 139. In all entries for pony races the height of the pony must be given.

2. C T C and W I T C Certificates of height only accepted, except in cases provided for by Rule 39.

3. Half the added money will be given for a walk over. Subject to Rule 140.

4. Owners running one horse or pony to subscribe Rs 10, two or more Rs 20 to the Fund.

5. A Course fee of Rs 10 will be charged for each horse or pony running at the Meeting and a fee of Rs 15 for each horse or pony not running at the Meeting, and exercised on the course on and after the 15th October 1904.

6. Starting declarations including weights carried and colours to be placed in the Honorary Secretary's box at the Race Office by 12 noon the day before the race on proper forms which can be had on application; and must be accompanied by all fees due in respect to that race including the Jockey's losing fee if not already paid.

7. In races other than selling races and handicaps a landing allowance of 6lbs. will be given to English and Australasian horses and ponies landed in India direct from the country of foaling on or after 1st July 1904. This allowance to be reduced to 3lbs. on the horse or pony winning one race and to cease on his winning two races of any description.

8.—Entrance money must accompany entries, otherwise they will be declined.

9. There must be (except where otherwise specified) 8 entries in all Flat Races and 6 entries for Hurdle and Steeplechase Races, otherwise the race may be declared void at the discretion of the Stewards under Rule 140.

10. Should the entrance money in any race advertised at Rs. 200 to the winner exceed all advertised prizes, the surplus will be divided between second and third horses in proportion of 2 to 1. In no case will the winner receive more than Rs 199,

11. Except where otherwise specified an allowance of 5lbs. will be given to Gentleman Riders in all Flat Races not Handicaps, and to Jockeys who have never ridden the winner of a race value Rs 50 or over. These allowances to be claimed at the scales when weighing out.

12. All Handicaps will be high weight ones except where otherwise specified.

NOTICE.

1. Lotteries will be held at 9-30 P.M. on each day preceding a race day. Ten per cent of the Lotteries to go to the Fund.

2. Admission to the Grand Stand and enclosure Rs. 8 per day or Rs. 20 for the Meeting. Owners running horses at the Meeting, and Ladies free, but owners entering horses and not running them will be charged full gate-money.

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LONDON, *Friday, 6th May* 1904.

THE TURF.

CHESTER MEETING.

A BUSY week, and one which conjures up recollections of stirring struggles amidst the pleasantest environments, is that during which the curtain is rung down on the last two of the important series of spring handicaps, *viz.*, the Chester Cup and the Great "Jubilee" Handicap. An auspicious start was made on the 3rd instant. The Roodee, with its broad expanse of verdant turf bounded by the silvery Dee, was looking at its best, the herbage having been wonderfully freshened up by the recent showers, and for the greater part of the day the scene was bathed in sunshine. There did not seem as many people as usual astir in the streets in the morning, but the crowd was supplemented later by the arrival of trains from all parts of the country, and by the time racing commenced the attendance in the various enclosures and on the far side of the course was up to the average for a Tuesday. The Duke and Duchess of Westminster were present with a large house party, and a brilliant and fashionable assemblage filled the country stand. Only once did the fields reach double figures, and they were for the most part small, but many of the races were closely contested, and the course yielded almost perfect galloping.

THE WYNNSTAY HANDICAP PLATE, of 415sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr E Carlton's ch h Flavus, by Hampton—Alcara, aged, 8st 5lbs	C Leader	1
Lord Derby's br h Andrea Ferrara, 6yrs. 9st	D Maher	2
Sir E Vincent's b g Chapeau, 3yrs, 7st 7lbs	W Lane	3
Mr L de Rothschild's All Hot, 4yrs, 8st 12lbs	K Cannon	0
Mr Hawkin's Alfar, aged, 8st 6lbs ...	Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by T. Leader.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Andrea Ferrara, 5 to 1 Flavus, and 6 to 1 each All Hot, Chapeau, and Alfar.

Won by a length and a half; four lengths divided the second and third. All Hot was fourth.

THE STAMFORD TWO YEAR OLD PLATE, of 185sovs., colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; winners extra. Five furlongs.

Duke of Westminster's gr c Dapple Grey, by Sir Hugo—Grey Lady, 9st ...	M Cannon	1
Mr L de Rothschild's b c Arnobius, 9st ...	K Cannon	2
Mr O H Jones's ch f Fairy Godmother, 8st 11lbs	Halsey	3
Mr J Wallace's Spear, 9st	J Jarvis	0
Mr Hugh Peel's Wandering Sarah, 8st 11lbs	B Dillon	0
Mr Russel's g by Whittier—Emotion, 8st 11lbs	O Madden	0

(*Winner trained by J. Porter.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Emotion gelding. 3 to 1 Spear, 5 to 1 Fairy Godmother, 6 to 1 Dapple Grey, and 10 to 1 agst any other.

Won by two lengths: a head divided the second and third. Emotion gelding was fourth and Wandering Sarah last. Time by Benson's chronograph. 1min. 5secs.

Anyone who has only seen Chester in its normal state of dignified repose must be amazed at the striking contrast afforded by the venerable city on Cup Day. Apart from the countless thousands of sporting enthusiasts who pour into the town from every direction to witness the struggle for the world-famous trophy, it seems to be part of the creed of the local laity to pay a fleeting visit to the Roodee just for this momentous occasion, the day being celebrated as a public holiday. The influx of sightseers was on a big scale on the present anniversary. The streets were so congested that traffic was seriously impeded by midday, and it was early apparent that the gatemoney receipts would reach a big figure. The chief factor towards the success of the function was the glorious weather. The morning was simply gorgeous, and happily the sun shone resplendent throughout the afternoon, which was almost perfect. The paddock, with its tasteful floral decorations, was thronged in the intervals between the races, a feature of the gathering being the large percentage of the gentler sex, who, clad in the lightest and brightest of summer attire, lent an additional charm to a brilliant scene. The racing, apart from the big event, was devoid of significance, but the Chester Cup provided a pretty spectacle, and the victory of Sandboy benefited a large section of the public.

THE CHSTER CUP (Handicap) of 2,030sovs., (a cup value 50sovs., and the remainder in species). Old Cup Course (nearly two miles and a quarter).

Mr W H Walker's b c Sandboy, by Ravensbury—Sandblast, 4yrs, 6st 2lbs	W Griggs	1
Mr J G Clarke's ch c Mark Time, by Marco—Semitone, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	B Dillon	2
Mr F Alexander's b c Throwaway, by Rightaway—Theale, 5yrs, 8st 8lbs ...	M Cannon	3
Maj Eustace Loder's Hammerkop, by Gallinule—Concussion, 4yrs, 8st 3lbs ...	W Lane	4
Mr J C Sullivan's Likely Bird by Winkfield—Like a Bird, aged, 8st 2lbs ...	W Higgs	0
Mr W M G Singer's Torrent, by Tarporley—Ripplestream, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs ...	O Madden	0
Lord Carnavon's Mountain Rose, by Blairfinde—Rose Root, 4yrs, 7st 6lbs* ...	R McIntyre	0
Mr J J Macken's Australian Colors, by Australian Peer—Colors, aged, 7st 11lbs	T L Miller	0
Mr B Ellam's Switchcap, by Colorado—Bay Celia, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs... ...	C Trigg	0
Mr T Corns's Rightful, by Rightaway—Repletion, 5yrs, 7st 4lbs	J H Martin	0
Mr C Russell's Florinda, by Florizel II.—Wise Flower, 4yrs, 6st 9lbs* ...	J W East	0
Sir Edgar Vincent's Parody, by Avington—Portree, 5yrs, 6st 10lbs* ...	J Plant	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. Robinson, at Foxhill, and bred by Owner.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Torrent, 9 to 2 Sandboy, 11 to 2 Mark Time, 10 to 1 Hammerkop, 100 to 9 Switchcap, 100 to 8 Rightful 100 to 8 Throwaway, 100 to 6 Florinda, 20 to 1 Likely Bird, 25 to 1 Mountain Rose, 25 to 1 Australian Colors.

PLACES: 1, 2, 3.—5 to 4 agst. Torrent, 5 to 4 Sandboy, 6 to 4 Mark Time, 5 to 2 Hammerkop, 3 to 1 Switchcap, 3 to 1 Rightful, 3 to 1 Throwaway, 4 to 1 Florinda, 5 to 1 Likely Bird, 6 to 1 Mountain Rose, 6 to 1 Australian Colors, 7 to 1 Parody.

Rightful led the parade from Parody, Florinda, Likely Bird, Mountain Rose, Torrent, Australian Colours, Throwaway, and Mark Time, with Sandboy and Switchcap next, and Hammerkop bringing up the rear. They turned and cantered in similar order, and the white flag was hoisted at 3-17, and four minutes later the lot were despatched to a capital start. Mountain Rose, on the inside cut out the work from Switchcap, Rightful, Hammerkop, and Sandboy to the stands where Hammerkop went on third, with Rightful, Mark Time, Sandboy and Torrent next, the whipper-in being Florinda. At the first turn Mark Time drew out with a three-length lead of Mountain Rose who in turn was well clear of Switchcap, Rightful, Hammerkop, and Torrent, with Throwaway, Sandboy, Parody, and Likely Bird in close attendance. Australian Colours now dropping back

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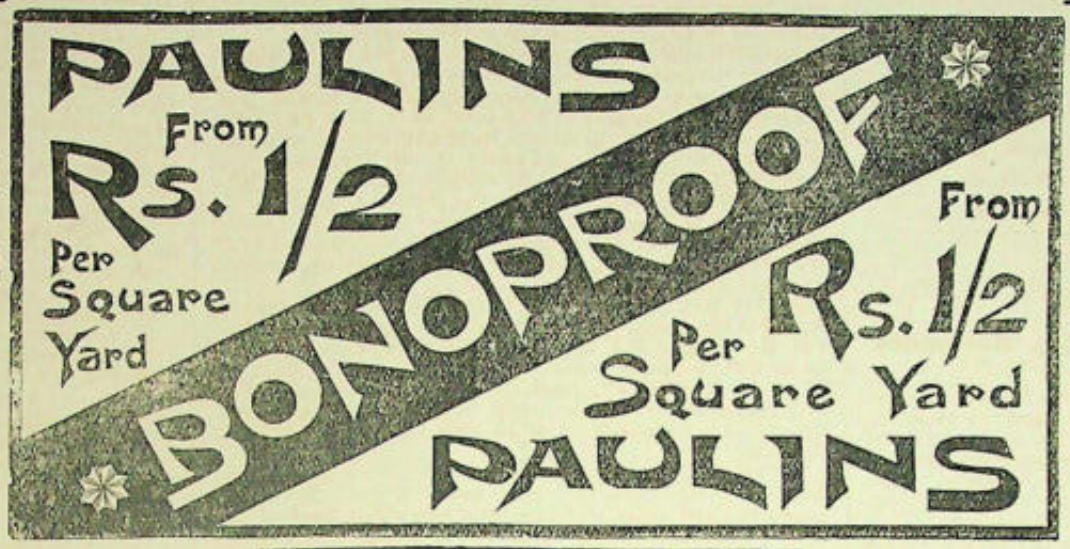
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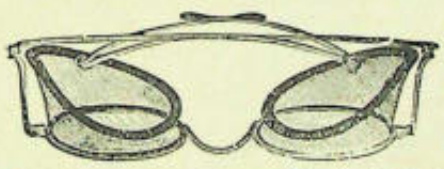
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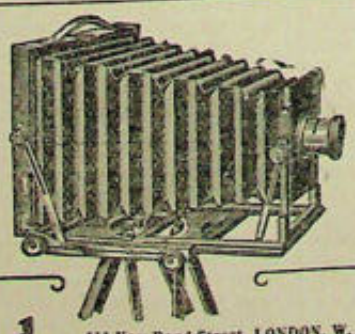
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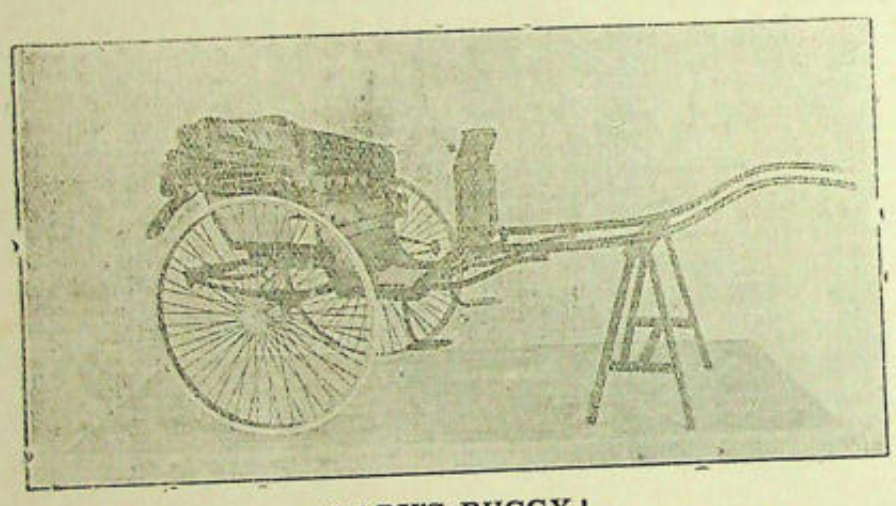
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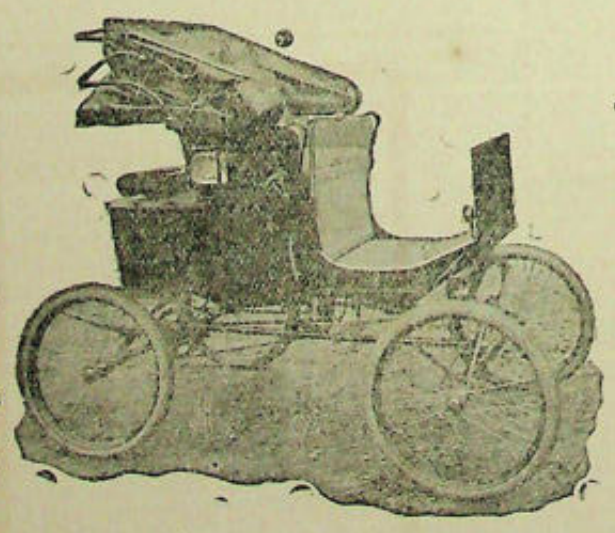
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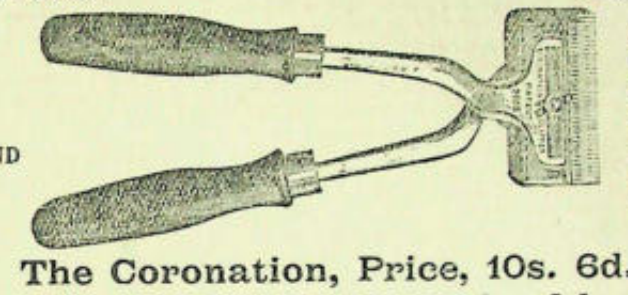
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last; but passing the Gosvenor Bridge Switchcap took second place, her immediate attendants being Parody, Rightful, and Hammerkop. As they swept past the stands the second time Mark Time held a couple of lengths' lead of Switchcap and Parody, these being followed in order by Hammerkop, Florinda, Torrent, Rightful, Sandboy, and Throwaway, with Mountain Rose some way last till six furlongs from home, where Sandboy took close order with Mark Time, the pair going on well clear of Switchcap, Hammerkop, Parody, and Torrent. Gradually forging on ahead, Sandboy took a slight lead of Mark Time passing the Grosvenor Bridge the second time, the only ones within hail of the pair being Hammerkop, Switchcap, Throwaway, and Torrent, but the race resolved itself into a match thereafter, and Sandboy, maintaining his advantage to the end, shook off the attentions of his stable companion and won, all out, by three lengths; four lengths separated the second and third. Hammerkop was placed fourth, Torrent was fifth, Switchcap sixth, Parody seventh, Florinda eight, Likely Bird ninth, Australian Colours next, and Mountain Rose walked past the post last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 56⅕sec.

THE BADMINTON TWO YEAR OLD PLATE of 185sovs.; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; with penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Mr F Alexander's b c Mowgli, by Wolf's Crag—Plaything, 8st 10lbs ...	W Lane 1
Mr Russell's b g by Whittler—Royat, 8st 7lbs	O Madden 2
Lord Sefton's c by Bread Knife—Drumlina, 8st 10lbs	Halsey 0
Mr Hugh Peel's Housekeeper, 8st 7lbs ...	B Dillon 0
Mr D J Jardine's f by Gold—Evangeline, 8st 7lbs	Heppell disq

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Mowgli, 7 to 1 each agst. the Evangeline filly and the Royat gelding, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths; a length divided the second and third. Housekeeper was fourth. An objection to the winner on the grounds of crossing and boring was sustained, and the race awarded to Mowgli. Housekeeper becomes third.

After the dismal weather associated with the last two celebrations on the Roodee, it was only in the correct order of things that the executive should be favoured with pleasant conditions on the present anniversary. A twelvemonth ago there was a falling off in the receipts, but when the balance-sheet for the current season comes to be placed before the shareholders the tale will doubtless be of enchanced revenue and a replenished exchequer. On the Cup Day there was an increase of 7,122 in the number of persons that paid admissions as compared with the corresponding day last May, and if the muster on the 5th instant seemed that in contrast to the huge concourse of twenty-four hours previously, it was nevertheless much above the average for the final stage of the fixture. The wind swung round to the south west during the night, and the atmosphere in the morning was close and muggy. The sky was overcast and rain threatened, but happily the downpour held off, and one of the most successful meetings of late years was concluded amidst genial environments. The course throughout the gathering yielded perfect going, but the number of runners failed to reach expectations.

THE GREAT CHESHIRE HANDICAP STAKES of 900sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Lord Ellesmere's br c Gower, by Wolf's Crag—Vizard, 4yrs, 8st 6lbs ...	Halsey 1
Mr J F Hallick's b m Sun Bonnet, aged, 8st	O Madden 2
Mr H Sleath Skelton's b g Happy Slave, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs*... ...	Butchers 3
Lord Farquhar's Bistonian, 6yrs, 8st 6lbs	D Maher 0
Mr L Brassey's Portcullis, 6yrs, 7st 10lbs...	J H Martin 0
Capt E B Ashmore's Easterling, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs	W Lane 0
Mr J Wallace's Grey Goblin, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs	J Jarvis 0
Mr J L Dugdale's Priam, 4yrs, 6st 13lbs...	Hunter 0
Mr T E Liddiard's Departed, 5yrs, 7st .	Trigg 0

* 5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by J. Dawson.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Grey Goblin, 6 to 1 each Happy Slave, Gower, and Sun Bonnet, 7 to 1 Bistonian, 100 to 14 Priam, 10 to 1 Portcullis, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won a fine race by a neck; two lengths divided the second and third. Priam was fourth, Easterling fifth, Portcullis sixth, Departed next, and Grey Goblin last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 9⅕secs.

THE DEE STAKES of 656sovs., for three year olds. About one mile and a half.

Mr Douglas Baird's b c Islesman, by Martagon—Lesbos, 9st 6lbs ...	H Aylin 1
Sir J Miller's ch c Cinquefoil, 9st 6lbs ...	D Maher 2
Mr J H Locke's b c Bohemian, 8st 7lbs ...	W Lane 3
Mr C T Pulley's Lester, 8st 7lbs ...	J H Martin 0
Mr L Brassey's Tom Thumb, 8st 7lbs ...	K Cannon 0
Duke of Portland's Bolsover, 8st 7lbs ...	M Cannon 0

(*Winner trained by Enoch.*)

BETTING: 15 to 8 agst. Cinquefoil, 2 to 1 Bolsover, 7 to 1 each Islesman and Lester, and 10 to 1 each, Tom Thumb and Bohemian (offered).

Won by a head; a length between the second and third Bolsover was fourth and Lester last.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

DIVISION 1.

COMPLETE RECORD, 1903-04.

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Sheffield Wednesday(1)	34	20	7	7	47	48	28
Manchester City (–) ...	34	19	6	9	44	71	45
Everton (12) ...	34	19	5	10	43	59	32
Newcastle United (14)	34	18	6	10	42	58	45
Aston Villa (2) ...	34	17	7	10	41	70	48
Sunderland (3) ...	34	17	5	12	39	63	49
Sheffield United (4) ...	34	15	8	11	38	62	57
Wlvrhptn Wdrs (11) ...	34	14	8	12	36	44	66
Notts Forest (10) ...	34	11	9	14	31	57	57
Middlesbro' (13) ...	34	9	12	13	30	46	47
Small Heath (–) ...	34	11	8	15	30	89	52
Bury (8)	34	7	15	12	29	40	53
Notts County (15) ...	34	12	5	17	29	37	61
Derby County (9) ...	34	9	10	15	28	58	60
Blackburn Rovers (16)	34	11	6	17	28	48	60
Stoke (6) ...	34	10	7	17	27	54	57
Liverpool (5) ...	34	9	8	17	26	49	62
West Brom Albion (7)	34	7	10	17	24	36	60

N.B.—The figures in parentheses denote the positions at the lose of last season.

DIVISION 2.

COMPLETE RECORD, 1903-04.

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Preston North End (7)	34	20	10	4	50	62	24
Woolwich Arsenal (3)	34	21	7	6	49	91	22
Manchester United (5)	34	20	8	6	48	65	33
Bristol City (4) ...	34	18	6	10	42	73	41
Burnley (18) ...	34	15	9	10	39	50	55
Grimsby Town (–) ...	34	14	8	12	36	50	49
Bolton Wanderers (–)	34	12	10	12	34	59	41
Barnsley (8) ...	34	11	10	13	32	38	57
Gainsbro T (12) ...	34	14	3	17	31	53	60
Bradford City (–) ...	34	12	7	15	31	45	59
Chesterfield (6) ...	34	11	8	15	30	37	45
Lincoln City (10) ...	34	11	8	15	30	41	58
Burslem Port Vale (9)	34	10	9	15	29	54	52
Burton United (13) ...	34	11	7	16	29	45	61
Blackpool (14) ...	34	11	5	18	27	40	67
Stockport County (17)	34	8	11	15	27	40	72
Glossop (11) ...	34	10	6	18	26	57	64
Leicester Fosse (15)...	34	6	10	18	22	42	82

N.B.—The figures in parentheses denote the positions at the close of last season.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

COMPLETE RECORD 1903-04.

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Southampton (1) ...	34	22	6	6	50	75	30
Tottenham H'spur (4)	34	16	11	7	43	54	37
Bristol Rovers (5) ...	34	17	8	9	42	66	42
Portsmouth (3) ...	34	17	8	9	42	41	38
Queen's Park Rgrs (9)	34	15	11	8	41	53	37
Reading (2) ...	34	14	13	7	41	48	35
Millwall (7) ...	34	16	8	10	40	64	42
Luton Town (11) ...	34	14	12	8	40	38	33
Plymouth Argyle (–)	34	13	10	11	36	44	34
Swindon Town (13) ...	34	10	11	13	31	39	42
Fulham (–) ...	34	9	12	13	30	34	35
West Ham United (10)	34	10	7	17	27	39	44
Brentford (16) ...	34	9	9	16	27	34	48
Wellingbrough (14) ...	34	11	5	18	27	44	63
Northampton (8) ...	34	10	7	17	27	36	60
New Brompton (6) ...	34	6	13	15	25	26	43
Brighton & Hove A (–)	34	6	12	16	24	45	69
Kettering (12) ...	34	6	7	21	19	39	78

N.B.—The figures in parentheses denote the positions at the close of last season.

FOOTBALL IN SCOTLAND.

There was only one match of any note North of the Border on Saturday last, and with this 3rd Lanark terminated the schedule and also closed the Scottish League Competition for the season. The previous week the Volunteers safely annexed the championship by defeating Dundee, and in their final game, despite the fact that they were not full represented, rather easily brought their list of wins up to the full score. With the lead already assured, there was a probability that the home side would be somewhat indifferent as to the outcome of the game against the Hibernians, but, on the contrary, the entire eleven set out from the start to gain the day, and, in ultimately securing an additional brace of points by two goals to nil, correctly indicated the difference between themselves and the oppsition. 3rd Lanark's record for the season reads: Played 26, won 20, drawn 3; points 43. Close in the Volunteers' train come Heart of Midlothian with four points less, having two defeats more recorded against them, while those old rivals, Rangers and Celtic, occupy jointly third place with 30 points, though the former have a better goal average. Queen's Park figure at mid-distance on the eighth rung of the League ladder. Under Inter-city League auspices, Celtic repeated their Scottish Cup victory over Glasgow Rangers, emerging on the right side by two goals to nil. The successful side played the same eleven as on the date of their Cup triumph, with the sole exception that Bennett took up Muir's position. Quinn was again prominent in the scoring line, notching both goals. At Meadowside, Partick Thistle and Queen's Park played a drawn game of two goals each. Appended are the complete records of the Premier Division of the Scottish League:

COMPLETE RECORD, 1903-4

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Third Lanark ...	26	20	3	3	43	61	26
Heart of Midlothian	26	18	3	5	39	63	35
Rangers	26	16	6	4	38	80	33
Celtic	6	18	2	6	38	69	28
Dundee	26	13	2	11	28	54	45
St Mirren ...	26	11	5	10	27	45	38
Partick Thistle ...	26	10	7	9	27	43	40
Queen's Park ...	26	6	9	11	21	28	17
Port Glasgow Ath ...	26	8	4	14	20	33	49
Hibernians ...	26	7	5	14	19	31	42
Airdrieonians ...	26	7	4	15	18	32	62
Morton	26	7	4	15	18	31	51
Motherwell ...	26	6	3	17	15	26	61
Kilmarnock ...	26	4	5	17	13	26	65

CRICKET.

THE "TIME LIMIT" MATCH.

YORKSHIRE *vs.* NOTTS.—Played at Leeds on 2nd, 3rd and 4th May. Yorkshire won by 71 runs. This match, which was not reckoned in the County Championship, was arranged with a view of giving a trial to a new scheme. Unfortunately, or fortunately as the case may be, the progress of the game was such that it was not found necessary to put any of the rules into force, except that the footholds of the bowler and the batsmen were covered up overnight and during a shower, and boundary was only 60 yards from the nearest wicket. The idea that the new game, and especially the short boundary, would have the effect of turning slow players into hitters was not at all borne out by results, and the rate of scoring was no faster than is usual in county matches. For the first half hour Brown and Tunnicliffe made praiseworthy and successful efforts to keep the game lively. They put on 36 runs in the first quarter of an hour, but the next 20 took twenty minutes, and from this time there was nothing exciting about the batting, although Hirst played in his usual brisk style. Lord Hawke, as he often does, made a most useful score at a time when runs were badly wanted. The Notts team for the most part seemed to forget that rapid scoring ought to be the order of the day, and most of them took things easily. When stumps were drawn they had lost eight wickets for 126 and were 109 runs behind. On Tuesday, Wass and Hallam did so well that the adverse balance was only 73 when the innings came to an end. Except that Hirst and Rhodes both played exceedingly well, there was nothing of any interest in the Yorkshire second innings. The two returned tourists put on 70 runs while together in about half an hour Hirst made his 60 in fifty-five minutes. When Notts began their second innings at a quarter to four they required 254 runs to win, and when stumps were drawn they had made 121 of them for the loss of half their wickets. Iremonger, J. Gunn and and Day played good cricket.

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Brown, b Hallam... ...	30	c Hallam, b Wass ...	9
Tunnicliffe, c Hallam, b J Gunn	37	b Day	27
Denton, b Hallam ...	39	c Anthony, b Pennington	2
Wilkinson (W H), b Hallam...	0	b Hallam... ...	4
Hirst, b Pennington ...	44	c Hallam, b Pennington	60
Rothery, b Hallam ...	0	b Hallam	0
Rhodes' c Day, b Pennington	2	b Hallam... ...	41
Haigh, c Hardstaff, b Pennington	13	c Oates, b Day ...	16
Lord Hawke, c G Gunn, b Hallam	37	c Wass, b Day ...	5
Hunter, c G Gunn, b Hallam	7	b-l-w, b Hallam ...	0
Ringrose, not out... ...	17	not out	0
Byes	9	B 8, lb 8 ...	16
Total	235	Total ...	180

NOTTS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Iremonger, c Haigh, b Hirst ...	0	b Ringrose ...	47
Gunn (G), b Rhodes ...	21	b Hirst	4
Gunn (J) b Rhodes ...	7	b Ringrose ...	26
Day, c Haigh, b Ringrose ...	15	b Hirst	31
A O Jones, c Hunter, b Rhodes	12	c Hunter, b Ringrose	11
Hardstaff, b Ringrose ...	37	lbw, b Haigh ...	7
Anthony, b Ringrose ...	20	b Hirst	24
Oates, b Rhodes	10	c Rhodes, b Haigh ...	5
Hallam, b Rhodes ...	16	not out	15
Wass, b Ringrose	21	b Hirst	7
Pennington, not out ...	0	c Tunnicliffe, b Hirst	0
Leg-byes	3	B 4, lb 1 ...	5
Total	162	Total ...	182

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pennington ...	20	2	89	3		12	2	47	2
Wass ...	5	1	26	0		3	1	12	1
Hallam ...	28·1	7	53	6		20·1	6	40	4
Day ...	1	0	2	0		13	4	38	3
Gunn (J) ...	12	3	56	1					
					Anthony	4	0	15	0
					Hardstaff	2	0	12	0

NOTTS.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Rhodes ...	22·3	5	60	5				
Hirst ...	12	3	20	1	21·5	5	59	5
Haigh ...	6	1	25	0	11	3	26	2
Ringrose ...	17	4	54	4	19	3	60	3

The rules under the which the match was played are as follows:—

1. Each innings to be limited to 4½ hours.
2. Time saved in innings one and two to be added equally to innings three and four. Time lost in innings one and two to be deducted equally from innings three and four.
3. Time delayed in innings be three to be divided equally between innings three and four. Time delayed in innings four to be made up, if possible, by the unallotted time, and if this is impossible the match to be decided on first innings.
4. Match to be decided by the number of runs scored irrespective of wickets lost.
5. Hours of play to be each day 11-30 to 2-0,—2-15 to 6-30, with tea interval at 4-15 for fifteen minutes, if no other interval in afternoon.
6. Boundaries not to exceed sixty yards from nearest wicket.
7. In case of rain sufficient ground to be covered in a manner to protect bowlers' and batsmen's foot-hold, and also each night. Play to be continued immediately on cessation of rain unless the captains agree that play is impossible.
8. If either side do not complete their first innings in allotted time to do so before commencing their second innings

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY SENIORS' MATCH.—Played on the University ground on 2, 3, and 4th May. Mr. Marsh's side won by four wickets. In the Seniors' and Freshmen's matches at the University the bowlers are not often seen to advantage, but on Monday F. J. V. Hopley and the Honble G. W. Lyttelton had an opportunity of which they availed themselves. C. C. Page played the highest and best innings of the day, and R. E. Lambert and J. G. Hirsch both did very well indeed on a difficult wicket. The play on Tuesday was chiefly remarkable for the batting of H. D. Keigwin, a brother of last year's Blue; he made 88 in an hour and a half by cricket of a kind which ought to gain him a thorough trial. Hopley and Driffield bowled well. The play yesterday was noticeable for the good batting of J. F. Marsh, who made 113 in an hour and three-quarters. In partnership with Hirsch he helped to increase the score by 84.

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MR. B. E. LAMBERT'S SIDE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
S S Harris (Pembroke), c W Bickford-Smith, b Hirsch ...	3	b Hirsch	1
C C Page (Clare), run out ..	42	b May	3
E J Mann (Pembroke), c Eyre, b Hopley	16	c Eyre, b Hirsch ...	9
N F Norman (Emmanuel), b Hopley	11	c Marsh, b Hopley ...	19
R E Lambert (Trinity), c Peshall, b Hopley ...	35	c Peshall, b Hopley ...	24
H D Keigwin (Peterhouse), b Lyttelton	3	c Eyre, b Lyttelton ...	88
J E Bickford-Smith (Caius), c Eyre, b Hopley... ...	3	b Hopley... ...	40
A F Wilding (Trinity), c Mainprice b Lyttleton ..	4	b Hopley... ...	0
R H Powell (Trinity), b Lyttelton	2	b Hopley... ...	36
R J B Leney (Caius), c W Bickford-Smith, b Hopley ..	7	not out	14
H G Driffield (St Catherine's), not out	4	c May, b Hopley ...	6
K R B Fry (Clare), absent ..	0	c Mainprice, b May ...	18
B 9, lb 2, nb 2 ...	13	B 10, lb 4 ...	14
Total ...	113	Total ...	273

MR. J. F. MARSH'S SIDE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C H Eyre (Pembroke), c Keigwin, b Lambert... ...	3	b Wilding ...	6
J G Hirsch (Clare), b Driffield	53	c Driffield, b Powell ...	78
E S Phillips (Pembroke) b Wilding	9	c Driffield, b Wilding	20
J F Marsh (Jesus), b Leney ...	0	l-b-w, b Driffield ...	113
G S Tomkinson (King's), b Wilding	0	c Page, b Keigwin ...	57
W N Bickford-Smith (Caius), c Leney, b Driffield ...	17	c Keigwin, b Driffield	5
Honble G W Lyttelton (Trinity), b Driffield	1	b Driffield ...	2
G J Peshall (Pembroke), b Powell	5	not out	21
F J V Hopley (Pembroke), c and b Driffield	14	not out	11
H Mainprice (Jesus), b Powell	1		
T E Manning (Jesus), b Powell	5		
P R May (Pembroke), not out	4		
B 10, lb 2, w 4, nb 1 ...	17	Extras ...	35
Total ...	129	Total ...	288

MR. LAMBERT'S SIDE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
May ...	5	0	32	0		20	1	85	2
Hirsch ...	8	1	40	1		10	5	19	2
Hopley ...	14·2	2	41	5		19·1	4	75	6
Lyttelton...	11	3	17	3		14	2	70	1
					W B Smith	3	0	9	0

Hirsch delivered two no-balls.

MR. MARSH'S SIDE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Driffield ...	10	2	21	4		19	4	70	3
Powell ...	17·3	1	37	3		13	2	54	1
Wilding ...	10	0	24	2		19	4	60	2
Lambert ...	6	1	17	1		7	2	22	0
Leney ...	12	4	13	1		8·3	1	33	0
					Keigwins ...	5	1	14	1

Leney bowled four wides and Powell delivered four no-balls.

M C C AND GROUND *vs* LONDON COUNTY C C. Played at Lord's on 2nd, 3rd and 4th May London County C C won by seven wickets. Owing to rain there was no play in this match on Monday when the season at Lord's should have begun. Except that W W Odell took the place of Heksth Prichard there was no change in the London County team which had played Surrey last week. On Tuesday the weather was fine but a little cold, and as the rain had effected the wicket considerably, batsmen had rather a bad time. The M C C began well enough by putting up 40 for the first wicket, C E De Trafford playing a delightful innings. Afterwards nobody could make any prolonged resistance to Odell, who took seven wickets for 41 runs, three of his victims, *viz.*, Newstead, G L Jessop, and L H Gay being out to successive balls. The visitors made a bad commencement of their innings by losing Dr. Grace for a duck's egg, and so well did Hearne and Tarrant bowl that four wickets were down for 34, and the remaining wickets fell quickly. With a lead of 10 runs the M C C scored 120 in their second innings for four wickets before stumps were drawn.

Of these runs 61 came from the bat of Captain Wynyard, who was still not out; he played in quite his old style, although he was not quite as aggressive as he used to be. Sir A Conan Doyle, who when play ended was not out 19, batted very well indeed. In the course of the day G L Jessop was twice out for a duck's egg the only time in his life that he has made a pair of spectacles. Yesterday the two not outs played very pretty cricket, but at 131 Sir A Conan Doyle was dismissed for a very well played 31. Capt Wynyard did not long survive him. His steady innings of 75 had taken him two hours and a half to compile. After this Odell, as on the previous day, was almost irresistible and his record for the morning was five wickets for 19 runs; altogether he took seven for 62 in this innings. The visitors had to make 197 to win, and although Dr Grace played a very pretty innings three wickets were down for 71 when Knight joined L O S Poldevin. These two men took charge of the bowling and without being separated knocked off remaining runs by some of the best cricket seen during the match.

M C C AND GROUND.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Capt E G Wynyard run out	15	b Odell	75
C E de Trafford, c Poidevin, b Vine	37	b Odell	8
Tarrant, b Odell ...	13	c Robson, b Odell ...	9
Newstead, b Odell ...	1	c Vine, b Douglas ...	18
G L Jessop, c Robson, b Odell	0	c Vine, b Grace ...	0
L H Gay, b Odell ...	0	c Murdoch, c Odell ...	1
J Gilman, c Stuart, d Vine	1	not out	21
C C T Doll, b Odell ...	1	c Douglas, b Odell ...	4
Sir A Conan Doyle, not out	10	c and b Vine... ...	31
J Randall, b Odell ...	0	b Odell	0
Hearne (J T), b Odell ...	0	b Odell	6
Byes	11	Extras ...	13
Total ...	89	Total ...	186

LONDON COUNTY

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
W G Grace c Newstead, b Hearne	0	c Wynyard, b Tarrant ...	34
W L Murdoch, b Tarrant	17	c Wynyard, b Tarrant ...	12
G J B Wood, b Tarrant ...	17	b Hearne	16
Knight, ht wkt, b Hearne	0	not out	76
L O S Poidevin, b Hearne	18	not out	48
Sewell, at Gay, b Hearne...	1		
P W G Stuart, b Hearne...	0		
J H Douglas, b Hearne ...	0		
Vine, not out... ...	16		
C Robson, c Wynyard, b Tarrant	6		
W W Odell, b Tarrant ...	0		
Byes	4	Byes	12
Total ...	79	Total ..	198

M. C. C. AND GROUND.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Odell ...	19·4	7	41	7		30·3	9	62	7
Vine ...	19	4	47	2		26	4	59	1
					Douglas	11	3	22	1
					Grace	7	2	20	1

Douglas delivered one no-ball.

LONDON COUNTY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne ...	18	3	51	6		26	5	48	1
Tarrant ..	17·2	1	24	4		20	5	53	2
					Randall	9	1	40	0
					Jessop	7	0	31	0
					Newstead	5	1	14	0

LAWN TENNIS.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs* MR HAMBLIN-SMITH'S TEAM.—The powerful team got together by the Old Light Blue, Mr. Hamblin-Smith, caused a large company to assemble on the University courts on the 4th instant. The weather was favourable, and the company present were rewarded by seeing some first-class play. The brothers Allen won all their games, whilst Palmer and Wilding played exceedingly well, beating Doherty and Hamblin-Smith, and making a good fight against the brothers Allen. Score:

C Palmer (Sidney) and A J Wilding (Trinity) beat H L Doherty and R Hamblin-Smith, 6—3, 4—6, 6—2; lost to E R and C G Allen, 6—0, 5—7, 1—6; beat H Scrivener and C F Chance, 6—1, 6—4.

F W Argyle (St John's) and C F K Andrews, (Trinity) lost to Doherty and Hamblin-Smith, 3—6, 7—9; beat Scrivener and Chance, 6—2, 6—4; lost to E R and C G Allen, 4—6, 1—6.

H Chapple (St John's) and E D Evans (St John's) beat Scrivener and Chance, 6—1, 6—2; lost to E R and C G Allen, 0—6, 0—6; lost to Doherty and Hamblin-Smith, 4—6, 4—6.

The visitors thus won by five matches to four.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs* LANCASHIRE.—Lancashire paid a visit to Oxford, on the 4th when they met the Students in delightful weather. The University players, who have not had much time to get into working order, gave a somewhat disappointing display, and it was only the success of Mavrogordato in the Singles against Paul that secured for them a single winning bracket, Lancashire winning by fourteen matches to one. Details:

SINGLES.

W C Crawley (Oxford) lost to W E Carey (Lancashire) (6—3, 1—6, 6—4).

A L Irvine (Oxford) lost to C E Hunter (Lancashire) (6—2, 6—1).

L F Andrewes (Oxford) lost to J A Macfie (Lancashire) (6—2, 6—1).

T K Mavrogordato (Oxford) beat E Paul (Lancashire) 7—5, 7—5).

G T Simonds (Oxford) lost to P Brownswood (Lancashire) (6—4, 6—1).

F C Uhl (Oxford) lost to C Miller (Lancashire) (6—2, 6—3).

DOUBLES.

Crawly and Andrewes (Oxford) lost to Carey and Macfie (Lancashire) (6—4, 6—3), lost to Hunter and Paul (6—2, 6—2), lost to Miller and Brownswood (6—2, 9—7).

Simonds and Mavrogordato (Oxford) lost to Hunter and Paul (6—2, 6—2), lost to Miller and Bownswood (4—6, 6—4, 6—4), lost to Carey and Macfie (6—4, 7—5).

A L Irvine and F C Uhl (Oxford) los to Miller and Brownswood (6—2, 1—6, 6—1), lost to Carey and Macfie (6—4, 6—2), lost to Hunter and Paul (4—6, 6—4, 6—1).

BOXING.

HARRY FELLOWS *vs* ALF RODGERS.

A tremendous amount of interest was centred in the glove contest between Harry Fellows, of Chesterfield, and Alf Rodgers, of Sheffield, who met in the Drill Hall of the latter town on the 2nd instant to box the best of twenty rounds, at catch weights, for £100 aside and a purse of £100. Both men had a large following, and spectators came in their hundreds from Chesterfield and the surrounding districts, while the town contingent swelled the attendance to something like 6,000—one of the biggest crowds seen in the building for some time.

Fellows holds an unbeaten record, his last contest being fought in the Drill Hall where he defeated Dick Parkes, of Goldthorpe, in two rounds. Rodgers has a big local reputation and a large number of admirers in the cutlery town. The contest, if brief, was of a very determined character, and while the men were pummelling each other in the ring the excitement was at fever-heat. A lot of money was waged on the result, and on the strength of his record Rodgers, though the smaller man, was the favourite, but the Fellows party never tired of taking the odds, which, when the men stood up for the first round, had come down to 11 to 10 on the local man.

Fellows at once made the most of his natural advantages. Fighting his hardest, he soon drove Rodgers round the ring, and the last-named standing up and "mixing" it, instead of relying on his cleverness, soon got the worst of the deal. Fellows was somewhat wild and erratic, but deadly in earnest, and served by his strength and hitting power he had Rodgers beaten before the finish of the second round.

The winner fought with any amount of dash and resolution and the loser with little or no judgment. Fellows trained from Toby White's hostery at Castle Bromwich, and took the ring in the pink of condition, while Rodgers did his work from the Railway Hotel, Buxton. The arrangement were admirable in every way, and boxing is evidently again on the up-grade in Sheffield.

Mr G T Dunning of The *Sportsman*, was referee for the chief event and Mr. Ben Coldwell timekeeper. The preliminary bouts were judged by Sergeant Walsh.

Previous to the event of the evening there was an eight-round contest between Tippler Gray and Mick Burke, both of Sheffield. Gray was the lighter of the two, but although he was twice nearly knocked out when time came to his rescue he stayed the eight rounds, and was awarded the contest on points after a really good exhibition. The next contest was one of fifteen rounds of two minutes each between Percy Laycock and Jock Casey, both of Sheffield, for £15 aside and a purse of £20. Laycock showed a useful left and did most of the leading, but Casey frequently got home and some hard rights on the body. In the eigth and ninth rounds Casey had Laycock down with these blows, but in the tenth when he appeared well beaten Laycock got the right home on the point and won a good bout.

RODGERS *vs.* FELLOWS.

It was 9-50 when the men stood up for the big contest of the evening. Fellows had in his corner Jabez White, Jonah Fellows, and Ralph Asberry, while Rodgers had behind him Pat Kelley, Jim Small, and George Corfield. Directly time was called Fellows rushed at his man and drove him to the ropes with a hard left on the neck. Rodgers came with a rebound and landed on the chest, and, getting to close quarters, the men fought hard until separated by the referee. Before the contest had lasted a minute it was seen that Fellows was the stronger man, and Rodgers was glad to make what use he could of the ring on the break away. He was somewhat slow in this respect, and, rushing in Fellows again forced the work until Rodgers steadied his man with a smashing left on the face. The visitor was quickly back again banging away for all he was worth, and by sheer strength, Rodgers was forced round the ring and fell in his own corner. Clinches were frequent and hard hitting at close quarters brought the first round to an end. The second proved the last. Again the exchanges were, if very wild of a desperate and determined character. Fellows received some nasty jabs in the face, but he would not be stalled off, and Rodgers was forced down to his knees. Up again, he did his best to stave off the attack, but Fellows went after his man in the most determined manner. Rodgers was hustled about the ring, and though he got one in now and again, he failed to keep his man at bay, and, after the Sheffielder had fallen from a stab on the throat, he got a second jab in the same place, which ended the business, when the second round had lasted 2mins 10secs.

RACQUETS.

THE AMATEUR DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Twelve months ago the indisposition of Baerlein, who was joint amateur doubles Racquets champion with Miles, prevented the then holders defending their premier honours, and the brothers H. K. and B. S. Foster received a walk over in the championship match. This year the same pairs were again in opposition, and on the present occasion, everybody being fit and well, the match duly took place at the Queen's Club, West Kensington, W., on Saturday afternoon. The struggle had been eagerly anticipated, and, needless to add, the gallery at the back of the first court was crowded when proceedings commenced, among those present being the Lord Chief Justice (Lord Alverstone), Captain H. Balfour-Bryant, Lieutenant P. Bramwell-Davis, Messrs C. Holden-White, G. J. V. Weigall, F. H. Browning, F. Dames-Longworth, H. L. Doherty, H. S. Mahony, Malcolm Roberts, E. Temple Gurdon, Charles Gurdon, W. G. H. Price, E. B. Noel, H. M. Leaf, and C. J. B. Marriott. The Fosters were slight favourites, but the holders failed to justify the confidence of their supporters, and were beaten after a most brilliant display of racquets. Baerlein played much better than against H. K. Foster in the Singles Championship, and his partner rendered splendid service with his admirably puzzling-out service. H. K. Foster maintained his form consistently to the finish and did not tire, but the younger brother fell off a lot after starting in great style. The more powerful pair on the day's play undoubtedly won the championship. Details:—

Eustace . Miles (Marlborough and Cambridge) and E M. Baerlein (Eton and Cambridge) (challengers) beat H. K. Foster (Malvern and Oxford) and B. S. Foster (Malvern) (holders) by four games to two (15—11, 15—9, 14—18 15—11 8—15, and 18—13) 85 aces to 77. The service aces were scored by Baerlein 21, Miles 20, B. S Foster 16, and H K. Foster 13.

Baerlein was the first to occupy the service box, but, after scoring twice, H K. Foster put him out. The latter registered one, but B. S Foster opened out a strong lead for the holders with a splendid hand of nine (six after grand rallies). From 2—10 Miles and Baerlein drew up to 6—10, H. K. Foster added a single, and, following barren hands from "B S." and Baerlein, Miles equalised with a sequence of five (three by service.) All but one of the next six innings were inproductive, and then Baerlein went to game at 15—11 with a run of three. Resuming the Fosters were 3 love at the third hand, but, after Baerlein had served himself out. Miles contributed an eminently useful sequence of five. H. K. Foster succeeded with an even better hand of six, and, B. S. Foster failing, Baerlein eclipsed everything by going to game at 15—9 by means of a magnificent run of ten (half by service) Baerlein continued his innings to 3 love at the third meeting, but subsequently the match was so brilliantly contested that eighteen hands rules extremely small until the marker called "7 all." The challengers then forged ahead to 13—7, when H. K Foster got in, and by the aid of five (four the result of exciting rallies) made it 12—13. Three hands out followed, and H. K. Foster caused the game to be set 5 at 13 all. The old Malvernians were always leading in this, but ten hands had to be played before B S Foster won at 5—1. At the fourth meeting Miles went to 5 love in his first hand, and, although the Fosters made it 3—5, Baerlein responded with a run of four. The elder Foster's next service produced four, and then ensued a ding-dong battle from 10—8. The challengers, however, gradually drew further away, but thirteen hands had to be played before Baerlein went out at 15—11. Two games behind, the Fosters made a valiant effort on proceeding "H. K." immediately went to 6 love (four service), and subsequently "B. S." made it 10—4. Small hands followed, and it took twenty before the younger Foster won at 15—8. Two hands of four by B. S. Foster, and one of three by "H. K." enabled the holders to lead well at 11—3 in the sixth game, but the two old Cantabs gradually made up lost ground, and a run of four by Miles caused "set five" to be called at 13 all. The old Marlburian registered the remaining five aces himself, making a final sequence of nine, and Miles and Bearlein won the match and the championship by four games to two. Time one hour and twenty minutes.

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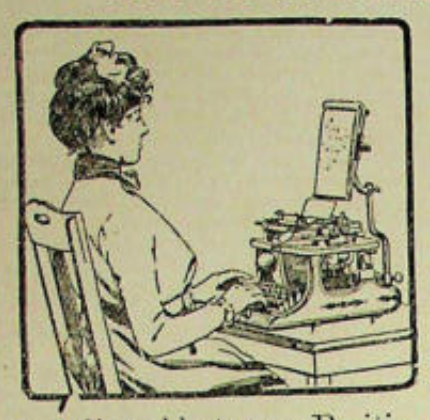
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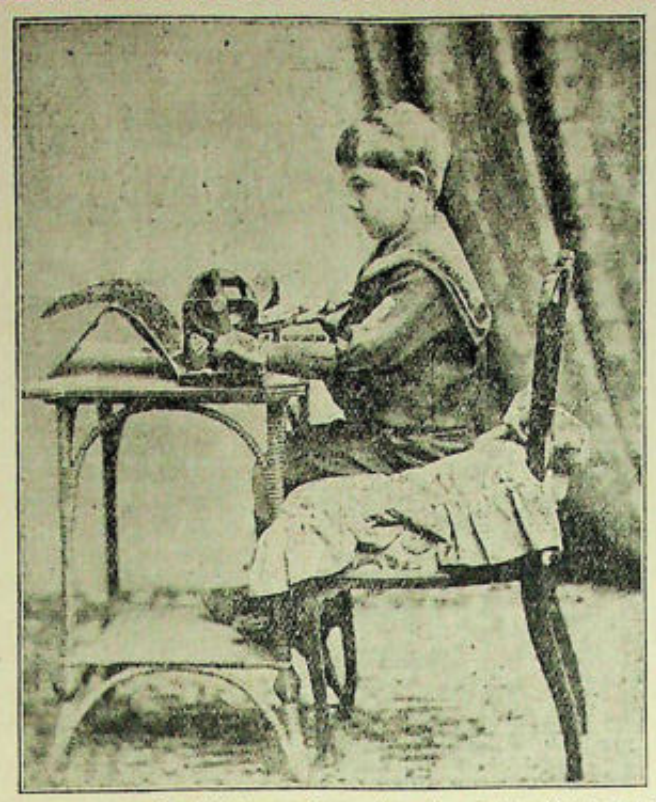
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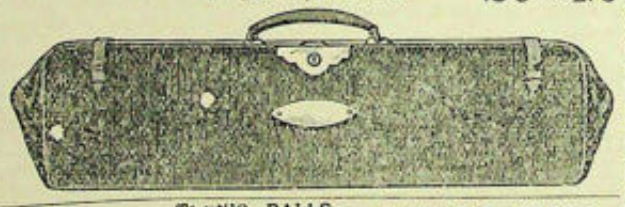
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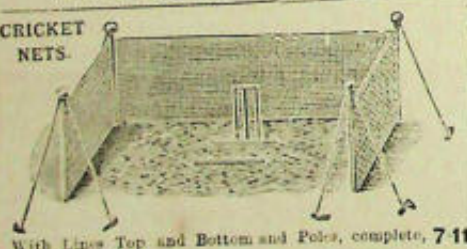
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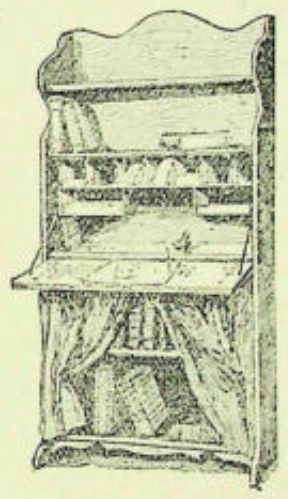
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and Worthing, and finally to Piccadilly. The following table shows each day's run, approximately:

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Monday—Bristol to the Grampians ...	420
Tuesday—Dingwall, *via* John o' Groats ...	370
Wednesday—Shap Fell	295
Thursday—Warrington	124
Friday (16½ hours)—London, *via* Brighton... ...	397
Total ...	2,058¼

Two broken chains and numerous tyre punctures were the causes of delay. As a test of human endurance the feat is a great one, as sleep and were refreshment taken only on the car.

PEDESTRIANISM.

ANOTHER BRIGHTON WALK.

Starting from Westminster Bridge at a few minutes before midnight on Saturday, the members of the "Echo" staff, embarked on their second annual London to Brighton walk. Last year Mr. F. W. Ward, the sporting editor of that paper, won in 10hrs. 48mins., but in the race now under notice the first four competitors, including last year's winner, beat that time. A singular mishap put W. B. Foster Bovill out of the race when he held second position, and but for which accident he would almost assuredly have won the sealed handicap, in which he had 1hr. 10mins. start. When nearing Croydon Bovill was passing a four-wheeler, and from the box of that vehicle the driver fell on Bovill, the heel of the former's boot severely cutting the knuckles of Bovill's right hand and his head striking the walker with such force as to render it impossible for him to continue racing. Bovill was eventually taken to Brighton in the officials' car. Between Ward and Few there was a desperate struggle for individual winning honours, the pair walking almost neck and neck throughout the last twenty miles, and eventually the judges could not separate them at the finish. They were both fairly "done," though Few was a bit the less distressed of the two. The order and times were: F. W. Ward and F. Few, dead-heat for first place (time, 10hrs. 22mins. 32secs.; W-P Storey (10hrs. 41mins. 27sec), 3; J. Petty (16hrs. 43mins. 32secs), 4; S. W. Duggins (12hrs. 14mins. 53sec), 5; A. Richards (12hrs. 25mins. 10secs). 6. Also competed: W. Glyn Jones, A. Jones. A. M. Scott, G. Howell and G. Pearse. The sealed handicap resulted thus: Petty, 1hr. start, 1; Few, 20mins, 2; Storey, 25mins, 3, Ward, scratch, 4.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

THIS week again there has been plenty of rain and both on Monday and Thursday we had excellent runs. On Monday (16th instant) there was a large field out, the meet being at Kandal Cross Roads at half-past-six on a calm fine morning. There had been heavy rain over night and scent was good and the ground perfect. We were first taken to Mills' Covert, where hounds spoke to a line at once. We went slowly into Blackmoor Vale, scent being rather bad; but hounds worked very prettily. In Blackmoor Vale, however, the jack had evidently stayed some time, for now we got on terms with him and went away as first as we could gallop straight up the Vale to Rallywood and then over the Hill to Porlock Wood. Here the jack turned sharp to the right and, skirting Blue gums on the west side, went straight across to Round Shola. Leaving this on his left he crossed the spur into Staircase, but hounds stuck to him through this huge covert and brought him out at the top of Herbert Plantation. Bending again to the right he took us through the lower part of Briar Shola and on to Bacon Wood,

where he beat us, the cover in the part of the wood above the road being almost impenetrable. This was a fine long run and was without a check from start to finish.

After this we went on to Briar Shola, Gibbs' Shola and the Covert below Herbert Plantation drawing them all blank and on to Rawlings' Nullah, where also we failed to find. At Jackal Shola, however there were two jacks at home. It was some time before either would break, and, with the cold wind that had now sprung up, scent had become very catchy. At last hounds settled down to the line of one of the jacks and we went through Monkey Shola, Leeds Shola, Sheffield and Tiger Shola, out over the top of Hecuba Hill and then away across the shoulder of Vokal Hill, until we found ourselves looking down into the Emerald Valley and the Master stopped hounds. By this time both horses and hounds were fairly done, but it was a capital day's sport.

On Thursday we had another splendid day. It was a lovely morning, the ground being wet with the previous day's rain and the meet at Brooklands was a large one. Brooklands Covert was the first draw and hounds were hardly in before Captain Dennistoun holloaed a jack away on the side towards Rocky Hill. Hounds got away on excellent terms with him, carrying a good head and going very fast. Soon after crossing the stream below the Black Bridge, however, a large herd of buffaloes right across the line brought a check. *Here* one of the puppies, drove through the head and hit off the line again, slipping away with five of the others and getting a start that the body of the pack tried in vain to reduce. Over the ridge of Rocky Hill we went and then across the swamp beyond, where those of us who knew the ground well enough to keep to the right had a very nice bit of galloping. Another jack was viewed across the stream towards Beadnell's Shola, but the hunted jack went straight for Waterfall Shola. Hounds were hard at him in this enormous woodland for five minutes more and when judging from the music, they must have been at his brush, he got to ground in some rocks. One of the hounds followed him and could not be got out, a party of men with crowbars being left doing what they could to rescue her.

The ground between the old Pykara Road and Dunsandle was then drawn without finding and from Bracken Covert a porcupine went away, felling two hounds with his quills. Briar Shola was blank and Lamley's Course was gone over without touching a line. Hounds spoke to a cold scent half way up Rawlings Nullah and as we neared the top of the nullah a jack was viewed going over Newmarket. His point was evidently Rallywood and the Master threw hounds across his line in the hope of heading him for the open country. He would not be denied, however, and made for Rallywood with hounds close behind him. There was some very pretty hunting as hounds brought him up the nullah to the Potato field and when he came out at the top it was evident that he was done. He just reached Bluegums and was rolled over in the edge of the Covert. This ended the day.

BLUE GUM.

Polo.

OOTACAMUND TOURNAMENT.

THE FINAL.

WE published last week the bare result of the final game in this tournament, below we give details, which reached us too late for publication in our last issue.

4TH HUSSARS *vs.* OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.—These teams met in the final on the 13th instant. The conditions were anything but favourable, the rain delaying the game and making the ground sticky. It was a fine game, however. The Hussars showing perfect combination beat their opponents by 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 2 goals. The Gymkhana played a plucky game throughout, but were unable to get on terms. At the end of the match Mrs. Thompson presented the cups to the winners.

First Chukker.—Ooty was first away but the ball was stopped, and Bell, rushing down, drew first blood for the Hussars. The Hussars then pressed and several shots were sent all of which were cleared. Then play was transferred, but Lewin cleared and Hoare getting away put through. *Score:* IVth Hussars, 2 goals; Ooty *nil*.

Second Chukker.—Ooty attacked but the IVth got possession and raced down, Hoare scoring two minor points. They continued to press, but the Gymkhana held them well. At last the Hussars got past and scored a third goal. *Score:* IVth Hussars, 3 goals 2 subs; Ooty *nil*.

Third Chukker.—Play ruled very fast and even for a space, then the Hussars worked the ball down and Hoare hit a subsidiary. Midfield play followed till Brodie and Hoare got through and scored another subsidiary, a third minor point being registered just before the close of the period. *Score:* IVth Hussars, 3 goals 5 subs.; Ooty *nil*.

Fourth Chukker.—Ooty rushed away at the start and Henderson and Barr got through, the latter opening the Gymkhana score. They began to show improved form and made a good stand. Barr and Henderson got some chances, which were not turned to account, however, and Bell once more put on a goal for the Hussars. Barr then went down, but was crossed as he was getting dangerous. The penalty hit failed, and the ball was got away, but Barr got possession and, returning with it, scored the second point for Ootacamund. *Score:* IVth Hussars, 4 goals 5 subs.; Ooty 2 goals.

Fifth Chukker.—Only 17 seconds remained for play and there was no scoring, the IVth Hussars winning by 4 goals and 5 subs. to 2 goals. Teams:—

4TH (Q. O.) HUSSARS.		OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA	
Lieut L C Brodie	... 1	Capt Henderson, 27th L C...	1
Major R Hoare	... 2	Capt Barr, CIH ...	2
Lieut A D Bell	.. 3	Capt Ballantyne, 27th L C...	3
Lieut C M Lewin	(*back*)	Capt D'A Fife, York Regt (*back*)	

Umpires:—Major R H Hayes and Captain R de L. Faunce.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT DARJEELING.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE *vs.* THE STATION.—The return match was played on "The Shrubbery" ground on Thursday last, and ended in a draw very much in favour of the College. The College went in first and soon lost Gahan, but Bryan and the brothers Singleton laid the foundation of a good score, which was considerably augmented by C. Stubbs with a meritorious 84 not out, and by C. Rayneau not out 41. It struck the large number of people present as odd that the College should continue batting after 4 o'clock, when by declaring they had no chance of losing the match, and every possibility of winning it, for the Station were tired out with their day's leather hunting. As it was they declared their innings at 288, leaving the Station but one hour for play, and as events proved the College would undoubtedly have won had they declared at 250, for the extra 38 was quite useless to them, and took half an hour to compile. Had the Station been put in at 4 o'clock instead of at 4-30, and even at a Jessopian rate of scoring (and we haven't a Jessop in the Station team, with the possible exception of Mr. Hugh Mytton), they could not have come near the College total, whereas, as it was, their wickets were lost so quickly, that all the best batsmen had gone when stumps were drawn at 5-30 for the total of 120.

The Station, with no prospects of winning, evidently meant to make their innings a merry one, and that they put up 120 in an hour is evidence that things were lively, despite the fine fielding of the Collegians. Captain Fisher, Mr C. Hogg, Mr. Uzielli, Mr. Mytton, and Mr. Murray, brought off some big hits and roused the large number of people present to a high pitch of enthusiasm. Mr. Hewitt and Captain Healing played steadier cricket and the latter was not out when stumps were drawn for a carefully compiled 22. *En passant* Mr. Uzielli was most unfortunate again in this match in having catches dropped from his bowling in the College innings. Had they been held the match might possibly have borne a different complexion. The following were the scores:—

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE C.C.

L Bryan, c Uzielli, b Healing	...	33
P Gahan, c Fisher, b Hewitt	...	1
P Singleton, c Mytton, b Healing ...	...	61
F Singleton, b Hogg	..	38
C Stubbs not out	...	84
C Rayneau, not out	...	41
Extras	...	27
Innings declared ...	..	288

THE STATION C.C.

Capt J L Fisher, c Owens, b Ryan ...	...	12
Mr C Hogg, c F Singleton, b Ryan ...	...	9
Mr T J Uzielli, b Ryan	...	16
Mr A C Hewitt, c Martini, b Ryan ...	...	29
Mr H F Mytton c McCoy, b Rayneau ...	...	8
Mr D S Murray, c Martini, b Ryan ...	...	8
Capt Healing, not out	..	22
Capt S F Legge, Capt Palairet, Capt J S Maidlow, Mr A S Power	did not bat	
Extras	...	16
		120

CRICKET AT SIMLA.

SIMLA C. C. *vs.* BLACK WATCH.—This match, the first of Simla cricket season was played on the 19th and 20th instant and resulted in a draw. Scores:—

BLACK WATCH.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt H C Laverton, b Robinson	12	c sub Robinson ...	0
Col Sergeant Wilson, c Tod, b Robinson	26	c Binny, b Hensman ...	28
Capt J T C Murray, c Evans, b Walton	1	b Walton	3
Lieut R A Bulloch, c Mitchell, b Robinson	55	b Hensman, ...	29
Lieut C R S Henderson, c Graham, b Hensman ...	7	l b w, b Hensman ...	35
Col Livingston, b Mitchell ...	0	b Robinson ...	11
2nd-Lieut Wavell, b Hensman	1	c and b Robinson ...	1
Lieut Baillie Hamilton, b Walton	7	c Robinson, b Mitchell	9
2nd-Lieut R E Forrester, c Evans, b Walton ...	5	not out	14
Corpl Kennedy, b Robinson ...	0	b Hensman ...	0
Private Taylor, not out ...	5	c Binny, b Hensman ...	11
Extras... ...	15	Extras ...	19
Total ...	134	Total ...	169

SIMLA C. C.

1st Innings.			
Mitchell, c Bulloch, b Laverton	13	b Murray	62
Captain Stokes, b Murray ...	0	c Taylor, b Laverton ...	1
Captain Smallwood b Laverton	8	b Laverton ...	0
Capt M C McConaghey, b Laverton	52	b Murray	8
Major Walton, b Lavorton ...	0	b Hamilton ...	2
S M Robinson, b Hamilton ...	33	b Laverton ...	38
Hensmen, b Hamilton ...	0	b Murray	0
J S Evans, b Hamilton ...	4	b Murray	6
Major Tod, not out ...	10	c Handerson, b Laverton	9
C A Graham, b Hamilton ...	0	.....	
J M Binny, c Livingston, b Murray	7	not out	1
Extras ...	12	Extras ...	11
Total ...	134	Total...	138

Football.

THE CALCUTTA FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

CALCUTTA *vs.* KING'S OWN REGIMENT.—The match between the above teams was played on the Calcutta ground on the 18th instant, and a hard game resulted in a win for the Regiment by a goal to *nil*. They began the attack, but Maunder relieved and Calcutta took the ball down. A foul against the Fort team gave the homesters a free kick, but Crawford sent over. Then the King's Own came away and pressing hard obtained three corners. Nothing came of them, and the interval arrived without score. On resuming the exchanges ruled very even, but no advantage was gained till just before time Carman found the net. The remaining play was fast and exciting but there was no further scoring. Teams.—

KING'S OWN:—Hill, *goal*; Miller and Cotton, *backs*; Lenard, Ennis, and Quin, *half-backs*; Jones, Diddell, Ashworth, Carman and Wittingham, *forwards*

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal*; Baker and Badham, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford and Ansell, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, V. Cooper, H. Cooper, V. Sherman and Smith, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. P. Wilkie.

RANGERS *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—On Wednesday, the 18th instant, these teams met on the Rangers' ground, the home team winning by a goal to *nil*. The first stage was even, though not of a very interesting nature. In the second half the Rangers got together, and Hill scored from a pass by Rosser. The Dalhousie men worked hard to equalise but could only get a corner. The game ending in a win for the Rangers. Teams.—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal*; Auderson and Margrett, *backs*; Boilard, Lees and Russell, *half-backs*; Affick, Vears, Rosser, Hill and Walker, *forwards*

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Templeton, and Robinson, *backs*; Phelps, Dalling and Evans, *half-backs*; Barber, Doherty, Johnstone, Stewart and Bonar, *forwards*.

CALCUTTA *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—This match was played on the Calcutta ground last Saturday and resulted in a win for the home team by two goals to one. Dalhousie kicked off and rushed down, keeping the home backs busy. Stimson missed a chance by kicking over; they returned to the attack, however, and a penalty for hands against Calcutta gave Prike the opportunity of drawing first blood. The kick was successful, but Calcutta soon got going, and V. Sherman put in a capital run and scored. Play ruled very even to the interval. On crossing over the home team had the better of the game, and almost scored on more than one occasion. At last a fine shot by V. Cooper beat the Dalhousie custodian. The visitors tried hard to get level again, but were unsuccessful and the game ended as stated. Teams:—

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal*; Baker and Badham, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford and Ansell, *half backs*; H. Sherman, V. Cooper, J. MacDonald, V. Sherman and Stewart, *forwards*.

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Robinson and Templeton, *backs*; Phelps, Dalling and Evans, *half-backs*; Barber, Bonar, Stimson, Stewart and Prike, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. R. Remfry.

KING'S OWN REGIMENT *vs.* HOWRAH.—Played on the Regiment's ground, the home team winning easily by four goals to *nil*. They went away at the start and Palmer had to save a shot from Carman. The Regiment forced three corners but the wind interfered with accurate shooting. The military continued to press, and West put through, Carman following this success up with a second goal. On changing ends the King's Own returned to the attack, and a third goal was registered, Ennis being responsible. Then Howrah showed up and the game ruled very even. The visitors looked like scoring but could not pass the Fort backs. Carman found the net once more before time was called with the final score: King's Own Regiment, 4 goals; Howrah *nil*. Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Hill, *goal*; Miller and Cotton, *backs*; Lenard, Ennis and Quin, *half-backs*; Jones, Diddell, West, Carman and Wittingham, *forwards*.

HOWRAH.—Palmer, *goal*; MacFagan and Annett, *backs*; Linton, Burns and Morrow, *half-backs*; Echlin, Smith, Kerr, Wood and O'Neil, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A. *vs.* RANGERS.—The Association ground was the *scene* of this match played last Saturday before a very poor attendance. The Rangers were the first to attack, and Russell passed to Rosser, who banged the ball into the net. They continued to press and obtained a corner, and a *mêlée* resulted, during which Vears headed in. Play ruled up and down till the interval. Crossing over the Young Men showed improved form and rushing down Redmond sent in a hot shot which the Rangers' custodian saved, but Schaumberg was handy and, getting possession, put through. Even play followed to the close of the game, the visitors thus winning by two goals to one. Teams:—

RANGERS.—Behrend *goal*; Margrett and Anderson, *backs*; Boilard, Lees and Russell, *half-backs*; Hill, Cuthbert, Rosser, Affick and Vears, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A.—Trussler, *goal*; Baldwin and Stokes, *backs*; Collingwood, Pooller, and Mason, *half-backs*; Price, Scully, Redmond, Gordon and Schaumberg, *forwards*.

64TH R.F.A. *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—Played at Barrackpore on the 21st instant, a keenly contested match resulting in a draw. The West Ridings had rather the best of the first stage, and Woods scored a fine goal, but in the second half the Artillerymen played up and did most of the attacking, Ingley equalising after two unsuccessful attempts by Wratten.

64TH R. F. A. *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—Played on the Association ground on the 25th instant, an even game resulting in a win for the home team by a goal to *nil*. The visitors attacked first, but the young men soon transferred and a free kick in their favour looked as if a goal would result; but Price shot wide. Then the gunners had a turn, but were unable to score, and the interval arrived without any change. On resuming the Association pressed and Redmond put through. The Barrackpore team tried hard to equalise, but were unsuccessful, the game ending as stated. Teams:—

Y. M. C. A.:—Trussler, *goal*; Stoke and Lamb, *backs*; Schaumberg, Pooler and Colling-wood, *half-backs*; Price, Scully, Redmond, Gordon, and Wilson, *forwards*

64TH R. F. A.—Harrison, *goal*; Quin and Price, *backs*; Corby Osborne and Donnelly, *half-backs*; Woods, Hingley, Wratten, Nicols and Douglas, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. R. Remfry.

CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE.

Four matches of the above League were played on Saturday, the 21st instant. The B.-N. Railway beat La Martiniere on the School ground by a goal to *nil*. On the Hornets' ground the 79th R. G. A. defeated the home team by three goals to *nil*. The Seebpore College beat the Customs by two goals to *nil*, and St. Joseph's beat the Caledonians by the same score.

CALEDONIAN A. C. *vs.* ST. JOSEPH'S F. C.—St. Joseph's started this match at a great pace. Their "yell and rush" methods overwhelmed the Caledonians, and Manser scored twice in the first four minutes. The Caledonians gradually asserted themselves and in the second half played much superior football but to no purpose. Harrington had the goal at his mercy but kicked wide, the score remaining unaltered to the end.

On Monday three matches were played, La Martiniere were defeated by the 79th R. G. A. by three goals to *nil*. The Seebpore College beat the Hornets by three goals to *nil*, and the match between the Measurers and the Caledonians ended in favour of the latter team by four goals to two.

CALEDONIA A. C. *vs.* MEASURESS A. C.—Played on Monday on the ground of the former club which won by four goals to two. The game was interesting throughout. At half-time the Caledonians, led by two goals to *nil*, the results of penalty kicks. In the second-half against the strong breeze the home halves played so well that the forwards, lead by T. Davis, secured two more goals, while the Measurers scored twice, leaving the Caledonians winners as stated.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

LAST week I noted that the Barrackpore team were much better this year than last and this was borne out by the result of their match *vs.* Howrah on the 17th, as although they did not play such a good game as when they met the Rangers they had little difficulty in defeating the United Club by 5 to 0. Play in the first half of this match was very poor, and though the R. A. had most of the game there was very little "go" in their attack; they, however, scored one goal after a good bit of play on the left wing. In the second half matters brightened and the Howrah forwards led off with some dash, but they were never dangerous and the gunners soon got the ball in hand again and before time was called had added two more goals. The Howrah backs played a good game, but Woods at centre half was head and shoulders above the rest of the team and gave the soldiers more trouble than all the others. Linton and Kerr in the forward line made one or two spurts, but there was no combined play in the eleven. For the R. A. Wratten at centre forward earned his place in the team and the wing men played

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well together. Osborne in the half-line and Price at back were also conspicuous, but the game altogether was not very interesting to watch.

On Wednesday (the 18th) the Calcutta—King's Own match attracted a large crowd and the game was very even, but several opportunities of scoring were lost by both sides, the shooting of the civilian forwards being especially disappointing. In this game as well as the above-mentioned one at Howrah, combination on the civilian side was singularly lacking and it was a subject of remark by many of the spectators that the back division fed the enemy more often than their own forwards. On the whole, however, Calcutta made a very even game of it and had V. Sherman not turned up over a quarter of an hour late, the chances seemed in favour of the home team scoring in the first half As it was they were much handicapped and Dodds in goal had an anxious time. In the second half the military made determined efforts to score, but the Calcutta men, although not in nearly such good training as their opponents, stayed extremely well and kept the soldiers off till about 10 minutes before time when Carman scored from the left wing with a stinging shot which hit the crossbar and angled off into the goal. Dodds fisted out, but the referee ruled that the ball had passed between the posts and Calcutta were beaten, though certainly not disgraced. The latter part of the game was unfortunately marred by the King's Own backs kicking into touch on the slightest chance and their supporters 'booing" the referee. This was a pity as the game up this had been conducted in a most sporting spirit.

On Saturday Dalhousie visited the Calcutta ground and their match with the senior civilian club proved one of the most interesting which has yet been played. H. Cooper being absent, Macdonald took his place at centre forward for Calcutta, and Stewart replaced Smith at outside left and both acquitted themselves most creditably, the entire forward line showing some excellent combination. Ancell in the half line seemed rather off colour and the backs gave the C. F. C. supporters some anxious moments, but the Dalhousie men did not show up well in front of goal and Dodds was equal to all emergencies. For the visitors Prike and Stewart worked well together on the left-wing, especially in the first half, and Boner also gave a good display, being well backed up by Phelps. Templeton at back played his usual game, but his partner was not very reliable. In the first half Dalhousie notched the first point from a penalty off Baker, but V. Sherman soon equalised, being let in by a miskick by Robinson. In the second half V. Cooper, who had been playing a sound game throughout, scored for Calcutta by a splendid shot from the right wing and won the match for his side. After this Calcutta seemed to fall off and during the last ten minutes the visitors gave Dodds plenty to do, play being mostly in the home 25. The match on the whole was most evenly contested and worth going a long way to watch.

The King's Own—Howrah match, which also came off on Saturday, needs no description. The Fort team had it their own way for more than two-thirds of the game and won easily. Howrah had one or two chances but could not get in any effective shots, whereas the military showed some excellent forward play, Carman as usual being especially prominent. This player has scored most of the goals for his side this season and is a very useful forward.

Matches in the Civil and Military League since my last note have been of a very scrambling nature. On Thursdy Seebpore beat the B.-N. R. and the same team added two more points to their score on Saturday by beating the Measurers, and a further two on Monday by overcoming the redoubtable Hornets. The hardest fought game was that between the B.-N. R. and La Martinière, the former scoring their first win. The 79th R A. are going as strong as ever and seem likely to win all their matches, but the Hornets have had a very disastrous time of it, and though they probably did not mind being beaten by the R. A. to go down before the Caledonians and then Seebpore must have been very disheartening; however, it is a long while yet before the Shield Competition starts and ere that day let us hope the "two or three best men" whose inevitable absence from the team has had such calamitous results may have recovered from their temporary indisposition.

It seems a pity that the much talked of Referees' Association did not come to stay in spite of strenuous efforts on the part of the I. F. A. Secretary to set it going. Its premature decease was no doubt due to likely men who would have been glad to receive a C. R. A. certificate being too bashful to come forward for examination, but I believe a few who were keen sent in their names and the initial mistake was made in waiting for more names instead of examining the first few at once. The news that one or two had been put through would surely have attracted others. There were rumours that some of the likely candidates objected to one or more of the examining committee but had they had the matter more at heart they would have overcome their objections, as taking the Committee all round it was the most representative one which could have been found in Calcutta at the time. Perhaps if Mr. Wilder could find another passed R. A. man or two in Calcutta they might do something, but I am afraid Messrs. Pritchard and Botho will not try to regather their scattered forces. As matters stand now the League Secretary will no doubt have harder work than ever to rope in referees.

Next Saturday's League matches are Dalhousie *vs* 64th R F.A.; Rangers *vs.* King's Own; Howrah *vs.* Calcutta; and West Ridings *vs.* Y.M.C.A. Of these the Rangers-King's Own match will no doubt be the most worth matching.

The positions of the C. F. L. clubs up to Saturday, the 21st, are as follows:—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals For.	Goals Against.
King's Own ...	3	3	0	0	6	7	0
Rangers ...	3	3	0	0	6	5	2
Calcutta ...	3	2	1	0	4	5	2
64th B. A. ...	3	1	1	1	3	5	3
Dalhousie ...	3	1	2	0	2	3	3
West Ridings ...	2	0	1	1	1	1	3
Y. M. C. A. ...	2	0	2	0	0	1	5
Howrah ...	3	0	3	0	0	0	9

And of the Civil and Military League clubs up to Monday, the 23rd:—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals For.	Goals Against.
79th R. A ...	3	3	0	0	6	9	0
Seebpur ...	3	3	0	0	6	7	0
Caledonians ...	4	2	2	0	4	6	6
La Martinière ...	4	2	2	0	4	4	4
St. Joseph's ...	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
B.-N. R ...	3	1	1	1	3	2	3
Hornets ...	4	1	3	0	2	6	8
Measurers ...	4	0	4	0	0	2	14

TOUCH.

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

ST. ANDREW'S TANKARD COMPETITION.—The yearly competition for this old and valued club prize took place on the maidan links on Friday and Saturday last, and attracted a fair number of competitors, though none too many cards were sent in, and the scoring was nothing remarkable, though both Mr. Caw and Mr Cathcart had excellent chances of returning very low figures indeed. Eventually the tankard fell to Mr. A. H. Nicholl with a very creditable return of 94—13=81, Mr. H. B. Caw with one stroke more handicap coming in second two strokes behind and winning the second prize presented by the club. The scratch scores were again indifferent for the most part, Mr. F. H. Stewart with 86 doing best. Details.—

	Scores.	Hcp.	Nett.
A H Nicoll	... 94	13	81
H B Caw	... 97	14	83
M Cathcart	... 92	8	84
H R D Munn	... 93	9	84
C G Newton	... 89	4	85
A E Todd	... 91	6	85
F H Stewart	... 86	Scr.	86
B Sinclair	... 87	1	86
E Watson	... 93	7	86
E A Wild	... 90	3	87
A M Dunne	... 99	12	87
D A Cuthbert	... 90	2	88
C Engel	... 92	4	88

	Scores.	Hcp.	Nett
G P Harris	... 99	11	88
Captain D McCay ...	... 96	7	89
C P Bartholomew... ...	... 97	7	90
Major F J Drury	... 99	6	93
H W Dick	... 99	6	93
J D Murray	... 99	5	94
C D H Dunlop	... 104	10	94
W H H Grahame... ...	... 108	14	94

GOLF IN MADRAS.

SCOTLAND *vs.* THE REST.—This match of 12 holes was played on the Guindy links on the 14th instant, resulting in an easy win for Scotland. Score:—

SCOTLAND		THE REST.	
J Kerr Greig (2)	0	Major Bell (9)...	2
J M Brown (0)	0	Major E Waller(4)	0
J P Davidson (2)	3	F M Robinson (4)	0
Major J Thomson, (4)	2	O J Sykes (4) ...	...
A M Urquhart (5)	2	R Meredith (8)...	...
C E Ross (5) ...	1	W A Beardsell (7)	...
J A Robertson	4	H S P Smith (12)	...
	12		

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

IT is a very busy time with the Links man and woman just now, so busy that several most interesting events must needs be passed over or only lightly touched upon. Professionals and amateurs of both sexes are glad that Harry Vardon has quite recovered from his break down and is playing better golf than ever. He is a native of Jersey and returning some little time ago to his native place he distinguished himself immensely in a four-ball match, a gale of wind made play very difficult, but despite this he went out in 34 strokes, and came in, in the same, and himself remarked he had never before played such golf.

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For the Sunningdale Club scratch gold medal on 22nd April there was a strong entry of scratch players. This medal was won last year, it may be remendered, by the old Dark Blue cricketer and hurdler, Mr. Croome after a tie at 85 with the Hon'ble Osmund Scot. This year another Oxford man, Mr. H. G. B. Ellis, succeeded in carrying it off who accomplished the round in 84, going out in 41 and coming in in 43. Next on the list came Mr. W. Miller Morsop with 85, and Mr. H. D. G. Dunbar followed with 87. Going to the last hole Mr. Dunbar was left with a five to win but was bunkered, took 4 to reach the green and 3 putts put him out of the innings.

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On Saturday, 23rd ultimo, the representatives of the medica and legal professions met at Burnham Beeches. This course is so beautifully situated that one is very apt to let one's eye wander over the surrounding lovely scenery and the result is ruination to one's game. But in this case the match was a very level one, the singles resulting in a draw and the foursomes owing perhaps to the inability of Dr. Simpson to take part were won by the Lawyers by 2½ matches to 1½. Drs. Simpson, Howarth, Daniel, Dane, Carruthers, Webb, Hawkins and Chittenden representing the Faculty, and Messrs. Mansfield Hunter, Beveridge, Captain Watt, Dyne, Macpherson, Jackson, Russell and Cracraft, the "Silk." Playing in the Sussex County Union's Competition at Lewes, some surprise was manifested in the defeat of Mr. Horace Hutchinson by Mr. M. Munro.

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There are 111 entries for the Parliamentary Handicap; of these, 13 are members of the Cabinet and 13 are members of the Upper House, including Lords Avebury, Dunraven, Hardwicke, Willoughby de Eresby, Newton, Howe, Lurgan, Sandhurst, Hampden, the Earl of Chesterfield, the Earl of Errol, Viscount Galway and Viscount Barrington. The first and second rounds will be played at Sandwich on 7th May, but the subsequent matches will be played by mutual arrangement, the finals are to be competed by 18th June.

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There is yet another championship in future to be added to the already long list and this is the "Amateur Championship of France," which is to be held this year on 16th, 17th and 18th June under the auspices of the Societe de Golf de Paris at La Boulie Versailles. A very fine trophy has generously been presented by Mr. J. Gordon Bennett. The Championship of "All Italy" takes place at Florence on 10th May.

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Of Ladies' Golf there seems no end, and the club houses have their walls and notice boards plastered over with notices of open

meetings with most alluring and attractive lists of prizes for every sort of golf with variations. Last week the Ranelagh Meeting held precedence (and rightly) of all other events, but since then there have been country matches, club matches and open meetings galore. The Hampshire Ladies' County Team have been on tour—they have met and been defeated by Sussex, Essex, Middlesex and Kent, but their Captain, Mrs. Lushington, has managed to do well in Medal rounds, both in the Stanmore and Bamehurst Club's Open Meetings. Against Essex the Ladies of Hants were particularly unsuccessful and against Kent they fared scarce better, one only of the team winning her match and this against Mrs. Stanley Stubbs of vocal fame.

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There was a fairly large and very representative gathering at Stanmore on the 26th ultimo. The day was lovely, which always adds so appreciatively to the success of any reunion, and everything that could be done for the comfort and well-being of the competitors was carried out to a nicety by Miss E. B. Makins (the Captain of the Ladies' Club) assisted by an able and energetic committee.

A most sumptuous lunch and tea were provided entirely at the expense of two members of the Men's Club and everyone was loud in their praises of the way everything was done. Mrs. George Hunter of the Littlestone Club, always a formidable score player, won the Scratch Prize with 95, a creditable performance considering the length of the course and the extreme trickiness of the greens, and that the competition was held from the men's Medal Tees, the Bogey for which is 90. Next to Mrs. Hunter came one of the Hampshire Team, Miss C. Bloxsome with 98. The best score under handicap was returned by Mrs. Storey, 98 – 4 = 94, and the prize for the best 1st nine holes went to the Yorkshire County Captain Miss Bertha Thompson at 49. The foursomes against Bogey were won after a tie with two other couples by Mrs. Cameron and Mr. Steedman 6 down.

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Most or the players at Stanmore plus 50 more making a total of 106 entrants, were seen at Farnehurst next day, when the portals of this up-to-date club were thrown open to the golfing woman who never slow to avail herself of opportunities of adding glory and silver to herself, her lares and penates as a matter of course attended at May Place. Here Miss Bertha Thompson did anexcellent round of 91 and won the scratch trophy, while an Irish girl from Greystone, Miss V. Henshaw, with 91 – 14 = 77 won the 1st handicap trophy. The driving competition was won with 2 fine drives of 169 and 151 yards by Miss Waters, the putting (18 holes) by Mrs. Powell in 44, and everyone seemed very pleased with themselves, the course and the entertainment provided.

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While these 106 were disporting themselves at Ranelagh, the Annual General Meeting of the L. G. W. was being held and the draw for the imminent Championship at Troon was being made. First to meet are the American representatives Miss Mabel Higgins and Miss Rhona Adair, the holder and of all previous draws this one is perhaps the best and the favourite most evenly distributed. Miss Sybil Whigham should certainly now or never avail herself of an almost home course, for does not Prestwick, on which links she has played from childhood, lie next door? The three Misses Hezlet are competing, also Miss F. Walker Leigh, Miss F. Macbeth and Miss M. E. Stuart, all last year's medallists, but I would need a seer of old to prophesy, and spot the winner, and whether the trophy hies back to ould Oireland, remains in Scotland, is carried over the water to Chicago or is brought back over the Border, the fight will be a keen one, and the battle will go to the strong."

M. E. S.

6th May 1904.

Stirring events are taking place every day and every green is busy, and well patronized. The lovely weather experienced throughout the month of April made all who had the slightest excuse and opportunity for a day on the Links seize the chance with eagerness and avidity. On Saturday 30th April, strong teams representing the Bar and Stock Exchange met on the Links of the St. George's Club, Sandwich, in what is hoped will be an annual contest. Among the two teams were to be found no less than four International players in Messrs. Mure-Ferguson, Horace Castle., H. W. de, Zoete and B. Darwin, the three former doing battle for the House and the latter on the opposing side. The result was a win for the Stock Exchange by seven points to two. Each match was of thirty-six holes and a win counted one point. The teams were 9 aside, and the individual matches were as follows :—

	Points.	
Mr J H Heddemick (S E) beat Mr Crabb Watt (Bar) by	8 up and 7	1
Mr W Miller-Mossop (S E) beat Mr Rand (Bar) by	5 and 4	1
Mr O C Bevan (S E) beat Mr E Blackwell (Bar) by	5 and 4	1
Mr Horace Castle (S E) lost to Mr Ellis (Bar) by	5 and 3	0
Mr H de Zoete (S E) beat Mr Beveridge (Bar) by	3 and 2	1
Mr Kerr (S E) beat Hon'ble Evan Charteriss (Bar) by	1 up	1
Mr Mitchell (S E) beat Mr Dun (Bar) by	2 up	1
Mr Mure-Ferguson (S E) beat Mr Mansfield Hunter (Bar) by	6 and 5	1
Mr. A D Blyth (S E) lost to Mr Derwin (Bar) by	2 holes	0
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It is curious to note that there were *no* halved matches on the 36 holes, and only 2 were square on the conclusion of 18 holes, and only one of the International players lost their match.

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A great deal of discussion has arisen from the incident which occurred in the Inter' Varsity match at Woking on 20th ultimo, when Mr. Alison of the Dark Blue team going to the last hole played his second shot on the roof of the Club house, ascended to the roof by means of a ladder, played his third from where the ball lay, and eventually halved the hole in five.

The contention is that the ball was "out of bounds," and if it were not so, that the use of a ladder to reach it was not legitimate. Dealing first with the boundary question the definition of "out of bounds" is as follows :—Any place outside the defined or recognized boundaries of the course"—To interpret this literally, is quite contrary to the spirit and usual custom of the Royal and Ancient game for like many other things in the Rules, this definition is necessarily limited, leaving to the various clubs to legislate for the boundaries of their course. As a matter of practice, only the places which are specially indicated by local rules *are* out of bounds. The Editor of *Golf Illustrated* contends that Mr. Alison upheld the cardinal principal that "a ball shall be played wherever it lies or the hole be given up," and that there is more to be said, but not much, against *the use of the ladder*, which was resting against the house, thereby rendering the use of it quite legitimate as a means of access to the ball, which would, however, have been contrary to rules had the position not been accessible by its own inherent appliances, in which case the use of a ladder or of any outside aid would not have been legitimate. For instance a player would not be allowed *to send* for a ladder or a rope with which to scale a house or tree, although he would be quite entitled to climb either in order to get to the ball. It is a nice distinction, and of course the incident in question would not be allowed to pass without both adverse and friendly criticism.

The annual golf match between the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers was played at Sandwich on the 27th April, the conditions governing the contest varied in some respects from those hitherto prevailing. Instead of the teams consisting of eight aside as previously, two more were this year added to the number of each, and instead of ordinary foursomes in the afternoon these were substituted by the now popular four ball foursomes the third differing point was in the scoring which now stands that each match won shall score a point and the bye a quarter of a point. The "Gunners" had a strong side including the Irish Golfer (Mr. H. A. Boyd), Mr. H. E. Hambro, the Sunningdale player and and Mr. H. M. Ballingal (Champion of the South of Ireland)s but the Sappers played up well and in the singles led by 6¾ points to 4¾ ; this lead, however, they lost in the four ball four' somes leaving the Gunners 2 points to the good. The teams were a appended :—

Royal Artillery.		Royal Engineers.	
Mr H A Boyd ...	1	Maj Dumbleton ...	0
Mr Hambro	¼	Maj Hedley	1
Mr H M Ballingall ...	0	Mr A G McNiell ...	1
Mr C T Lawrence ...	0	Capt C B Collins ...	1¼
Mr B A Anstruther ...	1¼	Capt Dumarsq ...	0
Capt E F Creswell ...	0	Mr C E Colbech ...	1¼
Mr J V Saunderson ...	¼	Mr J G Hearson ...	1
Maj A L Molesworth ...	0	Lt-Col Renny Tailyour ...	1
Mr J C Sinclair ...	1	Mr J S Barker ...	¼
Maj F B Johnstone ...	1	Mr J D Munro ...	0
Total ...	4¾	Total ...	6¼
Four ball Foursomes.			
Ballingall and Hambro ...	1¼	Dumbleton and Hedley ...	0
Boyd and Lawrence ...	0	McNiell and Collins ...	0
Anstruther and Creswell ...	1	Dumarsq and Colbech ...	0
Saunderson and Molesworth	1	Hearson and Renny Tailyour	¼
Sinclair and Johnstone ...	1	Barker and Munro ...	0
Total ...	4¼	Total ...	¼

The ladies have been quiet during the past week, and no very interesting events have taken place. Surrey met and were defeated by Middlesex at Ashford on 28th ultimo by 4 matches to 3. Miss Sparrow (Mid) defeated Miss Issette Pearson (Honorary Secretary L. G. W. Surrey). Miss Saul defeated the Surrey Captain Mrs. Harry Willock, this victory over Surrey makes the matches in the Home Counties Division in the Counties Championship much more even—Middlesex, Kent and Surrey having so far each lost 1 match.

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Some sensational play was witnessed on the 4th instant on the West Middlesex Club's Course at Southall when the Southern Division of the Professional Golfers Association competed for the Tooting Bec Challenge Cup. The day was brilliantly fine and the first thing one noticed on reaching the course was 3 crowds and on investigation one discovered that one followed J. H. Taylor, who was partnered with Gray of Littlehampton, another watched Braid who curiously enough was partnered with R. Thomson, his successor at Romford, and the third went round with Harry Vardon, who was playing with Hephon. This occasion was the first serious golf-day in which the Open Champion has taken part since his long illness and every one was remarking on the extreme fitness of his appearance, though his play was not up to his usual form. At the conclusion of the day's play it was found that James Braid and a young player from the Hampstead Club, J. M. McLaren, had tied with 147, and about 5-30 P.M. these two commenced to play off the tie, the younger man starting with a brilliant 3 and making things look uncomfortable for Braid until at the conclusion of the 16-hole he stood one stroke to the good and McLaren's handicap (3) gone at the 17th hole. McLaren found the bunker guarding the green with his second, whilst Braid lay comfortably at the edge of the green. Taking a mashie McLaren played out, and the ball appeared to the big crowd assembled to be going to lie dead instead of which, however, it trickled slowly into the hole, and this seemed to unnerve even so old a hand as Braid for he missed a short "put" and took 5. Thus with 1 to go McLaren was 1 stroke to the good but the strain and excitement were evidently too much for the younger Scotsman and he missed his drive, lost his ball and took 6 to the hole which his opponent held in a perfect 3 and to James Braid went the Cup and the title of Champion of the Southern Division Professional Association. Braid's 1st round was 75, his second 72-147. McLaren's 147 for 36 holes.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.

Semi-Finals.

Middlesex Regiment *vs.* Cheshire Regiment.—These teams met on the Cooperage on the 17th instant. The game was closely contested and resulted in a win for the Middlesex by two goals to one. The Cheshires opened with a rush then play settled down and was very even for a space. At length the Cheshires got in a good run and Taylor scored. On resuming the Middlesex men immediately ran down and equalised, the interval arriving shortly after. Crossing over, the Cheshires pressed hard, but failed to score. Then the Middlesex men had a spell at attacking, but were equally unsuccessful. They continued to press and sent in several shots which all but scored. Time arrived, however with the score level and an extra ten minutes was played, the Middlesex men finding the net once more and thus securing a place in the finals.

The Final

Royal Scots *vs.* Middlesex Regiment.—Theis game in the above tournament was played on the Cooperage on the 19th instant. The opening exchanges were very even, then the Middlesex got away and forced the attack, but the Scots relieved and pressed in turn. Open play followed till the Middlesex team once more worked the ball down to their opponents' circle, but failed to find the net. From a corner the ball was put through, but the goal disallowed, sticks being given against the shooter. After the interval the Middlesex resumed the attack, and after one of the forwards had missed, the ball was netted. The Scots forced the play for a bit, but their opponents got away again and scored their second goal. The Scots showed better combination and gave the Middlesex backs an anxious time but the ball was eventually cleared and the Middlesex returned to the charge. They were weak in front of goal, however, and play in midfield closed the game, the Middlesex winning the match and tournament by two goals to *nil*. Mrs. Carnegy presented the Cup to the winners.

The following are complete results :—

Bombay Gymkhana ...	Gymkh. 2—1	R Scots	R Scots 2—0	Middlesex 2—0	
R. A Colaba					
Customs	R Scots 4—0				
Royal Scots	7—0				
Grant Medical College ...	Med Coll 8—0	Med Coll			
Cathedral H S Old Boys B ...		1—0			
Cathedral H S Old Boys A ...	'Old Boys' 4—0				
76 Co., R G A Karachi ...					
York and Lancs (York & Lan.					
Bl H S Old Boys (7—0	York & L 3—2	Cheshire	Middlesex 2—1		
Elphinstone College ...		4—0			
Education Society ...	Cheshires 1—0				
D Company, Cheshire Regt —					
2nd East Lancaster Regt ...	E Lancs W O	Middle-			
Poona Gymkhana ...		sex			
Pioneer Hockey Club ...	Middlesex 3—1	4—2			
Middlesex Regt					

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

The season commenced last Friday evening, the 20th instant, with the Two Lengths Novices Handicap. There were seven entries, but only five faced the starter and consequently the race was swum off in one heat and resulted as follows :—

1st R Jones 10 sec start	...	60 secs.
2nd B Collier 12 sec start	...	62⅕secs.
3rd F Siddous 5 sec start	...	67⅕secs.

Also swam F. B. Prike and A. G. Watts.

The next event, the Two Lengths Handicap, open to all members of the club, takes place tomorrow evening.

Riding.

THE AUSTRALIAN AS A HORSEMAN.

THE Australian, as is well known, has made for himself a considerable reputation as a horseman. It is interesting at the present moment to consider whether this reputation is fairly earned and whether the present-day Australian is keeping up his old traditions in the saddle. Among the men who, during the last two or three years, at different times left Australia to fight in South Africa were undoubtedly some of the finest horsemen who ever rode beneath the flag of any country. That those contingents contained some of the rankest duffers who ever scrambled across a horse is no less strictly true. The so-called riding tests, held in the respective capitals before the troops were chosen, resolved themselves into the variest farces, the men were put up on all sorts of horses and made to ride over low bush fences, so low as to be a laughing-stock even to the city larrikin, who might safety have ridden the suburban nanny-goat over them without fear of risking either his neck or his reputation as a horseman. The consequence was that some would-be soldiers, who had possibly come through their shooting-tests with flying colours, but had seldom or never been across a horse before, having the good luck to be apportioned a steady, honest animal which could jump, managed to keep their seats with some difficulty—with how much difficulty will never be accurately known!—and get safely over their fences; while others, good men who had ridden from their cradle days through cattle camp and muster to the mastery of mature horsemanship being given old screws which absolutely refused even to *fall* over their fences, were promptly discarded as incompetent. Consequently, these trials became the laughing-stock of the country, especially when it became known that, in two cases at least, possibly in more, noted rough-riders of unusual talent "at the game" had been set aside as hopelessly unsuitable, while dozens of towns-people, who had probably only seen a horse on the racecourse or over the splashboard of a hansom, passed the judges with flying colours—*and* arms and legs! A friend of mine, who was, though a bushman, a notoriously poor rider, told me that, being given a horse that jumped "*big*" he managed with difficulty to keep his seat, and though landing perilously near his horse's ears succeeded in passing this peculiar test of horsemanship.

Now it seems to me, if they had started these amateur warriors for a hurry-scurry race over half a mile of rough country with a few rabbit holes and an occasional tree thrown in, that a competent judge would not have been long in picking out the horsemen from the duffers, and Australian horsemanship would have been better represented upon the veldt.

Still, the many undoubtedly magnificent horsemen who went over must have leavened the lump and saved the reputation of the Commonwealth. Of course, from the military point of view, I have no doubt the Colonial's careless seat found no favour. In the Australian Bush, where all men ride, all men ride differently (some, *en passant*, very *in*differently!), suiting their length of stirrup, their firm or easy seat, to the pace and temper of their horses, and so a squadron of this undrilled irregular horse must have seemed to the eye-glass of the British officer most irregular indeed! Yet, in that confidence in their horses, that perfect understanding between man and beast that is born only of a life-long practice, the major part of our Bush contingents excelled, and all who served alongside of them doubtless carried away the impression that they were good horsemen.

Away in the Bush, as I have said, all men are riders; but by no means all men there are *horsemen!*

Take the average sheep-station in western New South Wales, employing, say, eight or ten mounted men, men who are, roughly speaking in the saddle day after day from sunrise to sundown. Are they good horsemen? Some assuredly are. Possibly of the above number *one* is a man noted throughout the district as a master of his craft, one to whom the training of young horses is a delight, and for whom the worst buckjumper has no terrors. Possibly a couple more are fair good riders who are able to take over the half-broken colts from the breaker, men who will ride a fairly "rough" horse for the sake of securing a good hack for themselves men who, endowed with no excess of courage or outstanding skill above their fellows, are yet so thoroughly used to horses from infancy upward that they have become horsemen, like Molière's doctor, in spite of themselves!

Following these, perhaps, will be another stamp of man—generally a jackeroo or store-keeper—a city man or possibly an importation from the British Isles, who, knowing absolutely nothing of horses when he first took up station life, has by pluck and determination taught himself to ride in the face of dangerous falls and innumerable risks of sudden death; sitting like a bag of potatoes, with execrable hands, in a saddle with huge knee and thigh-pads, he can manage a "nasty prop or two," but a horseman in the true sense he can never hope to be yet his undoubted pluck should save him from ridicule.

The remainder of the station staff are almost invariably beneath contempt as horsemen; men who, in spite of living all their lives among horses, will stead fastly refuse to mount a horse which on a cold morning will "bump his back" when the girths are tightened; men who will crowd the stockyard rails to watch some pluckier rider take his chance of a fall, but are always "not havin' any" when asked to take such chance themselves. These are, for the most part, native-born Australians, the men who were swaddled in saddle-cloths and cut their teeth upon the knot of a stock-whip handle; who, at five years of age, were rounding up the milkers on the old grey stock-horse, and a year later riding hot-headed Bush horses on the township race-track; men who, from lack of nerve, will never ride again as they did in those early days, full of dash and courage handling awkward horses in heavy timber with the skill and *sang froid* of stockmen born.

So, one may say in a general way, all Australian Bush *boys* can ride well, but not all Australian Bush *men*.

To find the real good horseman nowadays—the man who, like the Hawkesbury native of ancient fame, can sit for a week on a bucking brumby while an admiring populace tosses pumpkins to

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him by away of sustenance—one must go out among the Queensland cattle, and there he still remains.

Out there, among the men employed on a cattle station, it is quite possible to find every man a finished horseman. Possibly eight of those ten will ride any buck-jumper that can be brought them; it is almost a certainty that the other two are renowned for their skill in scrub and could ride bucking horses if they cared to, but from age or over-much rough-riding in their youth are unwilling to undergo unnecessarily the severe strain and shock to the system inseparable from riding real "rough'uns."

Of riding across fences; the bushman of course knows nothing; as nearly all his fences are wire, he has no chance of gaining proficiency in that branch of the game; but the man who will race through a ridge of ironbark or gidgee at full speed on a horse rough-mouthed only a week before has nerve enough to face the biggest barrier ever built, and for these men fences have no fears. Among the Australian drovers, another class who make their living on horseback, are many superb riders, and seldom does a cattle camp go by without having in its little band of lithe-limbed, sunburnt horsmen at least one who can master "anything lapped in hide."

Among the teamsters, too, who through drought-time or flood pilot their slow teams mile by mile along the Western roads, are many notable riders. I remember a teamster once riding up to the station on a snorting, half-broken, roan colt to buy some mutton; as he sprang from his horse at the store the colt jumped forward and cow-kicked savagely, but the man only stepped back and laughed. Concluding his purchase he approached the colt with a side of mutton in his hand; there were two or three loud whistling snorts, a squeal, and a cloud of whirling dust and flying hoofs; two seconds later the teamster was cantering down the track with half a sheep under his arm! I have seen many spendid riders get on to many bad horses, but venture to say never another who could have got on that horse under similar circumstances. The thought naturally rose of that man's value at the war if called upon to lift a wounded comrade on to a restive horse under heavy fire!

In the neighbourhood of the Australian capitals are several packs of hounds which hunt a drag over the rail fences which are common in the vicinity of Sydney, Melbourne, etc. In the ranks of these hunts are many fine horsemen, quite on a par with the best of English, Scotch, and Irish cross-country riders, many of them on well-trained horses riding repeatedly at naked wire (occasionally they hunt hares or foxes in the open and take the fences as they find them), in spite of the terrible risks taken when the ground is greasy or the sun shining in their horses' eyes Yet their accidents are few, and though the pace at which they ride is terrific, their horses fence magnificently, most of them being either old steeple or hurdle horses or well-known show jumpers. Polo is played in all the cities and in many country districts in Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, and Queensland Bush polo, as "Banjo" Paterson has wisely remarked in his witty verses, has mostly "mighty little science but a mighty lot of dash," and the day after playing in a Bush polo-match one wakes feeling as though one had been through a threshing-mill, as the present writer can testify from experience.

No better training for polo exists than scrub-riding, and the man who is fast after cattle in rough-timbered country is invariably "up on the ball" between the flags, even if he cannot hit it when he gets there.

Undoubtedly the decline of the buck-jumper has wrought for the decline of the man who rode him.

Of course, it is hard for one nowadays to learn from the old hands the truth about the ancient buck-jumper; old hands are prone to exaggerate when they get upon this darling topic, and they just *love* to tell you, 'Horses don't buck like they *used*!" and the buck-jumper looms large through the glamour of old romance that encircles him. But from all accounts, allowing a margin for this, the buck-jumper is not nowadays such an adept at his art as he was; the old breed of bad horses is dying out, the younger ones are better and more patiently broken with more careful regard to their varied tempers, and, above all, the sheep are taking the place of cattle, and the roughrider's occupation is gone; he, like the horses he mastered, is dying—slowly, but dying.

One old man, reputed by local fame the finest rider ever seen on the Lachlan River in the old cattle days, once said scornfully to me, when I congratulated him on his son's winning the roughriding prize at a recent Lachlan Show, "My God! when *he* can win a prize for buck-jump riding the horses must be poor hands at it!" Yet we thought him a good horseman. Another man showed me the old stockyard from which the above old pioneer had ridden, in olden days, an eight-year-old just-broken horse fourteen miles to the nearest town—*bucking all the way*!—a feat of endurance on the part of both man and horse which seems incredible; yet the story is well-known and often repeated, is endorsed by the old man himself, and, if not true, is to east an accepted legend of the Lachlan River.

So, in a general way, one may say the art of Australian roughriding has died; but still, out across the Border, where the big paddocks run endlessly to the sunset, are a remnant of the riders of the olden days; and down in the mountain country of New South Wales, in the shadow of Kosciusko, there are men used to running horses in the hills whom upon their mountain ponies no outsider can ever hope to follow.

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WHAT ANIMAL IS THAT?

OR

NATURAL HISTORY FOR BEGINNERS.

X.

INSECTS OF A KIND.

SPIDERS, scorpions, and centepedes should never be included among insects. Nor should worms, as distinguished from caterpillars, grubs, and maggots which are the larvæ of insects. Besides important differences of structure and function, insects are distinct from the other creatures named, in this that they pass through changes, as they grow, so that the perfected insect is not the same thing that it was when it emerged from the egg. The change may be complete, as from caterpillar to chrysalis, and thence to butterfly; or it may be no more than putting on a pair of wings; but it is a great change. On the other hand, arachnids and centipedes, for high orders, and worms, for a low order, are hatched perfect, and simply grow larger till they die. There are exceptions to this rule in the case of a few mites which belong to the arachnids, and of a few worms; but these changes are like the change from Hyde to Jekyll, altogether different from the "metamorphosis" of an insect. The most notable point in the structure of a true insect is that it is in three sections. This is true of every true insect, from a butterfly or a locust to a mosquito or a flea, no matter what be its size or shape. Some insects are so fantastically formed that they might be in many sections; and some beetles appear to be in a solid block, covered with a shell like a tortoise But if broken up they all come naturally into the three sections, head, thorax (chest), and abdomen. On the other hand, a spider or a scorpion has its head and thorax in one piece, and they cannot be separated without a surgical operation. The abdomen is quite distinct in spiders, but in scorpions it joins the hind part of the thorax so closely that it appears to be in a piece with it. Nevertheless, a slight examination, without cutting, shows it to be separate. Every insect has six legs, but spiders and scorpions have eight. Centipedes and millepedes make another order, in which the head is distinct, but the chest and abdomen are divided alike into a number of segments. We may now, before proceeding to insects, consider these three sorts of invertebrates.

I. SPIDERS.—I exceedingly wish that people who read these papers, especially ladies, would endeavour to get over the common, but unreasonable, and unaccountable, repugnance to spiders. The larger kinds bite if they are held, as ants, crickets, cockroaches, and many flies and beetles do; but they are never aggressors, and they do no other harm. Their cobwebs gather dust, but so do the curtains we hang up, and the webs are as easily brushed away as dust on a table. Spiders eat neither our food, our clothes our books, our shoes, nor our gloves: they spoil nothing, soil nothing, and spot nothing: they even keep out of our way. Many garden species are brilliantly coloured, shining in gold, silver, steel or bronze, or shaded and mottled in exquisite loveliness. Then in their manner of life they are, I think, the most interesting creatures in the whole animal kingdom. They appeal to our manliness by refusing all food which they have not captured and killed by their own exertions. The making and spreading of their nets is a work of genius, and their skill in other ways of catching their prey passes belief. I advise the watching of spiders, as I have recommended the watching of birds. It is a study how they lay out the plan of their nets, and how they begin to spread them—always unaided. Then the care of their eggs, and in some cases of their young, is an interesting puzzle. They do not incubate their eggs: but whether they carry them about with them, or place them in a cocoon in a corner, or hang them up in their nets, they do something from time to time to the eggs which ensures their hatching; for if the spider be killed, the eggs do not hatch. In this respect the eggs are like birds' eggs, and unlike all insects' eggs I believe also, although I have not made sure of the fact, that the young spiders cannot get out of the silk bag or cocoon in which the eggs are deposited unless the mother opens a way for them.

One very serious fault, and one only, I have to admit: but it does not affect ourselves. Spiders are ruthless cannibals, making meat of brothers and sisters, parents and children, without compassion. A husband who is nearly always smaller; sometimes very much smaller, than this wife, dare not go near her net, for fear of being tied up and eaten like any insect. A very few species are more natural: the pair occupy a net together, and unite in the care of their eggs and young. It is quite common to find a spider short of from one to five legs, or with legs of all sorts of irregular sizes. This is the result of battles in which the legs have been bitten off—to grow again after a time. A spider's hard, sharp fangs can be beautifully seen with a magnifying glass; and their chitinous covering appears quite plainly in the spider's skins which are commonly found in a house. Where a cobweb has not been disturbed for several weeks, and the spider has had plenty of food in that time, several skins can be found together, in different sizes according to the spider's growth. These are always perfect, to the tips of the long legs, for a spider draws its legs out of its skin as we draw our fingers out of a glove. A spider which has withdrawn all its legs but has got no further out of its skin, looks a curious creature with sixteen legs.

There are very many kinds of spiders, and they range from a pin's head in size to the size of a mouse. The most interesting and convenient way to divide them is not according to their anatomy, but according to the way they capture their food. By a little attention one learns to tell the habits of a spider from its appearance.

1. Many kinds use nets. These nets are mere tangles of silk, or they are wonderful geometrical figures, or in the fields and woods, they are thick layers of white fluff, in a cover of which is the owner's den, with or without a trapdoor. When the spider is eating an insect, if another be caught in the net, it hurries to the second capture, binds it fast, and then returns to finish what it was eating. The largest species of this division is common in the vicinity of Calcutta, on the slopes below Darjeeling, and doubtless in other parts of Bengal. Its net sometimes spreads across eight or nine feet between two trees. There is a very handsome species, with a symmetrical net one yard across, in gardens and waste places in Bombay.

2. Some kinds run down their prey. These are distinguished by long legs, though not longer than some of the last division, and their movements are inconceivably quick. I have repeatedly seen them rush upon and catch a table fly, which beats the performance of a terrier with rats. The largest of these live in our houses, and some of them carry their large, white cocoons under them, without abating their activity after flies and crickets. One of these spiders will attack and size a cockroach of the large, brown, flying species, and a desperate struggle takes place before the cockroach, which is more than twice as large as its enemy, succumbs to the poison from the spider's bite. I try as often as possible, to confine one of these spiders in a pre with my books; and as long as it stays there any cricket cockroach, or fish-insect that enters the place pays for its mischief with its life. I got one of these house spiders, of moderate size and black colour, on a raw, damp, and bitterly cold day at the end of October, in a traveller's bungalow in Sikkim, at an elevation of about 14,000 feet. It is now in the Indian Museum at Calcutta. Numerous smaller species abound in the grass and upon plants.

3. A third division cautiously approach their prey and spring on it. These are small, or of moderate size, and are more alike in form than the species of other groups. Several species live in our houses; others are only found in verandahs and on the outside of doors and windows, apparently loving the glare of the sun; and many other species live altogether outside. There is endless interest in watching any of these spiders creep stealthily near to an insect and then spring on it.

4. Another division lie in wait for their prey. These are in great variety of colour and form. They hide under flowers and among leaves, with their legs packed in close about their bodies, so still and shapeless that persons accustomed to look for such things sometimes cannot detect them; or else stretched out stiffly like dead twigs. When an unsuspecting insect approaches the place where one of these spiders is lurking, its legs fly out with a sudden spring and the insect is caught. There is a pure white species which lies at the bottom of the flower of the common "tube rose" lily. *Polianthus tuberosa* and many a butterfly enters the fragrant white flower never to leave it again till its dead wings are thrown out by the treacherous devourer.

There is a genus of spiders called *phryna*, with their abdomens ribbed and their palpi enlarged like a scorpion's, and their first pair of legs very long and fine, reaching out for use as feelers. A small black species, with these two hair-like legs more than half an inch long, is sometimes found in Calcutta; and there is a large species in South India, whose two feet sweep an area of five inches. These spiders make no nets, but rush on small insects, like the second group described above.

Tarantula from an Italian word, is the old name of the largest European spider. That has been described as equal to the "biscobra" in terrifying qualities; but it would attract little notice in India. The word is popularly used of a large spider of any country, and the tarantula of Texas is twice as formidable as the Italian species. In India the name is often given to the *galeodes*, which will be presently described. Our largest spiders belong to the genus *mygale* whose bird-catching propensity was first reported from South America and Central America. I have seen at least three species, a buff-coloured one in Malabar, a dark brown one in Oudh, and a black one in Cachar; and I was shown, by the late Mr. Wood-Mason, a drawing of as fourth species in the hill country of North Assam. All these species are two and-a-half inches long and nearly one inch think with two fangs as large as a cobra's, jet black, and pointing downwards. They are thickly furred, and have short, hairy legs. *Mygale* is a Greek word, meaning "mouse-weazel." I do not know in what part of Asia Minor, on North Africa, or possibly in Greece itself, the Greeks became acquainted with this creature; but their name admirably describes a brute which Aristotle himself could scarcely have conceived to be only a spider. Such astonishing stories were circulated by naturalists in the eighteenth century about the passenger pigeon, the lantern fly, the vampire bat, the Surinam bug, and other American prodigies, that one does not know how much to believe about the 'bird-eating" or "bird-hunting" spider of the New World, one variety of which was reported to entangle birds in a net. Bates and other reliable writers have doubtless investigated it, as Darwin settled the facts about the vampire. But there is at least one authentic case in India, where, a few years ago, a lady in the Nilgiri Hills found a *mygale* sucking the blood of a swallow which it had caught on its nest in her verandah. These spiders are not easily found when they are wanted, but they are common enough in suitable localities. I have been travelling when I have seen them; but it is a cherished purpose with me to catch the first one I can when I am at home, keep it in a suitable

cage, and try it with birds, mice, lizards, frogs, and large insects. They live in holes in the ground, or in the floors of houses, or hide in dark places, by day, and go forth marauding by night. They have been caught in the United Provinces, lately North-Western Provinces, by setting out a lamp in the garden. Insects flocked round the lamp, and a spider came to catch the insects. The *mygale*—two of them to my knowledge—like certain scorpions, make a creaking noise with some organ about their bodies when they are irritated. Mr. Wood-Mason was investigating these stridulating organs at the time of his death.

A few particular spiders call for a word or two of special mention. *Ant-spiders* belong to the division which spring on their prey but they are shaped so ingeniously like ants that only a practised eye can see that the head and thorax are in one piece. Of course they have eight legs, to an ant's six. *Water-spiders* are of several species, which live on plants over water and dive freely. They may be found in any pool that has weeds growing rank in it. A black species, about a third of an inch long without the legs, is common in parts of India. The most remarkable species fastens its egg-bag, which is bell-shaped, open beneath, to the stem of a plant several inches under the water; and as the eggs require to be kept dry, and as the spider itself needs air to breathe, it contrives to carry bubble after bubble of air from the surface of the water down into its nest Some kinds of spider, of which the Italian tarantula is one, strengthen and protect their cocoons or egg-bags with an outer covering of minute sticks. Others cover their cocoons with clay. Such devices must not be looked for in webs: they will be found attached to plants and stones, often with the mother spider in possession. Mention will be made in the next chapter of the destruction of spiders by ichneumon wasps; but the fact is worth stating here that one of the giant *mygale* of South America is attacked by a wasp which leaves its egg in the body of the "mouse-weazel," to be hatched into a larva which will fatten on the tissues of the marauder and reduce it to a sickly caricature of its former ferocious self.

Nearly all the arachnids, that is spiders, scorpions, and mites, have two finger-like members at their mouths, called *palpi*. These are well seen in those groups of spiders which catch their prey without nets: they move nervously and incessantly, and are used to help in holding insects that are caught, and in turning them about that a soft part may be presented to the teeth. The palpi are an important part of the structure of this order of animals, and although one would not suspect it a scorpion's claws are simply the *palpi* modified and enormously enlarged. The genus phryna also has them very long and similar; while in mites they are modified in many curious ways.

A curious and very noticeable family of spider-like animals have the scientific name of *Galeodes or Galeodidæ*, and are sometimes called "tarantulas" by Europeans in India. They are long for their size and have hairy legs, and very large heads, which are separated from the body, as in insects; and they have a most formidable arrangement of long double-hooked *falces* or fangs. Some of the species grow to two inches, but one inch is the commonest length. They occur in many parts of India; but I found them swarming in two houses, one in Pachamba, of Bengal, and one in Ahmedabad. They came out after dark, and hurried about all over the floor and up the walls and furniture, making me nervous: but the people in the house paid no more heed to them than if they had been black ants; from which I infer that they do not use their fearful looking fangs viciously unless they are put into a tight place or held down. Somebody in Palestine has described their performances there exactly as I have seen them in the two places named. If kept in a box and fed, these creatures are said to be as voracious as scorpions.

All mites and ticks belong to this group of animals which are not insects, and, with a very few exceptions in the half-grown state, they may be distinguished by their having eight legs. They may also be distinguished from spiders; because they do not capture prey—they only fasten on quietly and tenaciously to large game. Fleas and lice are different: they are insects. The species and variety of mites and ticks are very extensive, and include the microscopic things which cause disagreeable skin diseases. They are found everywhere, under stones, on bark, on dead leaves, in dried fruit and meat, in cheese, in many putrid substances, in living tissues, and on the teeth. Thier life-history has been little studied, and it is not known whence they come. The larger kinds are parasitic on all sorts of animals, even on creatures that live in the sea. An unhappy spider is sometimes found with a tick nearly as large as itself sticking fast to it. The creatures called harvesters, harvestmen, or harvest-spiders, in England are mites. A species with some resemblance to these is common in India in the cold weather—black things the size of a cotton seed, white underneath, with long hair-like legs and an aromatic odour. They are often seen from twenty to a hundred massed together. They seek retired places during the day and come out at night; but unlike the "harvestmen" they move very slowly, and cannot run away. The name "daddy long legs," given in England to a fly, is applied in America to this genus of mites. The "harvest tick," improperly called a "harvest bug," is another thing altogether, like a dog-tick, and bites. The "harvest men," are harmless. Similarly, the cheese mite is different from the cheese hopper, which is the larva of a two-winged fly.

As far as I know, the life of the dog-tick has not been investigated. It seems to come out of the grass, but does not show itself till it is full-grown, when it fastens on a dog or a human being and swells itself with blood. At that point it is pulled off and killed, instead of being let alone and studied. An ascertained fact about some mites and ticks is that they look entirely different when they are growing and when they are adult, and live in different ways. A "blight" has been stopped in a field by cutting down a different crop in an adjoining field on which the mites had to live before they reached maturity and became the "blight." Some of the "blights" of tea and other crops are simply swarms of small mites. One of the largest, most harmless, and most beautiful mites is a creature the size of a little finger-nail, and like a piece of scarlet velvet, which some times makes its appearance after rain, and in a day or two as mysteriously disappears.

II.—Scorpions can be kept and watched quite easily, for they are unable to climb glass or porcelain, or to jump; so small ones are safe in a finger-glass or a vegetable dish, and the giants in a souptureen or a large lamp shade. They are voracious, and will eat living insects before one's eyes, letting one observe how they catch and sting them. I am not aware that the large kinds have been tried with a lizard, frog, or mouse; but if they will eat such game they can easily overpower it. They seize and eat one another fast enough. Scorpions are not of anything like as many kinds as spiders, and I am not sure that these are distinctively house species, although all species seem ready to establish themselves in any old house, and the small or common species do so by dozens or hundreds. Nevertheless there are a good many kinds of them, and it is said on some authority that the largest, or at all events the blackest and most hairy, are not those whose sting is the most painful. Some are quite small; some are slender, with long tails; others are thickset; some have very large claws, but scorpions cannot hurt with their claws. There is little variety in their colours. A few are perfectly black; but shades of brown, inclining sometimes to reddish or to blackish, include the multitude. I have seen a curiously coloured and curiously shaped one, of good size, in Allahabad; and there are several curious and large species from Burma in the Calcutta Museum. Different species have very different dispositions. One needs a good deal of poking to make it use its sting; another faces about and lashes out angrily with its sting, making a creaking noise all the time, if it be approached within a couple of feet.

Scorpions are rare in Calcutta and Bombay, and virtually unknown in Madras: they are fairly common in rocky country, and very common in black, "cotton," soil. But the part where there seems no limit to either their numbers or their size is the Central Provinces and some adjoining districts. I have killed more than a hundred in one house in a month, and I procured several specimens more than six inches long without much difficulty. I saw one which was a good size larger, but did not measure it. The effect of the sting of ordinary scorpions, two or three inches long, has been exaggerated. I have seen nearly a dozen Natives stung by them, and they did not make half the ado that a Native man or boy makes for a caning. Dogs also get over a sting on the nose or the foot with a few yelps. A drop of liquid ammonia let into the wound with a trifling incision, stops the pain like magic. When a scorpion is seen on a person's dress or hair, it should be knocked off quietly and smartly, with no scream or flourish for a scorpion runs swiftly, and if it gets under the dress will sting with a will.

Book scorpions are of the size of a mosquito, and are shaped like scorpions, but without tails. They are common in Calcutta among books and papers. Most of the species, however, conceal themselves in damp places out-of-doors. *Whip scorpions* have long, fine tails without a sting. They grow from half an inch to more than two inches long. What are popularly called *water-scorpions* are hemipterous insects, and will be noticed in the next chapter. Their book name is *nepa*.

III Centipedes and Millepedes or Myriapods are neither arachnids nor insects. Their snake-like bodies are divided into equal segments all the way from the head to the tail; and as a rule, centipedes have one pair of legs on each segment and millepedes have two pairs. Centipedes move about by night, are swift, and carnivorous. I believe the bite of a large one is more painful and causes more inflammation than the sting of a scorpion. They wander about, and climb much, and, if they were as common in houses as scorpions are, would be more dangerous. I have known one caught in the act of devouring the chrysalis of a large moth on the outer twigs of a tree. How long and far it searched for that food, no one can tell. The large ones eat freely in captivity, but they are so active that it is not safe to deal with them. Centipedes are of a good many kinds. The commonest large one in India grows to almost five inches in length: this is excluding the two feet like tails at the posterior extremity, which is the proper way to measure centipedes. This species is coloured in alternate bands of black and straw-colour. When an inch long it is all black; but there is another kind, more slender, which grows to three or four inches, and remains black. The largest centipede I ever saw was in a wood at Khandalla, on the Bhore Ghat. It was nearly or quite a foot long, and banded like the common one just mentioned. But there is a brick-red species, which grows to at least eight inches long and is not uncommon in Calcutta. I have seen it no where else. Whereas a scorpion stings with its tail, a centipede bites with two formidable poisoned fangs, which are dreadfully visible at its mouth. It has no power to hurt in its feet, as natives are fond of asserting that it has.

In contrast with centipedes, millepedes move about by day, go slowly, and live on vegetable matter only—never green leaves, I think, but decaying matter and perhaps moss and mould. They are gentle and harmless. And whereas centipedes are more or less flat, millepedes are cylindrical in form. When disturbed they coil themselves into a spiral. The two commonest species are a black one about four inches long, and as thick as a lead pencil, and a reddish brown one one inch long. Where they are common the latter kind march in solid masses of several hundred together. There is another kind like this little one, which is of a dull black and yellow colour.

Connected with this order there is a sort of centipede, an inch in length, with long hairlike legs, which seems to avoid the seacoast, but is common enough in houses up-country. It runs exceedingly fast; and if some of its legs be broken off they twitch for several seconds. This creature is greatly dreaded by the natives, who assert that if it as much as runs over a hand or foot, a line of irritating sores will rise up on the part. But in fact it has no teeth to bite with; and I have fingered it and crushed it on my skin, only to find it as innocuous as a house fly.

B. A.

The Theatre.

VAUDEVILLE AT THE THEATRE ROYAL

THE Morosini and Maryx entertainment is still going strong at the Theatre Royal, and a very fairly full house testified its approval of the programme on Saturday last.

General alterations had been made in the programme, but the main features were the same as on former occasions.

Mdlle. Maryx's rendering of Chopin's Polonaise was rightly received with enthusiasm. She has a delicate and sympathetic touch, and speaking personally we would have willingly sacrificed one or two of the minor turns to have heard her again.

Miss Beryl Mackay's song which was the same as she sang the previous week, drew some applause, but we must confess that her's is not a turn that very greatly appeals to us.

Mr. Bert Flatt was, if possible, better than ever in his really clever sketch of the Musical Burglar. He introduced several new imitations, and much new gag and the mythical friend who is responsible for most of the entertaining reminiscences had changed his name from Jones to Casey. As Casey, however, he was no less productive of whimsical situations.

This sketch of Mr. Flatt's is a long way better than anything of its kind that we remember to have seen in Calcutta for many a long day, but his subsequent appearance as a nigger in "Down South" is somewhat of a falling off. In fact, speaking generally, there seemed to us to be a good deal too much nigger minstrel business in the show altogether, and we fancy that the majority of the audience were inclined to agree with us.

If we might venture to make a suggestion, in view of possible alterations in the programme, it would be, more Maryx, more Bert Flatt, and especially more Morosini Mdlle. Morosini is an exceptionally clever serio comic artiste and the enthusiastic reception accorded to her songs "Restez la," and "I really couldn't quite say no," was ample evidence that it would be sound policy to introduce her name on the programme with greater frequency. A little bird whispers to us that she dances as well as she sings: we hope that we shall be given a chance before long of satisfying ourselves that this is so.

Chess.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM XXXIII.

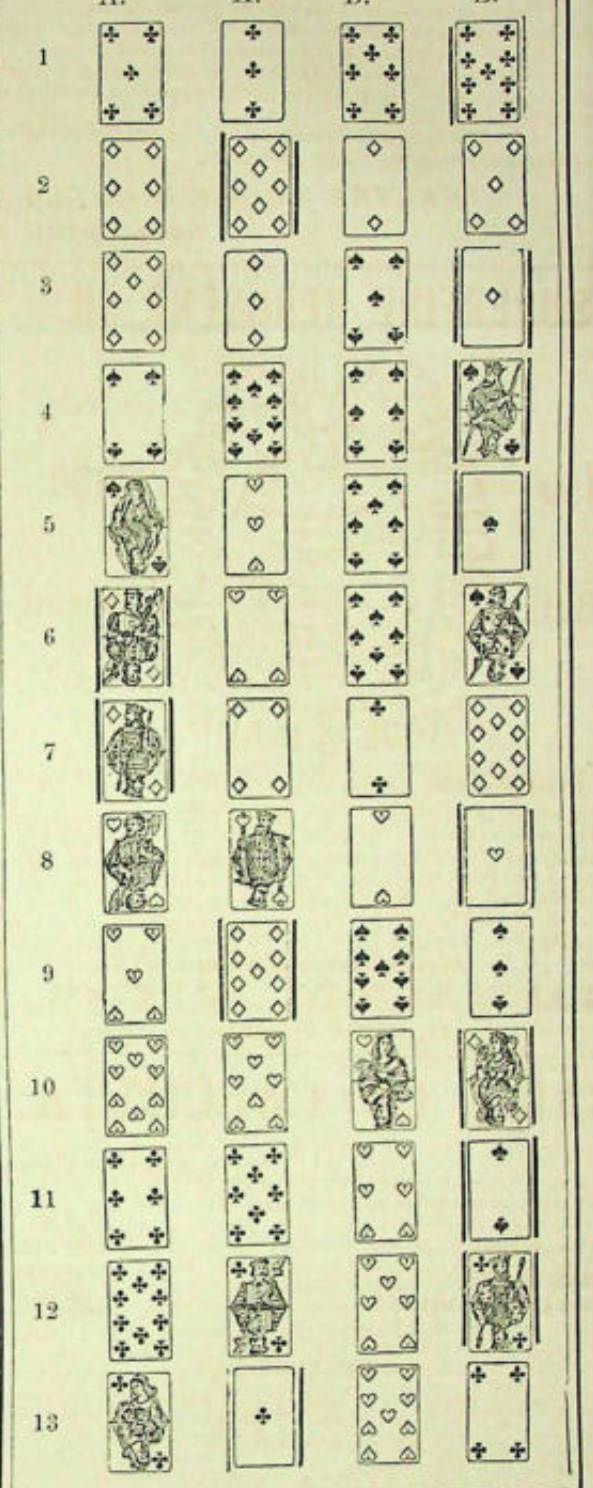
White.	Black.
1 Q to B 2	1 K to K 3, or (*a*)
2 Q to B 5, ch	2 K moves
3 Q mates.	
(*a*) 1	1 K to Q 4 or 5, or (*b*)
2 Q to B 4	2 K moves
3 P mates.	
(*b*) 1	1 P moves
2 Q to B 7, ch	2 K moves
3 B or B mates accordingly	

Cards.

WHIST HAND NO. 18.

A and B play against X and Z. A leads. The card with the double rim wins and the card below the rimmed card is the next one led.

Score love. Z turned up D Q.
Z's Hand.—S A, Kg, Kr, 3, 2; D A, Qn, 10, 5; C Kg 9, 4; H A.
Played at the Westminster Chess Club, 7th August 1869.



Notes.—10. The lead of the 8 of Hearts at first sight looks dangerous; but a moment's reflection will show that the play was sound. X. can count Z.'s hand. He knows that his cards are Q of D, S 2, and either two Clubs or the Q of H, and if he has not the Q of H, then he has two Clubs, one of which is Kg or Q. If he has not the Q of H he has two Clubs, and whatever is led he must get 5 by cards. It is true he would have got 5 by cards by leading the small Club, but then his partner might have had the Q instead of the Kg. The remainder of the hand is rather lucky than good.

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ANOTHER MAN'S HORSES.

HOW best to dispose of horses and ponies when going home on leave is a question that confronts most of us from time to time during our sojourn in the Land of Regrets, and is perhaps the difficulty that looms largest when time is short and our departure cannot be postponed. Few of us contract an affection for the inanimate household gods of the bungalow, chummery or boarding house which causes pangs in parting from them, and our sole feeling in that regard is a careless curiosity concerning the price they are likely to fetch at the hands of the auctioneer or bazaar dealer who is the medium of their disposal. For any dog of reputable conduct it is always easy to find a temporary home, and other of the pets which some of us gather in the compound and verandahs are generally acceptable to friends as guests or as gifts: the difficulty usually begins and ends with the stable and whether to sell outright, lend, or "make a *bundabast*" with a friend to keep the animals.

Most of us have been in the position of possessing horses or ponies for which we know there are men only waiting to give us our price when orders for home shall oblige us to part temporarily or otherwise: but as a matter of course the horse or pony which is most readily saleable is the one we are least anxious to sell; the one for which we most desire to find a good home for the months of our absence with the certainty of meeting him again. There is often an animal for which we have no very special regard, which does his work in saddle or shafts tolerably and which only retains his place in the stable because we know he would go "for a song" if we proposed to get rid of him. The quadruped of that kind gives little concern when we are homeward bound, and we are glad enough to let him go for pretty much the figure the buyer thinks fit to put on him. He is not the animal Brown, Jones or Robinson would regard it as a compliment to be asked to keep: he is hardly worth paying a *syce's tullub* to use, and the most obliging of our friends eye him—and us—askance if we venture to suggest they might like to have him during our absence.

There are few stations in India which do not include in their population a man or two who is glad to keep a useful hack or polo pony for the homeward bound neighbour and who, moreover, is at least a good enough horse-master to be depended on: and probably the most satisfactory way of meeting the emergency is to find the quad a home in such a stable. To sell in haste is not unseldom to repent at leisure after leave is spent and we come out again: but with some experience in these matters we are come to the conclusion that if we resolve to sell at all it is preferable to let the animals go at a price below their value than to leave them with a friend with instructions to do the best he can in our interest: it is an unsatisfactory method to ourselves and, in our judgment, hardly fair to the friend. If we put a limit of price on the horse, he cannot feel justified in parting with it for less; and the men are few who care to take over another's cattle without any indication as to the price required and sell them at a figure that seems good to them. We are always prone to set a higher value on our property than others see their way to give it, and to leave a man's horses with "a free hand" as to their disposal, while it sounds flattering, is a fruitful source of misunderstanding.

Nor are we greatly in love with the system sometimes adopted of leaving horses with a friend and sharing the expense of keep during absence: or perhaps it were better to say, of taking over his horses from the homeward bound friend and accepting from him part of the cost of maintenance during his absence. To take over a horse on racing terms is a different thing altogether: we are now contemplating the responsibility which attaches to the hack, pigsticker, polo pony or trapper: and to divide the cost of maintenance, to some degree ties the hands of the man who has the horses in his stable. The responsibility, we grant, is not great; we live so much nearer our animals in this country than folks at home live near theirs, that every man is more or less a competent horsemaster after a year or two in India. The very architecture of the stable tempts constant visits and we pick up stable lore almost in spite of ourselves. Nevertheless we draw the line at division of expenses under such circumstances. It very generally implies taking over the *syces* with the horses, and a *syce* who has been allowed much of his own way with his *pucca sahib* does not willingly renounce his semi-independence in the service of the temporary master, who feels natural diffidence about treating the man as he would deal with an unsatisfactory servant of his own.

The owner who leaves his animals with a friend leaves them of course at his own risk; that is a point clearly understood on both sides; if there were any doubt on it, we should perhaps feel more qualms than we do about obliging the home-going acquaintance though as a measure of convenience to ourselves. But at the same time spare us the onus of stabling for eight months or a year the horse who has a "dickey" foreleg or is liable to some disorder of which only his owner fully knows how to steer clear. May we never again be "lauded" with such a horse as that, whose character personally unknown to us, we once took over from a friend leaving Calcutta for a few months. He acknowledged no *syce* but his own. Ignorant of the prejudices of that ill-conditioned country-bred, and confident in the good-will of our stable staff, we undertook charge of him, declining the proffered services of the *syces*. He was inveigled into a stall, but once there made it clear to all that in the stall he meant to stay, and there he did stay for four days until his own *syce*, who well knowing his charge's humours and wanting to retain his berth, appeared from the clouds, as it seemed. He was a good *syce* and he remained; and it needed no great perspicuity to understand that he had followed the horse and had merely been waiting in the background or the bazaar—until such time as the value of his services should be recognised.

Special Telegrams.

THE MANCHESTER CUP.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday*, 27*th May* 1904.

The Manchester Cup.—Of 3,000sovs. (200 sovs. in plate, the rest in specie), added to a handicap sweepstakes of 25sovs. each., 10 forfeit, winners (selling races excepted) after 5th May at noon, 3lbs., (selling races excepted) after 5th May at noon, 3lbs., twice or once of 400sovs., 7lbs., twice of 400sovs. or once of 1,000sovs., 10lbs. extra; second to receive 500sovs. and the third 100sovs; entrance 5sovs., the only forfeit if declared by Tuesday next. Cup Course, one mile and-a-half. (45 entries.)—Closed 5th January.

Mr W Goodchild's b m SCULLION, by St Florian—Cinder, 6yrs, 8st 11lb
Mr P P Gilpin's br c ROE O'NEIL, by Sweetheart—Troublesome, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs } dead heat.

Mr S G Baird Hay's br f PALMY DAYS, by Trenton—Pallanza, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs ... 3

Duke of Devonshire's b c CHEERS, by Persimmon—Applause II, 5yrs, 8st 5lbs ... 0

Sir J Miller's b f RONDEAU, by Bay Ronald—Doremi, 4yrs, 8st 3lbs 0

Mr G A Prentice's br c GENERAL CRONJE, by Gallinule—Moira, 4yrs, 7st 13lbs ... 0

Mr J Buchanan's br c KANO, by Trenton—Rabia, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs 0

Mr N G Higham's b c PRINCE ROYAL, by Royal Sovereign—Juno, 4yrs, 7st 9lbs 0

Mr T Corns's ch c RIGHTFUL, by Rightaway—Repletion, 5yrs, 7st 11lb ... 0

Mr L Brassey's br f BLACK FANCY, by Ladas—Black Duchess, 5yrs, 6st 9lbs ... 0

(Scullion trained by Sherrard and Roe O'Neil by Mr. Gilpin.)

Betting: 11 to 2 agst Roe O'Neil, 100 to 8 Scullion, 5 to 2 Rondeau, 11 to 2 General Cronje, 6 to 1 Palmy Days, 7 to 1 Kano, 100 to 8 Rightful.

Dead head for first place; Palmy Days ran an indifferent third. Owners divided.

Winners Since 1883.

1884	Florence 4y 7st 2lb (18)	1894	Shancrotha 6y 7st 12lb (16)
1885	Borneo 4y 7st 11b (15)		Red Ensign 4y 7st 7lb.
1886	Riversdale 3y 6st 11b (10)	1895	Florizel II 4y 8st 11b (11)
1887	Carlton 4y 8st 9lb (14)	1896	The Docker 5y 7st 6lb (10)
1888	Merry Andrew 3y 6st 11b (9)	1897	Piety 4y 7st 3lb (9)
1889	Cotillon 4y 8st 3lb (16)	1898	King Crow 4y 6st 10lb (10)
1890	L'Abbese de Jouarre 4y 8st 6lb (18)	1899	Herminius 5y 8st 13lb (7)
1891	Lily of Lumley 5y 7st (13)	1900	La Roche 3y 7st 9lb (12)
1892	Balmoral 4y 7st 6lb (14)	1901	Rambling Katie 4y 6st 3lb (12)
1893	Shancrotha 5y 7st 11b (14)	1902	Rambling Katie 5y 6st 11lb (15)
		1903	Zinfandel 3y 6st 12lb (11

PRIX DU JOCKEY CLUB (FRENCH DERBY).

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Monday*, 30*th May* 1904.

Prix du Jockey Club of £7,500 for 3 year olds. 9st. 2lbs. each. 1½ miles.

M. Edmond Blanc's b c AJAX, by Flying Fox—Ami, Stern 1

M. M. Caillault's br c MACDONALD II., by Bay Ronald—Myrtledyne, Spencer ... 2

M. R. DeMoubel's b c RATAPLAN, by Ermak—Regina, O'Conner 3

H. E. Deschamp's b c MADAPALAM, by Aquarium—Feverole 0

——ch c ISSOUDUN, by Flacon—Isabelle... 0

——ch c MOET, by Champaubert—Mijauree 0

M. Edmond Blanc's ch c FRENCH FOX, by Flying Fox—America 0

M. E. DeSaint Alary's ch c MONSIEUR CHARVET, by the Bard—Mademoiselle Chiffon 0

Comte Guard de Gannay's——DANTON—— 0

M. P. Aumont's b c PETRONE, by General Albert—Islande 0

H. B. Chaus' b c DEVIS, by Reminder—Dentelle 0

Betting: 9 to 4 on Ajax, 100 to 6 agst. Macdonald, 9 to 2 Rataplan.

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

THE DERBY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Wednesday*, 1*st June* 1904.

The Derby Stakes of 6,500sovs. by subscription of 50sovs. each, h. ft. or 5sovs. only if declared by the last Tuesday in March 1903, for entire colts and fillies, foaled in 1901; colts 9st., and fillies 8st. 9lbs.; the nominator of the winner to receive 500sovs. out of the race; if not sufficient surplus be obtained from subscriptions to give the second at least 400sovs. and the third at least 200sovs., the difference to be made up by the Race Fund; about one mile and a half.—272 subs. Closed 22nd July 1902.

Mr L de Rothschild's b c ST AMANT, by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule, K Cannon ... 1

Sir Tatton Sykes' b c JOHN O'GAUNT, by Isinglass—La Fleche, Mr Thursby ... 2

Mr S B Joel's b c ST DENIS, by St Simon—Brooch, Halsey 3

Mr F Alexander's br c ANDOVER, by Rightaway—Sister Lumley 4

Mr D J Pullinger's b c COXSWAIN, by Kilcock—Queen of Holland, Butchers ... 0

Mr J Musker's br c HENRY THE FIRST, by Melton—Simena, Madden 0

M E Blanc's ch c GOUVERNANT, by Flying Fox—Gouvernante, M Cannon ... 0

Mr J R Keene's b c LANCASHIRE, by Kingston—Calico, Wheatley ... 0

Betting: 5 to 1 agst. St. Amant, 4 to 1 John O'Gaunt, 50 to 1 St. Denis, 100 to 7 Andover, 2 to 1 Gouvernant, 4 to 1 Henry the First, 33 to 1 each Lancashire and Coxswain.

St. Amant went to the front at once, led throughout and won by three lengths; six lengths between second and third. The race was run in a thunderstorm.

PEDIGREE OF THE WINNER.
ST. AMANT (1901)

Lady Loverule (1888)				St. Frusquin (1893)			
Nellie (1879).		Muncaster (1877).		Isabel (1879).		St. Simon (1881).	
Hippia (1864)	Hermit (1864)	Windermere (1870)	Doncaster (1870).	Farma (1864)	Plebeian (1872)	St. Angela (1865)	Galopin (1872)
Dau. of the Star (1844)	King Tom (1851)	Seclusion (1857)	Normanby (1848)	Archeress (1855)	Parmesan (1857)	Queen Elizabeth (1859)	Jockin (1856)
			Mrs Agnes (1850)	Macaroni (1850)	Stockwell (1849)	Marigold (1860)	Adeline (1851)
							King Tom (1851)
							Vedette (1854)
							Flying Duchess (1853)
Evening Star (1839)	Kremlin (1850)	Pocahontas (1837)	Harkaway (1834)	Gruyere (1845)	Longbow (1849)	Tingle (1847)	Little Fairy (1841)
			Miss Sefton (1851)	Sweetmeat (1842)	Bay Rosalind (1849)	Autocrat (1853)	Peasant Girl (1846)
			Tadmor (1846)	Jocose (1843)	Teddington (1848)	Pocahontas (1837)	The Baron (1842)
			Beeswing (1838)	Birdcatcher (1833)	Sir. to Stuggerer (1851)	Sweetmeat (1842)	Touchstone (1831)
			Touchstone (1831)	Agnes (1841)			
							Mrs. Ridgway (1849)
							Flying Dutchman (1846)
							Merope (1841)
							Voltigeur (1847)
							Hagarene (1854)

Winners Since 1883.

Those marked (*) also won the Two Thousand; (†) The Oaks; and (‡) The St. Leger.

1884	St. Gatien / Harvester	...	15	2 46 1-5th	C. Wood / F. Loates
1885‡	Melton	...	12	2 44 1-5th	F. Archer
1886*†	Ormonde	...	9	2 45 3-5th	F. Archer
1887	Merry Hampton		11	2 43	J. Watts
1888*	Ayrshire	...	9	2 43	F. Barrett
1889‡	Donovan	...	13	2 44 2-5th	T. Loates
1890	Sainfoin	...	8	2 49 4-5th	J. Watts
1891*‡	Common	.	11	2 56 4-5th	G. Barrett
1892	Sir Hugo	...	18	2 44	Allsopp
1893*‡	Isinglass	...	11	2 43	T. Loates
1894*	Ladas	...	7	2 45 4 5th	J. Watts
1895‡	Sir Visto	...	15	2 43 2-5th	S. Loates
1896‡	Persimmon	...	11	2 42	J. Watts
1897*‡	Galtee More	...	11	2 44	C Wood
1898	Jeddah	...	13	2 47	O. Madden
1899*‡	Flying Fox	...	12	2 42 4-5th	M. Cannon
1900*‡	Diamond Jubilee		14	2 42	H. Jones
1901	Volodyovski	...	25	2 40 4-5th	L. Reiff
1902	Ard Patrick	...	18	2 42 1-5th	J. H. Martin
1903*‡	Rock Sand	...	7	2 42 4-5th	Maher

Sporting Notes.

THE first day's racing of the Quetta Spring Meeting (reported fully in our Turf columns) took place in perfect weather. There was an excellent attendance in both enclosures, and the racing was as good as any ever seen in Quetta, the fields in all the races, except one, being above the average and the finishes closely contested. The course was in excellent order and the starting gate ensured even starts. The Welsh Regiment was "At Home" and entertained everyone with great hospitality while it's band added to the pleasures of the spectators.

The second day's racing proved equally successful. Fields were not quite so large, but the finishes were close and exciting. The favourites in five out of seven races justified the support they received, and the bookmakers did not have matters all their own way.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes:—Paperchasing has been begun here since the recent excellent rainfall, the honorary secretaryship being in the hands of Captain Adams of the 28th Light Cavalry, as was the case last year. Two meets have already taken place, the first attracting only a score or so of riders, but at the second chase between forty and fifty people rode the course which was about 4½ miles in length and finished near the Lal Bagh Gardens. On both occasions the obstacles were natural, and consisted to a large extent of rather trappy nullahs, at one of which Mrs. Georges, the wife of Colonel Georges, commanding the 28th Light Cavalry, and one of our keenest and best lady riders, came down on the opening day. No damage, however, was done, either to the fair rider or her mount, and she was to the fore as usual at the second meet. Captain Adams was first home at the opening meet, and Lieutenant Graham of the same regiment, the 28th Light Cavalry, won the second chase. Paperchases have now been arranged to take place on every Tuesday up to the end of July.

A Lion has committed suicide by starving himself in a Hamburg dealer's zoo. He pined for a beautiful lioness, his cage mate, that had been sold, and refused to take any food. A lamb was placed in the cage, but the lion ignored it.

From particulars recently published it appears that an orang-outang will average seven years of age in captivity, and a gibbon nine years. The mongoose, lemur, galogo, and slow lives are down at eleven, ten, and seven years. A Himalayan bear has been known to live over 33 years, and an Indian rhinoceros over 47 years in confinement.

A turtle which is declared to be the biggest of its kind ever seen has been caught on the New Jersey coast. Its weight is 1,087 pounds. The length of its shell is 10ft. 3in., while its width is 6ft. 7in. A dozen men can stand on its back with comfort. On all parts of its shell barnacles have fastened themselves in big bunches, and seaweed was growing over the monster's body. The turtle is what is known as a rubberback, and is seldom found outside of tropical waters. In September the big fellow will, in all probability, be presented to the New York Aquarium by its owner. Fishermen say that the turtle is at least 700 years old.

The Mysore Government Stud Farm, having already got a first-class Australian sire in Courage, the Government have now purchased through Messrs. Madden and Company, of Madras, half a dozen good thoroughbred Australian fillies to mate with him, and these young mares will arrive in Madras in the course of July. It will be interesting to see the result. The blood on both sides will be unexceptional, but the question as to whether thoroughbred stock will thrive in India and on Indian food is a moot point with many people. Results, of course, cannot be known for some years, as the fillies will not be old enough to breed from for the present—they were all foaled in 1902. But the move is a sign of the times, and of the energetic administration of Colonel Godfrey Jones, I.S.C., who is the present officer in charge of the farm.

The Bangalore racing season has begun well. Particulars of the first extra day will be found elsewhere.

Last year, a curious disease, an epidemic in fact, carried off many hundreds, possibly thousands, of dogs in Burma; and several well-known sportsmen lost many valuable and well-trained dogs. The disease hitherto has been unknown in Burma. One sportsman who has a house in the jungle thirty miles from Rangoon had half a dozen big dogs that he himself trained to follow the gun and to track game: they fell ill, and died, all except one, within ten days or a fortnight, all of them apparently suffering from fever says a Burma paper.

We are glad to hear that the Umballa executive find funds good enough to allow of the carrying out of some important improvements on the course and stands. We should be rejoiced to see a really good meeting or two there, and have no doubt such would go almost all the way to bringing Umballa up to the standard of 1898.

The Simla Meeting, which was concluded last Saturday, was in every way most successful, and thoroughly deserved was the praise bestowed on the efforts of Captain Jones Mortimer and his Stewards. The course generally is much improved, and there can be no doubt, that under somewhat drier conditions than obtained last week, it would have shown to still greater advantage. The sloppy state of the ground was the cause of Naseri coming down with Captain Mathew Lannowe in the Maiden Plate on the second day, but it is pleasing to observe that neither horse nor rider were damaged. It goes without saying that the attendance was of the "large and fashionable" order, all Simla, including their Excellencies Lord Ampthill and Lord Kitchener, being present, while visitors from mofussil stations and even from distant Calcutta mustered in some strength.

The feature of the first two days' racing was the extreme prominence of the Patiala stable, which carried off more than half the events of the two first days, Hard steering the winner in all six races. The Kour Sahib had but a single win on the third day—the Simla Cup—which he won with Parlour Maid, who carried off the Elysium Plate on the first day and the Merchants' Plate on the second, thereby fully establishing her claim to be the heroine of the meeting.

We are glad to see that Mr. S. McCall was riding in good form, and that the broken collar bone, which our Mussoorie Correspondent gave him, may be "carried forward" for some future occasion, which, we trust, may be far distant. He rode Major Berryman's Canary to victory in the Club Plate, and was first past the post on the same owner's Quilt in the Annandale Plate, besides riding a couple of seconds; it was not quite the picnic provided for him at Dinapore, but it was good enough. Captains Lannowe and Holden rode placed horses, and Mr. Barrow (from Calcutta) rode the Kour Sahib's Cadet into second place in the Club Plate; Cadet was favourite for this race, but 12st. 10lbs. was too much of a crusher, especially in view of the rather heavy going. Full reports of the second and third days' racing appear in the usual place.

It is interesting to learn that forty-six tigers were destroyed in Perak last year, and that the Government paid $200 for the destruction of a man-eater which was known to have killed a Malay, two Chinese, and two Sikhs. That tiger had a tooth for variety obviously, but the mixed diet does not seem to have agreed with him.

First entries for the Mussoorie Summer Races will be found in the usual place in to-day's paper. We remind our readers that final entries close on the 6th instant.

Messrs. Lyon and Lyon, gun-makers, have now on view, in their Chowringhee showrooms, a really splendid specimen of a leopard skin, the property of Rajah A. N. Roy, of Kasimbazaar, in the Berhampore district. The Rajah was lucky enough to bag the animal in full winter coat; it is beautifully marked and measures over 8 feet. The curing and dressing are first-class and reflect no end of credit on Messrs. Lyon and Lyon, who have carried out a rather novel idea in mounting—the Rajah's own, by the way—the skin having been padded and mounted on teakwood an arrangement which displays its beauty to the fullest advantage.

We draw attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Thacker and Company, Limited, Bombay; the Tibet literature and the map should be of special interest to most of our readers at the present moment.

There is some talk of legal proceedings in connection with the recent order of the Bombay Police Commissioner whereby two firms of bookmakers were compelled to close their business premises. We are of opinion that the act is sound enough, and that our friends the bookies would not succeed in upsetting the order. Meanwhile Messrs. Harding and Beattie continue to do business as may be seen from their advertisements in this paper.

For the Beresford Polo Tournament the following teams have entered:—The Viceroy's Staff, 15th Hussars, 12th Royal Lancers, Bengal, the Patalia team, a scratch local team and Lord Kitchener's Staff. The Patiala team consists of Colonel Chanda Singh, Bakshi Pretum Singh, Sirdar Thakora Singh and Major P. Young. The redoutable Colonel Heera Singh, we understand, has decided to play no more.

The Tollygunge Club announces Gymkhanas for the 11th and 22nd July.

Who wants a young leopard? If any such there be, we invite their attention to an advertisement appearing among our casual notifications.

Visitors to the Calcutta Zoological Gardens will have a chance now of seeing some ducks which, we believe we are right in saying, have never yet been shown in any gardens or public collection up to the present time. These are four magnificent specimens of the White-winged Wood Duck, *Asarcarnis scutulata*, which have been received from Mr. E. C. Stuart Baker, who has sent them down from Dibrugarh. Outside Dibrugarh itself these ducks are extremely rare, but are to be found practically throughout the Province of Assam. In Dibrugarh, or Lakkimpore as the *district* is called, these birds are, though still very rare, more commonly met with than elsewhere, haunting pools, bheels and small streams in the heart of the dense forests, with which so much of the district is covered. Very little is on record concerning this duck, but what little there is may be found in Stuart Baker's Notes in his series of articles on "Ducks and their Allies" in the Bombay Natural History Society's Journal.

The birds in the gardens consist of two drakes and two ducks, and it will be very interesting to see whether they will breed or not. They are very tame, thrive well in confinement, and there is no reason why they should not do so. May we suggest to the Zoo authorities that suitable boxes be put up for them in convenient places.

Our London Correspondent wires that the celebrated race-horse Ormonde died last week in California. Ridden by Fred Archer, he won the Derby in 1886, being followed home by The Bard and St. Mirin. The same year he won the St. Leger with Archer up, and the Two Thousand, in which race he was ridden by G. Barrett. Ormonde was regarded by some of the best judges of his day as one of *the* horses of the century, and certain it is that he was a real good horse in an extraordinarily good year. Old racegoers at home will remember how he beat Minting and the others, and to analyse that form is to admit its excellence. Minting was, no doubt, a wonderful horse, and so was The Bard, and yet Ormonde beat both easily! And he was perhaps the best of our big treble event winners, not even excepting Gladiateur. He was trained by John Porter, the worthy master of Kingsclere, and if this trainer has no other claims to distinction, his connection with this horse secures for him a high place in his profession. Ormonde was sold by the Duke of Westminster to the American millionaire, Mr. Macdonough, for £31,280, was taken to Argentina, brought back and finally reshipped to California where he has just ended his days. It will be remembered that in 1887, the Jubilee year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, Ormonde figured in the celebration. His last race was for the Imperial Gold Cup at the Newmarket July Meeting, in which he started at the phenomenal odds of 100 to 3 on and won by a couple of lengths!

A book, which we learn, is shortly to be published by Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Company, is "Simla Past and Present," which has, by permission, been dedicated to Lord Curzon, and printed at the Govern-

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ment of India Central Press. The author, Mr. E. J. Buck, well known in journalistic circles in India, has, to some extent, based the book on articles on "Old Simla," which have already appeared in the columns of Indian papers: but quite half of the present volume is entirely new, and as a record of Simla it promises to be a valuable and lasting book of reference. Among other subjects the author deals with the origin and early history of Simla, the residences of the Viceroys and Commanders-in-Chief, and old houses and their owners; he traces the history of Annandale, the famous playground, and of the Amateur Dramatic Club, and has a highly interesting chapter on "Simla Society," as well as others on Native hill customs and traditions.

The book, besides possessing a map of the district, contains no less than fifty illustrations, many of which are reproductions from rare old Indian books, and indicate in a remarkable manner the recent growth and development of the summer seat of Government.

Now that "dog-fancying" has—as any Kennel Club catalogue will show—become a really fashionable pastime, the question of preparing dogs for show purposes by methods which are not recognised as legitimate has become one of widespread interest. That all sorts of tricks by which a dog's coat or its carriage is altered, and even its defects made to appear as "points," are regularly practised, has long been admitted; but though a few individual protests have been made, there has never been any thorough systematic attempt made to stamp out the abuse. An "open letter" to the Kennel Club which Mr. Vero Shaw, the Editor, publishes in the *Stockkeeper*, may have the effect of bringing some such serious movement into being. Mr. Shaw points out that while the club *officially* has been in the habit of initiating charges against exhibitors who are believed to be guilty of some trivial breach of the rules, such as showing an unregistered dog, there have been few, if any, cases of the Kennel Club having acted spontaneously in lodging objections against an owner for fraudulent practices, such as trimming or dyeing a dog's coat, cutting toe-nails back to the quick, or other forms of mutilation. He goes on to quote recent protests against such practices as staining the coats of Irish terriers and cutting their toe-nails back to such an extent as to cause pain; to the trimming which is known to be practised in the case of fox-terriers; and says that every member of the dog world—except, possibly, the Kennel Club authorities—knows "that coats are combed with a specially constructed metal comb to remove any superfluous growth of hair, that belladonna is applied to eyes, that coats are stained, that mouths are tampered with and that toe-nails are cut back." The position of many of the breeds in question would have been more favourable, Mr. Shaw contends, had the Kennel Club officially and collectively devoted as much attention to the question of trimming in the past as it has done to the subject of pedigrees, the registration of names, and the collection of fees.

The man "Bob" Sievier has lost his case against Sir James Duke, whereat all good sportmen will rejoice exceedingly, for there is not the slightest shadow of doubt that he is a rank blackguard and that his exposure was in every way necessary. "Onlooker" refers to the case in his letter this week: we give below some details of the later stages of the case. The plaintiff was put through a rare, searching cross-examination by the relentless Mr. Lawson Walton. In reference to the Monte Carlo incidents, Sievier said that he did not know Plowman, to whom an uncashed cheque for £500 was paid. He brought an action respecting it, and that the defence was that the cheque was obtained by the plaintiff and his wife from Horn when he was incapably drunk. Respecting his winnings from the Duke of Braganza, plaintiff was closely questioned as to one of the players, named Burns. A friend of the Duke's said that there were rumours that Burns was a card-sharper. He (plaintiff) had never heard that Burns was expelled from France for being mixed up with Turf frauds. He did not know he was the brother of the man who was undergoing imprisonment for burglary at Pierpont Morgan's house. He married Lady Mabel Bruce in September 1902. He was an undischarged bankrupt at the time and his wife knew it.

In the course of two years and-a-half every shilling of her money was lost? It was longer than that—three or four years.

Did you use some of it to start a betting business called Punch and Company—I did not.

Was such a business started?—I believe so.

In Bennett Street, St. James's?—Yes.

Were you not connected with that business? My cousin "Punch" Sievier was there and that took me to the office. I have betted there and later on I have betted for them.

The cross-examination was continued. His cousin borrowed £5,000 from Lady Mabel. She did not know with what object his cousin took offices in King's Row, Brighton. He advised them being taken. Ultimately it was arranged that he should draw cheques on the banking account for this business under the name of Sawyer, Punch and Company. He owed a man, named Nunn, £925. He (witness) got a promissory note from Lady Mabel for the amount.

The note was not paid and an action was brought?—Yes.

And you pleaded the Gaming Act?—We did.

Questioned as to Toddington Park, Bedfordshire, where he lived the life of a country gentleman, he said the rent was guaranteed by a lady whose name he would write down.

To Justice Grantham: He was not living there alone. Lady Mabel was not there. They were separated.

Plaintiff admitted being fined for assault on the proprietor of Scott's in Haymarket. He was also charged with assault at the Freemasons' tavern, and an assault at the Surbiton Club. Plaintiff was taken to the departure of a body of Volunteers from Dunstable to the South African War and the farewell dinner, at which he took the chair.

Did you not promise at that dinner to insure the life of every man who went out for £100 and pay money in case he was killed?—I believe I did, but it was an after-dinner speech, so don't ask me too much about it.

When the men came home he was not at the dinner of welcome, but he wrote what the Judge later called a letter full of flattery and flummery, and later on the town clerk wrote, reminding him of his promise, and saying claims had come in. He replied that the insurance companies had decided to only pay on the lives of men actually killed, or who had died of wounds. These particular men did not claim.

Mr. Walton: In what Company did you insure them?—I do not know; my Secretary would do it.

Did you insure them at all?—I left it to my Secretary.

Where is he?—Dead. (Laughter.)

The Judge: This is the most serious charge which has been made against you. Cannot you tell us what is the name of the insurance office?—No, my Lord, I cannot. I have a great many details to remember in this case. If Your Lordship will give intimation that you think this money is due, I will pay it myself to-day.

The Judge, with an unmistakeable gesture, turned to his papers and said no more.

In course of re-examination of Tuesday plaintiff said he had been on the whole a considerable loser by card-playing. He lost £6,000 last autumn at Liverpool to two members of the Raleigh Club.

For the defence, Mr. Walton, in a scornful speech, said they could only stand amazed at the unblushing effrontery of the plaintiff in going into the box and exposing himself to the ordeal of cross-examination. Regarding the Volunteers' insurance affair, Mr. Walton said that there was a ring of mockery about it that made one recoil with a feeling of disgust at the meanness and depravity of human nature.

Defendant in his evidence said he did not style the plaintiff a thief or a murderer, or make any allusion to Sceptre. Major Sellar accused him of having said "Sievier pulled Sceptre in the Derby."

What did you reply?—I said, howeve big a blackguard he was, I had always held the opinion that he would have given his ears to have won the Derby, and so have his name enrolled amongst honourable men.

Among the witnesses for the defence was Chief Inspector Drew, who said it was his duty to know the character and reputation of men frequenting West-end. There was a class of known men on the market who were under special observation. He had known Sievier since 1893 and his reputation was bad.

Sievier's Counsel, Mr. Banker, made an impassioned appeal to the jury not to send his client forth to the world convicted of the odious charges against him with the brand of Cain upon his brow.

The Judge summed up dead against Sievier. "His Counsel," said Justice Grantham, "has said that you ought to give him the verdict, if for no other reason for the sake of those who stand or fall by his success or failure. Whom do they include? The Australian wife who has divorced him. The young lady in this country to whom he was engaged for five years, and whom he jilted to marry Lady Mabel. Sievier or Lady Mabel herself, the whole of whose fortune had been dissipated during the few years of marriage, and who is now separated from him. Do you think she is sufficiently interested in him to care what our verdict is? Or does the learned counsel refer to the lady under whose protection the plaintiff lived in one of the shires?"

The jury, after an interval of about 15 minutes, found for the defendant, assessing damages, in case the plaintiff were technically entitled, to a verdict at a farthing.

A statement was afterwards made by Counsel on behalf of Major Sellar, to the effect that, had he known a tenth of what had transpired in the case, he would never have given the evidence he did, but would have withdrawn from Sievier's society.

The Press expresses surprise that Sievier should have brought an action, and applauds the verdict, but the *Westminster Gazette* finds fault with Judge Grantham's summing up and protests against the police giving evidence of suspicion in a civil case.

A very fine head of an ancient Irish elk was recently found in a bog in County Limerick. The horns, which were in an excellent state of preservation, measured 9 feet 8 inches from tip to tip, 22 inches across the palmes, and 10¾ inches round the beam above the brow antlers.

A Meeting of the Committee of the Nilgiri Game Association was held on the 24th ultimo, at the Collector's Office, Ootacamund. The Collector presided and there were also present Sir F. Price, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Colin Mackenzie, Mr. Pascoe, Captain Beadnell, Major Bagnall and Mr. Jackson, the Forest Officer, and Secretary of the Association.

Mr. Farr, an expert in fish culture from Ceylon, was also present and gave a short account of the experiences of the Ceylon Association in breeding trout. He told the members present that in 1899 the Association placed fry of the *Salmo irridens* or rainbow trout in their streams and that these fish in one year weighed up to ½lb. and that now they were up to 4lbs. One stream in which they had turned 200 fry had already had 500 taken out of it to stock other places. The *Salmo irridens* itself bred in one year and after two years the native born fish were breeding. There is now every reason for believing that the Association will be able to stock all the suitable streams in Ceylon. Very much more extended operations for hatching the fish are to be undertaken and the Ceylon Government are to be applied to for material help in obtaining the services of an expert. The Association then hope to be able to supply not only Ceylon but the whole of the hill stations in India and Burma. An idea of the progress made by the Ceylon trout could be obtained from the fact that the Association there could charge its members Rs. 50 a year for fishing, Rs. 15 a week, and Rs. 5 a day, while outsiders were made to pay about six times as much. They are able to do practically as they like in this matter as the streams are entirely in their own hands, being leased from Government. In the Nilgiris, however, this is very different, everything being under Government, and the local Association is unlikely to obtain any concessions until many years have passed and a vast amount of correspondence has been written. The principal food of the rainbow trout is the freshwater crab. The fish grow to a very large size, but a peculiarity is that as soon as they are full grown they disappear. They seem to take to the habits of salmon and go down to the sea.

The Committee has decided to ask Government for help and to pay half the expense of the expert the Ceylon Association is getting out, so that it may have the benefit of his experience in the Nilgiris. After August Major Bagnall is retiring from the service and has promised to go home and visit all the principal places where trout are bred and to learn all he can about fish culture. He then intends to return to the Nilgiris and will use his knowledge to help the Nilgiri Association in their breeding.

The only other matter of importance before the Meeting was a statement by Mr. Pascoe that the Game Laws were very badly enforced on these hills. He had seen three Tamils with guns and dogs himself a very short time ago carrying hares that they had killed.

The first edition of "The Indian Field Shikar Book" was exhausted in less than five weeks; the second impression is just ready and may be had of all book-sellers and at the office of this paper.

Athletic Notes.

WE remind our golfing readers that the Calcutta G. C. Bogey Competition runs on to the 30th instant.

Among the results of important cricket matches at home last week are the following:—Middlesex beat Somerset by an innings and 119 runs. Notts beat Surrey by nine wickets. Leicester beat London County by 106. The following matches were drawn:—Lancashire *vs.* Yorkshire, Essex *vs.* Kent, Sussex *vs.* Gloucestershire, Hampshire *vs.* Derbyshire, Warwickshire *vs.* Worcestershire.

At the annual track games of Yale and Princeton Universities on the 7th ultimo, McLanahan, of Yale,

created a world's record in the pole vaulting event. He cleared 12 feet.

[The previous best performance was 11 feet 10½ inches by R. C. Clapp, New York A. C., at Chicago, 18th June 1898. The best performance in England is R. D. Dickenson's 11 feet 9 inches at Windermere in September 1891.]

Our Bangalore Correspondent writes:—The Essex Regiment held a boxing tournament here on the 26th and 27th instant, which was interesting enough, and although in the majority of bouts not much science was shown, the most unscientific fight of the evening was an improvement on the "fizzles" that have lately taken place in so-called professional fights for which heavy entrance fees are charged. However Bangalore has so far escaped being victimised in this manner, so that that is really "another story." There were competitions for novices amongst feather, light, middle and heavy weights, and the only fighter that showed class enough to be worthy of mention in these events is Private Capper, who in beating Private Gibbs in the final for the feather-weights, showed a good deal of cleverness. With more teaching he should make a good little man, for he is very hard and wiry.

There was also an open competition for feather-weights, besides three exhibition contests and two exhibition spars. The first of these events ended somewhat disappointingly. Privates McGilligan and Corless boxed keenly and evenly in the opening round of the final, and the latter seemed to be having all the best of it in the second round, when he suddenly held up his hand and gave the fight to his opponent. The exhibition contests produced three good bouts, Capper being again prominent when he boxed Barber. He fairly outlasted his opponent, getting the upper hand in the second round and knocking Barber out before the third had been long in progress. In the next bout Private Chivers and Lance-Corporal Prior fought fast and furiously through two rounds when Prior was badly punished on the ropes, and threw up the sponge. Two three-round exhibition spars brought the tournament to a close, the first being between two feather-weights, Privates Knowles and French, and the other between Sergeant Taylor of the Essex Regiment, and Gunner Chapman, R. H. A., who has just returned from Poona after winning the light-weight championship of India. In the first of these two Knowles was the better man, although his tactics were principally of the rushing order, but there was little to choose in the second spar, both men being very clever. Taylor had a longer reach, but Chapman was always with him, and the display was most interesting. Major Hamilton of the Carabiniers acted as referee throughout.

Scene, hotel in Paris.—American accosts Englishman:

"Say, stranger, dew yew speak American?"

Englishman: "No. I don't speak American, but I understand it."

The Calcutta committee of the St. John's Ambulance Association are energetically endeavouring to push the Association in this city. They have formed several classes this hot weather, including one for the Calcutta European police which is now in progress. The committee propose offering bronze medals for competing teams in ambulance work, also for individual members who distinguish themselves in the examinations. Further, they intend next year to offer a trophy for a competition open to Volunteer corps throughout India. The annual competition for railway ambulance teams will again be held next year, it will be remembered that the first competition was held at Jubbulpore in April last. The committee have in view a proposal to form ambulance brigades whose duties would run very much on the lines of those existing at home.

Thus Mr. Maclaren in the course of a String of cricket "Don'ts."

Don't tell your fellows that the lefthander is making the ball turn a yard, and the ball that has sent you back would have beaten W. G. at his best: it is very disquieting to those who follow you in due order, unless you are given to talk a lot of nonsense.

When it is a near thing for time and you have no chance of winning, don't walk slowly to the wicket in the hope of preventing just that over which your opponents ought just to get in, but be ready to leave the dressing-room the moment a wicket falls.

When you are a taile-nder, with a good man as your partner, and runs are badly wanted, don't smite blindly as if you were the man to make up the deficit, when keeping your end up for your partner to do the scoring is the game.

Should the umpire give you out l.-b.-w., don't tell him the ball broke a yard and that he had better study the rules of the game; he will not forget you, and no one will blame him when he gives you out a second time, even if you were not out.

On taking the field with your men, don't expect every member of the side to be anticipating a practice catch from you, as you will probably hit your best bowler behind the ear; also when you have caught a man out, don't express your joy by trying to hit the sky with the ball, for I have seen it, before now, land on a person's head.

When you have missed a catch, and the sun may have bothered you, don't point at Old Sol for every one to thoroughly understand the reason why you have missed it.

When you are going for a catch, and your captain calls out some other player's name, don't continue your struggles or end your performance with knocking the other man head over heels, causing him to drop the ball.

When you have misfielded a hot drive, the ball going for four, don't look at the ground for five minutes, even though the ball did jump when you put your hands down.

When put on to bowl against the wind, don't say you are on at the wrong end.

When a really good field misses a chance off your bowling that you wouldn't have touched, don't wring your hands and ask the team how they are to expect you to take wickets.

Don't run your own quicker than your partner's runs, and don't think about your average at any part of the game.

Don't be annoyed if a man comes and stands silly point to you, and don't try to knock him over, or you are sure to be caught out somewhere on the off-side when the ruse will have succeeded.

Messrs. Rose and Company, the well-known publishers and importers of music, whose name is a household word in musical circles in Bombay, have, with their customary courtesy, sent us a copy of their latest publication—a pretty little ballad, the words of which, by "J. A. N.," have been set to tuneful music by Arthur Sullivan. The quaint and charming lines, which appeared originally in the *Pioneer*, are as melodious as their setting, from which they lose nothing save their title, which, we venture to think, might, with advantage, have been left as "*The Ricksha and the Dandi*" instead of going forth to the world under the somewhat prosaic cognomen *The Proposal*.

The song is uniform in appearance with "The Long Long Indian Day," "Babu Bungsho Jabberjee," "Lumsden's Horse" and others of the same series, and is got up in Messrs. Rose and Company's usual faultless style. The music, compass A to D, without being either pretentious or difficult, is sweet and tuneful, the refrain prettily catching, and, combined with the delicate and idyll-like effect of the little love-story, will no doubt make this addition to the list of Indian drawing-room ditties deservedly popular.

London Week by Week.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 13th May* 1904.

EVENTS are moving fast in the East. Yesterday it was stated that the Japanese had retired from the railway which they had destroyed in pursuance of their endeavours to isolate Port Arthur, and that hasty repairs have enabled the Russians to run a train through with ammunition and stores. The statement is contradicted to-day, as everyone anticipated it would be.

But you are as well posted in the events of the war as we are, better probably because information from Petersburg and Paris is, no doubt, carefully sifted before Reuter passes it on. I fancy that with the general gratification in the triumphs of Japan is growing up a feeling of disappointment or chagrin over the helplessness—as it seems—of the Russians to stay the tide of battle. I don't mean that sympathy is veering round in favour of the Russ: but now we see the Bear, who for generations has been the champion bogie man, bug-bear, war cloud—what you will—of British statesmen, turn tail and run before the little Jap, we are inclined to look at one another and ask is *this* the Bear we have held in such respectful awe? Is this the animal we have been playing so delicately and with so careful a hand? The feeling is like that of a schoolboy who has been horribly frightened by a ghost which turns out to be his little brother masquerading in a sheet.

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There be those who see cause of uneasiness in the success which now seems inevitable to Japan. Oust Russia from the icefree port of her desire in the East, say these, and ere long we shall find her seeking compensation for loss of Port Arthur, Dalny and Vladivostock in the Persian Gulf. Per-

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sonally I venture to doubt it. If the Bear has any stomach for expansion of territory in the face of British, or other interests when she has done with the Jap, I for one shall be surprised: he will have to recover a great deal of lost prestige before he can venture upon the policy of bounce again. The late Ameer, Abdul Rahman, seems to have been one of the few men who really understood the art of bear management. I wonder what he would have said about the business on the Yalu and on the Liaotung Peninsula had he been alive to-day. Russia, by the way, is reported to have floated the much-needed loan, officially stated to be 300 million roubles, in France. Last week the *Illustrated London News* gave us a picture entitled "One Hundred Millions in Gold at a glance," or something like that—a photograph of the Czar's strong room with many bags in the foreground: the bags struck me as being a trifle misty, but I put their vagueness of outline and form down to defective photography. Now one is inclined to attribute their mistiness to something nearer a First Cause than a mere photographer. For why in the name of political economy borrow vast sums at five per cent. if there is a hundred millions sterling in gold lying to hand in the Treasury? Those submarines at Port Arthur and those millions in gold seem to belong to Shadowland.

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Referring to the collapse of the "Congo Case," in my notes published in your issue of 21st April, I remarked that the whole affair was unfortunate, Captain Burrows' total failure to prove his case tending to whitewash the Congo State officials in the eyes of superficial critics. A summary of the judgment delivered by the Belgian Court of Appeal at Boma in the cases of Mons Caudron and Mr. Silvanus Jones has been polished, and the summary shows that had Captain Burrows put the saddle on the right horse, his case would have worn a very different complexion. Caudron, Chief Commercial Commissioner of the Société Anversoic du Commerce au Congo was convicted of directing five of his men to fire on natives because they had failed to furnish labour, and of conducting an armed expedition into specified districts and firing on the inhabitants thereby causing the death of a large number of natives." Caudron's sentence of twenty years was reduced by the Court to fifteen on the ground of "extenuating circumstances." Jones, convicted of ordering his men to fire on natives who had failed to bring in sufficient rubber whereby at least one woman was killed, had his sentence of ten years confirmed. Jones' offence strikes one as particularly monstrous, inasmuch as he was paid in ratio with the quantity of rubber he collected.

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Worst, however, viewing the affair from the broad standpoint, are the facts blinked by those "extenuating circumstances." Caudron declared in his defence that the political reports sent by the local superior authorities of the region to the Local Government, would show that he, Caudron, had known and approved his "Expeditions:" and demanded that these reports should be put in evidence. The presiding judge made enquiries of the Local Government, and the Local Government "declared in principle that it did not think it possible to disclose these documents and that more the said documents contained nothing that could refer to the facts mentioned by the accused." The Court of Appeal did not press for their production on the ground that if the documents did confirm Caudron's statement they would not justify his actions, though they would furnish "extenuating circumstances." Ugly for the Congo State authorities, is it not?

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The fulminations of the teetotal party against the Licensing Bill find feeble echo from the streets. The British workman—or idleman met in his half dozens at the foot of the Nelson Column on Saturday afternoon to hear speeches and pass resolutions in condemnation of a measure which protects a trade which is responsible for all the crime and most of the follies of the nation. The proceedings were of a lukewarm character and what crowd there was soon melted away to get a drink.

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Sir Henry Stanley's death early on Tuesday morning took nobody by surprise. If his career leaves something to desire when examined in detail, more particularly in connection with his Emin Pasha expedition, this is not the time to recall blots. Reviewed as a whole his life was a big and stirring one which has made a lasting mark. He was the last of the Great African explorers in the exact sense of the word: subsequent travellers have done splendid and probably more valuable if less brilliant work: but to the pioneer always the palm. There is little scope for explorers of the grand type now: Sven Hedin has done for unknown Asia what Livingstone and his successors did for Africa, and future generations will not know what exploration means. Stanley expressed a wish that he might be buried near Livingstone, in Westminster Abbey. The funeral service will take place in the Abbey on Tuesday, but no announcement concerning the question of burial has yet been made: sepulture at Westminster is an honour not to be accorded without consideration.

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One of the sensation of the week has been the arrest of Mr. Ernest Tirah Hooley for fraud: with him at Bow Street appeared Mr. Henry John Lowson whose name has been less before the public. Hooley, described as of "no ocupation" and Lawson were charged with conspiring to defraud a man named Payne, a Westminster publican. It is alleged that some thousands of pounds were obtained from Payne as investments in mining companies and others, at least one of which is said to have no existence. The defendants stand remanded on bail to the tune of £6,000 each.

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Wednesday brought the end of the Sievier-Duke slander case which has furnished the clubs with an inexhaustable topic of conversation for days past. Everyone knew that it was coming on, of course, and the general feeling was one of surprise that the plaintiff should have had the courage to take Sir James Duke into Court. Those who happened to be present on Wednesday afternoon say that they never heard a more remorseless summing up than that of Mr. Justice Grantham, and you may find significant confirmation of this view in the question the judge put to the jury when they gave their verdict for Sir James Duke: "Supposing it were found that a technical verdict must be returned for the plaintiff at what sum would you assess the damages?" Whereto the foreman replied that the contemptuous farthing would meet the case. Judgment, however, was entered for the defendant, the only doubt being whether remarks made in a Club by a member of its committee, claiming freedom of speech as such, were "privileged:" and one can hardly challenge the view of the jury that such remarks on the character of a visitor are privileged. The revelations in Court go far to show how far impudence and a thick skin will carry the owner. Sievier actually got himself presented to the late Queen: the presentation was promptly cancelled when something about his antecedents became known, but presentation at Queen Victoria's Court when allowed to stand for nearly a year covers no end of sins: bankruptcy piled on bankruptcy, shady cardplay and deception of women for instance. Everybody knew the identity of the defunct "Punch" who ran a little betting office in Bennett Street, but I suppose that was not very severely regarded by people who knew nothing of Sievier's colonial career.

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The man who gets most sympathy is Major Sellar, of the 4th Dragoon Guards, who lost £3,000 to Sievier and was by him pursued into the Raleigh Club where the remarks that gave rise to all the pother were made by Sir James Duke. Major Sellar's acquaintance with the man seems to have been of the "outside" sort familiar to most of us, and when Sievier brought his action, Major Sellar was too straight a man to refuse to appear for the plaintiff. The generosity of his attitude was misunderstood by the judge who, however, made full amends at the close of the case after Mr. Ricketts stated that had Major Sellar known one-tenth part of what he had learned from Sievier himself in the witness-box, he would never have given evidence and would have withdrawn. The moral of the whole scandal for most people dragged into it is "Be careful who you call friends."

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There have been no new plays this week: wherefore wandered I into Daly's to enjoy Mr. Huntley Wright in the "Cingalee" again. I am fain to confess that the "Cingalee" does not wear so well as either of its predecessors, "San Toy" or the "Country Girl." Malapropism within bounds is amusing, but no ingenuity can maintain malapropism for a whole evening on "unexpected" lines: given a something to be said and after a while you can lay odds on the sort of blunder the Baboo will make. It is only the feeling of the old Anglo-Indian of course, but as I am writing for Anglo-India I don't mind saying that there is a feature of the play which does not please when one looks on dispassionately for the second time. One dislikes the spectacle of a Baboo pawing and caressing an English girl: the average playgoer does not see anything amiss in it, but it sets the Anglo-Indian's teeth on edge.

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The Palace people did a smart piece of work this week. The "Eliminating trials" for the Gordon-Bennett motor race have, as you no doubt know, been conducted this week in the Isle of Man. On Wednesday the Palace executive obtained special biograph films of the races and had them on view in London the same evening. By the way, I see that Mr. John Hargreaves, Master of the Blackmore Vale Hounds, whose portrait and biography were given in *Baily's Magazine* a few months ago, is one of the successful competitors in these eliminating trials, and will be one of the representatives of England in the race itself.

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Mrs. Alfred Lyttelton, wife of the Secretary for the Colonies, has written a play "dealing with London Society," and called *Warp and Woof*. It has been played at Hull and is to be produced at the Camden Theatre on 6th June by Mrs. Patrick Campbell. The Moody Manners English Opera season opens at Drury Lane on 21st with a curious innovation. Before the opera begins (7-45) a lecture will be given on the plot! The plan is a curious reflection on British disinclination to read anything: but surely anyone who will so far rearrange his day as to be in his seat at Drury Lane by 7-15 will rather be at the slender trouble of reading Faust, if abyssmal ignorance doesn't know the story. I admire the firm presence of mind of the sergeant of police at the Proctor's Theatre, New York, when a fire broke out there on 7th May. Having marched his men into the house, he waited till the manager had announced the outbreak and "on his own" shouted that the first person who should start a rush would be "clubbed into insensibility." The audience apparently preferred the remote chance of burning to the certainty of "clubbing" and walked out quietly within six minutes. The chief attraction at the Alhambra on Monday night was Mr. P. F. Warner's Australian team (among the audience): on Tuesday the eleven were present at an invitation performance at the Palace. At the Hippodrome the latest addition to the programme is Mdlle. Nadya: she is a "medium" thrown into the hypnotic state, she being blindfolded will play any piece set before her on the piano at the "suggestion" of her manager. It is long since an hypnotic seance caught on in London, and it will be interesting to see how the public appreciates this one. The Italian Exhibition was opened at Earl's Court on Wednesday, and the public rushed at it with gratifying unanimity, given plenty of bands, coloured lights and et ceteras, and any Earl's Court Exhibition will draw in fine weather.

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Various Items: A curious case of death was investigated by the Hammersmith Coroner on Saturday. A woman died at the West London Hospital two days after undergoing a serious operation which involved the opening of the abdominal cavity: post mortem revealed that a pair of forceps had been left inside the unfortunate patient's body when the operation was finished. It was one of eight or ten pairs the surgeons used and was accidentally overlooked. The walls of Gloucester House are covered with the auctioneers' bills: the contents of the late Duke's come under the hammer on the 2nd June. The Lords' Committee have approved the removal of King's College Hospital to the selected site at Camberwell.

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The *Tailor and Cutter* is a journal which finds no place on the club table I am sorry to say. It is a pity because a philosophical being like myself enjoys looking out on the world through new glasses, and the *Tailor and Cutter* takes a view peculiarly its own. I always appreciate its remarks on the painted clothes in Academy pictures and wonder when Sargent or Orchardson or Herkomer will be moved to call in a polite man from Poole's or Morgan's to help them in putting the clothes on their sitters. Look at Mr. Von Herkomer's picture of Mr. Chamberlain. On the right sleeve of the coat there is a suggestion of a deep cuff, but on the left none: the collar is too heavy and the lapel is bumpy. Mr. Chamberlain's trousers look as if they were made of inferior material worn so long that it had changed colour. Mr. Goscombe John, A.R.A., as depicted by Mr. Arthur Hacker, A.R.A., wears a coat which is a smudge of black and has no buttons. These are also missing from the vest, which overlaps one way at the top and another at the bottom. Sir William Emerson's coat, for which Mr. Shannon is responsible, has among many other faults no collar on the right side and the outside edge to the lapel is "like a dog's hind leg." But the severest criticisms are reserved for Mr. Seymour Lucas, R.A. In his portrait of Sir John Neilson Cuthbertson the leg-coverings (he refuses altogether to call them trousers) fill the critic with despair: from the tailor's point of view he has seen nothing so bad.

ONLOOKER.

Sir Pompey Brown: "Your mother seemed very much amused at that little story I told her last night about my dog cashie."

Dolly: "Yes; mother has laughed at that story ever since I can remember!"

Review.

WILD SHEEP AND BEAR IN KAMCHATKA.

PRINCE Demidoff's last book describes an expedition made, with his wife and Mr. Littledale to Kamchatka, (which spelling he informs us correctly represents the name of the peninsula). The attractions were *ovis nivicola*, caribou and bear; and in a minor degree the salmon fishing of which he had heard marvellous accounts. Kamchatka is not the easiest place in the world to reach, as it appears that two steamers only leave Vladivostok annually for Petropaulovsk, the port which is of necessity the sportsman's starting point. Though very little is known about the country Prince Demidoff succeeded in obtaining some useful information at St Petersburg: Professor Sliounine, who has spent three years in Kamchatka on Government mission, was able to speak with authority on the existence of the wild sheep, but he could only say that they were to be found on most of the hills north and south of Avatcha Bay and especially on the cliffs overlooking the sea: but that their habitat was vaguely defined and their haunts in the interior quite unknown. He also informed the author that bears were to be found in great numbers on all the hills, and that caribou were numerous. Most of his statements proved correct. After a not particularly comfortable journey across Siberia, the party reached Vladivostok just in time to catch the steamer on 14th June: they had been debating what they should do if they missed it, but the author seems to answer the question when he tells us that tigers are said to "swarm" in the Ussuri district (the *hinterland* of the port) and were reported to have given great trouble during the construction of the line. Eight days' steaming over rough seas and dense fogs saw the vessel safely in Avatcha bay, one of the finest harbours in the world, and having secured a native hunter, Prince Demidoff found himself obliged to abandon the idea of attacking the interior yet and turn his attention to the hills some 80 miles down the coast. The party tried to make the voyage in boats and were defeated by the weather: then by steamer and were beaten by defects of machinery: successive breakdowns of which obliged their return to Petropaulovsk under sail. And here a hint to the wealthy sportsman: "if one wishes to obtain sport along the coast of Kamchatka, where big horn are certainly more plentiful than in the interior, chartering a yacht in Japan or elsewhere is the sole chance of success." The author, however, did not wholly regret the failure to reach the sheep ground from the sea, the main object of the expedition from the first having been to shoot in the interior where the ovis had never yet, so far as was known, been hunted. Accordingly ponies having been procured, the party left Petropaulovsk for the fourth time on the 2nd July, hoping that by this time the passes would be sufficiently free from snow to let them cross. Orders were sent to Khutor for ponies and men to await them and they were rowed and towed up the Avatcha river to that hamlet which was to be their starting point proper. The author attributes the absence of game in the low-lying woods to the plague of mosquitoes; and from his account we should judge the mosquito of this region to be about four degrees worse than its relative in India. Salmon frequent this river in vast numbers, as many as 2,000 fish being taken from one trap in a day: they took a spoon readily but would not look at a fly.

Within a march or two of Ganal the party reached their shooting ground; and from Prince Demidoff's account of it we doubt whether the interior of Kamchatka will ever prove a popular resort for sportsmen. The snow lies until June and the ensuing weeks are the wettest season; mosquitoes were such a nuisance that it was at times impossible to use the glass and on at least one occasion they swarmed in such numbers on the barrels of the rifle that they hid the sights! Native shikaries are few and far between, but an old man quite deaf and nearly dumb was discovered who had been a hunter thirty years before and who guided the party to the ground he had known. Mr. Littledale killed three rams on the first day, but reported the sheep too tame to afford sport as they let him come within full view without taking alarm. Prince Demidoff killed three bears on his first day, and the number of these beasts quite bore out all reports: on one occasion he had in sight eight big ones, all wandering about on the snow fields apparently trying to escape the mosquitoes. The sheep in summer time appear to retreat to the loftiest hills and ridges, but when sighted were, as Mr. Littledale had found, absurdly easy to stalk. A very few days in the interior satisfied the party and they made their way back to Petropaulovsk to try on the coast ranges. On these the sheep are certainly more numerous than they are inland, owing no doubt to the comparative freedom from mosquitoes brought by the sea breezes; nevertheless the mosquitoes are sufficiently troublesome to make them restless; the author one day watched a number of young rams "trying to bury themselves as deep as they could in the snow, worried as they were by the merciless mosquitoes"! Were average wariness added to this restlessness stalking would be well nigh impossible. Prince Demidoff had better luck on the coast ranges, killing one day two fine heads of 39¼ and 38¼ inches, both of good girth: these, if we mistake not, are the best heads recorded of *ovis nivicola*. Altogether we are bound to say we are not fascinated with Kamchatka as a sporting ground; caribou antlers were picked up but the animals themselves were not seen; and while any man who prefers bear shooting to any other sport and is mosquito and rain proof may find this land an elysium, we are strongly of opinion that the stalker will find more to repay him with far less unpleasant surroundings, in more accessible regions.

A Shooting Trip to Kamchatka. By Prince Demidoff. Rowland Ward.

AUTO AND PHOTOGRAPHS.

BIRTHDAY books in this 20th century of ours are so numerous and of such a variety that one would think the age for the production of a novelty in this line had long since passed and that every idea had been thoroughly exhausted.

In *Signatures and Photographs*, however, we have an autograph book compiled in a style that is quite new to us. The title of the volume speaks for itself. The common-place birthday-book has usually a very small space allotted to each day of the year, and the person who is requested to inscribe his signature more often than otherwise discovers that his particular day is also the anniversary of not a few other fellow-creatures. He has in consequence to squeeze his name (especially if he be the possessor of a bold and flowing hand) into a corner that in the ordinary course of events would barely suffice to hold his initials. Moreover pages and pages of cognomens are frequently confusing to the collector. The latter may be endeavouring to bring to mind the original of perhaps P. Q. Smith. He, or shall we say she, will probably possess the signatures of a dozen Smiths with initials ranging from A. B. to W. X., and for the life of her she cannot bear in mind whether it was the handsome P. Q or that terror W. X. Smith who sent her that nice present on her last birthday, yet she is so anxious to return the compliment with a card. Now W. X.'s birthday happens to fall on 1st April and P. Q.'s on Valentine's Day. To send a card to W. X. on the 14th February might give him a wrong impression, and to send P. Q. a token of remembrance on April fool's day might lead to dire consequences. An appeal to "hubby darling" probably results in an expression to be found in no dictionary. But if she had a small photograph of either P. Q. or W. X. cut out of some old group and pasted in opposite the signature, how easy the problem would be of solution. In *Signatures and Photographs* this want is supplied. A full page is devoted to each of the 366 days of the year, for the luckless mortal whose anniversary falls on the 29th February is duly catered for, in fact he has a whole chain of "halli-sikka" rupees set apart for the reception of his likeness. Inscribers of their signus-manual are also invited to add any piece of poetry, wit or humour that may strike their fancies. There are 31 separate designs (uncoloured), one for each day of the month with special sketches for New Year's Day, Christmas, and the 9th of November, with spaces neatly worked in for the insertion of small photographs. Many people when facing the camera, have the misfortune to assume an air of self-consciousness. In a group, however, these persons often appear to great advantage, for some humorous remark made at the critical moment usually dispels the mask. Thus a few snips with a pair of scissors is the means of procuring an excellent likeness without the environment of less appreciated forms or details. Miniatures thus collected in conjunction with autographs are of far greater interest than a mere list of names. It affords a pleasant means also of bringing to mind old faces and old acquaintances scattered to all four corners of the globe. The designs are artistically arranged, and the quotations, proverbs, and adages accompanying each day of the year have been judiciously and appropriately chosen. To those in search of a novel birthday-book, we would recommend a glance at this handsomely compiled volume. It is to be had of Messrs. Phillips and Co., Poona.

* *Signatures and Photographs*, with original drawings designed by Evelyn Major. Rs. 6. Swan Sonnenschien and Co., London.

Shikar.

A SIX DAYS' BIG GAME SHOOT.

(*Concluded from page* 77.)

27th February.—Halted at camp No 1. A cold, wet, raw, day. By 2 o'clock the clouds had broken up and we sallied forth to seek our prey. The country looked thoroughly washed and presented a refreshing spectacle. Moving through the jungle was distinctly damp work and one got a regular shower bath if the howdah bumped up against overhanging branches. Moved out northwards from camp and, after a time, circling east worked home. The shoot was unproductive and in some respects disappointing, for we saw no end of doe cheetal, but not a single stag.

28th February.—One of the buffaloes which was tied up last night was killed by a tiger. The *shikaris* who went to look the animal up, reported that when they got there at dawn it had only *just* been killed and they could distinctly hear the tread of some heavy wild animal in the dense jungle adjacent to the kill, which they concluded was the tiger moving quietly off to lie up for the day. This was gratifying news indeed. On receiving intimation of the kill the Raja had given necessary orders for the building of two *machans* and for the collection of a number of intelligent men to be posted in trees all round the jungle as stops. At about 11 A. M. we started off on our expedition. The scene of the occurrence lay some 3 miles north from camp, in an isolated but very dense *boji*, which was bounded north and east by a road, on the south by a stretch of open country, the grass having been burnt, and on the west by a stretch of, comparatively speaking, low, thin grass which stretched some 300 yards down to a river. The *boji* ran due east and west, at the eastern end it was narrow, then spreading out, it narrowed, almost to a point, at the western end. Its length was approximately three-quarters of a mile, its extreme breadth from about 400 to 500 yards. Heavy grass, thick *pitu* and other forms of undergrowth stretched throughout the *boji*, which was a haven *par excellence* for a tiger. Stops were placed at intervals along the southern and northern faces. Shortly after 12 noon the preparations for the beat were complete. N. was in a *machan* at the western extremity of the beat and guarded the stretch of country down to the river on one side and a small bit of the road on the other. I was on the second *machan*, some 250 yards away to N's left front, guarding the road which ran straight past my tree from east to west. It was a beautifully clear, bright day. The recent rain had laid the dust, had washed the country thoroughly, and had cooled the air, though the sun's rays, coming through the clear atmosphere, seemed stronger than they were before the wet weather. Prospects were bright. There was a paucity of elephants, it was true—four including that of an itinerant sportsman whom we picked up on our way to the beat and whom we induced to "fall in" with the line—but the capacity of the Raja for beating a jungle with scanty material at his disposal was unbounded and, therefore, though a few more *kathis* would have been acceptable, their presence was not considered indispensable. The beat commenced about 12-30 P.M. and the manner in which it was conducted and its final result can best be described in the form of a diary I wrote while in my *machan*:—

12-30 to 2-15 p.m.—The Raja, having seen us into our places, shouldered his rifle and walked down the road on the northern face of the *boji* to the eastern end where the elephants had been left. For an hour no sounds of an approaching line reached us. The tree on which I sat was an old, withered one, and every time a puff of wind came with any force it creaked in a very uncomfortable manner. The sun was distinctly hot and I was getting well roasted. A swarm of bees went over my head, with a great buzz, and I was distinctly glad to see the last of them. A family of seven sister birds kept up a perpetual squabble just in front of my *machan*. About 1-30 P.M. the sounds of a line of elephants approaching became unmistakable. Slowly, but surely they advanced. By 2 P.M. they were opposite my *machan* when all of a sudden, something yellow dashed out of the jungle to my left. It was quite exciting for the moment, but it was a cheetal and her fawn bounding gracefully along for all they were worth. By 2-15 P.M. the first beat was over, no tiger had appeared, but the Raja had just got a glimpse of him, and without wasting any time, took the line back for beat No 2.

2-15 to 3-15 p.m.—For some time there was dead silence. A cool, gentle breeze kept playing on my face, and was very refreshing. At 2-30 P.M. there were indications that the line was approaching. One of the men, placed as a stop to my left, seems to have lost his head at this point, for he left his post and squatted on the road for some time, like a monkey! This was really aggravating and I hoped the tiger would come out and devour him! After a few minutes this "dusky son of Erin" thought better of it and went back to a tree. Shortly after this I heard a rifle shot close to my rear and in a few moments a sportsman in a *howdah*, with a stag cheetal slung on behind, appeared under my tree, heading straight into the tiger beat! This was a bit too much, so I dropped a good thick twig with a "whack" on his hat and having attracted his attention we had a short palaver. Being a sensible man and a good sort he hurried off at right angles and was soon lost to view. In about a quarter of an hour the line got to the end of the beat. Just as it was emerging a considerable number of jungle fowl rose and went off in all directions with loud cries. But where was the tiger? once more had he succeeded in slipping through the line. The Raja was positive the tiger was in the beat, so our hopes were buoyed up.

3-15 to 4 p.m.—The third beat was not so long as Nos. 1 and 2. The line appears to have got on to the tiger much quicker and to have had him under better control. Close on 3-30 P.M. long and continued trumpeting broke forth from the line of elephants. The tiger was beginning to get annoyed at being hustled and began to make himself objectionable. He did not maul any elephants, but contented himself with frightening a small line elephant, which, by the way, carried the tiffin basket, and which the tiger could have reduced to mince meat in a very short time. There was a "kit" on the small elephant, looking after the tiffin basket. I do not suppose this gentleman ever spent so precarious a day in all his life and, doubtless, he was thoroughly glad when the whole show was over. The trumpeting was followed by dead silence and by 4 P.M. the *third* beat was over. The tiger had been driven to a point opposite my *machan* and had then broken back. He had apparently made up his mind not to leave the *boji*—we had resolved that he should. So back went the elephants for beat No. 4.

4 to 4-25 p.m.—A short and sweet beat, resulting in the death of the tiger. After the second beat the tiger, a very heavy, old male, appears to have got sluggish and to have only doubled back a short distance. The stops prevented him from breaking out to one side and he was evidently hungry and, therefore, loth to leave his kill. For close on four hours he had been kept on the move and this did not suit his feline majesty, so he was at last induced to break cover. The line got on him very quick and he was manœuvred with great skill. The *boji* in which he was, was on the opposite side of the road to that on which the tree I occupied, was. Just in front of my tree and obscuring about five yards of road, was a small piece of wood jungle. The line of elephants was going past my *machan* and I could see the Rajah in his howdah looking keenly ahead to try and catch a glimpse of the tiger, when I heard a twig break in the wood on my side of the road. This followed by another firm, heavy tread and in the next instant our friend walked out and stood under my tree. But for a small piece of grass which covered a portion of his right shoulder he was in the open. The afternoon sun fell on his beautiful coat and seemed to be reflected as off a cloth of gold. With his massive head erect, and in no way disturbed he stood, and looking back over his shoulder, watched, with perfect equanimity, the line of elephants moving past. All this was the work of a few seconds, but it was a grand sight and quite worth taking in. His length appeared enormous and his height and bulk gigantic. Another moment and the tiger would have walked quietly back into the *boji* from which he had been driven, but a ·450 express bullet crashed through the base of his skull and laid the jungle monarch low for ever. I gave him two more just behind his shoulder to make *quite* sure! He measured 9 feet 9 inches when he lay, but his build was exceptionally heavy—his head was enormous and one eye was completely gone. How this had happened it is impossible to say, but the injury was, palpably, of old standing. His forearms were very massive and with them he must have been able to deal terrific blows. When he was skined he was one mass of fat. He was a heavy beef eater, had lived to a patriarchal age and had evidently done himself proud all through life. It was 5 P.M. before we assembled hungry, thirsty and well sun burnt, and attacked the contents of that tiffin basket, and I noticed that the "kit" who had ridden on the small elephant all day was beaming with delight. We got home close on 7 P.M and so ended a very successful day. The patience and skill with which the Raja had manœuvred the tiger for four hours with an inadequate number of elephants was admirable. That night I sent the tiger skin into the station to be cured. It completely covered two ordinary *charpoys*, placed side by side!

29th February.—The last day of the shoot started soon after 10 A.M. and worked along some grass lands, terminating in a sâl forest to the west of the camp. These grass lands produced 2 stag cheetal. Close on noon we circled north and the Raja with a beautiful shot, bowled over a very good stag *para*, which was going for all it was worth through bushy country. A little later we struck the place where we had bombarded the pig on the 24th, but to-day not one was to be seen. In the afternoon jungle and peafowl afforded us good sport.

Close on 5 P.M. we had to give up and rode and drove home, getting in at about 7 P.M. and so ended as pleasant a shoot as it has been my good fortune to have been in.

PEELER.

"CALLING" JACKALS.

I THINK that few of your readers probably have ever heard of jackals being *called* out from jungles, and still fewer have ever seen it done, yet it is very commonly done by certain classes of natives. One caste in particular called "Koonghurs," a wandering tribe, partly shikaris and partly thieves, who move about Purneah, Dinajpur and the adjacent districts, living in small movable huts, made chiefly of reed mats, are adepts in thus calling out jackals which they hunt and kill with their dogs for food, and on which they, to a great extent, live when unfortunate enough to be unable to annex a meal from among the pigeons, fowls or pigs of any village they may be camping near. I will describe the method employed as witnessed by me in the Purneah District. The first time I ever heard of such a thing I was riding along a main road and observing a gipsy encampment enquired when and whence they had come, etc. A number of rather smart-looking dogs were hanging about, apparently a superior class of pariahs with probably a touch of Rampur in them, they stood up tall, erect and keen, and were I was told used by their masters for hunting jackals and foxes. In conversation the men explained that they *called* jackals out of any jungles that they might be near and then hunted them down. I hardly altogether believed this, and was of course anxious to see it done, and my camp being only two miles off they promised to come on there in the afternoon, so at about 4 P. M., four rough looking fellows, with four equally rascally looking dogs turned up, they knew nothing of the country thereabouts, but there were several patches of low shrubs and jungles about, and they felt sure of being able to find jackals in almost any of them, they selected at sight a long line of low bushes about twenty to thirty feet deep in front of which lay a ploughed field; one of them broke a large leafy branch off a bush and went out with it on to the field, and sat down about forty yards from the bushes. One of his companions with two of the dogs then went off and hid among the bushes about a hundred yards away and the other two with the other dogs similarly hid about the same distance off in the opposite direction. I sat down behind a tree beyond the field to watch proceedings. When all were in their places, the fellow in the field crouching low on the ground began imitating a jackal's cry, and switching his branch about soon raised a great dust round himself, he then began mixing up with the jackal's cry the bleating of a goat and its agonised cries when seized by some animal, then followed the snapping and snarling of an enraged jackal. In a few miniutes I saw a jackal cautiously appear from among the bushes in front and stand intently watching the field. The Koonghur by that time had raised such a cloud of dust about him that it was almost impossible to distinguish his figure at all, or to make out what was really there, the noise exactly resembled the cackling and snarling of two or three jackals savagely fighting among themselves and the piteous cries of a goat apparently being torn to pieces among them. In a short time a second jackal appeared at the edge of the bushes and the first comer becoming bolder and evidently desirous of sharing in the good things before him, trotted out a few paces, the second animal following him, they came on stealthily, stopping to reconnoitre every few paces and to assure themselves that there was really a feed in prospect, after each pause they trotted, on a bit quicker, the Koonghurs branch in the meantime worked on the ground quicker and quicker, the dust rapidly became thicker and the fiendish noises increased, when at length the two jackals unable to restrain themselves longer made a final rush in among the dust and on to the man, but though he laid about him strenuously it almost appeared to me that they must get hold of him: not so, still continuing his unearthly noises he kept them deceived and employed, knowing that assistance was at hand. Four savage hounds being loosed from either side were then approaching with long strides half way across the field, the men who had held them were also running up and their shouts first startled the jackals, who glancing round and at once taking in the situation quick as thought dashed off in different directions for dear life, the one followed by three of the dogs and the other by one alone. All the dogs were very fast, but the single animal was not able alone to follow all the jackals' sudden twists and turns though he was too fast for him on the straight, and he soon hopelessly lost him, but the three dogs together were too much for their quarry, each and all were as fast as he, while whichever way he jinked, one or the other of them was sure to be ready for him. After he had escaped their teeth over and over again one of them managed at last to get hold of his neck and drag him down, when in a moment the others joined in the jackal made a good fight for it but was soon finished off, when the men coming up the dogs were taken off. I paid the men well for the entertainment they had afforded me, and the following day in order to show me that there was no chance about the matter and that they could generally be sure of their game, they again came to the camp to show what they could do. I took them off about a mile to some long grass where I had in the morning shot a hare and they almost immediately called five jackals out of it, all of which quickly displayed the keenest interest possible in what might be going on in that cloud of dust in front of them, their shikari instincts were thoroughly aroused, but they could not entirely throw off all their usual natural suspicion and caution, and were not to be drawn at once. It was evidently past their belief that so toothsome a morsel as a goat was really to be so easily had for the asking, first one then another edged out, of course still a bit undecided, then one bolder than his fellows trotted out into the open and with his head well up took a long steady look at the dust cloud and then with his nose to the ground tried to sniff out what might be going on there. He then trotted on a few paces, the noise and dust increasing rapidly, his fellows behind gathered confidence, seeing him ahead and still safe, and all followed him, he, afraid lest they should arrive before him, made a hasty rush on, the rest followed, and in a moment they were all lost to sight in the dust cloud which seemed momentarily to increase, as did the horrible noises Suddenly all was changed, with savage yelps like a whirlwind four hounds were among them, and, scattered right and left, the frightened jackals made the best of their way out of the scrimmage, but the dogs quickly singled out one, and pursued and mobbed it and within three hundred yards had him down among them, a second in his consternation almost rushed into one of the men, who was running up, and who, deftly throwing his lathi, bowled him over when one or two blows on the head quieted him. Thus the Koonghur's pantry was well and easily supplied for at least two or three days. I afterwards discovered that Mr. T., a planter in the district, who was very skilful with all animals and who could imitate most of their calls, had learnt this trick of calling out jackals, and we got him one day to show his skill before a number of the station people. He was quite as expert as the Koonghurs, but he said it was often ticklish work to keep clear of the teeth of two or three jackals when they made a rush into the dust, as it was often difficult to see them at all then through the dust, and he had more than once had his clothes torn before his dogs got up. I should think it most ticklish work and should be very sorry to try it myself.

RAJAH.

Fishing.

INDIAN BOTTOM FISHING.

BY

T. P. LUSCOMBE.

FOR ROHU (LABEO ROHITA) MIRGILL.
(CIRRHINA MRIGALA) NAIN OR NAINEE AND CALBOSE.
(LABEO CALBASU.)

Seasons.—Middle of February to end of April, commencement of the rains to middle or end of November, when greatest cold sets in.

Rod Required.—A 10 or 11 foot, moderately stiff Dacca ringall, (in one piece) with upright snake rings.

Reel.—According to water, and size of fish it holds, from 3 to 5 inches T P. L.'s "antifoul" (best), but any fairly free running check reel will do, with not less than 100 yards of best Indian tussur silk line, moderately fine, hand made, best.

Float —T. P. L.'s Tell-tale single.

Hooks.—T. P. L's short sprout or Limerick bend Rohu hooks, on double gut tied straight, with one grain of perforated shot working loose between two ridges of tying, four to six inches from the hook. I use three sizes of hooks according to size of fish expected. For Calbose and small fish, Hutchinson's No. 7, for medium sized fish, do. No. 10, and for large fish, do. No. 12. The No. 10 hook is the best general hook for this work.

Bait.—Worms if procurable scoured by keeping in sandy mud and grass or moss with a piece of turf, with the grass on over them and kept moist, lobworms best (dudia ketchwa.)

Paste made from the *inside* of a thick attah chupattee, rather under cooked, kneaded in water and mixed with a little rotten cheese rubbed down fine, the paste must be moderately soft, or the Rohu especially will not take it.

To ground bait for and catch these fish in a lake or tank, if possible find a place where there are some weeds extending out from the bank into the water, and try and get 5 to 6 feet of water, just outside the weeds, don t disturb the weeds at all, but have a man swim round outside, and fix a bamboo in the mud of the bottom, just in the centre of the place you intend baiting; he can then, by grasping the bamboo, dive down and thoroughly clean the bottom as far as he can reach, holding the bamboo in one hand while diving, and removing it when the bottom is cleaned. Now if you cannot easily reach the place from the shore, so as not to have more than 2 feet of line between your float and the end of your rod, rig a machan or platform (I use a set of planks and trestles with a broad plank, at the end to sit on and can thus reach out any distance requiredy so that you can sit on it on a low morah or chair, and your rod can easily reach out a foot or so beyond the weeds. Connect the machan with the shore by a plank or otherwise as most convenient. The whole should be reasonably firm, as its shaking in the water would frighten the fish, also use an old pair of tennis shoes, they are noiseless. Now, if the weeds extend far along the shore on both sides, clear them away from say 8 to 10 feet of the shore some 8 to 10 yards away from your machan, to allow of your landing a fish there easily.

If the bottom is soft "Paunk," *i. e.*, rotten mud of any depth, it will be better to make a false bottom of fine gravel (kunker,) coarse sand or hard yellow clay, as the baits easily sink in the "Paunk," and are not readily seen or taken by fish when thus sunk; yellow clay itself (rungamuttee) has a great attraction for Rohu.

Care should also be taken in selecting the fishing place, not to have the sun shining directly in front, or it will try your eyes very much; it is best to have in a large lake or tank, two places, one for morning and one for evening, so as to have the sun behind you at all times, and ground bait them accordingly, say at 5 A.M. and 2 P.M. Now get two rests fitted, one in the water near the outer edge of the weeds with the bar a few inches above them, and as firm as possible, and one on the edge of your machan or a little inside the edge so that when the rod is laid down with the reel just inside the rest on the machan, the rod will be in a proper position to strike from, *i. e.* with the point within 3 inches of the surface of the water, and the butt just where your right hand can grasp it comfortably outside the reel and strike with one hand without moving from the seat. Now plumb the depth and fix the float so that the grain of shot can just rest on the bottom, and keep the float upright with about an inch of it out of water.

Ground bait.—The natives have many sorts of ground baits such as assafœtida, scented baits such as methie, ekungee, souf and kalajeera roasted, ground, and mixed with mud, and no doubt they do attract fish, but they take time to do it. What is wanted, is a ground bait that will act quickly, say in one night. What I use is as follows: Get a seer or two of mustard oil-cake (sursoo ka kul'ee) damp it, if with butter milk or sour milk so much the better, and let it stand; it will soften and commence to foment in from 24 to 48 hours according to the weather. When it has a smell like strong cheese, take some of it and mix with soft mud (chickna muttee) about one-third kullee to two-thirds mud and throw a lot of it exactly so that it may sink to the bottom on your fishing place (char): do this daily, morning and evening, if you intend continuing to fish the same place. The bait should be thrown in, about an hour before you intend fishing, and at the same time every day. All the above ground baits must be more or less supplemented by some feed for the fish, otherwise they will not remain long in one place, although hovering about in the immediate vicinity.

For feed I get two seers of (chawl ka kura) rice husk dust, and roast it in an old frying pan till it has a nice roasted smell (sonda) do not burn it; take 4 chittacks, of common rice and boil it down to kanjee, mix with the roast rice husk dust, and add a little rotten cheese or if not available, a little of the fomented kullee and make it soft. Just before you intend fishing (quarter of an hour or so) let your man keep throwing in small pieces of this bait exactly into your char, and during the time you are fishing occasionally throw in a piece; the fish feed on this greedily and it keeps them about. Even on the days you do not fish, you should feed the fish at the regular time with this bait: if you intend fishing with paste only, throw in some balls the size of a large marble too.

Now supposing you have thus ground baited for two or three days, go down either early in the morning, or at say 3 P.M. Bait your hooks nicely, if with worms, use two, one well up the shank of the hook to conceal it, and the other with the barb of the hook only passed through some half or three quarters of an inch of the centre of its body, throw well out and let the bait gradually sink down till about an inch or an inch and a quarter of the float protrudes above the surface, lay the rod on the rest not having more than 15 to 18 inches head line between tip of rod and float, and wait patiently. A small fish such as the little tengras, etc., which are so plentiful in many places, give a very sharp jerky bite, but the bite of a Carp is more deliberate, except that of the Calbose, which is a quick succession of sharp up and down nibbles, and if only these robbers are at work, small hooks and sharp striking in the middle of such nibbling, is the only plan to hook them; but a little experience soon teaches one to know almost to a certainty what fish is feeding. Thus the Mirgill (called up-country Nain or Nainee) takes two or three up and down strokes, when the float generally goes down, and it is during this downward pull that the strike must be given quick and sharp, but only with one hand, when if hooked keep all the strain you can safely on him, but by all means get him away as fast as possible from your char, and land him as quickly as possible. For this, a good large deep landing net is best, for if you let him kick and splash about in your char, he very soon frightens all the other fish away, and it may be hours before they will come in to feed again; this applies principally to the Calbose and Mirgill, for the Rohu and Cutlah are off like greased lightning out into the middle of the tank, the moment they feel the prick of the hook.

The Mirgill sends up every now and then a collection of small bubbles, the Calbose the same, only smaller, the Rohu three or four large bubbles, and the Cutlah one or two much larger; also if many fish are about, some will rise in or just outside the char, and if very calm and not too deep, the presence of large fish in the char, is shown by the curling round and round of the water, caused by the action of their large tails, when feeding with their mouths near the ground and tails elevated, at an angle of some thirty degrees. This is more especially the case when Cutlah come in to feed.

Absolute quiet is necessary, and especially avoid all loud talking, stamping on your machan or the ground close by; it will also be found best to let the rod lie quietly on its rests, as by holding it in the hand, the line is constantly shaking, when large fish will not take. In case the water is very clear, and the fish very shy, it is a good plan to bait just beyond the end of the machan, and sit back on it out of sight, having only a few inches of top of rod outside the machan. Be very particular to see that your line is quite clear and has no turns round the rod tip, for the rush of a large Rohu or Cutlah cannot be stopped suddenly, without a certain smash. The front piece of line should be cut off as it gets too much worn.

On the occasion of the Manchester Cup won by The Docker, a country yokel went running into a certain public-house in Bolton mostly frequented by loafers, shouting "The Docker's won, Allsopp up.'

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INDIAN BOTTOM FISHING.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I observed in *The Indian Field*, of the 19th May, an article by "Fleur de Lys" on Rohu fishing with most of which I disagree entirely. First of all the Rohu, especially in Calcutta, is not the principal fish taken in tanks, for in almost all tanks that I have fished in three mirgil will be taken to one Rohu. The arrangement of two limerick hooks back to back is, in my opinion, a very poor one, as from the very fact of these hooks lying flat on the bottom in striking they will come up with the points on each side, and in three out of four cases miss hooking the fish. One pairs of hooks is much better, as they are so arranged that on striking the lower hook turns point upwards in front and they are much more sure in hooking, and when fish are shy and only nibling, I only part the upper hook and am very often successful in hooking foul with the lower. Again the pair of hooks tied back to back make a great splash on striking and frighten every fish out of the char; this applies also to a treble hook hanging below which I have found practically useless Again Thomas is really no authority on tank angling, and never, I believe, caught a really good fish from a tank. I have landed Rohu 44lbs., Cutla 56lbs, Mirgil two of 29lbs. each in one day. Thomas says he has heard of Mirgil of 18lbs. But I hooked a Mirgil in Dalhousie Square tank at 7 A. M and played him till past 3 P. M., and he was seen by several persons who all said he was fully 6 feet long. He then got into a bed of Panaphuli and got off. Immediately after I hooked the 56lbs. Cutla and landed him after 7 P. M. I send you our latest list. See pages C. and D. for my directions for bottom fishing which I fancy will be found hard to beat. I may mention that General Kinloch was with me when I landed the two Mirgil of 29lbs. each. We get some big fish here in McPherson Lake. I landed ten Cutlas of 41lbs. each and many Rohu and Mirgil.

T. P. LUSCOMBE.

[We print the above letter as coming from a practical fisherman "Fleur de Lys" wrote, we imagine, from Mofussil rather than Calcutta experience. At the same time over twenty five years of Calcutta tank fishing inclines us to think that Mr. Luscombe's 3 to 1 estimate in favour of the Mirgil is *much* too liberal—"honours divided" would, in our experience, be considerably nearer the mark. We are inclined to agree with our correspondent that Thomas, as an *authority* on tank angling, must be accepted with caution; in our opinion a really practical, helpful and reliable treatise on the subject has yet to be written. The big fish T. P. L. talks of would seem almost small fry when put alongside some we have seen landed in Calcutta and others we have been lucky enough to enter to our own credit; but it is possible, indeed we believe it may be accepted as a general rule that Rohu, Cutla, Mirgil and Calbose no where in India run to such size as in the big tanks of Lower Bengal. In our Fishing Columns we reproduce Mr. Luscombe's notes on bottom fishing; some of our readers may profit by a perusal thereof.—ED.]

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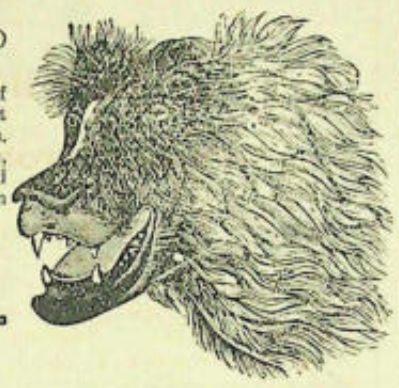
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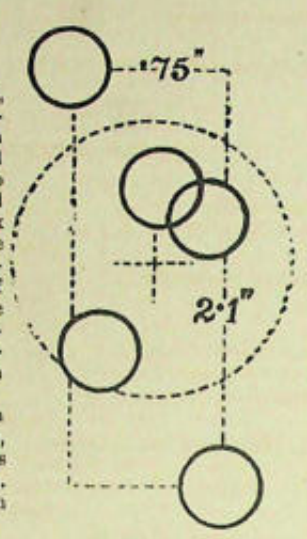
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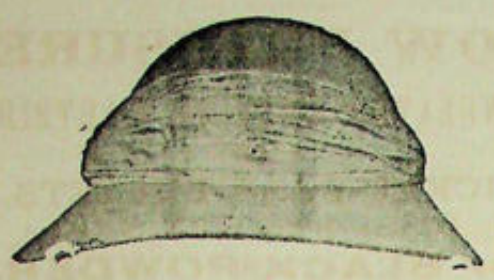
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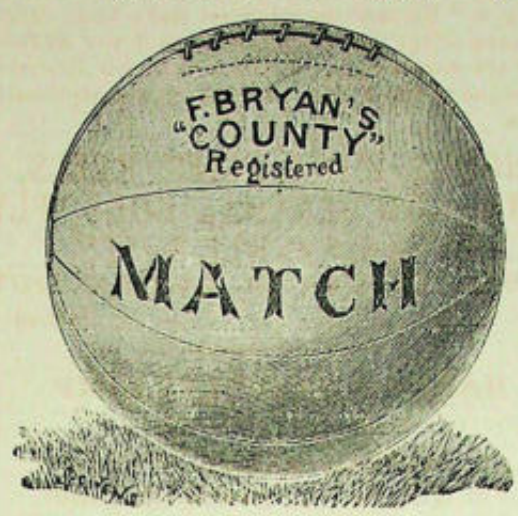
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Name of Races.	Month	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Mussoorie Summer Races	June	9 & 11	38
Mysore	,,	26, 28, 30	451
Pachmarhi Open Gymkhana ..	,,	6 & 8	
Tollygunge Club Gymkhana ..	,,	11 & 22, July 16	
Bangalore Extras	,,	4 & 11	
Bangalore Races	,,	9, 12 & 14	507
Colombo August	August	6, 9, 11 & 13	
Poona First Extra	July	30	
,, Second ,, ...	August	6	
,, Third ,, ...	,,	13	
,, Fourth ,, ...	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,, ...	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,, ...	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,, ...	Sept.	3	
,, Eighth ,, ...	,,	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	,,	21, 24, 26, 28	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	Oct. 1, 3 and 5	506
Lucknow Autumn Sky	,,	4 & 6	
Umballa Autumn	Nov.	25 & 27	625
Meerut Autumn Sky	,,	5, 8 & 10	82
Lucknow Autumn	,,	15, 17, & 19	
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
Calcutta First Extra	,,	1	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	10	
,, First Meeting	,,	17	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Lahore Xmas	,,	27	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	27, 29 & 31	
Rawalpindi Sky	,,	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	,,	5, 7, 10	
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	21, 23, 25	
,, Third Extra	,,	14 & 21	
,, Fourth ,, ...	Feb.	28	
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CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Mussoorie Summer ..	Final ..	.. 4th June.
Bangalore	Second ..	.. 15th June.
	Third ..	.. 1st July.
Poona Races ..	First ..	.. 2nd August.
	Second ..	.. 13rd ,,
	Final ..	.. 6th September.
Army Cup	Second ..	.. 1st July.
	Third ..	.. 1st October
	Final ..	.. 15th Nov.
Civil Service Cup ..	Second ..	.. 1st July.
	Third ..	.. 15th Sep.
	Fourth ..	.. 1st December.
	Final ..	.. 20th January.
Umballa Autumn ..	First ..	.. 13th August.
	Second ..	.. 17th Sept.
	Third ..	.. 28th Oct.
Calcutta First Extra ..	..	.. 6th December
,, Second Extra	..	.. 13th ,,
,, First Meeting ..	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	.. 30th ,,
,, Second Meeting ..	First ..	.. 30th Nov.
	Second ..	.. 7th January.
Lahore Xmas	First ..	.. 1st July.
	Second ..	.. 1st Nov.
	Third ..	.. 1st Dec.
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	First ..	.. 1st Aug.
	Second ..	.. 15th Sept.
	Third ..	.. 8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	.. 1st Nov.
	Second ..	.. 30th ,,
,, ,, Second Day	First ..	.. 1st Nov.
	Second ..	.. 2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	.. Begins 29th August.
Simla Beresford Cup	.. Begins 6th June.

LAWN TENNIS.

Kashmir Tournament	.. Now on

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club.

Third Monthly Meeting	.. 4th June.
First Disappearing Target ..	.. 11th ,,
First Moving Target	.. 25th ,,

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta	.. July
Ditto. 3rd Regatta ..	.. September.
Ditto. The Power Cup ..	.. October.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla) ..	.. 14th and 27th September.
Calcutta Football League ..	.. Now on.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament ..	.. Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Bogey Competition ..	.. From 1st to 30th June.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs., Parsees (Bombay)	.. 23rd, 24th and 25th Aug.
,, (Poona)	.. 13th, 14th and 15th Sept.

SHOWS.

Simla Horse and Dog	.. 4th June.

SWIMMING.

Calcutta S. C.

Plate Diving	.. 16th June.
3 lengths Handicap	.. 17th ,,
Final ,, ...	.. 24th ,,

SPORTS.

Simla Gymkhanas	.. 11th, 18th and 25th June. 2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

The Coronation Cup	.. Thursday, 2nd June.
The Oaks (1½ miles)	.. Friday, 3rd June.
Duchess of York Stakes Hurst Park (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 11th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furs.) ..	.. Sunday, 12th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	.. Tuesday, 14th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furs. 166 yds.) ..	.. Wednesday, 15th June.
Gold Cup (2½ miles)	.. Thursday, 16th June.
New Stakes (5 furs. 136 yds.) ..	.. Thursday 16th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Friday, 17th June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles) ..	.. Wednesday, 22nd June.
July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.)	.. Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes	.. Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	.. Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.) ..	.. Friday 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)	.. Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	.. Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	.. Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1½ miles)	.. Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	.. Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles) ..	.. Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs) ..	.. Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	.. Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	.. Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	.. Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	.. Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) ..	.. Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (½ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) ..	.. Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	.. Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs) ..	.. Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) ..	.. Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	.. Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 26th Nov.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Golf, Open Champ Mtg Sandwich ..	.. 8, 9 June.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords) ..	.. 30th June
Amateur A. A. Meeting	.. 2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords) ..	.. 3th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords) ..	.. 4th July.
Henley Regatta	.. 5th, 6th, and 7th July
Gentlemen vs. Players (Oval) ..	.. 7th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords)	.. 27th July.
Dublin Horse Show	.. 23rd August.
Birmingham Dog Show	.. 28th November.

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First Day, Tuesday, 24th May 1904.

THE SCURRY STAKES.—Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B ponies 14-2 and under, others 14-0 and under, that have never won a race value Rs. 500. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs., Arabs 14-2 and others 14-0 to carry 11st. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Mr. J. Smith's ch w m Arina, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Egan	1
Maj. Maxwell's ch w m Alchemix, 10st. 2lbs.	Moongya	2
Capt. Greer's ch w m Auric, 10st 13lbs ...	Foster	3
Mr. Haggard's br cb m Panyaunl, 10st. 2lbs.	Churchward	0
Mr. Leah's br cb m Grass Widow, 9st. 13lbs.	White	0
Capt. Orton's b w m Lady Lilian ...	Mr. Dyer	0
Mr. Allen's g a p Unis, 8st.	Owner	0
Mr. May's g a g Saidee, 9st. 11b ...	Owner	0
Mr. Menzie's b a p Kamal, 8st 9lbs. ...	Bhola	0

An excellent race, won easily by a length ; a length and a-half between second and third The favourite could get no closer than third. Time—10⅘secs.

THE QUETTA GRAND NATIONAL.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. A steeplechase for maiden ponies, Arabs and C. B.'s 14-2 and under, others 14-0 and under. Above heights to carry 12st. W I. About 1½ miles.

Maj. Genl. Smith Dorrien's b w g Muskerry, 10st. 13lbs.	Capt. R. Price	1
Lt.-Col Dickinson's ch a g Toofan. 10st. 10lbs	Foster	2
Capt. Hislop's ch a g Roburite, 9st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	3
Mr. O'Hara's sk w g Federation, 10st. 12lbs.	Bloss	0
Capt. Dickson's g cb m Bonhomie, 11st. 2lbs.	Mr. Buckle	0
Mr. Radcliffe Smith's ch a g Cockroach, 10st. 2lbs.	Egan	0
Mr. Marten's w cb m Moti, 10st. 11b. ...	Owner	0

Federation led from the start followed by Roburite till they had gone half the distance, when Muskerry took second place, and at the last jump coming into the straight Muskerry assumed the lead, and just won an excellent race by a head from Toofan ; four lengths between second and third.

THE MIRI PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden horses W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. 6 furlongs.

Maj. Maxwell's b e g Maddington, 10st. 12lbs.	Churchward	1
Mr. J. Smith's b w g Chorister, 11st. ...	Mr. Beatty	2
Mr. O'Hara's ch w m Aureole, 11st. 7lbs ...	Owner	3
Mr. Haggard's b w g Idolator, 10st. ...	Owner	0
Mr. J. Smith's b w m Bidinia, 11st. 3lbs....	Mr. Marten	0
Mr. Dyer's b w g Welfare, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	0
Col. Peirse's b w g Rasaldar, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Scott	0
Capt. Hislop's b w g Motion, 10st 7lbs. ...	Owner	0
Maj. Cartwright's b w m Lora, 10st. 12lbs.	Foster	0

Maddington and Aureole on the inside jumped off together and raced to the turn into the straight, there Maddington began to increase his lead and won comfortably from Chorister who passed Aureole at the distance post. Verdict one and a-half and four lengths. Time—1min. 20⅘secs.

THE QUETTA PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. Arabs 14-2, and others 14-0 to carrry 11st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. S. W. Anderson's b w m Grace, 9st. 6lbs.	Foster	1
Mr. J. Smith's ch w m Arina, 10st 4lbs ...	Egan	2
Maj. Genl. Smith-Dorrien's g a p Alexis, 9st. 3lbs.	Churchward	3
Mr. Goldingham's g a g Grey Friar II., 7st. 11lbs.	Moongya	0

They were let go to an excellent start and raced in a bunch to the distance post, when Grace went ahead and won comfortably from Arina by a length ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 10⅘secs.

THE "R. R. GOLWALA" CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 100, presented by Messrs Golwala and Company, and Rs. 100 from the Fund to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies 14-2 and under which have been regularly hunted with the Quetta Hounds. Certificates to be obtained from the Master. Ponies 14-2 to carry 12st. W. I. Gentlemen Riders only. R. C.

Mr. J. Smith's b a p Lucky Star, 9st. 6lbs. ...	Mr. Beatty	1
Maj.-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's b w g Muskerry, 9st. 12lbs.	Mr. Hore	2
Mr. Hill's g a g Kelp, 9st. 9lbs. ..	Owner	3
Col. Dickinson's br w m Lassie, 9st. 6lbs, ...	.....	
Capt. Deverell's b a g Bridge, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Capt. Hislop	0
Mr. Gretton's ch a g Rudolph, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Owner	0
Mr. Goldingham's br w m Makere, 8st. 2lbs.	Owner	0

The field was let go to a good start and the race ended in an exciting finish between Lucky Star and Muskerry. Muskerry's saddle slipped round, otherwise the result might have been reversed. Won by a length ; two length between second and third. Time—2mins. 23secs.

THE BALUCHISTAN PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden ponies, Arab and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, others 14-0 and under C.-B.'s. 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs., Arabs 14-2 and others 14-0 to carry 11st. W. I. ¼ mile.

Capt. Greer's ch w m Auric, 10st. 13lbs. ...	Churchward	1
Capt Winter's ch cb g Detective, 10st. 3lbs.	Moongya	2
Mr. S. W. Anderson's br cb g True Blue, 11st 3lbs	Mr Beatty	3
Mr. Dickinson's g a g Ali Abdoola, 9st 6lbs.	Capt. Foster	0
Mr. J. Smith's ch cb m Songstress, 11st 5lbs.	Mr. Marten	0
Mrs. Maunsell's b a g Bobbie, 10st. ...	Capt. Tanner	0
Mr Campbell's b a g Najib, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Egan	0

The favourite showed out early in the race and never being headed won easily by a length ; a length and a half between second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

THE KANDAHAR PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 00 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden ponies. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-0 and under, others 13-2 and under. C.-B.'s 14-0 to carry 11st. 7lbs. Arabs 14-0 and others 13-2 to carry 11st. W. I ¼ mile.

Mr. Goldingham's g a g Grey Friar II., 9st 11lbs.	Owner	1
Maj.-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's g a p Alexis, 11st 4lbs.	Capt. R. Price	2
Mr. Haggard's b a p Heathen, 9st. 9lbs. ...	Churchward	3
Major Shower's b a p Shelter, 10st. 2lbs. ...	Egan	0
Mr. Paterson's ch a g Wee Man, 9st. 11b....	Capt. Hislop	0
Capt. Greer's bl w m Conceit, 10st. 11lbs....	Owner	0

An excellent race ending in a ding dong finish, Grey Friar II. hung to the outside of the course and, getting on to the littered track, narrowly escaped defeat. Won by a head; two lengths between second and third. Time—55⅘secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 26th May 1904.

THE SARIAB HANDICAP.— Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden ponies, Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, others 14-0 and under which started on the first day. 3 furlongs.

Major Maxwell's ch w m Alchemix, 10st 4lbs	Churchward	1
Mr J Smith's ch w m Arina, 10st 10lbs ...	Egan	2
Capt Greer's ch w m Auric, 10st 12lbs ...	Foster	3
Capt Orton's b w m Lady Lilian, 10st ...	Mr Dyer	0
Mrs Maunsell's b a g Robbie, 9st 7lbs ...	Capt Tanner	0
Mr Campbell's b a g Najib, 8st 2lbs ...	White	0
Mr May's b a b Saidee	Bloss	0

The field was let go to a good start and the first three ponies raced level to the distance post, there Arina looked like winning but boring to the outside was passed in the rails. Time—40secs. The totalizator paid 5 to 2.

THE BEGINNERS' PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under which have not won races of the aggregate value of Rs. 600 Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st 7lbs. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st 0lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Major Genl Smith-Dorrien's g a p Alexis, 10st 6lbs	Churchward	1
Capt Winter's ch cb g Detective, 11st ...	Moongya	2
Mr J Smith's ch cb m Songstress, 11st 5lbs	Mr Beatty	3
Mr Dickinson's g a g Ali Abdoola, 9st 8lbs	Foster	0

The favourite assumed the lead early in the race and never being headed won comfortably by four lengths ; ten lengths between second and third. Time—56⅘secs. The totalizator paid even money.

THE INNOVATION CHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden Arab and C.-B ponies 14-2 and under, and other maidens 14-0 and under. Above heights to carry 12st. W. I. About 2 miles.

Major-Genl Smith-Dorrien's b w g Muskerry, 11st 13lbs	Capt R Price	1
Lt-Col Dickinson's b a g Toofan, 10st 10lbs	Foster	2
Capt Hislop's ch a g Roburite, 9st 9lbs ...	Owner	3
Capt Dickinson's g c h m Bonhomie, 11st 2lbs	Mr Buckle	0
Mr Radcliffe-Smith's ch a g Cockroach, 10st 2lbs	.....	0
Mr Marten's w cb m Moti, 10st 11b ...	Mr Scott	0

Roburite led the field from the start with Moti and Toofan lying next, and this order was maintained till about half the distance had been covered when Moti tailed off and Muskerry came up. Half a mile from home Muskerry lay just behind Roburite with Toofan third and over the last jump Muskerry was just ahead of Toofan In the run in Muskerry staved off Toofan's challenge and won an excellent race by 3 lengths. Totalizator paid evens.

THE HANNA PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Maiden ponies, Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, others 14-0 and under which started on the first day. ¼ mile.

Mr S W Anderson's b w m Grace, 10st 2lbs	Capt Hislop	1
Mr J Smith's ch w m Arina, 10st 8lbs ...	Mr Beatty	2
Capt Greer's ch w m Auric, 10st 10lbs ...	Foster	3
Mr Goldingham's g a g Grey Friar II, 8st 3lbs	Moongya	0

The three walers got well away together and were practically level at half the distance, from there Grace began to draw away and Arina boring to the outside of the course allowed Grace to win, easily by two lengths ; half a length between second and third. Time—54⅘secs. The totalizator paid 3 to 2.

THE SARAWAN PURSE.—A Cup value Rs. 150 presented by H. H. the Khan of Kelat and Rs. 50 from the Fund to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for all ponies 14-2 and under which started on the first day. 1 mile.

Mr Haggard's b w g Idolator, 11st 7lbs ...	Churchward	1
Mr S W Anderson's br cb g True Blue, 10st	Mr Beatty	2
Major Shower's b a p Shelter, 8st 7lbs ...	White	3
Capt Deverell's b a g Bridge, 9st 8lbs ...	Capt Hislop	0
Mr Hill's g a g Kelp, 9st 11b ...	Foster	0
Mr J Smith's b a p Lucky Star, 9st ...	Egan	0

Bridge was the first away and led the field at a sound pace for half the distance where he was passed in turn by the three placed ponies. At the distance post True Blue challenged but failed to overhaul Idolator, Won by a length ; same distance between second and third. Time—2min. 1⅘secs. The totalizator paid 4 to 2.

THE NUSHKI PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden horses W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. 1¼ miles.

Mr J Smith's br w g Chorister, 11st 3lbs ..	Mr Beatty	1
Mr O Hara's ch w m Aureole, 11st 12lbs	Bloss	2
Capt Hislop's b w g Motion, 10st 7los ...	Owner	3
Mr Dyer's b w g Welfare, 10st 7lbs ...	Owner	0
Mr J Smith's b w m Bidinia, 11st 3lbs ...	Mr Marten	0
Major Cartwright's b w m Lora, 10st 12lbs	Foster	0

Bidinia was first away with Chorister and Aureole well up, and in this order they travelled for half the distance, when Chorister assumed the lead with Aureole close alongside. At the turn into the straight Aureole tried to come up to the leader, but failing to do so, left Chorister to win comfortably by five lengths ; ten lengths between second and third. The totalizator paid even money.

THE JHALAWAN PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Maiden ponies,

Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-0 and under, others 13-2 and under, which started on the first day. 5 furlongs.

Mr Haggard's b a p Heathen, 8st 13lbs	Churchward	1
Major-Genl Smith-Dorrien's g a p Alexis, 10st 12lbs	Capt R Price	2
Mr Goldingham's g a g Grey Friar II, 9st 9lbs	Owner	3
Capt Greer's bl w m Conceit, 10st 6lbs ...	Mr Hore	0
Mr J Smith's b a p Lucky Star, 9st 8lbs ...	Egan	0

Alexis soon showed out and led into the straight, then Heathen crept up and after a great race in from the distance post Heathen won by a head; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs. The totalizator paid 3 to 2.

SIMLA SUMMER RACES.

STEWARDS:

SURGN.-GENL. SIR THOMAS GALLWEY.
LT.-COL. THE HON. E. BARING.
BRIG.-GENL. S. BEASTON.
COL. C. DE C. HAMILTON.
LIEUT.-COL. MORGAN.
COL. GOAD.

Honorary Secretary.—CAPT. JONES-MORTIMER.

Second Day, Thursday, 26th May 1904.

IT was doubted this morning whether the course would be fit for racing, owing to last night's heavy rain. However, it was got into order by the afternoon and the races brought off, but the going was not good. The Kour Sahib's stable continued to do well, securing three wins. Details:—

BERESFORD PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-0 and under, 14 hands to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. About 1,400 yards.

Mr Symond's b a m Jaooza ...	...Capt. Peacocke	1
Mr Bond's ch a a Impostor, 10st 6lbs ...	Owner	2
Mr Bond's g a g Albatross, 9st 5lbs ...	Alexander	3
Capt Grogan's b a p Sweet William, 10st 11b	.....	0
Mr S J S's ch a p Volcano, 10st 11lbs	.....	0
H H the Kour Sahib's Shahjehan, 11st 2lbs	.....	0
Messrs Milvain and Badger's b a g Caledonia, 10st	.....	0
Mr Symond's b a h King Edward, 11st 11b	.....	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Shahjehan, 2 to 1 Volcano, 3 to 1 Caledonia, 5 to 1 each Impostor and Sweet William, 6 to 1 Taooza, and 10 to 1 King Edward.

Won a fine race by a length; same distance between second and third Time—1min 38secs.

Volcano fell at the top turn the first time.

MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 10 to the third. For Maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-0 and under, C.-B.'s 14-0 to carry 11st. 10lbs., Arabs 14-0 to carry 11st. W.I. 4½ furlongs.

H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's br cb g Fortune, 11st 7lbs	Hard	1
Mr S J S's b cb m Lucky, 12st 10lbs ..	Native	2
Mr Swell's b a g Naseri, 11st 2lbs	... Capt Lannowe	3
H H the Kour Sahib's b cb g Jewel, 11st 7lbs	....	0
Capt Holden's b a g Tagra 10st 2lbs ...	.....	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Lucky, 2 to 1 agst. Fortune, 5 to 2 Naseri, and 5 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 8secs.

MERCHANTS' PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For English and Australasian Ponies 14-1 and under Ponies 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 5lbs. in addition. About 1 mile

H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's cb aus m Parlour Maid, 10st 5lbs	Hard	1
Major Berryman's b aus m Canary, 9st 12lbs	Mr McCall	2
Mr Bond's b aus m Burlesque, 10st 12lbs ...	Owner	3
Capt Grogan's b aus g Rifleman II 11st 6lbs	....	0
Col Blennerhassett's ch aus m Emerald, 10st 6lbs	.....	0

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Parlourmaid 4 to 1 agst. Canary, and 6 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths; one length between second and third. Time—2min. 3⅘ secs.

HACK PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 30 to the second. For *bonâfide* hacks 14-1 and under that have never started in a flat race, steeplechase or hurdle race, value Rs. 50 or over. About 4½ furlongs.

H H the Kour Sahib in of Patiala's b aus Campbell, 12st.	Hard	1
Col Blennerhasett's b aus m Salmon Fly, 12st. ... — ...	Capt Holden	2
Mr Couchman's b aus m Olive, 12st ...	Mr Lloyd	3
Col C de C Hamilton's gr aus m Blue Gum, 12st	.....	0

Also ran:—Elgitha 10st 7lbs

BETTING: Even Campbell, 3 to agst. Salmon Fly, 6 to 1 Blue Gum, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a length; two and-a-half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅕secs.

ANNANDALE PLATE Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab and C.B. ponies 14-1 and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 500 or over. Ponies must be the property of the members of the Annandale Gymkhana Club. About ½ mile.

Major Berryman's Quilt, 11st ...	Mr McCall	1
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b a p Orvieto, 11st 4lbs	Hard	2
Mr Bond's cb b h Safety, 9st 9lbs ...	Owner	3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Quilt, 6 to 4 agst. Orvieto, and 8 to 1 Safety.

Quilt led all the way and won easily. Time—60secs.

Third Day, Saturday, 28th May 1904.

The meeting was concluded to-day in fine weather and before a very large attendance. The racing was good and the fields fair, and a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon's sport was successfully carried through. Details:—

HURDLE HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. A handicap for ponies. About 1¼ miles over 8 flights.

Capt Lewton's b cb m Sillyloo, 9st 10lbs...	Mr. Buthven	1
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ch cb p Tom 10st 2lbs	Hard	2
Col Blennerhasset's ch aus m Emerald	Capt Holden	3
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus p Campbell, 10st 10lbs ... —	.....	0
Mr Bond's b aus m Burlesque, 10st 4lbs ...	.....	0
Mr Symond's b a h King Edward, 9st 7lbs	—...	0

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Campbell; 2 to 1 each Tom and Emerald; 5 to the others.

Won by two lengths; one length divided second and third. Time—3mins. 12⅖secs.

LONGWOOD PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. About ¼ mile.

Mr. Sewell's c a p Naseri, 10st 10lbs ...	.....	1
Messrs Milvain and Badger's c a p Caledonia, 9st 9lbs	.....	2
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's Shahjehan, 11st 13lbs	Hard	3
Mr Symond's b a m Jaooza, 11st 2lbs ...	.....	0
Mr S J S's chap Volcano, 10st 4lbs (diq) ...	.....	0
Cap Holden's b a g Tagra, 9st 11lbs ..	.....	0
Mr Bond's ch a p Safety, 9st 7lbs ...	.....	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Volcano 2 to 1 Shahjehan, 4 to 1 Naseri, 6 to 1 each Jaooza and Caledonia; the others.

Volcano won by a head; the same distance divided second and third. Time—57⅘secs.

An objection was lodged against Volcano for bumping, which was upheld.

SIMLA CUP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, and others 14-0 and under. About 1,400 yards.

H H the Kour Sahib of Patia's ch aus m Parlour Maid, 11st 7lbs	Hard	1
Capt Grogan's b aus g Rifleman II, 10st 5lbs	Capt Lannowe	2
Major Berryman's sk aus g Quilt, 10st 8lbs	Mr Barrow	3
Mr Bond's ch a p Impostor, 9st 3lbs .—	.....	0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Quilt, evens Parlour Maid, 3 to 1 agst. Rifleman II, 8 to 1 Impostor.

Won easily by three lengths; one and half lengths divided second and third. Time—1min. 31⅗secs.

MAHASU PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. A handicap for Maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. About 1 mile.

Capt Grogan s c a p Sweet William, 8st 12lbs	Shib Sing	1
Mr S J S's c a p Labby Gown, 10st 2lbs	Capt Peacocke	2
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b cb g Fortune, 10st	Hard	3
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b a p Orvieto, 9st 8lb	.....	0
Mr Bond's gr a g Albatross, 8st 10lbs ...	.....	0

BETTING: Evens each Sabby Gown and Fortune, 3 to 1 agst. Orvieto, 4 to 1 Sweet William, 5 to 1 Albatross.

After an exciting finish the judge failed to separate Labby Gown and Sweet William. The third was five lengths off. Time—2mins. 1⅗secs.

In the run off Sweet William was ridden by Hard, carrying 9st. 3lbs. and led the whole way and won easily by five lengths in 2mins. 2⅗secs.

SNOWDON PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 4½ furlongs.

Mr S J S's b cb m Lucky, 11st 7lbs	... Capt Peacocke	1
Col Blennerhasset's br aus m Salmon Fly, 9st 7lbs	Mr Barrow	2
Mr Keighley's b aus m Toss, 10st 4lbs ...	Capt Holden	3
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus g Cadet, 11st 7lbs ...	.....	0
Col C de C Hamilton's gr aus m Blue Gum 7st 6lbs	.....	0

BETTING: Evens Toss, 6 to 4 agst. Lucky, 2 to 1 Cadet, 4 t 1 Salmon Fly, 6 to 1 Blue Gum.

Won by a length from Salmon Fly, who came in with a splendid rush and snatched the second place in the last couple of strides by half a length. Time—63⅘secs.

CONSOLATION PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, and Rs. 30 to the second. A handicap for ponies that have run at the Meeting and have not won About 600 yards.

Col Little s b aus g Playbell, 10st ...	Capt Coley	1
Mr Sewell's b a p Naseri, 10st 8lbs ...	Capt Lannowe	2
H H the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b cb m Sweet Nellie, 9st 8lbs	Hard	3
Mr Keighley's b aus m Toss, 12st ...	.....	0
Capt Grogan's b aus g Rifleman II, 11st 11b	.....	0
Mr Bond's ch a p Impostor, 10st 12lbs ...	.....	0
Capt H C Laverton's b cb m Chemjee, 9st 8lbs	.....	0
Capt Holden's b a g Tagra, 9st 4lbs ...	... .	0
Capt Bond's ch a g The General, 9st ...	.....	0
Mr Symond's b a h King Edward, 9st 11b	.....	0

BETTING: Evens Playbell, 3 to 1 agst. each Naseri, Hopeful, and Sweet Nellie; longer odds the rest.

This race was run off in heats. In the first heat, Naseri and Hopeful were first and second, and the second batch Playbell and Sweet Nellie. Then in the final heat between these four Playbell won easily by three lengths from Naseri. There was half a length between Naseri and Sweet Nellie with Hopeful a head behind the latter. Time—1min. 39secs.

BANGALORE RACES.

First Extra Day, 28th May 1904.

NOTHING could well have been more promising, or a better omen for the ensuing racing season than the first extra day's racing in Bangalore. Attendance was certainly only fair, but the Station is still comparatively empty, and even as it was the enclosure became moderately filled as the afternoon wore on. The Carabiniers were "At Home" to their friends, and the Band of the 64th Madras Pioneers enlivened the scene with an excellent selection of music.

Turning to the racing, fields were fair, and with the exception of the first race, which Derision won in a canter, finishes, were good. In the first three races favourites came home, although Chemisette did the fielders a good turn by beating Firebrand for a place in the second event. Then came a tremendous upset, Dolly, the outsider of the six starters for the All-Comers' Plate, getting away with a good lead, and winning by three-quarter of a length from Rosamond with all the heavily backed ones still further in the rear. A favourite in Bijli also went down in the last race But taken all in all, the afternoon's racing was a good start. Details:—

THE PALACE PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—Handicap.—¼ mile.

Mr S W Webster's b a g Derision, 9st 3½lbs	Capt Randall	1
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 10st	Hoyt	2
Major R M Bell's b a h Matussan, 7st 7lbs	Melsom	3
Mr Reuben's g a b Bisthan, 10st 7lbs ...	Meah Jan	0
Mr Jacob Sait's g a h Jacob, 6st 9lbs ...	Krishna	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Derision, 2 to 1 agst. Delight, 3 to 1 Matussan, 4 to 1 Bisthan and 6 to 1 Jacob.

Matussan jumped away and was leading quite two lengths at the bend for home, when the favourite came up on the outside and Delight also joined issue.

At the distance the three were about level, but Hoyt and Melsom both had to begin to ride, whilst Captain Randall had never moved. At the second enclosure Derision shot out and won in a canter by three lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 30secs.

THE SCURRY.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For ponies. Weight—Welter Handicap. 3 furlongs.

Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 9st 3lbs	Capt Randall	1
Mr W Cottrell-Dormer's br eng m Chemisette, 9st 4lbs	Meah Jan	2
Mr A West's ch aus m Firebrand, 10st 4lbs	Koops	3
Major Logan-Home br aus m Nipcat, 10st	Hoyt	0

BETTING: Evens Dandenong, 6 to 4 agst. Firebrand, 2 to 1 Nipcat, and 6 to 1 Chemisette.

So soon as they could be seen in the straight it was apparent that the race was going to be a good one. Dandenong, however, always held his opponents safe at the finish and won without being pressed by a length. Chemisette travelling very fast at the finish beat Firebrand who was carrying a lot of place money by three-quarters of a length for second place. Time—41⅖secs.

THE BANGALORE PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses. Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Lieut.-Col J Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral, 9st 2lbs	Hoyt	1
Major F Jollie's b aus g Best Shop, 7st 13lbs	Meah Jan	2
Lieut.-Col J Desaraj Urs' ch aus g Leonidas, 10st 10lbs	Pentz	3
Major F C Logan-Home's bk aus g Pope, 10st 3lbs	Capt Randall	0
Mess s. Pratt and Co.'s b aus g Comet, 6st 10lbs	Bennett	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Red Coral, 2 to 1 agst. Pope, 3 to 1 Leonidas, 6 to 1 each Best Shot and Comet.

Leonidas was first away with Pope next, and the other three in a cluster. This order was maintained until a quarter of a mile from home, when Red Coral came up on the outside. He swerved a bit, but soon assumed command and won by a length from Best Shot, the latter coming with a very wet sail at the finish.—Time, 1min. 22⅕secs.

THE ALL COMERS' PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For ponies Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Capt W. A. Ward's b aus m Dolly, 8st 10lbs	Meah Jan	1
Mr T G Strickland's b aus m Rosamond, 9st 12lbs	Maree	2
Capt Darley and Neilson's b aus m Felicity, 9st 12lbs ... — ...	Capt Randall	3
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' br aus g Swiveller, 11st 4lbs	Hoyt	0
Mr R H Bullen's br eng h Referee, 10st 10lbs	Col Armstrong	0
Mr R Anketell Jones' b eng m Lady Superior, 7st	Melsom	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. each Felicity and Lady Superior, 5 to 2 Rosamond, 5 to 1 each Swiveller and Referee, and 6 to 1 Dolly.

A shocking start, Dolly getting away at least three lengths ahead of everything. She came into the straight well in front with Felicity and Rosamond galloping hard to catch her. This they failed to do, although Rosamond made a good effort, and Dolly won by three quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—56½secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For *bonâ fide* Arab polo ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—Welter Handicap. 2½ furlongs.

Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 11st	Hoyt	1
Mr H A Franklyn's g a g Bijli, 9st 7lbs ...	Capt Randall	2
Mr R Neave's ch a h Barone, 9st 12lbs ...	Owner	3
Capt E J R Peel's b a h Bayleaf, 10st ...	Krishna	0
Mr W Cottrel-Dormer's b a g Bonnie Lad, 9st	Koops	0
Major A C Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 8st	Meah Jan	0

They came into view pretty well together, but at the distance the three place drew out. Bijli led until 50 yards from the post, when Delight wore the gray down and won by half a length: three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—37⅕secs.

COLOMBO MONSOON MEETING.

STEWARDS.

HON A G LASCELLES, KC
MR S PAYNE GALLWEY
MR F C ALLEN
COL W L BALFOUR RA
MR F L CLEMENTS
MR W FORSYTH

Official Handicapper and Clerk of the Scales.—MR. F. J. HADDEN.
Starter.—MR. F. J. WRIGHT.
Judge.—COL. W. L. BALFOUR, B.A.
Timekeeper.—MR. C. H. PATE.
Secretary.—MR. F. W. WALDOCK.

First Day, Thursday, 26th May 1904.

The meeting opened to-day with a card of six races. The weather had been very threatening and there was a small attendance in consequence, but it turned out a glorious afternoon and some good sport was witnessed. The course was heavy from the recent rain, but on the whole was in better condition than was expected. The light weights came in on most occasions and not a single favourite was victorious. Mr. R. J. Farquharson secured two wins. Details:—

ALL COMERS' STAKES.—Rs. 200. For ponies 14-2 and under. Weight—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Mr R Cotesworth's br aus m Winnie, 9st 12lbs .—	F Smith	1
Mr E L F de Soysa's b aus m Muriel, 11st 2lbs	Johnson	2
Mr C C Mee's ch aus g Milady, 7st 8lbs ...	R Morrison	0

BETTING: 6 to 1 on Muriel, 2 to 1 Winnie, 6 to 1 agst. Milady.

Won by a neck.

AUCTION STAKES.—Rs. 800. For horses. Horses entered to be sold for Rs. 800 to carry 12st. Allowance—5lbs. allowed for every reduction of Rs. 50, down to Rs. 500. 5 furlongs.

Mr R J Farquharson's b aus g Kingfiher, (Rs. 600) 10st 8lbs ... —	Owner	1
Mr D H Williams' b aus g Afreet, (Rs. 600,) 10st 8lbs	Fisher	2
Mr C C Herbert's ch aus g Devoted, (Rs 500,) 9st 12lbs	Smith	3
Mr Ede Watson's b aus g The Greek, (Rs 500) 9st 12lbs .— ...	Owner	0

BETTING: Evens Afreet, 6 to 4 agst. Kingfisher 2 to 1 Devoted, 10 to 1 the Greek. Totalisator Rs. 2.

Won by half a length.

MOONSOON STAKES.—Rs. 2,000. For maiden horses. Weight for and class raised 21lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr R J Farquharson's ch ch Creditor, 5 years, 10st 10lbs	Owner	1
Mr C W Booty's b aus m Charity, 4 years, 10st 10lbs	Lansdown	2
Mr C C Mee's br aus g Anvil 6 years 10st 10lbs, ...	Johnson	0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Charity, 2 to 1 Creditor, 8 to 1 Anvil.

Totali zator Rs. 2.

Won with little to spare.

CLUB STAKES.—Rs. 300. For horses. Weight.—Handicap. 6 furlongs.

Mr L Bonaparte Wyse's Reply. 7st 10lbs	Morrison	1
Mr Mack's Wingfield, 8st 10lbs ...	Lansdown	2
Mr C C Herbert's Devoted, 9st 2lbs ...	Smith	3
Mr R M Andree's Caloola, 10st 2lbs ...	Jehnson	0

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Caloola, 2 to 1 Wingfield, 3 to 1 each Reply and Devoted.

Totalizator Rs. 6.

Won by a length.

MAY STAKES.—Rs. 300. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under. Weight—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Mr C C Herbert's Jena, 7st 8lbs ...	F Smith	1
Mr C C Mee's Kismet, 7st	Morrison	2
Mr D H Williams' Silver One 9st 6lbs .—	Fisher	3

Also ran:—Sirur, Tirah and King William.

BETTING: Evens Tirah, 2 to 1 agst. each Jena and Sirur, 3 to 1 Silver One, 8 to 1 each Kismet and King William.

Totalizator 3 Rs. 7.

Won by a head.

OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second horse. For horses. Weight—Handicap. One mile.

Mr Lawrence's Anster 10st	Karinobipackoo	1
Mr R J Farquharson's Regalia II, 10st 12lbs	Fisher	2
Mr R J Farquharson's, The Tart, 10st 4lbs	Owner	3
Mr Herbert's Dan Leno, 7st 10lbs ...	Smith	0

Kingfisher was scratched.

BETTING: Evens Regalia II, 6 to 4 agst. The Tart, 3 to 1 each Anster and Dan Leno.

Won by a length.

Entries for Races.

MUSSOORIE SUMMER RACES.

FIRST ENTRIES CLOSED 20TH MAY.

First Day, Thursday, 9th June 1904.

SCURRY PLATE.

1	Mr N White's ...	... cb m	... Duplex, 14-0½
2	Mr C B Steele's	... b cb m	... Hottentot Lass
3	Capt J B Cautley's and Capt Greach's ...	... ch cb m	... Hope Terry
4	Mr J D Scott's	... ch a g	... Tommy Titus, 13-2
5	Mr E H Vibart's	... i g cb g	... Teddington, 13-3
6	Mr Pearson's ...	... b aus m	... Lady Grace, 13-3½
7	Mr Mayer's ...	... g a h	... Kalru, 13-2
8	Mr E W Grant's	... ch aus m	... Rosy Morn

CLARENCE PLATE.

1	Major W E Berryman's	... b aus m	... Canary
2	Mr J D Scott's	... b aus m	... Queen of Gems, 13-3½
3	Mr J D Scott's	... b aus g	... Flaps, 14-1
4	Capt Walker's	... ch aus m	... Jean, 14-1

MUSSOORIE ARMY CUP.

1	Major W A Watson's	... b a pony	... Anthony 13-2½
2	Capt Greach's and Capt Cautley's ...	... ch cb m	... Hope Terry
3	Capt J B Cautley's	... g a h	... Merrick
4	Major W E Berryman's	... ch cb m	... Hopeful
5	Capt H H Holden's	... b a g	... Tagra, 13-3

POLO SCURRY.

1	Capt J B Cautley's	... b aus m	... Maureen, 13-2
2	Capt D H Cameron's	... ch e m	... Policy
3	Capt Walter's ...	... ch aus m	... Jean, 14-1

SAVOY PLATE.

1	Mr N White's ...	... cb m	... Duplex, 14-0½
2	Major W E Berryman's	... sk aus g	... Quilt, 13-2
3	Mr J D Scott's...	... g a g	... White Heather
4	Mr J D Scott's...	... b a g	... Hindustan, 13-2½
5	Mr E H Vibart's	... i g cb g	... Teddington, 13-3

DESERT PLATE.

	Major W A Watson's	... b a pony	... Anthony 13-2½
	Capt J B Cautley's	... g a h	... Merrick
	Ma O Mayer's ...	... g a g	... Taj, 14-0½
	Mr O Mayer's ...	... g a h	... Kalru, 13-2
	Mr J D Scott's	... gr a g	... White Heather
	Mr J D Scott's	... b a g	... Hindustan, 13-2½
	Capt Holden's...	... b g	... Tagra, 13-3
	Mr Saunder's ...	... b a h	... Royal Exchange

Second Day, Saturday, 11th June 1904.

CRITERION HANDICAP.

	Capt J B Cautley's	... b aus m	... Maureen, 13-2
	Major W E Berryman's	... sk aus g	... Quilt, 13-2
	Mr J D Scott's	... b aus m	... Queen of Gems

CHARLEVILLE PLATE.

	Major W A Watson's	... b aus m	... Ask Mamma, 14-1
	Capt Greach's and Capt Cautley's ...	... ch cb m	... Hope Terry
3	Mr J B Scott's	... b aus g	... Flaps, 14-1
4	Mr E H Vibart's	... i g cb g	... Teddington, 13-3
5	Mr Pearson's ...	... b aus m	... Lady Grace, 13-3½
6	Capt Walter's ...	... ch aus m	... Jean, 14-1

POLO HANDICAP.

1	Capt J B Cautley's	... b aus m	... Maureen, 13-2
2	Mr R W Grant's	... ch aus m	... Rosy Morn
3	Capt D H Cameron's	... ch e m	... Policy
4	Capt Walter's ...	... ch aus m	... Jean, 14-1

RAJPUR PLATE.

1	Major W A Watson'	... b a pony	... Anthony 13-2½
2	Mr N White's ...	... cb m	... Duplex, 14-0
3	Mr C B Steele's	... b ch m	... Hottentot Lass
4	Major W E Berryman's	... ch cb m	... Hopeful
5	Mr O Mayer's ...	... g a g	... Taj, 14-0½
6	Mr O Mayer's ...	... g a g	... Kalru, 13-2
7	Mr J D Scott's	... g a g	... White Heather
8	Mr J D Scott's	... b a g	... Hindustan, 13-2½
9	Mr J D Scott's	... ch a g	... Tommy Titus, 13-2
10	Mr Vibart's ...	... ig cb g	... Teddington, 13-3
11	Capt Holden's ...	... b a g	... Tagra, 13-3

OPEN HANDICAP.

1	Major W E Berryman's	... br aus m	... Canary
2	Mr J D Scott's	... b aus m	... Queen of Gems
3	Mr J D Scott's	... b a g	... Flaps, 14-1

ARAB HANDICAP.

1	Capt J B Cautley's	... g a h	... Merrick
2	Mr O Mayer's ...	... g a h	... Taj, 14-0½
3	Mr O Mayer's ...	... g a h	... Kalru, 13-2
4	Mr J D Scott's	... gr a g	... White Heather
5	Mr J D Scott's	... b a g	... Hindustan, 132½
6	Mr J D Scott's...	... ch a g	... Tommy Titus, 13-2
7	Capt Holden's ...	... b a g	... Tagra 13-2
8	Mr Sunder's ...	... b a h	... Royal Exchange

CONSOLATION HANDICAP.

1	Major W A Wason's	... b aus m	... Ask Mamma, 14-1
2	Mr N White's ...	... cb m	... Duplex, 14-0½
3	Capt Greach and Capt Cautley's ...	... ca cb m	... Hope Terry
4	Capt D H Cameron's	... ch e m	... Policy
5	Mr E H Vibart's	... ig cb g	... Teddington, 13-3
6	Capt Holden's ...	... b a g	... Tagra, 13-3
7	Mr Pearson's ...	... b aus m	... Lady Grace, 13-3½
8	Capt Walter's ...	... ch aus m	... Jean, 14-1

Final Entries close 6th June

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

BANGALORE.

THE following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Bangalore, on 7th April 1904, by the Official Measurer :—

Pony's Name	Description.	Owner's Name.	Age.	Height.	Period.
Blue Bell	bk cb m	H H the Maharajah of Mysore	3	.....	.....
Derision	b a g	Mr Webster	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Doris II	b aus m	H H the Maharajah of Mysore	Aged	13-3	For life.
Eager	b a h	Lieut Casson	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Faustine	b e m	Major G Moore	6	14-0½	For life.
Felicity	b aus m	Capt Darley	Aged	14-1	For life.
Firebrand	ch aus m	Lieut A H D West	5	14-0½	31st March 1905.
Jacob	gr a h	Mr Jacob Sait	4	13-2½	31st March 1905.
Khasro	gr a h	Mr Aga Jan	6	13-3	For life.
Khundoos	b a h	H H the Maharajah of Mysore	6	14-2½	.....
Matussan	b a h	Major Bell	6	13-3½	For life.
Nippon	b a h	Mr Aga Mahomed Jaffer Ally	4	13-3½	31st March 1905.
Polygar	ch cb h	Govt Stud Farm	2	13-3½	7th July 1905.
Promise	bk cb g	Govt Stud Farm	3	14-1	31st March 1905.
Queen Cole	ch aus m	Mr Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs	5	14-2	31st March 1905.
Quince	gr a h	Mr L H Queripel	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Referee	br e h	Mr R H Bullen	6	14-2	For life.
Reve d'or	b aus m	Mr P B Thomas	6	14-1	For life.
Rosamund	b aus m	Mr T G Strickland	6	13-3½	For life.
Shah Navaz	gr a h	H H the Maharajah of Mysore	6	14-1½	For life.
Balfour	b a h	Major R M Bell	6	13-2½	For life.
Ella	b e m	Mr R S Kindersley	Aged	14-1½	For life.
Freda	br e m	Mr R S Kindersley	5	14-0½	31st March 1905.
Misser	b a h	Major R M Bell	6	14-0	For life.

CALCUTTA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Calcutta, on 7th May 1904, by the Official Measurer :—

Arquebuse	ch aus m	H H the Maharajah of Cooch Behar	5	14-0½	31st March 1905.
Aung Ban	b ch g	Ma Shins	6	13-0½	For life.
Chichane	b aus m	H H the Maharajah of Cooch Behar	6	13-2	For life.
Constellation	ch aus g	H H the Maharajah of Cooch Behar	4	13-2½	31st March 1905.
Discussion	ch e m	H H the Nawab of Dacca	6	14-2	For life.
English Rose	b aus m	Kan Attickollah	6	13-3½	For life.
Grand Slam	ch aus g	H H the Maharaja of Cooch Behar	Aged	13-3	For life.
Irish	b aus m	Mr J Gove	5	14-1	31st March 1905
Mademoiselle	b aus m	Mr Wilton Bartleet	4	14-0½	31st March 1905.
Marksman	bk aus g	Mr L Oakley	6	13-3½	For life.
No Trumps	b or br aus g	H H the Maharajah of Cooch Behar	4	13-3½	31st March 1905.
Royal Flush	br aus m	H H the Maharajah of Cooch Behar	3	13-3	31st March 1905.
Sequence	ch aus m	H H the Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Aged	14-1	For life.
Spots	br aus m	Mr R Driscoll	6	13-1½	For life.
Twist	ch aus g	Messrs A Milton & Co	Aged	14-0	For life.

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THE public know full well that they can rely upon getting good value for their money whenever Kempton Park is the Turfite's tryst, and the bill of fare arranged for their edification on the 6th instant, was substantial and satisfying. This being so, nothing but the hostility of the elements could militate against their attending in strong force at Sunbury, and though the early outlook was somewhat dubious, it was to a fairly full house that the entertainment was run through. The King, looking in robust health after his Irish tour, honoured the proceedings, arriving just as the horses were cantering to the post for the first race. His Majesty was attended by Lord Farquhar and Lord Marcus Beresford, and was met by Prince Christian, who had arrived earlier on the scene. Two or three sharp showers swept across the Thames Valley during the afternoon, but the weather was delightfully fine for the most part, and the atmosphere beautifully clear The race track, well covered with herbage, yielded splendid going, and racing was conducted under high pressure from start to finish.

THE STEWARS' HANDICAP of 878sovs 6 furlongs.

Mr J Buchanan's b f Bachelor's Fancy, by Winkfield—Faressa, 4yrs, 6st 10lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	...	Saxby 1
Lord Derby's br c Chaucer, 4yrs, 6st 7lbs		Rollason 2
Sir J Miller's b h Cossack, 6yrs, 9st 4lbs		D Maher 3
Mr F Lambton's Nabot, 5yrs, 8st 10lbs		Halsey 0
Mr J B Joel's His Lordship, 5yrs 8st 6lbs		M Cannon 0
Mr J Sloncombe's Out o'Sight, 5yrs, 7st 10lbs		Summerfield 0
Mr H J King's Chacornac, aged, 8st ...		H Jones 0
Sir E Vincent's Countermark, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs		W. Lane 0
Sir J Thursby's John Peel, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs		Maddocks 0
Mr W Goodchild's Schnapps, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs		B Dillon 0
Mr W Raphael's Skyscraper, 4yrs, 6st 13lbs		Hunter 0
Mr J Musker's Gilbert Handley, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs (inc 7lbs ex) (car 7st 5lbs) ...		O Madden 0
Mr Hanover's Imperial II, 4yrs, 6st 11lbs (car 7st)		Butchers 0
Mr L de Rothschild's Catgut, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs		East 0
Mr A Stedall's Marsden, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs ...		McIntyre 0
Mr L Robinson's Roseate Dawn, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs		Trigg 0
Mr Kerne's Melayr, 3 yrs, 6st 2lbs ...		Plant 0
Lord Dunraven's Tamasha, 3yrs, 6st 11lb (car 6st 2lbs) ... — ...		Briggs 0

(*Winner trained by Major Edwards.*)

BETTING: 9 to 2 agst. Roseate Dawn, 6 to 1 Skyscraper, 7 to 1 Cossack, 8 to 1 Bachelor's Fancy, 10 to 1 His Lordship, 100 to 8 each Out o' Sight and Catgut, 100 to 7 each Tamasha and Countermark, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths; a length and a-half separated the second and third. Countermark was placed fourth, Roseate Dawn was fifth, Schnapps sixth, Gilbert Handley seventh, John Peel eighth, Marsden ninth, Tamasha next, and Catgut last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 15⅘secs

THE MAY PLATE of 835sovs. for three year olds. One mile and a quarter.

Lord Carnarvon's ch c Vril, by Vitez—Etna, 8st 12lbs	W Lane	1
Mr W Lowe's ch c Imari, 8st 12lbs ...	K Cannon	2
Capt Greer's b c St Day, 8st 12lbs ...	Watts	3
Lord Derby's His Majesty, 9st 5lbs ...	D Maher	0
Mr J Musker's Admiral Breeze, 9st 5lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mrs A Barnes's Sir Dennis, 8st 12lbs ...	Trigg	0
Mr J Buchanan's St Kilda, 8st 12lbs ...	E Wheatley	0
Mr J H Houldsworth's Gavello, 8st 12lbs...	Miller	0
Sir F Johnstone's Percussion, 8st 12lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr D J Pullinger's Coxswain, 8st 12lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr Spencer Gollan's McCarthy More, 8st 12lbs	B Dillon	0

(*Winner trained by Greusil.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. St. Day, 2 to 1 Admiral Breeze, 10 to 1 Vril, 100 to 9 His Majesty, 100 to 8 Imari, 100 to 7 Coxswain, and 20 to 1 agst. any other.

Won in a canter by three lengths; a neck divided the second and third. Percussion was fourth, Coxswain fifth, Admiral Breeze sixth, His Majesty seventh St. Kilda next, and Sir Dennis last Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 10⅘secs.

Seventeen years have elapsed since bold Bendigo stirred the pulses of the admiring multitude by carrying the welter burden of 9st. 7lbs. to victory on the first anniversary of the Great Jubilee Stakes, and yet it was only a few days ago that the popular idol of the "eighties" passed away full of years and honours. Launched on a successful career from its inception, the big race has maintained its prestige with marvellous consistency, and its proud history was embellished with another bright page on the 7th instant when Ypsilanti once more triumphed over a high-class handicap field with 9st. 5lbs. in the saddle. Patrons of the great May meeting have from long usage come to regard sunny skies and summerlike environments as their prescriptive right, but, though the park was clad in a wealth of spring verdure, they were denied the genial influence of the sun's rays this afternoon, and the weather was dull and cheerless. The inability of His Majesty to again honour the proceedings with his presence occasioned much disappointment, and the threatening outlook in the morning was strongly reflected in the attendance, which was one of the smallest ever associated with the function, especially amongst the general public.

THE HAMPTON HANDICAP PLATE of 440sovs. 5 furlongs.

Mr G Thursby's b f Eastern Prize, by Buccaneer—Eastern Rose, 4yrs, 6st 7lbs, (car 6st 8lbs)	Trigg	1
Mr A H Ruston's b g Early Bird, 4yrs, 6st 8lbs	Jarvis	2
Mr Ned Clark's b c Rising Falcon, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs	Yernell	3
Mr Horatio Bottomley's Le Blizon, aged, 8st 9lbs	J Hare	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Altnabreac, 6yrs, 7st 5lbs	Miller	0
Mr G Edwardes's Country Boy, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs	E Wheatley	0
Mr S B Joel's Tippler, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs (car 7st 5lbs)	O Madden	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's Vincula, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs	Griggs	0
Mr T A Edney-Hayter's Milford Lad, 3yrs, 6st 6lbs*	East	0
Mr H E Randall's Miss Blucher, 3yrs, 5st 12lbs*	Hunter	0
Col H T Fenwick's Felo de Se, 3yrs, 6st (car 6st 11b)	Plant	0
Mr H S Mitchison's Lewisia, 3yrs, 5st 9lbs*	Saxby	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by G. Edwards.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Tippler, 6 to 1 Miss Blucher, 7 to 1 each Le Blizon and Rising Falcon, 8 to 1 Milford Lad, 100 to 12 Country Boy, 10 to 1 Eastern Prize, 100 to 8 Vincula, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by half a length; a head divided the second and third. Tippler was fourth, Country Boy fifth, Vincula sixth, Felo de Se seventh, Milford Lad eight, Altnabreac next, and Lewisia last. Time, by Benson's chronograph 1min. 3⅘secs.

THE KEMPTON PARK GREAT "JUBILEE" HANDICAP of 2,655sovs. One and a quarter mile.

Mr A P Cunliffe's b h Ypsilanti, by Galore—Stefanette 6yrs, 9st 5lbs (inc 10lbs ex)	B Dillon	1
Lord Westbury's bl or br c Cerisier, by Cherry Tree—Last Love, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs (car 5st 13lbs*)	Bott	2
Mr G A Prentice's br c General Cronje, by Gallinule—Moira, 4yrs, 7ft 3lbs ...	C Trigg	3
Mr S Darling's Fermoyle, by Floirzel II—Deception, 5yrs, 6st 9lbs*	F Hunter	0
Mr James Daly's St Brendan, by Hackler—Court Card, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs ...	F Morgan	0
Mr S B Joel's Bachelor's Button, by Winkfield—Milady, 5yrs, 8st 11b ...	W Halsey	0
Mr E Blaskovits's Hazafi, by Orwell—Ollyan Nincs, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mr Reid Walker's Templemore, by St Hilaire—Little Widow, 6yrs 7st 8lbs (inc 5lbs ex)	J H Martin	0
Mr J Buchanan's Surbiton by Kingston—Virginia Water, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs ...	R Wheatley	0
Mr L Neumann's L'Aiglon, by St Simon—Self Sacrifice, 4yrs, 7st 6lbs, (inc, 10lbs ex), (car 7st 8lbs)	W Lane	0
Lord Dunraven's Salute, by Carbine—Fes a, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs	W Grigge	0
Mr J Hammond's Burses, by Childwick—Bendlet, 5yrs 6st 12lbs*	W Saxby	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Killglass by Isinglass—Kilkenny 4yrs, 7st 2lbs ...	T L Millar	0
Mr J M Kerne's Newsboy, by Common—Gamine, 8yrs, 7st 11b	J Plant	0
Mr J B Joel's Dean Swift, by Childwick—Panquil, 3yrs, 6st 2lbs	J Jarvis	0
Sir E Vincent's Countermark by Worcester—Assay, 4yrs, 6st 13lbs* ..	Butchers	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. L'Aiglon, 100 to 50 Dean Swift, 100 to 12 Ypsilanti, 100 to to 12 Kilglass, 10 to 1 Templemore, 10 to 1 Cerisier, 100 to 7 General Cronje, 20 to 1 Burses, 20 to 1 Surbiton, 20 to 1 Hazafi, 25 to 1 Fermoyle, 25 to 1 St. Brendan, 25 to 1 Bachelor's Button, 25 to 1 Salute, 50 to 1 Newsboy, 100 to 1 Countermark.

PLACE BETTING: Evens L'Aiglon, 7 to 4 agst. Dean Swift, 2 to 1 Templemore 5 to 2 Cerisier, 3 to 1 Ypsilanti, 3 to 1 Kilglass, 7 to 2 General Cronje, 5 to 1 Surbiton, 5 to 1 Hazafi, 5 to 1 Burses, 6 to 1 Fermoyle, 6 to 1 St. Brendan, 6 to 1 Bachelor's Button, 6 to 1 Salute, 100 to 8 Newsboy, 100 to 6 Countermark.

The sixteen runners were saddled in good time and paraded in the order of the card, Ypsilanti leading the way, followed by St. Brendan, Bachelor's Button, Hazafi, Templemore, L'Aiglon, Surbiton, Salute, General Cronje, Burses, Kilglass, and Newsboy, the last pair being Cerisier and Countermark. They cantered in the same order, and the white flag was hoisted at 3-36. Kilglass

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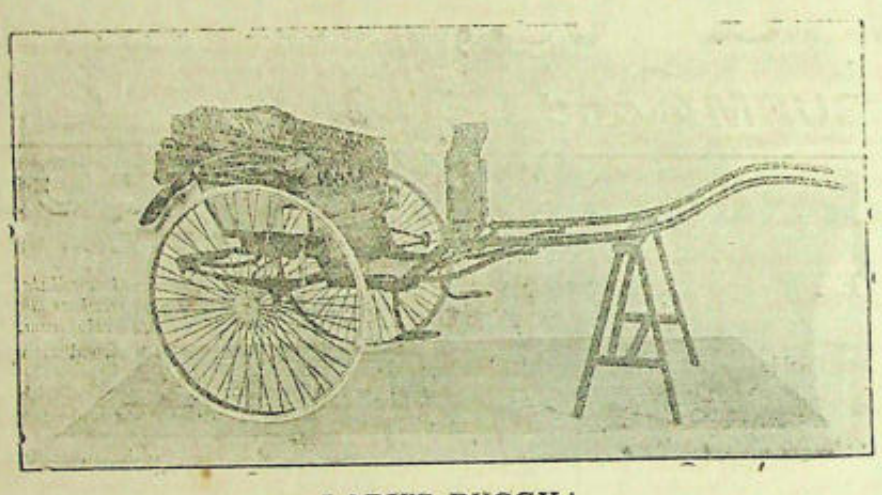
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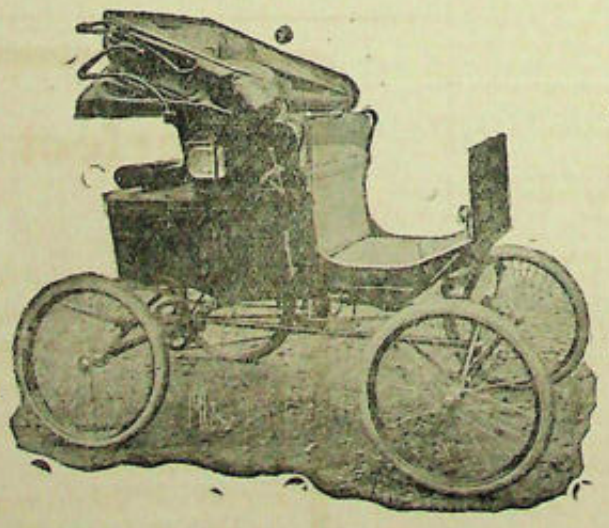
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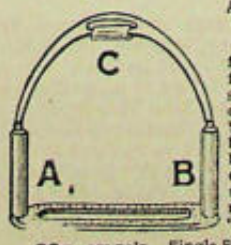
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delayed the start slightly, assisted by Burses and Salute, and it was 3-49 when the lot were despatched on level terms, the first to show in front being Kilglass (on the outside), from Surbiton (in the centre), L'Aiglon (on the inside), Cerisier, Salute, and St. Brendan, with Hazafi, Countermark Ypsilanti, Dean Swift, and Newsboy composing the middle division, and Bachelor's Button whipping in behind Fermoyle and Templemore About seven furlongs from home Countermark took up the running, with a slight lead of L'Aiglon, St. Brendan, Cerisier, and Ypsilanti, these being closely pursued by Newsboy and Dean Swift to the straight, where Countermark dropped back beaten, leaving L'Aiglon in front of Cerisier, Ypsilanti, General Cronje, Countermark, Fermoyle, and Templemore. So they ran till a quarter of a mile from home, when Ypsilanti ranged alongside L'Aiglon, and, drawing to the front below the distance, closely attended by Cerisier, General Cronje, and Fermoyle, made the remainder of the running and won cleverly by three-quarters of a length; a like distance separated the second and third. Fermoyle was fourth, L'Aiglon fifth, Templemore sixth, Bachelor's Button seventh, Countermark eighth, Salute ninth, Kilglass tenth, Hazafi eleventh, Dean Swift twelfth, Newsboy thirteenth, St. Brendan next, and Burses last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 10⅘secs.

NEWMARKET MEETING

In comparison with the First Spring Meeting, the last of the series of early fixtures at headquarters is always unostentatious and quiet; and even the presence of the King failed to imbue the gathering on the 11th instant with much life. The Great Eastern Railway officials tell of a marked falling off in their race traffic as compared with the corresponding date a twelvemonths ago, and though the leading lights of the Turf world and the regular habitues of the Newmarket reunions attended in something like representative force in honour of His Majesty's visit, there was every noticeable decrease in the general muster. Nor was the reason far to seek. The spell of wet wintry weather, which set in at the end of last week, extended to the opening stage of the meeting. Weeping skies and a chilly atmosphere were the accompaniments to which the proceedings opened and the conditions were dismal and dreary in the extreme. The Heath had benefited very materially by the downpour, and the going was in capital order, whilst there was no lack of runners, and many of the races were closely contested.

A TRIAL PLATE of 395 sovs, weight for age, with selling and other allowances. Dewhurst Plate Course. Seven furlongs.

Lord Rosebery's b c Lely, by Velasquez—Keroual, 3yrs, 7st 7lbs (£200) ...	J H Martin 1
Mr G Miller's br c Gilbert Orme, 4yrs, 9st (£500)	Halsey 2
Sir E Vincent's b g Chapeau, 3yrs 7st 6lbs (£200)	O Madden 3
Mr A J Schwabe's Killaiden, 5yrs, 8st 9lbs, (£200)	K Cannon 0
Mr Ferns's Lovetin, aged, 8st 6lbs (£200)	D Maher 0
Mr F Luscombe's Amendment, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs, (£200)	H Aylin 0
Lord Howard de Walden's Long Glass, 3yrs, 8st (£500)	Miller 0
Lord Savile's Right Honourable, 3yrs. 7st 8lbs £202)	W Lane 0
Mr J B Joel's Fruit Girl, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs, (£200)	Griggs 0
Mr H E Randall's Elfira, 3yrs 7st 4lbs, (£200)	Trigg 0
Sir Geo Farrar's Bushmead, 3yrs, 7st 11bs (£200)	Butchers 0
Mr C W Goldings' Bilbao, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs* (£200)	Rollason 0
Mr J Pincus's Proffer, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs (£500)	J Jarvis 0
Mr J T Wood's Glandore, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs* (£200)	Manders 0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Right Honourable, 3 to 1 Lovetin, 4 to 1 Lely, 7 to 1 Gilbert Orme, 100 to 7 each agst Chapeau, Proffer, and Glandore, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by half a length; a head between second and third, Bilbao was fourth, Bushmead fifth, Elfira sixth, Proffer seventh, Killaiden eighth, and Fruit Girl last. The winner was sold to to Lord Hamilton of Dalzell for 710 guineas. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 29⅘secs.

THE SOMERVILLE STAKES of 370sovs. for two year olds; colts 8st. 8lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 5lbs.; with penalties and allowances. Rous. Course. Five furlongs.

Mr J B Joel's b c Lancaster Gate by Orme—Serpentine, 8st 3lbs	A Madden 1
Sir E Cassel's ch f Crossbow, 8st 5lbs ...	Halsey 2
Mr J Hammond's ch c by Raeburn—Marmot, 8st 8lbs	W Lane 3
Lord Harewood's Sea Boy, 8st 8lbs ...	J H Martin 0
Mr L de Rothschild's Dion, 8st 8lbs ...	K Cannon 0
Mr A J Schwabe's Amersham, 8st 8lbs ...	Saxby 0
Mr R H Henning's f by Sempronius—Queenwood, 8st 5lbs	Trigg 0
Mr J B Joel's Reminded, 8st 3lbs ...	F Brown 0
Mr J Wallace's Spear, 8st 3lbs ...	Jarvis 0

(Mr Joel declared to win with Lancaster Gate.)

(*Winner trained by S. Loates.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 on Lancaster Gate, 11 to 2 agst. Marmot colt, 10 to 1 each Dion and Spear, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Spear was fourth, Dion fifth, Sea Boy next, and Reminded last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 3secs.

THE NEWMARKET HANDICAP—Of 905 sovs. A F. (one mile, two furlongs).

Sir E Cassel's br c Exchequer, by Florizel II.—Ways and Means, 4 yrs, 7st 8lbs	O Madden 1
Mr J H Houldsworth's b c Prestwick, 4 yrs, 6st 9 lbs	J Jarvis 2
Mr A James's b c Jupiter Pluvius, 3 yrs, 7st 11b	Miller 3
Mr H J King's Whistling Crow, 4 yrs, 8st 7lbs	H Jones 0
Mr L de Rothschild's Kunstler, 6 yrs, 8st 7lbs	K Cannon 0
Mr J A Miller's Muriel II., 4 yrs, 7st 13lbs	W Lane 0
Mr L Brassey's Alderman, 4 yrs, 7st 13lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	J H Martin 0
Lord Dunraven's Morgendale, 4 yrs, 7st 9lbs	Griggs 0
Miss Clinton's Sun Rose, 4 yrs, 7st 9lbs ...	Plant 0
Mr E C Clayton's Blue Vinny, 3 yrs, 6st ...	Saxby 0

(*Winner trained by Mr. F. Lambton.*)

1 BETTING: 6 to 5 agst Jupiter Pluvius, 100 to 12 Prestwick 0 to 1 each Morgendale and Exchequer, 100 to 8 each Muriel II. and Alderman, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by three parts of a length; three lengths between second and third. Muriel II. was fourth, Sunrose fifth, Whistling Crow sixth, Alderman next, and Kunstler last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins 8⅖sec.

THE BURWELL PLATE—Of 435 sovs; weight for age, etc. Last mile and a half of Cesarewitch Course.

Mr F Taylor's b g Union Jack, by Suspender—Gloriola, 4 yrs, 8st 13lbs	Halsey 1
Mr J H Houldsworth's b c Gavello, 3 yrs, 7st 2lbs	J Jarvis 2
Mr Douglas Baird's b c Isleman, 3 yrs, 7st 11lbs	Griggs 3
Mr F Luscombe's Sansovino, 3 yrs, 7st 7lbs	O Madden 0

(*Winner trained by Gurry.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Union Jack, 9 to 2 agst Sansovino, 6 to 1 Islesman, and 25 to 1 Gavello (offered).

Won in a canter by three-quarters of a length; six lengths divided the second and third. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 38⅗secs.

The cold rain of the day before continued almost without cessation throughout the night, to the delight of trainers and agriculturists, but the skies cleared at dawn, and the morning broke in inimitable splendour. The air was delightfully invigorating, and it was a treat to stroll about the Heath in the brilliant sunshine and watch the early gallops. Things were unusually brisk on the Racecourse Side whither the King drove in an open carriage, accompanied by Lord Marcus Beresford shortly after nine o'clock, and when the time came for the resumption of sport His Majesty utilised the same conveyance, reaching the Rowley Mile Stand in time to witness the first race. The sale of Sir Edgar Vincent's horses in training did not draw a very large muster to Park Paddocks, nor did much business result. Having regard to the bright weather and the importance of the contest for the Newmarket Stakes, the attendance was disappointing. There were many more present in the rings and across the course, but they were a mere handful compared to the gathering on a Cesarewitch or Cambridgeshire day. Runners were numerous again, and the going was in grand order.

A MAIDEN (AT ENTRY) TWO-YEAR OLD RACE.—Of 310 sovs; colts 8st. 12lbs, fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs; with penalties and allowances. Rous Course (five furlongs).

Miss Clinton's b or br f Crystal, b Curio—Perce Neige, 8st 9lbs	R Jones 1
Mr H Lindemere's b f Princess Sagan, 7st 13lbs (£200)	W Lane 2
Rear-Admiral Lambton's b c Pelopidas, 8st 12lbs	D Maher 3
Sir E Cassel's Duke Royal, 8st 12lbs ...	Halsey 0
Mr W A Jarvis's Pitch Hill 8st 12lbs ...	F Wood 0
Sir E Vincent's Epicurus, 8st 12lbs ...	O Madden 0
Mr T H Burrows's Fast Fanny, 8st 9lbs ...	Watts 0
Mr B Hanbury's Sauterelle, 8st 9lbs ...	C Leader 0
Duke of Portland's f by St Simon—Muirinn, 8st 9lbs	M Cannon 0
Mr C D Roses' f by Cyllene—Suntai, 8st 9lbs	Miller 0
Lord Rosebery's Samphire, 8st 9lbs ...	H Aylin 0
Mr R H Henning's Admiral Togo, 8st 2lbs (£200)	Bullock 0
Mr W A Jarvis's Winterfold, 8st 2lbs (£200)	J Jarvis 0
Mr S Loates's Arcadic, 8st 2lbs (£200) ...	F Brown 0
Mr H E Randall's Captain Pott, 8st 2lbs (£200)	Trigg 0
Mr W A Jarvis's Winterfold, 8st 2lbs (£200)	B Lynham 0
Lord Wolverton's c by Ugly—Pensee Triste, 8st 2lbs (£200)	H Jones 0
Mr E Dresden's Anser, 7st 13lbs (£200)	Rollason 0
Mr C J F Fawcett's La Provencale, 7st 13lbs (£200)	J H Martin 0
Mr B Gottschalk's f by Simontault—Yvonne, 7st 13lbs (£250)...	Griggs 0
Lord Downe's Queen of the Fells, 8st 9lbs	K Cannon 0
Mr T Phillips's Green Berry, 7st 13lbs (£200)	Tasker 0

(*Winner trained by Butters.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst Princess Sagan, 9 to 2 Pelopidas, 7 to 1 Crystal, 10 to 1 Samphire, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; a length divided the second and third. Winterfold was fourth, Epicurus fifth, Duke Royal sixth, Green Berry seventh, Anser eighth, Pensee Triste colt ninth, and La Provencale last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 3⅘secs. An objection was lodged the winner on the ground that the assumed name of Miss Clinton had not been registered. The Stewards regarded the objection as frivolous and overruled it, ordering the £5 deposited to be forfeited.

THE FLYING HANDICAP—Of 380sovs. Rous Corse (5 furlongs.)

Lord Rosebery's b f Chelys, by Sir Visto—Chelandry, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs ...	East 1
Mr H J King's br m Mimicry, 5yrs, 8st 11b	H Jones 2
Mr W H Schwind's b c Hackenschmidt, 3yrs, 5st 9lbs *(car 5st 14lbs) ...	McIntyre 3
Mr W H Schwind's Castlewise, aged, 8st 2lbs	B Lynham 0
Mr F Hardy's Wild Night Again, 5yrs, 7st 7lbs	J H Martin 0
Mr J Musker's Melodious 3yrs, 7st 7lbs ...	O Madden 0
Mr E Dresden's Nahlband 6yrs 6st 12lbs*	Rollason 0
Mr E Bonner's Mount Lyell, 6yrs, 6st 11lbs* (car 7st 11b)	Butchers 0
Lord Howard de Walden's Chiffon, 4yrs, 7st 11b...	Miller 0
Mr A Stedall's Arabi, 4yrs, 7st ...	Trigg 0
Mr A H Ruston's Early Bird, 4yrs, 6st 11b	J Jarvis 0
Mr S Loates's Rowanberry, aged, 6st 5lbs	Hunter 0
Mr J Pincus's Harama, 5yrs, 6st 4lbs ..	Plant 0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's Ericstone, 4yrs, 6st 2lbs (car 6st 4lbs)	Griggs 0
Sir E Cassel's Lanfine, 3yrs, 5st 9lbs* ...	Bott 0
Sir S Scott's Scalladale, 3yrs, 5st 9lbs* ...	Saxby 0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by P. Peck.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst Hackenschmidt, 7 to 2 Early Bird, 5 to 1 Melodious, 8 to 1 each Mimicry and Chiffon, 1 to 1 Castlewise and Wild Night Again and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by a head; two lengths separated the second and third Early Bird was fourth, Rowanberry fifth, Arabi sixth, Wild Night Again seventh, Chiffon next, and Nahlband last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2secs.

THE SPRING TWO YEAR OLD STAKES—Of 477 sovs; colts 8st 10lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 7lbs; winners extra; the second received 50 sovs. Rous Course (five furlongs).

Sir J Miller's b f Amitie, by Chaleureux—La Sagesse, 9st 2lbs	D Maher 1
Mr A James's ch c Golden Gleam, 9st 3lbs	H Jones 2
Mr H Lindemere's br c Romulus, 8st 10lbs	O Madden 3
Lord Crewe's Cup of Peril, 8st 7lbs ...	M Cannon 0
Mr A W Davis's Tribonyx, 8st 7lbs ...	M Quin 0
Mr B Lubbock's Field Sable, 8st 7lbs ...	Miller 0
Mr L Neumann's Floretta, 8st 7lbs ...	W Lane 0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Amitie, 7 to 2 Romulus, 9 to 2 Cup of Peril, 6 to 1 Golden Gleam, and 100 to 7 any other.

Won by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Cup of Peril was fourth, Field Sable fifth, and Floretta last.

THE NEWMARKET STAKES—Of 1500 sovs, for three-year olds; colts 9st; fillies 8st 11lb. A. F. (one mile two furlongs).

Mr J. Musker's br c Henry the First, by Melton—Simena, 9st	O Madden 1
Sir John Thursby's b c John o'Gaunt, by Isinglass—La Fleche, 9st ...	Mr G Thursby 2
Mr L de Rothschild's b c St Amant, by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule, 9st ...	K Cannon 3
Lord Farquhar's Airlie, by Ayrshire—Silverling, 9st...	D Maher 0
His Majesty's Chatsworth, by Persimmon—Meadow Chat, 9st	H Jones 0

Winner trained by Gilbert.

BETTING: 9 to 4 on St Amant, 100 to 30 agst John o'G 100 to 7 Henry the First, 25 to 1 agst Airlie, 100 Chatsworth (offered).

Henry the First was the first to leave the paddock, b Amant cantered to the post in the van, followed by Henry First and Chatsworth, with John o'Gaunt bringing up the r. There was little delay before the lot were despatched to an excellent start, Amant, on the lower ground, being the first to sho well in front of John o'Gaunt, also on the left, Airlie, on the top ground, and Henry the First, to the Bushes, where St. Amant was in difficulties, and John o'Gaunt shortly afterwards headed him the pair coming on clear of Henry the First and Airlie. Descending Bushes Hill, John o'Gaunt drew out well in front o St. Amant, but he was challenged in the Dip by Henry the First and a slashing race home resulted in favour of Henry the First by a head; four lengths separated the second and third. Airlie, was fourth. Time by Benson's chronograph, 7mins 8⅖secs

The Second Spring Meeting has well maintained its reputation for quietness, for, in spite of the patronage of the King (who was again present throughout yesterday's proceedings), the attendance ruled very thin. The victory of the Royal colours in the Breeders' Stakes was received with a popular demostration of loyalty that was very gratifying to witness. But for the enthusiasm aroused by the success of Rosemarket the racing was devoid of fervent interest, and to-day's results are not likely to have much bearing on the future.

THE BEDFORD TWO-YEAR-OLD STAKES—Of 421 sovs; colts, 8st 10lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 7lbs with penalties and allowances Rous Course (5 furlongs).

Lord Derby's b f Brilliancy, by Orion—Lady Susan, 7st 12lbs	H Aylin 1
Mr L Brassey's b f by Bay Ronald—Palissandre, 8st 11b	W Lane 2
Sir R Waldie Griffith's ch f Shooting Star, 7st 12lbs	J H Martin 3
Mr E C Clayton's High Havens, 8st 7lbs ...	Halsey 0

(*Winner trained by Mr. G. Lambton*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Brilliancy, 5 to 1 agst Shooting Star, 7 to 1 each Palisandre filly and High Havens (offered).

Won easily by four lengths; a like distance separated second and third. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2⅘secs.

THE PAYNE STAKES.—Of 760sovs, for three-year olds; colts 8st. 12lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 9lbs with penalties and allowance. Last mile and a half of the Cesarewitch Course.

Mr J H Keene's b c Sweeper by Ben Brush—Fairy Slipper, 8st 12lbs	D Maher 1
Capt Laing's b c Antonio, 8st 4lbs ...	Halsey 2
Mr J Musker's br c The Warrior, 8st 4lbs	O Madden 3
Mr W Jarvis's Cades, 8st 12lbs ...	J Jarvis 0
Mr J Pincus's Proffer, 8st 9lbs ...	H Aylin 0
Mr J H Houldsworth's Lochryan, 8st 4lbs (car 8st 6lbs)	M Cannon 0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's f by Isinglass—Therese II, 8st 11b	J H Martin 0
Mr Jas Joicey's Lady of the Vale, 7st 12lbs	W Lane 0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 11 to 4 each agst Cades and Antonio, 4 to 1 T Warrior, 100 to 15 Sweeper, 100 to 14 Lochryan, 10 to 1 La of the Vale and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won easily by a length; three parts of a length betwe second and third. Lady of the Vale was fourth, Cades fif Proffer next, and Therese II, filly last. Time by Benso chronograph, 2min. 39⅘secs.

THE BREEDERS' STAKES—Of 407 sovs, for two-year old colts 8st 12lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 9lbs; with penalties an allowances Rous Course (five furlongs).

His Majesty's ch c Rosemarket by Orion—Rose Madder, 8st 3lbs .	H Jones 1
Mr L de Rothschild's b c Khammurabi, 8st	Watts 2
Sir E Cassel's br c Prudent King, 8st 6lbs	Halsey 3
Lord Cadogan's Custos, 8st 3lbs ...	W Lane 0
Mr H E Randall's Matchcharc, 8st 3lbs ...	Trigg 0
Mr J Wallace's Spear, 8st 3lbs ...	J Jarvis 0
Mr L de Rothschild's Rhythm, 8st ...	B Lynham 0
Mr L Neumann's Buzz, 8st 6lbs ...	Rolls 0
Mr L Brassey's Bagatelle, 7st 11lbs ...	Miller 0
Lord Dunraven's f by Desmond—Combine, 7st 11lbs	Griggs 0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's f by Balsamo—Vain Duchess, 7st 11lbs ...	J H Martin 0
Mr J Musker's Fondling, 8st ...	O Madden 0

(*Winner trained by R. Marsh*).

BETTING: 11 to 4 agst Prudent King, 3 to 1 Fondling, 7 to 2 Rosemarket, 7 to 1 Custos, 10 to 1 Khammurabi, and 100 to 7 agst any other.

Won by a length from Khammurabi who took second place in the Dip; two lengths divided the second and third. Matchchase was fourth, Bagatelle filly fifth, Combine filly sixth, Custos seventh Fondling next, and Buzz last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2⅘secs.

CRICKET.

M. C. C. AND GROUND *vs.* NOTTS.—Played at Lord's on 5th and 6th May. Notts won by eight wickets.—The team which represented the M. C. C. was much stronger than is usually turned out by the club against the counties, and such is the irony of fate, it fared much worse than many of the weaker teams which the M. C. C. has sent into the field in previous

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s. As the wicket played well on Monday, the Notts of 345 runs was not considered very formidable, but he forty minutes that remained for the M C C to bat, six kets fell for 45 runs. Most of the Notts men were either out form or out of luck for eight of them could only put-together runs between them. But the other three were more than qual to the occasion. Iremonger played a fine innings of 137 in three hours and three-quarters, although his first fifty runs were compiled laboriously in a little more than two hours; his second fifty took him only an hour. He played well all round the wicket, his hard driving being especially noticeable. A O Jones helped him to put up 73 for the first wicket, and Anthony 132 in a sixty-five minutes for the 5th, both men playing attractive cricket. The M. C. C. bowling appeared to be uncommonly weak, and Tarrant and Braund only took one wicket between them for 136 runs. When the M. C. C. went in, the bowling of Wass, in a not very good light, proved most effective, and of the six wickets which fell, he claimed four. Nor was there much improvement in the batting on the following morning, and it was not found necessary by the Notts captain to change his bowling. Towards the end of the innings C. C. T. Doll played useful cricket, but in the end the M. C. C. had a balance of 243 against them, with the result that they were made to follow on This time they did much better, and aided by showers which handicapped the bowlers even managed to save the innings defeat. Braund was seen in good form for the first time since his return from Australia; his 54 runs were made in an hour by very pretty and attractive cricket. Trott hit well, and T. A. D Bevington played the highest and best innings of the day. Soon after he had made his fifty, a ball from J. Gunn hit the shoulder of his bat and struck him in the face, compelling him to retire for some little time. He resumed his innings when the next wicket fell, and continued to play good cricket. He eventually carried his bat for an excellent 74, which had been put together in about an hour and a half, chiefly by good and sound driving; his hits included a 5 and ten 4's. Notts went in at about ten minutes past six to make 47 runs, and as at half-past six only twenty-seven of these had been made it was decided not to wait until the next morning to finish the match. Thanks chiefly to Day, the runs were hit off just before seven o'clock. In the course of the match Wass took twelve wickets for 135 runs.

NOTTS.

A. O Jones, st Huish, b Trott	48	Hardstaff, c Huish, b Hearne	11
Iremonger, b Trott	137	Oates, b Hearne	1
Gunn (J.), b Braund	35	Hallam, b Trott	10
Gunn (G.), b Hearne	5	Wass, c Doll, b Hearne	0
Day, c Doll, b Trott	3	Chambers, not out	0
Anthony, c Doll, b Hearne	67	B 22, lb 5, w 1	21
		Total	345

Second innings—Gunn (G.), b Trott, 0; Day, not out, 36; Anthony, b Trott, 4; Hardstaff, not out, 9. Total (two wickets) 49.

M. C. C.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Capt E G Wynyard, c Jones, b Wass	18	st Oates, b Day	12
K de Trafford, c and b Wass	1	b Hallam	1
Tarrant, c Oates, b Hallam	4	c Hallam, b Wass	26
Braund, c Jones, b Wass	9	c Day, b Wass	54
Gilman, c Oates, b Wass	10	b Wass	9
Trott (AE), run out	1	b Wass	34
T A D Bevington, b Wass	12	not out	74
Newstead, b Hallam	6	c Hardstaff, b J Gunn	25
C C T Doll, not out	23	c J Gunn, b Wass	0
Hearne (J T), b Wass	10	run out	23
Huish (F H), b Hallam	6	c Jones, b Wass	21
B 1, lb 1	3	B 7, lb 3	10
Total	102	Total	283

NOTTS.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne	30	10	85	5	8	3	19	0
Trott	19·1	4	82	4	8.4	2	30	2
Braund	24	2	89	1				
Tarrant	14	4	47	0				
Newstead	4	1	14	0				

Trott bowled a wide.

M. C. C.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Wass	27	6	62	6	26·4	5	73	6
Hallam	26 5	12	38	3	26	8	71	1
Chambers					5	0	26	0
Day					8	0	46	1
Anthony					6	2	14	0
J Gunn					10	1	49	1

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY FRESHMEN'S MATCH.—Played at Cambridge on 5th, 6th and 7th May.

MR. F. B. WILSON'S SIDE.

W W H Nash (King's School, Bruton, and Selwyn), c Logan, b Spilsbury	15	A L Gorringe (Manor House School, Clapham, and St John's), b Magnay	38
L A Gilbert (Pocklington, and St Catherine's), b Scoular	78	A F Morcom (Repton and Clare), c de Saram, b Magnay	47
N C Franklin-Smith (Uppingham and Trinity), b Spilsbury	0	F A Marley (Dover College and Queen's) c Scoular, b Bowman	17
J S Jobson (Roxal and Sidney), c Bowman, b Magnay	32	G G Napier (Marlborough and Pembroke), c and b Mathews	27
R W Craig (Shrewsbury and Pembroke), c Stansfield, b Spilsbury	35	L M Macleod (Fettes and Pembroke) not out	18
W P Harrison (Rugby and Jesus), c Mann, b Spilsbury	18	F B Wilson (Trinity) retired hurt	48
		B 8, lb 10, w 3	21
		Total	364

Some people back winners regardless altogether of such things as books of form, and occasionally even without any sort of reason. Previous to the St. Leger of 1861 a couple of Edinburgh gentlemen were discussing their fancies for the forthcoming event.

"What do you think will win?" asked one of them.

"It is a certainty for——" began his companion, but ere the end of the sentence was reached a passing fish-girl shrilly cried out, "Caller Ou!"

The friends, taken aback by this unexpected answer to the query, looked at each other in silent astonishment.

"I shall have a bit on that," at length said the questioner.

Caller Ou's unexpected victory proved profitable to the cannie one, who presented the unwitting prophetess with a pair of gold earrings to commemorate an event as pecular as it was profitable.

At a dinner party, where a celebrated Jew was a guest, another guest rudely remarked that at a town abroad they killed all Jews and dogs. The host was horrified, but the Jew quietly remarked to the speaker, "What a good thing you and I do not live there."

MR. E. W. MANN'S SIDE.

First innings.		Second innings.	
H Logan (Westminster and Trinity Hall), c Morcom b Napier	25	McDonell	42
C B W Magnay (Harrow and Pembroke), c Morcom, b Napier	8	c Craig, b Napier	84
M W Payne (Wellington and Trinity) b Morcom	27	run out	4
W M Greenfield (Reading and Jesus), b Morcom	1	b Macleod	39
T K Mathews (Felsted and Clare), c Franklin-Smith, b Morcom	0	run out	0
S de Saram (St Thomas's College, Ceylon and Caius), b Napier	15	c McDonell, b Morcom	18
A V Staufield (Wellington and Trinity Hall), b Morcom	24	c Franklin-Smith, b Napier	22
L F Spilsbury (Rugby and Emmanuel), st Franklin-Smith, b Morcom	3	Napier	1
G Aspinall (Eton and Trinity), c Macleod, b Napier	23	b Napier	16
T Bowmen (Abingdon and St Catharine's), c Nash, b Napier	0	not out	18
J G Scoular (St Bee's and St John's), not out	8	b Napier	5
E W Mann (Trinity), c and b Napier	16	not out	8
B 5, lb 1, nb 3	9	B 18, lb 3	21
Total	159	Total (10 wkts)	378

MR. WILSON'S SIDE.

	First innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Spilsbury	25	8	34	2	21	2	96	1
Bowman	13	3	69	1	18	2	74	3
Mathews	7	1	28	1	7·3	1	25	0
Scoular					21	2	96	1
Magnay					18	2	74	3
Logan					7·3	1	25	0

Splisbury, Magnay, and Logan each bowled one wide

MR. MANN'S SIDE.

	First innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Napier	25	4	71	6	31	5	81	5
Morcom	24	3	79	5	33	7	89	1
Macleod					12	3	43	1
McDonell					1	0	2	1
Harrison					6	1	29	0
Nash					3	0	13	0

OXFORD UNIVERSITY TRIAL MATCH.

Played at Oxford on May 5, 6 and 7. Drawn.

MR. C. D. MCIVER'S SIDE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J E Raphael (St John's) b Snowden	56	c Branston, b Burn	26
R W Awdry (New), b Henley	2	c Herbert b Burn	110
G G M Bennett (Magdalene), c Herbert, b Henley	13	b Burn	16
L D Brownlee (Oriel) b Burn	4	Whately	109
C D McIver (Hertford), c Smith b Snowden	49	b Whately	0
A S Worsley (Magdalene), c Herbert b Burn	32	c & b Snowden	24
G R J Round (Trinity), b Snowden	1	b Whately	21
R G Barnes (Balliol), lbw, b Whately	1	b Snowden	4
G V Goodliffe (Magdalene), c Branston b Henley	28	not out	20
J P Winterbotham (Oriel), not out	5	not out	2
N R Udal (New), b Burn	0		
H Bomford (Balliol), b Burn	2		
B 2, lb 1	3	B 12, lb 2	14
Total	196	Total (8 wkts)	353

* Innings declared closed.

MR. R. C. W. BURN'S SIDE.

Fist Innings.		Second Innings.	
V H Cartwright (Corpus), c Brownlee, b Udal	5	b Udal	5
C L Macdonald (Magdalene) c Awdry, b Udal	3	Raphael	57
R V Buxton (Trinity), c McIver b Udal	11	St Bomford' b Winterbotham	12
G T Branston (Hertford), c Bennett b Udal,	41		
Hon M Herbert (Balliol), c Barnes, b Udal	58	c Raphael, b Brownlee	36
P J Lewis (Balliol) not out	32	c Goodliffe, b Udal	8
G Le Blanc Smith (University), b Winterbotham	0	b Brownlee	8
A O Snowden (Trinity), c Barnes, b Udal	0	not out	8
E G Whately (New), c Goodliffe	18		
W S Bird (New), c Udal, b Goodliffe	15		
F A H Henley (Oriel), St Bomford, b Udal	0		
R C W Burn (Oriel), b Winterbotham	40	c Winterbotham, b Raphael	4
B 38, lb 2, w 3	43	B 21, lb 1, w 1	23
Total	266	Total (7 wkts)	161

MR. C. D. MCIVER'S SIDE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O	M.	R.	W.
Burn	15·1	2	32	4	32	4	112	3
Henley	17	1	67	3	16	0	95	0
Whately	11	1	29	1	26	8	74	3
Branston	2	0	15	0				
Snowden	11	1	50	3	11	0	58	2

MR BURN'S SIDE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Winterbotham	22·4	7	60	2	17	5	41	1
Udal	33	9	95	8	11	4	22	2
Barnes	13	5	18	0	5	1	21	0
Goodliffe	12	2	36	1	8	1	20	0
Raphael	4	0	14	0	8	3	23	2
Brownlee					1·2	0	8	2

Winterbotham and Udal bowled two wides each.

THE M. C. C. AUSTRALIAN TEAM *v.* REST OF ENGLAND.—Played at Lord's on May 9, 10 and 11. Although the weather was very cold and cheerless, it was somewhat surprising that there was only a small crowd at Lord's when the game began. Without any doubt the absence of Fry and Ranjitsinhji made people feel that strong as was the Rest of England team, it was not representative. In the course of the afternoon the increase in the number of spectators was considerable. As there was every prospect of rain before many hours, both sides were anxious to win the toss, for the wicket looked very easy. The advantage of going in first fell to the tourists, who thereupon kept at the wickets for nearly the whole of the day. Their total of 300 was not large for the wicket, more especially as it was so bitterly cold that the fieldsmen and bowlers were greatly handicapped, but from the appearance of the sky in the evening it was long odds that rain would fall, and that the Rest of England would not be able to make anything like 300 runs. As usual, Warner and Hayward opened the innings, and for a time played the game which made them famous in Australia, although towards the end of his stay Warner hit out boldly. He had a piece of good fortune such as does not often fall to a batsman, for with his score at 13 he skied a ball on the offside in such a position that it fell into—and out of—the hands of Jessop, who ran from cover point. It was by no means a difficult catch but it was a very cold day. The first partnership produced 49, and then Tyldesley played a superb game, while Hayward kept steadily on his way. The two men were together until the total was 121, by which time the Rest of England team looked like having a long outing. Hayward was stumped off the wicket-keeper's pads after batting for about an hour and three-quarters. Tyldesley survived until the total was 160, when, having made 76 out of 132 while he was at the wicket he was beautifully caught and bowled. His innings was the best of the day. Foster Knight, and Braund all made useful scores, Braund being at the wickets for an hour for his 16. A very attractive innings was played by Hirst who did not use the pull quite as often as is customary with him; he was batting for an hour and a quarter for his 51. All the other members of the team except Rhodes made double figures, and when the innings ended there was only an hour's batting in store for the Rest of England. As he often did in Australia, Maclaren adopted an order of going in which was unexpected, and as things turned out this policy answered well, although before stumps were drawn two wickets had fallen for 27. Owing to heavy rain in the early part of the day it was decided at a quarter to three on Tuesday that it was impossible to play. Yesterday morning it looked as if the Rest of England team would have a very difficult task in avoiding defeat, for much rain had fallen and the light was very bad, so bad that it was not possible to resume the game until twenty minutes past twelve. But the unexpected happened; the wicket was soft and did not help the bowlers as much as had been anticipated, although run getting was more difficult than it was no Monday. The Rest of England made a most plucky and creditable fight, and it was a really fine performance to make as many as 247 runs under discouraging circumstances. For some time, with Quaife and Jackson together, the cricket was slow, and Rhodes was bowling for over half-an-hour without having a run scored off him. But at last things began to brighten up, and Jackson played a very pretty game, while Quaife stuck to his end pluckily enough. At 59 Quaife was caught at the wicket, and just as Perrin came in an adjournment was made on account of the bad light After lunch Jackson and Perrin both played most attractive cricket, and the Yorkshiremen's score of 41 was worth many an innings of a hundred, as it paved the way for Denton's fine innings. Perrin was seen at his very best, and perhaps his innings was the best seen during the match. At times he hit with great power, and his 65 included eleven 4's. Long before he was out all question of defeat had been put aside Jessop did nothing, but Denton played a delightful game, making his more than an hour. By the time that the innings came to an 57 runs in a little end it was but the manœuvre was not altogether successful, for half-past five o'clock. The M.C.C. went in again, and when the match ended was 87 runs on, with nine wickets in hand.

M. C. C. TEAM.

P F Warner (Middlesex), b Lockwood	27		
Hayward (Surrey), st Hunter, b Hargreave	43		
Tyldesley (Lancashire), c and b Hargreave	76		
R E Foster (Worcestershire) b Hargreave	18		
Knight (Leicestershire), c Hargreave, b Jackson	19		
Braund (Somerset), lbw, b Lockwood	16		
Hirst (Yorkshire), c Maclaren b Lockwood	51		
B J T Bosanquet (Middlesex), c Perrin, b Lockwood	12		
Arnold (Worcestershire), not out	16		
Lilley (Warwickshire), b Hargreave	14		
Rhodes (Yorkshire), b Hargreave	0		
B 4, lb 4	8		
Total	300		

Second innings: P. F. Warner, not out, 22; Hayward, not out, 1; R E Foster, b Jackson, 11.—Total (1 wicket), 34.

REST OF ENGLAND.

Gunn (J) (Notts), lbw, b Arnold	3		
Quaife (W G) (Warwickshire) c Lilley, b Rhodes	24		
Hunter (Yorkshire) c Lilley, b Hirst	11		
Hon F S Jackson (Yorkshire), b Arnold	41		
P A Perrin (Essex), c Hayward, b Bosanquet	65		
Denton (Yorkshire), c Warner, b Rhodes	57		
G L Jessop (Gloucestershire), c Hirst, b Braund	4		
A C Maclaren (Lancashire), c Foster, b Rhodes	19		
Lockwood (Surrey), b Arnold	2		
Hearne (J T) Middlesex) not out	1		
Hargreave (Warwickshire), c Braund, b Arnold	3		
Extras	17		
Total	247		

M. C. C TEAM.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hargreave	39·2	9	106	5	4	0	28	0
Lockwood	22	4	71	4				
Hearne	17	3	48	0				
Gunn (J)	6	0	26	0				
Jackson	18	5	41	1	3	2	6	1

REST OF ENGLAND.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst	18	5	37	1	Braund	6	0	29	1
Arnold	31	7	80	4	Bosanquet	6	0	22	1
Rhodes	31	18	62	3					

Arnold bowled one wide.

ATHLETICS.

S. L. H. EVENING MEETING.

A. SHRUBB, holder of many records and amateur champion at one, four, and ten miles flat, and the National Cross-Country Champion 1902-3-4, added another to his long list of triumphs at the London Athletic Club Grounds Stamford Bridge, Fulham, on the 12th instant. Here the members of the South London Harriers held an evening meeting, a long programme—considering that the start was not made until half-past six—including a five-mile handicap, specially arranged to enable Shrubb to do what he failed to accomplish at the S. L. H. spring fixture held recently at Kennington Oval Everything was in favour of fast times. The weather had undergone a pleasant change and there was hardly a breath of wind to interfere with the progress of the competitors, while Charley Perry had a path as well as it could be possibly made. Starts extending to 600 yards were allotted, and within hail of him Shrubb had runners like A

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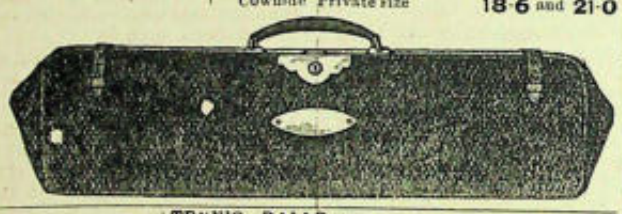
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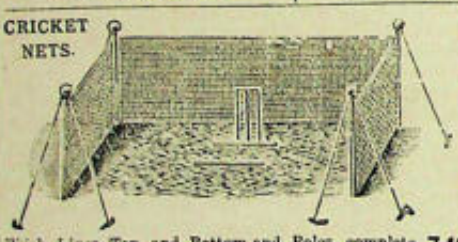
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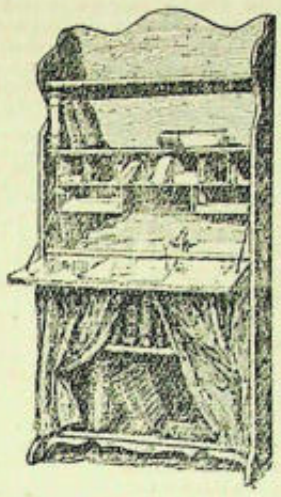
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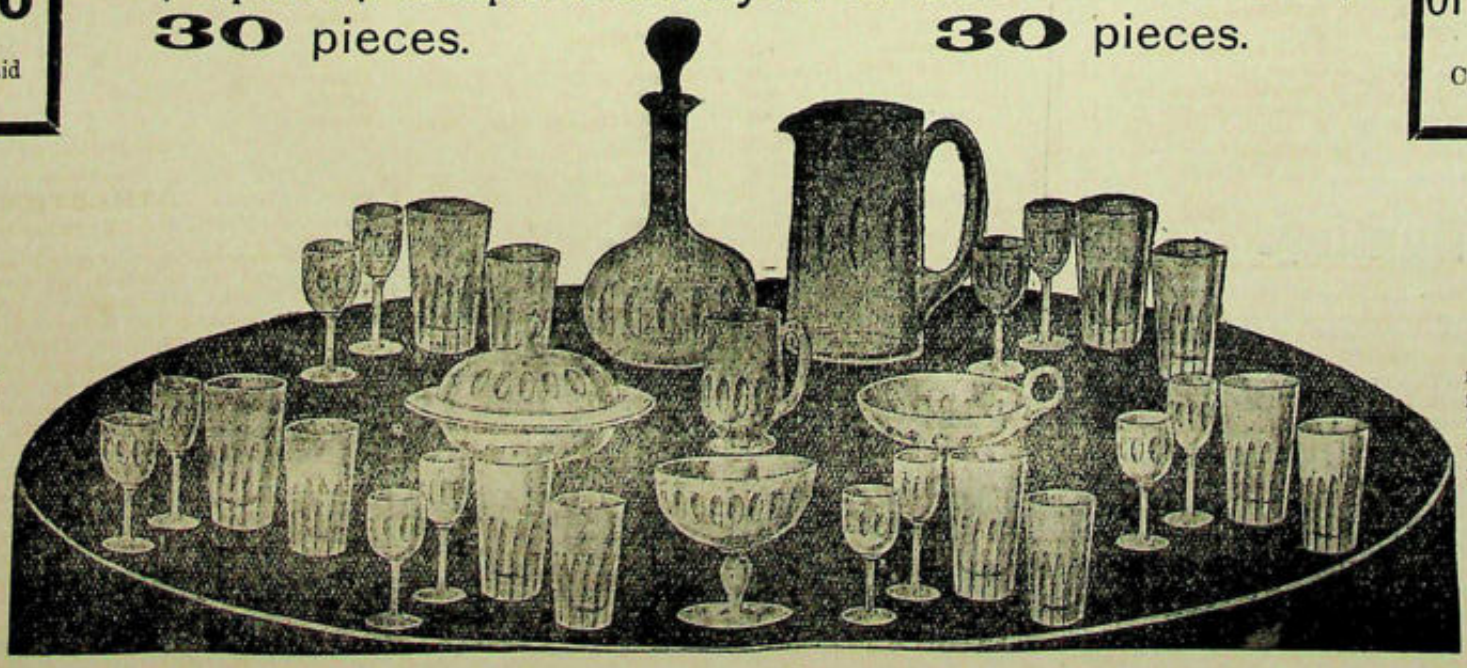
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The remaining events furnished excellent sport. H. Phillips took the hurdles in fine style, and that promising youngster J. George, of St. John's College, Battersea supplemented his success of Saturday last at the Inter-College meeting by running away with the novices' half-mile scratch event. The final of the 300 was confined to the backmarkers, E. H. Montague, the scratch man, just failing to concede starts to H. Watson, 4 yards and L. J. de B. Reed, 3 yards. The chief officials were: Referee, C. Herbert; judges, Gordon C. Innes, J. J. Cooper and F. W. Firminger; timekeepers, J. E. Fowler-Dixon, F. Wyborn, and F. W. Parker; starter, W. Tripp.

100 Yards Members' Race for "Nicholson" Challenge Cup.—J. W. Morton, 1; H. Watson, 2; L. J. de B. Reed, 3; C. D Comrie, 0. Morton soon took the lead and won by a yard and a half; two yards between second and third. Time, 10⅘secs.

120 yards Hurdles Handicap.—Heat 1 G. H. Bolt, owed 2 yards, w.o. Heat 2: H. Phillips, owed 12 yards, 1: J. S. Wyllie, scratch, 2; H. O Whibley, owed 2, 0. Won easily. Time, 18⅕secs Heat 3: J. B. Densham, owed 10 yards, 1; S. W. Walden, scratch, 2. C. P. Jones, 2 yards start, 0. Won by three yards. Jones fell. Time, 19⅕secs. Final heat: H. Phillips, owed 12 yards, 1; J. B. Densham, owed 10, 2; G. H. Bolt, owed 2, 3. Phillips took his timber in fine style, and, gaining the lead at the half-distance, he won cleverly by eight yards; six between second and third. Time 18⅘secs.

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	M.	S.		M.	S.
¼ Mile ...	1	1⅘	2¾ Miles ...	13	17⅕
½ Mile ...	2	8⅖	3 Miles ...	14	33⅕
¾ Mile ...	3	19	4 Miles ...	*15	50⅖
1 Mile ...	4	31	3¼ Miles ...	17	5⅗
1¼ Miles ...	5	44⅕	¼ Miles .	18	19⅖
1½ Miles ...	6	59⅖	4 Miles ...	9	35
1¾ Miles ...	8	15⅕	4¼ Miles .	*20	50⅖
1¼ Miles ...	9	30⅖	4¼ Miles ...	22	56⅖
2 Miles ...	10	45⅖	4¾ Miles ...	23	28⅕
2¼ Miles ...	12	0⅖	5 Miles ...	*24	33⅖

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Putting the Weight. (16lb).—A. J. Burn, 29ft, 1; C. J. McKenzie Hughes, 28ft. 3¼in., 2; R. E. Wright. 25ft 11¼in, 3; J. B. Densham, 0.

High Jump.—H. P. Phillips, 4ft 10in, 1: J. S. Wyllie, 4ft 9in, 2. The winner afterwards cleared 5ft 1in.

300 Yards Handicap (members)—Heat 1; H. Watson, 4 yards start, 1; E. H. Montague, scratch, 2; C. W. B. King, 15, 3. Won on sufferance by two yards; same between second and third. Time, 33secs. Heat 2: H. Norrey, 21 yards start, 1; J. B. Densham, 6, 2; C. D. Comrie, 2, 3. Won cleverly by two yards one yard between second and third. Time, 32secs. Heat 3: A; P. Horner, 22 yards start, 1; L. J. de B Reed, 8, 2; R. E. Wright, 17, 3. A clever win by two yards and a half. Time, 32⅘secs. Final heat: H. Watson, 4 yards start, 1; L. J de B. Reed, 3, 2; E. M. Montague, scratch, 3. Won by two yards and a half; half a yard between second and third. Time, 31 4-5sec.

880 Yards Race (novices).—J. George, St John's College, 1; G. Nicol, introduced, 2; H. P. Totterdell, introduced, 3; W. E. Barry, Consolidated Goldfields C. C., 4; E. W. Totterdell, introduced, 5; R. Pascoe, introduced, 6 Sixteen started. Abraham went off at top speed. The pace toned down, however, at three hundred yards, which found the field all together. Halfway round the last lap George ran into second place, and, sprinting down the straight, won by twenty-two yards; four yards divided second and third. Time, 2mins 9⅖secs.

One Mile Handicap (members).—A. W. Clay Thomas, 55 yards start, 1; G. J. Cumming, 130, 2; H. E. M. Martin, 65, 3; P. A. Casserley, scratch, 4; . B. Dodd, 15, 5; A. J. Barnden, 130, 6. Sixteen started At the bell, Cumming was three yards ahead of Barnden, who was followed by Martin and Clay Thomas. In the straight, the last-named came through and won smartly by six yards; a foot between second and third. Time, 4mins 36secs.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

LAST Saturday (21st May) we had a bye day so that this week I have three days' hunting to chronicle. The most noteworthy feature of them all was the very large number of jacks that are now about the Downs; indeed, in one run on Thursday, no fewer than six jacks were in front of hounds, and it speaks very well for them that they behaved so well. The going has been excellent, for we have had plenty of rain.

On Saturday, the meet was at Rees' Corner at seven o'clock on a fine morning, with the country still damp after the previous rain. There was only a small field out, on account of the Horse Show We drew Porcupine Shola blank and then moved on down the Mujmad Valley. Half a mile below Melkaval Village a brace of jacks jumped up in front of hounds and the pack divided. The body of the pack soon marked their jack to ground in a nullah. We then went after the other hounds and found them at fault in Sambur Shola, where the master stopped them as it was getting late.

On Monday (23rd) there was a very large field present at the meet, which was at Sandy Nullah Tall Bar. There was a heavy dew, but the morning was beautifully fine. The master's first move was to Sawley's Course, on the top of which we found. The jacked jumped up close in front of hounds and ran down the long slope towards the Gold Mine Stream. This was very foolish of him, for hounds gained on him at every yard. Had he turned up the hill and thus gained some lead, we should have most likely had a very good run, for he was a fine dog jack, but as it was hounds rolled him over in the stream near Rawling's Nullah.

We then moved on to Briar Shola, where, unfortunately, a jungle sheep jumped up in front of hounds, and on such a scenting morning they were not able to resist his fragrance. He broke across into Bacon Wood and soon had hounds beat, most likely by lying down. We were not kept waiting long, however, for hounds soon opened on the line of a jack and were away at a good pace to Chemmund where the master had to stop them. We were just moving down into the Yemakal Valley where Captain Fife viewed a jack leaving the bottom of Chemmund. He had apparently been hunted before, for his tongue was out, so that in all probability hounds had changed on to him at Bacon Wood and that it was his line they had hunted to Chemmund. We had a very good run after this, over the rising ground to the Pykara River and back again to a nullah below Chemmund, where the jack went to ground While we were waiting for terriers to get him out he bolted again and we had another gallop of about half a mile towards Bacon Wood when he again went to ground, and this time we had to leave him. A large extent of the Yemakal Valley was then drawn and, with the exception of a very cold scent, which hounds marked prettily, but could make nothing of and along the banks of the Pykara River nothing more was done.

On Thursday (26th) a very large field turned out. The meet was at Golf Corner and it was a perfect cloudy hunting morning. The first draw was Jackal Shola and hounds were, scarcely in at the top before a brace of jacks broke at the bottom Hounds got away beautifully and swung round to the crossing at Rallywood. The hunted jack turned up through Rally Wood, while the other went over the hill towards Blue Gums. In Rallywood two more jacks and hounds divided, eight couple hunting a fresh one into Governor's Shola. The remaining 12 couple stuck to their jack across the Krurmund Road and down to the lower part of Monkey Shola. From this a brace more jacks went away, one across to Baikie and the other back to Jackal Shola. The pack, however, never left the line of their first jack who was now running short up and down Monkey Shola. Hounds hunted beautifully in the wood for quite a quarter of an hour and then forced the jack out at the bottom where he was viewed dead beat. He turned up the nullah below Swamyar Blue gums as if for Tiger Shola, but was killed before he got more than half way. This was a splendid run and hounds behaved beautifully, for during the run they had no fewer than six jacks in front of them, to say nothing of a large and bad tempered porcupine. Yet they never required the least assistance or steadying.

We then went on to Sheffield Corner in pursuit of the other eight couple who could still be heard hunting their jack in Governor's Shola, Having stopped them we turned through Blue Gums to Rawlings Nullah and drew down to the grass covert near Double Crossing it was evident that a jack had been about here as hounds feathered and as we rounded the corner into Blackmoor Value above Treble Crossing he jumped up into view. He only just managed to reach the stream, but turning up the northern slope of Bagman he gained on hounds. He gave us a very fine run and had he been able to hold his own long enough he would doubtless have gone by Farrier's Crossing and the Rifle Range to Bramly. But, with the leading hound snapping at him he sought refuge in Lascelles' Covert where he was killed.

Saturday (28th) was a bye day, the meet being at Rees Corner at 7 A.M. We first drew Porcupine Shola blank and then moved on down the Nunjenad Valley, of which we drew a wide extent without finding We a then drew Baikie, which is full of woodcutters, also blank. At last we found in Jackal Shola, and the jack as usual look us through Rallywood whence another was viewed away. The hunted jack turned, up the covert and across the Krurmund Road to Monkey Shola. Running through the upper part of this he came out on the Baikie side and it looked as if Baikie was his point Swinging to the right, however, he took us at a great pace past Swami Crossing and straight on down the Valley After passing Dharma Tope he turned across the stream and over the hill into Sambur Shola where we lost him. We then came home. It was a bright morning with a cold wind, and scent was probably never very good.

BLUE GUM.

Rowing.

OOTACAMUND REGATTA.

THE regatta was brought off the 23rd, 24th and 25th ult. and proved a great success. There was a large attendance on each day big entries and good, racing was some close finishes being witnessed. Mrs. Thompson gave away the prizes at the conclusion of the last day's events. In the fours the Army beat the Civil Service. Stewart secured the Diamond Sculls, Major Johnstone and Captain Wagstaffe the Double Sculls and Crum and Wagstaffe the Pairs. There were the usual "mixed" events and a Double Sculls race for ladies. Major Bagnall and Mr Hannyngton are to be congratulated on the success of the regatta. Details:—

MEN'S PAIRS.

Crum, Wagstaffe beat Bagnall, Hannyngton
Won by half a length.

Dennistoun, Gibbes vs. Raikes, Kennard
The latter pair scratched.

Final.

Crum, Wagstaffe beat Dennistoun, Raikes
Won by a few feet after an exciting race.

MEN'S DOUBLE SCULLS.

Lewin, Goldie beat Filson, Lonsdale
Won by a quarter of a length.

Johnstone, Wagstaffe vs. R Irwin, H A Irwin
The latter pair scratched.

Final.

Major Johnstone, Capt Wagstaffe, Miss Breithaupt (cox) beat Mr Lewin, Mr Goldie, Miss Farr (cox)

MEN'S FOUR.

Army.	*R.*	*A.*
Lewin		Evans Gwynne
Gibbs		Raikes
Bagnall	beat	Goldie
Wagstaffe		Dennistoun
Mrs Bagnall (cox)		Miss Farr (cox)

Won by half a length.

Final.

The Army beat The Civil Service
Won by a length after a good race.

DIAMOND SCULLS.

Stewart beat Crum
Hannyngton beat Goldie
Stewart beat Filson (scratched)

Final.

Stewart beat Hannyngton
Won by a length.

MIXED DOUBLE SCULLS.

Miss N Marriott, Major Bagnall beat Miss Morgan, Mr Hannyngton
Won easily.

Mrs Josselyn, Mr Evans beat Miss Hay, Mr Dennistoun
Won by a length.

Mrs Josselyn, Mr Evans, Miss Breithaupt (cox) beat Miss N Marriott, Major Bagnall, Mrs Bagnall (cox)
Won by a length and-a-half.

MIXED FOURS.

Miss N Marriott, Mrs Hemingway, Mr Hemingway, Mr Evans beat Miss Stewart, Miss Hay, Capt Gibbes, Capt Dennistoun
Won by a length.

LADIES' DOUBLE SCULLS.

Miss F Marriott, Miss Morgan beat Miss N Marriott, Mrs Hemingway
Won by a length and-a-half.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT SIMLA.

SIMLA *vs.* OUTSTATIONS.—This match was concluded on the 27th instant, resulting in a win for the Outstations on the first innings. Simla did well in their second venture, Smallwood scoring 101 not out. For the winners Etlinger (65), Bulloch (35), and Marshall (30) were best. Score:—

OUTSTATIONS.
1st Innings.

Lyon, run out ...	0
C Marshall, b Laverton ...	30
Etlinger, c Laverton, b Mitchell ...	65
Lewin, b Robinson	11
Bulloch, c Smallwood, b Laverton ...	35
Venning, b Laverton	3
Logan, b Laverton	6
Anstey, l b w, b Robinson	5
Chapman, b Laverton	5
C R Henderson, not out	26
Stuart b Robinson	26
Extras	13
Total ...	215

SIMLA C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Smallwood, not out ...	14	not out ...	101
French, b Venning ...	5	b Etlinger ...	38
Mitchell, c Stuart, b Venning	16	c Bulloch, b Logan ...	20
Laverton, c Lyon, b Logan ...	11	c Logan, b Venning ...	12
Stokes, b Logan	0	not out	24
General Spens, l b w, b Venning	1		
Tipping, c Rulloch, b Logan ...	7		
S M Robinson, c Henderson, b Venning	9	did not bat.	
Todd, c Henderson, b Logan ...	2		
Pritchard, b Venning ...	0		
Vidal, b Logan	1		
Extras	2	Extras ...	16
Total ..	68	Total ...	206

CRICKET CHAT.

I HEAR on what must be considered excellent authority, seeing that the player in question is responsible for the announcement, that Captain J. G Greig proceeds home on six months' leave from the 20th May, and will assist Hampshire in all that county's engagements during the latter half of June and fro the remainder of the season. his announcement following as it does a similar one regarding another well-known Anglo Indian player, Major R. M. Poore to wit, who will also assist Hampshire, will lend a peculiar interest in the doings of Hants this season among Indian cricketers. Should both those famous batsmen be in anything like their old form, the Southern County should be in no danger of holding the wooden spoon in the County Championship this year.

The most interesting match played last month was that between Ootacamund and Bangalore, at Ooty. Neither station was represented at full strength, the most prominent absentee being C. T. Studd, from the Ootacamund team, but on paper at all events Ooty seemed to have the stronger side. Among those who donned flannels being Major R. H. Dewing, A. B. Jackson, Captain B. E. A Manson, W. W. Phillips, Captain J. S. Unthank, the old Etonian, C. Morrison, R. Simpson, and Major Norie. The Bangalore team included Captain Standage. Captain Copeland, J. G. Tait, L. G. Moore, the Collector, J. T. Harris, Captain Peel, Major Hayes and last, but not least, that keen old cricketer, Sir J. Bourdillon. Ootacamund curiously enough made exactly the same total in both innings, *viz.*, 182, but only had a lead of 9 runs on the result of the first innings. Mainly owing to a fine effort by Moore in the second innings who scored 55 not out, and a determined stand by C. S. Rolland who contributed 23, Bangalore was able to win by 24 runs. Besides these two batsmen, Major Hayes (35 and 5), Captain Standage (5 and 30), H. Hanson (37 and 33), and Captain Peel (20 and 14) all did well for Bangalore. The two crack Ooty batsmen, Dewing and Manson, did very little, and it was left to Major Norie (27 and 69), W. W. Phillips (43 and 6), A. B. Jackson (23 and 35), and C. Morrison (16 and 43 not out) to do the bulk of the scoring The bowling honours were fairly evenly divided, Standage 4 wickets for 26, Copeland 7 for 108, and Harris 5 for 119 doing best for Bangalore, and Unthank 6 for 47, and Morrison 9 for 118 for Ooty.

Indian cricketers and cricket lovers generally will be very pleased to read of E. H. D. Sewell's success in the opening match of the home first-class season between London County and Surrey. Playing for the former the erstwhile Madras crack made the highest score in the match and at the same time his first century in an important match. His 181 was described as a brilliant exhibition and worthy of a born hitter. The match was Sewell's match, as in addition to his big innings he took one wicket in Surrey's first innings—Strudwick's—brought off four catches which dismissed Able, Hayes, Moulder and Lockwood, and ran out Lees with a fine return from mid-off. In the following match against M. C. C. and Ground, also for London County, he was dismissed for a single and against Surrey in the return match in the first innings was dismissed for a blob.

The chief interest in cricket circles this week has been centered in the matches played at Simla between the Simla C. C. and the Black Watch, and Simla C. C. *vs.* Outstations. Until the scores in these matches were published, cricket lovers had no means of telling who were the most prominent players up at Simla this season. A glance at the names, however, shows that there is a galaxy of talent available this year, and, fully

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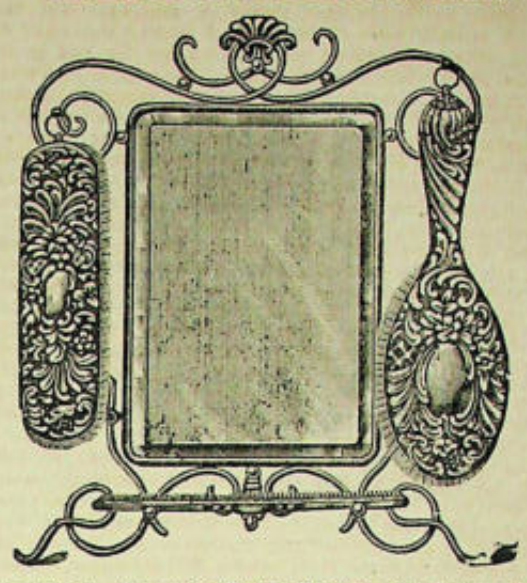
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represented, the Simla C. C. could place a team in the field that would be capable of rendering a good account of itself against any team in the country. Simla, of course, always has a call on the services of a number of well-known players, but this season the number is unusually large, and in no year since 1899 has the summer headquarters of the Government of India been able to point to such a strong team as that available this year Some of those who played in the two matches under notice are only up the hill for a few weeks but among those who are available for the whole cricket season are Brigadier-General J. Spens, the well-known Hampshire cricketer; Captain H. C. Laverton, of the Black Watch, who has established a great reputation as an all round player in Northern Indian; E L French, the old Marlburian, who has even now very few equals and no superiors among European wicket-keepers, and is still able to score freely; Captain F. G. Smallwood, who has made his mark as a dashing batsman in Bengal cricket Captain M E McConaghey, the old Cliftonian, who it will be remembered played a very fine innings against the Authentics a couple of seasons ago; S. M. Robinson, Lahore's crack bowler and a batsman of no mean ability; H. Hensman, an old Simla cricketer, who is as good as ever as a bowler; Captain A. B Stokes who rendered fine service to the club last season; Major W. C. Walton, a well-known Bombay player, and Major Todd, R. Mitchell, J. S. Evans, and two or three others whose name are not so familiar to me

The match with the Black Watch resulted in a draw, Simla having 21 runs to make to win in the fourth innings with only one wicket to fall. The scoring was not high, the Black Watch's second innings of 160 being the highest in the match, but three batsman made over 50 runs, *viz.* Mitchell and McConaghey for Simla who contributed 62 in the second innings, and 52 in the first innings respectively, and Bulloch who knocked up 55 in the first innings of the Black Watch Several other batsman also did well, notably S. M Robinson who contributed 33 and 38 to the Simla totals, and C. B. Henderson, the old Rugbeian, who made 35 for the Black Watch in the second innings. The bowling was fairly strong on both sides, Murray, Laverton and Baillie-Hamilton all having good figures for the Black Watch, and Robinson and Hendsman doing well for Simla

The match between Simla and the Outstations was to the great regret of all concerned, spoiled on the first day by heavy hail and rain, only 147 runs being made for the loss of six wickets by the Outstations, who batted first, when stumps had to be drawn. Both teams were very strong on paper, the Outstations eleven, including H. Etlinger, the old Marlburian and Incogniti player, C H. Lyon the Derbyshire county man, C. C. Marshall of the Calcutta C. C., E. O. Lewin, an old Wykehamist, whose first appearance it was in an important match, R. A. Bulloch, of the Black Watch, C. R. B. Henderson, also of that regiment, and R. M. Logan and F. E. W. Venning two young players who have only recently arrived in India and bowled with marked effect in Simla's first innings. The Outstations totalled 2 5, there being five individual scores of over 20. Chief batting honours were carried off by H. Etlinger, the old Marlburian, who contributed 65. Lyon failed Marshall (30), Bulloch (25), Henderson (26 not out) and Stuart (26) were all more or less seen to a vantage. Laverton who captured five wickets, and Robinson, who took three, did best with the ball for Simla. So far there had been nothing remarkable about play, but a most startling collapse followed on Simla going in to bat. Logan and Venning, the two young players referred to above, bowled with the most remarkable success, dismissing the strong Simla eleven for 68, and sharing the wickets. I have not their analysis by me but their *debut* was sufficiently promising, considering the calibre of the Simla team to warrant the hope that two really good new bowlers have been introduced into Indian cricket. It is best to pass a veil over Simla's first innings, and turn to their performance in the follow—on, where, at least one batsman achieved a feat that deserves special mention. Captain F. G. Smallwood, the player in question, who had made 14 not out in the first innings, proved that good bowling has no terrors for him by knocking up 101 not out out of 206 for three wickets. His success was the chief feature of the match, and I may remark *en passant* that his three-figure contribution is the first in hill station matches this season. E. L. French (33), Captain A. B. Stokes (24 not out), and R. Mitchell (20) gave him valuable assistance.

STATISTICIAN.

Conductor of tram car, to Irishman seated with a pipe in his mouth: "No moking.'
Irishman: "I'm not smoking."
Conductor: "But you've a pipe in your mouth."
Irishman: "Sure, an' I've boots on my fate, but I'm not walking."

A young fop entered a tram car the other day, accompanied by a dog, which attracted a good deal of friendly interest from an Irishman who inquired what breed the dog was. The owner looked the questioner insolently up and down, and then replied, with a drawl: "It's a cross between an ape and an Irishman."
"Faith, then, we're both related to it," was the response.

Football.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* 64TH R. F. A.—On the Dalhousie ground, last Saturday, the home team won by a goal to *nil*. The first-half was very even and no score was registered. On crossing over play ruled very fast, but opportunities were lost by both sides owing to wild shooting. Then Dalhousie began to press, and just before time Dalling scored. Teams:—

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Stimson and Templeton, *backs*; Phelps, Butler and Evans, *half-backs*; Barber, Holly, Dalling, Bonar and Prise, *forwards*.

64TH R. F. A.—Harrison *goal*; Quin and Prince, *backs*; Lockins, Osborne and Donnelly, *half-backs*; Woods, Hingley, Wratten, Nicols and Douglas, *forwards*.

WEST RIDINGS *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—This match was played on the Calcutta ground on the 28th ultimo. The Regimental team winning by twoigoals to *nil*. They began by attacking and Woodings, getting away, put through. On resuming Woodings once more got possession and put on a second goal. After half-time the Young Men played up, and offering a strong defence kept the military out. Teams:—

WEST RIDINGS.—Roberts, *goal*; Evans and Stevens, *backs*; Morris, Turner and Reeves *half-backs*; Hulyer, Drew, Grady (captain), Woodings and Wilson, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A.—Kay, *goal*; Stokes and Collingwood, *backs*; Wilson, Pooler and Schaumbergh, *half-backs*; Vears, Redmond Scully, Gordon and McPhee, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. R. Remfry.

HOWRAH *vs.* CALCUTTA.—Calcutta went across the river last Saturday, and defeated the Howrah team by three goals to one. The game was very even in the first-half. Howrah drew first blood, Karr putting through for the homesters On changing ends, the visitors got going and a good run terminated in a goal, V. Cooper scoring. Fast play followed, then the Calcutta forwards once more got away and Macdonald put through. Almost immediately afterwards H. Sherman scored the third point. The home team played hard, but were unable to reduce the visitors' lead, the game ending as stated. Teams:—

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal*; Wickham and Badham, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford and Ansell, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, MacDonald, V. Cooper, V. Sherman and Stewart, *forwards*.

HOWRAH.—O'Neil, *goal*; Curtis and MacFaen, *backs*; Harrison, Wood and Morrow, *half-backs*; Echlin, Linton, Smith, Hart and Karr, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. Percy Willder.

RANGERS' *vs.* KING'S OWN REGT.—There was a large gathering on the Rangers ground on Saturday to witness the match between the above teams. The Regiment went away at the start and Carman opened the scoring. The Rangers attacked in turn and Rosser equalised. Exchanges were even for a space, then the King's Own obtained another goal and were leading at the interval. Crossing over the Rangers had the best of the opening play, and several shots were sent in—without success, however. Then the soldiers got going, and the home team were forced to defend till time was called, West scoring the third point just before the whistle was blown. Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Hill, *goal*; Mellor and Cottam, *backs*; Leonard, Ennis and Quinn *half-backs*; Jones, Diggle, West, Carman and Whittingham, *forwards*.

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal*; Margrett and Anderson, *backs*; Boiland, Lees and Russell, *half-backs*; Walker, McCready, Rosser, Affleck and Vears, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. J. Greig.

CALCUTTA *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—Playing on their own ground on the 31st ultimo, the Calcutta team beat the Regiment from Dum-Dum by a goal to *nil* after a good game. The first stage was evenly contested but neither team could score, and the interval arrived with a blank sheet. On resuming the homesters began to show up, and the brothers Sherman were seen to advantage. Calcutta continued to press, and V. Sherman scored after several unsuccessful shots. The soldiers made great efforts but were unable to get level. Teams:—

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal*; Badham and Wickham, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford, and Ansell, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, McDonald, V. Cooper, V. Sherman and Steward, *forwards*.

WEST RIDINGS.—Roberts, *goal*; Stevens and Evans, *backs*; Morris Turner, and Reeves, *half-backs*; Hollier, Drew, Grady, Woodings and Wilson, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. P. Willder.

Y. M. C. A. *vs* DALHOUSIE.—The match between these teams was played on the Association ground, the home team being victorious by a goal to *nil* The visitors were not at full strength, while the Young Men had a good team out. They pressed during most of the play, Wilson heading into the net during the first half. The Dalhousie team were awarded two penalty kicks, but could not turn them to advantage. Teams:

Y. M. C. A.—Key *goal*; Stokes and Lamb, *backs*; Collingwood, Pooler and Schaumberg *half-backs*; Vears, Scully Redmond, Gordon and Wilson, *forwards*.

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Robinson and Williamson, *backs*; Phelps, Butler and Evens, *half-backs*; Barber, Roebottom, Dalling, Bonar and Wheeler, *forwards*.

Referee.—Corporal Guest King's Own.

CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE.

Last Saturday three matches in the above League were played. On the Measurers' ground St Joseph's beat the home team by four goals to one. The Hornets met La Martinière on the school ground, the school team winning by two goals to one. The match between the Seebpur College and 79th R G. A. was played at Hastings and resulted in a draw of a goal each. On Monday, the 30th ultimo, the Hornets beat St. Joseph's by a goal to *nil*, but the latter had the best of matters all though, and were unfortunate in not finding the net. The 79th R G. A. defeated the B.-N. Railway, by 2 goals to *nil*.

Two matches were played on the 31st ultimo. At Sibpur the Engineering College beat La Martinière by three goals to *nil* and the game between the B.-N. Railway and Caledonians resulted in a win for the Railway by a goal to *nil*.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE first half of the Y. M. C. A. *vs.* 64th R. A. match on Tuesday, the 24th, was very uninteresting. The Gunners, Wratten and Nicholl especially, missed scoring once or twice, but otherwise there was nothing worthy of note. In the second half the Young Men played up better, Pooler and Lamb being conspicuous, and eventually scored a goal, the only one of the match. This result was a great surprise to most people as the R. A. had previously been improving daily, but although the Young Men had strengthened their team the Gunners had no excuse and should have put more energy and less temper into their play. The sympathy of those of the civilian spectators who supported the R. A. was alienated by the behaviour of some of their number during the latter stages of the game. Corby had to be ordered off the field for foul play and, assisted by several friends, passed the remainder of the time in abusing the Referee. I trust the I. F. A., to whom the matter has been reported, will issue such a warning as will act as a deterrent to any future would-be abusers of Referees, and that this unpleasant feature of local football will be put a stop to as soon as possible.

Calcutta spectators have no excuse whatever for not being supporters of the amateur as opposed to the professional game, and the sooner some of them realise that no one having any connection with the game is paid, that they themselves have not paid any entrance fee to see the game, and that they are not watching a professional match surrounded by a betting crowd, the better it will be for everyone concerned.

On Wednesday Dalhousie were at home to the West Ridings, the latter showing up much better than in their previous two matches. There was an absence of the usual excessive short passing in front of goal and the shooting, especially in the second half, was above the average Play in the first half was fairly even, but Dalhousie missed the services of Stimson and Stewart. Phelps worked hard as usual and Prise and Bonar put in some good individual runs, but the latter player was rather selfish at times. The Ridings' wing men were in excellent form also Stevens and Evans, and Roberts gave a good exhibition of goal keeping. It was a good game free from any foul play, and the Dum-Dum men deserved their victory.

The other Wednesday match, Rangers *vs.* Howrah, did not call for much enthusiasm. Howrah scored the first goal, but Rosser soon equalised, and the Rangers then getting into their stride romped in easy winners by three to one. Woods at centre forward made one or two good runs for Howrah, but was not well supported, and Behrend was seldom troubled. Rosser played his usual game for the Rangers, and is the most valuable acquisition the club have made since Lees joined their ranks.

Up to last Saturday the opinion of many people appears to have been that luck had had a lot to do with the success of the Rangers, but those who were fortunate enough to witness the good fight they put up against the King's Own will now be prepared to contradict this. A gamer contest has not been seen this season, and this in spite of very trying atmospheric conditions. Both sides were at full strength and played for all they were worth almost up to the call of time. From the start excitement was intense, the King's Own pressed for a few minutes, but the ball was soon transferred to the other end and the Rangers, playing with much dash, raised the hopes of their supporters by the determination of their attack. Both sides missed scoring in the first few minutes through obvious nervousness and a good deal of feeling was aroused by some bad

the part of Quin. It would be a pity for such a strong to be lost to the team, but although Calcutta Referees ng suffering lot, I am afraid the King's Own left half will g pursue his course unchecked unless he modifies his ds.

o resume comments on the game. The first goal was scored Carman to the great delight of the men from the Fort who mustered in force behind the Rangers' goal line. The home team then bombarded the soldiers' goal and two corners were conceded, but neither resulted in a goal. At last after a good piece of combined play on the part of the Rangers' forwards, a miskick by Miller gave Rosser a chance and amid great enthusiasm he equalised with a fine shot. The second goal scored by the visitors came as a surprise to everyone, especilly Behrend, and it was unfortunate for the Rangers that the scores were not equal at half time. The second half of the game was just as fast and furious as the first, and though the King's Own added another goal to their score, the Rangers had most of the game to within ten minutes of time, their forwards and halves, Rosser and Lees especially, showing tip-top form. Altogether the civilian club have reason to congratulate themselves on their exhibition and their next two games, against the West Ridings and Calcutta, should be well worth watching. The King's Own forwards were, as usual, very good, and one was glad to notice, much less frequently "off side" than in their previous matches.

The Calcutta-Howrah match was well attended and although the ground was somewhat heavy, especially at one end, a very good game resulted. The home team had slightly the better of the first half and when half-time was called were leading by one to *nil*. On crossing over the Calcutta team pulled themselves together and, after a little play in midfield, scored three goals in rapid succession. V. Cooper who had changed places with Macdonald kept the forward line well together and some excellent combination was displayed. Wickham who had displaced Baker at back played up well and the halves showed considerable improvement in form. For Howrah Woods was as good as usual, and the team as a whole seem to be improving as the season advances.

The West Ridings had on the whole little difficulty in disposing of the Y. M. C. A. by 2 to 0. They played the same team as against Dalhousie, and it was largely owing to the goal-keeping of Kay and the defence of Pooler that they did not make a greater score. The game, which was watched by very few spectators, was not of an interesting description, as, although the Young Men played a fairly strong defence, they could make no ow against the Dum-Dum back division.

The Dalhousie-64th R. A. match was very even. Both s had several opportunities of scoring, but the shooting was e tic and the goal-keepers had an easy time. The general o ion seemed to be that the game would end in a draw, but D ing scored just before time, so Dalhousie secured their two p ts. Templeton, Phelps and Bonar for Dalhousie and P ce, Osborne and Wratten for the R. A. were most conspicuous.

Games in the Civil and Military League drag on without any great show of popular interest. The 79th R. A. still keep their leading position, but Seebpur have shown that they are almost as good and the men from the Fort will need to play up for all they are worth to eventually come out top. The Hornets managed to beat St. Joseph's, but it was more by luck than superior play. The form displayed by the other teams is very variable.

Up to Saturday, the 28th instant, the various teams in the Calcutta Football League stood as follows:—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals. For.	Goals. Against.
King's Own ..	4	4	0	0	8	10	1
Rangers ...	5	4	1	0	8	9	6
Calcutta ...	4	3	1	0	6	8	3
West Ridings ...	4	2	1	1	5	5	3
Dalhousie ...	5	2	3	0	4	4	5
64th R. A. ...	5	1	3	1	3	5	5
Y. M. C. A. ...	4	1	3	0	2	2	7
Howrah ...	5	0	5	0	0	2	15

And in the Civil and Military League, up to the 30th instant:—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals. For	Goals. Against.
79th R. G. A. ...	5	4	0	1	9	12	1
Seebpur ...	4	3	0	1	7	8	1
La Martinière ...	5	3	2	0	6	6	5
St. Joseph's ...	5	2	2	1	5	7	5
Caledonians ...	4	2	2	0	4	6	6
Hornets ...	6	2	4	0	4	8	10
B.-N. Ry. ...	4	1	2	1	3	2	5
Mensurers ...	5	0	5	0	0	2	18

Since writing the above "notes" I hear that the Commanding Officer of the Barrackpore B. A. has taken stringent measures to prevent any recurrence of the trouble, as far as his men are concerned, which spoilt the latter part of the 64th R. A.—Y. M. C. A. match on the 24th instant. These measures are very severe and although perhaps a little stronger than the occasion warranted, the thanks of the Indian Football Association and Calcutta Football League authorities are due to Major Knox for taking such a firm stand in favor of fair play.

"TOUCH."

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

BOGEY COMPETITION.—The month of May was as usual devoted to a running Bogey Competition which lasted throughout. The imaginary warrior's score has been reduced by several strokes since last year, and it takes an uncommonly good round to halve a match with him so that Mr. Sinclair's 4 up on nine holes without any handicap to help him may be regarded as an extraordinarily fine performance, and at the same time a testimony to the improved state of the course, which is probably in better order just now than it has been for years. Messrs. Cuthbert and Hechle also distinguished themselves, but no other players succeeded in defeating Bogey, the best of the 154 cards which were sent in being as follows:—

	Strokes received.	*Result.*
B Sinclair ...	Scr	4 up
D A Cuthbert ...	1	2 up
J H Hechle ...	2	2 up
F H Stewart ...	Scr	all Square
H W Dick ...	2	all Square
Major F J Drury ..	2	1 down
A E Todd ...	2	1 down
Mr Justice Brett ...	2	1 down
H B Caw ...	5	1 down
A A Economo ...	2	2 down
C P Bartholomew	3	2 down
J K Chase ...	4	3 down
J Hudson ...	4	4 down
Captain Thurston	5	4 down
Captain McCay ...	3	6 down
W H H Grahame	5	7 down

GOLF IN KARACHI.

MEN'S BOGEY MATCH.—This competition took place on Saturday, the 21st instant, with the following results:—

Names.	H'cap.	Results.
Mr. D. Miller...	2	2 up
Major Cummings	5	all square
Mr. T. B. Peterkin	scr	2 down
Capt Lowsley	6	3 "
Mr. J. M. Lang	2	3 "
Mr. J McDavidson	scr	3 "
Mr. J. A. McEnery	2	6 "
Mr. C. Kennedy	scr	7 "
Mr. G. Jacob	1	no return

LADIES' BOGEY MATCH.—The ladies also competed against Colonel Bogey, whose score for the Ladies' Course was returned as 42. There were seven competitors. The following are the results:—

Mrs. Percy Jones	5	2 down
Mrs. McIver	5	3 "
Miss Jacob	11	3 "
Mrs. R. Beaumont	5	7 "
Miss McIver	11	no return
Mrs. Ferrers	6	do.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE GUINDY CUP. The following are the results in the second qualifying round in the above competition.—

A. P. Symonds	56— 5=51
R. Meredith	67— 12=55
J. M. Brown...	56—scr=56
O. J. Sykes...	64— 6=58
E. P. Corlett	65— 5=60
Col. P. H Benson, I. M. S. ...	62—scr=62
A. M. Urquhart	70— 8=62

J. P. Davidson (3) and Major R. M. Bell (1) retired.
Messrs, Symonds and Meredith qualify.

THE MONTHLY MEDAL CHALLENGE CUP. The second qualifying round for the above trophy resulted as follows.—

J. M. Brown	39—scr=39
A. P. Symonds	43— 3=40
F. M. Robinson	44— 4=40
A. M. Urquhart	46— 6=40
J. A. Robertson	48— 7=41
W. A. Turner	50— 8=42
C. R. T. Balston	48— 4=44
W G. Kirkman	51— 7=44

J. P. Davidson retired.
Mr. J. M. Brown qualifies and Messrs. Symonds and Robinson play off for second place, Mr. Urquhart having previously qualified.

THE VIZIANAGRAM CUP. This competition was played on the Island links, nine holes by match play, handicap, and resulted in a win for Mr. J. P. Davidson, who defeated Mr. J. M. Brown by 2 and 1 in the final. Results.—

First Round.

J. P. Davidson (1) beat W. E. S. Clarke (6) by 2 and 1.
C. E. Ross (4) W. O.—C. R. T. Balston (3) scratched.
W. A. Turner (5) beat R. Meredith (5) by 3 and 1.
A. M. Urquhart (4) beat J. A Robertson (5) by 1.
J. M. Brown (0) beat A. P. Symonds (2) by 3 and 1.
O. J. Sykes (3) beat J. Kerr Greig (1) by 2 and 3 after a tie.
F. M. Robinson (3) beat F. A. Dene (5) by 1 and 1.
Colonel P. H. Benson I. M. S (0) W. O.—A. M. Smart (6) scratched.

Second Round.

Davidson beat Ross by 3 and 2 after a tie.
Urquhart beat Turner by 3 and 1.
Brown beat Sykes by 2 and 1.
Robinson beat Benson by 2 and 1.

Third Round.

Davidson beat Urquhart by 1.
Brown beat Robinson by 2.

Final.

Davidson beat Brown by 2 and 1.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

LONDON, *13th May 1904.*

THE first two rounds of the Parliamentary Handicap for which there were 111 entries were played on Saturday, 7th May, at Sandwich, under the worst meteorological conditions that have been experienced since the institution of this Annual Competition. Of the one hundred and eleven entrants 24 scratched thereby reducing the number to 87. During the first round the rain fell in torrents, but ceased about 3 o'clock P.M. The Premier was playing well and easily won his round as did also the Hon'ble Alfred Lyttleton against first Mr. Gray and then Lord Newton. Mr. Eric Hambro plus 4 qualified for the third round by beating Mr. Guy Pym and by his next opponent scratching to him. The match between Mr H. W. Foster and Mr. Bigwood terminated in favour of the former only on the 19th green. Among the successful back markers are Messrs. Wauklyn, Marshall Hall, A. B. Tennyson, A. G. Robertson, R. L. Hannsworth, K.C. and 32 players are left to complete the third round by 21st instant.

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During the past week the ladies' play has attracted first notice and interest. The institution of International matches before the Championship is now an annual event and this year certainly the matches have been extraordinarily well contested. The first of the three was between England and Scotland on the Troon (Ayrshire) Links on May 5th. Rain fell in torrents throughout the day and many of the greens were under water, this led in many cases to some slight confusion for all the combatant, were not aware of the local rule which differs from that of the R. and A. bearing on the case providing that when a ball lies in casual water on a green, it shall be placed behind the water, whereas the local ruling is that the ball shall be placed to the side of the water. In the match between Miss Maitland (Scotland) and Miss Bertha Thompson (England) this rule had a very important bearing on not only the individual, but the International result. Miss Maitland's ball lying in casual water on the last green, and adopting the R. and A. ruling she failed to get it through the water thereby losing the ball and the match, for herself and for Scotland, for England won by the narrow margin of 5 matches to 4 and one was halved, the teams being 10 a-side. On the following afternoon, with a decided improvement in the weather, the same English team met and were severely defeated by Ireland. Great interest was evinced in the match between the Champion, Miss Rhona Adair, and Miss E C. Nevile (England) and that between Miss May Hazlet and Miss L. Dod, in the former match the result was a half. Miss Adair, however, was off her drive, a state of affairs which was counterbalanced by Miss Nevile's lamentable and unusual weakness on the green. Miss Dod's putting was extraordinarily deadly and at the turn she was 1 up to Miss Hazlet going out in 39, made up as follows: 5 4, 5, 4, 5, 6, 2, 5, 3=39, but the Irish lady regained her lost ground coming in, and won the match by 2 and 1. Next day the scene of the conflict was moved from Troon to Prestwick's Classic Green, and then in the match with Scotland the prestige of Irish girl received a rude shaking at the hands of the Scotch lassies, and though the Cup may yet return to Ireland still the fact remains, and ever will remain, that the invincible position which the Irish lasses seemed to hold has been most seriously assailed. The chief feature of the match was naturally the defeat of the Champion by the Scottish Champion (Miss Glover). The large number of spectators assembled were all anxious to see how these ladies would prove the farthest back. Tees negotiate the "Cardinal" the "Himalayas" and the Alps. It was soon apparent to all that Miss Glover was in excellent driving form, though her short game was often faulty. Off the Tee to the "Cardinal" Miss Glover sliced her ball and had to play short of the hazard for her next, whilst her opponent easily chasing the bowler in her second won the hole. At the Hamalayas the match was square. It was a bold bid for ladies with a head wind blowing quite hard, but Miss Glover secured it in a grand 3 and assumed the lead, Miss Adair having failed to carry the bunker. At the 8th the match was once more square and at the turn the Scottish lady was 1 up. On the 16th tee Miss Adair was 1 up, but was too strong in her approach on to the 17th and failing to extricate her ball she picked up and the match was even and 1 to play. With both balls on the green with a drive and pitch everything looked as though the match would be halved. Playing the odd Miss Adair made certain of a half in 4, but Miss Glover some 5 yards from the hole, made a bold bid and holed the putt amid loud applause, thus winning the match. Perhaps one of the most closely contested in the annals of Ladies' golf. Meanwhile Miss May Hazlet, whom good judges regard as the most finished player in the world, had given the local favourite Miss Sybil Whigham a big beating by 4 and 3 and her youngest sister had claimed a victory over Miss Flora Macbeth on the 17th green, but otherwise the day had gone ill for Ireland. Miss Molly Graham of Drylake had won on the 18th green from last year's "runner up" Miss Walker Leigh, Miss Dorothy Campbell a well-known North Berwick player had announced a victory of 8 up and 6 to play over Miss N. Graham, whilst her sister Mrs. Swanston (better known by her Maiden name Miss Madeline Campbell) easily defeated Miss M. E. Stuart of Pertwick by 4 and 3 and Scotland won the match by 9 points to 2 and a half between Mrs. Jackson and Miss Sant. Appended are the teams in the three matches:—

ENGLAND *vs* SCOTLAND.

5th May at Troon.

ENGLAND.		SCOTLAND.	
Miss Dod ...	1 up beat	Miss Glover ...	0
Miss E C Nevile ...	3 and 2 beat	Miss Graham ..	0
Mrs Gillard ...	last to	Miss S Whigham ..	2 and 1
Miss B Thompson	1 up beat	Miss Maitland ...	0
Miss Moeller ...	6 and 5 beat	Miss Sant ...	0
Miss Phillips ...	lost to	Miss Dorothy Campbell ...	4 and 3
Mrs Willock ..	halved with	Miss F Macbeth	—
Miss Buckley ...	0	Miss M Bishop ...	1
Miss Steel ...	4 and 2 beat	Miss V Henry Anderson	0
Mrs Ames ...	last to	Miss Harvey ...by	2 and 1
	5½		4½

ENGLAND *vs* IRELAND.

6th May at Troon.

ENGLAND.		IRELAND.	
Miss E C Nevile	—	Miss R Adair ...	—
Miss Dod ...	0	Miss M Hazlet ...	2 and 1
Miss B Thompson	4 and 3	Miss M E Stuart ...	0
Miss Moeller	— 0	Miss F Walker-Leigh	5 and 4
Mrs Gillard ...	0	Miss V Hazlet ...	2 up
Miss Steel ...	0	Miss F Hazlet ...	4 and 3
Miss Phillips ...	4 and 3	Miss N Graham ...	0
Mrs Willock ...	0	Miss V Knox ...	4 and 3
Miss Ames ...	0	Mrs Jackson	5 and 4
Miss Buckley ...	6 and 5	Mrs Hazlet ...	0
	3½		6½

SCOTLAND *vs.* IRELAND.

At Prestwick 7th May.

SCOTLAND.		IRELAND.	
Miss Glover ...	1 up	Miss Adair ...	0
" S Whigham ...	0	" M Hazlet ...	4 and 3
" M Graham ...	1 up	" F Walker-Leigh	0
Mrs Swanston ...	4 and 3	" M E Stuart ...	0
Miss Maitland ...	3 and 2	" V Hazlet ...	0
" F Macbeth ...	0	" F Hazlet ...	2 and 1
" Dorothy Campbell ...	8 and 6	" N Graham ...	0
" M Bishop ...	3 and 1	" V Knox ...	0
" Sant ...	—	Mrs Jackson ...	
" N Harvey ...	6 and 5	" Hazlet ...	0
	7½		2½

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The draw for the Scottish Ladies' Championship which takes place at Prestwick on 23rd instant and following days was made on Saturday, 7th instant, for which there are 35 entries. Among the competitors are Miss Glover, Miss M. A. Graham, Miss Dorothy Campbell and her sister Mrs. Swanston.

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At a largely represented meeting of the Ladies' Golf Union at Troon, on Monday 9th May, the cordial invitation of the Royal Cromer (Norfolk) Club to hold the Ladies' Championship of 1905 on their links was accepted.

The stroke competition open to competitors in the championship only was played at Troon, on Monday, 9th May, and resulted in an easy win for the Scottish Lady Champion Miss Glover in the fine score of 81. Miss Dorothy Campbell coming next with 86, and Miss May Hazlet 87.

Full particulars of this and the championship will be given in next week's issue.

M. E. S.

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

A VERY successful evening's racing was witnessed at the Calcutta Swiming Baths on Friday evening last, the 27th ultimo, when the Two Lengths (66⅔ yards) Handicap was swum off in the presence of a good number of spectators. There were 15 entries, of whom 14 ultimately started, making three heats, with the following results:—

FIRST HEAT.

	Start.	*Time.*	
G Brown	Scratch	46½ secs	first
G H Harnack	9 secs	56½ "	second
L Prike	7 "	55½ "	third
K M Kennedy	3 "	54½ "	fourth
H Tapissier	18 "	Did not finish.	

Won easily.

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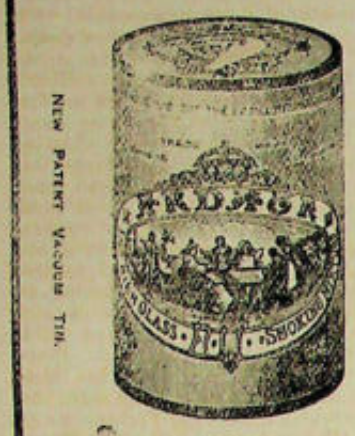
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SECOND HEAT.

W Govan	3	secs	47½	secs	first
R Jones	12	,,	59¾	,,	second
A L Clarke	9	,,	57	,,	third
H G Duncan	6	,,	58	,,	fourth
F Siddons	11	,,	(Disqualified, started before time.		

Won easily.

THIRD HEAT.

H G Remfry	12	secs	56	secs	first
A Siddons	3	,,	47¼	,,	second
W Willson	11	,,	56¾	,,	third
J Caplain	10	,,	57?	,,	fourth

After an interval of ten minutes the winners of heats and the fastest loser contested the final.

FINAL HEAT.

	Start.		Time.		
W Govan	3	secs	47	secs	first
A Siddons	3	,,	47¼	,,	second
H G Remfry	12	,,	56¼	,,	third
G Brown	Scratch		45¼	,,	fourth

A close and exciting finish, half a second covering the first three. Mr. H. P. Henderson acted as starter and timekeeper, and Mr. W. Busby gave away the prizes.

Bowls.

CALCUTTA vs. HOWRAH.

On Saturday last the bowling contingent of the Calcutta Golf Club visited Howrah to make a fourth and last determined attempt to break the sequence of Howrah victories. The home players, however, again proved too strong for them, and won by twelve points in spite of some excellent play by Mr. Dickson and Mr. Begg, the latter of whom, however, was not very well supported by the rest of his link. Mr. McLaren was in wonderful form for the winners, and the Howrah green, though not so fast as usual, owing to the recent rain, played very well indeed. The details of the play were as follows:—

CALCUTTA.		HOWRAH.	
D A Campbell, *skip*	11	R Spiers, *skip*	21
J R Stewart		M M King	
F T Paine		W Lord	
E J Wright		H Orford	
W E G C Dickson, *skip*	21	J M Gilmour, *skip*	12
A J Dent		J M Macfarlane	
N Mitchell-Innes		J E Mendham	
R N Mansell		W R Shanks	
H C Begg, *skip*	10	J Patrick, *skip*	19
W D Steven		L McLaren	
G P Harris		W E Munroe	
F H Stewart		G D Gray	
W T Reid, *skip*	11	T Maxwell, *skip*	13
F Stevenson		T G Smith	
J D Murray		P H Hunter	
E Plummer		J D Ness	
	53		65

Shows.

OOTACAMUND HORSE SHOW.

Monday and Tuesday, 20th and 21st May 1904.

THE Horse Show this year was one of the best yet held in the station, and the Honorary Secretary and those connected with it are to be congratulated on the success of the two days' proceedings. The attendance on both occasions was large and the weather conditions perfect. Entries were good and the exhibits of a high standard; all classes were catered for, the show proving as attractive as its predecessors. Details:—

CLASS I.—HEAVY-WEIGHT HUNTERS.

Major Logan-Home's br aus g Harkaway 1
Mr. Stewart Brown's dk br aus h Anchorite 2
Lieutenant-Colonel Bull's g ir m Twilight ... Commended

Also exhibited:—Mr. C. A. Mackenzie's rn w g Warrior, Mr. H. Irwin's b aus g Kylemore, Major Logan-Home's b ir m Dodo, Captain Dennistoun's br aus m Hermia, Colonel Boteler's b e m Ladybird, and Lieutenant-Colonel Bull's b aus g Billow.

Judges:—Mr. D. D. Mackinnon, Major Gunn and Captain Fife.

Judges' Remarks:—A fairly good class. Three placed horses outclassed others. Harkaway perfect in power and quality.

CLASS I.-A.—MEDIUM HUNTERS.

Major W. M. Campbell's b aus g Bengal 1
Captain Fife's b aus g Woodlands 2
Captain Fife's b aus g Right Angle ... Commended

Also exhibited:—Major Gunn's br w g Jorrocks, Mr. Dove Wilson's b aus g Benedict, Captain Dennistoun's b aus m Hermia, Mr. Anketell-Jones's ch aus g Grand Duke, Mr F. Hannyngton's b w g Ballyhack, Lieutenant-Colonel Bull's ch aus m Bullion, and Captain Goldie's br w g The Boy.

Judges:—Captain Clarke, Mr. D. D. Mackinnon, and Mr. H. P. Hodgson.

Judges' Remarks:—A good class, the three winners very close. Bengal was a handsome horse; and Woodlands and Right Angle ran each other very close.

CLASS II.—LIGHT-WEIGHT HUNTERS.

H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's gr aus g Jack ... 1
Mr. Hay's br w g Mr. Brown 2
Mr. Hodgson's ch w m Modesty ... ... Commended

Also exhibited:—Mr. Lonsdale's br aus g Larry, Mrs. C. A. Beatty's br aus g Vernal, Major Harrison's ch aus g De Wet, Captain Dennistoun's b aus g Pascoe, Captain Fife's b aus g Woodlands, Mr. Hodgson's br w g Erebus, Colonel Kay Lees' br aus m Brown Girl, Lieutenant-Colonel Bull's br aus m Bulbul, H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's b w g Bobs and b a g Hector, Major Grant's ch cb g Debate, and br aus m Carrara, Mr. P. Hannyngton's b aus g Advance, Captain Swan's b aus g Viking, Major Campbell's b aus g Bengal, and Mr Maconochie's bk w g Blackbird.

Judges:—Major Gunn, Mr. C. A. Mackenzie, and Colonel Boteler.

Judges' Remarks:—A fairly good class, out of four best the grey was easily first. The others very close.

CLASS III.—PONY HUNTERS.

Major Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane ... 1
Mr. R E. Pigot's ch aus g Dibbs 2
Captain Walker's b aus g Eric ... Commended

Also exhibited:—Colonel Gordon Price's br w m Colleen, The Minor Rajah of Pittapur's b aus g Rainbow, The Minor Zemindar of Sivaganga's br aus g Peter, The Minor Zemindar of Kavalapara's br aus g Rajah, Mrs. Browne's g cb g Sir Naddi, Mrs. Westlake's d aus g Dun Luce, and bk aus m Black Maria, Rajah of Vizianagram's br aus m Waif, Mr. Horne's bk aus g Engagement, Mrs. Gillman's gr aus m Snowdrop, Mr. Shirreff's ch aus g Corbett, Miss Brereton's gr aus m Nutmeg, Mr. R. Kindersley's b e m Ella, Mr. Evans Gwynne's b aus m Lady Di, Captain Jeffrey's ch aus m Yellow Aster, Mr. H. A. Irwin's b aus g Haematite, b aus m Jemima and b aus m Chic, Mr. Wagstaffe's g sa m Snowball, Captain Dennistoun's b a g Tioba, Mrs. Pilkington's br a g John, Captain Unthank's gr aus m Sappho, Captain Peel's b aus m Rose, Major Birdwood's b aus g Bantam, H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's b w p Delight, Captain Ballantyne's br aus m Satanita Major Grant's br bur g Mr. Man, and Captain Goldie's b w g Don John.

Judges:—Mr. D. D. Mackinnon Colonel Kay Lees, and Major Gunn.

Judges' Remarks:—An excellent class. Winner full power and quality. Dibbs was a good pony, Eric an excellent mover and very good pony.

CLASS IV.—CHARGERS.

Colonel Boteler's b e m Ladybird 1
Major-General Sir G. T. Pretyman's ch aus g Glenfield ... 2
Captain Henderson's b aus g Hireling ... Commended

Judges:—Colonel Sprot, Captain Faunce, and Captain Clarke.

Judges Remarks.—Ladybird and Glenfield ran each other very close and were undoubtedly the best schooled chargers of the class. Ladybird, however, showed better quality and was given first prize.

CLASS V.—HACKS, HORSES.

H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's gr w g Jack 1
Sir David Barr's b aus g Jobs 2
Mrs. Arthur Porter's br w g The Mormon ... Commended

Also exhibited:—Major Gunn's br w g Jorrocks, Colonel Gordon Price's b w g Highland Fling, Sir David Barr's b aus g Bobbs, Mrs. C. A Beatty's ch aus g Vortex, Mr. Hodgson's b w g Cockey, Colonel Kay Lees' br a m Brown Girl, Colonel Bull's ch aus m Bullion, H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's Hector, Mrs. Hay's b aus g Snip, Mr. P. Hannyngton's b aus g Advance, Major Campbell's b aus g Bengal, Captain Swan's b aus g Viking and The Cardinal, Mr. Maconochie's bk w g Blackbird, and Mr. Stewart's rn e m Murtly.

Judges:—Hon'ble Mr. Hodgson, Captain Clarke and Major Logan-Home.

Judges' Remarks:—A large and good class. Winner stood out as a very good type of hack.

CLASS VI.—HACKS, PONIES.

Mrs. Horne's bk aus g Engagement 1
Captain Dennistoun's b a g Tioba 2
Mrs. Westlake's b aus m Stella ... ... Commended

Judges:—Colonel Kay Lees, Captain Fife, and Mr. C. A. Mackenzie.

Judges' Remarks:—A very good lot and the Judges had a deal of trouble in selecting the winners.

CLASS VII.—LADIES' SADDLE HORSE.

Lady Pretyman's ch aus m Polly 1
Miss Percy Smith's br aus m Brown Girl ... Special Prize
Mrs. Anderson's b w m Angeline 2
Captain Swan's b aus g Viking ... ... Commended

Judges:—Mr. H. Irwin, Captain Fife and Colonel Kay Lees.

Judges' Remarks.—A good class.

CLASS VIII.—LADIES' SADDLE COBS AND PONIES.

Major Birdwood's b aus g Bantam 1
Mrs Westlake's b aus m Stella ... ... Special Prize
Mrs. Horne's bk aus g Engagement 2
Captain Dennistoun's b a g Tioba ... ... Commended

Judges:—Colonel Grant, Mr. H. P. Hodgson, and Colonel Kay Lees.

Judges' Remarks:—A very good class and hard to separate. Bantam was a very dainty ladies' hack and the other two also had plenty of quality.

CLASS IX.—THOROUGHBRED HORSES.

Hon'ble H. Theilsson's b nth am m Madeira 1
Miss Anderson's b r b m Angeline 2
Mr. R Kindersley's br e m Freda ... ... Commended

Also exhibited:—Mr. Lonsdale's br aus g Larry, Mr. C. A Mackenzie's b w g Brigadier, Mr. R. Kindersley's b nth am h St. Rule, Captain Dennistoun's br aus m Hermia, Captain Fife's b aus g Woodlands, Major-General Sir G. T Pretyman's br aus g Mainspring, and Major England's b aus h Tippoo Khana.

Judges:—Mr. H. Irwin, Mr. D. D. Mackinnon, and Captain Clarke.

Judges' Remarks.—A good class, the three winners showing much more quality than the others. Madeira stood easily first on performances and looks.

CLASS X.—ARAB PONIES.

Mr. Moss King's b a h King Cobweb ... 1
Major Bell's g a g Superb 2
H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's gr a p Tutor ... ... Commended.

Also exhibited:—Captain Symons' g a p Dawn, Captain Barr's ch a p Fakir, Captain Dennistoun's b a g Tioba H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's gr a p Amir, and Captain Ballantyne's ch a g Yuss.

Judges:—Colonel J. P. Grant, Mr. H. Irwin and Major Gunn.

Judges' Remarks.—A moderate class and unexpectedly few in numbers. Winner showed a great deal of quality.

CLASS XII (*a*)—POLO PONIES. Australian and English, 1st prize.

Captain Barr's gr aus g The Bee 1
Mrs. Horne's b aus m Hilda 2
H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's br w p Flask ... Commended

Judges:—Captain Fife, Captain Clarke and Major Gunn.

Judges' Remarks.—A remarkably good class. The Maharajah of Mysore's Dainty was an exceptionally good pony, but was not given a prize as it was a little small.

CLASS XII (*b*)—POLO PONIES (Arabs and Countrybreds).

Captain Peel's g a h Mahomed 1
Captain Ballantyne's ch aus g Yuss 2
H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's gr a p Tutor ... Commended

Also exhibited:—Captain Toogood's b a g David II, Mr. Wagstaff's b a p Abdul, Captain Dennistoun's b a g Tioba, Mr. W. B. White's g a p Robin, Captain Unthank's ch a h Red Gauntlet, Mr. Phillip's bk a g Zouave, Captain Gibbe's b a p Subadar, b a g Skirmisher, and ch a p Glencoee, and Mr. Lewin's ch a g Diggie.

Judges:—Captain Barr, Captain Fife, and Captain Clarke.

Judges' Remarks.—A very good class. Owners had great difficulty in showing the horses owing to the slippery state of the ground. The winner was a bigger pony than the others.

CLASS XIII.—COBS.

Mrs. Hay's b a g Snip 1
Sir David Barr's gr aus g Postscript 2
Mr. H. A. Irwin's b aus g Haematite ... Commended

Judges:—Captain Clarke, Mr. H. A. Irwin and Mr. C. A. Mackenzie.

Judges' Remarks.—A good class and very hard to find the winner. Mrs. Hay's cob behaved very well and was judged best.

CLASS XIV.—CHILDREN'S PONIES.

Miss May Hodgson's ch bur m Lassie 1
Miss Cook's ch a g Jain 2

Also exhibited:—Master Bertie Standen's Daisy, and Master Cook's d k g m Daisy.

Judges' Remarks:—A good lot.

CLASS XV.—SINGLE HARNESS, HORSES.

H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's Colin and Cabriolet ... 1
Colonel Kay Lees' br a m Brown Girl 2
Major Norie's b w cob Essex ... ... Commended

Judges:—Mr. H. Irwin, Mr. H. P. Hodgson and Captain Faunce.

Judges' Remarks:—A fairly good class, but small in numbers.

CLASS XVI.—SINGLE HARNESS, PONIES.

Captain Faunce's b e m Mollie Bawn 1
Major Gunn's b w g Bobbie 2
Mr. A. S. Crum's ch w m Norah ... ... Commended

Judges:—Mr. H. A. Irwin, Mr. H. P. Hodgson and Captain Swan.

Judges' Remarks:—A good class.

CLASS XVII (*a*).—JUMPING COMPETITION, HORSES.

Captain Fife's b aus g Right Angle 1
Captain Fife's b aus g Ali Baba 2
Rajah of Vizanagram's b aus g Captain ... Commended.

Also exhibited:—Captain Symons' ch w g Blood, Mr. C. A. Mackenzie's br w g Dum, Captain Henderson's b aus g Hireling, Mr. Bartholomew's ch aus g Rufus, Mr. Evans Gwynne's b aus m Sticks, Captain Dennistoun's b aus m Hermia, and b aus g Pascoe, Mr. Anketell-Jones's ch aus g Grand Duke, Mr. Kennard's b aus g Remus, Mr. P. Hannyngton's b aus g Advance, Captain Gibbe's g aus p The General, Colonel Sprot's br aus g Moss Trooper, and Captain Peel's b aus g Linesman.

Judges:—The Committee.

Judges' Remarks:—A fair show of jumping. Mrs. Hay just securing the verdict.

CLASS XVII (*b*)—JUMPING COMPETITION, PONIES.

Mrs. Gillman's g aus m Snowdrop 1
Captain Peel's b aus g Game 2
Mr. B. A. Jackson's g aus g Coxcomb ... Commended

Judges:—The Committee.

Judges' Remarks:—The jumping was fairly good.

CLASS XVIII.—DRIVING COMPETITION.

Major Logan-Home's team 1

Judges:—The Committee.

Judges' Remarks:—A moderately good exhibition.

CLASS XIX.—DRIVING COMPETITION FOR LADIES.

Mrs. Norie's w cob Essex 1
Mrs. Horne, Miss Morgan ... dead heat

Also exhibited:—Mrs. Pilkington's Job.

Judges:—The Committee.

The Naturalist.

THE ELEPHANT'S FAMILY HISTORY.

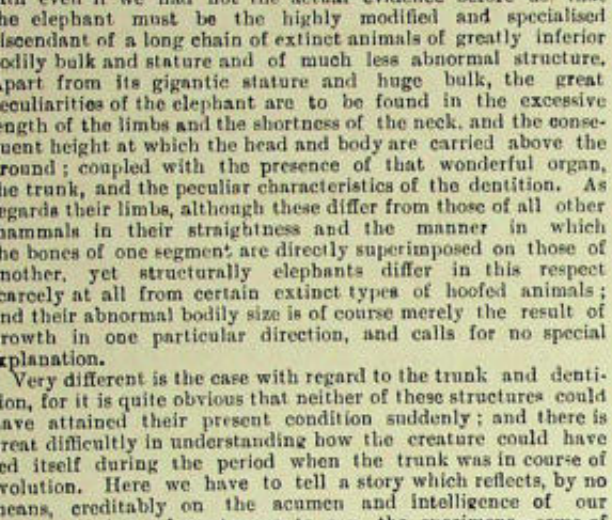
THE elephant is indissolubly connected with India, of which indeed it is the impersonation and the symbol. In the Hindu mythology it has figured from time immemorial as Ganesh, the elephant-headed god, and in modern times its effigy forms the water-mark of our postage stamps! It is true that the monster is by no means confined to India, ranging as far eastward as Siam and Sumatra; but it was from India that it first became known to Europeans, and it is with India—in spite of sacred white Siamese elephants—that its name will always be connected in popular estimation. Again, it has a rival in the person of the African elephant; but there are elephants and elephants, and the difference between the two animals is at least as great as that which sunders a shire cart-horse from a Derby winner The Indian elephant is indeed the much better-bred and more "classy" animal of the two as is shown by its general build, the structure of its trunk and teeth, its smaller ears, and the mode in which the legs are set on the body. It is, in fact, both structurally and in appearance, far in advance of its African cousins, and as being by far the more specialised of the two, and likewise the type of Linnæus's genus *Elephas*, is clearly entitled to be regarded as the elephant *par excellance*.

In pre-Darwinian days the elephant was regarded at all events by the majority of Naturalists, as a creature made in the form in which we now know it, although even then there may have been some, like our Indian celebrity, Hugh Falconer, who speculated on the possibility of its discent from the extinct mastodons Now, however, all this is changed, and we are certain even if we had not the actual evidence before us, that the elephant must be the highly modified and specialised discendant of a long chain of extinct animals of greatly inferior bodily bulk and stature and of much less abnormal structure. Apart from its gigantic stature and huge bulk, the great peculiarities of the elephant are to be found in the excessive length of the limbs and the shortness of the neck, and the consequent height at which the head and body are carried above the ground; coupled with the presence of that wonderful organ, the trunk, and the peculiar characteristics of the dentition. As regards their limbs, although these differ from those of all other mammals in their straightness and the manner in which the bones of one segment are directly superimposed on those of another, yet structurally elephants differ in this respect scarcely at all from certain extinct types of hoofed animals; and their abnormal bodily size is of course merely the result of growth in one particular direction, and calls for no special explanation.

Very different is the case with regard to the trunk and dentition, for it is quite obvious that neither of these structures could have attained their present condition suddenly; and there is great difficultly in understanding how the creature could have fed itself during the period when the trunk was in course of evolution. Here we have to tell a story which reflects, by no means, creditably on the acumen and intelligence of our palæontologists; for, strange to say, the specimens—some of them in the Museum on our own *maidan*—which serve to demonstrate the manner in which the elephant's trunk has been gradually developed out of an ordinary muzzle have been lying ready to our hands for years, and yet no one had the gumption to put two and two together and solve the problem. It was not, indeed, till the recent discovery of the remains of the early Tertiary ancestors of the elephant in Egypt attracted attention to the whole history of the group that the problem of the trunk was finally and fully worked out. And now we know it, it appears so exceeding easy and self evident that we are all wondering why we did not find it out long ago for ourselves.

Early in the first half of last century Hugh Falconer demonstrated that in respect of dental characters there is a practically complete gradation from the elephants of to-day to the ridge-toothed, or stegodont, elephants of the Tertiary formations of the Siwalik Hills, which, with the exception of the much simpler structure of their cheek-teeth, are in all respects true elephants. And, according to modern ideas of evolution, these ridge-toothed elephants are to be regarded as the immediate ancestors of the elephants of to-day. From these ridge-toothed elephants there is in turn an equally complete gradation into what may be called the short-jawed mastodons; that is to say into elephants with cheek-teeth of a still simpler type of structure, but in which the lower jaw is tuskless and terminates in front in the short spout characteristic of the modern elephants.

There are, however, other mastodons in which the fronts of the jaw is produced into a long trough-like chin, considerably exceeding in length the rest of the skull, and terminating in a pair of small tusks which projects upwards at an obtuse angle



SKULL OF LONG-JAWED MASTODON.

to the general line of the jaw. In the European species of long-jawed mastodons these tusks were present in both sexes, but in one Indian species, as shown by specimens of this portion of the jaw from the Punjab, they appear to have been restricted to the males. The upper tusks of these mastodons, instead of curving upwards like those of elephants, were somewhat bent down at the tips, so as to cross the extremities of the lower pair; and in this respect they are evidently one degree less far removed from the corresponding teeth of ordinary mammals.

Now it is these long-jawed mastodons, which, be it remembered, have been known to us for years, have enabled naturalists to slove the problem of the origin and evolution of the elephant's trunk. Obviously, a creature with a lower jaw of this inordinate length, must have had the upper half of the muzzle, or, in other words, the nose and upper lip prolonged to an equal degree; and it is therefore quite clear that these long-jawed mastodons had an extremely exaggerated pig's muzzle. If we ask what was the reason for this extraordinary development, it may be replied that the long-jawed mastodons had evidently been developed from shorter-legged animals without any corresponding elongation of the neck to balance the lengthening of the limbs. Consequently, in order to enable them to reach the ground with their lips it was imperative that the muzzle should be lengthened And it is perfectly easy to understand how the muzzle lengthened *pari passu* with the increasing length of limb Doubtless these long chinned mastodons were able to graze; but their increase in bodily stature may have been for the purpose of enabling them also to browse after the manner of the Indian elephant; and in this respect, it may be incidentally mentioned, we find by contrasting the latter animal and its relatives with the giraffe a remarkable instance of the manner in which the same end is attained in nature by different means.

No sooner had the long-jawed mastodons attained their full development of muzzle and tusks, then it would appear, the whole arrangement was found unwieldy and inconvenient: the rigid lower jaw presenting the upper half of the muzzle acting as a flexible proboscis. At all events we may assume that this was the case from the rapidity with which the structure was modified and altered. Owing to the soft nature of most of the parts, the details of how this was accomplished are not quite clear. Broadly speaking, it may be stated, however, that as the size of the animals of this group continued to increase (for, it should be mentioned, elephants are much larger animals than mastodons), the upper half of the muzzles which were now assuming the character of a true proborcis, continued to grow in length, while the long trough-like chin of the lower jaw lost its tusks and began to contract in length, till it finally disappeared altogether, leaving only the short spout found in the front of the lower jaw of the elephant as a witness of its former existence. With this disappearance of the lower half of the long muzzle, the upper half become converted into the trunk of the modern elephants, which serves the purpose of a spoon and fork—to say nothing of a tumbler—in conveying nutriment into the month, now incapable of approaching within a long distance of the ground. The elephant's trunk is therefore nothing more than the greatly prolonged nose and upper lip; and the ridges to be seen on the two sides of its lower surface are in fact neither more nor less than remnants of the margins of the lip itself. Such, in brief, is the history of the evolution of this most marvellous organ.

We have thus traced the Indian elephant into such a widely different animal as the long jawed, or long-chinned, mastodon; and it has to be added that, so far as available evidence goes, the transformation appears to have taken place in Asia. It remains to trace the long-jawed mastodons into connection with smaller animals of less abnormal structure; and for this we must journey we Egypt in the early Tertiary deposits of which country we meet with the earliest known ancestors of the elephants

How it is necessary to observe that even the long-jawed mastodons have a dentition of a highly modified and specialised type. The front teeth, as we have seen, are reduced to single pair of tusks, or incisors, in each jaw; while of the cheek-teeth there are, at most, but portions of three in use at any one time on the same side of each jaw, the hinder teeth of this series coming into use as the front ones and worn away and shed. Moreover, with the exception of the first one or two, each teeth carries at least three transverse ridges.

From the aforesaid, Egyptian deposits have been obtained remains of an animal—known as palæomastondon nearly allied to the long-chinned mastodons, but with a somewhat shorter chin to the lower jaw, and with both pairs of tusks relatively smaller and inclined somewhat more downwards or upwards, as the case may be. Moreover, although the cheek-teeth still have three ridges each, nearly the whole series was in use at the same time. As regards size, palæomastodon was considerably smaller than the long-chinned mastodons;—in some instances very markedly so.

A stage further in the line of evolution is prevented by another Egyptian Eocene mammal, the Mœrithirium, a creature but little larger than a tapir. From the length of its neck, it could evidently graze in the ordinary manner, although its muzzle may already have been somewhat elongated. The teeth, which all come into use at the same time, form a fairly complete and regular series; these being three pairs of incisors, together with canines, while most of the cheek-teeth carry only two ridges a piece. Already, however, we notice elephants-like character in the superior size and abnormal direction of the second pair of incisors in each jaw; teeth destined to become eventually the tusks of the long-chinned mastodon. In fact, Mœrithirium is a very ordinary kind of early hoofed mammal

Thus ends for the present our knowledge of the family history of the elephants; knowledge which only two or three years ago was as imperfect as it is now nearly complete. As stated by Dr. A. S. Woodward, in our contemporary *Knowledge and Illustrated Scientic* News, "the general conclusion, therefore, is that the history of the elephant is analogous to that of the other tribes of hoofed animals which culminated in the horses and the cattle. They have grown from mere creatures of the marshes to roam over the plains, or through forest, and have at the same time gradually acquired deeper and more effective grinding teeth. For some inexplicable reason, the lengthening of their legs with a concomitant shortening of their neck, necessitated a unique elongation of their face and chin to reach the ground for browsing. When this strange makeshift had reached its maximum degree, the chin suddenly shrivelled, leaving the flexible, toothless face without any support. By stages which we cannot discover, because they concern only soft parts which are never fossilised, this flexible face became the wonderful prehensile proboscis of the elephants as we know them to-day."

R. LYDEKKER.

A NATURALIST IN THE N.-W. HIMALAYAS.

PREFACE.

FROM time to time I propose, with the Editor's sanction, to send for publication such incidents connected with a collecting naturalist's wanderings as are likely to prove of interest.

Possibly these notes may be of service to others, and I am confident that there are many who can aid not only with their advice but with specimens (which will be returned when desired) after reference to the British Museum naturalists, who will I am fully aware be pleased to afford aid. Very little knowledge of the smaller mammals has been acquired, and the field of operations is large, progress is naturally slow when in order to arrive at any definite conclusions, it is necessary to collect large numbers of specimens at all seasons of the year and from the same ground: how necessary this is only those who have worked for years can really appreciate. Writing on this subject Mr. Oldfield Thomas gave us an instance: "To understand the British squirrel I needed 60 from one wood all the year round." Lately whilst dealing with one of the mouse hares it became necessary to work the same area during two *collecting* seasons in order to throw some light on the seasonal change of a species, and although the first of the series was sent home in August 1902, although the first of the series was sent home in August 1902, the papers are not yet complete and this series is still under discussion. The work seems to be never ending, of course it is engrossing but *alone* it is very hard to make any appreciable advance; if therefore my notes on the subject lead any other enthusiastic person to aid I shall be well repaid.

Notes on birds, birds' eggs and any interesting occurrences have for years past been jotted down in my travelling diary. and if you care for extracts Mr. Editor they are at you disposal.

A. E. WARD.

PART I

Mus viceræ is Mr. Bonhote inform us, a rat belonging to the rufescens group, differing therefrom by its much shorter tail. This tail is bicolor with fine hairs. The colouring is never so bright as that of *Mus rufescens*. there is also another well marked feature viz., a narrow white edging to the ear. *Mus viceræ* is evidently the common rat of Kashmir, it is to be found in the main valley and in the side nullahs up to about 7 500 feet. So far it has been obtained in house boats, on the river in fields distant from houses in huts, and in deserted sheds.

When first this rat was sent to the British Museum, it was acknowledged with the remark that 'provisionally it must be admitted as M. decumanus," but with the addition "We have none quite like them at the museum, they seem to have remarkably short tails.'

We may for the present consider we have done with this rat except as regards its distribution, the type is a female rat procured by Mr. A. O. Hume at Simla and Mr Lewis Bonhote deals with *Mus viceræ* in Annals and Magazine of Natural History Series 7, Vol. XI., May 1903.

A small series has been sent to the Natural History Museum, Bombay.

The floods of last summer seem to have destroyed an enormous number of rats,—fields which were honeycombed with their holes seem now to be quite free from the pests. The Buzzards and other birds of prey appear to have given up sitting on the bare trees waiting for their food, but this will be only for a short time and in a year or so *Mus viceræ* will be as plentiful as ever.

Measurements of full-grown specimens were:—

♂ head and body 7·70" Tail 7·00" hind foot 1·00" ear 0·80"
♂ " " 7·00" " 6·15" " " 0·85" " 0·80"

Looking at this year's Journal. I find an entry 19th January shot a *plain backed mountain thrush* Kashmir, elevation about 5,200 feet.

Orocincla mollissima. This mountain thrush is apparently very rare as far west as Kashmir, but Blanford records it from Chamba. The specimen is a male Head above and upper plumage uniformly olive brown. Wings brown, but feathers margined with the same colouring as the back, the coverts have a fine edging of lighter brown. The four middle tail feathers are uniformly brown with a slight olive shade; the other tail feathers are a darker brown with an indistinct white tip, the outermost feather is still darker, but the ends are damaged.

Sides of the head dark brown and yellow, the throat and breast were shaded from whitish yellow to almost golden, the ends of the feathers having black terminations, the lower plumage has far less shades of yellow as it approaches the abdomen and gradually merges into white, but each feather has the black terminal band. Auxiliaries white and dark brown, under wing coverts black with broad white ends.

Length 10 inches. Bill blackish brown. Legs and feet yellowish. Iris dark brown.

This description is almost the same as that recorded by Blanford, but has been given with considerable minuteness in case any one can also record having obtained a specimen from Kashmir.

The other Turdinæ observed in the Jhelum valley during January were the Missel Thrush (*Turdus viscivorus*). The black throated ouzel (*Merula atrigularis*).

The Theatre.

THE MOROSINI-MARYX FAREWELL.

LAST Saturday night witnessed, we are given to understand, the final entertainment at the Theatre Royal by Mlles. Morosini and Maryx, and in view of the disappointingly small house on this occasion, it is perhaps an act of wisdom to postpone further appearance until the weather is a trifle cooler and more tempting to the theatre goers.

At the same time we would remark that if, as we hope, a fresh series of entertainments is to be opened a little later in the year, we trust that the principals will be more fortunate in their choice of assistant artistes. Mlles Morosini and Maryx themselves are both excellent, but we cannot conscientiously congratulate them upon the rest of the company.

Mr. Bert Flatt as we have before remarked, can on occasion give his audience some really clever fooling. As the musical burglar he was quite good, but he does not always come up to sample, and as "America's Musical Comedian" last Saturday he was not so much Flatt, as flat—very flat indeed in fact. As regards his second appearance in a "Comedy Sketch" in conjunction with Miss Beryl Mackay, perhaps the less said about them both the better!

Miss Maryx' rendering of "Inquietude" was well received, as was also Chopin's valse which she gave later in the evening, though the former gave the better effect to her delicacy of touch.

Mlle. Morosini sang that good old song "Robin Adair" as we do not often hear it sung, and in response to an insistent encore, gave an English version of a French chansonette. She has an unusually sympathetic voice, and though her subsequent comic songs were vociferously encored, we think that her metier is a good deal above the serio-comic business.

As regards the rest of the performance there is little to say, except that it was persistently interrupted by some of the presumably "gilded mug" brigade, who had apparently dined, not wisely but too well, and from the altitude of a box proceeded to render themselves a general nuisance, not only to the performers but to the rest of the audience as well. We were reminded of the antics of a certain gang which, some four or five years ago, used to consider it the height of humour to attend the performances of the A. D. S., when in a condition vulgarly known as 'oiled," and express their opinions of the various members of the caste, with a freedom which ultimately resulted in official notice being taken and a general climbing down on the part of the aforesaid humourists.

No doubt in this case the sportsmen we are alluding to considered themselves safe, inasmuch as it was not an amateur performance, but it is to be hoped for their own sakes that their playful inclinations will not take a similar direction should they pay a visit to say "the Empire" when next in England, as it is more than probable that the services of the burly ex-guardsmen in the gold laced liveries, who form so imposing a feature in the corridors of the theatre would very quickly be called into requisition.

It is difficult to please some people. Not many years back an owner with a *penchant* for "dashes" on good things conceived the idea of squaring the handicapper. Approaching the subject in a delicate manner, he contrived to let the weight-adjuster know that in the event of a certain animal he possessed being allotted about 7st. in a fairly valuable event the handicapper would be on a useful sum to nothing.

Then was the man of plunges comforted. Not only did the official offer to do his best in the matter, but he further declared that the horse should not have more than the weight in question. Fully satisfied, the owner confided to his *fidus Achates* how well the scheme had worked and arrangements for breaking the Ring were promptly made.

In due course the weights appeared. The sharer of the good thing first obtained possession of the sheet.

"What's mine got?" eagerly inquired the owner. "Six stone twelve," was the reply.

"He's a brick," enthusiastically remarked the plunger. "Why, it can't possibly be beat!"

"But look here," interposed his confederate, pointing to several animals down at the bottom of the handicap. "surely you can't beat these at the weights!"

"Why—er," began the erstwhile jubilant owner, glancing at the spot indicated, "I m afraid not. Why, d—n it!' he suddenly burst out, "the blanked brute hasn't given mine half a chance. Any of these could beat me at even weights, and they're receiving nearly a stone!"

'Twas even so. The handicapper had fulfilled his promise to the enterprising owner, and at the same time put the intended cert hopelessly out of court.

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LUBRICATING OILS.—[2422]—It may be instructive to your numerous readers to have the experiences of a motor car experimentalist on the behaviour of lubricating oils for motor work. In the first onset I tried various sorts of oils, all of which left deposits of carbon and gumming matter in the cylinders and valves. These deposits are serious drawbacks, not only to the working of the pistons and valves, but also interfere with the proper sparking at the ignition plugs. I then tried the Valvoline Oil Co.'s oils, using "Wilburine" for the cylinders and "Valvoline" for the bearings, etc.; these being quite pure mineral oils, no deposits either of carbon or gumming matter were left. Every time the pistons, etc., have been examined they were quite bright, clean and well lubricated. The valves also keep in good condition and require very little regrinding. I have been quite free from sparking troubles since using the above lubricants. Any dust that alights on the working parts is easily wiped off, whereas with other oils dirt stuck fast through gumming.

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I have referred to the advantages the motorist gets. I will mention another advantage these oils have to those whom the motorist passes, viz., the absence of the fried-fish-shop smell so often noted. Several persons have been very much struck by the absence of smell; even when the car has been standing for some time with the engines running, no trace of offensive odour has been apparent to the bystanders.

I mention these experiences, having no interest in the Valvoline Oil Co., that others may be benefited and save themselves trouble and their neighbours some annoyance.

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THURSDAY, 9th JUNE 1904.

GAME AS A PUBLIC ASSET.

AN interesting step, and one that is quite new for a British Colonial Government to adopt, unless we are much mistaken, has been taken by the authorities of British Columbia: they have published as Victoria B. C. a "bulletin," the Colonial equivalent of the "Blue book," containing a list of the birds and mammals of the Province with notes as to their distribution, etc., prefaced by "an introduction containing notes which may be useful to sportsmen who are not familiar with the game of the Province." The publication is in fact an official invitation to the sportsman to come and enjoy the shikar obtainable in British Columbia and as such it has a significance which claims our attention for it. An official welcome is a thing to which the sportsman is a stranger and he might be pardoned were he to regard a thing so unusual almost with suspicion and to ask himself what possible motive could induce the executive of a Colony to thus smooth the way for him. Information concerning game in most countries under the British raj is conveyed to him—through official channels—in the shape of game regulations, schedules, and restrictions: and a modest publication like this before us which is at pains to convey advice concerning localities, guides, expenses and equipment is as pleasing an intimation that sportsmen will be welcomed as it is novel.

We need hardly go into the details which the Secretary of the Bureau of Provincial Informations has collected in his pamphlet: it will suffice for all practical purposes if we say that all the sportsman need take with him are rifles, blankets, and ammunition: stores of all kinds are best obtained in the Colony and, no doubt, the man who should make Victoria B. C. his starting point would find himself in the midst of plenty. Big game shooting, it may be remarked, is not a much cheaper amusement in British Columbia than it is anywhere else: we are told that $500 a month, which will include cook, guide, and five ponies will enable any man to make a trip in comfort. As regards game there are mountain goats and sheep, wapiti, caribou, deer of various species, grizzly, brown and black bears, panther and lynx. Broadly speaking the legal shooting season is from 1st September to 15th December, and the females and young of all species of deer, wild goat and sheep are absolutely protected all the year round. The Provincial Government of British Columbia has followed the movement which has been so widespread during recent years, and has made laws to protect the game which, as this bulletin proves, it realises to constitute a valuable asset: it has, moreover, taken a leaf out of the American book and has introduced from England both pheasants and partridges; but these, though they have become fairly acclimatised, are not yet sufficiently numerous to reckon as game and continue to enjoy absolute protection. It is reassuring and gratifying to find that the responsible authorities of a country like British Columbia realise the desirability of attracting sportsmen to visit it. A new country—and British Columbia in view of the area that remains undeveloped—requires enterprising men with a little capital as pioneers, and there is no better way of tempting pioneers of the right sort than by setting out the possibilities of sport which the country has to offer. Mr. Baillie Grohmann and others have described shikar in the

since and have done it well: but their writings now to a past age, in these swiftly moving times, the number of sportsmen who combine with love shikar time and means to travel and "prospect" opportunities are comparatively few. It is, therefore, wise for those who are entrusted with the welfare of a Colony to bestir themselves in this direction and hold out what inducements they can to the possible colonist of the required stamp.

It has often occurred to us, as it must have occurred to many, that the game regulations promulgated in Uganda and in some other parts of Africa, wise though they be in the main, might perhaps with advantage to the countries to which they apply have been varied in one particular. Certain areas in Uganda and in the Soudan are reserved as sporting grounds to the officials who are carrying on the local government. This is a proviso whose justice and propriety no good sportsman questions: it is only fair and right that those whose lot is cast in the country should enjoy sporting advantages superior to those available to the casual wealthy visitor who comes for his own pleasure and leaves when the attractions of Leicestershire or the Scottish deer forest tempt him home: and perhaps there is nothing to be said against maintenance of these reserves for officials during such time as officials are the only residents in the country. Would it not, we are tempted to ask however, make for the interests of a territory it is desired to colonise in the true sense of the word, were the distinction between the official and the non-official removed to a certain extent? Would it not help to attract the right class of settler were the planter or trader who establishes himself in the country as a *bonâ fide* resident permitted to enjoy the same privileges as those who are entrusted with the administration? We would draw the line of distinction in this matter of privileged shooting not between the official and the non-official; but between the official and the resident who has put an industrial stake into the country on the one hand, leaving the sporting visitor on the other. The money and the benefits which the wealthy visiting sportsman brings to the country of his preference are of small account, regarded from the public point of view, by comparison with the utility of the resident planter or trader. Regarding sport as an asset in the tale of attractions a new country has to offer the settlers it desires, we cannot think that the governments make as much of it as they profitably might do. The responsible officers in our African colonies are perhaps under no necessity to officially inform the world concerning species of game obtainable and localities, etc. These matters have found so many very competent chroniclers that there is nothing left for hard worked officials to do: their mission has been rather to stem the flood of unprofitable visitors who come for sport and pleasure and whose interest in the country itself is simply *nil*. We do the British Columbia Government no injustice when we say that in offering facilities and encouragements to sportsmen, it wants to attract to a great country pregnant with possibilities awaiting energy and capital, not sportsmen *per se*, but men whose taste for sport indicates that their presence as settlers would be advantageous to the territory. The shooting season, as we have already remarked, lasts for three or four months only: the amount of money each sporting visitor would spend in the country during that period is reckoned at about $15,000 to $2,000 if he remain during the whole season. That is a very small matter regarded from a revenue standpoint; and in holding out the temptations it does, the British Columbian executive hope to paraphrase a familiar saying, the sportsman who comes to shoot will elect to stay.

SPORT AND ANIMAL LIFE AT THE ACADEMY.

[Communicated.]

BOTH of these schools (if they are entitled to the dignity) are rather poorly represented at Burlington House this year. The cattle and sheep pieces are more numerous than usual, but these domestic animals would not be particularly interesting to you. The first picture to be noticed is No. 17, Mr. Briton Riviere's "Youth:" he represents a young gentleman in red, fifteenth century style, on a black cob which he has ridden along a shelf of rock till the horse pulls up with a pardonable expression of terror on the very edge of a doubtless unfathomable abyss. The young gentleman exhibits the proverbial carelessness of his immaturity by tantalising the hawk he holds high with the wood pigeon we presume the bird has recently killed. I am not greatly impressed by the hounds which accompany the young gentleman; they lack hound character, and the expression on the faces of two, as in the case of the nag, err, to my thinking, on the side of exaggeration. License, however, must be permitted the allegorical, and the heedless youth is to be congratulated on riding a horse which looks where it is going if the rider does not. Miss Imogen Collier's "Rocket" is an excellent study of the weight carrying hunter; but Mr. Warwick Reynolds' "Rajah" (No. 77) is more to your address: a very boldly and cleverly painted picture of a tiger's head: it has real character and I wish the hanging committee had put it a little lower down. It has often been a matter of self-enquiry to your correspondent why those artists who revel in colour do not more often seek opportunity in Burma. Mr. James Middleton's picture (No. 129), "Worshippers at a shrine of Gaudama," revives the query. The painter has chosen his point of view in the court of the Shway Dagone Pagoda at Rangoon, and has given us a group of Burmans, men and women, the latter only at prayer. The pasohs and tameins are vivid patches of colour against the darkness of the carved teak shrine, and there is an air of distinction about the work due to its unusual character. Mr. Middleton seems to have painted his picture between showers during the rains, for there is none of the glare of the hot season in his atmospheric effect. Mr. John Griffiths' "Blackbuck hunting with cheetah in India: the kill" (No. 153) is a small picture and skied at that. The drawing of the cheetah and his quarry are decidedly good, and the general impression of strong sunlight is well conveyed. The only point which fails to satisfy is the country depicted: naked, arid sand, with never a trace of herbage in sight: the cart which brought the cheetah is the only object in the background. It is not quite the ground with which one associates blackbuck. Mr. Edward Molyneux's "Himalayan Dawn" (No. 178) relates to neither sport nor animal life, but must be mentioned for its intrinsic merit. In the background rock, buttress and pinnacle, whence the rays of the morning sun sweep the lingering mist: a gloriously clear and tender blue sky with wreaths of filmy cloud beyond: below down in the foreground snow, ice and water blue in the strengthening dawn light which has begun to dispel the night. I do not remember a picture in the whole exhibition which distinguished more beautiful and subtle effects of light and atmosphere.

"Diana of the Uplands" (No. 222) by Mr. Charles W. Purse is a good piece of work: a life size portrait—I am sure it is a portrait—of a girl holding a brace of greyhounds which strain at the leash. The group stands on the shoulder of a hill fiercely swept by the wind: the greyhounds are admirable studies, and you instinctively put your hand to your hat as the sense of high wind infects you. "Lake Sonsa Nâg, Kashmir" (No. 227) is another clever piece of landscape by Mr. Edward Molyneux: but while granting its merits, this picture does not remain with me as does his "Himalayan Dawn:" certainly the artistic opportunities afforded by the latter are infinitely greater. Miss Lucy Kemp Welch has but one picture in the exhibition this year: No. 330, "Timber Hauling in the New Forest." At first sight one remarks that the log is a great deal too heavy for the team of four stout horses which strain at the traces on a stiffish slope: looking more closely, past these, whose vigorous action and effort is conveyed as Miss Kemp Welch can convey strong action in the horse, you discover that there is a second string of three horses hidden by them: and here occurs, what I venture to think, an error in perspective: there does not seem to be space between the team of four and that patriarchal beech trunk for a second team of horses: moreover the latter seem to be too completely thrown into the shade. One might pass the picture without noticing they are there at all: but that, as already hinted, may be attributed to the arresting merits of the horses in the foreground. The composition of this picture strikes me as particularly good and nicely balanced. Mr. C. Napier Henry can put a yacht in the water and set her going under full canvas in a breeze with any artist in existence. "Haul Aft" (No. 396) stirs the blood; the half decked cutter is coming round the mark buoy and the crew are getting in the spinnaker. The sense of movement in the boat herself and the straining of the boom against the sheets is admirable: you feel the boat skimming past into the frame. "The Noonday Rest, India," does not satisfy me at all. Miss Christina Stoddart shows the dull noon of a dust storm: scene under spreading trees. The place is the place you shall find on any road in Northern India, but why are the natives on their feet talking when they might *hitao* or still better lie down and sleep: and why keep those two sleek white byles on the foreground standing on their feet when they would lie down too if allowed? It is anything you please, but not a "Noonday Rest" as the poor black man and his cart bullocks understand the thing.

Mr. Herbert Decksie's tigers in "The Destroyers" (No. 404) are admirably drawn and convey the sense of loose limbed agility and strength most successfully: but the surroundings do not satisfy. Tigers do not wander abroad at high noon on naked hillsides where there is no cover within miles. Mr. T. Blinks sends a picture which is difficult to criticise from a practical point of view, because painted from an impossible point of view. Two pheasants falling are the subject: and in the distant background stands the sportsman who has pulled them down so neatly. The ribald spectator is tempted to ask if Mr. Blinks got much peppered as he passed in his air ship: because the spectator would get a modicum of the shot not absorbed by the birds in his face. "Well Stopped!" is clever, but not satisfactory. The same artist's "A Message" (No. 453) represents a well made brace of pointers in the heather, the foremost, facing us or nearly so, standing to game while his lemon and white friend backs. This picture is one of the best canine works by Mr. Blinks I can recollect: his foxhounds are always so excellent that this is the highest praise I can give. Mr. Arthur C. Cooke's "Gambler's Victim," a young man in mid-eighteenth century dress, thinking alone over the card table in the light of dawn, with guttering candles and cards strewing the floor, is a new version of an old topic: the pose of the victim is exceedingly good, utter dejection is in every line. Mr. John Charlton's great horse picture, "Abandoned," is very powerful and full of life and movement: but it appears to me open to objection on the ground that there is too much expression in the horses' faces; one does not see so much variety, however frightened horses may be. The passage from Alison Mr. Charlton has chosen to illustrate, is a tempting one, and the grouping and modelling of the horses are admirable. I should have said that "Abandoned" refers to the Spanish horses which our ships were obliged to leave behind on the shore in Jutland on an historical occasion during the Peninsular War. "Passive Resistance" (No. 504) by Mr. W. Frank Calderon is an exceedingly clever painting of a dignified Great Dane warding off the advances of an over-effusive terrier, the Great Dane's expression is to the life. "Polo at Rugby" (731) is a small and unpretentious work by Mr. George Wright: but it repays close inspection as a remarkably careful and successful study of polo ponies at speed. Captain E. D. Miller, easily recogniseable at first glance, is the foremost figure. "Fate" (845) by Mr. Arthur Wardle shows a leopard holding down a guinea-fowl; the feline attitude is exceedingly good.

The only exhibit of interest to your readers in the sculpture is Mr. Thomas Brock's forceful statue of General Nicholson, which is to be erected at Delhi. The statue, more than life size, is a grand piece of work; the pose and features are pregnant with character.

Special Telegrams.

THE CORONATION CUP.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Thursday, 2nd June* 1904.

The Coronation Cup.—A piece of plate value 200sovs., and 1,000sovs. in specie, for the winner, added to a sweepstake of 20sovs. each, 5ft. if declared by the last Tuesday in March 1904, with 100 sovs. added for the second and 50sovs. to the third in addition, for three-year-olds, 8st., four 9st. 13lbs., five and upward 9st. 6lbs., mares and geldings allowed 3lbs., horses that have never won a weight for age race, value 500sovs. or a handicap value 1,000sovs., allowed if three-year-olds 7lbs., four and upwards 10lbs. The Derby Course (about one mile and a half)—28 entries. Closed 5th January 1904.

Lord Howard de Walden's ch c ZINFANDEL, by Persimmon—Medora, 4yrs., 9-3, M. Cannon 1
Mr W Bass's br f SCEPTRE, by Persimmon—Ornament, 5yrs, 9-3, O Madden ... 2
Sir J Miller's br c ROCK SAND, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, 4yrs, 9-3, D Maher ... 3
Mr W Hall-Walker's br f JEAN'S FOLLY, by Ayrshire—Black Cherry, 3yrs, 7-11, G McCall 0

(*Winner trained by Major Beatty.*)

Betting:—13 to 8 on Sceptre, 3 to 1 agst. Rock Sand, 9 to 2 Zinfandel, 100 to 7 Jean's Folly.

Won by a length; three-quarters of a length between second and third.

THE OAKES.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 3rd June* 1904.

The Oaks Stakes.—Of 5,000sovs. by subscription of 50sovs. each h. ft. or 5sovs. only if declared by the 1st Tuesday in March 1903, for three-year-old fillies, 9st. each, the nominator of the winner to receive 400sovs. out of the race, if not sufficient surplus be obtained from subscriptions to give the second at last 200sovs. and the third at least 100sovs., the difference to be made up by the Race Fund;

about one mile and a half—223subs. Closed 22nd July 1903.

Major Eustace Loder's ch f PRETTY POLLY, by Gallinule—Admiration, W Lane ... 1
Mr F Alexander's br f BITTERS, by St Serf —Mara, K Cannon 2
Lord Falmouth's b f FIANCEE, by St Frusquin —Wise Virgin, Watts 3
Mr T Jennings' b f St MINDRED, by St Angelo—Matilda of Flanders, Halsey ... 0

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

BETTING :—100 to 8 on Pretty Polly, 100 to 7 agst. Fiancee, 20 to 1 agst. Bitters, 100 to 1 agst. St. Mindred.

Won with supreme ease by three lengths ; bad third.

Sporting Notes.

WE note that the prospectus of the first three Calcutta Monsoon Meetings is out. The programmes appear to be practically the same as last year, and do not call for much comment. We notice that in only one of the programmes are there two hurdle races for horses; this strikes us as an improvement, as two jump races for horses on the same day generally entail poor fields. The dates of the meeting are 6th, 13th and 20th August, 10th and 17th September.

That well-known racing mare Naiades is for sale, we understand, and should be a good investment for anyone wishing to have a bit of fun in the Monsoon season as she is a good performer over the sticks, in addition to having picked up a useful race or two on the flat.

We learn from Johannesburg exchanges, that Mr. "Barney" Allen landed the nice little wager of £1,000 to £10, over Moifaa's win in the Grand National, laid him sportingly by a brother penciller. We are also informed he has just had a further disappointment with Dandy, and that he intends disposing of him. It appears also that a New Zealand jockey, named O'Neill, has been warned off for stopping a horse. The Transvaal officials are apparently quite alive to their duty to the long-suffering public : may others, like Captain Cuttle, "make a note" of this.

First entries for the Bangalore Races, beginning 9th July, which closed on the 2nd instant, are really splendid. For the first day there are 7 for the Highground Plate, 6 for the Macintire Plate, 6 for the Pony Trials, 9 for the Horse Trials, and 7 each for the Paddock and Arab Plates. For 12th July there are 2 for the Cloister Cup, 4 for the Leonidas Purse, 8 for the Eastern Plate, 12 for the Horse Scurry, 18 for the Maharajah's Cup, and 2 for the Hebbal Plate. For 14th July the entries are 8 for the Stewards' Purse, 6 for the Cambridgeshire, 12 for the All-Horse Handicap, 6 for the Excelsior Plate, 20 for the July Plate, 10 for the Desert Handicap, and 7 for the Yelandur Purse. The leading stables represented are Mr. Apcar's, the Sultan of Johore's, Hon'ble Mr. Thelluson, Chowdhury's, Aga Shah's, Rajah Venugopal's, Colonel Desaraj Urs', and Rajah of Pittapore's.

The *Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News* to hand this week contains a well told Indian racing story by Mr. Harry Stokes, whose many friends in Calcutta will be glad to hear that he is as bobbish as of yore, and wielding a busy pen, in witness whereof one frequently reads his interesting contributions to English sporting newspapers.

An open Gymkhana race meeting will be held at Jubbulpore on Wednesday, the 29th instant, consisting of half a dozen Rs. 40 events, five of them for ponies and the sixth a charger and pigstickers' handicap. Mr. F. J. Preston is the Honorary Secretary : first entries close on the 10th, second entries on the 20th.

The Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar has purchased Mallard in Australia. This is a bay colt by Malvolio—Britomarte. A well-known turf authority "down under" has this remark to make on the purchase :—"Though not exactly a top-notcher, Mallard is a very useful colt, and there is no doubt he was unlucky not to have won the Place Handicap with 8st. 11lb. at the recent A.J.C. Meeting at Randwick. He stays well, and a good many racing men had ticked him off as one of the horses worth keeping in mind for the next Caulfield or Melbourne Cup."

The following details regarding the horse and his T.Y.O. career are interesting.

Mallard, b c, 3yrs. Malvolio—Britomarte. Mr. J. Wilson, jun. Engaged in Caulfield Cup, 6st. 9lbs.; Melbourne, Cup, 6st. 12lb., also A.J.C. Epsom Hcp., A.J.C. Derby, Metropolitan, Caulfield Guineas, V.R.C. Derby and West Australian Derby. Trainer, owner.

2yrs.—V.R.C., Nov.—Third Second Nursery Hcp., 6 fur., 7·2 ; Lord Clieve 8·0 1st., Sagamore 8·5 2nd; 1·14¼. Feb.—Third Hopeful Stks., 5 fur., 7·10; Lady Doris 7·7 1st., Sinnang 7·10 2nd ; 1·3. V.A.T.C., Mar.—Won Federal Stks., 6 fur., 6·12 ; Martinique 8·5 2nd. The Endeavour 7·8 3rd ; 1·17½. V.R.C., April —Third Two-year-old Hcp., 6 fur., 8·10; Lullaby 7·0 1st., Newmarket 7·5 2nd ; 1·18. V.A.T.C., May —Won Katandra Two-year-old, 6 fur., 8·8 ; Newmarket 7·12 2nd ; Jubal 6·10 3rd ; 1·18¾. June—Third Minook Two-year-old, 6 fur., 8·13 ; Newmarket 8·3 1st., Dandaila 7·13 2nd ; 1·19½.

Unplaced—V.R.C., Oct.—Maribyrnong Trial Stks., 4 fur., 92 yds., 7·5 ; Czarovitch 7·5 1st. V.A.T.C., Oct.—Mona Nursery Hcp., 4 fur., 7·9; Lady Lettice 7·9 1st. Gwyn Nursery, 4½ fur., 6·12 ; F.J.A. 7·5 1st., V.R.C., Nov.—Colt Stks., 5 fur., 8·0 ; The Endeavour 8·0 1st. V.A.T.C., Feb.—Alma Stks., 5 fur., 7·0; Sea Kale 6·13 1st. Orrong Two-year-old Hcp., 6 fur., 7·2; Le Portel 7·1 1st. V.R.C., Mar.—Select Stks., 7 fur., 6·7 ; Sinnang 6·12 1st.

Mallard will be shipped with Martinique and Nak-Our, Mr. Apcar's other purchases.

One upshot of the Sievier *vs.* Duke Case was the prompt warning off by the Jockey Club of the plaintiff. Commenting on the case *The Field* writes :—"No one can have been unprepared for the finish of the action brought by the adventurer R. S. Sievier against Sir James Duke. The most astonishing feature in a case which presented many curious points (among them the scathing summing-up of the judge) was the unblushing effrontery of a man who hesitated not to ally himself in marriage with a lady of good birth, to allow himself to be elected member of a club like Boodle's, to walk in and out of other London clubs with any member who would drag him in, and last, and most astounding of all, to permit himself to be presented at Court to our late Queen. A man, however, who could dare all this was not likely to hesitate about going into the witness box to have dragged out of him bit by bit the details of a remarkably chequered and disgraceful life. Some of the revelations in court were, of course, no revelation at all to many of those who know the inner history of the Turf and its followers ; but it says a good deal for the spirit of fair play pervading our Turf that, although the better class of racing men would have nothing to do with Sievier as a companion, it was not sought by reason of his improbity in other matters, so long as he was not discovered to be guilty of infringing the rules of racing, to interfere with his getting hold of the best horses he could, running them, winning races, and beating the horses of men whose ideas of rectitude are, fortunately for racing generally, somewhat in advance of those held by the plaintiff in the action. The rank and file of the racing army, however, regarded Sievier serenely, and perhaps rather wished that they had enjoyed some of his opportunities. The remark of Sir James Duke, who set about his task in the most patriotic manner, that Sievier would doubtless for every reason, financial and social, have given anything to have won the Derby with Sceptre, was absolutely the best contradiction to the statement that Sir James Duke had accused Sievier of pulling Sceptre for the great Epsom race. Society is quite mixed enough as it is. There are quite as many flies in the amber as society can do with, but the line must be drawn somewhere, and though the Raleigh may not be the most exclusive club in London, it could not stand an adventurer like Sievier, with so much against him, accepting the hospitality of one of its members, who, by his weakness and bad judgment, placed himself in a very false position."

On the subject of the warning off *The Sportsman* writes :—"All's well that ends well," as a proverb has its limitations, for some things would have been still better not begun. Among them may rank the connection with the Turf which yesterday's announcement of the Stewards of the Jockey Club brought to a close. They visit with their displeasure a man who has not, so far as we know, violated any of the rules expressed or implied which should govern the conduct of owners, trainers and wagerers. But the Stewards look further afield for reasons, though in their judgments they give none. *Hoc volo, sic jube, stat proratione voluntas*, and there is no appeal. They are in their juridical function a court of summary jurisdiction and the House of Lords in one. Everybody knowing anything of the Turf trusts them as free from conscious prejudice, not to mention injustice or partiality. They are implicitly believed in, and they have earned that confidence. Presently they are to give themselves the power to license trainers throughout Great Britain, who will thenceforth have to be not only desirable persons themselves but to be employed by such. There the thing lies in a nutshell. We should all rejoice to be rid of the undesirable members of our acquaintance or family ; the Jockey Club has that inestim-

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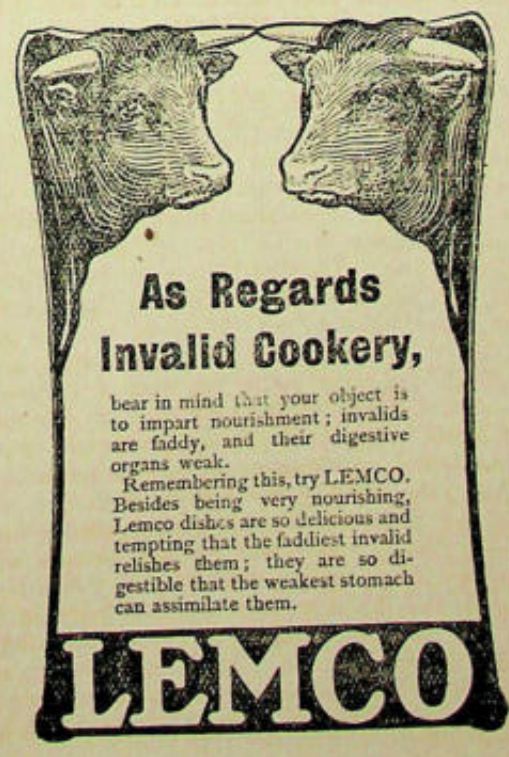
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le privilege with the great army rather than mily of followers of racing. His Majesty, with- t reason given, may dispense with the services f any commissioned officer. So may the Stewards of the Jockey Club with the presence of any undesirable person in the enclosures and areas under their control, which are not found at Newmarket alone, though verbally to Newmarket exclusively the warning off applies. Practically it is world wide, for any person so named is not only prohibited from going on Newmarket Heath, from running, training or riding any horse, and from entering any enclosure of any race meeting conducted under Jockey Club rules, but in every case this warning off is ratified by the National Hunt, and meetings under their rule are also barred to the person so prohibited. Moreover, foreign racing Stewards likewise recognise the sentence. This tremendous power is wielded with great caution, but with equal fearlessness. A person may be 'undesirable' apart from and independent of anything done in his actual racing career: and if this quality be sufficiently pronounced we see that the Stewards launch their edict against him. They plainly think it was in the case."

By this warning off it appears that Sceptre will be disqualified for the Princess of Wales's Stakes of 10,000sovs. at the Newmarket First July Meeting. According to Rule 67 (A) of the Rules of Racing, "A horse is disqualified by the disqualification of his present owner, or that for his owner at the time of entry or subscription, or that of any person who has any interest in such horse's winnings." Sceptre was nominated for the Princess of Wales's Stakes by her former owner, and he has an interest in her winnings in the race to the extent of 400sovs., that being the amount which, according to the conditions, is to go to the nominator of the winner.

First entries for the Mysore Races are published in our issue of to-day: final entries close on the 15th instant.

Sweet Sound, a mare by Bill of Portland—Melodious, has been bought in Australia for India. The probabilities are she will fulfil her engagements at Caulfield before being shipped.

Second entries for the Mussoorie Summer Races are published in our paper to-day.

It is not a little curious that Mr. W. Bass, who last year purchased the ill-fated Grey Tick to lead Sceptre in her work and afterwards won good races with him (including the Cesarewitch), should have a similar experience in the case of Wet Paint. The son of St. Frusquin and Red Enamel was recently bought from Lord M. Beresford to lead the famous mare at Manton, and on the first occasion of running for his new owner he won the Prince's Handicap at Gatwick. Chanter, Templemore and Thunderbolt were all well backed for the race as will be seen from the details given in our London Sporting letter, and the first-named came within a neck of winning, but Madden, on Wet Paint, just got the best of Lane in a rattling finish and placed the useful stake to the credit of Mr Bass. According to Benson's chronograph Wet Paint covered the course (one mile and a half) in 2mins. 43⅕secs.

Mr. Galstaun's new trainer is Mumford, said to hail from Newmarket. Mumford arrived last week in the *Olympia* with Goldsmith, St. Marquis and Humdrum, and went up with them to Poona. Cragthorne, by Wolf's Crag—Under the Rose, died on the voyage near Port Said; the animal was insured.

The dates of the Mysore Polo Tournament are 24th, 26th, 27th and 29th June, and of the Bangalore Polo Tournament 13th, 15th, 18th and 20th July.

A Bangalore Horse Show is being organised for 21st, 22nd and 23rd July, and a Cricket week from 25th to 30th July, so that a great season is before the station.

St. Amant has been scratched for the Grand Prix, which will be run for next Sunday.

The substitution of sugar planting for the time-honoured industry in Tirhoot has, we note, brought about an invasion of pigs from the Terai, leading one gentleman, probably with an eye to business, to imply that another industry may be introduced into Behar—that of pork curing. Piggy was never in dearth up in these parts, but it is quite possible to have too much of a good thing. Little porkers and sows that have hitherto enjoyed an immunity are likely to be as much sought after as the grizzly patriarch himself, and the present generation even may witness an Indian Chicago arise on the banks of the Gandak! We can fully endorse the writer's eulogium on the lusciousness of the half-grown porker's ribs in the cane season. One thing is that, ladies and the youth of both sexes will be able to participate in the chase, while the return from a "stick" will resemble that of a party of Bashibasooks coming back from a raid into the Balkans, with the difference that the trophies bourne aloft on the Tirhoot victors' spear heads will consist of infantile swine instead of Bulgarian babies.

Fishermen on the big eastern rivers are complaining of the unusual number of catfish that have put in an appearance lately. These voracious water pirates play havoc among the hilsa now going up to the mountain streams to spawn, and although our huge herring does not come within the sport list of the devotees of the rod, if these predacious brutes follow them up such water game as masheer, basha and others will suffer. The catfish himself gives good play, but as he frequently attains the dimensions of 6 feet, pretty strong tackle is needed to land him. He should be plentiful enough at Port Canning or Diamond Habour if, as stated, he is cruising in the other waters; like the shark he'll take almost anything.

The rinderpest, or some disease resembling it, reported as having broken out among the big game in Lower Burma, will not be pleasant reading for those sportsmen who looked forward to the ramification of light railways opening up those well-stocked shooting grounds. All animals seem to suffer, the cause being attributed to owners of tame buffaloes driving their cows periodically into the jungles to be covered by wild bulls. But how is the disease transmitted to deer and elephants? These animals do not herd together and we can but surmise infection is spread by grazing, unless, indeed, the disease has arisen spontaneously in some mysterious manner. It was a well ascertained fact that deer at any rate contracted dengue fever during the prevalence of that malady in 1871-72, for sportsmen reported many lamed animals both from Northern and Southern India; close examination of the carcases revealing no reason for the crippled condition till a medical man at Coonoor determined the truth. Left to itself dengue merely ran its course, but the present disease is of a much more serious character and whether it has been correctly diagnosed or not it is proving fatal. In the interests of sport we hope our constituents in North Burma and the Eastern Frontier districts will not fail to attend to this matter, for though there is no means of checking it, as the jungles run into one another, it is important for the prevention of disappointment to note its ravages. Game is redundant enough in inaccessible places, but by no means so in those more readily get-at-able, and once India proper is invaded it may spread throughout the peninsula like the milder malady mentioned, or the enteritis that is afflicting the pheasants in the United Kingdom.

However ill furnished with up-to-date weapons our antagonists in Tibet may be, there is no doubt they possess in their unkempt, queer-looking steeds the nucleus of a breed of mounts for mountain warfare that would prove eminently serviceable either for military purposes, travel or pack, so we hope the opportunity of securing a good number of both mares and sires will not be neglected. The Bhutia ponies we are accustomed to, though perhaps descended from the same stock, are undersized compared to their congeners higher up in cloudland. In fact, from all accounts, the Tibetan horse is identical with that on which the Russian Cossacks from the Ukraine are mounted, and certainly these latter need no lauding for either speed, handiness or endurance. The first generation would probably be found unsuitable for work in the plains, but by judicious crossing the second should do pretty well. One thing, from being bred in a rarified atmosphere, the sires and mares should transmit to their progeny the most splendid lung power. It is not very probable, however, that ponies of Tibetan descent will ever be needed in the plains. Now that our grazing grounds are being extended so rapidly and the incentive of fair prices is stimulating breeding, the bulk of the animals we may expect to raise from this new source of supply will be needed solely for mountain operations, suitable beasts for which every fresh expedition shows we are still deficient in, despite our ransacking every country on the globe. The mortality among Indian-bred mules and other baggage animals the past two months proves we are still far from possessing the ideal beast for high elevations, but we think now we are within measurable distance for securing such.

A new terror to life in the Far East! In the Hongkong Government Bacteriologist's Report for 1903, Dr. Hunter says that 121 fowls were examined during the year and 44 were plague-infected. "Morphologically," he says, "the bacteria would pass for the *B. pestis*, but in the absence of more detailed examination the question at once rose as to the possibility of the forms of *Spectiœmia avium*. The organism of fowl cholera, although smaller in size, presents very much the appearance of the *B. pestis* morphologically. Fowl cholera is met with in Hongkong. I have met with several instances of it. The *Bacterium avicidum* is an organism which affects a large number of birds of different species, calling forth in their bodies a typical *Bacteriamia*, but so far has not been known to affect man to any great extent. The consumption of the carcases of fowls, ducks, etc., dead from this disease, however, frequently calls forth severe emesis and diarrhœa. The general consensus of opinion is that should a bird have succumbed to this disease, it ought, from a strictly sanitary point of view, to be destroyed, and not used for dietetic purposes. Forty-five ducks were also examined, 22 being found plague-infected.

Messrs. James Baldwin and Sons, the original patentees of gun wadding, and whose advertisement appears on page iii of this issue of *The Indian Field*, intend, we see, to keep abreast of the times; at least such we take to be the meaning of a recent announcement made by this old firm. They are entirely remodelling their works at Birmingham, putting up new and greatly improved machinery of their own special design. This should enable them to greatly facilitate their output for the coming season, a prospect that is not without interest to sportsmen in this country who have used Baldwin's wads for years and heartily appreciate them.

It is interesting to observe the procedure of a really good instructor in shooting, thoroughly expert at his work, observes "Nevis" in *The County Gentleman*. A client comes to him, let us assume, who may have been game shooting every season very regularly for the previous ten years, and is still far removed from a good shot. But a good shot he desires to become, and, by the recommendation of a friend, he places himself unreservedly in the hands of our expert, whose first step is to ascertain the precise type of marksman his client comes under, and the kind of gun he has been in the habit of shooting with. He does so by requesting his client to put up his own gun to his shoulder half-a-dozen times in quick succession. That is all that is necessary with a skilled expert to inform him whether his client has shot much or little, and whether he has developed a set style and manner of his own, and whether that style is good or bad, alterable or unalterable except with great difficulty. A mental note is made of the client's style in the brain of the expert, who now takes his client to the clay-bird traps. He is asked to fire seven or eight cartridges at flying clays, the expert keenly watching every shot, being able to trace the flight of the pellets through the air so clearly as to come to accurate decisions as to the directions in which they went past the bird, whether to right or left, high or low. This power of seeing the shot-charge travelling in the air is not given to every expert. Facility into distinguishing where the pellets have travelled, when the clay is missed, demands strong, clear eyesight and considerable practice. But when acquired, that power dispenses with all necessity for white-washed plating targets to tell experts where the pellets have hit, thus saving much time and trouble to the shooter, as well as to his instructor. Mr. Charles Lancaster, of Bond Street, and Mr. W. W. Watts, of the London Sporting Park, both claim to have acquired this serviceable power; and we believe them, for both have enjoyed long experience in coaching, but there are also other experts in shooting equally entitled to claim the possession of it. They prove their claims by undeniable demonstrations, so that there can be no question about the fact that this useful power can be acquired. Assuming that power, then, in our expert seven or eight shots at flying clays by his client all plainly visible to him in the air, and all, let us assume, a foot to the left and a foot below each clay, shows the expert that the shooter, who is missing so often in excellent style, and always in the same place, must have something wrong with his gun-stock. The fault may be found to be in the gun, not in the man; he has most probably been badly fitted, and could shoot very well with a well-fitting gun.

The consistent shooting of his client into a certain "gap," as Mr. R. C. Lehmann calls it, below, and to the right of the clays, gives the keen expert all the information he wants to improve his client's shooting. But he desires to convince the latter that it is so (for confidence in shooting goes far), and he has recourse to the "try-gun," adjustable to any

dimensions of gun-stock. By the ingenious use of screws and hinges the expert alters the form and shape of the try-gun to make it what he considers suitable for his client temporarily, and thus let the demonstration at once proceed. This is done, and with the so altered try-gun the client finds that shooting just as he did before he can now smash six or seven clays out of ten that he formerly missed entirely. His confidence in himself, that was almost at vanishing point, now begins to return, he begins shooting clays right and left, both sent out at once. The whole of his previous practice for years, that almost led to his giving up shooting, now comes to his aid in the quick production of unison between hand and eye and between brain and trigger finger, that unison, that was of so little avail before, owing to mechanical faults that stood in their way. By his next visit to the ground the stock of his own gun has been altered by the client's gunmaker to the dimensions found to be best suited to him, and he performs equally well under skilled instruction at clays thrown over him at increasingly difficult angles, first singly, then in pairs, and finally, perhaps, in threes and fours, requiring a loader and a change of guns. Space fails us to describe the further proceedings in showing a fairly good shot how he can achieve much improved results, having obtained a weapon or pair of weapons that do not handicap his efforts by misfitting him at the shoulder. With a beginner in shooting, again, the process of tuition is entirely a different one, and in some ways a much easier one for the expert instructor. The latter has no set style to study in his young client; on the contrary, he has to build up his client's form into the best style, having no faults to eradicate, or to allow for, if irremovable, by a gun-stock built to help them into good shooting. Every expert has his own idea of what is best in bend and cast-off for a beginner, the root idea being with every case, that the less of either the better if the shooter's physical development is of the normal character. A beginner always prefers a well-bent stock, whereas the straighter the stock that he can be taught to shoot with the better for his ultimate success in modern game shooting. On the other hand, where any man has shot for years with a well-bent, well-cast-off gun-stock it is almost impossible to get him to accommodate himself to a straighter one with less cast-off. He has to be accommodated in that matter instead of fitting himself to a straighter gun, with which he might possibly have been able to have improved his form some ten or fifteen per cent. It can be seen, therefore, that the expert instructor has to study very carefully, in the light of his experience and skill, every shooter, good and bad, experienced and inexperienced from a different standpoint, weighing them up very quickly before he begins to advise them generally, or as to the taking of particular kinds of shots, on which even crack shooters may occasionally feel grateful for guidance, if only to have information given them where their shot-charges have gone, when they occasionally miss difficult clays. Altogether, the teaching of shooting is a most interesting and absorbing business, and one that is greatly dependent for success not only upon shooting skill, but also upon wide experience of all the pitfalls into which shooters are apt to fall, and have to be guarded against in all descriptions of sport with the gun.

The Tollygunge Club Gymkhana, advertised for next Saturday, has been postponed until Wednesday, the 22nd instant.

Athletic Notes.

THE regatta, which is one of the features of the Ranikhet Week at Naini Tal, was held on the 4th instant. Proceedings were interfered with by heavy rain, but the events were all carried through. Naini Tal beat Ranikhet by three-quarters of a length in the Fours after a good race. The Single Sculls was won by Mr. Coode, and the Novice Sculls by Mr. Mansell. Cooper's Hill won the Open Fours, but in the Open Pairs were defeated by the British Services represented by Messrs. Barnaby and Cooper.

The Calcutta Golf Club holds its annual competition for the Bombay Medal on the 10th and 11th instant.

The ups and downs of a big hitter are well exemplified in the case of Sewell this season, if Sewell, who so often plays a steady game, can be called a big hitter. In the very first big match of the season he scored 181, but since then has done nothing of note, his scores being 1, 0 and 33, 11 and 0. On the other hand, if a hitter only comes off three or four times during a season, he very likely wins a match or two for his side.

The following are some of the important Cricket matches played at home last week. On the 3rd instant Lancashire beat Surrey by an innings and 113 runs, and Kent beat Hampshire by 293 runs. On the 4th Leicestershire beat Essex by six wickets, Middlesex beat Yorkshire by 77 runs, Gloucestershire was defeated by Somerset by 105 runs, Notts beat Sussex by 226 runs. The match between Worcestershire and the South Africans was won by the former by 137 runs, and Warwickshire beat Cambridge University by five wickets.

The "horrible tale" of the Sutherlandshire eagle and the 18-month-old baby, which was circulated by some of the daily papers at the beginning of the week, has proved to be as fictitious as a number of sceptical readers no doubt suspected at the time. Thrilling details were given of the stricken parents' discovery of the child's absence, and how the mutilated body was subequently found in the mountains, but no mention was made of any eagle being actually seen by eye-witnesses. Considering that the whole story was a fabrication, this seems a fine opportunty lost. We should have preferred to hear of the gigantic bird swooping from the heavens to the crofter's doorstep and disappearing slowly above the roof with its human prey amid the tears and imprecations of the entire family. It would be interesting to know exactly how much well-authenticated evidence there is for the familiar story of golden eagles carrying off human infants. There is no intrinsic improbability about the feat, so far as the muscular effort goes; a golden eagle can, at a pinch, make off with a young lamb or fawn, and would find no particular difficulty in transporting an infant to its eyrie. But it seems a good deal more doubtful whether it is disposed by nature to extend its ordinary range of diet so far as to include such unaccustomed prey as babies caught up *en passant* from the bosoms of their families.

The Amateur Golf Championship at Sandwich has been won by Mr. Travis, an American.

Within a comparatively short time Stamford Bridge, most famous of the few athletic grounds left to London, will be in the hands of the builders, and it is evident the L. A. C. mean to make matters hum during the period of their tenancy still remaining. A couple of meetings were held last month, that of Thursday, the 12th May, being in a sense the most important, since Alfred Shrubb, going for the five miles' record, relegated to the background all previous times for the distance, including Jack White's 24mins. 40secs., which has stood for over forty years. That Shrubb was capable of performing the task set him those who know most about the South London Harrier were fully aware, and it is a pity that occasionally he runs with very bad judgment. The feature of Saturday's fixture was the Mile Relay race,—full details of which will be found in our London Sporting letter this week. Eight speedy runners representing the L. A. C. against an equal number selected from the Rest of England. Each man had to run 220 yards, and after an exciting struggle, which more than once hung in the balance, victory rested with the "Rest." The result would probably have been the other way about, however, but for the fact that the Cantab, R. W. Barclay, failed to turn out, his substitute, E. S. Ward, being very little good over short distances. Nearly all the other runners acquitted themselves with credit, C. H. Jupp doing "evens" for his furlong, while Cooper, Ayto-Rowell, and Berwill also showed fine form.

Ten teams entered in the Football tournament for the Murree Brewery Challenge Cup, which commenced on the 30th ultimo. In the first round the Royal Irish Fusiliers beat the Gunners from Pindi by a goal to *nil*; the King's Royal Rifles defeated the Dorsets after a fine game by five goals to one. In the second round the Gordon Highlanders beat the Somersets by two goals to one; a fine game between the Queen's and the Cameronians resulted in the victory of the former by a goal to *nil*. The match between the Wiltshires and the 104th Company R. G. A. ended in a draw; on replaying the tie the Wiltshires won by four goals to *nil*. The King's Royal Rifles beat the Royal Irish Fusiliers by four goals to *nil*. In the semi-finals the Gordon Highlanders beat the Queens by two goals to one.

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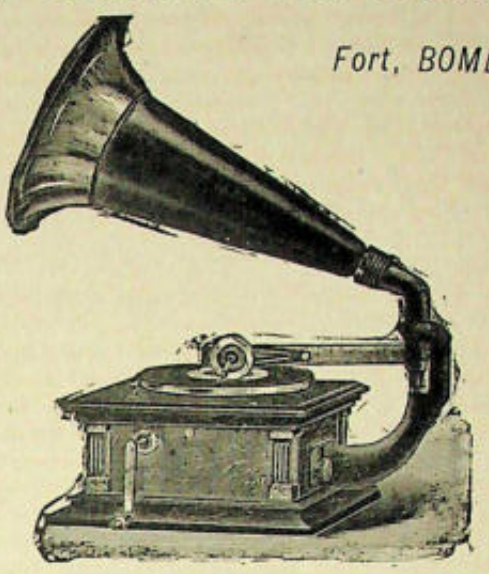
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London Week by Week.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 20th May* 1904.

It is to be hoped that the Tibetan Mission will receive its reinforcement quickly, to the end that the forward movement need not be delayed to infuse useless courage into the tribesmen. Mr. Lambert took upon himself to ask certain questions in the Commons on Monday night which Mr. Brodrick, in the exercise of his discretion, declined to answer: though it may be doubted whether the Lamas have any system of intelligence at all, or if they could turn information to any account if they got it. The "C. Bees" have said remarkably little about the business; on the whole, no doubt, they think flank attacks on the Finance Bill and on Mr. Chamberlain's proposals pay better.

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It was officially announced on Saturday that only the first part of the burial service over Sir H. Stanley's remains would take place in Westminster Abbey: and the body was interred at Pirbright on Tuesday. Recognition of the explorer's wishes was manifested in the hall made by the procession in the Abbey by Livingston's grave. Canon Rannoley suggested that cremation would allow the burial of an urn containing the ashes near the remains of Livingston: but it is a question whether the matter of available space was that which influenced the Dean and Chapter in their decision. It is said that there is space for only seventy more graves in the Abbey: which indicates the necessity for very careful consideration of claims. The King and Queen wrote personally to Lady Stanley, condoling with her on her husband's death.

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There are movements among the Continental nations which may mean much, or nothing. Austro-Hungary, through her ministers, wants an extra fourteen millions for the army next year, the usual estimates being for only fifteen millions. Then there are rumours of alliance between Servia and Bulgaria, which seem to have a solid basis: and though nothing has appeared in print on the subject, yet one hears enquiries whether Finland has been so sufficiently "Russified" that she will remain quiescent when the Bear fairly turns tail and retreats. Recent telegrams say that Russia does not mean to begin the war seriously till after the rains: that is, in September next. Russia's intentions, however, have not been the determining factors up to now, and there is little reason to suppose they will weigh more heavily in the future.

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Last night's papers gave us news of the Japanese losses off Port Arthur. The *Zoshino* was only an old protected cruiser, but the loss of a vessel at once handy and fast, as the *Zoshino*, has proved herself, is serious enough: infinitely graver is the loss of *Hatsuse*, one of the most powerful ships in the Japanese navy. It is not as that of a single vessel that the loss of the *Hatsuse* must be regarded, but as that of one-sixth of the Japanese sea force. Japan had only the six battleships, and it is difficult to see how she can obtain any more under existing circumstances, while Russia professes to have several fighting ships on the stocks nearly ready to launch. There is an uneasy feeling abroad that these losses may have a very serious effect on the course of the war: but the Japs have displayed such unsuspected resource and enterprise that the feeling, I refer to, seems a trifle premature.

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Mr. George Rollit calls his three-act play, produced at the Royalty, on Friday, a "Farcical Comedy," but I think farce *pur et simple* is about its measure. The Money Makers is founded on one of our national sins; and as betting is a highly popular National Sin, a piece that turns thereon without reading a ponderous moral recommends itself. The tale is easily told. Dot and Mabel engaged, respectively, to Captain Archie Fitzgerald, otherwise "Fitz," and Charles Clifton, medical student, want to make money in order to marry. Prompted by Bella, the maid, who has a young man who does a little quiet betting, Dot and Mabel conceive the idea of starting business as tipsters, and as Fitzgerald is going out of town, he is easily persuaded to lend the girls his rooms to "rehearse a charade" wherewith to surprise Dot's mother on her birthday. This preparatory business comprises Act I, the scene of which is Dot's Mother's kitchen over which Bella presides. "Fitz" is a penniless soldier, and the kitchen is the only place where he can meet his love. Act I, I am bound to add, was a bit slow, but the promise of fun to follow sustained us. The promise was fulfilled in Act II. Curtain rises on Dot and Mabel in Fitz's rooms doing a roaring trade as tipsters with Bella acting as clerk. Five-shilling postal orders for "special wires" arrive in sheafs, and the girls are writing telegrams for all they are worth. This is the fruit of an artistically worded advertisement inviting backers to send for the latest tip to "The Major." Needless to say the girls know as much about racing and betting as so many kittens, and being ignorant of the meaning of the verb "to scratch" in its turf connection, get into awful hot water by tipping Mustard for the something stakes the day after Mustard has been scratched. To thousands of "subscribers" the dear things tip Mustard in face of the annoucement in all the sporting papers. Naturally those suscribers who live within a day's march turn up at "The Major's" to enquire what it all means and get their money back: among the crowd is an American backer, a Cockney, and a French backer: also comes Mabel's young man, Charles Clifton. The row is in full blast when Mr. Mathew McDougall, the rich and righteous old Scotch uncle of Fitz, walks in, and we recollect that Fitz said something about uncle's intended visit when he gave up his latch key in Act I. Uncle remarks the "spread" on the sideboard and various suspicious luxuries from the jewellers (fruits of those many postal orders) and puts down Dot and Mabel as what they are not with ominous references to his *roué* nephew. He has not much time to speculate: the crowd of subscribers pounce upon him as "The Major," *vide* advertisement, and after rough handling is dragged away by the police to answer some thousand summonses for obtaining money by false pretences. Act III finds Dot and Mabel in despair: to them enter "Fitz," who has got his step since we last saw him. To him enter more wrathful subscribers to whom he admits being "The Major" exit in handcuffs. Then it is time for things to be put straight. Clifton undertakes to charge old McDougall, and when he learns that he is Fitz's uncle, he withdraws. Then it turns out that there was a mistake over that scratching: it was Bustard, not Mustard, that was scratched: Mustard ran starting at long odds and won, and all those thousands of subscribers have made heaps of money. Peace, release, apologies, kisses, etc., etc., the piece went with a rush from the beginning of Act II: I had enjoyed it more were there a little less noise on the stage, and I think it would lose nothing if played less tempestuously. The best of the players was Mr. Mark Kinghorne as old McDougall: Miss Lettice Fairfax as Mabel, and Miss Muriel Ashwynne as Dot, had not much acting to do in the strict sense of the word, but filled the parts of two eager, enthusiastic, perplexed or despairing girls very prettily.

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"The Prince of Pilsen," a musical comedy hailing from America, was put on at the Shaftesbury on Saturday. It would go better, I think, had it been worked over by a Britisher, for the local and topical allusions were thrown away on a London audience. The scene is laid in the garden and court of the Hotel Internationale at Nice, and the fun depends on the mistake whereby Hans Wagner, Dutch brewer of Cincinatti, is regarded as Carl Otto, Prince of Pilsen. The true Prince of course turns up and makes love to Nellie, Wagner's daughter. Plot there is none: nor is it wanted, for the music is pretty and tuneful, some of the numbers being much above the musical—comedy or variety—entertainment average. The house was delighted with the piece, and it is likely to hold the boards for many weeks to come. Mr. John Ransome, as the Dutch brewer, bore the brunt of the work, and when his sayings were intelligible to Britishers, he was uncommonly amusing.

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Mr. H. H. Davies' Cynthia, which appeared on Monday, is one of the plays which the author's success has brought to the surface: and truth to tell a deserved reputation suddenly earned had lost nothing were Cynthia never to have seen the light at Wyndhams, or anywhere else for that matter. The whole play centres upon the pretty, spoiled, impulsive and extravagant Cynthia (Miss Ethel Barrymore). Cynthia has married Albert, son of the wealtly merchant, Mr. Jerrold, and her one idea is to see how much she can spend. Gold taps, mounted with diamonds in the bathroom, is one of her fancies for example. She wants a dozen carriages and pairs and her whole ideas of housekeeping are on a similar scale. Albert (Mr. Du Maurier) makes nothing and lives on his father's (Mr. Charles Grove's) bounty. Papa protests and Albert tries to make his wife economise: Cynthia's idea of economy is to "give up having coffee after dinner." The need of money is so great that Albert proposes to go without a new greatcoat: whereupon Cynthia sends, by her manicurist (a Jew usurer's agent he turns out to be) for a money-lender, Mr. Duncan, who lends her £3,000 at 200 per cent: that her hub shall have his greatcoat. This transaction is a secret and Cynthia's aunt by marriage, Miss Jerrold, suspects Mr. Hampton, an American friend of the young lady "who is far too much about the house." Albert, seeing the case empty on the table, thinks his wife has sold her diamonds to raise coin. Act III was the most amusing. We find Cynthia, a reformed character, in the kitchen doing house work, while Albert is out looking for a situation. Enter remorseless creditors: Cynthia holds a meeting and suggests that she and her servants who want their wages paid shall start a hairdressing and manicuring shop to be financed by Duncan. This scene was funny, if a trifle forced in its humour. Eventually when Albert has accepted a berth on the Gold Coast and Cynthia clings to him protesting he shall not go without her and she will "live on nothing" that much tried Jerrold *père* turns up and puts things straight. The play is clever: the dialogue is full of wit, and the character touches are subtle and neat: but it is not in the same street as "Cousin Kate" nor as good as "Mrs. Gorringe's Necklace." It is as a writer of character plays that Mr. Davies succeeds and Cynthia is not a convincing person. Miss Henrietta Cowen, as the honest shrewish aunt, and Mr. Max Freeman, as the Jew money-lender, were very good.

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On Wednesday night—it has been a busy week in the theatres—Mr. H. Hamilton's version of Veronique was produced at the Apollo. Veronique is not a musical comedy: it is comic opera with a tangible story whose interest is sustained all through. The plot is simple. Florestan de Valiancourt is affianced to Hélène de Solanges: it is a marriage of convenience, and he has never seen her, though she knows him well by sight: Florestan does not want to marry, but his choice lies between Hélène and prison for debt: also he has a flirtation on hand with Agatha Coquinard, who runs a flower shop. He is to meet Hélène at a ball at The Tuilleries one night, and in the morning goes to say adieu to Agatha: he invites her and all her girls to a party at Romainville: Hélène and her aunt overhear the invitation, and engaging themselves as shop girls to Agatha, are automatically included in the invitation. Hélène, as Veronique, the florist, easily brings Florestan to her feet at the party, and his bearing is so courtly that she falls a victim to him. In the third act, The Tuilleries Ball, the pair meet again in their proper social station and there you are. Miss Rosina Brandram was perfectly suited as Hélène's *grande dame* aunt, and Miss Ruth Vincent was charming as Hélène. Mr. Laurence Rea was Florestan, and a gallant lover he made. The music is very pleasing and the lyrics, freely rendered, very freely, from the French are much more to the point than these things usually are. Veronique's "Take Estelle and Veronique" is one of the best songs, and another good one is "Dear Little Donkey" in the same Act. The donkey had not profited by rehearsal, it may be remarked, and if he cannot get over stage fright it will remove a risk to dispense with him.

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The Darling of the Gods will soon come to an end, to make place for Shakespearian revivals, so 'tis said: A Chinese Honeymoon comes to its close, and the Wheat King and Joseph Entangled put up their shutters after to-morrow night. Mr. Leigh's idea of taking the Court Theatre and letting it out to any company that wants to "run a show" for a few nights has answered exceedingly well: the stage has been occupied without a single hiatus since the system was started. If I say little about the doings there it is because the "runs" are necessarily so short. Yvette Guilbert is with us again, and a good deal changed. It may be partly due to the 18th Century dress she wears at the Bechstein Hall, but whatever the change, she is no longer weird as of yore, but charming and picturesque as a girl of Watteau. Her voice is improved also, and as she has lost none of her wonderful coquetry, grace and effrontery, she fairly took the house by storm. Vecsey, the Hungarian boy violinist, of whom Joachim has said he has greater genius than any player of any age who has come within his experience, is giving a series of concerts at St. James's Hall. The third took place on Tuesday, and the hall was full: but whether Vecsey is going to create a furore or not remains to be seen. I feel guilty for that having remarked upon the opening of the opera season. I have left Covent Garden alone. The fact is that with the number of new plays one week and the crush of interests of other kinds another week, either my time or your space do not

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run to a chronicle of doings at the opera, and I feel that my criticism of voice and music must lack the discernment and discrimination born of knowledge.

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The "Hawkins Sale" at Christies has been attracting a good deal of attention during the last few days. There were some sensational prices on Friday last. Duveen, the Bond Street dealer, paid £2,750 for a miniature of Frances Howard, Duchess of Norfolk, by Hans Holbein. This work of art is about the size of a four-shilling piece. Snuff boxes were in brisk demand too, one, Louis XVI, gold box bringing a trifle of £1,650. Many stories of Mr. Hawkins, who is said to have spent £10,000 a year on miniatures, snuff boxes and other works of art are floating around. He lived at No. 10, Portland Place, a roomy house, as all in that favoured quarter are, but the place was more like a dealer's neglected store house or an embryo museum than anything else. Once he acquired a picture or anything he wanted he seemed to take no further interest in it, the thing might, and often did, lie for years just where the carrier's man happened to leave it. Every room in the house was crammed with things the acquisitive old gentleman had made no attempt to put away. He could find a corner for every thing but his wife: who for long lived at the Langham (I think it was the Langham). Coming home one afternoon, she found passages and living rooms in a state of congestion from her husband more than usually extensive purchases at a sale, and remonstrated. Mr. Hawkins suggested that she should go to an hotel for the night that things might be got straight. Mrs. Hawkins agreed: she went to the hotel and stayed there for sixteen years.

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Various items: The Lord Mayor presided at a Mansion House Meeting on Wednesday, called to further the scheme of an Irish International Exhibition to be held in Dublin in 1906. The Lord Mayor of Dublin telegraphed to "protest" against any endeavour to help a scheme to which "all Irishmen object," *i.e.*, the international character. Show me a Nationalist in power and I shall show you a champion idiot. The Road Car Company have struck out a new line in omnibi—if that be plural of omnibus—having done away with the side seats and put "garden seats" inside on the principle of the roof accommodation. Vesta Victoria, the music hall actress, has obtained an absolute decree against her husband for cruelty and misconduct. The Jockey Club has warned Mr. Sievier off Newmarket Heath, though the "Turf Libel Case" had nothing whatever to do with the Turf, this bye-result of the trial was hardly unexpected.

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The International Sports Exhibition opened at the Crystal Palace on Saturday. It is in the main an "implement" show of guns, rods, tackle, and so on: with a long series of athletic meetings, and polo, fencing, billiard, tennis matches, etc., to attract out of doors. There are some curiosities on view: Alexander Selkirk's gun: the bowls with which Drake stopped playing when the Armada was sighted: a bat His Majesty played with when Prince of Wales: and a round dozen 18th century bats lent by the M. C. C.: oars used on famous occasions and other relics of sporting history. The collection of heads is a remarkably good one. Admiral Kennedy, Sir H. Seton Karr and Mr. Hesketh Pritchard being responsible for the majority. Among the modern improvements, Wright's new billiard table caught my fancy: each pocket connects with a track under the table whereby the balls return automatically to the baulk end: a useful dodge for practice play.

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Monday was a big day at Tattersalls. The Marquis of Cholmondeley's and the Blankney Hunt horses were the chief attractions, but there were several lots of clinking polo ponies too, and the crowd was full of men from the "shires" and familiar at Hurlingham and Roehampton. Mr. E. Ezra got 300 guineas each for two ponies, and Mr. J. B. Dale got 240 and 180 respectively for Pedlar and Nellie. Lord Cholmondeley's bay hunter, Barn Dance, a rare stamp of the weight carrier, brought 340 guineas. Buckminster went for 280 and Holmby for 230 guineas. Mr. R. Burke of Fethard Martes of the "Tips," sent up half a dozen very nice looking hunters which went at prices from 100 to 190 guineas.

ONLOOKER.

It is said that no bird, or creeping thing will touch a castor-oil plant It seems to be a rank poison to all the animal world. Even a goat will starve before biting off a leaf, and a horse will sniff at it and turn up his upper lip as though it had the most detestable odour on the face of the earth. Army worms and the locusts will pass by it, though they may eat every other green thing in sight, and there is no surer way to drive moles away from a lawn than to plant a few castor beans here and there. Even the tobacco worm will refuse to be fed on its leaves. There is hardly another instance in natural history of a plant being so universally detested by the animal world.

Review.

THE MANGO.

MR. G. M. Woodrow's treatise upon the mango, its different hybrids and cultivation, will no doubt commend itself to the European horticulturist, those in charge of experimental farms, the gardeners of Native States and our colonists in the tropics, but the recommendations are rather two elaborate for the usual native cultivator to follow. Few, we fancy, were aware that there were nearly eighty varieties of the fruit ranging from the flannel and turpentine one up to the luscious Maldah or Langra of Benares. In his list of the better class or most popular jats of mangoes the author quotes largely from our old friend Charles Maries, whose book on the mango of Behar ought to be ranked as a classic, but we fail to find any reference to, or description of, such well known and choice mangoes as the Doorga Lall. ka khelwa. Muktoola wallah, Maharaj pussund, Ashgari Begum, Gopaler dhola or Piwunda, Mr Woodrow tells us all about grafting, transport of trees and selection, but we are still confronted with the difficulty of putting down the choicest fruit of Hindustan in perfect condition on the European markets

The Mango by G. Marshall Woodrow. Thacker, Spink and Co., Calcutta.

Shikar.

MY LITTLE PRESERVES.

VI.

AND now let me redeem my promise to relate how, a few days after the disappointment we had, that was mentioned in my last, we succeeded in bagging the bull. The herd had gone off very quietly, and made for a big jungle to the south of our camp, so we refrained from following them up, feeling pretty sure that they would turn up again before long, in the neighbourhood of the swamp, and in this we were not disappointed. During the next four days we saw three other herds, one of four, another of seven and the third of nine, all in the same part of the plateau. Being laid up with a nasty attack of rheumatism, I was unable to go, F. went after them on three consecutive days, but somehow or other failed to get up to them in time on two occasions, and on the third, after making a capital stalk, found the bull had so poor a head, that he would not shoot. This was particularly hard lines, as while stalking the herd, he came quite close upon a solitary ibex, but would not fire for fear of disturbing the bison.

That evening I received a wire from by friend S., saying that he was coming up for a three days' shoot, and would be with us on the following Wednesday, so although we saw a herd of bison on the next and two succeeding mornings we left them alone, in hopes that S. who was paying us a long promised visit, and who was particularly anxious to bag a bull, would get a shot.

S. duly arrived, and on the following morning went out with F to the swamp; they saw a herd of nine, but failed to get a shot. Next morning, as soon as it was light, they were out again, having seen a couple of bison on the slope of the hill about half a mile on this side of the swamp. Shortly after they left we saw the rest of the herd all feeding down in the direction of our camp, so that we felt pretty sure that to-day, at any rate, they were in for a bit of luck.

By the time S. and F. had got to the foot of the hill, the bison had fed down nearly to the bottom, but had moved off over the shoulder, and to us who were watching them through the glasses, it seemed that they were going off into the jungle. Any how we saw no more of them, and could not imagine what had become of S. and F. Before long we spotted a solitary figure coming down the hill from just below where the bison had disappeared, and fondly hoped that it was one of the hill men who had accompanied them, coming back to fetch coolies to bring in the head.

Little did we dream that while we were anticipating all sorts of good luck for them, one of them had met with a most unfortunate accident and had a most narrow escape. On their return a couple of hours afterwards we could see from F's. face, who was a little in front, that something untoward had happened, and this is the story they had to tell.

When they got to the bottom of the hill down which they had seen the bison feeding when they started, they lost sight of them, and were doubting whether the herd had gone into the valley to the right or into the jungle to the left. F. went off the path to the right, leaving S. watching the left slopes and sent one of the hill men up the hill. Suddenly a cow came along to the left of S. about 40 yards off, and expecting to see the rest of the herd following, he pushed on through the long grass to get a closer shot at the bull, and fell headlong into an elephant pit, that in the excitement of the moment, he had forgotten all about.

One of the hillmen seeing S. so suddenly disappear, shouted to F. who came running up and found to his horror what had happened.

It was no easy matter getting S. out of the pit as he had dislocated three fingers, cut his eye very badly, and was of course severely bruised and very much shaken. It was a most miraculous escape, the only wonder being that he was not killed on the spot.

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So far, in spite of the number of bison that had been seen, not a shot had been fired at them, and a couple of days after S. had left, we spotted another herd at the same old spot, the hill just above the swamp. It was too late to go after them that evening, but, F. and I made a very early start next morning, leaving camp as soon as it was light. Before we had gone half a mile, a look through the binoculars assured us that the bison were there all right, but they were rather low down the hill, and in a nasty position for the stalk. We pushed on as fast we could for the next mile, which brought to the elephant pit where we called a halt, after a careful examination of the country all round moved on another quarter of a mile up the hill to a spot whence we could command a good view of the slope on which we had seen the bison.

There they were right enough, eleven of them, one good bull, and the rest apparently cows,—it was impossible to get to them in the position they were in, so there was nothing for it but to wait patiently till they moved off a bit. Two of the cows were a few hundred yards away from the others, and seemed restless, continually stopping, feeding, and looking about in a suspicious sort of way—but the wind was in our favour, and they could not possibly have seen us; however it was some relief to see them after a bit move off quietly to the left, and still more to see the rest of the herd, the bull bringing up the rear, following after them, in the very direction I hoped they would take. In another ten minutes they were all out of sight, and we were at last able to make a move.

The ridge up which we had to go, was all short grass, and there was little or no cover, so we had to proceed with the greatest caution as the higher up we got, the greater was the chance of our being spotted by one of the numerous cows.

About two-thirds of the way up we got a sight of the bull and one cow making for the swamp, so naturally imagined that the rest of the herd must have already got there, in which case we should be safe to get an easy shot. On again we trudged making for a small depression in the hill from which we could command a fairly good view of the valley to the left. Having satisfied ourselves that none of the herd had wandered down that side, and there being no signs of the bull on the ridge above us, we made for the swamp, feeling sure that in another five minutes we should be up with them. Crawling through the grass, we got down to the swamp most successfully, but only to find that the bison had never gone into it, but had moved off along the ridge and apparently gone down the eastern face of the swamp hill—so far, so good, we had taken every possible precaution, had made a most careful stalk, and were soon—rather sooner than I expected—to be rewarded. From the bottom of the swamp to the ridge over which I had seen the bull and cow go, was not more than a hundred and fifty yards, we were not more than half an hour behind them, so that there was every chance of our catching up with them before they reached the jungle at the bottom of the valley for which they would be sure to make.

Just as we reached the top of the ridge, to our intense delight we spotted the herd quietly grazing on the slope below us, utterly unconscious of danger; the bull was the last, and barely 70 yards off with one cow close by, the rest about 50 yards in advance.

The whole lot were feeding away from us, and the bull was stern on when we first saw him; F., to whom I had given the shot, very wisely waited a minute till he moved nearly broadside on and then let him have it. The cows were off like the wind, but the bull staggered down the hill, and I thought he would drop before he had gone 50 yards. We bolted after him and nearly ran over two little calves, that in the excitement we had not noticed before. They stood together for a few minutes, and then went off, with their tails in the air, after the cows, who had disappeared over the southern ridge.

F. meantime put in another shot, but it seemed to put new life into the bull who went off full bat for another 50 yards. A third shot at close quarters knocked him clean over, and we then thought of course that he was done for, but he picked himself up, and managed to get into some very high grass where he lay down and was so perfectly still that we felt sure it was all over. One of the hillmen who was with us "just to make sure" as he put it, picked up a stone and threw it in the direction of the bull, but with no result. A second attempt, however, was more successful as it roused the poor brute, and he staggered to his feet, and made one more feeble attempt to get away, but it was of no use; another shot put him out of his misery.

He attempted a mild sort of a charge at the end, but was too far gone to make it good.

After duly admiring the grand old fellow, and taking a few measurements, we called for the tiffin basket, the contents of which were most thoroughly enjoyed after our somewhat long, but highly successful stalk.

With the assistance of the hillmen we cut off the head, and brought it back with us to camp, which we reached about noon.

In my next I must tell you how another stalk after bison was spoilt by a heard of elephants and how a few weeks ago, by the hardest of hard luck, I missed getting a shot at a solitary tusker who gave me the slip, and while I was after him in the jungle at the foot of the hill actually passed within 30 yards of our camp, and was hunted right away by my foxhound "Boxer."

SAVERNAKE.

THE NIZAM'S SHOOTING TRIP.

HIS Highness the Nizam made his first bag of the season on the 25th May in the shape of a full-grown tigress at the village of Dhanasari. For some days previously a tiger had been marked down in the jungle round Dhanasari, but when the beat commenced it revealed the presence of two tigers, a male and female. His Highness with Colonel Afsar-ul-Mulk Bahadur, C.I.E., was located in a *jhulah* or suspended perch to await the advent of the game. "These," says the correspondent of the *Deccan Post*, to whom we are indebted for the stirring details, "at last broke and came into view. The tigress was leading with her head turned to the left. Thus she

ed a sort of broadside to His Highness who, with characteristic faultless aim, lodged a bullet in her , shattering the fifth rib, cutting away the under lobe he heart and finally smashing the liver—this last was e result of the explosion of the ball. It is needless to add at the brute dropped on the spot with hardly a struggle. [Doubtless Ed.] Her mate, following in her wake and seeing so suddenly the fate she met with attempted to escape unscathed, but the royal master who had so liberally contributed towards their up-keep and that of other denizens of their ilk had his eye fixed upon the ungallant mate and billetted him with two bullets as pools of blood testified. If master 'stripes still breathes the sylvan atmosphere in the bowels of the cavernous rock into which he retreated and refused to come out, he will have ample food for reflection never again to show even his nose to that grand past master of shots." [Phew !]

The bringing of the trophy to camp was the occasion of much rejoicing in true Oriental style and is described thus by this priceless correspondent :—" Meantime the good stiding was brought to the Subadar Agha Sheikh Mohammed who, with his characteristic readiness and resourcefulness, at once organised a torch light procession. His Highness had returned to camp ere this could be formed. The procession headed by the Local Police and supported by the military and newly-uniformed Sowars of the *Nazm Jamiat*, met the elephant bearing the valued remains a long way out of camp and escorted their precious charge in to the ear-splitting din of the hundreds of drums, 'ruction,' horns, etc, not to omit the welcome bugles. The sounds of these could be caught even above the noise of the tom-toming and tumultuous shouting by the multitudes of beaters who had joined the processionists. The order of the procession was this. The District Superintendent of Police, Mr. Narottam Das, with his erect stalwart figure marched in command and was followed by four Amins in one line ; then came the Police Foot in fours ; next the Mounted Police with their lances having pennons floating gaily in the evening breeze ; then the *Nazm Jamiat* who attracted attention on account of their uniform which was spic and span and was the only arm that seemed uniformed for the first time since their service. Now came His Highness' Body Guard, a fine set of fellows full of blood and muscle and tenacious of discipline. Then the Infantry also a fine specimen of masculinity, (*sic*) next the beaters by fours too armed with their noisy instruments, and the last of all the grand trophy of the day—the elephant being closely guarded by the shikaries carrying guns on their shoulders. I was just omitting to mention an important figure in this drama and this was no other than Khaja Aminuddin, the Superintendent of the Preserves. He was riding his faithful and hard-worked mule, Barney, from whose saddle came out two iron brackets curving outwards the shoulders of the rider. The ends of these were ringed each holding a flaming lamp which shed its light far and wide. Before this grand procession could move on, the whole camp was astir and joined bodily the vast sea of heads and shoulders. [Wah wah !] Thus the procession marched round the camp and then halted in front of His Highness Saloons. Here the elephant was made to deposit his valuable load. After the trophy lay in view for some time, it was taken away to be 'anatomised' and his precious claws, skin and head thereafter to come under the skilful hand of the taxidermist. Soon afterwards *Nazars* were presented. Mr. Marrett, Superintending Engineer, was among the presentees. His Highness, while receiving the *Nazars* gave each donor a gracious smile in token of his acceptance of the customary offering. This done, Agha Sheikh Mohammed approached His Highness and read out in his customary clear and stentorian voice the short ode he had composed for the occasion. The theme was that the King of the land had paralysed the King of the jungles by the power of his arm. In other words the tiger, for instance, is reckoned always as being at the mercy of the sportsman. In fact the poetic significance as given in Persian cannot with any approach to tolerable interpretation, be rendered in English. To attempt this would be perhaps to deprive it of its flowery and poetic beauty and clothe it roughly and insipidly in English phraseology. [How true !] After the recitation His Highness clapped his hands immediately caught up by those around and expressed his high appreciation to the author for his 'valuable effusion' and then three cheers were called by the popular and energetic Colonel Afsar-ul-Mulk, C.I.E., responded to lustily by the thousand and one voices or throats crowded around accompanied with musical honours. This closed the day's proceedings."

The correspondent concludes with the following pious wish :—" We do all hope that His Highness will be able to secure two or more 'stripes' at his next camp to make up for the wounded tiger that probably died in some inaccessible rock hole and could not be got hold of ; and *Nur Shikari* is no man to stop at any obstacle in such matters."

Shooting.

CALCUTTA REVOLVER CLUB.

The third monthly prize meeting was held at the Club Range, Milton Park, on Saturday. The shooting was with the right hand at 20 yards range. The following were the best scores returned :—

W. Boeckel ...	...	...	...	38—4=34
J. E Vallance	—	...	...	39—6=33
P. R. Rice ...	...	...	...	33—5=28

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SNOOKERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF " THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Will you kindly answer the following point regarding "snookers ?" A. B. and C agree to have a game and during the progress thereof A puts down a red ball, and has the option of aiming at any cloured pool ball. A. seeing a black and blue ball nearly together, attempts a shot at blue, but hits the black, whereon B. and C. ask A. at what ball he aimed. Can they *legitimately* ask this question *after* the stroke when they could have done so with the usual penalty on A. *before ?* Under the circumstances is A. liable to be mulcted or not *?*

Ignorant.

[After pocketing a pyramid ball, the player plays on any of the pool balls, but he must declare what ball he intends to play at according to the rules. If, however, he did not do so before making the stroke, his opponents cannot legitimately ask him to declare his shot after he has made it we should say.—Ed.]

THE CLASSIC RACES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Can you inform of the meaning of the word "Classic" as applied to races at Home. Does it mean antiquity ? If so why only to three-year old racing—five races I believe.

Does it mean high-class races, if so why ? Only applied to three-year old races ?

Or does it mean class alone as three-year old colts and fillies and to what races does it apply ?

Argument.

[The Derby, St. Leger, Two Thousand Guineas, One Thousand Guineas and Oakes have for many years, by common consent been called "Classic" events ; we confess we cannot say why they are so styled nor why certain other very important events are so far excluded from the title. Perhaps some reader can give the derivation.—Ed.]

FIVE TO THREE AGAINST.

TO THE EDITOR OF " THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Will you kindly let me know, whether, during your experience of sport, you have ever heard of a horse starting at 5 to 3 against. Hoping this will put you to no trouble, and thanking you in anticipation,

H. O.

[We have never heard 5 to 3 quoted, nor can we find such a quotation in connection with any races out here or at home.—Ed.]

INDIAN BOTTOM FISHING.

THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—As you surmise I have no experience of the Calcutta tanks, and have therefore never caught fish of the calibre described I take it, however, that it is the nature of the tank, not the size of the fish, which governs the method of presenting the bait. [Certainly. Ed.]

The fish of from ten to fifteen pounds from which I have derived my conclusions no doubt behave in much the same way as the heavier Calcutta ones.

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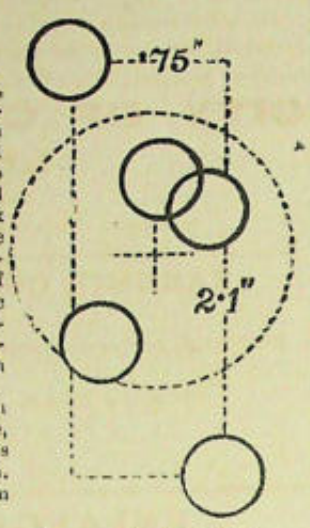
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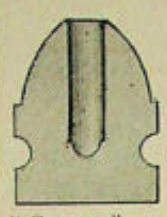
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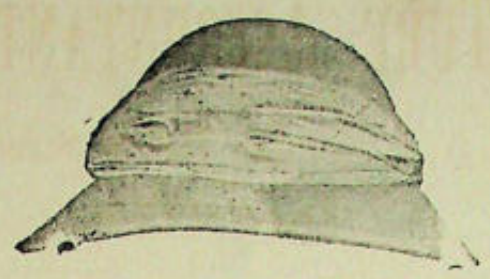
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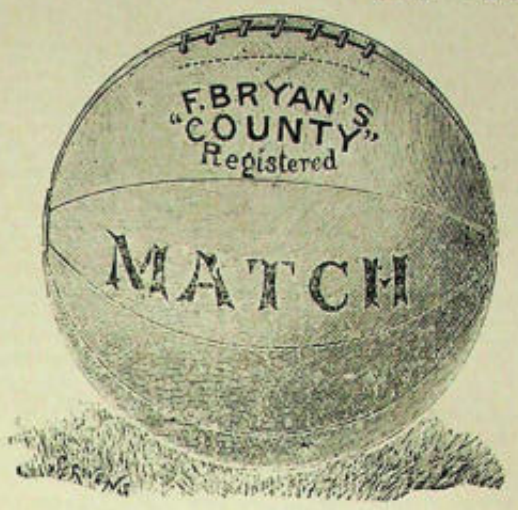
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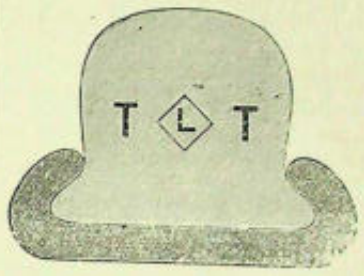
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NAME OF RACES.		Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Mussoorie Summer Races	..	June	9 & 11	
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana		,,	20	
Mysore	..	,,	14, 28, 30	431
Tollygunge Club Gymkhana	..	,,	22	
Bangalore Third Extra	..	,,	11	
Bangalore Races	..	July	9, 12 & 14	507
Secunderabad	..	,,	9 21 23	
Colombo August	..	August	5, 9, 11 & 13	
Poona First Extra	..	July	30	
,, Second ,,	..	August	6	
,, Third ,,	..	,,	13	
,, Fourth ,,	..	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,,	..	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,,	..	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,,	..	Sept.	3	
,, Eighth ,,	..	,,	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases	..	,,	21, 24, 26 28	
Calcutta Monsoon First	..	August	Oct. 1, 3 and 5	502
,, ,, Second	..	,,	6	
,, ,, Third	..	,,	13	
,, ,, Fourth	..	,,	20	
,, ,, Fifth	..	Sept.	10	
Simla Autumn	..	,,	17	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	..	Oct.	4 & 6	
Umballa Autumn	..	,,	25 & 27	
Meerut Autumn Sky	..	Nov.	5, 8 & 10	625
Lucknow Autumn	..	,,	15, 17, & 19	82
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup)	..	,,	24 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Calcutta First Extra	..	Dec.	1	626
,, Second ,,	..	,,	10	
,, First Meeting	..	,,	17	
Viceroy's Cup	..	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Lahore Xmas	..	,,	27	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	..	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Rawalpindi Sky	..	Jan.	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	..	,,	5, 7, 10	
Calcutta Second Meeting	..	,,	21, 23, 25	
,, Third Extra	..	,,	14 & 21	
,, Fourth ,,	..	,,	28	
		Feb	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Secunderabad	First	25th June.
	Second	10th July.
Bangalore	Second	16th June.
	Third	1st July.
Poona Races	First	2nd August.
	Second	23rd ,,
	Final	6th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon		2nd August.
,, 2nd ,,		9th August.
,, 3rd ,,		16th August.
,, 4th ,,		6th September.
,, 5th ,,		12th September.
Army Cup	Second	1st July.
	Third	1st October.
	Final	15th November.
Civil Service Cup	Second	1st July.
	Third	15th September.
	Fourth	1st December.
	Final	20th January.
Umballa Autumn	First	13th August.
	Second	17th September.
	Third	28th October.
Calcutta First Extra		6th December.
,, Second Extra		13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First	1st November.
	Second	30th ,,
,, Second Meeting	First	26th November.
	Second	7th January.
Lahore Xmas	First	1st July.
	Second	1st November.
	Third	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky	First	1st August.
	Second	15th September.
	Third	8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First	1st November.
	Second	30th ,,
Second Day	First	1st November.
	Second	2nd January.

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Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August.
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Calcutta G. C. Bogey Competition	From 1st to 30th June.
Calcutta G. C. Bombay Medal Handicap	10th and 11th June.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay)	23rd, 24th and 25th August.
,, ,, (Poona)	13th, 14th and 15th September.

SHOWS.

Bangalore Horse	21st, 22nd and 23rd July.

SWIMMING.

Calcutta S. C.

Plate Diving	16th June.
3 lengths Handicap	17th ,,
Final ,,	24th ,,

SPORTS.

Simla Gymkhanas	11th, 18th and 25th June. 2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Duchess of York Stakes Hurst Park (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 11th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furs.)	Sunday, 12th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 14th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furs. 166 yds.)	Wednesday, 15th June.
Gold Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 16th June.
New Stakes (5 furs. 136 yds.)	Thursday, 16th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 17th June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 22nd June.
July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.)	Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes	Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 1st July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 2 furs.)	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1¼ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Eber Handicap (1¼ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 26th November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords)	30th June.
Amateur A. A. Meeting	2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords)	3rd July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords)	4th July.
Henley Regatta	5th, 6th and 7th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Oval)	7th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords)	27th July.
Dublin Horse Show	23rd August.
Birmingham Dog Show	28th November.

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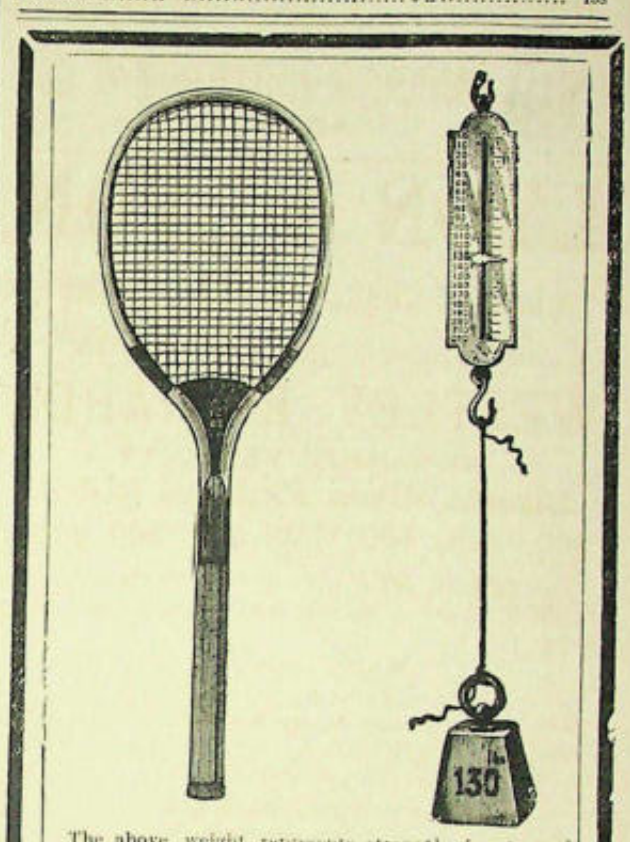
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Third Day, Saturday, 28th May 1904.

THE third day's racing brought to a close the most successful race meeting that has ever been held in Quetta. The Executive and especially the handicapper are to be congratulated on the excellent sport provided. The starting gate proved a great success, and the new starter left nothing to be desired. Details —

THE SAMUNGLI PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Maiden ponies, Arabs and C.-B's 14-2 and under, others 14-0 and under, which started on the first day. 5 furlongs.

Major Maxwell's ch w m Alchemix, 10st 12lbs ... ... Churchward 1
Capt Greer's ch w m Auric, 11st ... Foster 2
Capt Deverell's b a g Bride, 8st 13lbs ... Bloss 3

Alchemix immediately assumed the lead and never being headed won comfortably by 4 lengths; ten lengths between second and third.—Time 1min. 11⅘secs.

Totalisator paid 1 to 2.

THE SCURRY HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden ponies Arabs and C. Bs 14-2 and under, others 14-0 and under which started on the first day 3 furlongs.

Mr Campbell's b a g Najib 7st 7lbs ... White 1
Capt Orton's b w m Lady Lilian 9st 5lbs Churchward 2
Mr J Smith's ch w m Arina 10st 10lbs Mr Beatty 3
Capt Winter's ch cb g Detective 9st 5lbs ... ... Moongya 0
Mr Dickinson's g a g Ali Abdoola 8st 7lbs 0
Mr Leah's bl cb m Grass Widow 9st 11b Hassan Khan 0

From start to finish this was a good race, Najib just winning through good riding. Arina bored to the outside of the course and thereby lost ground. Heads between all the placed horses.

Totalisator paid 52 to 2.

THE KELAT CHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 100 to the second, Rs 50 to the third.

A handicap steeplechase for ponies which started in the steeplechases on the first or second days. About 1¼ miles.

Maj-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's b w g Muskerry, 12st ... ... Capt R Price 1
Lt-Col Dickinson's b a p Toofan, 12st 2lbs Mr Beatty 2
Mr Marten's w cb m Moti, 9st 11lbs ... Mr Scott 3
Mr O'Hara's gk w g Federation, 10st 2lbs Bloss 0
Mr Radcliff-Smith's ch a g Cockroach, 11st 2lbs 0
Capt Hisop's ch a g Roburite, 10st ... Owner 0

Federation was the first away and led the field at a sound pace, Toofan lying second and Muskerry fifth till the half mile post was reached where Toofan closed up on Federation and Muskerry lay third. Toofan led over the last hurdle but was just beaten in the run in. Won by a nose; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins 48⅕secs.

Totalizator paid 2 to ?.

THE PANIR PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for horses which started on the first day. R. C. About 9 furlongs.

Mr J Smith's br w g Chorister 11st 6lbs ... Mr Beatty 1
Mr O'Hara's ch w m Aurelle, 10st 13lbs ... Bloss 2
Capt Bisop's b w g Motion 9st 4lbs ... Owner 3
Mr Dyer's b w g Welfare 9st 2lbs ... Churchward 0
Mr J Smith's b w m Bidinia, 9st 10lbs ... Moongya 0
Major Cartwright's b w m Lora, 9st 9lbs Mr Dyer 0

Aureole was first away and made all the running. At the 3 furlong post Chorister, who had been waiting behind, closed up and shortly passed the leader, winning comfortably by 5 lengths; fifteen lengths between second and third. Time—2min. 12secs.

Totalisator paid 3 to 2.

THE TAKATU PURE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for all ponies Arabs 14-2 and under, which started on the first day. ½ mile.

Major Maxwell's ch w m Alchemix 10st 10lbs ... ... White 1
Mr J Smith's ch w m Arina 10st 8lbs ... Capt R Price 2
Mr S W Anderson's b w m Grace 10st 9lbs Capt Hislop 3
Capt Greer's ch w m Anric 10st 11lbs ... Foster 0
Mr J Smith's ch cb m Shngstress 10st ... Mr Beatty 0
Mr Haggard's b w g Idolator 11st 3lbs ... Churchward 0

Alchemix soon assumed the lead and, having matters all her own way, won easily by two lengths, three lengths between second and third. Time—54⅕secs.

Totalisator paid 13 to 2.

THE LILLIPUT HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden ponies Arabs and C. Bs. 14-0 and under, others 13-2 and under which started on the First day. 6 furlongs

Genl Smith Dorrien's g a p Alexis 10st 11lbs Capt R Price 1
Mr Haggard's b a p Heathen, 9st 2lbs ... Churchward 2
Mr Goldingham's g a g Grey Friar 11 9st 4lbs ... Foster 3
Mr J Smith's b a p Lucky Star, 8st 13lbs ... Egan 0
Mr Hill's g a g Kelp, 8st 13lbs Owner 0

Alexis and Grey Friar were the first away and raced abreast for the first 2 furlongs when Alexis went ahead and Heathen drew up to Grey Friar. In the straight Heathen challenged, but Alexis went ahead again and romped home easily by six lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min 29secs.

Totalisator paid 3 to 2.

THE CONSOLATION STAKES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for all ponies which have started at the meeting and have not won. 5 furlongs.

Capt Orton's b w m Lody Lady Lilian 9st 12lbs ... ... Churchware 1
Mr S W Anderson's br ch g True Blue 10st 2lbs 2
Major Shower's b a p Shelter 9st ... White 3
Mr J Smith's ch cb m Songstress 9st 12lbs ... ... Mr Beatty 0
Capt Winter's ch cb g Datective 11st 5lbs Moongya 0
Capt Hislop's ch a g Roburite 9st 4lbs Owner 0
Capt Deverell's b a g Bridge 9st 8lbs... Bloss 0
Capt Greer's bl w m Conceit 10st ... Mr Scott 0
Mr May's g a g Saidee 9st 4lbs 0

Lady Lilian and True Blue were first away and raced abreast for a distance. In the straight Lady Lilian forged ahead and won a good race by 2 lengths. Shelter got a bad start.

Totalisator paid 4 to 2.

BANGALORE SECOND EXTRA DAY.

Saturday, 4th June 1904.

NOTWITHSTANDING the fact that the first race on the card was reduced to a match, the Bangalore "Second Extra" provided excellent sport on the whole. Attendance was again only fair, although better than it was last week, but the Bangalore season has hardly begun yet and many people are still in the hills. The weather was propitious, the bookmakers laid fair prices and, on the whole, probably had a satisfactory day. For although Derision beat Delight comfortably enough in the opening event, it was at one time a moot point as to which pony had the most call, and Sister was the only other absolute favourite which won during the afternoon. This mare, by the way, looked very fit, and is a credit to Gerrard who has been looking after Mr. Apear's horses during Watson's late holiday But she had to be saddled at the post, and "oh! she looked sweet"—sweet tempered that is to say. There was another villain in this race and that was St. Rule, a horse which lately caused the death of Major Hamilton's Rubicon by kicking him at the start. But St. Rule was in a hood, was kept on the outside by the starter, and on this occasion did no damage The English importation—Carburton—did not run up to his reputation brought from home, but it is early days yet and he may not be fit. As each race is described in its place more lengthy comment here is unnecessary, but it may be said in a word that the Bangalore season is promising to be the best for some years. Details:—

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs 25. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Mr S W Webster's b a g Derision, 8st 7lbs Meah Jan 1
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 8st 5lbs ... ... Melsom 2

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Derision.

The two ran together until nearing the distance, when Derision drew out and won in a canter by a length. Time—1min. 14⅘secs.

THE ULSOOR PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For ponies. Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Mr C P Graham's ch aus m Shot Silk, 8st 2lbs ... ... Hoyt 1
Mr A West's ch aus m Firebrand 9st ... F Koops 2
Mr A P Symond's bk aus m Cleopatra II. 11st ... ... Col Armstrong 3
Capt Darley and Neilson's b aus m Felicity 9st 4lbs ... ... Capt Randall 0
Major R Hoare's b aus m Cossack, 7st 7lbs Mc'som 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Cleopatra II., 2 to 1 each agst Shot Silk and Cossack, 3 to 1 Firebrand, and 4 to 1 Felicity.

Cleopatra II. on inside jumped away, but almost at once gave way to Shot Silk, the latter making the running at a great pace, and coming into the straight with at least a couple of lengths clear lead. She was never approached and won as she liked by two lengths; three quarters of a length between second and third Time 1min. 23⅕secs.

THE PALACE PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses. Weight—Handicap 6 furlongs.

The Hon Mr A A Apear's br aus m Sister, 6st 10lbs ... ... Bennett 1
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ch aus g Courara, 9st 6lbs ... ... Melsom 2
Mr A Stewart b e g Carbnrton by Carbine —Miss Butterwick 9st 10lbs ... Capt Randall 3
Mr R L Kindersley's b nth am h St Rule, 7st 10½lbs ... ... F Koops 0
Capt St C Houston's ch aus g Redoubt, 7st 8lbs ... ... King 0
Messrs Pratt and Co's b aus g Comet, 6st (car.7st 2lbs) ... .. Krishna 0

BETTING: Evens Sister, 2 to 1 agst Courara, 3 to 1 Carburton, 5 to 1 each St. Rule and Comet, and 6 to 1 Redoubt.

Courara was quickest away, but Sister at once raced past her on the outside, and assumed a strong lead. As they came into the straight, the order was Sister leading Courara by a length with Carburton third, and in this order they finished, Mr. Apear's queer tempered mare winning fairly easily by a length, with Carburton four lengths behind Courara. Time—1 min. 12secs.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For *bond fide* Arab poines that have never won a flat race of the value of Rs. 50 or over Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Major Smyth's g a h Diamond Rose, 9st 6lbs ... ... — F Koops 1
Major A C Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 9st 12lbs ... ... Lansdowne 2
Major R M Bell's b a h Matussan, 8st 12lbs Meah Jan 3
Mr L H Queripel's g a h Quince, 9st (car 9st 4lbs) ... . Capt Randall 0
Aga Mirza M Ismail's g a h Khusrow, 8st 8lbs ... ... Abbas Ali 0
Mr Jacob Sait's g a h Jacob, 7st 7lbs ... Krishna 0

BETTING: Evens Matussan, 2 to 1 Jack Horner, 3 to 1 Diamond Rose, 4 to 1 each Khusrow and Quince and 6 to 1 Jacob.

The last-named made running until dispossessed of the lead by Diamond Rose. Coming round the bend for home Jack Horner began to make up ground and a furlong from home he was on terms with the leader and looked like winning. Diamond Rose, however, ran on gamely under the whip and staying the longest won by a length and a quarter; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1 min. 31⅕secs.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses. Winner claimable for Rs. 1,200. Weights—Handicap. ½ mile

Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' br aus h Musketeer by Mana—Creeping Java 7st 9lbs Melsom 1
Major Logan-Home's br aus m Marquise, 7st 9lbs ... ... Hoyt 2
Major F Jollie's b aus g Best Shot, 8st 7lbs Meah Jan 3
Major Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher, 9st 7lbs ... ... Capt Randall 0
Mr L H Queripel's b aus g Quicksilver, 7st 9lbs ... . Krishna 0

BETTING: Evens Marquise, 6 to 4 agt. Musketeer, 3 to 1 each Kingfisher and Best Shot and 6 to 1 Quicksilver.

The lot got away well together, but at the turn into the straight Musketeer went to the front and quickly spreadeagling his field, he won striding away by six lengths, with Best Shot three-quarters of a length behind the favourite. Time—52⅕secs.

Indian Football Association.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday, 17th June, at the Volunteer Head-quarters at 6-30 P.M.

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Second Day, Saturday, 28th May 1904.

The second day's racing was successfully carried through in splendid weather. There was a larger attendance than on the first day and Spectators were rewarded with fair sport. There were seven events but fields were very poor, only two horses starting in three races. Details:—

PONY HANDICAP.—Rs. 200. For ponies entered in All Comers' Stakes Weight—Handicap. 6 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 10.

Mr E. L. de Soysa's b aus m Muriel, 11st 7lb- ... ... Johnson 1
Mr R. Cotesworth's br aus m Winnie, 9st 4lbs F Smith 2

Milady was scratched.

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Muriel, 6 to 4 agst. Winnie.

Won in a canter. Time—1min. 25secs. Totalizator paid Rs. 2.

PADDOCK HANDICAP.—Rs. 300. For horses Weight—Handicap. 5 furlongs Entrance Rs 15.

Mr Mack's b aus g Wingfield, aged, 8st 6lbs Lansdown 1
Mr L Bonaparte Wyse's br aus g Reply, aged, 8st ... ... R Morrison 2
Mr R J Farquharson's b aus g Kingfisher, aged, 10st 11b ... ... Owner 3
Mr R M Andree's br aus g Caloola, aged, 9st 10lbs ... ... Johnson 0

BEDOUIN HANDICAP.—Rs. 300. For ponies entered in May Stakes. Weight—Handicap. 7 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 15.

Mr R J Farquharson's ch a h Tirah, 10st 11b Owner 1
Mr C C Herbert's b a h Jena, 8st ... F Smith 2
Dr J B Fairlie's g a h Sirar, 10st 10lbs ... Lansdown 3
Mr D H William's g a h Silver One, 9st 4lbs ... ... Fisher 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Silver One, 2 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length and a half; half a length separated second and third. Totalizator paid Rs. 7.

FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 300. For horses entered in the Auction Stakes Winner to be sold for Rs. 800. Weight—Handicap. 6 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 15.

Mr C C Herbert's ch aus g Devoted, aged, 8st 8lbs ... ... F Smith 1
Mr R M Andree's b aus g Caloola, aged, 9st 4lbs ... ... Johnson 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Devoted, 6 to 4 agst. Caloola.

Won hands down. Totalizator paid Rs. 3.

CINNAMON STAKES.—Rs. 200. For horses entered in the Monsoon Stakes. Weight—Handicap. 5 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 10.

Mr C W Booty's b aus m Charity, 4 yrs, 8st 6lbs ... ... Smith 1
Mr R J Farquharson's ch e h Creditor, 5 yrs. 10st 5lbs ... . Owner 2
Mr C C Mee's br aus g Anvil, 6 yrs, 8st 6lbs Lansdown 3

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Creditor, 2 to 1 agst. Charity, 3 to 1 Anvil.

Won easily. Time—1min 7secs. Totalizator paid Rs. 7.

MONSOON HANDICAP.—Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second horse. For horses entered on the first day. Weight—Handicap. 1 mile Entrance Rs. 50

Mr D H Williams' b aus g Afreet, aged, 10st Lansdown 1
Mr Lawrence's br aus m Anster, aged, 10st 8lbs ... ... Fisher 2
Mr R J Farquharson's b n z g Regalia II, aged, 10st 5lbs... ... ... Owner 3
Mr Eric Watson's b aus g The Greek, aged, 8st... ... ... Smith 0
Mr C C Herbert's b aus g Dan Leno, 4 yrs, 7st 11b ... ... R Morrison 0

BETTING: Evens each Afreet and Regalia, 3 to 1 Anster, 4 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 56secs. Totalizator paid Rs. 6.

MECCA HANDICAP.—Rs. 200. For Arab ponies 14-2 and under. Weight—Handicap. ¼ mile. Entrance Rs. 10

Mr C C Mee's b a h Kismet, 7st 8lbs ... R Morrison 1
Capt G E Bayley's g a h King William, 8st 5lbs ... ... Lansdown 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Kismet, evens King William.

Won in a canter. Time—57⅕secs. Totalizator paid Rs. 3.

DINAPORE GYMKHANAS.

ON Thursday, 26th and Saturday, 28th May, gymkhana races were held at Dinapore The conditions were framed with a view to exclude racing ponies and to confine the different events to ordinary chargers, polo and tumtum ponies, which at a regular race meeting would be hopelessly outclassed.

The entries were hardly up to expectations, the only good fields being for the Stiffuns' Stakes and a race for battery horses on the Thursday and the Stiffuns Handicap and Pony Handicap on the Saturday. The executive were lucky with respect to the weather as a heavy thunderstorm broke over the course shortly after racing finished on Thursday, the rain continuing the whole Friday but clearing up on Saturday and giving a fine afternoon to finish with. On Wednesday evening the lotteries were presided over by the Honorary Secretary, Mr. H. Blackmore, and if no sensational prices were realised purchasers were readily found for such ponies as were not available, it being the guest night of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment consequently the lotteries had to be held early in the evening, Mr. Blackmore again presided and two were successfully got through. Quite a number of ladies graced the racing with their presence and on Saturday we had the pleasure of welcoming several of the Bankipore contingent. On each afternoon the Duke of Wellington's Regiment dispensed hospitality to all and sundry and on Saturday in addition they allowed their band to play much appreciated selections at intervals throughout the afternoon. A most successful little gathering was brought to a conclusion on Monday evening by the Duke of Wellington's Regiment again allowing their band to play a couple of hours after dinner in the club compound. A word of congratulation must be tendered to Mrs. Holmes, who after several unsuccessful mounts ended by winning the closest race of the two days by a neck on her own pony Gobbett. Details:—

Thursday, 26th May 1904.

THE DERBY HORSE RACE—Of Rs. 32 for horses that have never won a race of the value of Re. 1. ½ mile.

Mrs Paris' gr aus g Grey Dawn ... Mr Gosse 1
Mr Lamotte's b aus g Commandeer ... Mr Pickering 2
Mr Higgon's b aus g Twilight 3

Also ran:—The Tart.

THE DEBUT STAKES—Of Rs. 32 for ponies that have never been entered for a race of the value of Re. 1. ½ mile.

Mr Blackmore's gr aus g The Warder ... Mr Pickering 1
Capt Cautley's br aus m Flying Doe ... Mr Gosse 2
Mrs Holmes' b aus g Gobbett ... Capt Holmes 3

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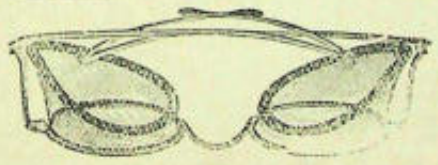
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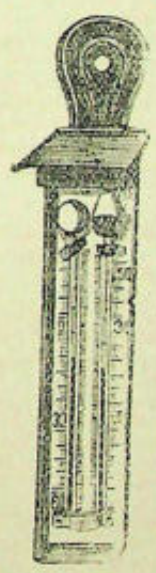
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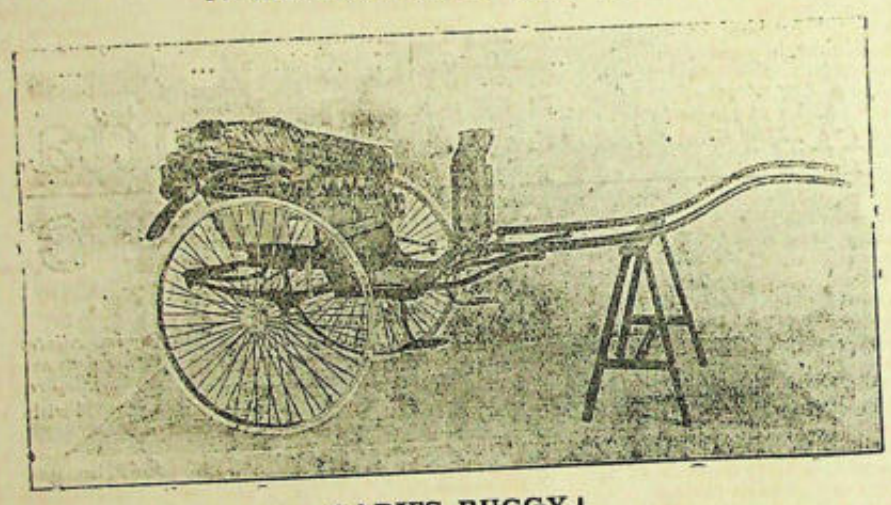
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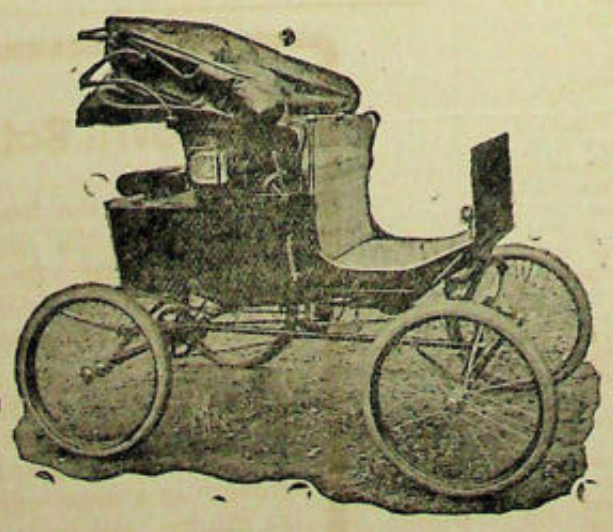
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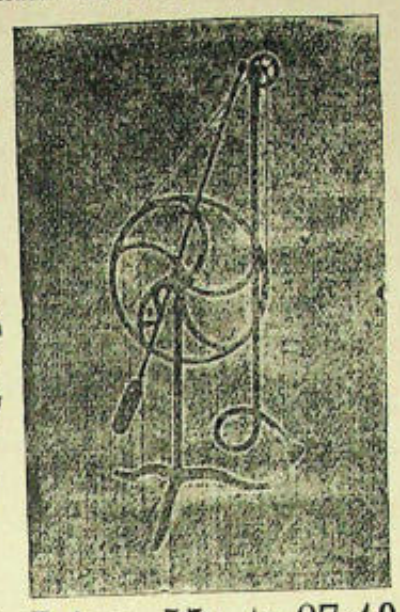
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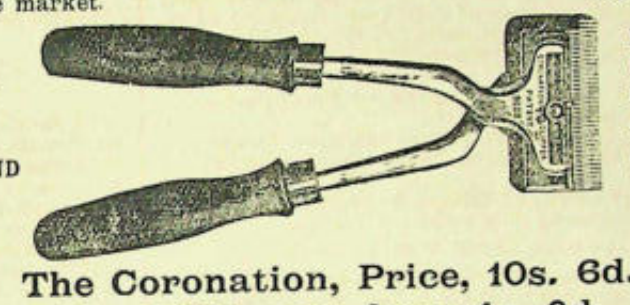
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Capt Holmes' bk aus g Negro ...	Owner	1
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Mrs Holmes' b aus g Gobbett ...	Owner	1
Mrs Pickering's b a g Bulbul ...	Mr Pickering	2
Mr Pickering's bk aus m Marshie ...	.....	3

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£402 5s Mr J Rowen's b c Step Out, by Thunderbolt—Footstep, 8st 10lbs B Carslake		1
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£45 Mr N McEachern's c f Volscian, by Destiny—Tarpeia, 9st 4lbs—including 10lbs penalty, T Mathews ...		3

(*Winner trained by W S. Hickenbotham.*)

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£56 5s Mr J Rowen's b c Rifler, by Havoc—Tuberose, 8st 10lbs B Carslake		3
£9 Mr T J Barrett's b or br c Ben Hur, by Zalinki—Nemesis, 8st 10lbs, J McDonald		0
£17 Mr N N McErchern's br c Silver King, by Broken Hill—Hebron, 8st 10lbs, T Mathews		0

(*Winner trained by J. Scobie.*)

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£133 15s Mr T Conway's b m Latchkey, by Padlock—Jess, 4yrs, 9st 3lbs—including 5lbs penalty, W Bailey ...		1*
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£264 10s Mr S J Jacobs's b m Footmark, by Thunderbolt—Footstep 4yrs, 8st 2lbs, S Brock		0
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£279 10s Mr J Gove's b g Chassepot, by Martini-Henry—Miss Kaipara, 5yrs, 8st 5lbs—including 10lbs penalty, P King		0
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£379 5s Mr J H Aldridge's b m Antilles, by Carlyon—Queen of Nations, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs—including 5lbs penalty and 2lbs over W Burn		0
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£162 15s Mr J F Henderson's b m Nita Carylon, by Carlyon—Thora, 6yrs, 7st—including 7lbs penalty, W Burns		0

* Dead heat.

(*Winner trained by T. Conway.*)

In the last few strides Phaedra got up, and made a dead heat with Latchkey. A length away came First Fleece third. Close up Fortune Teller was fourth, then came Wyee fifth, Enigma sixth, Footmark seventh Equality eight, Staple ninth, Chassepot tenth, Antilles eleventh, Katoomba twelfth, Nita Carlyon thirteenth, Caerleon fourteenth, Aurate fifteenth, and the Miner last. Time—1min. 15⅘secs.

In the run off Latchkey got off four lengths to the good of Phaedra. At the half-mile Phaedra was within a length of Latchkey. At the turn the pair joined company. Latchkey was first into the straight, and after a stirring finish, won by a head. Time—1min. 16secs.

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£192 4s Mr J Gove's b a Chassepot, by Martini Henry—Miss Kaipara, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs—including 10lbs penalty, P King		0
£139 Mr D Jame's b c Aurate, by Bill of Portland—Auraria, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs—including 4lbs over. A Richardson		0
£179 Mr J Rowen s b c Rifler, by Havoc—Tuberose, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs, W Claus...		0

(*Winner trained by W. S. Hickenbotham.*)

Amount in totalizator, £4 26 10s. Dividend £1 tickets, £7.

Won by three lengths from Bright Pilgrim, with Pliable four lengths off third. Bedford was some lengths away fourth; then followed in a line F J A Combat, and Rifler, then Aurate and Chassepot, with Avalon last. Time—2mins. 49secs.

Entries for Races.

MYSORE RACES.

(*For programme see "The Indian Field" of 3rd June.*)

First entries closed 15th May.

FIRST DAY.

ARAB PLATE.—1¼ mile.

Col A Sprot's ...	ch a h	... Harefoot, 14-0½
Mr Moss King's ...	b a h	...King Cobweb, 13-3½
Mr Reuben's ...	b a h	... Syndicate
Mr Stewart's	ch a h	... Shifter
Mr Mahomed Haji Ebrahim's	ch a h	... Gallant, 13-2½
Mr Richard's ...	ch a g	... Selpme
Mr S W Webster's	b a g	... Derision, 14-0½
H H the Maharaja of Mysore's	b a h	.. Khundoos
Capt C Greville's ..	gr a h	... Scattercash, 14-0

MACINTIRE PLATE.—¾ mile.

Mr Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs' ...	b aus g	... Cecil
Messrs Pratt & Co.'s	b aus g	... Comet
Major Logan-Home's	ch aus g	... Kingfisher
Raja Venugopal Bahadur's	b aus g	... Anjanaya
Mr N R Chowdhury's	b e f	... Nightingale
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	... Red Coral

FARM PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Aga S Shah's ...	gr cb m	... Pardon
Col J P Grant's ...	ch cb h	... Philistine
Mr Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs'	ch cb m	... Phyllis
Mr Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's...	b cb g	... Upstart
Capt Randall's ...	br cb f	... Miss Ascot
H H the Maharaja of Mysore's	bk cb m	... Blue Bell

MEDIUM PLATE.—1 mile.

Mr A West's ...	ch aus m	... Firebrand—
Mr R L Kindersley's	br e m	... Freda. 14-4½
Mr Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs'	ch aus m	... Queen Cole
Capt Dailey & Neilson's	b aus m	... Felicity
Major Gunn's ...	br aus g	.. Dandenong, 14-1
Capt W A Ward's	b aus m	... Dolly, 14-1
Major Hoare's	b aus m	.. Cossack, 14-1
Mr Anketell-Jones'	b e m	...Lady Superior, 13-3½
H H the Maharaja of Mysore's	b aus m	... Doris II, 13-3
Kumara Raja of Pittapur's	b aus g	... Shield 14-1½
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	.. Minimus, 14-1½
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus m	Mamao, 14-0½

LILLIPUT PLATE.—¾ mile.

Major R M Bell's ...	gr a h	... Superb, 13-2½
Major R M Bell's ...	b a h	... Matussan, 13-3½
Aga S Shah's ..	b a h	... Oriental, 13-2.
Mr H A Franklyn's	gr a h	... Bijli
Mr White's ...	gr a h	... Robin
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	gr a h	... Ptarmigan 13-1½

SECOND DAY.

H. H. THE MYSORE MAHARAJA'S CUP.—R. C.

H H The Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Rapid Pilgrim
Mr J MacJohn's	b e g	... Bundook
The Hon'ble H Thelluson's	b nth am m	Madeira
Mr R L Kindersley's	b nth am h	... St Rule
H H Aga Khan's ...	br e g	.. Ayrdale
Messrs Pratt & Co's	b aus g	... Comet
Capt Wilson's ...	bk aus h	... Misty
Maj A C Hamilton's	b aus g	... Scissorman
Maj Logan-Home's	bk aus g	... Pope
Kumara Raja of Pittapur's	ch aus g	... Jack O'Lantern
Mr N R Chowdhury's	br e m	.. Bouquet
Mr N R Chowdhury's	br aus g	... Wild Raven
Mr N R Chowdhury's	br aus g	... Red Coral
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	... Trenton

YELLANDUR PLATE.—1 mile.

Aga S Shah's ...	gr cb m	.. Pardon
Col J P Grant's ...	ch cb m	... Philistine
Col J P Grant's ...	b cb h	... Prime
Mr Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' ...	ch cb m	... Phyllis
Mr Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's...	b cb g	... Upstart
Capt J Randall's ...	br cb f	... Miss Ascot
Mr L C Libenrood's	br cb g	... Landwind

BIRTHDAY CUP.—5 furlongs.

H H The Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Peppercorn
Mr Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' ...	b aus g	... Gum
H H Aga Khan's ...	br aus g	... Beadsman
Mr Kelso's ...	b aus g	... Harpist
Raja Venugopal Bahadur's	b aus g	... Anjanaya
Mr A C Tate's ...	gr aus g	... Wadhurst
Mr N R Chowdhury's	b e f	... Nightingale
Mr N R Chowdhury's	ch aus g	... Teecoota
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	... Red Coral

MYSORE SERVICE PLATE—R. C.

Col A Sprot's ...	ch a h	... Harefoot
H H Aga Khan's ...	ch a h	... Sandow
Mr Reuben's ...	b a h	... Syndicate
Mr Stewart's ...	ch a h	... Shifter
Mr Mahomed Haji Ebrahim's	ch a h	... Gallant
Col Kavanagh's ...	gr a h	... Money Spinner
Mr Richards' ...	ch a g	... Selpme
Mr S W Webster's	b a g	... Derision

STABLE CUP.—5 furlongs.

Mr A West's ...	ch aus m	... Firebrand
Mr R L Kindersley's	br e m	... Freda 14½
Capt Dailey and Neilson's	b aus m	... Felicity
Maj Gunn's ...	br aus g	... Dandenong, 14-1
Maj Logan-Home's	br aus m	... Nipcat, 14-0
Maj W Dougall's ...	ch aus g	... Lancer
Maj Hoare's ...	b aus m	... Cossack, 14-1
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus m	... Mamao, 14 0½

THIRD DAY.

ARAB HANDICAP.—9 furlongs.

Col A Sprot's ...	ch a h	... Harefoot, 14½
H H Aga Khan's ...	ch a h	... Sandow
Mr Reuben's ...	b a h	... Syndicate
Mr Mahomed Haji Ebrahim's	ch a h	... Gallant, 13-2½
Mr Richard's ..	ch a g	... Selpme
Mr S W Webster's...	b a g	... Derision, 14-0½
H H The Maharaja of Mysore's	b a h	... Khundoos

C. B. HANDICAP—1¼ miles.

Aga S Shah's ...	gr cb m	... Pardon
Col J P Grant's ...	b cb h	... Prime
Mr Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's ...	b cb g	.. Upstart
Capt J Randall's ...	br cb f	... Miss Ascot
Mr L C Liebenrood's	br cb g	... Landwind

ROYAL PURSE.—7 furlongs.

Mr A West's ...	ch aus m	... Firebrand
Mr Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' ...	ch aus m	... Queen Cole
Mr A P Symond's ...	bk aus m	Cleopatra II, 14-2
Mr S W Webster's	b aus m	... Flight, 14-1 —2
Maj Gunn's ...	br aus g	... Dandenong, 14-1
Maj W Dougall's ...	ch aus g	... Lancer, 14-3½
Maj Hoare's ...	b aus m	... Cossack, 14-1
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	... Minimus 14-1½

PALACE CUP.—1 mile.

H H The Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus m	... Rapid Pilgrim
H H The Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Peppercorn
Mr J MacJohn's ...	b e g	— Bundook
Capt R St ' Houston's	ch aus g	... Redoubt
The Hon'ble P Thelluson's ...	b ntham m	Madeira
Mr R L Kindersley's	b ntham h	St Rule
H H Aga Khan's ...	br e g	... Ayrdale
Mr Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' ...	b aus g	... Gum
Capt Wilson's ...	bk e h	... Misty
Mr Kelso's ...	b aus g	... Harpist
Maj Logan-Home's	b aus g	... Corrie Roy
Maj Logan-Home's	bk aus g	... Pope
Maj A C Hamilton's	b aus g	... Scissorman
Kumara Raja of Pittapur's	ch aus g	... Jack O'Lantern
Lt Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	... Red Coral
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	... Trenton
Mr N R Chowdhury's	br e m	... Bouquet
Mr N R Chowdhury's	ch aus g	... Teecoota
Mr N R Chowdhury's	br aus g	... Wild Raven
Messrs Pratt & Co's	b aus g	... Comet

CHAMUNDI PLATE.—1 mile.

Maj R M Bell's ...	gr a h	... Superb, 13-2½
Maj R M Bell's ...	b a h	... Matussan, 13-3½
Mr Moss King's ...	b a h	... King Cobweb, 13-3½
Aga S Shah's ...	b a h	... Oriental, 13-2½
Mr H A Franklyn's	gr a h	... Bijli
Col Kavanagh's ..	gr a h	...Money Spinner, 14-0
Mr Mahomed Haji Ebrahim's	ch a h	... Gallant, 13-2½
Maj A C Hamilton's	gr a h	... Defendant
Capt A S Tongood's	gr a g	... St Gris, 13-2
Capt C Greville's...	gr a h	... Scattercash, 14-0
Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs'	gr a h	... Ptarmigan, 13-0½

Final entries close 15th June.

MUSSOORIE SUMMER RACES.

SECOND ENTRIES.

(*For First Entries see "The Indian Field" of 2nd June 1904*)

First Day, Thursday, 9th June.

SCURRY PLATE.

9	Mr Mayer's ...	g a g	... Taj, 14-0½
10	Mr S G McCall's	b aus m	... Dewdrop 14-0
11	Maj Berrymann's	ch cb m	... Hopeful, 13-2½
12	Munshi Fazel Ahmed's	b cb m	... Labyrinth, 13-2

CLARENCE PLATE.

5	Mr Keighley's	b aus m	... Toss, 14-1
6	Maj Berryman's	sk aus g	... Quilt, 13-2
7	Mr Pearson's ...	b aus m	... Lady Grace, 13-3½

POLO SCURRY.

4	Mr S G McCall's	b aus m	... Dewdrop, 14-0

SAVOY PLATE.

6	Mr C W Grant's	ch aus m	... Rosy Morn
7	Maj Berryman's	b aus m	... Canary, 13-3½

DESERT PLATE.

9	Mr C Wilson's...	g a h	... High Flag, 13-2
10	Mr Fitch's ...	ch a h	... Bend Or, 13-1½

Second Day, Saturdy, 11th June.

CRITERION HANDICAP.

4	Mr Keighley's...	b aus m	... Toss, 14-1

CHARLEVILLE PLATE.

7	Mr S G McCall's	b aus m	... Dewdrop, 14-0

POLO HANDICAP.

5	Mr S G McCall's	b aus m	... Dewdrop, 14-0

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RAJPORE PLATE.

12 Mr Fitch's ... ... ch a h ... Bend Or, 13-1½
13 Munshi Fazel Ahmed s ... b ch m ... Labyrinth, 13-2

OPEN HANDICAP

4 Mr Pearson's ... ... b aus m ... Lady Grace, 13-3½

ARAB HANDICAP.

9 Mr Fitch's ... ... ch a h ... Bend Or, 13-1½
10 Mr Wilson's ... ... g a h ... High Flag, 13 2

CONSOLATION HANDICAP.

9 Mr Keighley's... ... b aus m ... Toss, 14-1
10 Mr C Wilson's... ... g a h ... High Flag, 13 2
11 Mr Fitch's ... ch a h ... Bend Or, 13-1½

Final Entries close Monday, 6th June.

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Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Calcutta, on 25th May 1904, by the Official Measurer:—

Pony's Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's name*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Coal Queen	br aus m	Mr Bertie Allen ...	6	13-3½	For life.
Lall ...	b ch h	Chota Lall Metha ...	Aged	14-0	For life.
Musk Rose	dark br aus m ...	Messrs A Milton & Co. ...	5	14-1½	31st March 1905
Pat C ...	b sth afr h	Mr Bertie Allen ...	6	14-1	For life.
Young Rake ...	b sth afr g	Mr Bertie Allen ...	Aged	14-0½	For life.

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)
LONDON, *Friday, 20th May* 1904.

THE TURF.

GATWICK SPRING MEETING.

THE Gatwick executive will have good cause to remember the Spring Meeting of 1904. The conditions under which the gathering was initiated yesterday were bright and pleasant enough, but they were totally eclipsed by the weather, on Saturday which was characteristic of midsummer. The heat of the solar rays would have been overpowering but for a strong south-westerly breeze, and the light was so luminous and transparent that the lofty tower which crowns the abrupt slopes of Leith Hill in the far distance was clearly visible without glasses. On neither day were the takings on quite such a flattering scale as they had been at the corresponding fixture a twelvemonth ago; but they must have been abnormally large on that occasion, as the stands seemed to hold their full complement this afternoon. A liberally-endowed programme provided sport which was of more than passing interest, and the meeting can be pronounced an unqualified success.

THE PRINCE'S HANDICAP of 825sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr W Bass's br g Wet Paint, by St Frusquin—Red Enamel, 5 yrs, 8st 5lbs ... O Madden 1
Sir J Miller's b c Chanter, 3 yrs, 7st 10lbs... W Lane 2
Mr E H Polehampton's br c Thunderbolt, 4 yrs, 8st 3lbs ... ... J H Martin 3
Mr Reid Walker's Templemore, 6yrs, 9st 3lbs (inc 4lbs ex) ... ... M Cannon 0
Mr J C Sullivan's Winkfield's Charm, 5 yrs, 8st 7lbs* ... ... R McIntyre 0
Mr Arthur James's Stephanas, 4 yrs, 8st 12lbs ... ... H Jones 0
Mr N G Higham's Prince Royal, 4 yrs, 8st 5lbs ... ... K Cannon 0
Mr L Brassey's Alderman, 4 yrs, 8lbs ... Griggs 0
Mr J Wallace's Grey Goblin, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs J Jarvis 0
Mr Spencer Gollan's Seahorse II, aged, 8st 9lbs ... ... H Aylin 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by A. Taylor.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst Chanter, 4 to 1 Templemore, 6 to 1 Prince Royal, 7 to 1 Thunderbolt, 100 to 8 Seahorse II., and 100 to 7 any other.

Won an exciting race by a neck; four lengths divided the second and third. Alderman was fourth, Stephanas fifth, Templemore sixth, Winkfield's Charm seventh, Grey Goblin next, and Prince Royal last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins, 43⅕sec.

THE MARLBOROUGH STAKES.—Of 387sovs.; weight for age One mile.

Capt Greer's b c St Day, by St Serf—Corday, 3yrs, 8st 7lbs ... ... M Cannon 1
Mr C Trimmer's b c Laurier, 3yrs, 8st 7lb... K Cannon 2
Mr J H H Peard's br c Mountain King, 3yrs, 9st ... ... B Dillon 3
Mr J C Sullivan's Winkfield's Fortune, 4yrs, 9st 5lbs ... ... Higgs 0
Mr R C Dawson's St Hylda, 4yrs, 9st 2lbs W Lane 0
Mr H Bottomley's c by Kilcock—Gentle Ida, 3yrs, 8st 7lbs ... ... Hare 0
Mr J Musker's Lord Toddington, 3yrs, 8st 7lbs ... ... O Madden 0
Mr Thomas Pikington's Ozone 3yrs, 8st 7lbs Watts 0

(*Winner trained by S. Darling.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst St. Day, 11 to 4 Mountain King 5 to 1 Laurier, 6 to 1 Lord Toddington, 8 to 1 St. Hylda, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by half a length from Laurier, who beat Mountain King a neck on the post for second place. Lord Toddington was a bad fourth, Winkfield's Fortune was fifth, Ozone next, and St. Hylda last.

YORK SPRING MEETING.

The York Spring Meeting, old established as it is, cannot boast such a wealth of historical associations as the three-day August fixture, and it has of late years had to content against a formidable counter attraction in the shape of racing at Bath. The Southern gathering appeals more strongly to the metropolitan division, and it was only a meagre contingent that journeyed from London into the county of many acres in connection with the present reunion. There was a very fair muster on the 17th inst. nevertheless. The local folk turned out in their accustomed numbers, and their experience was a pleasant one, as the sun struggled through the dark canopy of clouds about midday and illuminated the scene throughout the afternoon; the while a fresh breeze blew from the south-west. Knavesmire looked bright and verdant, but underneath the covering of herbage the ground was on the firm side. Only once did the fields reach double figures, but the entertainment worked out smoothly and was productive of good sport.

THE GREAT NORTHERN HANDICAP PLATE.—Of 445sovs. One mile and a half.

Lord Harewood's b c Almscliff by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead, 3 yrs, 5st 11lbs (car 5st 12lbs)* ... ... Hunter 1
Mr G Faber's ch h Fermoyle, 5 yrs, 7st 13lbs W Lane 2
Mr W A Jarvis's b c Goring Heath, 3 yrs, 6st 11lbs ... ... J Jarvis 3
Lord Durham's Osbech, aged, 9st 11b (inc 5lbs ex) ... ... D Maher 0
Lord Penrhyn's Haresfield, 6 yrs, 8st 7lbs K Cannon 0
Mr R C Thompson's Leviathan, 5 yrs, 6st 11lbs* ... ... Sharples 0
Mr W R Reid's Boss Croker, 5 yrs, 7st ... Heppell 0
Mr W Sanderson's Melsary, 4 yrs, 6st 7lbs Plant 0
Mr Jas Tait's Adelia, 3 yrs, 5st 9lbs* ... Saxby 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by G. Chaloner.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Fermoyle, 7 to 2 Osbech, 7 to 1 Adelia, 10 to 1 Boss Croker, and 100 to 8 any other offered.

Won in a canter by a length and a half; a bad third. Haresfield was fourth, Osbech fifth, Boss Croker sixth, Leviathan next and Adelia last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 32⅖secs.

THE ZETLAND STAKES.—Of 213sovs. for two year-olds. T.Y.C. 5 furlongs

Sir E Cassel's ch f Crossbow, by Carbine—Marguerite II., 8st 6lbs ... Malsey 1
Lord Durham's br F by Florizel II.—Rosalura, 8st 6lbs ... D Maher 2
Mr C Perkins's b c Coldstream 8st 9lbs ... Randall 3
Mr T Connor's c by Tarporley—Peephole, 8st 9lbs ... ... C Connor 0
Major Joicey's Cautious, 8st 6lbs Watts 0
Mr D J Jardine's f by Warlaby—Lady of the Manor, 8st 6lbs ... Heppell 0
Mr Jas Joicey's Empire, 8st 6lbs ... C Leader 0
Mr Hugh Peel's Housekeeper, 8st 6lbs ... W Lane 0

(*Winner trained by Mr. F. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Crossbow, 9 to 4 Rosalura filly, 4 to 1 Coldstream, 10 to 1 Empire, and 20 to 1 any other.

Won a grand race by a short head, three lengths separated the second and third. Empire was fourth, Peephole colt fifth Lady of the Manor filly sixth, and Housekeeper last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min 3secs.

THE CRAVEN PLATE.—Of 136sovs.; weight for age, etc One mile

Mr E Carlton's br c Coræbus, by Ladas—Ennerdale, 4 yrs, 9st ... ... C Leader 1
Mr J Fagan's b f Napthalia, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs (car 7st 9lbs)... ... ... W Lane 2
Mr C F Hildyard's b c Heworth, 3 yrs, 7st 11lbs ... G Bradshaw 3
Mr D J Jardine's Fairy Scene, 3 yrs, 7st 8lb ... ... S Chandley 0

(*Winner trained by T. Leader.*)

BETTING: 11 to 8 agst. Coræbus, 2 to 1 Napthalia, 4 to 1 Heworth, and 10 to 1 Fairy Scene (offered).

Won by three lengths; a bad third. Time by Benson's chronograph. 1min. 43⅕secs.

No more appropriate way of perpetuating the memories of equine giants of the past could be desired than the plan of naming important races after them, and it is a policy which might with advantage be more widely pursued, especially at the headquarters of the Turf. It was in honour of the equine idol of the early "fifties" that the principal event to-day's card received its title of the Flying Dutchman's Handicap, and the race has achieved much popularity with Yorkshire owners, though the spoils generally go South, as was the case on the 18th. Blustering weather marked the close of the fixture, drenching showers alternating with brilliant spells of sunshine throughout the day, whilst a gale of extreme violence raged during the time that racing was in progress, rendering it a difficult matter to follow the proceedings with race glasses. The course was all the better for the rain and yielded good galloping and the fields exceeded the average as regards numerical strength. A large company again assisted at the proceedings.

THE FLYING DUTCHMAN'S HANDICAP PLATE.—Of 275soves, One mile.

Mr G Cottrill's br Debutante, by Queen's Birthday—Belle Demoiselle, 4 yrs, 7st 7lbs* ... ... Butchers 1
Lord Durham's br h King's Limner, 5yrs, 8st 6lbs ... ... D Maher 2
Mr W R Reid's b or br h Boss Croker, 5 yrs, 7st 9lbs ... ... Heppell 3
Col E W Baird's Martaban, 6 yrs, 8st 10lbs K Cannon 0
Mr E Carlton's Flavus, aged, 8st 2lbs ... C Leader 0
Major Vaux's Japan, 4 yrs, 7st 13lbs ... Yarnell 0
Mr S Henry's Fleeting Love, 6 yrs, 7st 12lbs Plant 0
Mr J Bridge's All Joy, 5 yrs, 6st 9lbs* ... Hunter 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Hornsby.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Debutante, 5 to 1 King's Limner, 6 to 1 Flavus, 7 to 1 Fleeting Love, 8 to 1 Japan, 10 to 1 Martaban, and 100 to 8 each Boss Croker and All Joy (offered).

Won by three lengths; a neck separated the second and third Fleeting Love was fourth, Japan fifth, Martaban next, and Flavus last Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 41⅕secs.

THE JOCKEY CLUB PLATE of 265sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile and a half.

Mr W Low's ch c Imari, by Rightaway—Winsome Charteris, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs (car 7st 8lbs) ... ... W Lane 1
‡Mr J H Locke's b c Bohemian, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs ... ... E Weatley 2
Mr E Carlton's br c Ariosto, 4yrs, 9st 3lbs C Leader 3
Mr W Chatterton's g by Battlefield—Sunshine, 5yrs, 8st 11b ... ... Heppell 0
Mr C F Hildyard's Heworth, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs G Bradshaw 0
Mr J A Miller's Pressed Hay, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs J Jarvis 0

(*Winner trained by Pickering.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Imari, 9 to 2 agst Bohemian, 8 to 1 Ariosto, and 20 to 1 any other.

Won in a canter by four lengths; a neck between the second and third, Sunshine gelding was fourth and Pressed Hay last, Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 38⅖secs.

THE MELROSE HANDICAP PLATE of 281sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr S Henry's b m Chant by Isobar—Chantress, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs ... ... Plant 1
Mr A W Fox's b f Vave, 3yrs, 8st 11b ... E Wheatley 2
Mr F Pritchard's b c His Grace, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs ... ... C Leader 3
Mr T W P Rivis's Long Cecil, 6yrs, 8st 7lbs Dalton 0
Mr J Hornsby's Consequence, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs* Butchers 0
Mr F Stroud's Sweet Katie, 3yrs, 7st 11lbs Heppell 0
Mr J C Dyer's Corunna, 5yrs, 7st 10lbs ... Walker 0
Mr C Perkins's Triplands, 6yrs, 7st 8lbs ... W Lane 0
Mr E Binns's Bar the Way, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs Murray 0
Sir S Lockhart's Viviane, 3 yrs 7st* ... Rollason 0
Major R Cuffe's V.D, 3yrs, 7st* ... Hunter 0
Mr W Sanderson's Cester, 3yrs, 6st 2lbs* ... Crombie 0

* 5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by R. D'Anson.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst Consequence, 4 to 1 Long Cecil, 7 to 1 V.D., 9 to 1 Triplands, 10 to 1 each Chant and Viviane, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won easily from Vave by five lengths; a length and a half divided the second and third. Corunna was fourth, Consequence fifth, Long Cecil sixth, Sweet Katie seventh, Triplands next, and Bar the Way last, except V.D, who took no part in the contest.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(*Compiled from 21st March to 13th May.*)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unplaced	Percentage
Lane, W. ...	167	30	26	25	86	17·09
Madden, O. ...	178	29	21	20	108	16·28
Maher, D. ...	88	27	14	9	38	30·68
Halsey, W. ...	132	18	15	23	76	13·63
Trigg, C. ...	131	14	6	14	97	10·68
Jarvis, J. ...	74	13	5	3	53	17·56
Dillon, B. ...	61	11	7	6	40	17·18
Randall, H. ...	44	10	3	5	26	22·72
Jones, H. ...	65	10	10	9	36	15·30
Griggs, W. ...	129	10	18	9	92	7·75
Wheatley, E. ...	69	9	9	9	42	13·04
Heppell, T. ...	33	8	1	0	24	24·24
East, J. ...	79	7	10	6	56	9·11
Martin, J. H. ...	102	7	9	15	71	6·86
McCall, G. ...	35	6	7	3	19	17·14
Butchers, G. F. ...	55	6	4	11	34	10·90
Cannon, K. ...	84	6	7	5	66	7·14
Cannon, M. ...	91	6	16	14	55	6·59

CRICKET.

YORKSHIRE *vs.* LEICESTERSHIRE.—Played at Bradford on 16th 17th and 18th May. Drawn. The batting of the Yorkshiremen on the first day was remarkable for its consistency, Brown alone failing to make double figures. Although Tunnicliffe made the highest score, his was not the best innings of the day, for he met with more than ordinary good fortune in the way of dropped catches. On the other hand, Hirst once more played a great game, and scored 76 in an hour and three-quarters, helping Tunnicliffe to put on 111 runs for the third wicket. The Yorkshire innings came to a conclusion just in time to allow Leicestershire to lose one of their best batsmen in C J B Wood, with the total at four runs. On Tuesday Leicestershire struggled against their fate, but although Knight and V. F. S. Crawford played well Whitehead alone made a big score; he was batting for a couple of hours for his 62 not out. Yorkshire went in again with a lead of 125, and for some time found in Gill a bowler who was able to keep them very quiet. They lost half their wickets for 56 runs in an hour to Gil, who was bowling fast and making the ball get up sometimes. The sixth wicket fell at 80 and then Lord Hawke and Rothery made a stand which quite altered the situation; it produced 76 runs. Gill was becoming tired, and no one else seemed capable of causing the Yorkshire captain any discomfort. When stumps were drawn the total was 210 for eight wickets, Lord Hawke being not out 61 and Ringrose not out 16. Yorkshire was now 385 runs on. The next day Lord Hawke again played fine cricket and succeeded in making his hundred, when he declared the innings closed. He was batting for two hours and a quarter. Leicestershire had to make 385 runs, and with four hours before them they succeeded in making a very honourable draw. Knight played a splendid innings.

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Brown, b King ...	7	c R T Crawford, b Gill	7
Tunnicliffe, c Whitehead, b R T Crawford ...	85	Whiteside, b Gill ...	12
Denton, c Whitehead, b Gill...	30	c Whiteside, b Gill ...	20
Hirst, c Whitehead, b R T Crawford	76	c Whitehead, b Odell...	25
Myers, st Whiteside, b R T Crawford	19	c Whitehead, b Gill ...	4
Rhodes, c R T Crawford, b Odell	16	c King, b Gill ...	0
Rothery, b R T Crawford ...	16	c King, b R T Crawford	50
Haigh, c Whiteside, b Gill ...	24	b Gill	7
Lord Hawke, b King ...	11	not out	100
Ringrose, b King	14	c V Crawford, b Gill...	17
Hunter, not out	13	not out	8
Byes	10	Extras ...	9
Total ...	321	Total ...	359*

* Innings declared close.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C E De Trafford, c Rothery, b Hirst	0	b Hirst	19
C J B Wood, c Tunnicliffe, b Ringrose	4	b Hirst	14
Knight, b Hirst	30	not out ...	111
V F S Crawford, b Hirst ...	23	l-b-w, b Haigh ...	35
Whitehead, not out ...	62	c sub, b Rhodes ...	4
King, b Rhodes	10	l-b-w, b Rhodes ...	19
R T Crawford, c Rhodes, b Ringrose	17	b Rhodes	21
Coe, c Hawke, b Myers ...	17	not out	1
Gill, b Myers	18		
W W Odell, c Hunter, b Ringrose	6		
Whiteside, c Tunnicliffe, b Rhodes	7		
Leg-byes ...	2	Extras ...	6
Total ...	196	Total (6 wkts) ...	230

YORKSHIRE.

	First Inning.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Odell ...	38	12	107	1	12	2	42	1
King ...	30	8	82	3	38	1	100	0
Gill ...	19	2	69	2	33	8	79	7
Coe ...	2	1	5	0				
R T Crawford	26	14	48	4	9	2	29	1

LEICESTERSHIRE.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst ...	13	3	40	3	23	6	63	2
Ringrose	11	1	45	3	13	2	39	0
Haigh ...	11	2	48	0	13	2	34	1
Rhodes ...	17	7	33	2	30	7	77	3
Myers ...	6	0	28	2	4	0	11	0

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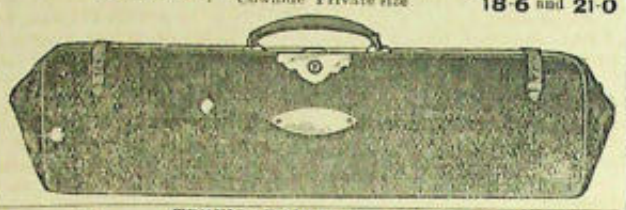
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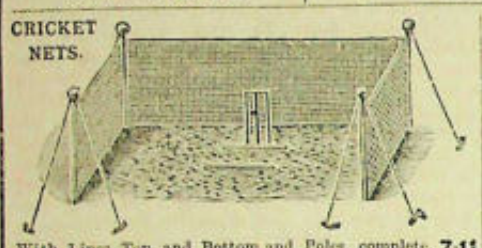


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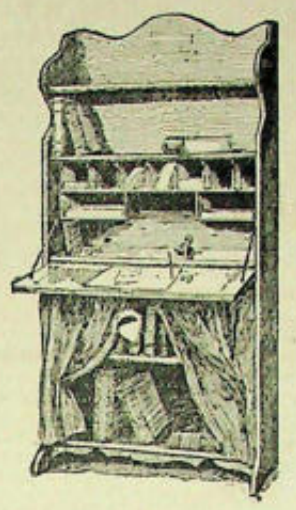
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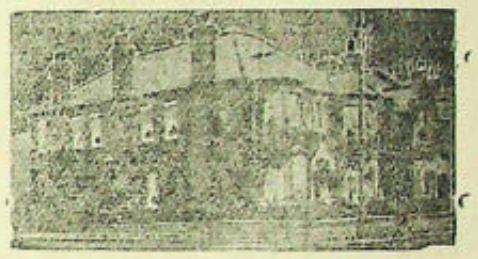
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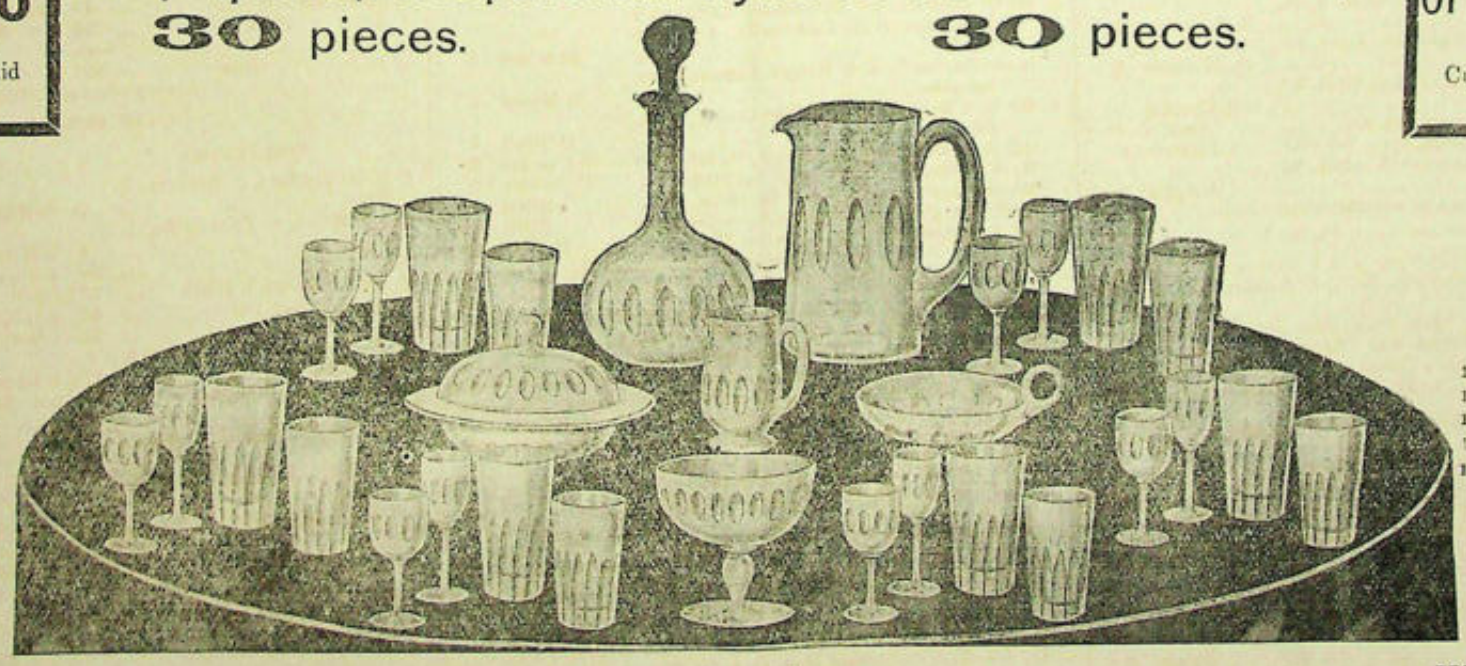
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MR. E. W. MANN'S TEAM.

First Innings.			Second Innings.	
C H Eyre (Pembroke), c and b Spilsbury	1	l-b-w, b R P Keigwin	19	
E S Phillips (Pembroke), c Fry, b R P Keigwin	57	run out	9	
E W Mann (Trinity), c Lambert, b Logan	66	c R P Keigwin, b Lambert	62	
C B W Magnay (Pembroke), b H D Keigwin	88	b Spilsbury	7	
W N Bickford-Smith (Caius), run out	7	c R P Keigwin, b Harris	19	
L A Gilbert (St Catherine's), b Spilsbury	42	c Logan, b R P Keigwin	14	
F J V Hopley (Pembroke), l-b—w, b Harris	27	c H D, b R P Keigwin	0	
V B Walker (Clare) c Craig, b Harris	8	absent	0	
S De Saram (Caius), c Craig, b Harris	8	b R P Keigwin	4	
N C Franklin-Smith (Trinity), b Harris	3	b R P Keigwin	49	
R J B Leney (Caius), c Logan, b Harris	18	b Wilding	18	
D H Osborn (Christ's), not out	6	not out	3	
B 14, lb 7, w 3, nb 1	25	B 14, lb 4, w 4	22	
Total	356	Total	216	

MR. R. P. KEIGWIN'S TEAM.

First Innings.			Second Innings.	
K R B Fry (Clare), b Hopley	13	c F-Smith, b Hopley	46	
H Logan (Trinity Hall), b Leney	2	c sub, b Hopley	84	
S S Harris (Pembroke), c Eyre, b Hopley	34	b Mann	23	
C C Page (Clare), c Bickford-Smith, b Hopley	5	b Hopley	1	
R P Keigwin (Peterhouse), b Hopley	20	l-b-w, b Osborn	4	
H D Keigwin (Peterhouse), c Franklin-Smith, b Hopley	10	c F-Smith, b Leney	4	
W P Harrison (Jesus), b Osborne	32	c and b Hopley	0	
R E Lambert (Trinity) c Magnay, b Hopley	12	not out	24	
J Jobson (Sidney) run out	25	b Eyre	6	
R W Craig (Pembroke), l-b-w, b Osborne	2	b Mann	14	
A F Wilding (Trinity) not out	11	run out	4	
L F Spilsbury (Emmanuel), c Phillips, b Hopley	9	l-b-w, b Eyre	11	
B 10, lb 6, w 5	21	Extras	21	
Total	196	Total	245	

MR. MANN'S TEAM.

First Innings.					Second Innings.				
		O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Spilsbury		16	2	63	2	9	1	30	1
R P Keigwin		16	3	62	1	25·4	3	72	5
Wilding		12	0	48	0	5	2	13	1
Lambert		15	1	61	0	12	1	32	1
H D Keigwin		17	4	45	1	9	1	20	0
Logan		3	0	17	1				
Harris		9·3	1	35	5	9	1	37	1

H D Keigwin bowled four wides. Lambert bowled three wides and delivered one no-ball.

MR. KEIGWIN'S SIDE.

First Innings.					Second Innings.				
		O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Leney		15	6	25	1	17	1	64	1
Osborn		22	5	39	2	7	0	31	1
Hopley		20	3	57	7	17	5	37	4
Mann		11	6	21	0	12	0	43	2
Magnay		4	0	9	0				
Eyre		7	1	24	0	12·5	2	46	2

Leney bowled five wides, Mann two wides, and Eyre delivered a no-ball

LANCASHIRE *vs.* WARWICKSHIRE.—Played at Old Trafford on 16th, 17th and 18th May. Lancashire won by nine wickets. On account of rheumatism A. C. Maclaren was unable to play in this match for Lancashire. There was nothing very remarkable about

the Warwickshire first innings on Monday, but Quaife played a good game for a couple of hours. When stumps were drawn the Lancashire score was 104 for two wickets. Spooner not out 53. On Tuesday Spooner made 22 more runs, his entire innings having lasted for two hours and a quarter. Several other men made good scores, but Sharp's finely hit innings of 72 stood out prominently. Moorhouse bowled exceedingly well. Warwickshire had to face an adverse balance of 101, and when stumps were drawn they were two runs on with six wickets in hand. Quaife again played good cricket, and was not out 39, Lilley being not out 44 yesterday.

WARWICKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Devey, c Hornby, b I'Anson ...	15	c Worsley, b Brearley	4
Kinneir, l-b-w, b Brearley ...	15	c Cuttell, b I'Anson ...	7
J F Byrne, c Tyldesley, b Brearley ...	45	b Brearley ...	0
Quaife (W. G.), b Hallows ...	64	c Hornby, b Brearley...	48
T S Fishwick, c Worsley, b Brearley ...	3	b Brearley ...	26
Lilley, b Hallows ...	3	c Worsley, b Brearley	53
F R Lovcitt, lbw, I'Anson ...	8	l-b-w, b Cuttell ...	18
Moorhouse, c Hallows, b I'Anson	19	b Brearley ...	9
Whittle, c Spooner, b Brearley	1	b Cuttell	4
Santall, l-b-w, b I'Anson ...	5	not out	1
Hargreave, not out ...	0	c Cuttell, b Brearley ...	8
B 8, lb 11, w 1, nb 1 ...	21		
Total	199	Total ...	178

LANCASHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
R H Spooner, b Moorhouse ...	75	not out	28
F H Hollins, c Fishwick, b Moorhouse	18	b Moorhouse ...	0
Tyldesley, b Santall ...	26	not out	48
Hallows, b Moorhouse ...	7		
Harry, c Fishwick, b Moorhouse	22		
Sharp, c Kinneir, b Moorhouse	72		
I'Anson, c Byrne, b Whittle ...	29		
A H Hornby, c Hargreave, b Moorhouse	17		
Cuttell, c Lilley, b Moorhouse	12		
W Brearley, run out ...	3		
Worsley, not out	0		
B 16, lb 1, w 2 ...	19	Extras ...	4
Total ...	300	Total ...	80

WARWICKSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
I'Anson ...	29·3	12	60	4		26	9	51	1
Cuttell ...	19	9	25	0		15	2	31	2
Brearley ...	24	7	60	4		29·5	6	84	7
Hallows ...	16	6	35	2		3	1	12	0

Brearley bowled a wide and a no-ball.

LANCASHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hargreave	33	8	74	0	7·5	0	20	0
Moorhouse	37·3	3	117	7	6	1	35	1
Santall ...	18	2	49	1	3	0	11	0
Whittle ...	14	1	40	1				
Byrne ...	1	0	1	0				

Whittle bowled two wides.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE *v.* SOMERSET.—Played at Bristol on 16th 17th and 18th May. Gloucestershire won by three wickets. On a good wicket Somerset in their first innings could do very little with the bowling of Dennett, and only three men made good scores. L. C. H. Palairet played pretty cricket, and Lewis showed sound defence, but half the wickets were down for 62. Captain Poyntz, who was making his first appearance for the county, then played an attractive innings, his 32 runs being made out of 45 while he was at the wickets; but the total fell far short of what was expected when Somerset won the toss. Before stumps were drawn Gloucestershire lost eight wickets for 178. Six of the men who batted made double figures, but nobody got really going. Jessop's innings was lively enough, but it only lasted for ten minutes: in the over in which he was caught in the long field off a big hit he made 14 runs. On Tuesday only one more run was made, so that the lead held by Gloucestershire was only 13. The second innings of Somerset was chiefly remarkable for the splendid batting of L. C. H. Palairet, who carried his bat nearly through the innings, always playing a beautiful and attractive game. He made his first 50 in an hour and a quarter, and his second 50 in about an hour and a half, his entire innings lasting for four hours and ten minutes. Robson gave him most valuable assistance for a couple of hours, and helped him to put on 127 for the third wicket. Gloucestershire had to make 288 to win. Before stumps were drawn they had put up 20 runs without loss. Yesterday the two not outs, Sellick and Barnett, surprised everybody by putting up 78 for the first wicket, and Gloucestershire never looked back. At lunch time the total was 143 for two wickets, Jessop being not out 46. He had only been in for ten minutes. After lunch he made 15 more runs, his total of 61 being made out of 73 in twenty-four minutes. Afterwards Wrathall and Langdon played fine cricket, and Gloucestershire won a somewhat sensational victory.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L C H Palairet, c Langdon, b Dennett ...	32	b Spry	166
Braund, c Dennett, b Huggins	4	b Huggins ...	19
Lewis, c Spry, b Dennett ...	47	b Huggins ...	7
H Martyn, b Huggins ...	0	b Huggins ...	10
Robson, c Jessop, b Dennett ...	4	b Langdon ...	60
S MJ Woods, b Dennett ...	0	b Huggins ...	1
Capt H S Poyntz, c Hale, b Dennett	32	b Huggins ...	5
F M Lee, not out ...	17	c Sellick, b Langdon	20
Hardy, c Spry, b Dennett ...	8	c Hale, b Spry ...	13
W A "Brown," b Dennett ...	5	not out	0
North c Thomas, b Dennett ...	6	b Huggins ...	0
B 9, nb 2 ...	11	B 5, lb 4 ...	9
Total ...	163	Total ...	310

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
E Barnett, c Martyn, b Braund	5	b Palairet ...	38
Wrathall, b North ...	26	c and b Palairet ...	33
G L Jessop, Lee, b Braund ...	20	c Braund, b Robson ...	61
F E Thomas, c Braund, b North	25	b North	17
Hale, c Palairet, b Braund ...	0	braund	10
Langdon, l-b-w, b Lewis ...	17	not out	83
Board, l-b-w, b North ...	2	not out	3
Spry, c Palairet, b North ...	30		
Huggins, b Braund ...	38	c Martyn, b North ...	4
Sellick, not out	9	l-b-w, b Braund ...	44
Dennett, b Braund	0		
B 3, lb 4	7	Extras	5
Total ...	179	Total ...	298

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *v.* YORKSHIRE.—Played at Cambridge on 12th and 13th May. Yorkshire won by an innings and 118 runs. On a slow but not difficult wicket the University found Haigh and Myers far too good for them although Rhodes was not successful against them. Long before stumps were drawn the Yorkshiremen were in a commanding position and they ended the day with a total of 224 for three wickets, and thus had a lead of 131 runs. Every man who went in showed good form, and Denton and Hirst both batted exceedingly well, the latter being not out 74 when stumps were drawn. On Friday morning Hirst and Rhodes were both seen to great advantage with the bat; Hirst made his 102 in about a couple of hours, while Rhodes, who had a 50 minutes partnership with Whitehead, carried his bat for 85 after batting for the same time as Hirst. Despite the large score made by Yorkshire, the 'Varsity bowling was not at all bad, but the fielding was by no means up to 'Varsity form. Cambridge, with 312 runs to wipe off before they drew level, shewed better form in their second innings, but Haigh, who went on as fourth change, was again a thorn in their side. Keigwin and Eyre batted well together after three wickets had fallen for 39 and during their partnership increased the score by 76. Keigwin's 72 was a very sound innings which lasted for about an hour and threequarters. Towards the end of the innings K. R. B. Fry hit hard. The Yorkshire captain was able to give Hirst a complete rest from bowling, while Rhodes was only used for a few overs in the first innings.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
R P Keigwin, b Haigh ...	5	b Haigh	32
C H Eyre, b Haigh ...	15	b Haigh	72
S S Harris, not out ...	22	c Haigh, b Myers ...	1
J F Marsh, c and b Haigh ...	11	c Hunter, b Tunnicliffe	11
E W Mann, l-b-w, b Haigh ...	0	c Rhodes, b Myers ...	8
K R B Fry, b Haigh ...	4	c and b Haigh ...	48
H C McDonell, c Rhodes, b Myers	19	ht wkt b Brown ...	7
M W Payne, c Hunter, b Myres	8	b Haigh	10
R E Lambert, st Hunter, b Myers	0	c Hirst, b Haigh ...	2
G G Napier, b Myers ...	0	ht wkt, b Brown ...	3
P R May, b Haigh ...	3	not out	0
B 4, lb 2	6	Extras ...	0
Total ...	93	Total ...	194

YORKSHIRE.

Tunnicliffe, c Mann, b Napier	15	Haigh, st Payne, b Mann	8
Brown, c Napier, b May...	52	Lord Hawke, l-b-w, b McDonell	9
Denton, b McDonell ...	57	Hunter, c Marsh, b Napier	1
Hirst c Eyre, b Napier ...	102	Ringrose, b Napier ...	9
Myers, run out ...	33	B 11, nb 2 ...	13
Whitehead, c Marsh, b May	21		
Rhodes, not out ...	85	Total ...	405

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Haigh ...	27	8	37	6		13	4	43	5
Ringrose ...	8	4	13	0		10	2	28	0
Myers ...	7	1	19	4		11	2	31	2
Rhodes ...	12	4	18	0					
					Tunnicliffe ...	10	4	20	1
					Whitehead ...	9	1	37	0
					Brown ...	11·4	0	35	2

YORKSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Keigwin ...	14	1	39	0	May ...	25	2	89	2
Napier ...	33·4	12	97	4	Lambert ...	6	1	29	0
McDonell ...	38	4	114	2	Mann ...	7	1	24	1

May delivered two no-balls.

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ROWING AT CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

The work on the river was favoured with delightful weather on Saturday the 14th. The May Eights are now in strict training and the majority of the boats show decided signs of improvement.

Continued misfortune appears to attend on Third Trinity, who have now been deprived of the assistance of the Light Blue president. Mr. Edwards Moss having a return of his old trouble with the right arm, serious doubts are entertained about his being able to row again for a long time, and he will be a notable absentee from Henley. As Mr. P. H. Thomas was away for some days, the Third Trinity crew did not row this week before Thursday. The order of rowing has had to be altered considerably, and is now as under: R. M. Soames (bow) M. E. Balsten, F. W. Seymour, A. Botfield, B. C. Johnstone, P. H. Thomas, B R Winthrop-Smith, C. H. L. Chalmers (stroke), C Kent (cox). No further alteration has been made in the Trinity Hall oarsmen, but B. G. A. Scott (the 'Varsity coxswain) is now in charge of the rudder lines. The coaching is being done by Mr. Thomas. First Trinity did not appear on Saturday. Their order is unaltered, however, and G. H. Johnstone sets the work. Mr H. B. Grylls is their coach. Lady Margaret have again re-arranged their head crew, which is now constituted thus: H. S. Crole Rees (bow), R. J Lewis, J. Fraser, H. G. Frean, R. Meldrum, J. S. Collins, H. Sanger, R. R. Walker (stroke), A. G. L. Hunt (cox). Mr. L. H. K. Bushe Fox supervised their work. The Christ's crew remain without alteration, but they have lost the services of Mr. E. W. Mowll as coach, and are now looked after by Mr. J. R. C. Canney. Owing to the indisposition of their stroke (C H. S. Taylor), Caius have had to make changes, and H. D. Gillies (the Blue) is now setting the work. The amended order is as follows: C. C. Brinton (bow) W. D A. Smith, J. V. Wilson, C. B. Heald, E. P. W. Wedd, J L. Wordsworth, C. R. P Cooper, H. D. Gillies (stroke), J G H. Randles (cox). They are being advised by Mr. Sanger, the 'Varsity secretary. In the Jesus crew A. S. W. Dore has succeeded E. C. Hoskyns at bow and the rowing is looked after by Mr. J. Eaden. Selwyn are being coached by Rev. W L. E Parsons. Emmanuel by Mr. R. V. Powell, King's by Mr. J. S. Collins, First Trinity 2 by Mr. A. L. Lawrence, Pembroke by Mr. A. J. C. Huddleston, Peterhouse by Mr. Winthrop-Smith, and Clare by Mr. G. H. Johnstone.

The Sidney (Carpenter) Sculls were won easily by G. S. Laird Clowes, the other competitors being B. Fisher, A. J. May, and P. N. Peacock. The Queen College Sculls were won by C. A. Chase who beat A. Warner by 100 yards, whilst the Pairs were won by B. C. Wilson and C. A. Chase very easily from two other couples. The Corpus (Hayward), Sculls went to F. E. Hodder, who easily defeated J. Gardner and R. S. Carey, and G. C. Brooks won the Freshmen's Sculls from W. J. Wright.

ROWING AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

THE SUMMER EIGHTS.

Grand weather prevailed on the 19th instant at Oxford, and the first day's racing in connection with the Summer Eights caused an immense attendance to assemble both on the towing path and on the barges. The racing was somewhat disappointing, as all the bumps took place below the boat-house, and it could not be said that there was a really exciting finish in either division. Those who had so confidently prophesied the downfall of New College from the headship must have been very much surprised by the ease with which the latter held their own against Magdalen, although at one time the latter did gain somewhat, and Magdalen in turn were never in any danger of being caught by University. The Second Division crews were started at half-past four, the order being as follows: Worcester, Jesus, Lincoln, St. John's, Keble, Hertford, Oriel, Corpus, Queen's, Wadham, St. Edmund Hall, and St. Catherine's. It was generally thought that Worcester would go down before Jesus, but, although the latter gave them a good race, they never got in dangerous proximity, and the leading crew reached home without any great difficulty. Lincoln, who had the misfortune to lose their number seven a few days ago, could make no headway against St. John's, who are a very good crew and the latter made their bump at the Willows. Keble had an unpleasant five minutes with Hertford immediately behind them but they were saved further anxiety after passing the Willows, as Hertford had then to give in to Oriel. Queen's overhauled Corpus early in the race, whilst St. Edmund Hall fell to St. Catherine's before reaching the Gut.

The First Division order of starting was New College, Magdalen, University, Balliol, Brasenose, Christ Church, Pembroke, Trinity, Exeter and Worcester. The racing between the leading crews was not of a very exciting character. Magdalen gained on New College up to the Gut, where they took a very bad course, and, New drawing away again, finished a length and a half to the good. University rather disappointed their supporters, inasmuch as Magdalen held them without any great difficulty and had a length and a quarter to spare at the finish. Balliol lost ground behind University, and will probably fall to Christ Church who succeeded in overhauling Brasnose on reaching the Gut. Pembroke made a poor race with Trinity and had to acknowledge defeat before reaching the Gut, whilst Exeter were overhauled by Merton at the Corporation Ferry.

ETON COLLEGE SENIOR SCULLS.

This event was decided on Saturday, 14th instant at Eton, the Trial Eights being rowed on the previous evening. Mr. R. S. de Havilland (O. U. B. C.) kindly officiated as starter and umpire. Details—Heat 1: Station 1 Windsor—J. S. Somers-Smith, Prince of Wales, 1; Station 2 Eton—C. L. Garton, Captain of the Defiance, 2; Station Eton—S. Scrimgeour, Victory, 3; Station 2 Eton—J. B. Critchley-Salmonson, Britannia, 4. Won by two lengths; a bad third. Time, 19mins. 36secs. Heat 2: Station 2 Windsor—E. W. Powell Captain of the Lower Boats, 1; Station Windsor—G. Hope-Morley, Victory, 2; Station Eton—S J. Sassoon, Prince of Wales, 3; Station 2 Eton—J. S. P. Harrison, Victory, 4. Won by a quarter of a mile. Time, 19mins 40secs. Heat 3: Station 2, Windsor—L. R. A. Gatehouse, Captain of the Dreadnought, 1; Station 1 Eton—G. N. M. Bland, Prince of Wales, 2; Station 2 Eton—E. H. L. Southwell, Prince of Wales, 3; Station 1 Windsor—G. Campbell, Prince of Wales, 4. Gatehouse immediately took the lead, and was clear at the Bevear Clumps, and increasing his lead, won a good race by two hundred yards. Time, 19mins. 40secs. Final heat: Eton Station—L. R. A. Gatehouse, 1; Centre Station—E. W. Powell, 2; Windsor Station—J. S. Somers-Smith, 3. A most exciting race. Won by a foot; a bad third. Time, 19mins. 32secs.

POLO.

ROEHAMPTON CLUB.

The chief attraction at Roehampton, on the 16th, was the match between Rugby and the Old Cantabs. Mr. W. McCreery, Mr. F. M. Freake, Mr. W S. Buckmaster and Captain Godfrey Heseltine (back) formed the latter contingent, while Captain H. Wilson) Mr. Walter Jones, Captain E. D. Miller and Mr. C. D. Miller (back) played on behalf of Rugby. Umpire, Captain Sheppard. Immediately after the start the Cantabs scored through Mr. Buckmaster, and before the period ended that player had added a second goal. The next stage also went in favour of the Cantabs, who gained two more points through the instrumentality of Mr. Freake and Mr. Buckmaster. Rugby played up with great dash during the third ten minutes, securing two goals. This was all they could do, however, and they were finally beaten by seven goals to two. Rugby had all the worst of the luck. Previous to the above, Roehampton contingent met the Magpies. Sides: Magpies: Mr. J. Pearce, Captain W. H. Lambton, Captain H. R. Lee and Captain U. O. Thynne (back). Roehampton: Mr. R. Grenfell, Mr. F. Jay Mackey, Mr. L. Paine and Mr. P. W. Nickalls. The club quarette had registered five goals to love at the end of the third period, and in the result they proved successful by six goals to two, the Magpies having the better of the exchanges in the latter portion of the game.

HURLINGHAM CLUB, FULHAM.

An abundance of fast galloping resulted from the meetings of the Students and a home quartette at Hurlingham on the 16th instant, and the play consequently was not lacking in interest, although the scoring was nearly all on one side. The teams were as follows: Students: Mr. M. Nickalls, Mr. O. Nickalls, Mr. J. B. Dale, and Mr. H. Scott Robson (back). Hurlingham: Mr. A. Rawlinson, Mr. F. Bellville, Col. W. Gordon Renton and Major Kirk (back). Umpire and Captain, F. Blaker. Though the Students were almost incessantly on the aggressive during the opening period they failed to break through the defence of their opponents, but in the second bout goals came from Mr. C. Nickalls and Mr. Dale, while the latter and Mr. M. Nickalls supplemented the score in the following stage, so that the students had an advantage of four goals to love at half-time. Just previously, Colonel Renton retired through an injury to his knee, his place being taken by Mr. Mackey. Continuing to have much the better of affairs, the Students, with further points by Mr. Dale (3) and Mr. M. Nickalls (2), eventually ran out the easiest of winners by 10 goals to 1, the solitary goal for Hurlingham being registered by Mr. Bellville from a clever pass by Mr. Rawlinson.

BOXING.

THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

JACK ROBERTS *v.* YOUNG JOSEPHS. Return boxing matches are not always the attraction the promoter and the principals may desire. The remark, however, does not apply to the second set to with gloves, fought out at the National Sporting Club on the 16th instant by the veterant Jack Roberts, of Drury-lane, and Young Josephs, of Mile End. On 21st March the men met for £100 aside at 9st. 2lbs. when Roberts stopped his opponent half way through the seventh round. The supporters of the East Ender were by no means satisfied, and after some little paper warfare a return encounter was arranged, this time at catch-weights, and limited to ten rounds. The bout proved interesting enough to attract a fine crowd of members and friends to the old club, and in return they were treated to a give and-take battle, which from start to finish was full of incident and possibilities. Roberts looked well-trained; indeed, almost fine; while Josephs a big growing youth of nineteen with a healthy, robust appearance struck one as being fully 10lbs. the heavier. Very strong on his legs and clever in his foot-work, Josephs flattered his friends in the early stages of a determined battle. For a time Roberts could not settle down or get anything like his distance, and for the first three rounds he passed the best part of his time fighting the air. Up to this stage Josephs had taken a lot of finding, but the flagging of the Jewboy brought about an improvement on the part of his opponent. Roberts shines best when he has a man who will stand and deliver. There was not much of an advantage either way, but Roberts was the quicker boxer if not at times the stronger, and in the end he gained a very hard-earned and well-deserved award. The six round go between Bob Russell and Sid Doyle was not to the liking of either the spectators or referee, and Mr. Douglas sounded a pleasant note when he gave it as no contest. In the Heavy Weight Competition Harry Shearing, of Walthamstow, proved far too strong for the man he had to meet, and he took the event without much trouble.

ATHLETICS.

L. A. C. SECOND SPRING MEETING.

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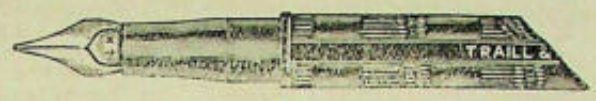
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very interesting events was limited to reasonable length, and, with the card bristling with the names of the chief sprinters of the day, the fixture was quite to the liking of those who prefer the high class to the plater. The competitors in the long-distance races could have done, perhaps, with a little less of the fairly strong breeze that blew across the enclosure, but the sun shone with a welcome warmth and power, and the meteorological conditions, a most important factor on an occasion like the one under notice were as nearly perfect as possible. With a view of bringing together the fastest sprinters of the day, and at the same time providing something of a novelty, if a 220 yards relay race may be so termed, the executive included on the card an event of this character and also a 100 yards dash, with a limit of four yards start. It is hardly necessary to add that quantity gave way in a marked degree to quality. Of good and speedy amateurs we have many, but runners requiring no more than four yards from scratch men able to give evens a shaking are not too plentiful. Consequently class was very much in evidence on Saturday, and a more enjoyable meeting has seldom been held on the old ground Fulham way.

The 100 Yards Invitation Handicap secured an entry of seventeen, which included the 220 yards champion, G. F. Brewell, of Loughborough; E. R. Cooper, of Manchester; W. Hiles, of the Salford Harriers; Thompson and Hurdsfield, of the Birchfield Harriers; Ayto-Rowell, of the Liverpool Harriers; with J. W. Morton, S. L. H., and the Light Blue, R. W. Barclay on the scratch mark. Unfortunately, Barclay, was unable to be present. This, besides being a disappointment to the spectators, was a piece of bad luck for the promoting club, as the absence of the Cambridge runner undoubtedly cost the L. A. C. the Relay Race they fought out against the Rest of England. The fact that the wind blew in gusts may have had something to do with E. R. Cooper's even time in his heat for the 100 yards, as, though doing the fastest time in the preliminaries, he was last man in the final, which went to that greatly-improved runner, E. H. Clube, S. L. H., who had the limit. The Open 120 fell to C. E. Towers, also of the South London Harriers, who, after winning his heat in two yards inside evens from the 8½ mark, took the final in very smart fashion in 12secs Perhaps the event of the day was the Relay Race, which, as stated, brought out a splendid combination of tip-top talent. At the last moment the L. A. C. were weakened by the loss of C. W Fox and R. W. Barclay. Fox had broken down, and the best the home club could do was to substitute the mile runner, E. S. Ward. Seeing that the race was run in bursts of 220, this was a very serious handicap for the L. A. C., one which, increased by Barclay's inability to turn out enabled the Rest to secure a victory by the bare margin of five yards. The race fully described below, created no end of excitement, and so well did the L. A. C. men run that when five of the eight couples had been slipped they were almost a dozen yards to the good. Then Ayto-Rowell, a finely-built young gentleman, with a grand stride, and, indeed, all the makings of a champion, outran Ward and secured a lead, which neither Densham nor Comrie could wrest from Morton and Brewell and in this way the Rest of England won as stated. From the times appended it will be seen that Jupp ran grandly, and was credited with doing his 220 in 22secs. Densham and Cooper were both returned as covering the distance inside of 23secs. E. S. Ward had an easy task in the 1,000 Yards Challenge Cup, while in the walking race F. B. Thompson went faster than the scratch man, R. H. Watson, and won easily. Charley Callow, the veteran of 68, took part in this event.

The officials were: Referee M. Shearman, K. C.; judges, D. Basan, H. W. Hill, E. H. Pelling, J. Shearman, and J. H. A. Heay; starter, C. L. Lockton; referee for walking, H. Venn; official timekeepers, J. E. Fowler-Dixon, E. B. Turner, and S. K. Holman; handicapper, F. W. Parker. Details:

100 Yards Invitation Handicap (limit 4 yards) (first in each heat to start in final.

Final Heat.

E H Clube, SLH., 4 yards start 1
S H Thompson, Birchfield H, 2½ 2
J W Morton, SLH, scratch 3
H R Cooper, University of Manchester AC, 3½ ... 4

Clube was never caught, and finishing as fast as the scratch man he won by a long yard, a foot dividing second and third. Time, 10½secs.

120 Yards Handicap (first in each heat to start in final).

Final Heat.

C E Towers, SLH, 8½ yards start 1
F J C Shepherd, LAC, 8 2
F E Ayto-Rowell, Liverpool H, 2½ 3
H Watson, LAC 3 ... ... Did not run

Towers quickly drew away from Shepherd, and, increasing his lead, won handsomely by three yards: three-quarters of a yard between second and third. Time, 12secs.

One Mile Relay Race.

(Each man to run 220 yards, the first pair starting by report of pistol.)

Rest of England (G. F. Brewill (capt), Loughborough Corinthians A F C (220 yards Amateur Champion); E R Cooper, University of Manchester A C; W Hiles, Salford H; S Hurdsfield, Crewe Alexander A C; J W Morton, S L H; L J de B Reed, S L H; F E Ayto-Rowell, Liverpool H and A C; and S H Thompson, Birchfield H) beat L A C (K Cornwallis, C D Comrie, J B Densham, E S Ward, C H Jupp, L F Tremeer, H Watson, and W H Orton).

The runners were paired as follows: Watson and Reed, Jupp and Cooper, Tremeer and Hiles, Orton and Hurdsfield, Cornwallis and Thompson, Ward and Ayto-Rowell, Densham and Morton, and Comrie and Brewill.

At the crack of the pistol Watson slipped away from Reed, but the last-named was nearly level, when Watson sent Jupp on his way. Running in grand style Jupp outpaced Cooper, and gave Tremeer a six yard lead of Hiles, and as a result, Orton was able to leave his mark seven yards ahead of Hurdsfield. Cornwallis increased this to eight yards, and Ward was this distance to the good when he started away from Ayto-Rowell. The last-named soon overhauled the L A C man, and for the first time in the race the Rest went to the front. Morton was too fast for Densham, and, Brewill, starting the last furlong ahead of Comrie, beat the L A C man at the finish by five yards. The mile was covered in 3mins. 9⅘secs.

The official times for each 220 were returned as follows:—

Rest of England	M. S.	L. A. C.	M. S.
Reed	0 25½	Watson	0 25
Cooper	0 48½	Jupp	0 47
Hiles	1 12	Tremeer	1 11
Hurdsfield	1 35½	Orton	1 35
Thompson... ...	1 59½	Cornwallis ...	1 58½
Ayto-Rowell ...	2 22½	Ward	2 21½
Morton	2 45⅝	Densham	2 47
Brewell	3 9⅘	Comrie	3 9⅘

880 Yards Handicap.

(Handicap represent B. J. Blunden, amateur champion, at scratch.)

H Elliott, L A C, 38yards start 1
F Heyes, L A C, 40 2
C W B King, L A C 55... 3
T W Blott, L A C, 79 4
C S Nills, Polytechnic, H 70 5
C I Brassy, L A C, 75 6

Also ran: E. H. Montague S. L. H., 15; E. S. Ward, L. A. C., 22; C. W. Packford, Reading A. C., 28; A. W. Clay Thomas, S. L. H, 50; A. Dewer, Ranelagh H., 60; J. Embling, L. A. C., 62; M. E. Benois, L. A. C., 65; E. F. Vowles, L. A. C., 68; P. V. A. Miller, introduced, 80; and E. R. Small, L. A. C., 85

Finishing the first quarter, Brassey was leading Miller by a yard, with Blott next, Montague ninth, and Packford last. Half way round the last lap Montague began to fall back again, and Elliott turned into the straight with a good advantage. Heyes now came up hand over hand, but after a desperate finish he was beaten by a foot, six yards between second and third. Time, 1min. 58⅘secs.

Three-Mile Walking Challenge Cup (and "Yacht" Handicap).

F B Thompson, 10sec start 1
R H Watson (holder), scratch 2
P J Bellingham, 1min. 25secs. 3
H F Woodgate, 1min 2½secs. 4
C M Callow, 5mins. 5
J R Barnes Moss, 40secs 0

Barnes Moss retired at three-quarters of a mile, and Thompson walking faster than the scratch man, drew away and won by a hundred yards. The times were: Thompson, 23mins. 18⅘secs.; Watson, 23mins. 45⅘secs.; Bellingham, 24mins. 22secs.; Woodgate 27mins. 52sec.; and Callow, 29mins. 38secs.

The placings in the 'Yacht" Handicap were: Bellingham, 1; Thompson; 2; Watson, 3.

Long Jump (handicap).—R. Sheehan, Isledon H., allowed 15in. 20ft 2½in. 1; F M Collins, Civil Service, A. C., 4in. 18ft. 3½in. 2; M. Daly, Civil Service, scratch. O. Sheehan out-jumped the scratch man level, and won easily.

300 Yards Handicap (first two in each heat to start in the final)—

Final Heat.

E H Flatt, L A C, 24 yards start... 1
A F Scott, Loughborough Corinthians, 14 2
H Watson, L A C, 8 3
R E Wright, L A C, 22 4
L F Tremeer, L A C, 4 0
C D Comrie, L A C, 7... 0

Watson quickly ran away from Comrie, but, though passing Wright, failed to catch the limit man, who won by two yards; one yard divided the second and third. Time, 31⅘secs.

1,000 Yards Challenge Cup (presented by Mr. H. W. Hill, 1889).—E. S. Ward 1; J. B. Densham 2; P. A. Casserley; Ward led from the start, and won by a dozen yards. Casserley did not finish. Time, 2mins. 24⅘secs.

One Mile and a Half Handicap (representing A. Shrubb at scratch).—G. Still, Highgate H., 115 yards start, 1; E. R. Small, L. A. C., 200, 2; H. D. Montague Malden H., 180, 3; J. L. Church ill, S. L. H., 215 4; E. S. Ward, L. C. A., 130, 5; P. A. Casserley, L. A. C., 95, 0; R. R Sharp. L. A. C., 160, H. A. Freeman, Watford A. C., 200, Casserley gave up at half a mile, where Montague was showing the way to Small. Still now began to improve his position, and, taking the lead just before entering th last quarter, he sprinted home a winner by ten yards, forty dividing the next two. Time, 7mins. 1sec.

The Weasel.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

On Monday (30th May) we met, by special invitation of H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore, at Fernhill. It was a beautiful hunting morning and a very large field was out. We were, as usual, photographed, and afterwards we trotted off to draw Dairymaid, where the field Master lived up the field on the Cairn Hill side in order to get the jack to break in the right direction. The covert was drawn blank, however, and we were no more fortunate in the top strip of Baikie Wood, which the Master drew upwards from Baikie Crossing. Here also the large field behaved very well. Hounds just touched a cold scent in Jackal Shola which was the next draw, but the jack had been gone too long to make any thing of his line. A move was then made on round Bagman to Milles Covert and a jack was viewed away at once. The line was a beautiful one, and a sharp gallop followed. The jack making straight for Staircase, across Blackmoor Vale, over Newmarket and the Gold Mine Stream, hounds pulling him down at the south end of Lawley's Course, within a few yards of Staircase where he evidently had a strong hold. He was a very large Staircase dog jack.

We then drew over Lawley's Course to the swamp at the 6th Milestone of the Pykara Road, across the road and by Dartmoor Vale to the swamp between Warpshare's Hare Shola and the Old Pykara Road. Just above the Old Road Captain Kennard viewed a jack and we all expected a very good run. He turned in the direction of Wenlock Wood and hounds hurled him through this beautifully, but in reaching the top he took to the road and ran it persistently, seeming to know that it carried no scent. The Master held hounds forward along the road through Khed Shola and on as far as Road Shola, in the hope of hitting off the line again at the point where the jack had left the road but without success and most unfortunately a wild cat caused a diversion, so Captain Fife had to give him up. It seems to be a favourte trick of jacks in this part of our hunting country to run the roads and it is most successful in baffling hounds.

On Thursday last there was only a small field out, the meet being at Brooklands on a wet monsoon morning, but, luckily, the wind was not high. As a matter of fact there were only about 20 people out—the smallest field for weeks. In Brooklands Covert hounds soon picked up the morning drag of a jack and after a few doubtful notes opened on his line with a burst of music that did one's heart good to listen to. After running a couple of rings in the Covert he went away towards Double Crossing and at the same time a second jack broke at the top and Crossing the road, took three couple of hounds into Bramley Wood. This we did not learn until afterwards, for the rest of the pack got away on good terms with the other jack, which turned to the right over the hill above Sandy Nullah Toll Bar, and then crossed the Dewar Valley Stream, with his mark set for Rocky Convert. Hounds drove him through this without a pause, and as he broke at the lower corner they were close behind him. Instead of now making for waterfalls, as jacks usually do from this point he took a line which would have brought him to Barber's shop, but the pace down hill was too hot for him and he was pulled down just short of the stream. He was a fine dog jack. We then crossed the stream and drew on past Barber's shop on the hill above which we picked up a line and saw some very petty hound work as hounds puzzled out the early morning wanderings of a jack that had been too long gone to do anything with. Dartmoor Vale and the swamps near Wapshare's Hare Shola were blank, also the Shola itself, Briar Shola and Gibbs' Shola. We drew over the end of Lawley's Course and up to Rawlings' Nullah without finding, but on reaching the top of Newmarket the Master viewed a jack just stealing up towards Rally Wood. Hounds ran him through Rally Wood, whence, as usual, another jack crossed towards Parlock, but the hunted jack came out at the top over the Krurmund Road and then swung round in to the top of Monkey Shola. Breaking on the side towards Baikie he took us at a rare pace through the upper strip above Baikie Crossing and out towards Druid. Leaving this on his left he crossed the Baikie Road and took us below Denmark Shola as if Fairlawn were his point. Turning up hill, however, he took us through Porcupine Shola, over Denmark Hill, and down the side of Baikie over Swami Crossing and up towards Hecuba. Short of this he swung again to the right and passing Swamyar Bluegums, brought us back by Owl Crossing to Baikie, where he eventually beat us. This was a very fast and severe run.

Blue Gum

Cricket.

CRICKET AT SIMLA.

SIMLA C. C. *vs.* ALIGARH COLLEGE.—This match was played on the 2nd and 3rd instant and resulted in a win for Aligarh by eight wickets. Score :—

SIMLA C. C.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
French, c Ali Raza, b Salam-ud-Din	11	c Abid, b Salam-ud-Din	3
Mitchell, b Shafquat	17	run out	5
C L Alexander, b Shafquat	0	c and b Shafquat	27
Keighley, c Ali Raza, b Shafquat	0	c Ashfaq, b Shafquat	0
Smallwood, b Salam-ud-Din	15	b Shafquat	38
Stokes, b Shafquat	1	l-b-w, b Shafquat	5
General Spens, b Shafquat	15	b Shafquat	8
McConaghey, b Shafquat	8	b Shafquat	2
Laverton, b Salam-ud-Din	0	c Akram, b Salam-ud-Din	7
S M Robinson, b Salam-ud-Din	4	c Halim, b Shafquat	15
Hensman, not out	0	not out	23
Extras	8	Extras	7
Total	79	Total	140

ALIGARH COLLEGE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Abid, b Laverton	9	not out	56
Ali Raza, b Laverton	20	l-b-w, c Hensman	6
Said, c Hensman	23	c French, b Hensman	6
Akram, b Laverton	0	not out	36
Muzuffer, c French, b Hensman	2	did not bat.	
Mahmud, b Hensman	11		
Shafquat, run out	9		
Ashfaq, c Stokes, b Keighley	0		
Salam-ud-Din, c Spens, b Hensman	4		
Haleem, b Hensman	17		
Mahmood Beg, not out	3		
Extras	13	Extras	7
Total	111	Total	111

CRICKET AT NAINI TAL.

NAINI TAL *vs.* RANIKHET.—Played during the Ranikhet week and resulted in a win for Naini Tal by an innings and 43 runs. Score :—

NAINI TAL.

First Innings.	
Major Stainforth, c and b Hanbury	6
Mr H M Smith, c Cartwright, b Hanbury	18
Mr F Knowles, b Hanbury	38
Captain Hon E F Guest, b Hanbury	0
Captain Barlow, b Hanbury	6
Captain Dundas, b Daniell	14
Mr G S Cooper, c Hutcheson, b Atchison	89
Mr D A Blair, b Hanbury	34
Mr J Campbell, b Atchison	0
Captain Norrington, not out	5
Mr E H Burnaby, b Atchison	0
Extras	21
Total	231

RANIKHET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr W R Daniell, b Knowles	11	b Burnaby	13
Mr J R Cartwright, b Cooper	1	c Cooper, b Campbell	12
Capt Smyth Osbourne, c Barlow, b Cooper	0	b Burnaby	0
Mr W C Hutcheson, b Knowles	4	not out	42
Lt-Col Goodwyn, b Cooper	5	b Burnaby	3
Mr P L Hanbury, st Norrington b Cooper	29	c Smith, b Burnaby	4
Mr A R O Mallock, b Cooper	5	b Campbell	0
Capt Atchison, b Knowles	1	b Campbell	5
Mr A H Bogle, b Stainforth	7	c Barlow, b Campbell	11
Mr F J Leach, not out	2	b Campbell	12
Mr R C Wrey, c Campbell, b Cooper	4	b Campbell	4
Extras	3	Extras	10
Total	72	Total	116

Football.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* KING'S OWN REGIMENT.—These teams met on the Dalhousie ground on the 4th instant, a good game resulting in a goal to nothing victory for the visitors. At the start the Regiment attacked and forced a corner, from which Whittingham put through. They continued to press, but the Dalhousie defended in good style, and the soldiers were unable to get through. Then the home team had a turn in their opponent's territory, but their shooting was at fault. In the second moiety the Dalhousie men showed improved form, and Dalling just missed equalising. The game ruled very even till its close, but neither team were able to score. Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Hill, *goal*; Mellor and Cottam, *backs*; Leonard, Standish and Quinn, *half-backs*; Diggle, Ennis, Jones, Carman and Whittingham, *forwards*.

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Stimson and Templeton, *backs*; Phelps, Butler and Evans, *half-backs*; Prike, Bonar, Dalling, Holley, and Barber, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. P. Wilder.

WEST RIDINGS *vs.* RANGERS.—This match was played last Saturday on the Rangers' ground, resulting in the defeat of the homesters by two goals to *nil*. The military team went away at the start and Woodings scored. They continued to press throughout the first stage, but did not take advantage of several chances. On changing over they got a good run down and Drew put on the second goal. Then the game settled down and play ruled very even to the end. Teams:—

WEST RIDINGS.—Roberts, *goal*; Stevens and Evans, *backs*; Reeves, Turner and Morris, *half-backs*; Woodings, Wilson, Grady, Drew, and Hulyer, *forwards*.

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal*; Margrett and Anderson, *backs*; Bollard, Lees and Russell, *half-backs*; Carbery, McCready, Rosser, Afflick and Vears, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. E. E. Rope.

HOWRAH *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—On their own ground last Saturday Howrah drew with the Young Men after a very even game. Both teams pressed in turn, but the shooting was weak and there was no scoring, the game ending pointless. Teams:—

HOWRAH.—Powell, *goal*; MacFadgen and Annett, *backs*; Morrow, Wood, and Curtis, *half-backs*; Jackson, Smith, Echlin, Karr and Linton, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A.—Kay, *goal*; Stoke and Lamb, *backs*; Schaumberg, Pooler and Collingwood, *half-backs*; Price, Scully, Redmond, Wilson and Gordon, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. G. Ribbins.

CALCUTTA *vs.* 64th R. F. A.—Played on the Calcutta ground on the 4th instant, a large gathering being present. The homesters played a good game and won by four goals to *nil*. They got possession immediately and Harrison was called upon to save. Then H. Sherman put in a fine run and found the net. The Gunners ran down, but Badham relieved, and Calcutta, returning to the attack, Macdonald scored. The 64th had the best of the play till the interval, but were unable to score. In the second half Nicols played in place of Wratten, who was injured just before half-time. The home team had it all their own way, Cooper and V. Sherman putting on the other points. Teams :—

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal;* Badham and Wickham, *backs;* Ansell, Crawford and Maunder, *half-backs;* Stewart, V. Sherman, V. Cooper, MacDonald and H. Sherman, *forwards*.

64TH R. F. A.—Harison, *goal;* Quinn and Endersby, *backs;* Donnelly, Osborne and Sale, *half-backs;* Prince Ingley, Marchant, Wratten and Clarke, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. N. G. Pritchard.

HOWRAH *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—These teams met at Howrah on the 7th instant. The first half was very even, both teams taking turns at attacking, but no score was registered and they crossed over with a clean sheet. On changing ends, the Regiment got going and Grady opened the scoring from a good centre by Woodings. Drew followed up this first success by putting through shortly after. The West Ridings continued to press, and Wilson added a third point. During the second moiety, Howrah lost the services of McFadyen, who had to retire with an injured knee. They were unable to make any score, and the game ended in a win for the soldiers by three goals to *nil*. Teams :—

Howrah.—Powell, *goal;* McFadyen and Annett, *backs;* Morrow, Wood and Curtis, *half-backs;* Smith, Echlin, Jackson, Purcell and Kerr, *forwards*.

WEST RIDING.—Roberts, *goal;* Stevens and Evans, *backs;* Rewes, Turner and Morris, *half-backs;* Woodings, Wilson, Grady, Drew and Hulyer, *forwards*.

Referee :—Mr. P. Willder.

CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE.

TWO matches were played on the 4th instant. La Martinière and St. Joseph's drew with a goal each while the 79th Royal Garrison Artillery simply walked over the Measurers, defeating them by eleven goals to *nil*. On Monday evening St. Joseph's beat the Sibpur College by a goal to *nil*, and the match between the Caledonians and 79th Royal Garrison Artillery ended in a draw.

CALEDONIA A. C. *vs.* 79TH R. G. A.

On the Caledonian ground the home club gave the Artillery men their second check for the season. The Civilian forwards were very erratic in their shooting, while Watts and his four tested Byrne with some hot shots which the latter saved well. The Caledonian defence was good and continually broke up the combination of the soldiers, who made great efforts at the end to win the match. The goal which Dewsburry scored for the Caledonians, and that scored by Watts for the Artillery, were the results of melees in front of the respective goals. The match was drawn.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE match between the West Ridings and Calcutta on Tuesday, the 31st ultimo, which the former team courteously agreed to play on the C. F. C. ground, was one of the most pleasant I have witnessed this season. There were absolutely no fouls worth mentioning and the soldiers played the same gentlemanly game after a goal had been scored against them as they did before. The first half of the match was rather tame to watch though full of exercise for the players and referee. The ball travelled from one end of the field to the other and back again with hardly any cessation, the backs indulging in plenty of long kicking. Both sides looked to have chances of scoring, but half time arrived with a clean sheet. During the second half both lines of forwards showed some good combination, the right wings being most conspicuous, and V. Sherman getting a chance beat Roberts with a beauty. The West Ridings put a tremendous lot of "go" into their play after this reverse and gave the home backs a very hard time, but the whistle went without any addition to the score. For Calcutta Ansell at half showed signs of improvement, and Wickham at back made a very fair show, though the latter has not got into the way of keeping his place. The forwards played well together, the Shermans being the most prominent. For the soldiers Grady, Woodings and Wilson showed up well, and though the backs did not play so well as in their last match, the whole eleven worked well together and deserved better luck.

To the dismay of their supporters Dalhousie could do nothing with the Y. M. C. A. and had to admit defeat by 1 to *nil*. The Young Men have only beaten the Trades Club once before since the League was started and their satisfaction at their win on Tuesday was therefore great. Lamb and Pooler were as usual most prominent for the Y. M. C. A., and Benner showed up well for Dalhousie, though he has yet to learn when to pass. Phelps must be rather disheartened at the way his men turn out, three of the best being absent in this match.

On Wednesday the R. F. A. came in from Barrackpore to play the King's Own and, as there was no other matchin progress, a fairly large crowd was attracted. The game was all in favour of the King's Own and had it not been for their frequently being pulled up for off-side they would have scored heavily. The R. F. A. with the exception of Nicholl and Wratten seemed to have lost all their dash and given the game up as hopeless from the start. Their backs had a hard time of it and came out of the ordeal very well. The King's Own played a good game but they had little opposition and should have made more than 3 goals.

On Saturday Dalhousie turned out in force and made strenuous efforts to wrest at least one point from the King's Own, but with no avail. The King's Own forward line had undergone some changes but did not seem to be materially weakened as they put in some very good combined play, and Street in goal had several stiff shots to tackle which he did in first-class style. The soldiers' back division was not, however, brilliant, and in the second half especially Dalhousie looked like scoring, Dalling on one occasion missing a perfect opening. The only goal of the match was scored early in the game. A free kick was given against Street for carrying and the point was scored from the resultant play round the home goal; rather unfortunate for the Dals. The men from the Fort had the best of the game, but they will have to give a better exhibition if they wish to go on unbeaten to the end.

The Y.M.C.A. eleven went over to Howrah with the full intention of repeating their victory over Dalhousie and adding 2 more points to their score, but Howrah proved a hard nut to crack, and although the Young Men had slightly the better of the game no goals were scored, and each side, therefore, registered one point. For Howrah this was the first point of the season and they had to play hard to get it, Woods and Curtis being chiefly responsible for keeping the Young Men out. Both goalkeepers were in good form, Powell especially being quite an acquisition for the United Club.

Calcutta had little difficulty in disposing of the Gunners by 4 goals to love, but they will have to pay more attention to shooting if they want to finish the season with a goal average anywhere near that of the Lancasters. The Barrackpore men were on the defensive for quite two-thirds of the game and their display on the whole was not all up to average, though they had hard luck in losing Wratten in the first half. The game was very one-sided and needs no description. Calcutta will have something harder to tackle in their next match.

A very small crowd turned out to watch the Rangers-West Ridings' match. This game on the Rangers' ground was chiefly remarkable for the number of chances missed by both sides and the excellent goalkeeping of Behrend and Roberts. It was hard to believe that the home team was, with one exception, the same that made such a good stand against the King's Own on the previous Saturday. The whole team with the exception of Behrend seemed quite off their game and though Margrett at back came out strong at times and Lees put in a lot of work in the second half the forwards could do nothing with the ball. Rosser was quite off colour and Affleck missed two splendid chances and altogether the display was very disheartening to the civilian supporters: perhaps the weather had something to do with it. The men from Dum-Dum showed further improvement, their success being due to good combined play more than to individual brilliancy, and are a credit to themselves and their trainer. Just before time the referee failed to give a free kick against Roberts for carrying, but this probably made no difference in the result.

There are rumours that the transfer of two companies of the West Ridings from Dum-Dum to Benares will deprive the regimental soccer team of most of its present players and that consequently they will now be a very weak combination and may perhaps withdraw from the League altogether. It is sincerely to be hoped that this sporting team will not have to cancel their League engagements just as they have got into their stride and look like winning all their return matches. Perhaps the Commanding Officer will arrange a transfer for some of the footballers.

Up to Saturday, the 4th, the various teams in the Calcutta Football League were placed as follows :—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals For.	Goals Against.
King's Own	6	6	0	0	12	14	1
Calcutta	6	5	1	0	10	13	3
Rangers	6	4	2	0	8	9	8
West Ridings	6	3	2	1	7	7	4
Y. M. C. A.	6	2	3	1	5	3	7
Dalhousie	7	2	5	0	4	4	7
64th R. A.	7	1	5	1	3	5	12
Howrah	6	0	5	1	1	2	15

Matches in the Civil and Military League continue to provide the usual number of surprises. The Fort R. C. scored a record number of goals (eleven) against the Measurers on Saturday, but on Monday could only manage to draw with the Caledonia A. C. This latter result should have given Seebpore their chance, but to everyone's surprise they were defeated by St. Joseph's and so lost a great opportunity of reducing the 79th's lead.

'TOUCH.'

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

FOURSOMES.—The final of the Foursomes competition, begun on the 30th April, was concluded at Guindy on Saturday, 28th ultimo, Colonel Benson and Mr. Symonds won the first two holes, which lead they still had at the turn. Messrs Robinson and Brown, however, won the 7th and 9th holes which brought the match level, and the same side holing out a long put at the eleventh, secured the lead for the first time. The twelfth hole was halved and Robinson and Brown thus won by 1 hole. Results :—

First Round.

Col P H Benson, I M S A P Symonds	(2) beat	Maj E Waller Maj J Thomson, R A M C	(4)
	by 4 and 2.		
J P Davidson J Kerr-Greig	(2) beat	O J Sykes A M Urquhart	(5)
	by 1 hole		
F M Robinson J M Brown	(2) beat	C R T Balston U E Ross	(5)
	by 5 and 4.		

Second Round.

Col Benson Symonds	beat	Davidson Greig
	by 1 hole.	
Robinson and Brown a bye		

(Final).

Robinson Brown	beat	Col Benson Symonds
	by 1 hole.	

MARRIED *vs.* SINGLE.—The Married *vs.* Single Match, which was also played at Guindy on Saturday, ended all even

MARRIED	Holes.	SINGLE.	Holes.
Major E Waller (4)	0	J Kerr Greig (2)	1
E P Corlett (3)	0	O J Sykes (4)	0
Major J Thomson (4)	0	A M Urquhart (5)	0
C R T Balston (5)	3	J A Robertson (7)	0
R Meredith (8)	0	Major R M Bell (5)	6
Capt T H Baker (8)	4	H S P Smith (8)	0
	7		7

THE LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

CONSIDERABLE interest was evoked in and around the neighbourhood of Troon, in the Stroke Competition preceding the Tournament Proper as affording a very good idea of the form of the various players, especially after the close matches and exciting finishes of the International contest in which even the Open Champion had suffered defeat. Prizes were presented by the Duchess of Portland and two by the Ladies' Golf Union and as a signal that the great annual L. G. W. Week had begun, their flag was unfurled at any early hour over the Club house. This Stroke Competition has now been a fixed institution since 1895, the first time the Championship was held at Portrush, and as a rule the winners of this, have figured prominently during the ensuing week. The day was fine, but a somewhat stiff breeze blowing from the north-west made scoring difficult and therefore the 81 returned by Miss Glover, was regarded by all as a very fine performance, made up of the following figures : Out 4, 5, 7, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4, = 41, In 5, 4, 4, 4, 6, 4, 5, 4, 4 = 40 = 81. For a long time this score was strokes ahead of any other, the second best return, when all played from scratch, being that of Miss May Hezlet in 87, but it was not until the North Berwick player Miss Dorothy Campbell, arrived and handed in a card of 86 depriving Miss Hezlet of second place that people began to realize what a really fine performance the Scottish Champion's was. Miss Campbell's score was



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made up as follows : Out 4, 5, 5, 6, 5, 5, 3, 5, 5=43. In 5, 5, 4, 4, 5, 4, 6, 5, 5=43=86, and Miss Hezlet was made up by out 5, 5, 4, 6, 4, 5, 3, 6, 5=43 ; In 5, 6, 5, 4, 5, 4, 6, 4, 5,=44=89. Miss Glover winning the Duchess of Portland's Prize, Miss Campbell the second prize given by the L. G. W. and the third prize also given by the Union fell to Miss May Hezlet, Miss Adair followed with 88 and it was whispered that the united ages of the first four players scarce equalled the average total of the four returns !!

When in due course the great day, Tuesday, 9th May 1904, broke and grew old it was upon a gay and busy scene at Troon. Much interest has been taken in all the West of Scotland, in this great golfing event, the second of its kind ever held in the Land O Cakes and an interest which has shown a vast improvement since the Union unfurled its flag at Gullane in the Diamond Jubilee Year of grace ! so that when the leading couple left the tee fully 600 spectators were gathered together, when the match between Miss Rhona Adair and Miss M. B. Higgins was progressing fully 1,000 people were on the Links as onlookers. Miss Higgins had journeyed from far away Chicago, the city where such wondrous things are done, and it seemed real hard luck that in her first match she should be pitted against the world-famed Miss Adair, and to the plucky American fell also that most trying of ordeals, the first tee shot of the Championship and that Miss Higgins proved equal to the occasion by hitting a beautiful ball which was followed by an equally good one from her opponent and the battle began and ended only on the 16th green when the Irish lady added one more to her row of scalps.

Some of the finest Golf in the 1st round was exhibited by Miss May Hezlet in her match with no mean opponent Mrs. Jallard (nee Katie Walker) of Woking, after taking 5 s at four consecutive holes. Miss Hezlet took the 5 in 4 ; and the long sixth hole (460 yards) in 4 holing with her mashie ! with a 3 at the 9 She took a substantial lead and won her match by 7 up and 6 to play. Other stiff matches were between Miss Dod Moreton and Miss Moeller of Ilkley, but the Lawn Tennis Champion brought matters to a satisfactory conclusion on the 17th green.

Delightful weather prevailed on Wednesday when at 10 o'clock the leading couple started, the chief feature of the day's play was the unexpected defeat of Miss Glover by her club-mate Miss M. Maitland. After the Scottish Champion's grand performance in the Irish-Scottish match the preceeding week when she defeated Miss Adair and again on Monday when in the Score Competition she ran far ahead of all the other competitors the hopes of all Scotland were centred on her and it was confidently expected she would go far towards if not through the final stage. The match in which she suffered defeat all the hands of Mrs. M. Maitland was one of the most stubborn encounters in any championship, and was played before a crowd of over 2,500 spectators. The end came on the 19th green only. Going to this hole Miss Glover played two fine shots on to the green, her opponent finding the bunker with her second, but with a truly splendid stroke she laid her ball by the side of the green and Miss Glover had to play the like over some nasty undulating ground, and her ball stopped 4 feet from the hole. From the side of the green Miss Maitland again played the odd, hitting the ball quite truly, on and on it trickled until it reached the bottom of the hole, leaving Miss Glover a difficult put to negotiate for a half and failing to hole it, her opponent won the match amid the loud applause of some 3,000 onlookers.

One of the most extraordinary matches of the round was that between Miss Dod and Miss G. Robertson. Miss Dod was 5 down at the 8th and turned 5 down. After a half at the 10th she won six holes in succession making her dormy 2. Miss Robertson won the 17th but the English lady with a win on the home green was 2 to the good.

Miss Dorothy Campbell won somewhat easily from last year's runner up on the 15th green and the match between Miss Tyrell and Mrs. Perkin was only finished on the 20th green in favour of the Irish lady. In the third round interest centred principally in the match between Miss Adair and Miss E. C. Nevile and in this round the Champion played better Golf than she had done since her arrival at Troon, and with a lead of 2 at the turn she brought matters to a crisis on the 17th green and entered the 4th round. Two of the sisters Hezlet (Miss May and Miss F.) met in this same round (3rd) and the younger leading all the way almost took her sister to the home green before she suffered defeat. The two sisters (Mrs. Swanston and Miss Dorothy Campbell) both won their ties and were included in the last 16 survivors !

The interest manifested in the play of the 5th round was pretty evenly spread over the four matches, that between Miss May Hezlet and Miss Macbeth drawing the largest following, but the match ending on the 13th green in favour of the Irish lady the gallery elected to bestow their attention on that between Miss Dod and the local (Prestwick) lady Miss Whigham. Not until the 7th hole did the English lady commence to take the lead, the 8th and 9th followed suit and she turned 3 up, losing the 10th she won the 11th and maintained that lead with only 3 to play The Scotch lady took the 16th but Miss Dod secured hole and match at the 17th and entered the penultimate round. The match between the sisters (Mrs. Swanston and Miss Dorothy Campbell) promised to be a close one, but the younger sister took the lead from the beginning, and, never relinquishing the advantage, won on the 14th green by 6 up and 4 to play. Miss Campbell began the match in a sensational manner by holing in 3 off her mashie and on Thursday evening the immense crowd were looking forward on the morrow to witness in the two matches, that between Miss Molly Graham and Miss May Hezlet both ex-champions and that between Miss L. Dod and Miss Dorothy Campbell, two of the four having entered from English clubs, and from Ireland and one from a Scotch one—in fact quite an international affair. The excitement at Troon was enormous, all the schools were given a holiday, and the factories and docks hands turned out in hundreds, the number of spectators being estimated at between 6,000, and 9,000, and so unruly and unmanageable did they become that the officials had more than once to appeal, for the players themselves had frequently to carve for themselves a passage to the greens. How they managed to play the fine golf they did, is and ever will be a mystery and a fine triumph of nerves.

But to return to the Semi-finals, that between Miss Hezlet and Miss Graham first. The long game of the Irish lady was extremely fine, in spite of a very strong head wind on the outward journey, while Miss Graham's approaching was extraordinarily accurate and deadly. At the turn the Irish lady was 3 up, and she eventually won by 4 up and 2 to play in the 16th green. Meanwhile behind them a deadly fight was being fought by Miss Dod and Miss Dorothy Campbell, Miss Campbell had shown such excellent form, in the International matches, in the Stroke Competition and in her earlier heats that the hopes of Scotland ran high that she would win the coveted Cup ; but it was soon apparent that in Miss Dod she had a foeman worthy of her steel, and from the first Miss Campbell fell into a very common error against a strong head wind—shortness in her approaches—and she turned with 3 holes down, which lead by splended play she reduced at the 11th to 1, but losing the 13th after a half at the 12th she also lost the 14th, and with a half at the 15th and a win at the 16 Miss Dod entered the finals. At 3 o'clock the fairway from the 1st Tee to the green was lined with fully 6,500 people intent on seeing the ex Champion Irish Lady, Miss Hezlet and the Lawn Tennis Champion Miss Dod contest the match.

The weather was horrid, a cold wind blowing from the south, with occasional showers of drenching rain. A faultless half in 5 opened the match, the second went to Miss Dod a half in 5 at the 3rd and a win for Miss Hezlet at the 4th squared the match, halves at the 5th and 6th and the 7th, taken by the English lady, but her lead was snatched away at the 8th and by winning the 9th Miss Dod stood 1 up at the turn, and 2 up at the 10th and a half at the 11th, knocking 1 off Miss's Dod lead at the 12th. Miss Hezlet after halving the 13 in 3 won the 14th with a perfect 4, and again all was even. The 15th was halved in 4 and for the first time in the match Miss Hezlet got the lead at the 16th with 1 up and 2 to go. Miss Hezlet most unaccountably missed a 2ft. putt, and again with 1 to play the match was square. Fully ten minutes were occupied by the officials in getting a pathway for the players through the crowd to the 18th tee—playing the odd for her second Miss Dod's iron shot was helped by a lucky kick and ran to within 6 yards of the hole. Miss Hezlet caught the face of a hillock with the like and was short ; failing to be up with the odd the ex-champion was called to play 2 more, and her putt missing the hole by a hair's breadth, Miss Dod holed in 4 and won the Championship. The presentation ceremony took place at the Club House, where Miss Dod was given the gold medal, the cup, and the replica, Miss May Hezlet the silver medal, and Miss M. G. Graham, and Miss Dorothy Campbell bronze medals. The usual congratulatory speeches were made and votes of thanks recorded and the Ladies' Championship of 1904 is a thing of the past.

M. E. S.

Bowls.

HOWRAH BOWLING CLUB.

THE Howrah Bowling Club brought their season to a close on Saturday, the 4th instant. There was the usual Bumblepuppy Competition, which was well contested. There were twenty competitors, all receiving prizes in the following order, commencing with the winner of the final.

Messrs. R. Spairs, M. M. Ling, J. M. Macfarlane, W. R. Shanks, M. Gilmore, J. Patrick, L. W. McLaren, I. W. Sowton, T. S. Smith J. Mann, Crawford, G. W. Grey, T. Maxwell, H. Orford, A. Henderson, J. E. Menddam, E. V. Dick, J. Davidson, G. T. Lane and A. Taylor.

There was a large attendance and a pleasant afternoon was spent, Mrs. G. D. Grey presenting the prizes for the season at the close of the proceedings. The following is a list of the winners :—

"American" Handicap Bowling Tournament.—1st Prize, L. McLaren ; 2nd prize, H. Orford ; 3rd prize, T. Maxwell ; 4th prize, W. L. Shanks ; aggregate prize, L. McLaren.

"Doubles" Handicap Bowling Tournament.—1st prize, D. Black and D. A. Reid.

"Vice-President's" Handicap Bowling Tournament.—1st prize, L. McLaren ; 2nd prize, J. M. Macfarlane

"Duffers" Handicap Bowling Tournament.—1st prize, J. D. Niss ; 2nd prize R Russell.

Handicap Singles Tennis Tournament.—1st prize. R. Russell.

Handicap Doubles Tennis Tournament.—1st prize, A. Taylor and J. Davidson.

Handicap Singles Tennis Tournament.—1st prize, C. S. Whiteman and J McMurray.

The President's Bowls were not presented, as the final between Messrs. R. A. Murdoch and J. M. Gilmour, had not been played.

A newspaper recently gave a detailed account of a case of attempted poisoning, in which a man had administered to his mother-in-law a drug which he supposed to be of a deadly nature, but which was less noxious than he believed. The intended victim recovered

By curious misplacement this account was headed ; "Beware of Counterfeits," which should have been the heading of an advertisement in another column.

Boxing.

JOHN C. HEENAN.

HIS FIGHT AT FARNBOROUGH.

Relics of the past, sporting and otherwise, are continually coming to notice. To-day it may be a handsome trophy, to-morrow perhaps a simple parchment, each, however, telling of some deed of bravery and note, a token bearing silent testimony to a performance far above the average. The Championship battle—an absolutely unadulterated Championship, and not the hybrid sort of thing so frequently forced upon one nowadays—fought back in the "sixties" by Tom Sayers and John C. Heenan, is even yet on the tongue of those who prefer merry mills on the greensward to the more modern way of settling differences in the ring with the padded first. Old hands who saw the fight—and there are still a few left—talk to you with pride of Sayers and Heenan whenever the noble art is mentioned, and youngsters born after the fight stand by what history has handed down to them. In later times we have had our Smith and Greenfield, Smith and Kilrain, Sullivan and Mitchell, and Slavin and Smith ; but never in the annals of the P. R. anything approaching either in in interest or deadly determined fighting the great battle decided at Farnborough, in Hampshire, on 17th April 1860. Patronised by men whose names appeared in Burke and Debrett, Justices of the Peace, members of Parliament, and brethren of the cloth, the international struggle attracted the most remarkable attendance ever seen around a prize ring. Perhaps never a bout has been so minutely described and so freely criticised as that between the representatives of the old and the new world, and the new generation will tell you how Sayers, at a disadvantage of over 2st. in weight and conceding 5inches in height, was knocked off his pins round after round by the stalwart "Benecia Boy," only to come up smiling and do his share of thumping in the thirty-seven rounds, which furnished two hours six minutes of most deadly battling. Men who never saw a knuckle fight in their lives have "read up" Sayers and Heenan sufficiently to tell how the little Englishman injured his right arm in the fourth round and how in this way the "auctioneer," his favourite weapon, was practically useless for the rest of the fight ; how, too, when the ring was broken up and a draw declared, Sayers, though half-choked from being bored on the ropes and badly battered, was full of bull-dog pluck and courage, and his opponent, Heenan, almost blind as the result of the "pinking" he had recieved at the hands of the Britisher. The fight, as stated, was for the Championship and £200 aside, and, ending as it did in a draw, neither could claim the belt, which, as both retired, was subsequently fought for by Sam Hurst, the Stalybridge Infant, and Tom Paddock. By way of solace to the heroes of Farnborough, a *facsimile* of the original trophy was presented to each. Sayers never fought again, and passed away on 8th November 1865. Heenan, however, outlived his doughty opponent some years.

Memories of the Sayers-Heenan fight are refreshed by the announcement of the sale of the belt given the American, as just mentioned. This historic trophy will be put up for auction shortly by Messrs. Debenham, Storr, and Sons, at their rooms, 26, King-street, Covent Garden, and surely there should be some spirited bidding. The belt, manufactured by Hancock and Co., is made of silver and represents a roped and staked ring. In the centre is the following inscriptions :

"Presented to John C. Heenan by F. S. Dowling, Esq., referee and editor 'Bell's Life in London,' May 30, 1860."

This is flanked by the British Lion and fighters in position, one being by no means a bad picture of Heenan himself.

Considering the world-wide reputation he gained, Heenan's career in the ring was comparatively brief. He was born at West Troy (N.Y.) in 1834, stood 6 feet 1¼ inches and scaled in condition a little over 13st. His father, Timothy Heenan, held for nearly thirty years the position of chief in the Ordnance Department of the Watervilet Arsenal at Troy. When seventeen, Heenan went into the workshops of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at Benecia, and from this time forward he was dubbed the "Benecia Boy." His battles proper in the ring were limited to three, viz., with John Morrisey, Tom Sayers, and Tom King, and, strange though it may read, the man who will stand out for all time as a principal in the finest struggle ever contested never once tasted the sweets of victory in a stake-money match. He was first beaten by John Morrisey at Long Point, Canada, after a desperate battle of twenty-one minutes. Morrisey, a man of good family, subsequently sat in Congress. Failing to get a return match or to find a customer of any sort, Heenan journeyed to England, and met Sayers at Farnborough Three months later he returned to the States, but he was back in England again in 1852, and was soon a hard and fast friend of his old opponent Sayers. It was thought the "Benecia Boy" had done with the ring, but an announcement appeared to the effect that an American could be matched to fight anyone for £100. aside This was ignored by Mace but accepted on behalf of Tom King The articles were signed at Owen Swift's house, the backer of King leaving his jewellery as a first deposit. Wadhurst was the scene of a fight which is still and will no doubt for ever be shrouded in mystery. Heenan appeared to have his man beaten more than once, and an eye-witness stated in print that at the end of one round King was "out" for quite four minutes. Many of King's friends, indeed, left his corner, thinking the fight was over. Subsequently Heenan collapsed in quite a startling manner. Why he did so has never been made known He retched to a remarkable extent, and was beaten in twenty-four rounds, lasting 35min. A year later Heenan while returning from Ascot got

into a railway accident and received £1000 compensation. Back in America, he ran a saloon for some little while, and then paid a third visit to England. Finally he died on 23rd October 1875, at Green River Station, Wyoming territory. Heenan, who was a splendidly-built man and a tremendous hitter, married the actress, Ada Menken.—*Sportsman.*

Shows

SIMLA HORSE AND DOG SHOW.

Saturday, 4th June 1904.

WITH large entries in almost all the horse classes, and a rare good display of quality, a big attendance and Viceregal patronage nothing was wanting to make this show the success to attain which Captain Peacocke, the Honorary Secretary, and his colleagues had worked so hard. The dogs were poorly represented, only five classes out of thirteen filling. The reason does not present itself, for evidently all sorts and conditions of cannies were catered for and nothing was omitted that could attract dog exhibitors. The fact remains, however, that as far as the dogs were concerned the visitors gazed on for the most part on "a beggarly array of empty benches" to borrow a stage metaphor. Lady Ampthill won the Viceroy's Cup for the best horse in the show with Atalanta, and distributed the prizes at the close of the day. Appended is the list of prize winners:—

CLASS I.—*Bona fide hacks, 14-2 and under.*—Mrs. Stuart Beatson's b aus m Allora, 1st; Captain Courage's b aus m Freebooty, 2nd; Mrs. Peacocke's b aus g Assurance, 3rd.

CLASS II.—*All horses over 14-2.* Lady Ampthill's Atalanta, 1st; Captain Macandrew's b aus Motto, 2nd; Major Cowper's br aus g Melbourne, 3rd.

CLASS III.—*Polo Ponies, English, Australian and Cape.*—Captain Courage's Freebooty, 1st; Captain Barnes, b aus g Pyrrhus, 2nd; Mr. Reynoldos gr ape g Africander, 3rd.

CLASS IV.—*Polo Ponies, Arabs and Country-breds.*—Captain Bailey's b a g Prince, 1st; Mr. Mant's b a g Teddy, 2nd; Captain Courage's b a g Better Luck, 3rd.

CLASS V.—*Ladies' Hacks over 14-2, to be ridden by ladies.*—Mrs. Parsons' ch Irish g Paddy, 1st; Mrs. Sullivan's b aus g Pat, 2nd.

CLASS VI.—*English, Australian and Cape ponies, 14-2 and under.*—Colonel Capper's b aus g Circassian, 1st; Captain Peacocke's b aust g Australia, 2nd.

CLASS VII.—*Arab ponies, 14-2 and under.*—Major Heneage's Nevermore, 1st; Captain Courage's Better Luck, 2nd.

CLASS VIII.—*Country-bred ponies, 14-2 and under.*—Colonel Morgan's Maquet, 1; Captain Peacocke's The Pirate, 2nd.

CLASS IX.—*Ladies' Hacks, 14-2 and under, to be ridden by ladies.*—Mrs. Beatson's Allora, 1st; Captain Courage's Freebooty, 2nd; Mrs. Morgan's ch aus m Sunset, 3rd.

CLASS X.—*Children's ponies.*—Miss Macandrew's Robin, 1st; Miss Peggy Muller's Austerlitz, 2nd; Miss Dorothy Sykes's Bob, 3rd.

In the horse jumping competition Mr. McLeod's ch aus g On Guard was 1st; Major F. Maxwell's aus g English Lord, 2nd. Each was ridden by the owner.

In the pony jumping Mrs Peacocke's Assurance, ridden by Captain Peacocke, was 1st; Mrs. W. R. Walker's Doctor Syntax, 2nd; Major Heneage's Hebe, 3rd.

The jumping was not very good, as many of the animals refused.

DOGS.

CLASS I.—Best Bobbery pack dog. Not sufficient entries.

CLASS II.—Any other large variety including St. Bernard, etc. Mr. R. Hotz's Grevan Boarhound Nero. 1st; Lieutenant G. E. K. Wilson's Bull terrier dog Monarch, highly commended.

CLASS III.—Terrier dogs other than fox terriers. Captain A. B. Lindsay's Scottish terrier Benssiel, 1st; Captain Artie's Airdale terrier Kiddy, highly commended.

CLASS IV.—Terrier dogs other than fox terriers, bitches only. Mr. F. E. Downs' Airedale terrier Alwar Beauty, 1st.

CLASS V.—Fox terrier dogs. No entries.

CLASS VI.—Fox terrier bitches. No entries.

CLASS VII.—Wire-haired fox terrier dogs. No entries.

CLASS VIII.—Wire-haired fox terrier bitches. No entries.

CLASS IX.—Retrievers and pointers. Lieutenant C. H. Willes' Cocker Spaniel Puppy, 1st; Mr. R. Abill's Black Retriever, Chum, highly commended.

CLASS X.—Collies and sheep dogs. No entries.

CLASS XI.—Poodles. No entries.

CLASS XII.—Dachshunds. Lieutenant Ellis's Juggins, 1st; Colonel Dillow's Sheela, 2nd.

CLASS XIII.—Soldiers' Dogs. Sergeant Cobb, 1st; The Viceroy's Band's Dingo, highly recommended.

The Naturalist.

STRAY NOTES.

Another difficulty has arisen in connection with the destruction of rats. It appears that they can, after some time, not only resist the action of poison, but actually thrive upon it. At the last meeting of the French Academy of Sciences the question of rat destruction was discussed, and the eminent scientist, M. d'Arsonval, affirmed that, as a result of experiments, it was found that rats are able to resist the effects of arsenic for an extraordinary lengthy period. They can absorb a dose seven times greater than any other animal of the same size, and in time may even become accustomed to doses of arsenic which seem incredible. M. Bordas declares that he has seen rats absorb without any apparent ill effects, and during long periods a quantity of arsenic corresponding to a dose of five grammes. It appears, therefore, from this investigation, that, whilst the farmer has been pinning his faith to arsenical rat-killing preparations, he has been wasting his money and feeding the rodents on tonics into the bargain. We shall now have to look round for another means of destroying these pests, which, as we have again and again repeated, are the game preserver's worst enemies.

Dr. M'Culloch, of Edinburgh, ascertained that the antiseptic quality of sugar is sufficient to preserve fish in most excellent condition. He states that this substance is so active that fish may be preserved in a dry state, and perfectly fresh, by means of sugar alone, and even with a very small quantity of it. He has thus kept salmon, whiting, and cod for an indefinite length of time; and by this simple means fresh fish may be kept in that state some days, so as to be as good when boiled as when just caught. It is added that if dried and kept free from mouldiness, there seems no limit to their preservation, and they are much better this way than when salted. The sugar gives no disagreeable taste. This process is particularly valuable in making what is called kippered salmon; and the fish preserved in this manner are far superior in quality and flavour to those which are salted or smoked. If desired, as much salt may be used as to give the taste that may be required; but this substance does not conduce to their preservation. In the preparation it is barely necessary to open the fish, and to apply the sugar in the muscular part, placing it in a horizontal position for two or three days that this substance may penetrate. After this it may be dried, and it is only further necessary to wipe and ventilate it occasionally to prevent mouldiness. A table-spoonful of brown sugar is sufficient in this manner for a salmon of 5lbs or 6lbs weight, and if salt is desired, a teaspoonful or more may be added. Saltpetre may be used instead, in the same proportion if it is desired to make the kipper hard.

The Story Teller.

"CUM GRANO SALIS."

IN the club the other evening Beasley happened to come across a paragraph in the newspaper which started a discussion on the topic of intelligence of animals. The story which gave rise to the conversation stated that a cat, having been despatched by train to London from its home in the North of England, managed to find its way back after some days' absence, arriving after its journey of three hundred odd miles in a terribly emaciated and worn-out condition. Parminter, who is the club oracle, attributed the feat to the well-known homing instinct in these animals.

"It's an every-day occurrence," he added, lightly; 'any book on natural history will verify it. I wonder they took the trouble to publish it."

"Quite right," assented Newbatt. "I've read the same thing over and over again. It's a funny thing it's always a cat from the North of England, though!"

"Perhaps it's the same cat," suggested Beasley; "or," he added, with a grin, "the same reporter."

"I can see that you don't quite believe it, old man," said Parminter.

"I don't," replied Beasley. "Do you?"

"Absolutely," said Parminter, crossing his legs and throwing himself back in his chair. "My experience is that newspaper editors are extremely distrustful of any stories concerning animals, and refuse to print them unless they are—"

"Short of 'copy,'" put in Beasley.

"Convinced of their accuracy," continued Parminter, ignoring the interruption. "The reason for my belief is that the editor of a newspaper to whom I addressed a circumstantial narrative concerning a cat belonging to me refused to print it on the plea that, though he had no doubt of its substantial accuracy, his readers might refuse—"

"To swallow it!" laughed Beasley, taking advantage of a slight pause.

"To treat so remarkable a contribution to our evidence of the higher faculties in the lower animals with the respect due to it,' said Parminter.

"Editorial paraphrase for 'swallowing,'" commented the irrepressible Beasley.

"I," said Newbatt, coming to Parminter's assistance, "can substantiate Parminter's story."

"About the cat?" queried Beasley.

"About the editor," replied Newbatt. "He refused a little anecdote of mine about a dog in doing so using very much the same terms."

"Stereotyped form of refusal, evidently," sneered Beasley. "Judging by the sort of thing"—he shook the newspaper containing the above-quoted report—"the British public is considered capable of assimilating your narratives must have been—er—stodgy. I should like to hear them."

"My dear Beasley," said Parminter promptly, "I haven't the slightest objection to telling you the little anecdote to which I referred. Between ourselves, I shall be glad to have your opinion on the facts, as it has always been a mystery to us how a creature not generally credited with the power of interpreting its owner's wishes or imparting—"

"Perhaps," interrupted Beasley, "you'd better let me have the—ah!—facts first. You can't tell animal stories too simply."

"My dear fellow, I agree," said Parminter, heartily. "I will be simple to the verge of baldness. The facts of the case are these: We had at home from a kitten the animal whose behaviour forms the subject of my story. She was a present from some friends of ours living in Peterborough and, owing to the uncertainty which overhangs the—er—sex of kittens, the first half of the name of her native town was bestowed on her by my aunt, to whom Peter had been presented. By the time it became clear that a baptismal error had been perpetrated it was too late to remedy it, my aunt's cat refusing to own any more feminine designation. Peter was in many respects an extraordinary animal, and in none more so than in the marking of her coat. The foundation of this was of a jetty blackness but it was powdered all over in the most regular manner with small white tufts, causing her to look as though she had been out in a heavy snowstorm. I must admit that she was not a general favourite with us—I was a lad at the time I am speaking of—while she was alive, her temper giving way under the slightest strain; and it was only after her decease that we realised what a noble nature lay hidden under that spotted coat."

Beasley snifled contemptuously at this tribute, and Parminter remembering his promise, apologised and resumed.

"I anticipate, however. Peter was an inmate of our house for many years, and needless to say, during that period presented several litters of kittens to our notice. It was the earnest wish of my aunt to possess a pair of kittens marked like their mother so that the race of Peter might be worthily perpetuated; but, strange to say, none of Peter's extremely numerous progeny resembled her in the least. I am inclined to think that Peter shared my aunt's disappointment in the matter, for, in defiance of the accustomed maternal instinct—"

"Cared nothing for 'em, you mean, I suppose," interrupted Beasley, impatient of the narrator's floridity.

"On the contrary, my dear fellow," resumed Parminter, quietly, "she was so fond of them that she devoured them."

"Horrid brute!" cried Beasley, with disgust.

"It seems unpleasant, I admit," said Parminter; "but, as we should have drowned them it saved a good deal of trouble Well, as Peter advanced in years my aunt began to give up all hope of realising her wish, seeing that Peter's offspring diverged more and more from her likeness. However, one morning my aunt's maid burst into the room, and with considerable excitement announced that the expected had happened.

"How many?" said my aunt, calmly.

"'Five,' replied the maid, 'when I left her. She's started putting of 'em away'—my aunt shuddered slightly in spite of her affection—'and, believe me or not, miss, two of 'em are the very image of 'er!'

"'Idiot!' cried my aunt. 'Why didn't you take them away?'

"She started up from her chair and made for the door. As she reached it, Peter's mew was herd outside.

"'Too late!' sighed my aunt, turning back again and sitting down. 'Let her in,' she said, faintly.

"The maid opened the door and admitted the waiting animal, who made straight for her mistress. My aunt, whose eyes were closed, felt Peter's head on her lap.

"'Cruel Peter! how could you?' she cried, letting her hand fall. She opened her eyes with a scream of surprise as she felt something move beneath her fingers. Then she looked down and knew that her grateful pet had spared the two speckled kittens!"

"You said Peter was dead, didn't you?" said Newbatt, as Parminter finished.

"Yes," replied the other; "she died a day or two later. It seemed as though she knew she had done her duty and had nothing else to live for. What do you think of that, eh?" he said, turning to Beasley.

Beasley grinned in a sickly way. "I'll tell you when we've heard Newbatt. Come on! A dog, wasn't it?"

"Ah! yes," said Newbatt, briskly. "Not my dog, though; but as he belonged to a particular friend of mine who vouched for the accuracy of the details, you can depend upon the story being as truthful as—"

"Parminter's, I suppose," put in Beasley.

"Just so," said Newbatt, gravely. "He was an ordinary-looking dog, my friend said—a cross between an Irish terrier and an Airedale—named Shamus. He was not a particularly accomplished dog as far as the ordinary dog tricks go, and the one piece of cleverness he displayed seemed to have come instinctively. At least, my friend had never taught him, although he might have learned it from a former master. It was this: My friend, whose name was Binfield, by the way, was accustomed to buy his tobacco at a particular shop in his neighbourhood. It was a fancy tobacco, costing sixpence an ounce, and as Shamus usually accompanied Binfield to the shop, the tobacconist knew him, and on his appearance in advance of his master would lay the packet ready on the counter. After this had happened once or twice the dog helped himself to the package and presented it to Binfield on his appearance. Little by little the shopkeeper became so used to this that he would hand the tobacco to Shamus without waiting for Binfield, who frequently now passed the shop without entering. I must mention that quite early in the game Binfield had entrusted the dog with the necessary coin, which Shamus duly laid down on the counter.

It is so happened that one day Binfield, on his way to town, had gone some distance beyond the shop before he remembered that he was without tobacco. On searching his pockets he made the discovery that he was also without money. Shamus, who had watched his master's actions attentively, appear desirous of intimating that he was ready to help. The thought struck Binfield that if he sent the dog back to the shop, the tobacconist would doubtless hand him the tobacco. Shamus, who appeared uneasy at receiving no coin, nevertheless comprehended Binfield's order to go back and trotted off in the direction of the shop. Shortly afterwards he reappeared, bringing Binfield's ounce of tobacco in his mouth. A day or two later Binfield was again in want of tobacco, so, providing Shamus with sixpence, he sent him on in advance, intending to call at the shop as he passed in order to pay for the ounce had on the former day. Contrary to his ordinary custom Shamus failed to rejoin his master, and when Binfield entered the shop the dog was sitting on his haunches waiting for him.

"'Well, old, man where's my tobacco?' said Binfield.

"The tobacconist's wife was serving and she looked up as Binfield spoke. 'Your dog seems to think the tobacco isn't right this morning' she said.

"'Why, won't he pay for it?' asked Binfield.

"'Oh! he dropped his sixpence on the counter when he came in,' replied the woman, 'but when I gave him the packet he wouldn't touch it.'

"'Funny!' said Binfield, feeling in his pocket and bringing out another sixpence. 'That's for one I had the other day.'

"Well, Binfield says," concluded Newbatt, looking round to see if Beasley were listening, "that the moment he put down the coin Shamus barked as though a load were off his mind, and pounced upon the packet which he had refused a few minutes before as if he could take it with a clear conscience. There's no doubt he's convinced that Shamu's moral sense is extraordinarily highly developed, but—Halloa! Beasley, what's the matter?"

Beasley had risen from his chair with a contemptuous grunt.

"That fellow with his long-distance cat," he muttered "ought to be a member of this club. You and Parminter and he would make a pretty trio—Ananias, Sapphira, and B—B—"

"Binfield?" said Newbatt, softly.

"Beelzebub!" roared Beasley, 'the Father of Lies!"

F. E. B.—*Sporting Sketches.*

Poetry.

CRICKET CRITICS.

Our cricketers are taking more and more to journalism till it is hard to find a first-class player who does not write cricket articles for some paper or other.—Daily paper.

Oh, what will become of our national cricket
When every player devotes
The time he would otherwise spend at the wicket
To penning elaborate notes?
To face a fast bowler is always exciting,
But wouldn't it cause you distress
If between each two overs you had to be writing
Your views on the game for the Press?

I can see "Plummy" Warner appealing to "Locky,"
"I say, can you wait for a bit?
My memory's apt to be awfully rocky;
I must make a note of that bit!"
And "Locky" will pause in the midst of his bowling,
While onlookers barrick and scoff;
He will not surrender his chance of extolling
That stunner that broke to the off.

With pencil and paper the field is provided,
To note ev'ry item of play;
Though their missing of catches is loudly derided,
Their note-books get so in the way.
But if cricket is robbed of a few of its g'ories,
A splendid advance has been made
When the newspapers come out with twenty-two stories
Of how the great match has been played!

In the Press box there's Jessop, and Fry, and Maclaren,
And Sewell, and Jephson, and Knight;
Their loss makes the field look excessively barren,
But still they are beggars to write.
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NOTICE.

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THE "PIGSTICKING WEAPON."

THE decision of the late military authorities at home to make an end of the lance as a weapon for the cavalry, retaining only a dozen or so per regiment for ceremonial purposes, was received with such very qualified approval by those who are entitled to hold an opinion on the subject, that nobody will be surprised to see that the present authorities are considering the matter anew. The question of the efficacy of the lance is essentially one for the soldier, and the Secretary for War contented himself with the remark that he thought the decision to abolish the weapon had been arrived at with some haste.

Decisions to make changes of this character usually are reached in somewhat of a hurry. There are still among us in this country men who can remember the almost revolutionary changes in the British Army which followed the Franco-German War. The authorities, in a hurry to show that they had "learned the lessons" of that war, set themselves to Teutonise all military institutions as far as the essential differences between conscript and voluntary armies could be made to resemble one another, if not farther. Everything that was German was good and therefore to be copied in all haste: it was the "lesson of the war." The fact that our lancer regiments had few opportunities, or none, of employing their distinctive weapon in South Africa was deemed sufficient reason to abolish the lance as an encumbrance something worse than useless. Expert opinion was far from unanimous on the point: but the fact remained that the lance had been seldom or never used during the campaign and "the lesson of the war" taught that it was obsolete, cumbrous and unserviceable; and therefore to be passed into store.

Regarding the matter, as perforce we must, from the purely civilian standpoint, any expression of opinion concerning the value of what an honourable member of Parliament described as a "pigsticking weapon" in modern warfare is out of the question. But it may be permissible to suggest that the lessons of the South African War are not necessarily applicable to any or all future wars. Our troops were operating over an enormous area of country against an unorganised and peculiarly mobile foe and engagements at close quarters rarely occurred: when they did occur, unless memory deceives us, lancers did not happen to be among the troops which bore part. Colonel Legge, late 9th Lancers, we observe, expressed in other words the idea we have suggested: he said that the evidence given before the War Commission was almost entirely in favour of retention of the lance: and he "thought we were depending too

much on South African experience." It is always the last "lesson" that carries most weight irrespective of the circumstances under which it was learned: and the fact that the lancer, as a lancer, was of little use in South Africa does not, as we venture to think, finally prove that he can never, under any circumstances, be of utility again.

The conditions of warfare in the 'fifties, of course, were very different from what they are now; but history shows us that the lance was very far from being useless during the Mutiny. When the native cavalry employed in the last Burma War got a chance of using their lances, the "moral effect" was conspicuous: and while we do not pretend that moral should be set against physical effect, we believe that the most eminent military authorities set no inconsiderable store by the former. The effects, both moral and physical, in the Soudan campaigns were sufficiently marked: and since an army like the British never knows against what manner of foe it may next be pitted, there does seem some reason to carefully consider the question of abolishing the lance before the decision voiced by the late Secretary for War is ratified.

To write of the lance as "the pigsticking weapon" with sneering intent appears to us to be foolish, and we do not think the honourable member who employed the expression can ever have had opportunity of using the spear. Had he done so he would perhaps have paused to ask himself for what weapon he would exchange the spear to receive the charge of a valiant old boar who meant business. For the fearless boar bent on giving battle at close quarters, substitute the equally fearless fanatic charging over in the fashion which rifle-fire cannot completely check, and we suggest that there still exists a use for the lance as a weapon with which to receive attacks of a kind with which our many wars have made our troops familiar. If the ardent advocates of abolition can satisfy the world that cavalry will never again by any accident or chance of warfare be called upon to repel attack at close quaters or pursue a flying enemy in the ungrateful task of cutting him to pieces, then no doubt the lance may go: but humbly borrowing the experience gained in snipe shooting from the saddle, whereby boggy ground produced heaving flanks and an unsteady seat, is rifle fire from the saddle wholly to be depended on? We imagine that circumstances may arise in future wars which will oblige cavalry to shoot from half blown horses and that at comparatively close quarters: and we question whether the percentage of hits would be high, even though half the troopers engaged were marksmen. As regards the use of carbine or rifle in pursuit, it seems unnecessary to say much: manifestly firearms cannot be used with any reliable effect from the back of a horse at the gallop: and, we submit, there may be conditions under which literal pursuit may be far preferable to the use of small arms on the backs of a retreating foe. Certainly the sword might be employed in lieu of the lance: but we have it, on the authority of an expert witness before the War Commission, that our cavalry sword is the very worst weapon of its kind known to modern armament, and, so far at all events, we have not seen that a new pattern has been projected.

It does not seem necessary to notice the ridiculous objection that the lance is "barbarous." War itself is barbarous, if we may be excused for penning so obvious a truism: and if the barbarity of any modern military appliance depend upon the nature of the wound inflicted, the palm for barbarity should, in our judgment, be awarded to the shell whose splinters, so surgeons tell us, inflict an uglier and more cruel wound than does any edged weapon or small projectile. The objection shows the impossibility of eliminating sentiment from the severest practical affairs: but the reflection reminds us that sentiment in another shape may have something to do with the plea for retaining the lance. There is no more picturesque weapon in use in the army: it stands as the last survival of the old heroic days when battles were fought hand to hand and when individual muscle and pluck went for more than they can possibly do now-a-days. That is a form of sentiment entitled to respect, though it failed to furnish reason for retention of a weapon of proved inutility. We confess that we are rather impressed by the opinion expressed to Mr. Arnold Forster by an officer who said that "in general it did not really very much matter what weapon was put into a cavalry man's hand for shock tactics, provided he had confidence in it and mastery of it." Which utterance appears to have a good deal of wisdom in it while contributing nothing to the arguments for or against the lance. A hand weapon of some kind, we apprehend, is essential for what military science describes as "shock tactics," and unless these are to banished by the law of nations from the operations of war, we are yet to hear what weapon it is proposed to be substitute for the lance should the Army Council decide upon its abolition.

Special Telegrams.

THE DUCHESS OF YORK PLATE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Duchess of York Plate—Of 1,300 sovs., the winner to receive 1,000 sovs., the second 200 sovs. and the third 100 sovs: for then three-year-olds: colts to carry 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; maidens at starting allowed 5lbs; any winner of a race of a mile or over to carry 5lbs., two such races, or one such race value 450 sovs., 10lbs. extra; one mile and a quarter. 80 subs. Closed 16th September 1902.

London, *Saturday, 11th June 1904.*

Lord Penrhyn's b c PERORATION, by Persimmon—Pannonia, K Cannon ... 1
Capt Laing's b c ANTONIO, by Prisoner—Padua, Halsey 2
Duke of Portland's b c THE SCRIBE, by Isinglass—Memoir, M Cannon ... 3
Sir J Miller's b c CHANTER, by Ayrshire—Jodel 0
Mr J H Houldsworth's ch c LOCHRYAN, by Enthusiast—Spring Ray 0

(*Winner trained by H Enoch.*)

Betting: 9 to 4 agst Peroration, 6 to 1 Antonio and The Scribe, 6 to 4 Chanter.

Won by three lengths: two lengths between second and third.

THE GRAND PRIX DE PARIS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Grand Prix de Paris.—Of 200,000 fr. (8,000 sovs.) if the winner is foaled in France, the breeder will receive 15,000 fr. (600 sovs.) in addition: 150,000 fr. (6,000 sovs.) given by the City of Paris, and 50,000 fr. (2,000 sovs.) by the five Great Railway Companies, for entire colts and fillies foaled in 1901, of every description and country, added to a sweepstake of 1,000 fr. (40 sovs.) each, 600 fr. (24 sovs.) ft. and 500 fr. (20 sovs.) only, if declared by 10 p. m. on the Wednesday preceding the race, or 100 fr. (4 sovs.) only, if declared by 10 p.m. on the 2nd May 1904; the second to receive 20,000 fr. (800 sovs.) and the third 10,000 fr. (400 sovs.) out of the stakes; weights: colts 58 kilos (about 9st. 2lbs.); fillies 56½ kilos (about 8st. 13lbs.); about 3,000 metres (about one mile and seven furlongs.) 528 subs. Closed 16th September 1902.

London, *Sunday, 12th June 1904.*

M Edmond Blanc's b c AJAX, by Flying Fox—Amie, Stern 1
M Camille Blanc's ch c TURENNE, by Le Hardy—Closerie, Ranseh 2
M M Caillault's br c MACDONALD II, by Bay Ronald—Myrtedine, Lane ... 3
M Edmond Blanc's ch c GOUVERNANT, by Flying Fox—Gouvernante 0
M R de Monbel's b c RATAPLAN, by Ermak—Regina 0
M J de Bremond's b c MANNEQUIN (late Ibraki), by Little Duck—Inheritress ... 0
M Edmond Blanc's b f PROFANE, by Winkfield's Pride—Poupel 0
M M Caillault's ch c SAMSAM, by Chesterfield—La Turbie 0
M Andre Hart's ch c LORLOT, by Winkfield's Pride—Lina Hacket 0
M B Chan's br c DEVIS, by Reminder—Dentelle 0
Baron de Forests b c XENOPHON, by Le Sancy—Flore 0
Comte le Marois's ch f ORANGE BLOSSOM, by Le Sagittaire—Salceolaire... ... 0
M A Abeille's b f BORGIA, by Little Duck—Blackleg 0

Betting: 5 to 4 agst Ajax, 12 to 1 Turenne, 10 to 1 Macdonald II.

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

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AJAX (B. 1901).

Amie (2) (Ch. 1893).				Flying Fox 7 (B. 1896).			
Alice (B. 1887)		Gramart 5 (Ch. 1888)		Vampire (Br. 1889)		Orme 11 (B. 1889)	
Aeta (Br. 1877)	Wellingtonia (3) (Br. 1869)	Princess Cathrine (Ch. 1876)	Summer (2) (B. 1878)	Ivony (Ch. 1881)	Galopin 3 (B. 1872)	Angelica (B. 1879)	Ormonde 16 (B. 1883)
							Bend Or (1) (Ch. 1877)
							Lily Agnes (B. 1871)
						Galopin 3 (B. 1872)	Vedette 19 (Br. 1884)
						St. Angela (B. 1865)	Hampton (B. 1872)
					Iso-oberg 22 (B. 1872)	Dollar (1) (B. 1860)	Doncaster (5)
						Sarcasm (B. 1871)	House Rose
					Ladylike (B. 1853)	Flying Dutchman (B. 1848)	Flying Dutchman
						Mirage (B. 1853)	Mirage
				Spectrum (1) (B. 1872)		Stockwell (B. 1849)	Voltigeur (2)
						Broomielaw (10)	Mrs. Ridgway
					Jen D'Epeir (B. 1871)	Flying Dutchman (B. 1848)	Flying Dutchman
						Payment (B. 1858)	Mirage
				Iris (1) (B. 1858)	Fitzhubert (B. 1843)	Touchstone (B. 1831)	Camel
						Frankfort (B. 1843)	Adeline
		Prince Charlie 12 (Ch. 1869)	Blair Athol (1) (B. 1864)	Voltigeur (2)			
				Eastern Princess (B. 1859)	Mrs. Ridgway (B. 1854)	Flying Dutchman (B. 1848)	Flying Dutchman
						Merope (B. 1849)	Touchstone
		Catherine (Ch. 1869)	Macaroni (14) (B. 1864)	Orlando (13) (B. 1849)	Stockwell (B. 1849)	Pocahontas (B. 1842)	Glencoe
						Selina (B. 1849)	Sweetmeat
		Chattanooga 2 (B. 1869)	Orlando (13) (B. 1849)	Stockwell (B. 1849)	Pocahontas (B. 1842)	Glencoe	
						Pocahontas (B. 1842)	Sweetmeat
		Amaranth (br. 1862)	Ambrose (15) (B. 1858)	Newminster (B. 1848)	Touchstone (B. 1831)	Camel	
						Beeswing (B. 1836)	Doncaster
					Pocahontas (B. 1842)	Glencoe	
						Sweetmeat	
Lady Superior (B. 1867)	Chamberlaine 19 (B. 1877)	Hepatica (B. 1867)	Cuirassier (1) (B. 1858)	Touchstone (B. 1831)			
				Pocahontas (B. 1842)	Glencoe		
					Sweetmeat		

THE ASCOT STAKES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Ascot Stakes (handicap) of 20sovs. each, 10 ft. and only 5 sovs. if declared by Tuesday, 7th June, with 2,000 sovs. added; lowest weight not less than 6st.; winners of a handicap after the publication of the weights 7lbs., of any two or one value 1,000, 10lbs. extra: the winner of the Grand Prix de Paris to carry a weight to be fixed on the publication of the handicap. Once round, starting at the distance post. Two miles.

London, *Tuesday, 14th June 1904.*

Mr G Miller's ch g MERRY ANDREW, by Xury—Merry Foot, Rollason 1
Mr D J Pullenger's b c PURE GOLD, by Bend Or—Maryland and—Butchers, ... 2
Mr. W M G Singer's ch f PRADELLA, by Tarporley—Poppy, Maher 3
Mr J H Houldsworth's b c PRESTWICK, by Enthusiast—Meanus,— 0
Mr W Goodchild's b m SCULLION, by St. Florian—Cinder,— 0
Lord Ellesmere's br c KROONSTAD, by Kilwarlin—Sabra,— 0
Mr P P Gilpin's br c ROE O'NEILL, by Sweetheart—Troublesome,— 0
Mr Horatio Bottomley's b h WARGRAVE, by Carbine—Warble, - 0
Mr H E Beddington's b c D'ORSAY, by Royal Hampton—Lady Frivoles,— ... 0
Mr B Ellam's b f SWITCHCAP, by Colorado—Bay Celia,— 0
Lord Carnarvon's b f MOUNTAIN ROSE, by Galleazzo—Rose Gules,— 0
Mr Polehampton's br c THUNDERBOLT, by St Angelo—Chimera,— 0
Mr W Hall Walker's b c SANDBOY, by Ravensbury—Sandblast,— 0
Mr L de Rothschild's ch g BOWERY, by Common—Rosamonde,— 0
Mr C Russell's b f FLORINDA, by Florizel II—Wise Flower,— 0
Mr Arthur James's b c JUPITER PLUVIUS, by St Simon—Andromeda,— 0
Mons. B Chan's BEAUQUEMARE,—— ... 0
Mr R Statt's b c SIR LADDO, by Sir Hugo—Golden Moments,— 0
Mr W Low's ch c IMARI, by Rightaway—Wimsome Charteris— 0
Mr W A Jarvis's b c GORING HEATH, by Cylenne—Vagrant Maid,— 0
Sir F Johnstone's b c PERCUSSION, by St Serf—Fuse,— 0
Mr H E Randall's b g LOVE GAME, by Loved One—Badinage,— 0

(*Winner trained by Miller.*)

Betting.—20 to 1 against Merry Andrew, 100 to 7 Pure Gold, 100 to 8 Pradella, 100 to 1 Sandboy.

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

Previous Winners.

1882	Lord Bradford's Retreat	5	8	7	F Archer	8
1883	Mr R Jardine's Ishmael	5	7	10	Fordham	7
1884	Mr R Jardine's Greenbank	4	7	6	Bowman	6
1885	Baron de Hirsch's Althorp	3	6	12	F Barrett	9
1886	Lord Ellesmere's Belinda	5	7	1	J Woodburn	11
1887	Mr J Hammond's Eurasian	5	8	6	F Barrett	7
1888	Mr Jameson's Dan Dancer	4	6	7	Allsopp	10
1889	Sir R Jardine's Lord Lorne	5	6	7	S Chandley	12
1890	Sir R Jardine's Lord Lorne	4	7	13	Fagan	8
1891	Mr Lowther's Houndsditch	5	7	9	Fagan	10
1892	Mr E Loder's Billow	4	6	7	A Watts	10
1893	Sir R Jardine's Enniskillen	5	8	7	T Loates	15
1894	Mr A Taylor jun's, Aborigine	4	7	12	G Barrett	11
1895	Capt Machell's Ravensbury	5	9	9	M Cannon	9
1896	M E de St Alary's Arlequin	3	6	5	Fearis	8
1897	M C R Halbronn's Masque II.	3	7	9	Weatherdon	21
1898	Mr Hammond's Herminius	4	7	11	C Wood	15
1899	Lord Rosebery's Tom Cringle	4	7	9	S Loates	11
1900	Lord Carnarvon's Baldur	4	7	2	J T Sloan	11
1901	Mr F Keene's Sinopi	5	8	2	D Maher	16
1902	Mr W Goodchild's Scullion	4	6	12	W Bray	13
1903	Mr H E Randall's Genius	5	7	0	E Wheatley	13

Winners Since 1883.

1884	Duke of Castrie's Little Duck (8)	1894	Baron A. de Schickler's Dolma-Baghtche. (11)
1885	Mr Bte.-Cloete's Paradox (7)	1895	M. E. Blanc's Andree (16)
1886	Mr R Vyner's Minting	1896	M. E. Blanc's Arrean (15)
1887	M. P. Aumont's Tenebreuse (11)	1897	M. J. Arnaud's Doge (10)
1888	M. P. Donon's Stuart (6)	1898	Baron de Rothschild's Le Roi Soleil (17)
1889	M. H. Delamarre's Vasistas (13)	1899	M. M. Caillault's Perth (12)
1890	Baron A. de Schickler's Fitz-Roya (12)	1900	Baron A. de Schickler's Semendria (15)
1891	M. E. Blanc's Clamart (12)	1901	M. Caillault's Cheri
1892	M. E. Blanc's Ruell (10)	1902	M. Caillault's Kizil Kourgan (11)
1893	M. Webb's Ragotsky (11)	1903	M. Edmund Blanc's Quo-Wadis (14)

THE ROYAL HUNT CUP.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Royal Hunt Cup.—A piece of plate value 500 sovs. with 1,500 sovs. in specie, added to a handicap sweepstakes of 20 sovs. each, h. ft.; winners of a race value 500 sovs. or of any handicap after 2nd June, 5lbs., if of a handicap value 500sovs. 10lbs., extra; the winner of the Oaks or Grand Prix de Paris to carry a weight to be fixed on the publication of the weights; second to receive 300 sovs. and the third 100 sovs. Seven furlongs and 166 yards. (76 entries.) Closed 17th May.

London, *Wednesday, 15th June 1904.*

Mr Keswick's b c CSARDAS, by Ladas—Polka, Macall 1
Mons E de Blaskovit's b c HAZAFI, by Orwell—Ollyan-nines, Lewis 2
Mr L Brassey's b c WILD OATS, by Bay Roland—Wild Rose, K Cannon ... 3
Lord Carnarvon's b r ROBERT LE DIABLE, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay 0
Sir J Miller's b h COSSACK, by Ayrshire, Kosakin 0
Mr F Taylor's b g UNION JACK, by Suspender—Gloriola 0
Sir E Cassel's br g SPECULATOR, by Matchmaker—Miss Speculum ... 0
Mr G Faber's b c DUKE OF WESTMINSTER, by Orme—Gantlet 0
Duke of Devonshire's b f SIMONY, by Common—Simon's Bay 0
Mr E C Irish's ch h OVER NORTON, by Adieu—Lady Why 0
Mr J B Joel's b f OUR LASSIE, by Ayrshire—Yours 0
Lord H de Walden's b c KILGLAS, by Isinglass—Kilkenny 0
Mr L Robinson's b r NIPHETOS, by Bill of Portland—Tea Rose 0
Mr J Buchanan's b c LANCASHIRE, by Kingston—Calico 0
Mr W Rankin's ch c St LUKE, by Isosceles—La Niche 0
Miss Clinton's b f SUN ROSE, by Sheen—Nina 0
Mr A Stedall's b g MARSDEN, by Ovieto—Vertus 0
Mr W A Jarvis's b c CADES, by Cyllene—Lorette 0
Mr G A Prentice's b c DUMBARTON CASTLE, by Wolf's Crag—Chemistry ... 0
Mr L de Rothschild's ch f CATGUT, by Lactantius—Catkin 0
Mr W G Langdon's b f NOBLESSE, by Raeburn—Noble Countess 0
Duke of Portland's b c THE SCRIBE, by Isinglass—Memoir 0
Capt Forester's b f QUEEN'S HOLIDAY, by Royal Hampton—Cimiez 0
Sir J Thursby's b c JOHN PEEL, by Enthusiast—Hunting Queen 0
Mr W M G Singer's b c JOLLY BIRD, by Gallinule—La Joie 0
Col H T Fenwick's ch f CHERRY AGNES, by Enthusiast—Ethel Agnes 0
Mr L de Roth's Child's b g CHAPEAU, by Bonnet Rouge—Dymac 0
Mr J M Kern's ch c MELAYR, by Ayrshire—Melton Queen 0

(*Winner trained by J. Cannon.*)

Betting: 10 to 1 agst Csardas, 40 to 1 Hazafi, 5 to 1 Wild Oats, 100 to 9 Robert Le Diable.

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

Winners Since 1883.

1884	Mr Jardine's Acrostic ...	5	6	5	F Barrett	16
1885	Duke of Beaufort's Eastern Emperor ...	4	6	2	Tomlisson	20
1886	Mr W Gilbert's Despair ...	a	7	13	C Loates	14
1887	Mr Manton's Gay Hermit ...	4	7	13	C Wood	16
1888	Capt Machell's Shillelagh ...	3	6	3	G Chaloner	22
1889	Mr D Henty's Whitelegs ...	4	6	6	Blake	15
1890	Lord Hartington's Morion ...	3	7	9	G Barrett	24
1891	Mr Hammond's Laureate II ...	5	7	12	M Cannon	22
1892	Mr H M'Calmont's Suspender ...	3	7	10	G Chaloner	25
1893	Baron Rothschild's Amandier...	5	7	3	T Loates	18
1894	Mr Worton's Victor Wild ...	4	7	7	Harrison	24
1895	Mr A F Basset's Clorane ...	4	8	11	M Cannon	20
1896	Lord Rosebery's Quarrel ...	5	7	11	Fagan	17
1897	Mr H M Calmont's Knight of the Thistle ...	4	7	5	Allsopp	18
1898	Mr L de Rothschild's Jaquemart ...	4	8	6	T Loates	21
1899	Mr D J Jardine's Refractor ...	3	6	8	A Weatherel	16
1900	Mr J Drake's Royal Flush ...	a	7	0	J Reiff	20
1901	Mr J B Leigh's Stealaway ...	4	6	7	J Childs	22
1902	Lord Carnarvon's The Solicitor	4	7	4	S Loates	23
1903	Mr L de Rothschild's Kunstler	5	7	5	J E Watts	25

On several occasions the Cesarewitch has been won by animals who, in the earlier part of the season, have been considered practically worthless. A notable instance was Weathergage, winner of the long-distance event in 1852.

Originally the property of Mr. Armstrong, Weathergage was, by the advice of Admiral Rous, sold for forty pounds. Six months later he landed one of the biggest *coups* on record.

Sporting Notes.

A GENERAL meeting of the subscribers to the Calcutta Paperchases was held on the 10th instant at No. 12, Russell Street, Mr. R. H. A. Gresson presiding. It was decided, after same discussion, to raise the height for ponies to 14-2 on condition that ponies to qualify for the Pony Cup must qualify in the weekly pony chases. There will be another general meeting to-morrow to decide upon the conditions of the Pony Cup next coming season.

As taken by Benson's chronograph, the time occupied by Roseburn in winning the Chesterfield Handicap at Doncaster, distance one mile and a half, was 2mins. 30⅘secs. (details in our London Sporting Letter). This time creates a new record for that distance. The previous best, 2mins. 30⅘secs., was made by Avidity in the Alexandra Plate, Doncaster, September 1900. Other fast times for one mile and a half were made by Santoi (2mins. 31secs.) at Hurst Park, and King's Courier (2mins. 31⅘secs.) at the same enclosure.

Our Bangalore Correspondent writes:—All the horses entered at Mysore and Bangalore are being shoved along pretty strongly at present, and the course presents a most animated appearance in the early mornings. Nearly all the well-known jockeys in India are in the station, including Penton, Lansdowne, Koops, O'Neill, Wiles, Bennett, Melsom, Burns and Hoyt. With Bundook, Sister, Rapid Pilgrim, Nightingale, Wild Raven, Peppercorn, Tecoota and numerous other good horses for these well-known professionals to ride, there must infallibly be good sport at the two big sister meetings.

The bookmakers, jockeys and trainers, who are making their cricket and their projected match against the owners a serious function this year, played a scratch match against a team composed of members of the Bowring Institute on the 9th instant, and won by the handsome margin of 54 runs with a couple of wickets to spare. Nearly all the runs for the professionals were made by Godfrey and T. Ferguson, the well-known trainer, who scored 85 and 40 runs respectively. Both men also did good work in the bowling department. The owners will not have to consider their match too much as a "skittle" function if they wish to win it.

Particulars of a good day's sport, especially for the bookmakers, at the Bangalore Third Extra Meeting, will be found in our Turf columns.

Among the ponies on board the *Fortunatus*, which is expected to reach Calcutta shortly, are Silenus and Omelette for "Mr. Kelso" and several real good performers shipped by Messrs. McKellar, Smith, Norton, Burgess and Griffiths.

It is possible that Cissy J. will be sent up from Rangoon to run in Calcutta Monsoon Meetings.

The Gymkhana at Simla last Saturday once more provided a most enjoyable afternoon's sport. There were five events on the card, all of which attracted large entries. Tent-pegging over hurdles was the opening competition; seventeen entered, Captain Smith getting the award. Polo croquet for Ladies was won by Mrs. McLeod, with Mrs. Morgan next: conditions were to hit a Polo ball through three hoops and touch a stick. The Polo ball race was run off in heats, and was won by Captain Smith, Captain Brooke second. The Aunt Sally Stakes, competed for by teams of four, was carried off by Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. McLeod and Messrs. Lloyd and McLeod. Major and Mrs. Crocker secured the Bran Tub Stakes, which was the final event. Her Excellency Lady Ampthill kindly offered for competition the Viceroy's Cup, which she had won at the recent Horse Show with her mare Atlanta. Major Maxwell won with English Lord.

It has frequently been said—and no one seems to have the temerity to dispute the assertion—that there is no such thing as "luck," but perhaps the Turf careers of Mr. W. Bass and Mr. George Faber may be taken as disproving the theory. Mr. Bass, though he can have had little preliminary experience, never seems to make a bad deal, and though he gave a lot of money for Sceptre, the stakes she has since won, with a margin allowed for moderate speculation, would fully recoup the outlay. Then, again, Grey Tick, Lychnobite, and Wet Paint, who at different periods were purchased to lead the mare in her work, have each won good races on their own account, and if rumour speaks truthfully a good sum was landed over the first-named when he carried off the Cesarewitch. Mr. Faber, on the other hand, though he spends money

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in the most lavish manner in the purchase of thoroughbred stock, seems scarcely able to win a race of any sort, and Dame Fortune certainly could not have been smiling upon him when, offered choice between Sceptre and Duke of Westminster at the close of their two-year-old careers, he selected the colt instead of the filly.

The Simla Polo Tournament for the Beresford Cup began on the 6th instant when a large crowd turned out to see the opening matches. The first game was between the 12th Lancers and the Patiala team, a finely contested match resulting in a win for the Lancers by 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal and four subsidiaries. The teams were :—*Patiala :* Thukar Singh, Major Popham, Mr. Young and Chanda Singh (back). *12th Lancers :* Lieutenant T. R. Badger, Lieutenant A. B. Reynolds, Captain Wormald and Captain Bailey. In the other game the Commander-in-Chief's Staff opposed the Bengal Cavalry, the former having an easy win by 9 goals and 4 subsidiaries to 3 goals. Teams :—*Staff :* Captain V. R. Brooke, Major F. A. Maxwell, Colonel Hamilton, and Barnes. *Bengal Cavalry :* Messrs. Binny, Crocker, Howell and Fasken. The third game in the first round was played off on the 7th instant before a large gathering of spectators, Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Ampthill being present. The Freebooters beat the Viceroy's Staff by six goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal. It was a good game in spite of the score, the Staff being unlucky in not obtaining a larger number of points. Teams :—*Freebooters :* Davis, Smith, Mant and Mathew-Lannowe. *Staff*: Mortimer, Campbell, Popham and Keighley.

The semi-finals were played on the 9th instant. The first match was between the Freebooters and the 15th Hussars, a splendid game ending in favour of the Hussars by 5 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 4 goals 1 subsidiary. The Freebooters played a plucky game but could not get another goal. The Hussars team :—Lieutenant C. J. Ratcliff, Major L. E. Kennard, Captain A Courage, Lieutenant L. T. C. Livingstone-Learmouth (back). The Freebooters were as before. The second game between the 12th Lancers and the Chief's Staff provided a fine struggle, resulting in a draw. They were prevented from continuing by a storm, but on the 11th instant the teams met once more, with widened goals. The Lancers pressed hard at the start and scored a minor point, but their opponents soon got possession and put through, thus winning on the two days' play for 4 goals, 4 subsidiaries to 3 goals, 5 subsidiaries. Teams as before.

If dogged determination and pegging away at accomplishing an object in the face of repeated disappointment deserves success, the Fish Acclimatisation Society have well merited it in what it has achieved in the trout introduction line. We learn that the country-reared fish have commenced breeding, so may take it for granted that the problem of introducing this grand fish into tropical waters has been at length solved. As it turns out the chief food of the rainbow trout is fresh water crabs an incentive is offered for essaying acclimatisation in other mountain tracts. In the plains we should have to reckon with the schools of others whose ravages it would be well nigh impossible to control, but high up in Northern India, about 6,000 feet, the water cat is seldom met with. Fresh water crustaceans abound in the Assam mid range, so a promising field lies open there for the pisiculturist. Imported spawn or developed fish are not likely to thrive in the vicinity of Shillong, for clear as the water looks, it is impregnated with peaty properties. To succeed one must set up the hatcheries or turn down the fish farther to the eastward, towards Ja-ai, and the valleys to the north. The Nurtiang lake and its feeders offers a suitable field, being free from mineral contaminations. The pretty little speckled fellows mentioned as present in the minor pools and streams in the neighbourhood of Lakhat might be netted and taken up ; should they thrive we may consider the larger kind would, for true trout these undoubtedly are.

That prince of distillers and rare good judge of a horse, a dog or a yacht, Sir Thomas R. Dewar, has a page of biographical sketch in the *Licensed Victuallers' Gazette*, in which the writer takes us rapidly through the leading incidents in the life of one of Scotland's most prominent sons and gives details of the growth of a most remarkably successful enterprise. Referring to the light side of the picture the chronicler says :—

"He is a thorough sportsman, and is always ready to encourage genuine sport. In order to commemorate his year of Shrievalty for the City of London he presented a committee with a valuable Challenge Shield, said to be the best in the world, called the 'Sheriff of London Football Charity Shield.' It is of more than usual value, and is highly prized by the winning team, and is played for each year between a selected team of Amateurs and a well-known Professional eleven. The proceeds of the matches are distributed amongst the various charities in the metropolis and in the district from which the visiting team hails. Up to the present there have been six contests, and the total sum distributed is very little short of £1,300.

"He is an expert whip, and for some few years ran the coach from London to Boxhill during the season. He is now an ardent motorist, having a 16-horse power Panhard and two other small cars of different makes. Although he has done over 30,000 miles on his Panhard in various parts of England, he has as yet not had the honour of an official interview with a county bench of magistrates. He is a Justice of the Peace for the county of Kent, and on the Commission of Lieutenancy for the City of London.

"Although much occupied with business and parliamentary duties (meetings in his constituency and the like), during the shooting season he generally manages to get in a week-end in Kent. During the summer he spends week-ends on his houseboat, the *Fair Maid of Perth*, on the Thames.

"Though a good all-round sportsman and fond of shooting, driving and racing (keeping a good stud in training at Newmarket), Sir Thomas sets an example in the fact that he never bets."

A stirring account of how a monster crocodile was captured in the Kranji river by some local sportsmen the other day has been sent to The *Straits Budget*. The writer remarks that on Sunday a party went out pig-hunting, but they had little luck. The chase led them to the Kranji river far from the main road. It was decided to board a boat, which was then available, to land them at the 12th milestone on the Bukit Timah Road. On continuing their journey along the river, a huge crocodile was noticed on the left bank enjoying its midday siesta. At the moment a strong current was running and it was with difficulty that the boat's head was turned upstream. The boatman on seeing the crocodile dropped the oars and became nervous. His place was gallantly taken by one of the "braves," who in his elementary lesson in boating nearly brought the whole party to grief. At a distance of 200 yards, two shots were fired from a Winchester Rifle 50-110 and a sporting 303. The saurian took the bullets like a Scotsman taking porridge. About ten minutes elapsed and the brute raised its head wondering when the next few lumps of sugar were coming along. With its formidable jaws wide open (says our correspondent waxing enthusiastic) and bellowing like some monster of the deep engaged in deadly struggle, the crocodile began lashing its tail with such fury as to send the mangrove trees flying in all directions. With raised head it made for the water, but another tiny, though powerful 303 bullet sped on its fatal errand and checked immediately its progress. On the bullet striking the monster below its jaw, its head was seen to drop as if a sledge hammer had battered it down. This bullet was afterwards found to have penetrated the skull. The first two bullets hitting the brute on the neck would have put a powerful animal *hors de combat*, but even the third shot did not despatch it. It again bellowed with raised head and jaws open. About two hours afterwards, when all sign of life was extinct, it was hauled into the boat with the help of 12 men. On resuming the journey, and while in mid-stream, the tail was lashed furiously and the jaws moved again. This caused a great commotion in the boat which nearly swamped. The relief on standing again on solid ground after a short voyage of great excitement was never better experienced. Great difficulty was experienced in getting the huge monster ashore. It measured 20 feet and only 4 teeth were noticed. The boatman explained, when all danger was over, that he expected the crocodile's mate to attack the boat as they have often been known to do. This accounts for his—that is, the boatman's—peculiar behaviour.

Hunters of big game will be interested in the story which Mr. Basil Tozer, says the managing director of a mining syndicate operating not far from Pretoria, sends home in an official report. "About five o'clock on Sunday morning," says the writer, "at least seven lions (counting the incoming spoors) attacked our goats, killed five and mauled three, and also one native. About 3 P.M., a boy turned up badly scratched, saying that a lion was eating his companion ; so we all turned out, four of us, followed by 100 Kaffirs. My three companions stirred up a lion about 200 yards north-west of the camp. They fired several shots, but missed, so we followed the spoor. Suddenly a huge lioness jumped up about 60 feet ahead of us. I fired, and hit her in the chest. She turned on hind legs away from me and made a jump for L. When she reached L. a shot went off somewhere, and L. went down, with the lioness on top of him. I did not fire, for fear of hitting him. Two more shots went off, and the lioness left L., and I gave her another shot as she jumped a short distance in the bush. The affair lasted only a few minutes. L. got up and ran a short distance to the rear, and I hurried to attend to him. The lioness had torn his clothes and mauled his left arm. We carried him into camp, where he died a few minutes after our arrival, about 4 P. M. We buried him on Monday afternoon. On Monday night we were again attacked by lions. I had put the remaining goats in the wagon shed, and had thorn bushes piled up all round seven feet high, and had two lamps burning in the stable and the shed; but lions jumped over the thorn bushes, broke in the door, and killed several goats. Last night (two nights later) we were once more attacked, but the lions could do no damage, as we had set an armed guard in the stable. Judging by the spoors there were nine lions here on Sunday morning. They have been trying to dig under the stable again. We had another attack last night (two nights later) at about 10 o'clock. One lion was killed by the stable guard. I paid the boys the premium of one pound each. Last night a single lion got into the camp. He came in near my hut, walked down the row of huts, and went out near the dining room. I have learned more about lions in the last few days than I ever heard or read about them before. Sixty-one boys left us this morning. The stable boys won't go for water unless two armed men accompany them."

Premature old age is, of course, produced by a thousand and one other agencies besides over-indulgence in strong drink ; but the case of a certain Scottish gentleman, high up in the social scale, who has reduced himself to the condition of a physical wreck by the undue exercise of his muscles is, perhaps, uncommon. From his boyhood, gymnastics and athletic games of every description possessed a peculiar fascination for him, and nothing afforded him such genuine and perfect delight as to find himself applauded for some surprising deed demonstrating extraordinary strength. Five in the morning always found him at his dumb-bells and Indian clubs, and in the evening twilight his brow was still bathed in perspiration, the result of a ceaseless exertion to break some vaunted "record" or other. As he advanced in age he devoted more and more attention to his baneful hobbies. He studied his diet like a boxer training for the ring, and ardent liquors never passed his lips. Yet to-day, at the age of forty-five, he is bent, shrunk, and wrinkled, and easily mistaken for a person who has reached the allotted span. While recently attempting to raise two 56lbs. weights above his head —one in each hand—the overstrained muscles of both arms became suddenly paralysed, and he is since unable to raise them from his side. All this was told me (continues the correspondent) by his aggrieved father, who added that his son's curious and egregious infatuation had proved quite as ineradicable as the most insinuating and noxious forms of vice.

We have heard a great deal of late of "ambi-dexterity," and the advantages to be derived from the practice of using both hands. Now we read that "most men are stronger in one limb than in the fellow one. It has been ascertained that over 50 per cent. of mankind examined have the right arm stronger than the left ; 16·4 per cent. have the two arms of equal length and strength ; and 32·7 per cent. have the left arm stronger than the right. Of women, 46·9 per cent. have the right arm stronger than the left ; 24·5 per cent have the left stronger than the right. In order to arrive at the average length of limbs 50 skeletons were once measured, 25 of each sex. Of these 23 had the right arm and left leg longer, six the left arm and right leg, while in 17 cases all the members were more or less equal in length."

British sportsmen will learn with a good deal of pleasure that a public subscription is being raised at Johannesburg to send a Transvaal rifle team to compete at the forthcoming meeting at Bisley.

Shooting reaches a high level of excellence in Africa, and recent competitions have shown records superior to any made in England. Consequently, the team are very sanguine of success at the great meeting, and are not without hopes of bringing back the King's Prize. The belief of the Boer in his own abilities as a shot is self-evident, and, if he proves the best man, no one will grudge him the King's Prize. But we have yet to be satisfied that all that has been said of the Boer as a shot is quite true ; and a little ocular demonstration would, no doubt, clear up many doubts and dispel not a few delusions.

Athletic Notes.

We have received a couple of letters from ill-conditioned people complaining about the seating and other arrangements at recent football matches on the Calcutta *maidan*. We should like people of this class to understand that we cannot lend our columns to the abuse, anonymous or otherwise, of Club Executives in connection with matters such as these. The general, outside public are clean out of court when they grumble. They do not pay to see these matches, the matches are not played for their benefit, and as often as not those crowding round the ropes and encroaching on the field of play are a serious nuisance to the players; protests from these persons can only be classed as examples of gross impertinence. On the other hand, Club members ought surely to address their Committees and Honorary Secretaries if they have any complaints to make, rather than exhibit such indecent haste to "write to the papers." We are always open to publish letters concerning the objects to promote which this paper exists; but corespondence of this childish and petty nature will invariably find its way to the waste paper basket to be ultimately dealt with by the office "Plantagenet."

Jack McAuliffe and Bert Delaney were in Singapore last month giving boxing exhibitions at Harmston's Circus, the genial "Bob" Love presiding over the show in his accustomed fatherly manner. He was, when last we heard of him, offering to back McAuliffe to fight any man in Singapore for a sum not exceeding $10,000.

The Calcutta Rowing Club has just issued the programme for the second regatta of the season, the appropriated date for which is Saturday, the 30th July. It is as follows :—

1. *Junior Sculls.*—½ mile. Prize, a cup. Entrance, Rs. 5.

2. *Class Fours.*—½ mile in tub fours, sliding seats. Prizes, tankards. Entrance, Rs. 25 per crew (including cox). Open to members of professions, services, banks, railways, commercial companies. *N.B.*—It is desirable that crews should respectively represent one particular profession, bank, firm, branch of service, etc.

3. *Scratch Fours.*—¼ mile. Prizes, pewters. Entrance (on the bank), Rs. 2 each.

Entries for event No. 1 close on the 23rd July. Entries for event No. 2 close on the 16th July.

Votaries of the noble art of self-defence are not few nor wanting in enthusiasm at Mhow, writes a correspondent, and evidence thereof may be found in the fact that the York and Lancaster Regiment have just held a successful tournament, in which the rest of the garrison were kindly allowed to take part. The tournament occupied two evenings, 1st and 2nd June. The time-keeper was Q. M. S. Stewart; Judges, Captain Haines and Lieutenant Awdry; and Referee, Captain Ross, R. A. M. C. Twelve men entered for the Regimental Light Weights. In the semi-finals Private Draper beat Lance-Corporal Walsh, and Private Sauson beat Private Woollen. In the finals, Draper beat Sauson after a good fight. An extra round had to be fought to decide it. In the Garrison Light Weights semi-finals, Driver Tomlin, R. H. A., beat Private Higgins, Y. and L., and Private Farrah, Y. and L., beat Corporal Edwards, 10th Royal Hussars. In the finals Farrah beat Tomlin. There were seven entries for this match. Ten entered for the Garrison Middle Weights. In the semi-finals, Driver Dove, R. H. A., beat Trumpeter Mulligan, 10th R. H., and Trooper Sheppard, 10th R. H., was left a bye. In the finals Dove beat Sheppard. In the special six-round contest between Private Yates, Y. and L., and Trooper Webb, 10th R. H., the former was adjudged the victor. In the contest between Lance-Corporal Conlin, Y. and L., and Private Lacy, of the same regiment, the former bore off the palm. The prizes for the best fight in the competition were awarded to Lance-Corporal Walsh and Private Gregory, both of the York and Lancaster Regiment.

The following are among the most important cricket fixtures decided at home last week :—Kent beat Worcestershire by 204 runs; the South Africans beat Cambridge by 70 runs, Essex was defeated by Warwickshire by an innings and 110 runs; Lancashire beat Somerset by ten wickets; Yorkshire beat Surrey by 297 runs; the match between Sussex and Derbyshire ended in a win for the former by an innings and 65 runs; and that between Leicestershire and London County in a win for Leicestershire by 9 wickets.

On the 10th instant Lancashire beat Gloster by an innings and 43 runs; the South Africans beat Oxford University by an innings and 97 runs; Sussex was defeated by Essex by an innings and 204 runs. Derbyshire *vs.* M. C. C. resulted in a win for the former by eight wickets. Kent *vs.* Middlesex was won by Kent by eight wickets. On Saturday, the 11th instant, Worcester beat Hants by six wickets; Yorkshire beat Notts by ten wickets; and Surrey beat Cambridge University by 40 runs.

The Irish native Golf Championship played at Portmarnock, has been won by Mr. H. A. Boyd, who beat Mr. J. P. Todd by four holes and two to play.

As advices by last mail foreshadowed, Peter Latham easily defeated "Punch" Fairs and won the Tennis Championship by 7 sets to five. Details of the final stage of the contest appear in our London Sporting Letter.

The Calcutta Cricket Club ground is closed for the season.

Entries for the I. F. A. Challenge Shield Tournament close on the 11th July.

The movement in Bombay to start another Rugby Football Club has met with general approval; we trust to hear that the scheme has been carried to a successful issue. This reminds us that there is more than sufficient room for another Rugby Club or two in Calcutta. There are, we believe, many men in the C. F. C. who would like to play, but under existing arrangements cannot hope to get into the eleven, or see anything but second and practice games. That there exists good "footer" material in this Club alone for another Civilian Club we have no doubt whatever. Why not follow Bombay's example? What about a Calcutta Scottish or a Ballygunge team?

A brief reference was recently made to the huge score of 438 by Warwick Armstrong for Melbourne Club against Melbourne University. The University did not get a knock either on March 26th or April 9th, so that the eight wickets of M. C. C. represented the sum total of the cricket. As W. W. A.'s 438 beat all Australian records for the highest individual score, it will be well to give the full details of the Melbourne innings :—

Bruce, c Baird, b James	8
Armstrong, b Bailey	438
Rainsford, run out	42
Fry, c James, b Rainey	20
Down, c Graham, b James	14
Monfries, c L. Miller, b Rainey ...	123
Irwin, b James	11
Johnston, not out	16
Bowden, run out	0
Murray, not out	3
Sundries	24
Total (for 8 wickets) ...	699

Previous to this, J. Worrall's 417 for Carlton against the University in February 1896, held the Victorian record, with T. Warne's 402, also for Carlton *v.* Richmond, in December 1898, a good second C. J. Eady's 566, for Break-'o-Day *v.* Wellington, at Hobart, on March 8th, 15th, 22nd and April 4th, 1902, is the best so far for Australasia. Bailey, who finally bowled Armstrong, is a son of the Tasmanian cricketer, G. H. Bailey, who went to England as a member of the first Australian team, in 1878.

The first individual innings of two hundred at Home this season was made by J. E. Raphael, playing Oxford University *v.* Yorkshire. It is so unusual nowadays for a 'Varsity cricketer to do anything out of the ordinary that if the two hundred had been made against an ordinary County the feat would have attracted attention, but Raphael's innings was played against the full bowling strength of Yorkshire, and it takes some skill to make two hundred runs against Rhodes, Hirst, Haigh, Ringrose, and Myers.

Raphael was at school at Merchant Taylors, where he made a great schoolboy reputation. Dr. Grace soon spotted him and gave him plenty of chances of distinguishing himself for London County, but on the whole his play was as disappointing as that of so many other young players who have shown great promise at school. He can hit with tremendous power, as he showed in the Yorkshire match after he had made his first hundred runs, but often he contents himself with playing with great steadiness.

The final game in the Murree Football Tournament was won by the Gordon Highlanders who defeated the King's Royal Rifles by two goals to love.

De Rougemont, it appears, is not to have it all his own way with his bare-back riding on turtleback. "Truthful Tommy," we hear is challenging him to a race on *mock turtles* from Battersea Bridge to Broadstairs, the contest to be in the Græco-Roman or catch-as-catch-can style, spot stroke barred, and no heel-taps. This should prove an interesting sporting event.

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London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 27th May 1904.*

RUSSIA'S methods are giving rise to indignation. It is not yet conclusively proved that the defenders of Port Arthur are making it a practice to leave mines afloat on the high seas on the chance of an enemy's ship coming in contact with one: but if it be true that this has been, and is intentionally done, the authorities in this country hold such proceedings entirely a breach of international law. Manifestly these terrible engines may drift any distance into perfectly neutral waters and destroy perfectly neutral vessels: and Admiral de Horsey and others speak for not only this nation, but all nations, when they insist that enquiry into the practice and legality thereof should be undertaken.

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Of less immediate importance to neutrals, but not much more creditable to Russia, is the amazing policy indicated in a telegram from St. Petersburg published here on Tuesday: this gives the gist of the Viceregal order concerning the enlistment of the Sakhalin convicts. The principal terms are: that each two months of active service shall reckon as a year of penal servitude: any convict who takes part in an action shall *de facto* become a member of the colonist class: all brilliant feats of arms by convict volunteers will be reported to the Viceroy for further reduction of sentence or even for full pardon. There are other conditions affecting various classes of convicts, but these exhibit the general scheme. Now Sakhalin is the destination of all that is worst in Russian criminal circle, and the convict population is over 22,000. We need not perhaps attach much importance to the fact that about one-third of the total are murderers: a man otherwise estimable may in the moment of passion become a murderer whose sentence is the least part of the punishment he has to bear. But the very dregs of the Russian criminal population are sent to Sakhalin, and that staunch admirer—or patron—of Russia, Mr. Henry Norman, has told the world the Tzar's police "have to deal with a stratum of population far below any that exists with us—a brutish, hopeless, irreclaimable mass of human animals." And this is the material to which Russia entrusts the task of fighting her battles! No wonder the civilised nations stare.

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I take it that Japan is the nation that should take least objection to this remarkable recruiting scheme: a Russian convict will not make a very dangerous enemy: but he will make an uncommonly dangerous ally, and the unfortunate people, in whose country operations occur, will find this out. Where, we ask meantime, are the 3½ millions of men which constitute the Russian War Establishment? Is that railway proving a reed so broken that a convict near the seat of war is become a valuable military asset? In connection with this convict enlistment order, read the following which I clipped from Monday's *Times*. It comes from one of the Thunderer's Russian Correspondents:—The mother of one of the Jewish surgeons who have been sent out from Warsaw to the war recently received from her son a letter which throws a characteristic light on the results of Russian censorship. The letter is written in the usual official Russian style, and bears the stamp of the censor. It states that the writer is in good health, that admirable order prevails among the troops, who are certain of victory and are amply supplied with all necessaries, and that there is so little illness that the army surgeons have scarcely anything to do. It concludes with a request that his mother should send him some Hebrew books of which he gives the titles. These are:—"Famine and Destitution," "Consequent Fearful Epidemics," "Scarcely any Sanitary Appliances," "Demoralization of the Army Constantly Increasing," "End of Discipline," "Wish I were Taken Prisoner." Evidently the censor did not know Hebrew.

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"Shaves" have been as numerous as usual since I wrote last: Tuesday evening saw a really fine effort, the ha'penny papers killing from fourteen to sixteen thousand Japs.

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The Registrar-General is not an author, whose annual work has a very wide reading public: indeed I doubt whether you could get "vital statistics" at Mudie's: but when somebody who revels in acres of figures has digested the contents of the work for you, it proves to have "vital" interest. The outskirts of London, according to Mr. Registrar-General, are the healthiest places in Britain: the rate of mortality at Hornsey, somewhere on the north' was lowest, being 7·9 per 1,000 in 1903. Beckenham' somewhere in the South East, came next, with 9 per 1,000. Dublin was worst, with 22·9 per 1,000. Nearly all the metropolitan suburban towns had a lower death-rate than the recognised health resorts: but this is due in a measure, I surmise, to the circumstance that when people grow very mindful of their mortality they go, if they can afford it, to a health resort regardless of the circumstance that by dying there they render injustice to the health resort's death-rate. The death-rate for the whole of inner London last year was the lowest known, to wit 15·7 per 1,000. A rate due again, I imagine, to the increased affluence and charity which enables the sick to go or be removed to more airy situations. A serious item in the statistics is the increase of births over deaths in the kingdom: the net increase was 13 per 1,000: and this in a country where there is hardy elbow room as it is.

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An adaptation of a French play is "Lady Flirt," produced on Wednesday at the Haymarket. It is a rather familiar game of cross purposes redeemed from the commonplace by the refinement and wit—often brilliancy—of the dialogue: but whether these factors have as much to do with its success as the clever acting of Mr. Cyril Maude, Mr. Fred Kerr, Miss Ellis Jeffreys and Miss Beatrice Beckley would be hard to say. M. le Comte de la Roche (Mr. Maude) is at the bottom of the trouble: he has been dallying about Lady Melborough (Miss Beckley) who has written him compromising letters—the usual packet tied with a ribbon. Ah! How well one knows those letters! Lady Melborough has kept her gallivantings a secret from her lord (Mr. Edmund Maurier) who is attached to our Embassy at Paris, but confides in Lady Tonbridge (Miss Jeffreys): and when the inevitable letters find their way into Lord Melborough's hands (the Comte had a curious habit of leaving them in an unaddressed envelope) Lady Tonbridge comes in at the psychological moment and claims it as hers: takes the Comte as her own admirer and relieves her friend. This self-denial gets her into trouble with her real adorer, Honourable Paul Harding, Lord Melborough's brother: happily he is a deserving fellow and the situation is not further complicated. Lady Tonbridge secures the whole budget of letters and "all is peas." Mr. Cyril Maude was admirably suited as the Comte, a grining, smirking, bowing Frenchman who withal has undeniable fascination: and uncommonly good was Mr. Kenneth Douglas as Tommy Gore, a boy who is madly in love with Lady Tonbridge. Miss Jeffreys has never been seen to better advantage than "Lady Flirt:" she has a train of admirers whom she handles to perfection. The first Act, at Melborough's Paris House, was a bit slow: the second and third—the last in Lady Tonbridge's flat—were much more animated. The piece should have a run.

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The King and Queen gave the Military Tournament the advantage of their presence yesterday. The most interesting feature of the display is the pageant called "The Rise of the Royal Artillery," wherein we are shown field guns from the time of Crecy down to the present day: an excellent idea excellently carried out. "Push ball on Horseback," however, will probably appeal more nearly to the shilling crowd.

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The Moody Manners Company gave "The Daughter of the Regiment" at Drury Lane on Tuesday night. The best performance was that of Mdlle. Zelie de Lussan as the Vivandière, but all the parts were well filled and the singing was admirable. An incident of the evening was Mr. Manners' pathetic appeal to the rather thin house for aid to establish National English Opera. He said that his company turned money away in provincial towns, but he reckoned his loss on Tuesday night at £100, whereas a full house would have left a profit of £150. I fear me Mr. Manners' appeal is thrown away: what the London public want is more than self-supporting and eleemosynary aid will not keep alive that which is not wanted. We are not a musical nation in the classical sense of the word and there is an end of it.

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Writing of matters musical, I must not forget to mention the discovery, among a collection of old music at Leicester, of a work by Wagner hitherto unknown, to wit, the "Rule Britannia" overture. The critics conjecture that its interest will prove less musical than historical: it was written in 1837 when Wagner was conductor at Königsberg: and it seems likely was discarded by the composer as he gave a concert at Riga in 1838 which included "Rule Britannia" with a different overture.

From these high matters descend we to earth, and bid farewell to the "Chinese Honeymoon," which goes off after a record stay for musical comedy of 1,075 nights.

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Arthur Roberts celebrated Whit Monday at the Palace by a new "sketch" called "Where's the Count," which opens in the manner of a farce and rapidly rages into careless incoherency. I have a dim recollection that at the beginning Joe Muggins (Arthur Roberts), the cabman, was engaged to marry the maid whose mistress is engaged to Captain Somebody, and that there were cross-misunderstandings over a certain Count who does not appear in the flesh. And I have a lively recollection of Arthur Roberts in inconsequent guises as a Society idiot and an Irish police inspector, burlesquing actors, uttering Robertsian quips and sallies, and making things generally hum.

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The Whitsuntide programme at the Alhambra includes two good turns. The "Radium Dance" is a novelty, and though I don't quite see what radium has to do with it, the name, suggestive of mystery, is very suitable. It is a weird performance. The house is absolutely dark: orchestra and footlights out: stage draped in black: family vaults and charnel houses rise in your mind and when ten or more figures glide on, radiant with a suppressed glow-worm sort of radiance, you think of all the short stories you ever heard. Then music which ought in consistency to recall the Dance of Death, but does not: presumably the management fear to stir our feelings too deeply for the strains were suggestive rather of the too familiar cake walk. How the mysterious light, which illumines the clothing of the dancers only, is produced is an American secret. The rest of the ballet is pretty, but the Radium Dance is the feature of the entertainment. The other "turn" is that of Miss Caselli's Chihuahua (which doggy people pronounce "shewawa") dogs. I was the more interested in this, having regarded these very small canines as the least intelligent of their race. They walk tight ropes and do exercises on horizontal bars and trapezes: and one highly accomplished little beast, about the size of a well grown guinea pig, balanced himself on one fore-paw upon his trainer's thumb: a really clever trick which must have taken a lot of practice. "High Jinks" holds its place at the Empire defying Theatre managers and Law: the Sleepy Page dance goes as successfully as ever. May Yohé has reappeared: this time on the Music Hall stage to receive on ovation at the Tivoli where she sings a couple of coon songs. It was bad luck for the Whitsun visitors to town that Dan Leno should have fallen and hurt his foot, obliging him to take a week's rest just at the holiday time. His place at the "Pav." is taken for the time by Mr. Malcolm Scott, who does "The woman who knows" with a restrained humour and cleverness that struck me as more than excellent. There is nothing very striking among the new turns at the Hippodrome.

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A fine day on Monday gave the Earl's Court show a brilliant start: nearly 76,500 people are said to have visited the place on the Bank Holiday. The Great Wheel takes rather a back seat now I am told, preference going to a new form of excitement which is planned on the lines of the "giant's stride familiar to school boys." To a lofty pillar are suspended fish-shaped cars, each of which carries a dozen people: the pillar is made to revolve by steam with ever-increasing rapidity until the cables suspending the cars are at nearly such an angle to the pillar as the ribs of a Japanese umbrella: having attained this desirable (?) speed and elevation, the speed is gradually reduced to let the cars down again. The danger of accident is minimised by the water into which a car would fall, did its cable snap. Whence I presume the suggestive fish-like form of the vehicle.

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Yvette Guilbert has been giving an interviewer her ideas about the London Stage. She "names no names," mind: but "I have been to the play every night and I am dumbfounded at the vapidity of your playwrights and at the public finding pleasure in such stuff." "All your productions are almost in every case so childish, so void of sense and of the particular kind of fun which no longer amuses those who have passed the age of twelve." "It has actually hurt me to hear grown up men and women laugh over and applaud certain farces whose poverty of wit was heartrending." "A little art please, just a little bit of art. Have farce if you will, but have with it wit and especially put into it some sense and meaning." Whereto Max Beerbohm replies "It must not be forgoten that the French are apt to confuse the obstetric with the artistic and, in spite of the consciousness that the humour of farce is oftimes pitiful, I would add "and domestic sanitation with humour."

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The Poet Laureate is coming out as a playwright. He sent anonymously, a comedietta called "A Lesson in Harmony," to Mr. Bourchier, stipulating that if accepted that actor manager should play the leading part. The reader accepted the play and lo! the author proved to be Mr. Alfred Austin.

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Various items: Subscriptions are being invited to a fund for the purpose of paying Sir James Duke's expenses in the action brought against him by Mr. Sievier: the balance, if any, to be applied to a testimonial for sevices rendered. The last planks of the scaffolding are now being removed from the base of the Albert Memorial: and people are asking when the upper regions of the edifice are going to be renovated. The Cart Horse Parade on Whit Monday was a bigger function than ever: and its most ardent supporters recognise that steps must be taken to divide it if the affair is not to reach unmanageable proportions. The Committee of the Thames Barrage Scheme advocates full examination thereof before Parliament commits itself to the bill for municipalisati n of the London Docks: the Committee maintains that the Barrage Scheme will cost one-tenth what the other will cost. The new "Simpson's" opened on Wednesday with much flourish of paragraphs: a different Simpson's from the old whose knife board high backed settles on the horse-box pattern you would remember. It is many years since I dined at Simpson's and I confess that I have, in later years, preferred the East Room at the Cri, or other resort where you sit softer and dine equally well. The new Simpson's promises no extra charge for thick carpets, oak panelling and comfortable chairs: and chess will remain as of yore. The Great Northern Brompton Piccadilly Tube is to have a station opposite Baily's Hotel and the shaft sinkers are at work on the site of the houses demolished for the purpose. It is proposed to use the late Colonel North's house at Avery Hill as a training college for teachers. How this would square with a purchase made under the Open Spaces Act only the L. C. C. knows. The *Times*, having recovered its Encyclopædia Britanica advertising efforts, has opened the ball again with full page announcements of a daring scheme whereby you shall enjoy the *Times* for 23 per cent. less than the ordinary price if you pay one year's subscription or two, in advance. I don't doubt the merits of the scheme, but its novelty and originality do not seem to justify such a volcanic outburst of advertisement.

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A West African potentate, the Alake of Abeokuta, is with us and is doing London with a rare combination of the country cousin and the orthodox man about town. We hear of his discerning questions at the Tower of London and of his gratification with the variety show at the Pav.: of his appreciation of the elephants at the Hippodrome and his comments on the street traffic. On the other hand, the reporters exhibit unanimous admiration for his clothes, particularly his topee, which they describe as "pure gold."

ONLOOKER.

Reviews.

CHOLERA.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL JOSHUA DUKE, I.M.S. (Retired), is a writer on many subjects. Our first acquaintance with his literary efforts was in respect of *Bunting in India*; years afterwards we saw more from his pen in the shape of *Codes* and *Rules* if we mistake not; quite recently he came before us in his *Kashmir Handbook*, and now he weighs in with *Cholera*—precautions and suggestions for the prevention and check of this fell disease—not "cure" be it noted, but "check." What he has to say is chiefly addressed to Thomas Atkins, Esquire, and those who in Cantonments dwell, but it is all concisely put, eminently practical and should be helpful in emergency, to say nothing of the assistance it should render those who are intent on keeping cholera at arm's length by attention to those matters of personal, domestic and kitchen hygiene which are alas! so often overlooked to our cost in this country.

Precautions and Suggestions for the Prevention and Check of Cholera. By Lieutenant-Colonel J. Duke, I.M.S., Retired. Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co., Calcutta.

A. "G. G." BOOK.

WITTY sayings by the score seem to come from "G. G." naturally. He turns them out with reckless profusion when the spirit moves him; and he finds it easier apparently, with pen in fist, to be humorous than to pull a long face. In his new novel this well-known contributor tells a good sporting story—not a so-called sporting story with a horse mentioned occasionally and the author generally at sea as to the essental matters of sport. Our author is all right, quite at home in the saddle, on the course, or when flying after fox. In effect, "G. G." knows what he is writing about, and possesses a neat literary style of his own. He has trained and ridden racehorses and hunters; sport has been the ruling passion of his life.

Several amusing characters are introduced into "A Fairy in the Pigskin." The heroine is Miss Kitty Smithers, daughter of a horse-dealer—old Jem Smithers, whose philosophical reflections are quaint and pithy. A gentleman jockey, R. Nibs, and his rich patron little Smifkins, help to keep the game alive; while there is such a brisk and beautiful love interest tenderly described that readers are sure to indulge in a number of hearty laughs Those will be worth much more than the price of admission; they are a sovereign cure for gloom, and here the charge is only three shillings and sixpence. We commend "G. G.'s" new story to the notice of all sportsmen, who are certain to be amused by its perusal and to yearn for more from the same tap—or pen. The latter seems to run on gamely.

A Fairy in the Pigskin. By "G. G." London: Messrs. John Hong.

CRICKET.

THE latest contribution to that world-renowned set of athletic books, 'The All-England Series,' comes from F. C. Holland, whose book on cricket, lavishly and well illustrated, takes rank as one of the best of the series. Fred. C. Holland, the Surrey professional, not only knows the game and plays it too, as we saw last season; but he can write on it in an interesting, practical and instructive style so that with the very helpful picture, he has succeeded in producing a little book of which every genuine cricketer should possess a copy.

Cricket. All-England Series. By Fred. C. Holland, London: Messrs. George Bell and Sons.

THE BIRDS OF CALCUTTA.

WE tender our very good friend, Mr. Frank Finn, hearty congratulations on the appearance of the Second Edition of his now widely known and popular booklet on "The Birds of Calcutta." These interesting and delightfully written chapters on the feathered friends we see around us in our daily life in this big city and its environs received their original christening with printer's ink in a sporting journal we conducted some time ago. They obtained an immediate popularity and awakened an interest in the bird life of Calcutta in many who had never given the subject any attention, and when later on they re-appeared in book form the author had every reason to take full credit for having produced something the average man and woman exile in this sunny land had been seeking for in vain for many years. The general ignorance regarding the "common objects" of the town and suburbs—the birds, animals, trees and flowers—is really astonishing. Hundreds of those who spend years in Calcutta see certain birds almost daily, yet have no idea what they are, who cannot connect any "wild-wood notes of duty" they may hear with the feathered songster producing them and who would fail miserably if asked to identify the koel, brainfever bird, dhyal, mango bird, bush babbler, or the little owlet. The charge of apathy cannot justly be laid to the door of ninety per cent. of these good people; the cause of such want of knowledge has erstwhile been the lack of information ready to hand and popularly served up so as to be "understanded of the people." Often one gets enquiries on such matters and if one is in a position to "impart" it is seldom indeed that interest is not immediately aroused and further investigation stimulated. And surely one is the better for such knowledge? The person at home who couldn't immediately recognise the blackbird, thrush, robin, wren, starling or lark would be very properly regarded as wanting in common perception and ripe for some degree of official restraint; why then this ignorance of the birds of a foreign city in which many years of our lives are spent?

The illustrations, by Mr. Goodchild, are excellent and help the text more than a little. These, and a few minor addenda and corrigenda, necessary to bring the book thoroughly up to date, constitute the chief features of the second edition. We strongly recommend this book to all who dwell within and without "The Ditch."

The Birds of Calcutta. By Frank Finn, B.A., F. Z. S. and M. B. O. U., illustrated by Herbert Goodchild. Second edition. Calcutta: Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co.

Shikar.

THE OORIAL OF THE PUNJAB.

IT would, I think, be hard to find pleasanter shooting anywhere than that obtainable in the Salt Range of the Punjab. Unfortunately the range has shared the fate of the majority of good sporting districts in India, and has been so shot over as to make the bagging of a big head by no means a certainty. There are several places on the North-Western Frontier where Oorial can be got, but these are only accessible to sportsmen stationed there and not always to them. The Salt Range, however, is within easy distance from any part of the Punjab, thanks to the railway. A 30-inch head is now-a-days very rare in the Salt Range—once seen the beast becomes a local celebrity and is sought for by Europeans and natives alike until sooner or later he falls a victim to a well directed bullet. But good heads are still to be got provided the sportsman goes after them at the right time of year. During the winter months it is quite a toss-up whether one will come across a decent ram. Oorial will be met with in numbers, but the old rams keep much to themselvs, and although in a day's tramp several flocks of Oorial may be seen they will almost invariably be found to consist of small males and ewes. The rutting season is late in September and during October, and at this time a big head will be found with nearly every flock. The old rams, however, are uncommonly wary, even during the rutting season, and take very good care of themselves.

Shooting in the autumn in the Salt Range is not easy work. The red sandstone of which the range consists seems to retain the heat of the sun more than any other kind of soil. Water is extremely scarce, and what there is is brackish, while the gorges and ravines are stifling. Still, during the latter half of September and the beginning of October—intense as the heat is—fair sport should be got, and a 10 days' shoot during this time would probably result in a couple of good heads of 26 inches and over. March, too, is a good month—probably because the sun is very hot in the middle of the day, and the rams are less inclined to wander then during the cold months of the year. An old ram Oorial is a noble looking beast with his long beard and handsome horns, and a big head is a trophy to be proud of.

Oorial shooting in the Salt Range is rather tricky work. The wind in the gorges is always uncertain and the Oorial, like all his kind, has wonderfully keen scent. The low ridges rise so abruptly from the ravines that one is very apt to come suddenly on a beast lying down, when he is off like a flash and does not pull up until he has put half a mile or more between himself and his pursuer. His coat, too, is wonderfully adapted to blend with the colour of the ground he frequents and the stunted bushes on which he feeds are in places very numerous, so that he is by no means an easy animal to spot. The best way is to get on to a high ridge which commands likely looking ground and to move slowly along, sitting down at intervals to spy. Prism binoculars are the best things to use—a telescope does not give sufficient field, and is, moreover ill-suited for searching out the numerous ravines and ridges. One can hardly spy too much. The great thing, after the first general glance, is to make sure of the ground in the immediate neighbourhood, and having searched every nook and cranny likely to hold the sheep, finally to turn the glass on to the distant ground. The inclination is to cover too much ground at once with the spy glass. One is so apt to think that if the sheep are there one must see them, but the fallacy of this can easily be proved by picking out a flock in the distance, say, half a mile away, and then taking one's eyes off them. It will be found that unless the flock is a big one and in a conspicuous spot it will be quite an appreciable time varying from half to two or three minutes before they can be picked up again.

I may relate here as a case in point an incident which happened to myself when after Urin (*Ovis vignei*) in Astor—to all intents and purposes the same animal so far as its general appearance and habits are concerned as the Oorial of the Punjab. I had been out a week but had seen nothing but ewes and small rams. Eventually when my leave was almost up I got on to some very likely ground and sat down to spy. There was a long ravine running down the opposite hill which was perhaps 900 yards away. I had with me a powerful telescope and a moderate pair of binoculars, and my shikari, a native of Astor, had eyes like a hawk. The hill was perfectly open—not a tree or bush on it, merely being covered with young grass a few inches high.

The ravine intersecting it was composed of light-coloured shale. One would have supposed that a hare on the opposite hill could hardly have escaped observation. I sat there spying alternately with telescope and binoculars for over half an hour until I believed I had searched every blade of grass and every stone on the opposite slope. Not a thing was to be seen. My shikari had got sick of looking and was lolling on his back half asleep. I was on the point of getting up to try elsewhere when suddenly we were startled by a loud "baa" apparently from the ravine. I at once got the binoculars on to the spot and looked hard and carefully and at last made out the form of an Urin standing motionless in the centre of the ravine. Finding the binoculars inadequate I laid them down to take up the telescope and in doing so had to take my eyes for a second off the sheep. Although I now knew to within a few yards the exact spot it must have been a good minute before I was able to pick up the animal again and then to my surprise I counted no less than 8 rams with 4 good heads among them! They were all in the ravine slightly scattered, but a ring of 30 yards diameter would probably have enclosed the lot. As they were in an unstalkable position and it was after 4 P.M. when I saw them we decided to watch them till night-fall, and to go after them next day.

I amused myself by occasionally taking my eyes off them and trying to pick up again quickly, and the difficultly I found in doing so was almost inconceivable. Their brownish-grey coats so exactly matched the shale that they were invisible to the naked eye, and almost so when using binoculars, while even with the telescope unless one had known them to be there one would have passed them by—as indeed I had—time after time, and this not because of the distance, but entirely owing to their colour being so similar to that of the shale as to make a sheep look like a light-coloured stone. Of course had they been on the grass one must have seen them long before, but even so, in the shade of the hill I daresay it would have taken some time to make them out. As it was they fairly gave themselves away on that occasion with the result that next morning I bagged three good heads out of the flock. We found them much in the same place at 6 A. M. as they had occupied when we left them the evening before, and there they stayed till about 9 A. M. when off they went at a gallop luckily to a place I could stalk them in and I got my first shot some two hours later. I have never before or since heard Oorial or any of the wild sheep tribe bleat except when wounded and seized. I imagine on this occasion an old fellow—probably the lord of the flock had butted a recalcitrant subject and the call was one of remonstrance. Had there been ewes with them the call might have been from a ewe to her lamb—or *vice versa*, but there was not a ewe in the flock—moreover it was not the rutting season.

Once Oorial have been discovered they are not difficult beasts to stalk, and provided the sportsman makes sure of the wind and keeps carefully out of sight a shot can generally be obtained without much difficulty. It is, however, very necessary to mark carefully the bearings of the sheep before the stalk, for the sand-stone ridges of the Salt Range are so alike that it is an easy matter during the stalk—when the sheep are necessarily hidden from time to time—to mistake another ridge for the one they are on, with the probable result of either giving one's wind to them, or exposing oneself to view—or worse still topping the very ridge they are on under the impression that they are on the further side of the next one. Under any of these circumstances they will not stop to make enquiries. Although they are used to seeing natives and do not seem to mind them particularly they discriminate at once between the peaceful villager and the sportsman intent on slaughter, and it does not seem to matter whether the latter is dressed like a native or not—they see through the disguise at once. Probably the sportsman's movements are suspicious and give him away. Fortunately for him

Oorial when suddenly come upon and surprised—this applies chiefly to a flock—single beasts are usually very wary—frequently run for a short distance only, pulling up and huddling together to gaze back over their shoulders at the disturbing element, even after being fired at. Should, however, they get a suspicion of scent, or a glimpse of the sportsman while stalking goodby to all chance of a shot.

Chinkara (Indian Gazelle) are also found in many parts of the Salt Range, but they are very wild there and seldom allow one to get within a quarter of a mile of them. Wild pig are fairly common and an occasional leopard is sometimes seen. I once came almost face to face with one when returning to camp one evening after a day with Oorial, and missed him clean as he bounded off.

A ram sometimes takes a lot of lead to bring him down. I remember once hitting a beast fairly in the chest with a '303 expanding bullet as he turned round to gaze some 200 yards off. At the time I had no notion he was touched. The flock dashed off at a gallop at the shot and my ram with them, and disappeared over the crest line. Following them up I noticed the ram nearly half a mile away taking a line of his own, but still going strong. As it was late in the evening I returned to camp, but an hour later a villager came in to say that he had seen a ram lying down and thought it must be wounded as he had passed close to it and it had not moved. Early next morning I took him with me and he pointed out the place. There was my ram quite dead with the little bullet hole in the centre of the chest. On skinning and cutting him open I found that the bullet had penetrated to the intestines, torn his lungs and smashed him up terribly: but in spite of this he had galloped for the best part of a mile—probably until he fell dead.

As regards what constitutes a shootable head—I should put 25 inches as the limit and below which an Oorial should not be fired at. Twenty-six inches is a fair head in the Salt Range now-a-days, 27 a good head, and anything over this I should class as very good. It is very difficult for the beginner to say the first time whether the ram he is after has a good head or not. The horns always look bigger than they are and the bold sweep is deceptive. A safe rule is that when a ram stands broad side on at a distance of 500 yards or further, if the horn appears to form an almost complete circle it is a good head, probably 26 inches and over. If, however, the horn describes half a circle only or a little over, the head will vary from 16 to 24 inches and should be left sternly alone. Of course there are many heads of 26 inches and over which do not actually describe anything like a complete circle—nevertheless that is the impression conveyed at a distance, and when it is it is safe to go for the animal. On the other hand a small head never looks—even to the ardent imagination of the sportsman—more than a half or three-quarter circle—it suggests unmistakeably the probability of the animal being able to add several more inches of horn with age, and, however much the shooter may hope against hope that he is mistaken and that it may after all turn out to be—well, if not exactly a record—at all events a head he need not be ashamed to show—he is certain to find when the poor beast has bitten the dust that the big head proves to be a worthless 20 inches—fit only to be thrown away. Once a really good head is seen there can be no subsequent mistake as to what is or is not fair game. Disappointment can only occur when a big head in the flesh has never been seen at a distance.

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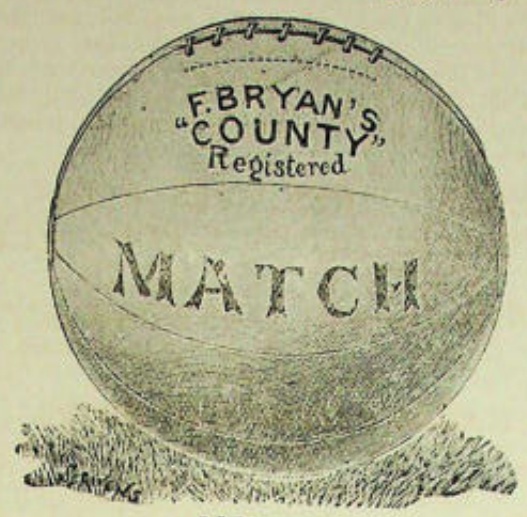
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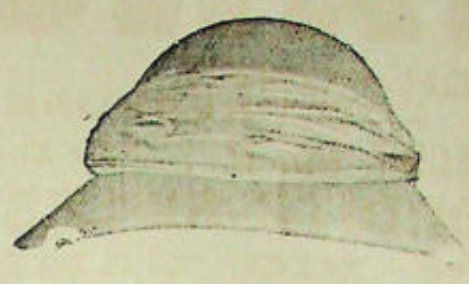
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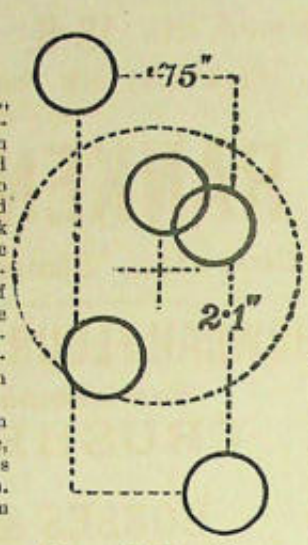
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana	June	29	
Mysore	,,	15, 28, 30	451
Tollygunge Club Gymkhana	,,	22	
Bangalore Races	July	9, 12 & 14	507
Secunderabad	,,	9 21, 23	
Colombo August	,,	6, 9, 11 & 13	
Poona First Extra	August	30	
,, Second ,,	July	6	
,, Third ,,	August	13	
,, Fourth ,,	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,,	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,,	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,,	,,	3	
,, Eighth ,,	Sept.	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases	,,	21, 24, 26, 28	
	,,	Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Calcutta Monsoon First		6	
,, ,, Second	August	13	
,, ,, Third	,,	20	
,, ,, Fourth	,,	10	
,, ,, Fifth	Sept.	17	
Simla Autumn	,,	4 & 6	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	Oct.	25 & 27	625
Umballa Autumn	,,	5, 8 & 10	82
Meerut Autumn Sky	Nov.	15, 17, & 19	
Lucknow Autumn	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup)	,,	1	
Calcutta First Extra	Dec.	10	
,, Second ,,	,,	17	
,, First Meeting	,,	14, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	27	
Lahore Xmas	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	,,	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	Jan.	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	14 & 21	
,, Third Extra	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,,	Feb	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Secunderabad	First	25th June.
	Second	10th July.
Bangalore	Third	1st July.
Poona Races	First	2nd August.
	Second	23rd ,,
	Final	6th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon		2nd August.
,, 2nd ,,		9th August.
,, 3rd ,,		16th August.
,, 4th ,,		6th September.
,, 5th ,,		13th September.
Army Cup	Second	1st July.
	Third	1st October.
	Final	15th November.
Civil Service Cup	Second	1st July.
	Third	15th September.
	Fourth	1st December.
	Final	20th January.
Umballa Autumn	First	13th August.
	Second	17th September.
	Third	28th October.
Calcutta First Extra		6th December.
,, Second Extra		13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First	1st November.
	Second	30th ,,
,, Second Meeting	First	30th November.
	Second	7th January.
Lahore Xmas	First	1st July.
	Second	1st November.
	Third	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky	First	1st August.
	Second	15th September
	Third	8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First	1st November.
	Second	30th ,,
,, ,, Second Day	First	1st November.
	Second	2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August.
Mysore Tournament	24th, 26th, 27th and 29th June
Bangalore Tournament	13th, 15th, 18th and 20th July

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Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay)	23rd, 24th and 25th August.
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Simla Gymkhana	18th and 25th June. 2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Gold Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 16th June.
New Stakes (5 furs. 136 yds.)	Thursday, 16th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 17th June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 22nd June.
July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.)	Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes	Thursday, 30th June.
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 2furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 26th November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords)	30th June.
Amateur A. A. Meeting	2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords)	3rd July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords)	4th July.
Henley Regatta	5th, 6th and 7th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Oval)	7th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords)	27th July.
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First Day, Thursday, 9th June 1904.

THERE was some excellent racing witnessed last Thursday at the New Race Course. The entries were exceptionally good and in spite of much scratching the fields which turned out were also good and really "classy." Though the sky was cloudy the rain fortunately held off; the attendance too was better than on the previous occasion. In fact an improvement was noticeable all round. The far end of the course has been raised about 18 inches and this did away with the continual "pecking" so much remarked upon last month. The arrangements too were in every way better. The energy and ability of the Honorary Secretary have been the subject of praise on every side. The judging was done for the most part by Captains Ridgway and Walters Major Kemp's services not being available. Details :—

SCURRY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B's. 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st 3lbs, C.-B's 14-1 to carry 11st., others 13-3½ to carry 11st 7lbs. W. I. 2½ furlongs.

Mr S G McCall's b aus m Dewdrop, 11st 7lbs	Owner	1
Capt J S Cautley and Grech's ch cb m Hope Terry, 8st (car 8st 4lbs) ...	Native	2
Mr E W Grant's ch aus m Rosy Morn, 11st 7lbs	Mr Rees	3
Mr Mayer's g a h Kalru, 7st 9lbs ...	Native	0
Mr N White's b cb m Duplex, 10st 5lbs ...	Mr Crawshay	0
Munshi Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 9st 4lbs	Native	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Dewdrop, 5 to 1 each agst Hope Terry, Kalru, and Labyrinth, 10 to 1 the rest.

Kalru got off very badly, the rest, however, went away in a bunch. Dewdrop led throughout.

Won by a length and a half; same distance between second and third. Time—40½secs.

THE CLARENCE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden Arabs and C.-B's 14-2 and under and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 9st 7lbs, C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry, 10st 7lbs. others 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs. Allowances.—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties.—Winners once 4lbs, twice 7lbs, oftener 10lbs W. I. 5 furlongs.

Major Berryman's sk aus g Quilt, 9st 6lbs...	Mr McCall	1
Mr Keighley's b aus m Toss, 11st 4lbs ...	Native	2
Mr J D Scott's b aus m Queen of Gems, 9st 13lbs	Capt Holden	3
Mr Pearson's ch aus m Lady Grace, 10st 2lbs	Mr Crawshay	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Quilt, evens Toss, 5 to 1 agst Queen of Gems, 12 to 1 Lady Grace.

Lady Grace gave much trouble at the start and absolutely refused to go, even when once off. Quilt and Toss took the lead immediately. They kept well together and made a great race home.

Won by two lengths; same distance between second and third Time—1min 14½secs.

MUSSOORIE ARMY CUP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under unconditionally the property of officers in His Majesty's Service on full pay. Above heights to carry 12st. Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Major W A Watson's b a p Anthony (late Hasty), 9st 8lbs (car 9st 11lbs) ...	Capt Watson	1
Major W E Berryman's ch cb m Hopeful, 9st 2lbs	Mr McCall	2
Capt Holden's b a g Tagra, 9st 11lbs (car 10st)	Owner	3

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Hopeful, 3 to 1 agst. the others.

Tagra and Anthony went away at once, Hopeful lying well back. This order was maintained till the turn home when Tagra gave place to Hopeful. The latter made a most plucky effort, but could not catch Anthony. Half a length between first and second; three lengths separated second and third. Time—2mins. 27secs.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st 7lbs C.-B.'s. 14-1 to carry 11st 3lbs.. Others 14-1 to carry 12st 7lbs. W. I. 2½ furlongs.

Capt D H Cameron's ch e m Policy, 12st 7lbs	Capt Holden	1
Capt Walter's ch aus m Jean, 12st 7lbs ...	Mr Crawshay	2
Capt Cautley's b aus m Maureen, 9st 13lbs	Mr McCall	3
Mr S G McCall's b aus m Dewdrop, 11st 3lbs	Native	0

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Maureen, 3, 4 and 12 to 1 agst Policy, Dewdrop and Jean respectively.

One of the best races of the afternoon, all four got of wel and kept together the whole way.

Won by a neck. Time—38½secs.

SAVOY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arabs and C B's 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry, 10st 7lbs, C-B.'s 14 1 to carry 11st, others 13-3½ carry 12st. Allowances.—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs; maidens 7lbs. Penalties.—Winners once 4lbs, twice 7lbs, oftener 10lbs. Winners of race value Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 500, 10lbs, and to Rs. 2,000, 14lbs. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's b a g Secunder 10st ...	Capt Holden	1
Major Berryman's sk aus g Quilt, 10st 3lbs	Native	2
Major Berryman's b aus m Canary, 11st 7lbs	Mr McCall	3
Mr C W Grant's ch aus m Rosy Morn, 12st	Mr Rees	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Canary, 3 to 2 agst Secunder, 5 to 1 Quilt, 20 to 1 Rosy Morn.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—59¾secs

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under Ponies 14-1 to carry 12st. Allowances—Maiden 7lbs., ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr Mayer's g a h Kalru, 9st 2lbs ...	Hoyt	1
Mr Mayer's g a g Taj, 10st 8lbs ...	Rees	2
Mr J D Scott's ch a g Tommy Titus, 8st 10lbs	Native	3
Mr J D Scott's g a h White Heather, 10st	Capt Holden	0
Mr Saunders' b a h Royal Exchange, 9st 9lbs	Mr Crawshay	0
Mr Fitch's ch a h Bend Or, 8st 3lbs .	Native	0
Maharaj Kumar Tikari's g a h Merrick, 10st 4lbs	Mr McCall	0

BETTING : 3 to 2 each agst Tommy Titus and White Heather 2 to 1 Taj, 3 to 1 Kalru, 6 to 1 the others.

Kalru went to the front immediately, attended by White Heather. The former kept the lead throghout and won by half a length; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—62½secs.

Second Day, Saturday, 11th June 1904.

The second day's racing proved better if anything than that on Thursday. There were some excellent finishes. The first and fifth races being especially exciting. The only mishap occurred in the Polo Handicap when Captain Holden was thrown; fortunately he escaped with a severe shaking, his excellent win in the Arab Handicap was all the more popular on this account, Lady Grace again showed bad temper in the last race and after giving no end of trouble had to be taken off the course.

All concerned with the meeting are to be congratulated on the excellent sport they provided us with and still more on their really good management. Details :—

CRITERION HANDICAP.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr Keighley's b aus m Toss, 10st 12lbs ...	Capt Holden	1
Major W E Berryman's sk aus g Quilt, 9st 9lbs	Mr McCall	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Quilt, evens Toss.

The pair went off together, Quilt slightly ahead. At the first corner Toss was crossed and never again recovered her position. A grand race, however, was witnessed, Quilt passing the judge half a length ahead; an objection to the cross being lodged and upheld the race was given to Toss Time—1min. 13⅘secs.

RAJPORE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third A handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's b a g Secunder, 10st 7lbs...	Capt Holden	1
Maj W E Berryman's ch cb m Hopeful, 8st 9lbs (car 8st 12lbs)	Mr McCall	2
Mr O Mayer's g a g Kalru, 9st 10lbs ..	Hoyt	3
Maj W R Watson's b a p Anthony (late Hasty), 9st 12lbs	Capt Watson	0
Munshi Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 8st 3lbs	Native	0

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Secunder, 3 to 2 agst. Hopeful, 5 to 2 Kalru, 6 to 1 the others.

Secunder went to the point almost at once and kept the lead. At the turn home Hopeful came up and challenged his position but could not get even. Won by a length; five lengths between second and third. Time—61secs.

CHARLEVILLE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 4 furlongs

Maj W A Watson's b aus m Ask Mamma, 10st	Capt Watson	1
Capts Grech and Cautley's ch cb m Hope Terry, 8st 7lbs...	Native	2
Capt Walter's ch aus m Jean, 10st 9lbs	Mr McCall	3

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Ask Mamma, evens Jean, 4 to 1 agst Hope Terry.

Jean who was well backed would not gallop. Won by one and-a-half lengths; two lengths between second and third Time—58½secs.

POLO HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for *bonâ fide* polo ponies 14-1 and under. 2½ furlongs.

Mr S G McCall's b aus m Dewdrop, 9st 12lbs	Owner	1
Capt Cautley's b aus m Maureen, 8st 12lbs	Native	2
Mr E W Grant's ch aus m Rosy Morn, 9st 11lbs	Hoyt	3
Capt D H Cameron's ch e m Policy, 11st 11lbs	Capt Holden	0

BETTING : 4 to 5 each on Policy and Dewdrop, 3 to 1 agst. Maureen. 5 to 1 Rosy Morn.

With the exception of Rosy Morn who was lying well back, the horses kept together for about two furlongs when Policy fell to the rear. Almost immediately Captain Holden, who was riding close in caught his foot on the rails and was heavily thrown. Dewdrop and Maureen then made a race for it, the former getting in by a length and a half. Rosy Morn a length behind. Time—35secs.

OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's b aus m Queen of Gems, 9st 3lbs	Hoyt	1
Major W E Berryman's br aus m Canary, 10st	Mr McCall	2

BETTING : 6 to 4 on either.

This was a grand race. Canary took the lead if lead it may be called, and held it to a few yards before the post when Queen of Gems came up and won by half a length. Time—1min. 13⅘secs.

ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr J D Scott's b a g Secunder, 10st 12lbs,	Capt Holden	1
Mr O Mayer's g a g Taj, 10st 12lbs ...	Hoyt	2
Capt Holden's b a g Tagra, 8st 2lbs ...	Native	3
Mr O Mayer's g a h Kalru, 8st 9lbs ...	Native	0
Mr Saunders' b a h Royal Exchange, 7st 12lbs (car 9st)	Mr Steele	0
Mr C Wilson's g a h High Flag, 7st 9lbs (car 7st 13lbs)...	Native	0

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Secunder, 2 to 1 agst Taj, 5 to 1 Kalru, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a length; one and a half lengths separated second and third.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies which have run at the meeting and have not won. 2¼ furlongs

Capt Walter's ch aus m Jean, 10st 9lbs ...	Mr McCall	1
Capts Grech and Cautley's cb cb m Hope Terry, 9st 3lbs	Native	2
Mr J D Scott's g a g White Heather, 8st 3lbs	Native	3
Mr O Mayer's g a h Taj, 9st 10lbs ...	Hoyt	0
Mr C Fitch's ch a h Bend Or, 7st ...	Native	0
Mr Pearson's b aus m Lady Grace, 8st 3lbs	Mr Crawshay (scr)	

BETTING: Evens White Heather, 2 to 1 agst Jean, 5 to 2 Taj, 6 to 1 and 10 to 1 the rest.

Lady Grace refused to face the flag and had to be scratched. On starting Jean got away well and keeping a head won after a fine race home by half a length; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—37⅘ secs.

BANGALORE RACES.

Third Extra Day.
Saturday, 11th June 1904.

WINDY and unpleasant but dry weather characterised the last of the three extra days' racing which have been organised this season in Bangalore. The attendance was a decided improvement on the other two days, a good many people having come in from the hills, and with the officers of the Essex Regiment "At Home", and the band of the 64th Madras Pioneers playing an excellent selection of music, the afternoon was a social success. Fields were unequal, and the racing likewise, but the afternoon ought to have been a real good one for the bookmakers. Bennett sustained what might have been a nasty fall in the second race, the big but sprawling Sacristan allowing his legs to slip from under him and coming down. But for this accident he would probably have won. Sister in the fourth race would even more probably have been the first to catch the judge's eye had she not been left half-a-dozen lengths or more in a half-mile race. Only a single favourite came home during the afternoon, and the only winners that were really much backed were St. Gris and Freda. Details:—

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. ⅜ mile.

Capt A S Toogood's g a g St Gris, 8st ...	Hoyt	1
Major A C Hamilton's g a h Defendant 7st	Melsom	2
Major Smyth's g a h Diamond Rose, 8st 5lbs	Koops	3
Mr Richard's ch a g S'elp Me, 10st 3lbs ...	Capt Randall	0
Mr S W Webster's b a h Syndic, 8st 12lbs	Meah Jan	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. S'elp Me, 2 to 1 St. Gris, 4 to 1 Syndic, 6 to 1 Diamond Rose and 7 to 1 Defendant.

Syndic was quickest away, but was passed at once by S'elp Me and St. Gris, these two making joint running to the five furlongs post, where Defendant, who had been left quite four lengths, raced past on the outside, and led the field into the straight for home by a couple of lengths. This lead he maintained until approaching the distance where S'elp Me was beaten, and St. Gris challenged the leader. Quickly getting the best of the struggle, Captain Toogood's pony forged ahead and won in a canter by a length and a half; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

THE CURZON PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses. Weights—Handicap. 7 furlongs.

Major Logan-Home's b aus g Pope, 8st 12lbs	Penton	1
The Hon. H Thellusson's b nth am m Madeira, 9st	Hoyt	2
The Hon. A A Apcar's b aus g Sacristan, 8st 2lbs	Bennett	fell

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Sacristan, evens Madeira, and 5 to 2 agst. Pope.

Madeira got the worst of the start and Pope and Sacristan raced together for a couple of furlongs, when the latter got out of hand and near the half-mile post came down, unshipping Bennett who got rather a nasty shaking. Pope led Madeira for the rest of the distane, and though the latter ran pluckily under the whip she could never approach Major Logan-Home's horse, the latter winning comfortably by three lengths. Time—1min. 36secs.

THE SCURRY.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For ponies. Weights—Handicap. 3 furlongs.

Mr R L Kindersley's br e m Freda, 9st 12lbs	Hoyt	1
Major R Hoare's b aus m Cossack, 7st 5lbs ...	Melsom	2
Major Smyth's b e g Laurier Rose, 9st 2lbs ...	F Koops	3
Lt-Col H Armstrong's br e h Referee 10st 7lbs	Col Armstrong	0

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Freda, 7 to 4 agst. Cossack, 8 to 1 Laurier Rose and 10 to 1 Referee.

The last named was badly left and never in the race. Of the other three, Cossack on the rails made strong running until a furlong from home when Laurier Rose was beaten and Freda on the outside challenged vigorously. She won with not a great deal to spare by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—40secs.

THE USEFUL PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses which have never at any time been bought for more than Rs.1,100. Weights—Handicap. ½ mile.

Major A C Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 8st 2lbs	Melsom	1
The Hon A A Apcar's br aus m Sister 9st 8lbs	Penton	Dead heat
Major Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher, 9st 12lbs	Capt Randall	Dead heat
Mr A C Tate's g aus g Wadhurst, 8st 11lbs	Hoyt	0
Capt E J R Peel's b aus g The Gaffer, 9st 11b	Lansdowne	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Sister, 4 to 1 against Kingfisher, 5 to 1 The Gaffer and 6 to 1 each Scissorman and Wadhurst.

The favourite gave a great deal of trouble at the start, and was ultimately left half a dozen lengths behind everything. The others raced in a cluster with Scissorman at the head of affairs until half the distance had been traversed, when Sister having caught her horses took third place. Kingfisher and the mare both made a fair bid for victory, but Major Hamilton's almost unbacked horse won by a length, the other two dead heating for second place. Time—53⅕secs.

THE ARAB CONSOLATION.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For Arab ponies which have run and not won at the meetings.

Major A C Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 9st 7lbs	Lansdowne	1
Capt E J R Peel's b a h Bayleaf, 9st 4lbs...	Capt Randall	2
Major R M Bell's b a h Matussan, 8st 2lbs	Meah Jan	3
Mr Reuben's g a h Bisthan, 9st 12lbs ...	Penton	0
Mr T G Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 9st 9lbs	Hoyt	0
Mr L H Queripel's g a h Quince, 8st 7lbs...	Krishna	0
Mr Mirza M Ismail's g a h Khusrow, 7st 4lbs	Jooloo	0
Mr Jacob Sait's g a h Jacob, 6st 10lbs ...	Melsom	0

BETTING: Evens Bisthan, 3 to 1 agst Matussan, 4 to 1 each Baronet, Jack Horner and Bayleaf, 6 to 1 each Jacob and Quince and 8 to 1 Khusrow.

Jack Horner jumped away and never being headed won at his ease by four lengths with two lengths dividing the second and third. Time—57⅕secs.

PACHMARHI RACES.

First Day, Monday, 6th June, 1904.

Good entries, a large attendance, and a course in excellent order helped to make the meeting the success, which Captain Haig, the Honorary Secretary, had worked so hard for. Details:—

THE PACHMARHI HURDLES.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by H H the Maharaja of Jodhpur to winner and Rs. 10 to second. For all ponies 14-2 and under. W. I. 1 mile over six flights.

Capt Arbuthnot's g a g Redstart	1
Mr Cleveland's b w g Hector	2
Mr Hodgson's b cb m Little Mary	3

Also ran:—Sandy.
Won easily; a good two lengths between second and third.

THE BEGINNERS' STAKES.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by F. Slocock, Esq., to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under that have never run in race value Rs. 40 or over. C.-B.'s 14-2 carry 11st 7lbs, Arabs 14-2 carry 10st. W. I. 5 furlongs

Capt Williams' g a h Mail	1
Mr Russell's b a g Doubtful	2
Mr Jolliffe's b cb g Pindi	3

Also ran:—Barrister and Kero.
Won easiiy.

THE POLO PONY SCURRY.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by the Hon. Mr Lely, C.S.I., to winner and Rs. 10 to second. For ponies that have been played this season in Pachmarhi and are the property of officers of the Musketry class or Depot. English and Australians 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. Arabs 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Capt Williams' g a g Pat	1
Capt Owen's ch w g Sandy	2
Capt Wigram's b a g Punkah	3

Also ran:—Cæsarea.
Won by a head.

THE PLATEAU STAKES.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by B. Robertson, Esq., C.I.E., to winner, Rs. 10 to second. English and Australian ponies 14-1 and under to carry 11st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

H H the Maharaja of Jodhpur's b w m Millie II ...	1
Mr Russell's g w g Mildura	2

Also ran:—Flyaway and Kitty.
Won in a canter.

THE ARAB CUP.—A cup value Rs 49 presented by C. R. Cleveland, Esq., to winner, and Rs 10 to second. Arab ponies 14-1 and under to carry 11st. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Capt Gardiner's g a h Soheil	1
Mrs Slocock's b a h Charon	2
Capt Bailey's g a g Borderer	3

Also ran:—Chogo, Polyphemus and Lafee.
A good race, won by half a length.

ALL COMERS' SCURRY.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by the Officers, Schools of Musketry to winner and Rs. 10 to second. English and Australians 14-2 to carry 12st. C.-B.s 14-2 to carry 11st 7lbs, Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st. 3 furlongs.

Mr Cleveland's ch w m The Dane...	1
Capt Arbuthnot s ch w m Kitty	2

Also ran:—Barrister
Won by a length.

Second Day, Wednesday, 8th June 1904.

THE STICK STAKES.—Rs. 49 to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap hurdle race for all ponies 14-2 and under. 1 mile over six flights.

Capt Arbuthnot's ch a g Redstart	1
Mr Cleveland's b w g Hector	2

Also ran:—Sloe Gin, Sandy and Mildura.
Won an exciting race by a neck.

THE OPEN HANDICAP.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by the Nagpur Tent Club to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. For all ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr Cleveland's ch w m The Dane	1
H H the Maharaja of Jodhpur's b w m Millie ...	2

Also ran:—Witness.
Won by two lengths.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by Mr. C G Todhunter, I C S, to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. For Arabs 14-2 and under 5 furlongs.

Capt Haig's b a g Chogo	1
Mr Slocock's b a h Charon	2

Also ran:—Marmion
Won by a neck.

THE NOVICE STAKES.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by the Officers, School of Musketry to winner and Rs. 10 to second. For maiden Arab and C-B ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a stake or cup of any value, and have never started in a race of the advertised value of Rs 40 or over previous to this meeting. C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st., Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. W. I 4 furlongs.

Capt Williams' g a h Mail	1
Capt Haig's b a h Barrister	2

Also ran:—Cæsarea, Doubtful and Orchid.
Won easily.

THE LADIES' PURSE.—A cup value Rs. 49 presented by Hon. Mr. Lely. C. S. I., to winner and Rs 10 to second. Handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. Ladies' nomination. 4 furlongs.

Capt Arbhuthnot's ch a m Kitty...	1
Capt Dawson's g a g Pat	2

Also ran:—Flyaway, Belah, and Mildura.
Won cleverly by a length.

THE CONSOLATION RACE.— Rs. 49 to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. For all ponies that have run unplaced at the meeting. Catch weights 12st. 4 furlongs.

Capt Bailey's g a g Borderer	1
Capt Wigram's b a g Punkah	2

Also ran:—Flyaway, Polyphemus, Mildura, and Cæsarea.
Won easily.

SINGAPORE SPRING MEETING.

First Day, Tuesday, 24th May, 1904.

THE MAIDEN PLATE—$600. A race for Maiden horses, and horses that have run as Roadsters, Subscription Griffins, and in races confined to horses imported as Subscription Griffins. Weight as per scale 10st. An allowance of 14lbs to ex-Griffins imported into Straits Settlements or Federated Malay States. R. C.

Lee Toon Poon's Oberon, 10st ...	C Campbell	1
Mr Howden's Diplomatic, 10st ...	Eyre	2
Low Leong Huat's Meros, 10st ...	Wood	3
Hotspur Kongsee's Marigold, 10st ...	Bull	0
Mr James's Marie, 10st ...	Bryans	0
Mr Mansoor's Barchester, 10st ...	Peerbux	0
Lieut Tayleur's Postman, 9st	Duval	0
Mr Ribel's Radium, 10st	V Southall	0
Tan Hap Leong's The Vyking, 10st ...	Kirwan	0
Mr Specht's Florida, 10st	Mr Ridgeway	0
Mr Isaacson's Royster, 10st	Greaves	0
Firewood Kongsee's Sambrani, 9st ...	Southall	0

(*Winner trained by C. Campbell.*)

Won by a length. Time—1min. 52secs.

THE LAWN STAKES.—$600. A handicap from 10st. 7lbs. to 8st 7lbs. for all horses. The winner to be put up for auction under Rule 119 for $1,000. R. C. And a distance.

Dato A Rahman's Duchess, 9st 4lbs ...	Kirwan	1
Mr Powell's Bara, 9st 2lbs	J Smith	2
Mr Lynch's Perfidi, 8st 7lbs	R Bryars	3
Mr Powell's Financier, 8st 11lbs ...	V Southall	0
Mr G Cumming's Shine, 8st	F Lowsby	0
Mr Dee's Battlefield, 8st 9lbs	Peerbux	0
Chung Thye Phin's Empreza, 9st 6lbs ...	J Campbell	0
Low Leong Huat's Glencoe, 9st 12lbs ...	C Campbell	0

(*Winner trained by Abrams.*)

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

THE SINGAPORE DERBY.—$2,000 and $200 to the second horse provided there are five starters the property of different owners. Weight 9st. 1¼ mile.

Bridge Kongsee's Essington, 8st 10lbs ...	R Bryans	1
Tan Boo Liat's Juindo, 8st 12lbs ...	J Woods	2
Messrs Marinus and Glas's Gold Bar, 8st 10lbs	T Southall	3
Mr Sarkies Sweet Erina, 8st 10lbs ...	J Carson	0
Messrs Cumming and Chappell's Bruntwood, 8st 10lbs	Duval	0
Mr Specht's Oregon, 9st	Teepsie	0
Chung Thye Phin's Devilment, 9st 2lbs ...	A Campbell	0

(*Winner trained by Dallan.*)

Won by three lengths; a length and-a-half between second and third. Time—2mins. 49⅕secs.

THE GRAND STAND CUP.—$800. A handicap from 10st 7lbs to 8st 7lbs for all horses The winner to be put up for auction under Rule 119 for $1,500. R. C.

Low Leong Huat's Architect, 9st 7lbs ...	V Southall	1
Mr Marinus's Felspar, 8st 10lbs ...	T Southall	2
Messrs Martin and Gan Teong Tat's Banester, 9st 9lbs	F Lowsby	3
Mr Sarkies Fortfire, 8st 12lbs	J Carson	0
Mr P H Lee's Boree, 10st 2lbs... ...	J Woods	0
Chung Ah Yong's Battenberg, 10st 4lbs ...	Campbell	0
Mr Bailey's Benedick, 9st 11b ...	J Smith	0

(*Winner trained by Lowsby.*)

Won by a length and a quarter; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 52⅕secs.

THE PADDOCK STAKES.—$500. A Selling Race for all horses, to be entered at stated value of from $600 to $400. If entered at $600, to carry 11st. Weight for value. R. C.

Mr Narcis's Joan, 9st	J Duval	1
Mr Martin's Sunrise, 9st	C Campbell	2
Mr Lynch's Starlight, 9st	R Bryans	3
Chung Ah Yong's Glad Tidings, 9st ...	J Campbell	0
Tan Hap Leong's The Viking, 9st 3lbs ...	Kirwan	0
Two Year Old Kongsee's Scots Guard, 9st	Peerbux	0

(*Winner trained by Dallan.*)

Won by a length and-a-half; three quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 54⅕secs.

THE FIRST GRIFFIN RACE.—$300, and $50 to the second horse provided there are five starters the property of different owners. A Race for Subscription Griffin Horses. Weight 10st. R. C. and a distance.

Mr Howden's Hiawatha, 10st	R Bryans	1
Mr Paul's Batuskha, 10st	J Duval	2
Seah Eng Kun's Union Jack, 10st ...	J Woods	3
M C Kongsee's M C, 9st 10lbs... ...	Mr Abbott	0
Mr Romeni's Wanda, 10st	J A Eyre	0
Messrs Davis and Sarkies' Abbess, 10st ...	J Carson	0
Tan Hap Swee's Etam, 10st	Kirwan	0
Tan Cheng Siang's Beaver, 10st ...	J Smith	0
Mr P H Lee's Dundee, 10st	T Southhall	0
Mr St George's Bayrum, 10st	R Fenn	0
Mr Palliser's Jess, 9st 7lbs	Mr Ridgeway	0
Bagilima Kongsee Guinevere, 10st ...	Peerbux	0

(*Winner trained by Dallan.*)

Won by a head; six lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 19⅘secs.

THE SECOND GRIFFIN RACE.—$300 and $50 to the second horse provided there are five starters the property of different owners. A Race for Subscription Griffin Horses. Winners excluded. Weight 10st. Scurry Course.

Mr Ellis's Bargee, 10st	Fenn	1
Tin Boo Liat's Victory, 10st 2lbs ...	Woods	2
Seah Eng Keong's Scarlett, 10st ...	Bull	3
Mr Schmidt's Tobias, 10st	Peerbux	0
U S Kongsee's Uncle Sam, 10st ...	Duval	0
Fleur de Lys Kongsee's The Joker, 10st ...	R Bryans	0
Tan Hap Leong's Boyton, II, 10st ...	Kirwan	0
B M Kongsee's Best Man, 10st ...	Lyre	0
Bagilima Kongsee's Guinevre, 10st ...	Martin	0

(*Winner trained by Abrams.*)

Won by a neck; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min 17⅕secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 26th May, 1904.

THE FIRST GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—$500, and $50 to the second horse provided there are five starters the property of different owners. A Handicap for Griffins that have entered for the First Griffin Race (Race No 6) on the First Day. Winners excluded.—Scurry Course.

Tan Boo Liat's Victory, 10st 9lbs ...	J Woods	1
Tan Hup Leong's Boyton II. 9st 2lbs ...	Kirwan	2
B M Kongsee's Best Man, 9st 4lb, ...	Eyre	3
M C Kongsee's M C, 7st 9lb	A Campbell	0
Mr Romenij's Wanda. 8st 6lb,... ...	V Southall	0
Messrs Davis & Sarkies' Abbss, 9st ...	J Carson	0
Mr P H Lee's Dundee, 8st 11lbs ...	T Southall	0
Mr St George's Bayrum, 7st 13lbs ...	R Fenn	0
Fleur de Lis Kongsee's The Joker, 10st 9lbs	R Bryans	0
Bagi Lima Kongsee's Guinevere, 8st 4lbs...	Peerbux	0
Mr Edward's Mick, 9st	B Martin	0

(*Winner trained by Woods.*)

Won by six lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min 19⅘ secs.

THE "READ STAKES."—$500, and a Sweepstake of $10 for starters. A Handicap for Horses that have started in Race No. 1 and or Race No. 5 on the First Day. R. C.

Low Leong Huat's Meros, 9st 7lbs ...	J Woods	1
Mr Ribel's Radium, 8st 5lbs ...	V Southall / Peerbux	D. H.
Mr Mansoor's Barchester, 8st 12lbs ...		
Mr Narcis's Joan, 9st 7lbs	J Duval	0
Chong Ah Yong's Glad Tidings, 8st ...	J Carson	0
Mr Howden's Diplomatic, 10st ...	Eyre	0
Mr Lynch's Starlight, 8st 2lbs ...	Bryans	0
Mr J Martin's Sunrise, 9st ...	C Campbell	0
Tan Hap Leong's Vyking, 9st 4lbs ...	Kirwan	0
Two Year Old Kongsee's Scots Guard, 9st	Mr Ridgeway	0
D Isaacson's Royster 8st 7lbs	J Woods	0

(*Winner trained by Woods.*)

Won by a length and a quarter, dead heat for second place Time—1min 54⅕secs.

THE CLUB CUP.—$1,200, and a Sweepstake of $20 for starters. A Handicap for Horses that have started in The Singapore Derby (Race No. 3) on the First Day. 1¼ mile.

Bridge Kongsee's Eslington, 10st 12lbs ...	Bryans	1
Tan Bo Liat's Juindo, 9st 9lbs ...	J Woods	2
Messrs Marinus and Glas' Gold Bar, 8st 10lbs	T Southall	3
Mr Sarkies' Sweet Erina, 8st ...	Carson	0
Chung Thye Phin's Devilment 8st 10lbs ...	J Campbell	0
Messrs Cumming & Chappell's Bruntwood, 8st 8lbs	Lowsby	0

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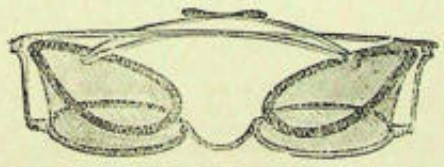
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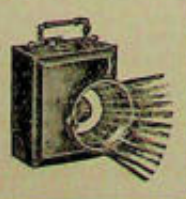
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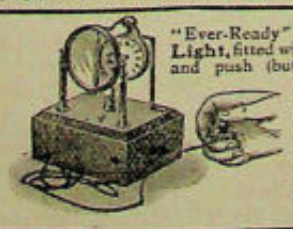
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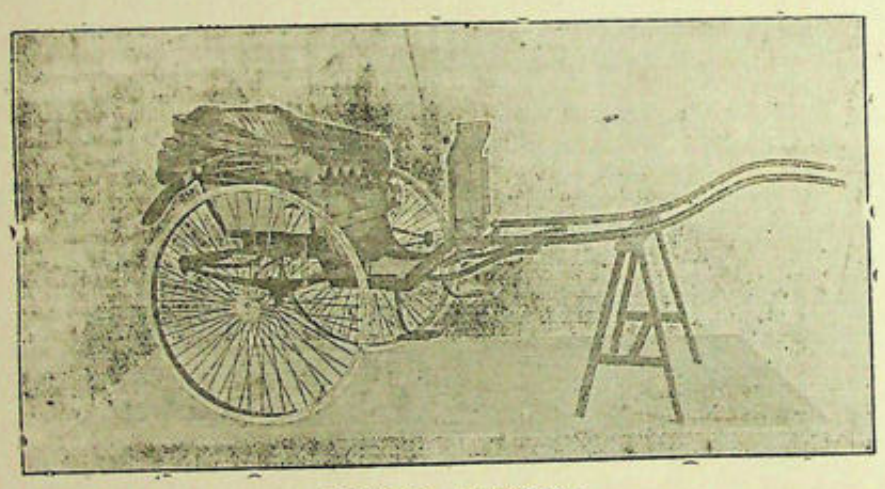
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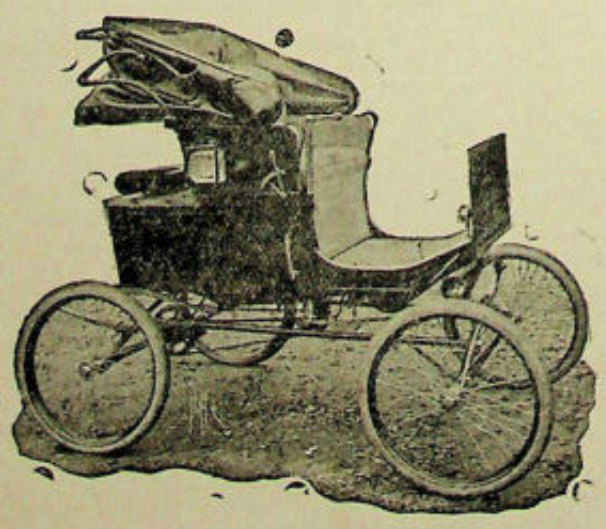
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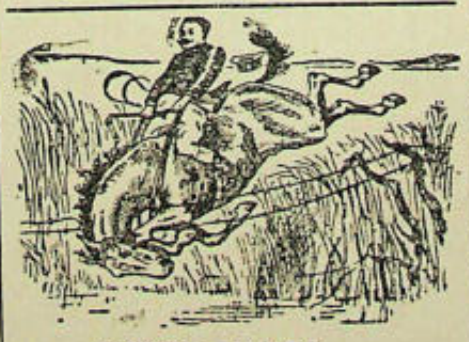


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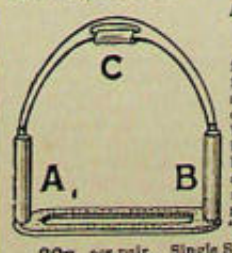
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Low Leong Huat's Glencoe, 8st 8lbs ...	Bryans	1
Martin and Leong Tat's Banester, 9st 5lbs	Lowsby	2
Mr Powell's Bara, 8st 10lbs	V Southall	3
Mr Sarkies' Portfire, 8st 4lbs ...	Carson	0
Chong Ah Yong's Battenberg, 9st 12lbs ...	A Campbell	0
Chong Thye Phin's Empreza, 8st 6lbs ...	J Campbell	0

(*Winner trained by Campbell.*)

Won by half a length; a neck between second add third. Time—2mins. 17⅘secs.

THE FIRST EX-GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—$300. A handicap for all horses imported as Griffins into the Straits Settlements or Federated Malay States being maidens at the time of entry. —R. Q.

Joss Kongsee's Untong, 8st 4lbs ...	Carson	1
Mr James's Marie, 9st	Duval	2
Firewood Kongsee's Sambrani, 8st 13lbs ...	Woods	3
Mr C E Tayleur's Postman, 10st 4lbs ...	Bryans	0
Seah Eng Kiong's Sceptre, 9st 9lbs ...	Kirwan	0
Mr W Palliser's Pat, 9st	Peerbux	0

(*Winner trained by Dallas.*)

Won by a head; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 57⅕secs.

THE PAVILION STAKES.—$600, and a sweepstake of $10 for starters. A handicap for horses that have started in races 1, 2, or 4 on the first day. Scurry Course.

Lee Toon Poon's Oberon, 10st 7lbs ...	C Campbell	1
Mr Bailey's Benedick, 9st	Peerbux	2
Low Leong Huat's Architect, 10st 4lbs ...	Duval	3
Mr Marinus' Felspar, 8st 2lbs ...	T Southall	0
Mr Lee's Boree, 8st 9st	Bull	0
Mr Powell's Financier, 8st 4lbs ...	V Southall	0
Mr Powell's Duchess, 9st 2lbs... ...	Smith	0
Mr Cumming's Shine, 9st 5lbs... ...	Lowsby	0
Mr Lynch's Perfidy 8st 9st	Bryans	0
Mr Dee's Battlefield, 7st 7lbs	J Campbell	0

(*Winner trained by Campbell.*)

Won by a short head; a neck between second and third. Time—1min 13⅕secs.

THE SECOND GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—$300, and $50 to the second horse provided there are five starters the property of different owners. A handicap for griffins that have entered for the Second Griffin Race (race No. 7) on the first day. Winners excluded.— R. C. and a distance.

Seah Eng Kiong's Scarlett, 9st 4lbs ...	Woods	1
Mr T Paul's Batushka, 10st 4lbs ...	Duval	2
U S Kongsi's' Uncle Sam, 9st 11b ...	Bryans	3
Seah Eng Koon's Union Jack, 9st 8lbs ...	Bull	0
Mr W Palliser's Jess, 8st 6lbs	Peerbux	0
Tan Hup Swee's Etam, 8st 11lbs ...	Carson	0
Tan Cheng Liang's Beaver, 9st 2lbs ...	Smith	0

(*Winner trained by Wood.*)

Won by two lengths; three between second and third. Time—2mins. 18⅖secs.

Third Day, Saturday, 28th May 1904.

THE OPEN GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—$300 and $50 to the second horse provided there are five starters the property of different owners. A handicap for all griffins that have started at this meeting.—R. C.

Mr E C Ellis's Bargee, 10st 7lbs ...	Fenn	1
Mr T Paul's Batushka, 10st 9lbs ...	Kirwan	2
Seah Eng Keong's Scarlett, 10st 7lbs ...	T Southall	3
Mr Howden's Hiawatha, 10st 12lbs ...	Bryans	0
Tan Cheng Siang's Beaver, 8st 10lbs ...	Southall	0
Tan Boo Liat's Victory, 10st 4lbs ...	J Woods	0
W Palliser's Jess, 8st 4lbs	Peerbux	0

(*Winner trained by Abrams.*)

Won by four lengths; two between second and third. Time—2mins 3⅕secs.

THE STEWARDS' CUP.—$500, and a Sweepstake of $10 for starters. A handicap for horses that have started in races Nos. 1, 2, 4, or 5 on the first day. R. C.

Mr Marinus' Felspar, 9st 2lbs... ...	T Southall	1
Mr Powell's Duchess, 9st 9lbs... ...	J Smith	2
Chung Ah Yong's Battenberg, 10st 3lbs ...	A Campbell	3
Mansoor's Barchester, 8st 5lbs... ...	Peerbux	0
Mr Narcis's Joan, 8st 6lbs	V Southall	0
Mr Lynch's Starlight, 8st 3lbs ...	Bryans	0
Martin and Teong Tat's, 9st 4lbs	Banester Lowsby	0
Tan Hup Leong's Vyking, 7st 12lbs ...	Carson	0
Mr Speet's Florida, 8st 7lbs	Teepsie	0

(*Winner trained by Wood.*)

Won by a length; three between second and third. Time—2min. 45secs.

THE SECOND EX-GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—$500. A handicap for horses that have run in the First ex-Griffin Race (race No. 5) on the second day. Scurry Course.

Mr C E Tayleur's Postman, 10st ...	Bryans	1
Firewood Kongsee's Sambrani, 8st 10lbs ...	T Southall	2
Mr James' Marie, 9st 4lbs	C Campbell	3
Joss Kongsee's Untong, 8st 8lbs ...	Carson	0
Seah Eng Keong's Sceptre, 8st 10lbs ...	Eyre	0
W Palliser's Pat, 8st 4lbs	Peerbux	0

(*Winner trained by Dallas.*)

Won by a neck; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 16⅖secs.

THE GRIFFIN CONSOLATION.—$250. A handicap for all Griffins that have started at this meeting, and not won. R. C.

Mr T Paul's Batuskka, 10st 9lbs ...	C Campbell	1
U S Kongsi's Uncle Sam, 9st	Bryans	2
Seah Eng Kun's Union Jack 9st 8lbs ...	J Woods	3
M C Kongsi's M C, 8st 3lbs	Peerbux	0
Mr Romenij's Wanda, 8st 3lbs ...	Carson	0
Tan Hup Swee's Etam, 8st 8lbs ...	Fenn	0
Tan Cheng Siang's Beaver, 8st ...	J Campbell	0
Mr P H Lee's Dundee,9st	T Southall	0
Fleur de Lis Kongsi's The Joker, 9st 7lbs...	Teepsi	0
Tan Hup Leong's Boyton II, 9st 7lbs ...	Kirwan	0
B M Kongsi's Best Man, 8st 10lbs ...	Eyre	0
Mr Palliser's Jess, 9st 11lbs	Mr Ridgway	0
Mr C W Edward's Mick, 8st 8lbs ...	B Martin	0
Mr R Schmidt's Tobias, 9st 7lb ...	T Smith	0

(*Winner trained by Dallas.*)

Won by a head; two lengths between second and third. Time—2 mins. 2⅖secs.

THE ROCHORE PLATE.—$300, second horse to receive the entrance fees. A handicap for all non-winning horses that have started at this meeting. Entrance $5 declared by noon on Saturday, 7th November, $10 if declared after noon on the 14th May, and by 4-15 p. m. on the day of the race. R. C.

Mr Lynch's Starlight, 8st 4½	Bryans	1
Mr Bailey's Benedick, 9st 6lbs ...	Smith	2
Mr Dee's Battlefield, 8st 4lbs... ...	Peerbux	3
Mr Lee's Boree, 8st 8lbs	Fenn	0
Two-Year Old Kongsee's Scots Guard, 7st 11lbs	J Campbell	0
Mr Powell's Financier, 8st 10lbs ...	T Southall	0
Mr Sarkies' Sweet Erina, 9st... ...	Carson	0

(*Winner trained by Dallas.*)

Won by a length and half; same Distance between second and thid. Time—1min 54secs.

Chung Thye Phin's Empreza, 8st 6lbs ...	T Campbell	0
Low Leong Huat's Meros, 9st 10lbs ...	J Woods	0
Low Leong Huat's Glencoe 9st 12lbs ...	C Campbell	0

(*Winner trained by T. Southall.*)

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 53⅘ secs.

THE SCURRY STAKES.—$600. A Handicap for all Horses that have started at this meeting. Scurry Course (5 furlongs and 143 yards).

Cumming and Chappell's Bruntwood, 9st 9lbs	Kirwan	1
Low Leong Huat's Architect, 9st 7lbs ...	Peerbux	2
Mr Bailey's Benedick, 8st 9lbs ...	T Southall	3
Mr Sarkies' Portfire, 8st 7lbs	Carson	0
Mr Powell's Financier, 7st 13lbs ...	V Southall	0
Lee Toon Poon's Oberon, 10st 4lbs ...	C Campbell	0
Mr Ribel's Radium, 7st 11lbs	B Martin	0
Mr Howden's Diplomatic, 7st 7lbs ...	J Campbell	0
Mr Lynch's Perfidy, 8st 11b	Bryans	0

(*Winner trained by Lovely*).

Won by a length and a quarter; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1 min 14secs.

THE SINGAPORE STAKES.—$800. A handicap for all horses that have started at this meeting. 1¼ mile.

Tan Boo Liat's Inindo, 9st 5lbs ...	J Woods	1
Bridge Kongsee's Essington, 11st 7lbs ...	Bryans	2
Chung Thye Phin's Devilment, 7st 3lbs ...	J Campbell	3
Messrs Marinus and Glas's Gold Bar, 8st ...	V Southall	0

Entries for Races.

MYSORE RACES.

SECOND ENTRIES.

For first entries see "The Indian Field" of 9th June 1904, page 131.

THE MACINTIRE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1 Mrs Hay's	ch aus g	... Awaking, aged
2 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus m	... Sister, 4 years
3 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus g	... Spithead, 3 years

H H THE MYSORE MAHARAJA'S CUP.—R. C.

1 Maj Logan-Home's ...	b aus g	... Corrie Roy, aged
2 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's...	b aus g	... Severity, aged
3 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's	b aus g	... Goldsmith, aged

THE BIRTHDAY CUP—5 furlongs.

1 Mr A Stewart's ...	b e g	... Carburton
2 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's	br aus g	... Spithead, 3 years
3 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's...	br aus m	... Sister, 4 years

THE STABLE CUP—6 furlongs.

1 H H Aga Khan's	.. ..	... Cocos
2 Mr A Sattar's ...	... br aus g	... Ocean, 13-3

THE ARAB HANDICAP—9 furlongs.

Mr A Stewart's	... ch a h	... Shifter, aged

C.-B. HANDICAP—1¼ mile.

Mr J B's ...	... ch cb f	... Sweet Sounds

THE PALACE CUP—1 mile.

1 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's	b aus g	... Severity, aged
2 The Hon Mr A A Apcar's	b aus g	.. Goldsmith, aged

H. DONNE,
Secretary.

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 27th May* 1904.

THE TURF.

THE DONCASTER MEETING.

THE middle of May is proverbially a treacherous time of year, and bleak, dismal weather has often been associated with the northern campaign. Happily, the conditions on the present anniversary have been eminently favourable. The sting of the boisterous wind which swept across Knavesmire earlier in the week, was tempered by genial sunshine, and the warmth of the solar rays at Doncaster this morning was suggestive of July. Unfortunately the sport on the Town Moor was wholly unworthy of the venue. Good subscriptions had been obtained for the weight-for-age events, especially those confined to the rising generation, but on neither day were the fields in keeping with the entries, and the racing on the 20th instant was decidedly tame. In spite of the summerlike conditions, there was a marked diminution in the attendance, as compared with that of twenty-four hours previously, and the going was hard.

THE CHESTERFIELD HANDICAP of 435sovs. One mile and-a-half.

Mr C Perkin's b or br g Roseburn, by Petros—Horton Rose, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs ...	Heppell	1
Duke of Devonshire's b c Burgundy, 3yrs, 5st 9lbs*	Saxby	2
Mr Reid Walker's ch g Courlan, aged, 8st 8lbs	Halsey	3
Sir J Kelk's Orbel, 6yrs, 8st 6lbs ...	J Jarvis	0
Lord Penrhyn's Haresfield, 6yrs, 8st 6lbs ...	K Cannon	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. T Anson.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst Orbel, 5 to 2 Roseburn, 5 to 1 Burgundy, and 8 to 1 each Courlan and Haresfield.

Won in a canter by four length; a neck separated the second and third. Orbel was fourth. Time, by Benson's chronograph. 2mins. 30⅘secs., a record for the distance.

THE FITZWILLIAM STAKES of 171sovs. for two year olds, Five furlongs.

Mr J Rowson's ch c Tarquin II., by Queen's Birthday—Lady Sibell, 8st 12lbs ...	D Maher	1
Mr W Taylor Sharpe's b c Mark Wood, 8st 7lbs	Halsey	2
Mr C Perkins's ch g Lady Hawker, 8st 4lbs	Randall	3
Mr T Jennings's Montelimar, 8st 7lbs ...	K Cannon	0
Mr A Booth's Corriedale, 8st 4lbs ...	Dalton	0

(*Winner trained by Horsby.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Tarquin II., 7 to 4 agst Lady Hawker, and 10 to 1 agst any other (offered.)

Won easily by a length; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Corriedale was fourth.

MANCHESTER MEETING.

The London and North-Western Railway Company tried an experiment to-day which was not unattended by success. The new departure was a special excursion to Manchester at fares barely exceeding half the ordinary price, and, notwithstanding that many of the Metropolitan division had travelled down after the conclusion of racing at Hurst Park on the 25th instant, the number who took advantage of the early special this morning seems to have been as large as could be anticipated. Moreover, they spoke of a comfortable and expeditious journey. The sum total of the Southern contingent did not reach a high figure, but the local folk turned out in something like their accustomed force, the cheap enclosures in particular being well filled. What might have been a pleasant day's sport was entirely ruined by the weather, however. Rain had fallen heavily during the night and continued almost without cessation until four o'clock, rendering the going somewhat heavy, whilst the gravel paths were a sea of mud.

THE CASTLE IRWELL HANDICAP of 348sovs. One mile.

Mr G Miller's br c Gilbert Orme, by Orme Wenonah, 4yrs, 9st	G McCall	1
Mr L Brassey's b h Portcullis, 6yrs, 8st 3lbs	J H Martin	2
Lord Dunraven's b c Morgendale, 4yrs, 8st 6lbs	Griggs	3
Mr D J Jardine's Gardenhurst, 6yrs, 8st 9lbs	Heppell	0
Mr B Ellam's Mouraviff, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs ...	W Lane	0
Mr W H Brice's Eminent, 4yrs, 8st 5lbs ...	D Maher	0
Mr M FitzGerald's Blue Streak, 5yrs, 8st 5lbs	Trigg	0
Mr W Sanderson's Grey Leaf, 4yrs, 7st 4lbs	J Jarvis	0
Duke of Devonshire's Burgundy, 3yrs, 6st 6lbs	Saxby	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst Mouraviff, 9 to 2 Blue Streak, 6 to 1 Burgundy, 7 to 1 each agst Gilbert Orme and Gardenhurst, 100 to 14 Morgandale, 8 to 1 agst Eminent, and 100 to 8 agst any other (offered.)

Won by three-quarters of a length; three lengths between second and third. Blue Streak was fourth, Mouraviff fifth, Eminent sixth, Burgundy next, and Grey Leaf last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 49secs.

THE TRIAL HANDICAP of 264sovs. One mile and-a-half.

Mr M Dawson's b g Rassendyl, by Loved One—Princess, aged, 7st 11b (car. 7st 2lbs)	F Morgan	1
Mr J F Appleyard's ch c by Winkfield—Surrender, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs* ...	Saxby	2
Mr C Hibbert's b c Scotch Cherry, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs	Trigg	3
Mr J Musker's McYardley, 6yrs, 8st 13lbs	O Madden	0
Mr E H Polehampton's Childwickbury, aged, 8st 7lbs	B Lynham	0
Mr B Ellam's Pitch Battle, 4yrs, 6st 11b	Griggs	0
Mr R Scott's Sir Laddo, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs ...	J H Martin	0
Mr D J Jardine's Red Warrior, 3yrs, 6st 11lbs	Heppell	0
Mr W Sanderson's Melsary, 4yrs, 6st 10lbs	J Jarvis	0
Mr J Collins's Decave, 5yrs, 7st 7lbs* ..	Butchers	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained in Ireland.*)

BETTING: 6 to 1 each agst Decave, Surrender colt, and Red Warrior, 7 to 1 each McYardley and Sir Laddo, 8 to 1 Pitch Battle, 100 to 12 Rassendyl, 10 to 1 Scotch Cherry, and 100 to 7 each Melsary and Childwickbury (offered).

Won easily by ten lengths; three lengths divided the second and third. Decave was fourth, Red Warrior fifth, Sir Laddo sixth, McYardley next, and Childwickbury last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 46⅕secs.

The general environment at Castle Irwell on the 26th afforded such a pleasant contrast to those of twenty-four hours previously that it was possible for the spectators to conjure up a certain amount of enthusiasm over that first half of the proceedings which was quite out of the question amidst the damp and dismal surrounding of the opening stage of the reunion. Unhappily, their joy was short-lived for the sun, which had illumined the scene to begin with, became obscured by the time half of the programme had been run through, and the latter moiety of the entertainment was concluded under depressing conditons. As regards the quality of the sport, a marked improvement had to be recorded, three of the fields reaching double figures, whilst the principal event of the card, the Beaufort Handicap, attracted a very useful party to the post and provided a stirring finish. A fine night and morning had worked wonders with the course, but it was getting sticky towards the close.

THE CROMWELL HANDICAP of 353sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr W Nightingall's ch g by Marco—Veldt, 4yrs, 7st 2lbs (inc 4lbs ex) ...	Trigg	1
Mr B Ellam's ch c Pitch Battle, 4yrs, 8st 11b*	W Lane	2
Mr J F Hallick's b m Sun Bonnet, aged, 8st 9lbs	O Madden	3
Mr J Buchanan's Hands Down, 3yrs, 8st 12lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	E Wheatley	0
Mr G Cottrill's Debutante, 4yrs, 8st 11b*	Butchers	0
Mr F Langstaff's Catty Crag, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs	Finlay	0
Mr Daly Murry's Ladies' Man, 5yrs, 8st 11b	B Lynham	0
Mr C Hibbert's Auk, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs ...	Plant	0
Mr J Waugh's Cowte o Keilder, 3yrs, 6st 3lbs (car 6st 5lbs)*	Rollason	0
Mr M Gurry's Lady Dundas, 3yrs, 6st 6lbs	Griggs	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst Debutante, 4 to 1 Hands Down, 6 to 1 Sun Bonnet, 100 to 12 Veldt gelding, 10 to 1 each Cowte, Keilder and Lady Dundas, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won easily from Pitch Battle and Sun Bonnet by four lengths, a head separated the second and third Hands Down was fourth, Lady Dundas fifth, Debutante sixth, Auk seventh, Ladies

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Man next, and Cowte o Keilder last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 15secs.

THE BEAUFORT HANDICAP of 537 sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr H Howard Vyse's ch c Gun Club by Deuce of Clubs—Miss Gunning, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs	W Lane 1
Mr B Allam's b c Mouraviff, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs	O Madden 2
Mr G Edwardes's ch c Nutwith, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs*	Hunter 3
Mr E Bonner's Coxcomb, 3yrs, 6st 10lbs ...	J Jarvis 0
Mr Ned Clark's Rising Falcon, 4yrs, 9st ...	Yarnell 0
Mr C Perkins's Be Very Wise, 4yrs, 9st ...	Randall 0
Mr W H Schwind's Castlewise, aged, 8st 11lbs	B Lynham 0
Mr J H A Marshall's Poppits, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs	Butchers 0
Mr F Hardy's Wild Night Again, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs*	Saxby 0
Mr J F Jackson's Scarem, 6yrs, 7st 12lbs	Murray 0
Mr T O K White's Wise Child, 3yrs, 7st 10lbs	F Morgan 0
Mr G W Smith's Electric Current, aged, 7st 8lbs	Lofthouse 0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's Vincula, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs	J H Martin 0
Col H T Fenwick's Felo de Se, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs	Griggs 0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Thorp.*)

BETTING: 6 to 1 agst Nutwith 7 to 1 Coxcomb, 8 to 1 Vincula 10 to 1 each Rising Falcon, Poppits, and Scarem, 100 to 9 Mouraviff, 100 to 8 each Wild Night Again, Gun Club, and Felo de Se, and 100 to 6 agst any other.

Won a pretty race by a neck; a like distance separated the second and third. Coxcomb was placed fourth, Rising Falcon was fifth, Felo de Se sixth, Vincula seventh Poppits next, and Wild Night Again last.

THE DERBY SELLING HANDICAP of 187sovs.; winner to be sold for 50 sovs. One mile.

Mr J Rowson's b f Miss Joppa, by Jedda—Miss Shy, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs* ...	Saxby 1
Mr W G Steven's b f by Bentworth, The Dead Heart, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs ...	East 2
Lord Ellesmere's ch c Ravenhill, 3yrs, 7st	Jarvis 3
Mr J Wood's Baton Rouge, 5yrs, 8st* ...	G Bullock 0
Mr Line's Gayboy, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs* ...	Butchers 0
Mr G F Elsey's Gallia, aged, 8st ...	E Wheatley 0
Mrs Vivian Cory's Eon, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs* ...	Sharples 0
Mr J M Kern's La Parisienne, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs	B Dillon 0
Mr W Sanderson's Reaper, aged, 7st 6lbs	Griggs 0
Mr H E Randall's Albynes, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs	Trigg 0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Hornsby.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst Albynes, 7 to 2 Miss Joppa, 7 to 1 Gayboy, 8 to 1 Eon, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a length; two lengths divided the second and third. Reaper close up, was fourth, Baron Rouge fifth, Gayboy sixth, Albynes seventh, La Parisienne next, and Eon last. The winner was bought in for 65guineas Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 48⅘secs.

Another terribly wet afternoon was experienced at Castle Irwell, and the big crowd who came to see the Cup run for got a good soaking. The course rode very heavy, and calculations were upset in the first race, when the hot Grately favourite, Hong Kong, was easily bowled over by Little Sprout. At the subsequent auction the winner was bought in for 200 guineas. The victory of His Majesty's Rosemarket in the City Plate was the cause of great enthusiasm.

I have already wired you the result of the Cup and append it below—

THE CLIFF SELLING HANDICAP of 150sovs.; winner to be sold for 100sovs.; second to receive 5sovs. One mile.

Mr W Brechin's Little Sprtut by Cherry Tree—Widow's Daughter, 3 yrs 7st 11lbs	W Lane 1
Mr G Prentice's Hong Kong, 3yrs. 7st 7lbs	Madden 2
Mr F Le Bay's Fancy Free II, 5yrs 7st 7lbs	A Sharples 3
Mr Wood's Baton Rouge 5yrs, 7st 13lbs	Bullock 0
Mr C F Elsey's Gallia, aged, 7st 8lbs ...	Anderson 0
Mr T Davidson's Gentleman Joe, 5yrs, 7st 6lbs	Hunter 0
Mr H Anderson's Ethel May, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs	E Wheatley 0
Mr H D Bate's Glenhurst, 3yrs, 7st 2lbs ...	Saxby 0
Mr S Henry's g by Greenlawn—Lustre, 3yrs, 7st 5lbs	Griggs 0
Mr F Lynham's Moss, 3yrs, 7st ...	Heppell 0

(*Winner trained by Coulthwaite.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst Hong Kong, 7 to 2 Little Sprout, 7 to 1 Glenhurst, 8 to 1 Gentleman Joe, 10 to 1 the Lustre gelding, 100 to 8 Fancy Free II. or any other (offered).

Won easily by two lengths: bad third: Gentleman Joe was fourth; Ethel May fifth; Gallia sixth; and Moss last. Time, 1min 60⅘secs. The winner was bought in for 200 guineas.

THE CITY PLATE. Of 200sovs. for two-year-olds; second to receive 20sovs. Five furlongs.

His Majesty's Rosemarket, by Orion—Rose Madder, 9st 5lbs	H Jones 1
Mr C D Rose's f by Cyllene Suntai, 8st 5lbs	Madden 2
Mr G Edwardes's Knight of the Garter, 8st 8lbs	E Wheatley 3
Mr W E Elsey's Behemoth, 8st 8lbs ...	G Bullock 0
Mr John Osborne's Crundell Hills 8st 5lbs...	F Osborne 0

(*Winner trained by R. Marsh.*)

BETTING: 6 to 5 on Rosemarket, 2 to 1 Knight of the Garter, 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a length; bad third: Crundell Hill was last.

THE MANCHESTER CUP of 3,000sovs (200sovs. in plate, the rest in specie) added to a Handicap Sweepstakes of 25sovs each, 10ft.; winners extra; second to receive 300sovs. and the third 100sovs.; entrance 5sovs. the only forfeit if declared. Cup Course (one mile and-a-half). Forty-five entries, of whom 28 declared.

Mr W Goodchild's b m Scullion, by St Florian—Cinder, 6yrs, 8st 6lbs ...	H Randall *
Mr P P Gilpin's br c Roe O'Neill, by Sweetheart—Troublesome, 4yrs, 7st 13lbs	W Lane *
Mr J G Baird Hay's bl or br f Palmy Days, by Treaton—Pallanza, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs	T Heppell 3
Duke of Devonshire's Cheers, 5yrs, 8st 10lbs	M Cannon 0
Sir J Miller's Roudeau, 4yrs, 8st 8lbs ...	D Mabar 0
Mr G A Prentice's General Cronje, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs	O Madden 0
Mr J Buchanan's Kano, 4yrs, 8st 11b ...	B Dillon 0
Mr N G Higham's Prince Royal, 4yrs, 8st (h-b)	J E Watts 0
Mr T Corns's Rightful 5yrs, 7st 6lbs ...	J H Martin 0
Mr L Brassey's Black Fancy, 5yrs, 7st ...	W Griggs 0

(*Scullion trained by Sherrard, Roe O'Neill by Mr. Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 11 to 2 agst Roe O'Neill, 100 to 8 agst Scullion, 100 to 7 agst Palmy Days.

*Dead heat. Stakes divided.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.
(*Compiled from 21st March to 20th May.*)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Un-placed	Percentage
Madden, O. ...	200	35	24	21	120	17·05
Lane, W. ...	189	32	34	28	95	16·09
Maher, D. ...	101	31	17	10	43	30·69
Halsey, W. ...	150	22	18	27	83	14·66
Trigg, C. ...	154	18	10	18	108	11·68
Dillon, B. ...	82	16	9	9	48	19·51
Jarvis, J. ...	82	13	5	5	59	15·80
Wheatley, E. ...	90	13	17	11	49	14·44
Griggs, W. ...	148	13	20	13	102	3·77
Cannon, M. ...	103	11	18	15	59	10·67
Randall, H. ...	57	10	7	8	32	17·54
Jones, H. ...	70	10	11	12	37	14·28
Heppell, T. ...	45	9	2	2	32	20·00
Butchers, G. F. ...	64	9	5	12	38	14·75
Martin, J. H. ...	109	9	9	16	75	8·26
Lynham, B. ...	57	8	4	6	39	14·00
East, J. ...	87	8	19	6	56	9·19

CRICKET.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* GENTLEMEN OF ENGLAND (with King.) Played at Cambridge on 19th, 20th and 21st May. Cambridge University won by 153 runs. Although the team which was got together by G. J. V. Weigall to represent the Gentlemen of England was anything but strong either in batting or bowling it gave a very good account of itself on the first day of this match. The Cambridge men, still without their captain, F. B. Wilson, did not shine much with the bat, with the exception of E. S. Phillips, who played an excellent innings of 107 in a little more than two hours and-a-half. When stumps were drawn, the Gentlemen had made 160 for the loss of two wickets. C. H. B. Marsham being not out 28, and King, not out, 44. So weak was the batting of the visitors that the last eight wickets could only account for 79 more runs, and when Cambridge went in again with a lead of 46 runs the visitors' bowling was found to be as ineffective as their batting. Mann Magnay, Keigwin, Phillips, and Payne all made good scores, Keigwin and Payne putting up 102 runs in an hour while together. When stumps were drawn Cambridge, with three wickets in hand, had a lead of 388 runs. On Saturday morning the innings was declared closed at once, but owing to rain there was no play before lunch.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C H Eyre, b Bradley ...	12	c Fox, b Bradley ...	20
C B W Magnay, c Bradley, b King	23	c Vanderbly, b Bradley	33
E W Mann, b Bradley ...	0	c Weigall, b King ...	46
S S Harris, c Fox, b King ...	4	c Bacmeister, b Bradley	0
E S Phillips, c Fox, b Bradley	107	c Bacmeister, b King ...	68
R P Keigwin, l-b-w, b King ...	16	not out	51
K R B Fry, c Fox, b Bradley	22	c Fox, b Bradley ...	22
M W Payne, l-b-w, b Bacmeister	9	c Bacmeister, b Bradley	64
F J F Hopley, c Marsham, b Bacmeister	14	not out	4
P R May, c Vanderbyl, b Bacmeister	9		
G G Napier, not out ...	7		
B 5, lb 5	10	B 24, lb 2	26
Total	233	Total (7 wkts)* ...	334

*Innings declared closed.

GENTLEMEN OF ENGLAND.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C H B Marsham, b Hopley ...	30	c Eyre, b Hopley ...	0
H M Leaf, b Keigwin ...	10	c Eyre, b Napier ...	7
W H Patterson, c Mann, b Napier	4	c Eyre, b Hopley ...	25
King (J H), c Mann, b Hopley	44	c Fry, b May ...	60
P R Johnson, b Hopley ...	42	c and b Mann ...	72
G J V Weigall, c Napier, b Keigwin	1	c Eyre, b Hopley ...	6
R H Raphael, c Keigwin, b Napier	15	not out	29
L H Bacmeister, b Hopley ...	8	run out	1
V Vanderbyl, c Mann, b Napier	5	c Payne, b Napier ...	9
R H Fox, not out	4	b Keigwin ...	12
W M Bradley, c Payne, b Napier	2	c Eyre, b Napir ...	7
B 11, lb 3 ..	14	B 6, nb 1 ...	7
Total ...	179	Total ...	235

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bradley ...	30	9	88	4	...	36	8	103	5
King ...	35	10	95	3	..	34	8	110	2
Bacmeister	11·4	0	35	3	...	17	3	58	0
Vanderbyl...	1	0	5	0	...	4	0	19	0
					Johnson	4	1	13	0
					Marsham	2	1	5	0

GENTLEMEN OF ENGLAND.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Keigwin ...	17	6	49	2	...	17	3	57	1
Napier ...	15·5	4	41	4	...	13·3	3	54	3
Hopley ...	18	1	59	4	...	17	0	77	3
May ...	4	0	16	0	...	9	0	37	1
					Mann	3	1	3	1

Napier bowled one no-ball.

NOTTS *vs.* SURREY.—Played at Trent Bridge on 23rd, 24th and 25th May, Notts won by nine wickets.

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Abel, c Authony, b J Gunn ...	3	run out	0
Hayward, c Jones, b J Gunn ...	13	c and b Hallam ...	116
Hayes, c Dixon, b Hallam ...	29	c Gunn (W.), b Hallam	12
H B Chinnery, c Oates, b J Gunn	0	c Gunn (J.), b Day ...	23
Holland, c Jones, b Hallam ...	26	l-b-w, b Anthony ...	20
Moulder, c Jones, b J Gunn ...	15	c Gunn (W), b Anthony	2
R A Sheppard, c Oates, b Hallam	2	c Gunn (J), b Anthony	0
Lees, c W Gunn, b J Gunn ...	20	c Gunn (W), b Hallam	7
Strudwick, c Jones, b Hallam	6	b Gunn (J) ...	0
Smith, not out	13	b Hallam	1
Richardson, b J. Gunn ...	2	not out	1
Leg-bye	1		
Total ...	130	... Total ...	182

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NOTTS.

A O Jones, c Smith, b Sheppard ...	63	Day, l-b-w, b Lees ...	15
Iremonger, b Richardson	10	Anthony, run out ...	4
Gunn (W), c Strudwick b Smith ...	39	Hardstaff, not out ...	24
Gunn (G), c Hayes, b Richardson ...	42	Oates, c Richardson, b Smith	14
J A Dixon, b Lees ...	12	Hallam, c Moulder, b Richardson ...	0
Gunn (J), l-b-w, b Smith	66	B 4, lb 1 ...	5
		Total ...	294

Second innings:—Gunn (G), retired hurt, 5; Day, c Holland, b Hayes, 3; Anthony, not out, 7; Hardstaff, not out, 4.—Total (1 wicket) 19.

SURREY.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Gunn J. ...	33·4	14	75	6	... 24	7	64	1
Hallam ...	33	15	54	4	... 30·5	11	54	4
					Dixon 6	3	8	0
					Day 11	1	32	1
					Anthony 14	6	23	3
					Jones 1	0	2	0

NOTTS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees ...	32	9	75	2	...			
Hayes ...	6	1	21	0	... 2	1	3	1
Richardson ...	25·1	4	79	3	...			
Sheppard ...	15	2	42	1	...			
Smith ...	30	6	72	3	... 3	0	11	6
					Chinnery 1	0	4	0
					Abel 1	0	1	0

LONDON COUNTY C.C. *vs.* DERBYSHIRE.—Played at the Crystal Palace on the 19th and 20th May. London County won by an innings and 31 runs. The cricket ground at the Crystal Palace looks very pretty at any time during the season, but in the spring it is absolutely charming, and during the Derbyshire match it was seen at its best. There was a most interesting display of all-round cricket on the first day, although when stumps were drawn the home team, with 111 for two wickets against a total of 271, had the best of the situation. The chief feature of the batting was the display of L. G. Wright, who followed up his fine innings against Surrey by making 139 out of 240 in three hours, while nearly all the rest of his side were in difficulties with the bowling. He and Ollivierre made an excellent beginning, and by the way in which both men took charge of the bowling it looked as if they might have been together for hours if an unfortunate misunderstanding about running had not led to the downfall of Ollivierre who had only himself to blame. No one else showed any signs of obtaining a mastery over the bowling until towards the end of the innings Humphries played fine cricket. When London Country went in W. G. and Murdoch were disposed of cheaply, but Hathorn and Poidevin then played out time, the former being not out 25 and the latter not out 51 when stumps were drawn. A fine display of batting by Hathorn and Poidevin placed London Country in an excellent position on Friday morning. Poidevin played a very pretty game, while Hathorn, the South African cricketer, was in great form and made 117 in three hours, his hits including fifteen 4's. Afterwards Braund and Sinclair made hay of the bowling and London County passed the Derbyshire total. While Sinclair was in with Hathorn 73 runs were put on in half an hour, Sinclair's hitting being very powerful. Sinclair was at the wickets for only thirty-five minutes for his 50. The innings was by no means over for Sewell made some good drives, while L. Walker and W. Smith both made useful scores. Derbyshire had to wipe off 127 before they drew level, but helped by a cross wind Braund bowled so finely that no one could make any headway against him except Needham and the result was a surprisingly easy victory for London County.

DERBYSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L G Wright, b Kotze ...	139	c Board, b Kotze ...	10
C B Ollivierre, run out ...	22	st Board, b Braund ...	9
Storer, b Grace	11	c Kotze, b Braund ...	0
Dr E M Ashcroft, b Braund	1	c Hathorn, b Braund	5
G Curgenven, st Board, b Grace	8	st Board, b Braund ...	10
Needham, l-b-w, b Braund ...	14	run out	31
Morton, b Braund ...	1	c Board, b Kotze ...	5
Warren, c Kotze, b Braund...	5	c Smith, b Braund ...	3
Humphries, c Sewell b Kotze	44	not out	9
Stevenson, b Kotze ...	9	b Kotze	0
Bestwick, not out ...	3	b Braund	5
B 12, lb 2	14	Lb 8, nb 1	9
Total ...	271	Total ...	96

LONDON COUNTY.

W G Grace, c Humphries, b Bestwick	15	Sewell, b Warren ...	30
W L Murdoch, c Wright, b Stevenson	19	Board, c Humphries, b Bestwick ...	0
M Hathorn, c Morton b Bestwick ...	117	L Walker, b Warren ...	19
L O S Poidevin, c Storer, b Warren	73	W Smith, not out ...	25
Braund, c Wright b Storer	40	J Kotze, b Warren ...	0
J H Sinclair, b Bestwick	50	B 3, lb 6, nb 1 ...	10
		Total	398

DERBYSHIRE.

	First Innings. C.	M.	R.	W.	Second innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	20·4	1	69	3	12	3	47	3
Braund ...	23	1	87	4	11·3	0	40	6
Sinclair ...	11	1	49	0				
Grace ...	16	2	52	2				

Kotze delivered a no-ball.

LONDON COUNTY.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Bestwick ...	29	6	113	4	Morton	9	0	53	0
Stevenson ...	17	2	79	1	Storer	7	0	53	1
Warren ...	18·3	3	87	4					

Warren delivered a no-ball.

YORKSHIRE *vs.* LANCASHIRE.—Played at Old Trafford on 23rd and 24th May. Abandoned owing to heavy rain.

YORKSHIRE.

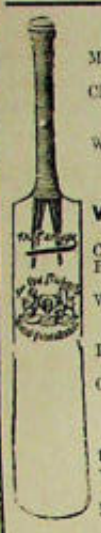
First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Tunnicliffe, c Garnett, b Brearley	9	b Cuttell ...	18
Rothery, b Brearley ...	1	b Cuttell ...	1
Denton, b Brearley ...	5	c Spooner, b Hallows ...	13
F Mitchell, b Brearley ...	21		
Hon F S Jackson, c and b Cuttell ...	49		
Hirst, run out	14		
Myers, b Brearley ...	3	not out	2
Rhodes, not out	94		
Lord Hawke, b Brearley ...	7		
Haigh, b Sharp	84		
Hunter, lbw, b Cuttell ...	1		
B 3, lb 2	5	Byes	2
Total ...	293	Total (3 wkts) ...	34

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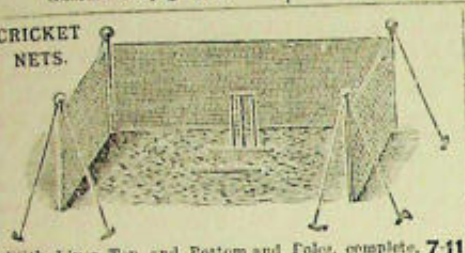
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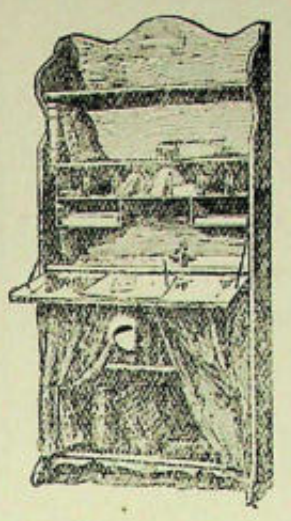
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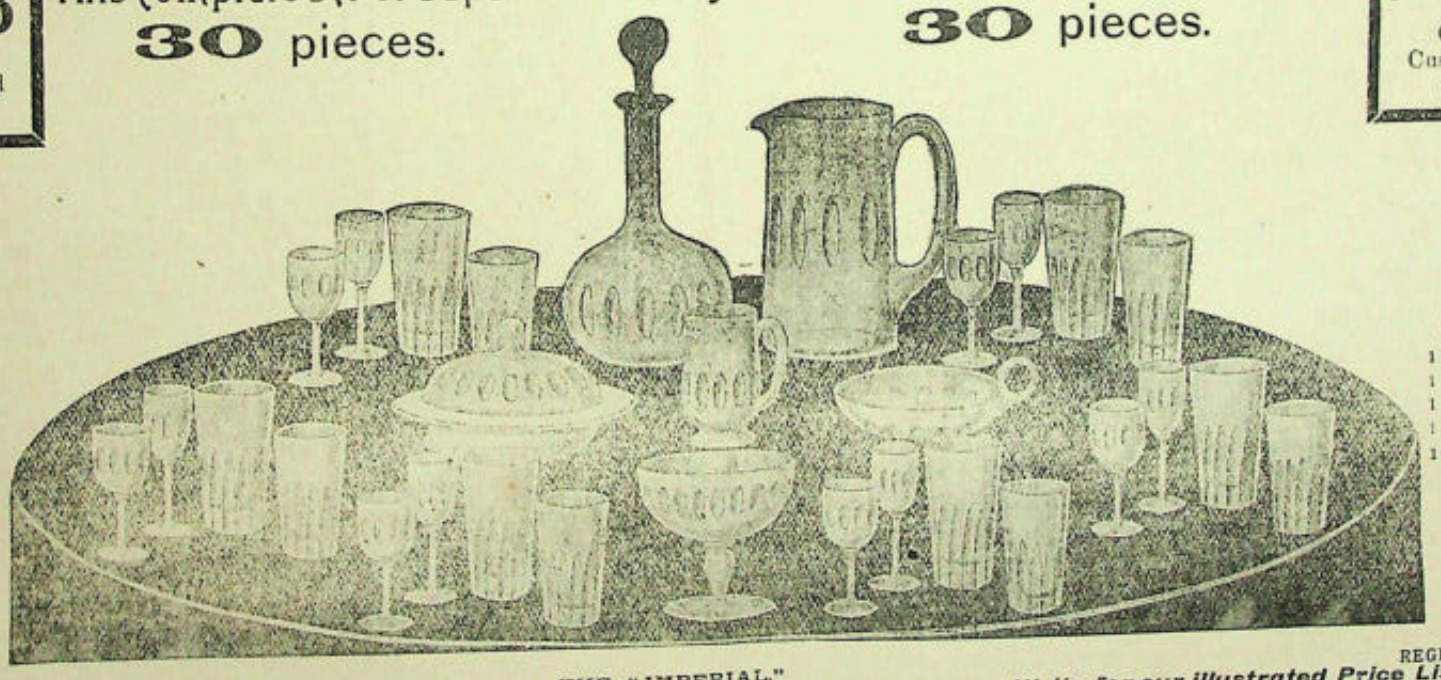
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LANCASHIRE.

R H Spooner, c Tunnicliffe, b Jackson	...	...	126
H J Garnett, c Mitchell, b Hirst	...	...	0
Tyldesley, c Tunnicliffe, b Jackson	..	...	42
A C Maclaren, 1-b-w, b Jackson	...	...	11
Hallows, c Hirst, b Jackson			16
Sharp, c Hunter, b Myers			52
I'Anson, c Hirst, b Myers	...		0
A H Hornby, c Mitchell, b Jackson	...	...	6
Cuttell, b Myers		...	0
W Brearley, c Tunnicliffe, b Jackson	...	...	6
Worsley, not out		...	0
B 11, lb 2, nb 1		...	14
Total		...	273

YORKSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Brearley	... 30	3	110	6		6	1	25	0
I'Anson	... 12	2	57	0					
Cuttell	... 25·1	9	65	2		6·	3	7	2
Hallows	... 8	0	27	0		1	0	0	1
Sharp	... 5	0	29						

LANCASHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst ...	21	6	46	1	Haigh ...	12	2	49	0
Jackson ...	26 3	1	91	6	Myers ...	6	2	9	3
Rhodes ...	21	5	64	0					

MIDDLESEX *vs.* SOMERSET.—Played at Lord's on 23rd, 24th and 25th May. Saved from an awkward situation on Saturday by the rain in the Sussex match, Middlesex again found it useful on Bank Holiday, for it enabled them, after winning the toss, to give Somerset the benefit of a difficult wicket, which was almost certain to improve as the day wore on. Things turned out as had been anticipated, and the unfortunate Somerset team had very much the worst of the game when stumps were drawn. They fared very badly against the bowling of J. T. Hearne, who had a wicket which suited him so well that he took eight wickets for 49 runs (the last six for 9 runs), the only two men who did anything against him being L. C. H. Palairet and P. R. Johnson. When Middlesex went in Warner and L. J. Moon were soon dismissed, while Robertson and Bosanquet met with so little success that four wickets were down for 89. This was not much of an improvement on the Somersetshire total at the same period of the innings, but the two Beldams then came together, and remained at the wickets for the rest of the day. Finding the Somersetshire bowling not very strong, they both soon played themselves in, and were able to give a far more attractive display of batting than is usual with either of them. Instead of defending they were able to adopt measures of such an aggressive kind that in two hours and a half they increased the score by 201 runs, and were still together when stumps were thus drawn, with the total at 290 for four wickets. Middlesex were 164 runs on Owing to heavy rain during the early morning of Tuesday no play was possible on that day. The following day a resumption was made at a quarter past one, and from the second ball sent down G. W. Beldam was easily secured at cover-point by Macgregor, who was fielding as a substitute for Palairet. His chanceless innings lasted three hours and ten minutes, and contained a 7 (4 for an otherthrow), eight 4's, eight 3's, and a dozen 2's. Shortly afterwards E. A. Beldam was caught at long-off, having batted two hours and a quarter without making a mistake, and having hit seventeen 4's, two 3's, and seven 2's. Trott made 41 in thirty-five minutes, and a little later the innings was declared closed. Somerset being set 244 to save the innings defeat. Hearne again proved almost irresistible, and at

no time did the visitors appear likely to save the match. Johnson who is in very fine form this year, again played well but he received poor support, and Middlesex won easily by an innings and 119 runs. The bowling of Hearne, which accounted for fifteen wickets for 93 runs, was quite the feature of the match.

MIDDLESEX.

P F Warner, b Braund	...	13	E A Beldam, c Johnson, b Cranfield ... 105
L J Moon, b Robson	...	16	J H Hunt, c sub, b Cranfield 1
G W Beldam, c sub, b Cranfield ...	...	140	A E Trott, c & b Martyn 41
W F Robertson, c Montgomery, b Cranfield ...		13	C P Foley, not out ... 24
B J T Bosanquet, c Montgomery, b Cranfield		0	G MacGregor, not out ... 5
			B 9, lb 2, nb 1 ... 12
			Total ... 370*

*Innings declared closed.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
L C H Palairet c E Beldam, b Hearne ...	...	35	b Hearne ...	...	9
Braund, run out	...	4	c Hunt, b Trott	...	11
P R Johnson, c E Beldam, b Hearne ...		43	c and b Trott	...	36
F A Phillips, run out	...	0	b Herane ...	...	10
Robson, c McGregor, b Hearne		1	b Heane ...	...	0
H Martyn, b Hearne	...	10	c and b Hearne	...	0
S M J Woods, not out	...	15	c Bosanquet, b Trott	...	2
F M Lee, b Hearne	..	1	c Hunt, b Hearne	...	22
H F Montgomery, c Warner, b Hearne ...	...	12	b Hearne ...	...	3
A E Newton, b Hearne	...	0	c MacGregor, b Hearne		21
Cranfield, b Hearne	...	0	not out ...	...	0
B 4, lb 1	...	5	B 6, lb 2	..	8
Total	...	126	Total	...	125

MIDDLESEX.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield	... 26	5	100	5	Montgomery	... 12	4	44	
Braund	... 26	3	99	1	Palairet	... 13	4	38	
Robson	... 20	2	58	1	Martyn	... 2	0	19	

Montgomery delivered a no-ball.

SOMERSET.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne	... 19·4	5	49	8	...	.. 24·4	5	44	7
Trott	... 13	1	55	0	...	.. 24	4	73	3
G W Beldam	... 6	1	17	0					

TENNIS.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

LATHAM *vs* FAIRS.—Peter Latham won the championship match at Brighton on the 20th instant by seven sets to five. It was not the gift for him that the first two days' tennis had presaged, for on the 20th Latham was suffering from the severity of his brilliant game in the preceding stages of the match; the attentions of his "rubber" had failed to rid him of his stiffness, and he entered the court feeling anything but himself. Details of the concluding stages :—

NINTH SET

First Game.—"Punch" went on with the service, but Latham volleyed this well, and made a short chase and won a stroke, while Punch served two faults, and Latham stood at 30 love. However, Fairs got on a fine stroke and went to deuce, and afterwards he was very effective in two fine shots at the grille. Fairs won the game.

Second Game.—Peter was successful in going for the openings on both sides of the court, and he laid down chase a yard which brought him the winning stroke in the game.

Third Game.—Latham was splendid in his stopping. There were many long rests, and the later play was mostly on the floor. Latham laid down chase a yard, and Punch tried to force for it and failed. Latham won the game.

Fourth Game.—After the game had been marked 40—love against him, Latham came out in something of his old form, and, with a winning gallery shot and a back-hand volley into the grille, he ran to deuce and then won. Latham now led by 3—1.

Games 5 to 9.—Latham completely dropped his and gave Fairs many easy balls to finish. Everything was for Fairs, who played tremendously well for the winning openings on the hazard side. He had ever so many easy things to finish. Latham went from bad to worse. The chases were long, but from the service side Fairs, with his wonderful forehand stroke, killed ball after ball either underneath the grille or the winning gallery. Fairs won five games off the reel and took the set at 6—3. Time—30mins.

TENTH SET.

First Game.—Latham did well in stopping, but his attack was weak, and Fairs, finding the grille twice, soon won.

Games 2 to 4.—The champion had a spell of success. His shots into the winning gallery were good and he twice won chases about two and three on the floor. Again he looked like winning the set, for he reached three games to one.

Games 5 to 9.—Fairs again found fortune favouring him. He played with great brilliancy against Latham's weakness. There were some long rests, but Latham's attack was comparatively slow, and his opponent easily got the better of the stopping. "Punch" was simply wonderful in finding his grille. Game after game went to him; he won five off the reel again, and the set was his in 35mins. at 6—3.

ELEVENTH SET.

First Game.—Fairs forced the dedans at once, and then crossing over to defend two long chases he found the grille, and then finished a ball off the base of the tambour. He won this game.

Second Game.—This was a long game for Fairs, whose freshness was too much for Latham.

Third and Fourth Games.—Latham was succesful in both of these. He won some easy chases and twice forced for the dedans. There were many long rests.

Fifth and Sixth Games.—"Punch" returned everything, and it was keen and hard tennis. The defence was good, but, though failing often for the openings, Latham managed to take the set to "3 all."

Seventh and Eighth Games.—It was game and game. Peter Latham's defence was very good, but he was palpably off his game in attack, and his forcing usually left only long chases on. The set reached 4 games all.

Ninth Game.—Latham finished the ball underneath the grille and reached 40—love. There was one great rest and Latham won the game.

Tenth Game.—"Punch," with a winning gallery shot and a back-hand volley into the grille, established a lead in this game, which he won, making the set "5 all."

Eleventh Game.—With a lucky boast off the main wall. Fairs went away at the start, and eventually won and took the set at 6—5. Time—38mins.

TWELFTH SET.

First and Second Games.—Latham got going well, and, with Fairs making sundry mistakes, the champion won two love games.

Third Game.—After finding the grille twice Latham lost. Fairs playing remarkably well in defending some easy chases.

Game Four to Six.—Latham made a final effort to settle the match. Fairs was tiring, and the set ran to Latham 5—1.

Seventh and Eighth Game.—Peter lost both of these after getting within a stroke of winning the match. Fairs was going strongly again, and Latham looked quite beaten.

Ninth and Tenth Game.—Fairs won both these, after Latham had been at 40—love in the tenth. Score : 5 games all.

Eleventh Game.—Latham ran to 40—15 and then failed to win chase worse than 2. Eventually deuce was called. A hazard side chase was marked, and then 'Punch" tried to force for the dedans. He failed by a quarter of an inch, and the ball fell 5 and 6. This was a bit of luck for Latham, who won the two chases and with them the game and set at 6—5 and match. Time—30mins.

Latham won the match by seven sets to five, as follows :—

	First Day. 1st set.	2nd set.	3rd set.	4th set.
Latham ...	... 6	6	6	3
Fairs ...	... 5	3	4	6
	Second Day. 5th set.	6th set.	7th set.	8th set.
Latham ...	... 6	4	6	6
Fairs ...	... 3	6	1	1

	Third Day. 9th set.	10th set.	11th set.	12th set.	Aggregate score
Latham ...	3	3	5	6	60
Fairs ...	6	6	6	5	52

ROWING.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY EIGHTS.—The finest weather of the series was reserved for the 25th instant when the races were brought to a conclusion after a most successful week There were several showers in the morning, but the afternoon and evening proved delightfully fine, and for the first time it could be accounted really warm. As a consequence there was an immense attendance, and the barges presented a brilliant sight with the varied toilettes of the hundreds of ladies present, whilst in places the towing-path wes almost impassable. New College left off head of the river, despite the fact that they lost the services of their stroke on Tuesday, and although Magdalen invariably gained considerably on them, it is very possible that the Wykehamists and a bit in hand, for they never appeared so thoroughly rowed out at the finish at their opponents. On form Christ Church was the fastest boat on the river, as they always finished well within their distance, and if would not be surprising to find quite a number of crews rowing at Henley this summer. To St. John's belongs the credit of having accomplished the record of the races, inasmuch as they were credited with six bumps, and the manner in which they overhauled Merton stamps them a very speedy crew. They were capitally stroked by L. G Sedgwick, an old trial eights' man and they ought certainly to make an effort to send their eight to Henley. Exeter left off head of the Second Division, although they did not have much to spare in their race with Worcester, who were somewhat fortunate in being able to escape the attentions of Keble.

The Second Division order of starting was : Exeter, Worcester, Keble, Lincoln, Oriel, Jesus, Queen's, Hertford, St. Catherine's, Corpus, St. Edmund Hall, and Wadham. A very fine race was witnessed between the three leading boats. Keble looked certain to make their bump. They had a shot near the Cherwell, but missed by inches, which enabled Worcester to get clear again, and an exciting finish ended in Exeter passing the post a short quarter of a length in front of Worcester, who were nearly the same distance ahead of Keble. Oriel gained considerably on Lincoln, and were within half a length at the finish, whilst a similar distance separated Jesus from Queen's. St. Catherine's had the pace of Hertford and rubbed off a length of the starting distance, whilst St. Edmund Hall were within a length of Corpus.

The First Division order of starting was : New College, Magdalen, Christ Church, University, Balliol, Brasenose, Trinity, Merton, St. John's, Pembroke and Exeter. As on the previous evenings, Magdalen showed themselves faster than New College, but the latter were never in any danger of being caught, and left off head of the river with a margin of half a length. It was the same with Magdalen and Christ Church, the latter showing the best pace, but being half a length to the bad at the finish. Balliol were hard pressed by Brasenose, and the latter experienced rather an exciting time of it, as at the New Cut Trinity all but overlapped. Brasenose, however, got away again, and had a quarter of a length to spare at the post. Merton, although they had previously made a couple of bumps, proved no match for St. John's, who came up with a rush in Iffley Reach and caught them before getting through the Gut. The following is the order in which the boats started and finished :

DIVISION 1 (AT START.)

New College	Brasenose	Exeter
Magdalen	Christ Church	Merton
University	Pembroke	Worcester
Balliol	Trinity	

DIVISION 2.

Worcester	Keble	Queen's
Jesus	Hertford	Wadham
Lincoln	Ori l	St. Edmund Hall
St. John's	Corpus	St. Catherine's

DIVISION 1 (AT FINISH.)

New College	Balliol	Merton
Magdalen	Brasenose	Pembroke
Christ Church	Trinity	Exeter
University	St. John's	

DIVISION 2.

Exeter	Oriel	St. Catherine's
Worcester	Jesus	Corpus
Keble	Queen's	St. Edmund Hall
Lincoln	Hertford	Wadham

The names and weights of the New College and St. John' crews are :

New College : R. H. C. Birt (bow), 11st 5lb ; G. A. Hope, 11st 18lbs ; R. M. Gaskell, 11st 7lbs ; R. G. Sheddon, 12st 10½lbs ; P. T. Spencer Phillips 13st 5½lbs ; A. B. B. Howell, 12st 12lbs ; A. H. Arbuthnot, 10st 13lb ; L. C. G. Booth (stroke), 11st 13lbs ; R. C. Parr (cox), 7st 6lbs. During the last two nights Mr G. M. Graham, 10st 6lbs, rowed stroke owing to the indisposition of Mr. Booth.

St. John's : R. M. Nicholls (bow), 10st 6lbs ; B. H. Bourdillon 10st 12lbs ; A. Keown Boyd, 11st 2lbs ; C Harrison-Jones, 12st 12lbs ; W. W. Mumford, 12st 4lbs ; F. J. Seal, 10st 8lbs ; M. Bates, 9st 10lb ; L. G. Sedgwick (stroke), 12st 4lbs ; S. C. Hilliard (cox), 8st 7lb.

THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

After over a year's wrangling, a match for the sculling championship of the world is at last in sight, as word was received at Putney on Saturday evening that the champion, George Towns, had agreed to row the challenger, Dick Tresidder, for the title on 30th July. In view of the manner in which hitherto the men have hung fire, the excuses made, and the arrangements for "a gate," the race is not likely to create a great deal of interest in local aquatic circles, although followers of the popular champion will look forward keenly to the result of any race in which he is engaged. They row on the Parramatta, and Tresidder will have the assistance of Chris Neilson, while Towns with most probably be trained by his brothers and Harry Pearce, and in this direction will lack the astute guidance of his friend and mentor, Tom Sullivan. The big New Zealander was behind him when he defeated Jim Wray for the SPORTSMAN Challenge Cup and when he wrested the championship from Jake Gaudaur, and there is no doubt that is was his cable to Towns, that he could be backed for any a mount over the Thames, that brought about the present match quite unexpectedly to many who had commenced to believe that Towns and Tresidder were adopting the American pugilistic style of advertising each other and purely indulging in newspaper warfare.

Regarding this cable, the *Sydney Referee*, to hand, contains the following from its Newcastle (N. S. W.) correspondent.

"Yes; I must say I was rather astonished when I read in last week's *Referee* that sufficient money was forthcoming for Towns in London if the race for the championship was rowed on the Thames." This is what Dick Tresidder said in reply to my question as to whether he had seen the cable from Tom Sullivan, when I called upon him at his residence at Carrington on Saturday afternoon. Dick was just about to leave for his afternoon's row when I looked him up, and in course of conversation he assured me that he fully expected to hear from Towns within the next few days. He said that he could not make his intentions definitely known until he knew what the champion was going to do in respect to Sullivan's offers. "If he should take it into his head to journey to England," continued Tresidder, "I suppose I would have to follow him, but you can take it from me I would much prefer to have the race rowed on Australian waters. It is due to the Australian people that we should row here, seeing that we are both natives, and, personally, I would like to have the contest decided on the Parramata, the scene of so many races for the championship. I am one of the worst sailors in the world on boardship, but once I reach thh land it does not take me long to pick myself up. I would not mind the trip to England by any means for it would give me an opportunity of seeing the Old World, but, as I said before, we should study the Australian people."

Tresidder was then reminded that a number of Newcastle people were anxious to see the race rowed on the Hunter, but he immediately replied that he thought that would be impracticable. In the first place, he said, there were no suitable boats, and in the second the steamer receipts were a big consideration to both he and Towns. The prices charged in Sydney could not be thought of in Newcastle, in addition to which the steamboat proprietors were prepared to deal liberally with them during training operations. Hundreds of people would journey from Sydney to the Parramatta to see them at work on the river at least twice a week, and a share of the money so gathered would almost pay a man's training expenses. However, the course was a matter to be fixed when they met to sign articles, but he must say, for the reasons given, that he preferred the Parramatta.

ATHLETICS.

THE IRISH CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Irish Amateur Athletic Association championship meeting was held at Balisbridge on the 23rd instant. The weather was fine, except for a few slight showers but the attendance could not be deemed satisfactory. A fairly stiffish breeze blew down the straight, which to some extent hampered the runners The performances were moderate and called for no special comment. Denis Murray again easily appropriated the 100 Yards and 220 Yards. By far the best race of the day was the Four-mile, in which Muldoon and Daly fought over again their battle of the last year. This time the rusult was reversed. Details :

Half mile Race (holder S. C. Armstrong, Templederry). —J. McKenzie, Dublin, 1 ; J. E Finnegan, Dublin, 2 ; H. Muldoon, Dublin, 3 ; J. J. Daly, Galway, 4. Nine ran. Won by half a yard ; four yards between the second and third. Time—2mins. 3secs.

Throwing 16lbs Hammer (holder, T F. Kiely, Carrickonsuir) —P. Ryan, Pallasgreen, 143ft., 1 ; L. A Kiely, Carrickonsuir, 134ft. 8in., 2 ; Denis Horgan, Banteer, 125ft. 0½in, 3 ; T. A. Reynolds, Dublin, 0.

Long Jump (holder, P. J Leahy, Charleville).—C. Leahy, Charleville, 22ft. 9½in. 1 ; P. J Cusack, Dublin, 22ft. 5in., 2.

100 Yards Race (holder, Denis Murray, Dublin).— Denis Murray, Dublin, 1 ; H. Thrift Dublin University, 2. Won easily. Time—10½secs.

One Mile Race (holder, J. J. Daly, Galway) — J. E Finnegan Dublin, 1 ; M Hynam, Dublin, 2 ; L. J. Donelan, Ballinalloe, 3 ; A. W. Going, Marryborough, 0. Won by five yards. Time—4mins. 33½secs.

Putting the Shot (holder, J. Barrett, Nenagh).—Denis Horgan, Banteer, 45ft. 8½in., 1 ; J. Barrett, Nenagh, 41ft. 1in , 2; J. H. O'Neill, Lurgan, 38ft. 6in., 3.

Three mile Walk (holder, M. K. Forrester, Dublin). —3. S. Kernaghan, Belfast, 1, M. Martin, Dublin, 2; J.O' Brien, Dublin, 3. Won easily by fifty yards ; a bad third. Time—25mins. 21½secs.

220 Yards Race (holder, Denis Murray, Dublin).—Denis Murray, Dublin 1; H. Thrift, Dublin University, 2; W. B. H. Parker, Loughrea, 3. Won easily by eight yards: poor third. Time—24½secs.

High Jump (holder, C. Leahy, Charleville).—C. Leahy, Charleville, 5ft. 7½in. 1; J. J. Bourke Cappawhite, 5ft. 6½in., 2. In an exhibition jump, Leah did 5ft. 10½in.

120 Yards Hurdles Race (holder, P. Harding, Dublin) —First heat : J. J. Bourke, Cappawhite, 1 ; D. Carey, County Dublin, H. 2; T McPatey, Dublin University, 0 ; L. A. Kiely, Carrickonsuir, 0. Won by inches. Time—16½secs. Second heat : J. Murray, Dublin, 1; R. Kent, Castlelyons, 0. Won easily. Time—18secs. Final : Murray, 1 ; Carey, 2 ; Bourke, 3 ; Kent, 4. Won by inches ; a foot between the second and third. Time—16½secs.

Four-mile Race (holder, H. Muldoon, Dublin).—J. J. Daly, Galway, 1 ; H. Muldoon, Dublin, 2 ; S. Lee, Belfast, 3. Eight ran. Won by four yards. Time—20mins. 45secs.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

THERE was a fairly large field out last Saturday (4th) when we had a bye day. The meet was at Rees' Corner and the morning was fine, but cloudy, after the previous night's heavy rain. At first the luck was against us, for we drew a great extent of the Nunjenad Valley without finding. A line was picked up, however, in a nullah close by Dharma Tope and soon afterwards Mr Mackenzie viewed the jack He went to ground at once, but was bolted by a terrer, and we had a gallop over very rough wild country through Sambur Shola and Kuruthergalle Shola At the top of the latter hounds, unfortunately, divided. Half the pack, however, stuck to the line of the hunted jack and he was viewed quite exhausted, into the scrub below Hecuba Cliff, where we lost him.

Returning above Tiger Shola a jack jumped up in front of hounds and they broke away, running over the top of Hecuba, past Andy Plantation and the swamps beyond, and then left landed towards Vakal Hill. As it was getting late the Master took advantage of a check to stop them. Scent was fairly good except on the top of the hills, where the strong wind seemed to baffle hounds.

On Monday (6th) the wild monsoon weather and driving rain did not keep many people at home, for we had quite a respectably large field out. A move was first made to Mills' Covert and from here hounds picked up a line at once. The jack was not seen to leave the covert, but after a moment's hesitation hounds swung down towards Treble Crossing and then began to run very fast up Blackmoor Vale. They crossed the stream and turned over Newmarket, and past the top of Rawlings' Nullah, down the valley

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below Blue Gums and then over the spur which runs down from Parlocs where the jack was viewed close in front of hounds. It seemed certain that they would catch him before he reached Governor's Shola, but they overran him in one of the nullahs, and a fresh jack jumping up the Master stopped them in Governor's Shola near the Toda School. This was a very fast and enjoyable gallop.

After this we had a wait for some time, drawing down to double Crossing, over Gold Mine Crossing and Lawley's Course without finding. In the swamp, south of the rising ground, below Gibbs' Shola we picked up a line and although the jack had a long start it was very pretty to see the way hounds settled down to it and warmed to their work. They ran faster every minute, crossing the spur and skirting the side of Gibbs' Shola. They then crossed the Pykara Road and swung down to the crossing below Briar Shola at a pace which it was hard to line with. Up the opposite hill they went, and then turned sharp to the left above Wapshare's Hare Shola as if they were tied to their jack. Crossing the road again west of Bacon Wood, we galloped down into the Yemakal Valley as if Yemakal Shola was the point But the jack never touched it and took past the bottom below Bamboo Shola and, bending to the right, crossed the valley as if it was all the same to him where he went. Over this severe country hounds stuck to him persistently and the pace never slackened, until, after driving him through some dense woodland which is not named on the Hunt Map, they marked an under ground water course where in a few minutes he was pulled out and killed. This I think is the fastest and most severe run for many years. At the finish, beside the Hunt servants, were only Miss Sprot and seven gentlemen.

On Thursday (9th) the meet was at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar. The morning was again wild and stormy, with a high wind and frequent storms of rain, but there was a large field out and sport was good We first drew over Lawley's Course, where hounds just touched a line but scent seemed to have all been blown away. At the bottom of Gibbs' Shola hounds ran heel for a couple of hundred yards on the line of a jack which had gone up into the Shola. About three couple of hounds were forward and when the Master lifted the pack to them we found them hunting one jack in one of the thick clumps between Gibbs' Shola and Herbert Plantation. Apparently demoralised by the weather he had waited for us there, and now broke across the bottom of Herbert Plantation with hounds close behind him, and was killed in covert. We then drew the lower part of Briar Shola and got away at once. Crossing the swamp below, the jack made over the hill towards Wapshare's Hare Shola and skirting the side of this went on to Wenlock Wood. From the top a fresh jack broke towards Chemmund, but the hunted jack kept along the road to Khed Shola, through which hounds drove him without a pause. Emerging at the north side we had a beautiful gallop over a capital line of country. Keeping to the right of Coffee Shop Shola and then swinging to the left hounds drove along in the teeth of the gale parallel to the Pykara Falls Road. Gradually turning towards the river we crossed the road and eventually worked the jack to ground in an earth overlooking the Pykara River.

BLUE GUM.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT DARJEELING.

ST. PAUL'S *vs.* ST. JOSEPH'S.—The meeting of the two schools was looked forward to with interest, and a good game was witnessed. St Paul's made 105 in their first venture and St Joseph's 87. In the second innings St Paul's put up 40 for two wickets. St Paul's thus won by 18 runs. Score:—

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL.

First Innings.			Second Innings		
W Siddle, b Owens	...	5	not out ...	...	13
W Shaw, c Bryan, b Ryan	...	1	did not bat ..		0
J A Peale, b Ryan	...	0	not out ...	...	2
A F Sharling, c Ready, b Rayneau ...	...	8			
F R August, b Ryan	...	13			
J R O Badham, b Ford	...	13	did not bat.		
E D Badham, c and b J Doran		0			
K H McIntosh, b Bryan	...	22	run out ...	...	10
T W Corbett, b Owens	...	7	did not bat	...	0
A Allison, c Bryan, b Ford	...	26	c Bryan, b owens	...	6
V Campbell, not out	...	0	did not bat	...	0
Extras	...	7	Extras	...	9
Total	...	105	Total: 2 wkts	...	40

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL.

First Innings.

E Doran, b August ...	...	25
D Ford, b Sharling ...	...	1
L Bryan, b August	...	3
J Martini, c McIntosh, b Badham	...	1
C Rayneau, c Shaw, b D Badham	...	5
F Ryan, c McIntosh, b D Badham	...	0
J Doran, b August	...	0
J Owens, c J Badham, b August	...	22
D Ready, c and b Siddle ...	...	3
A Corkrey, c J Badham, b August	...	12
W Smith, not out	...	2
Extras	...	13
Total	...	87

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

BOWRING INST. *vs.* JOCKEYS, TRAINER'S, ETC.—Played at Bangalore on the 9th instant, this exciting game resulted in a win for the racing men by one wicket and 58 runs. Score:—

JOCKEYS, TRAINERS AND BOOKMAKERS.

Godfrey, b C. Patton	...	85
Rustomjee, run out	...	0
Penton, c Oakley, b C Patton ...	...	5
Williams, C Thompson, b Coxe	...	9
O'Brien, c "Lazelle," b C Patton	...	1
West, run out	...	11
Ferguson, C Blaikie, b C Patton	...	40
McQuade, run out ...	...	16
Bennett, b C Patton ...	...	0
Goldspink, Melsom } did not bat		
Extras	...	15
Total	...	182

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Blaikie, b Godfrey	...	0
C. Patton, b Ferguson ...	...	9
Coxe, run out	...	45
D. Patton, b Penton	...	27
E. Chas, b Ferguson	...	10
Walton, b Ferguson	...	9
Jackman, b West	...	0
"Lazelle," b West	...	0
Oakley, not out	...	13
Wyatt, b Godfrey	...	0
J. Thompson, c Rustomjee, b Ferguson	...	2
Extras ...	...	9
Total	...	124

CRICKET CHAT.

INDIAN cricket scribes can hardly complain just now about there being a dearth of interesting performances to comment upon, as from all the more elevated parts of the country news flows in of exciting and in some cases noteworthy doings in the cricket field. In my last notes I dealt fully with the first two matches of the Simla season and am now able to make a few remarks on the third match against Aligarh College. When the Aligarhians have done anything of note it has usually been with the assistance of past students of the College such as Ahsanul-Hak, Masood Ahmed, Ali Hasan Abdul Razzak, and Abdel Hussain, but on this occasion the team that represented the College did not include any of these players, and their victory by the big margin of eight wickets was one of the most meritorious recorded in the annals of the college. The Simla team was even stronger in batting than that which played the previous week against the outstations and besides General Spens, French, Michell, McConaghey, Laverton, Robinson, Smallwood, and Heasman included C. L. Alexander, the old Salopian who made a century against the same bowling last cold weather, and V. A. S. Keighley. Shafkat Hussain's bowling, however, proved too good for the majority of the batsmen, the famous fast bowler accounting for thirteen wickets in the match (eight clean bowled) for six runs a piece. In the first innings he took six wickets for 32 runs, Mitchell (17), Smallwood (15), Spens (15) and French (11), making all but 13 of the runs made from the bat. Thanks to Keighley (33), Alexander (17) Heasman (23 not out) and Robinson (15). Simla did better in their second innings, totalling 140 but not well enough to escape a severe defeat. Aligarh who were out for 111 in their first winnings (Said Mohamed 23, Ali Raza 20, and Saleem 17) had to thank Abid Hussain (56 not out), and Akram (36 not out) for knocking off the runs required to win after two wickets had fallen for 18 runs. Both these young batsmen, who with Shafkat and Said Mohamed of the present team accompanied the P. and P. team to Bombay, are to be congratulated on the fine start they made against such good bowling. Of the Simla bowlers, H. Heasman gave further proof this season that his right hand has not lost its cunning, and took seven wickets in the match for eight runs apiece. Aligarh College have now beaten Simla three times and have never been defeated themselves by the station teams.

Bombay cricketers, especially Presidency supporters are jubilant over a rumour to the effect that Captain J. G. Greig is returning to India in a few weeks with his regiment, the 107th Pioneers, and will of course be available for the big annual matches with the Parsees. It is also stated on good authority that Captain L. M. B. Deas, the old Presidency fast bowler, who has been at home on sick leave, is returning to India next week, a piece of information which has buoyed up the hopes of Presidency supporters still further.

This is, however, not all the good news, from a Presidency point of view, that I have to impart to your readers, as two good all-round players who, if all goes well, should be strong candidates for Presidency honours, have been unearthed in the persons of Lieutenants E. R. Jones and F. L. Tayler of the Cheshire Regiment. Both these players made their *debut* in a match last week and displayed promising form with the bat and ball respectively. Lieutenants Jones is distinctly a good bat and, it may interest cricket lovers, to know was in the Merchiston Castle XI's of 1895 and 1896.

Indian cricket lovers will be interested to know that we have had in our midst all unknown for several months a very famous player in the person of Major E. Crawley, of the 12th Lancers, the old Harrovian and Cambridge Blue. Major Crawley will best be recalled to mind for the part he played in the Varsity match of 1888 when as eleventh choice he made 103 not out for Cambridge.

The Karachi Borahs who had come to regard themselves as invincible so far as local cricket is concerned and who have not tasted the bitterness of defeat for a considerable time, had to sing small a week ago when they sustained a severe defeat at the hands of Karachi Gymkhana. All the Borahs could total against the attack of Lucas, who secured seven wickets for 16 runs, was 45. The Gymkhana for whom F. L. Sprott, the old Presidency captain made 29 (top score) compiled 132.

Cricketers at Mussoorie this season can hardly be said to have had an eventful time of it, the game for some reason or another having been neglected. With great difficulty a station team was raised last week to play the Philander Smith's School. The Station won by 57 runs, the chief features of the match being Borrington's innings of 49 for the Station and the bowling of Cowley and Amesbury.

Far and away the best match so far of the Naini Tal season was that between the Station and a visiting team from Ranikhet. The hero of the match was Lieutenant G. S. Cooper, of the Gunners, who in addition to making 89 for the station, captured six Ranikhet wickets in the first innings for 36 runs. Three other Naini Tal bowlers distinguished themselves, J. Campbell taking six wickets for 40, E. H. Burnaby four for 24, and F. Knowles three for 29 W. C Hutcheson with 4 and 42 not out, and P. L. Hanbury with 29 and 4 were the only Ranikhet batsmen who played with confidence. Hanbury also bowled well, taking six wickets for 59 runs, while Captain Atchison took three for 19.

Captain F. G. Smallwood, the old Reptonian, heads the Simla batting averages up to date.

STATISTICIAN.

Here is a good example of a misprint. The line, in the "Surcease of Sorrow," "I am weary of the tossing of the ocean as it heaves," appeared in print as "I am wearing out my trousers till they're open at the knees."

"Quand on cherche l'amour on sort de soi," was recently changed by a printer's devil into "Quand on cherche l'amour on sort le soir."

Football.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

RANGERS *vs.* CALCUTTA.—Played on the Rangers' ground on the 8th instant. There was a large attendance but the game was a disappointing one and rather a tame display resulted in a draw of one goal all. The visitors were the first to attack, but Anderson relieved and the Rangers had a turn and, after Dods had fisted out a shot from Vears, Rosser beat him with a low one. Following on some midfield play Calcutta attacked, but could not put through, and the home team led at the interval. On resuming they returned to the attack, but the forwards lost many chances of scoring. The home custodian at length transferred play, but the ball was brought back and the Rangers' goal besieged. There was no scoring, however, till just before time Smith shot, the ball glancing off Lees into the net. Teams :—

RANGERS.—Affleck, *goal;* Margrett and Anderson, *backs;* Bollard, Lees and Russel, *half-backs;* Walker, McClay, Rosser, Warden and Vears, *forwards.*

CALCUTTA.—Dods, *goal;* Badham and Todd, *backs;* Maunder, Crawford, and Ansell, *half-backs;* Sherman, MacDonald, Cooper, Stewart and Smith, *forwards.*

Referee—N. G. Pritchard.

Y. M. C. A. *vs.* KING'S OWN REGT.—This match, played on the Association ground on the 8th instant, resulted in a win for the visitors by 8 goals to *nil*. The Young Men were without Lamb, Redmond and Scully and were unable to make much headway against their opponents. The soldiers opened their scoring shortly after the start, Carman putting through. Ennis scored the second goal, and Carman added another just before the interval. After the interval Ennis and Standish put on two goals and before the whistle sounded for time had augmented their score by three more, Carman, Ennis and Jones being responsible. Teams :—

KING'S OWN.—Hill, *goal;* Mellor and Cotton, *backs;* Leonard, Standish and Quin, *half-backs;* Jones, Diggle, Ennis, Carman and Wittingham, *forwards.*

Y. M. C. A.—Key, *goal;* Stokes, *back;* Schaumberg, Pooler and Collingwood, *half-backs;* Price, McPhea, Wilson, Vanspaul and Mason, *forwards.*

CALCUTTA *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—These teams met on the Calcutta ground last Saturday; neither side was at full strength and though the Young Men played a plucky game they were beaten by two goals to *nil*. The home team immediately began the attack, and from a scrimmage Stewart put through. Even play followed. Then the Association looked like scoring, but Baker cleared, and nothing worthy of note occurred till the interval. On resuming, Calcutta again pressed, but were unable to score. The homesters were next compelled to defend; their opponents' attacks lacked force, however, and just before time H. Cooper scored for Calcutta after a good run Teams :—

CALCUTTA.—Baker, *goal;* B. Cooper and Badham, *backs;* Ansell, Crawford and Maunder, *half-backs;* H. Sherman, MacDonald, H. Cooper, Stewart and Smith, *forwards.*

Y. M. C. A.—Kay, *goal;* Stokes and Lamb, *baks;* Scully, Pooler and Collingwood, *half-backs;* Vears, Vanspaul, Redmond, Gordon and Wilson, *forwards.*

Referee.—Mr. E. Rope.

64TH R. F. A. *vs.*, RANGERS.—On the Dalhousie ground last Saturday, the Rangers beat the soldiers by two goals to one. The ground was in wretched condition and little conducive to good football. The Rangers had the best of matters all through. In the first half Lees scored, but from a *mêlée* the Gunners equalised. After the interval McClay put on the Rangers' second point. Teams :—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal;* Margrett and Anderson, *backs;* Affleck, Lees and Russell, *half-backs;* Pell, McClay, Rosser, McCready and Mulholland, *forwards.*

64TH R.F.A.—Harrison, *goal;* Quin and Andersie, *backs;* Donnelly, Osborne and Beckett, *half-backs;* Wratten, Sale, Lieutenant Short, Prince and Clarke, *forwards.*

HOWRAH *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—This match was played at Howrah on the 11th instant. The ground became a lake owing to the rain during the afternoon. Of the game nothing need be said—a pointless draw was the result, and there was an Exhibition of fisticuffs which will form the subject of Enquiry.

WEST RIDINGS *vs.* KING'S OWN REGT.—The King's Own suffered their first defeat in the League Competition at Dum-Dum on Saturday last. The King's Own were the first away, but the West Ridings soon got going and Wilson opened the scoring. Even play followed till the King's were awarded a penalty just before half time and Carman equalised. On changing ends the Fort team got down and Carman put through. They did not keep the lead for long, however, for Wooding shortly made the total two all. The Dum-Dum team had the best of the concluding stages of the game and Cottam sent the ball into his own goal, in trying to save a shot by McLaughlin Team :—

WEST RIDINGS.—Robert, *goal;* Stevens and Evans, *backs;* Reeves, Turner and Morris, *half-backs,* Woodings, McLaughlin, Wilson Drew and Hulyer, *forwards.*

KING'S OWN—Hill, *goal;* Mellor and Cottam, *backs;* Leonard, Standish and Quinn, *half-backs;* Diggle, Jones, Ennis, Carman and Whittingham *forwards.*

HOWRAH *vs.* 64TH R. F. A.—Played at Howrah on the 14th instant. The game was fast and fairly even, but the shooting of both teams was poor. After the initial run down by the Gunners, Howrah began to attack and forced a corner. Nothing came of it, but they continued to press, and several chances were missed from bad shooting. Then the Artillerymen obtained a corner which proved abortive. They returned to the attack and Clarke beat the home custodian. On resuming after the interval Howrah played up trying hard to get level. They missed some opportunities of scoring, but Smith at last put through. The homesters had the best of the remainder of the game, but many chances were missed and the match ended in a draw. Teams :—

HOWRAH.—Donnithorne *goal;* Burns and Ribbins, *backs;* Hart, Wood and Atkinson, *half-backs;* O'Neil, Smith, Powell and Kerr, *forwards.*

64TH R. F. A.—Harrison, *goal;* Quinn and Grimley, *backs;* Endersley, Osborne and Beckett, *half-backs;* Douglas, Nicols, Hingley, Clarke and Wratten, *forwards.*

Referee.—Mr. P. Wilder.

CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE.

There was but a single match on Saturday—Caledonians *vs.* La Martinière, resulting in a win for the School by three goals to two. On Monday three games were played, La Martiniére beat the Measurers by two goals to *nil* the Hornets defeated the Caledonians by a goal to *nil* and the match between two Joseph's and the 79th R. G. A. ended in a draw of, goals each.

CALEDONIAN *vs.* LA MARTINIERE.—Played on Saturday, on the Caledonian ground, which was mostly under water, and resulted in a victory for the visitors. Park, the Caledonian centre half, was a serious loss to the team. Soon after the start the College scored through Smith, whose white shirt often deceived the home halves, then the play ruled even both sides scoring two goals. Time was call with the score standing at 3 to 2 in favour of the College.

CALEDONIA *vs.* HORNETS.—These teams, including one or two substitutes, met on the Hornets ground and a fairly interesting game went against the visitors by one goal, which was scored from a "Rugby Scrimmage" being heeled in by one of the Caledonian backs. The Hornets forwards, particularly the two Armenian College boys combined prettily and in the first half shot well, but the Caledonian forwards seemed quite unable to take the many good opportunities afforded them. A. E. Cooper, A. Rosser and Yackjee played well as did Harrington, Dewsbury and Chandler for the visitors.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE meeting of Howrah and the West Ridings on Tuesday, the 7th, provided a very interesting match and an appreciative crowd, mostly backers of the home club, lined the United Club's ropes. The Duke's managed to win by 3 goals, but during the first half it looked any odds on Howrah scoring. The home team put in a lot of hard work, but in the second half the Ridings pulled themselves together and Howrah then had no chance of winning, especially as they were playing one man short. Powell saved several shorts, but forwards like Wooding, Drew and Wilson cannot be kept out for fifty minutes unless the back division opposed to them is really strong, and they eventually scored a goal each. The soldiers' halves and Roberts were up to their usual form, and Karr, Jackson and Woods made a good display for Howrah.

The Y. M.-King's Own match on Wednesday does not need much description. Their soldier players presumably would not turn out for the Young Men against their brothers from the Fort and the home team had therefore a very weak eleven, or rather ten, as they played one man short. The Lancasters put on eight goals which considerably improved their goal average.

The Rangers recovered their old form against the C. F. C., and gave an excellent exhibition of the game With the exception, perhaps, of Warden, there was not a weak man in the team; there were certainly several strong ones. They played a new man, MacClay, who was a great acquisition, and their other players, Vears, Lees, Affleck and the backs especially, played a strong game. Calcutta had unfortunately to take the field without V. Sherman, and the rearrangement of the forward line which this led to was not successful. Their back division, however, was reinforced by Todd who turned out for the first time this season, and except for the first ten minutes, played his usual sound game. All the visitors forwards worked well but seemed a bit slower than usual, V. Cooper and Macdonald especially. The halves put in a lot of work and Ansell, who has come on wonderfully at the half-back game, was the best man on his side, being particularly effectual in bottling up the efforts of Rosser and Walker. The game was fast throughout, and although Calcutta had on the whole a little the best of it they could not get the ball into the net till near the finish. In the first half Affleck, who played in goal for the Rangers, had little difficulty in warding off two soft shots from Cooper and Macdonald, but for the first ten minutes of the second half he had a most anxious time fisting out quite a dozen attempts, much to the delight of the Rangers' supporters. The Rangers scored early in the game, and when the teams crossed over were still this one goal to the good and it was not till well through the second half that Calcutta equalised from a miskick by Lees. On the whole the visitors display, especially in front of goal, was disappointing, but they had a good team to play against and the score of one goal all was a satisfactory result of the meeting.

The heavy rain which fell on Saturday had made even the C. F. C. ground a swamp, so it may be imagined in what condition the other grounds were. The general impression was that the turf was quite unfit for play, but as the various teams all turned up and preferred to take things as they were, rather than postpone the games, the referees raised no objections and all four matches were played. Luckily although wet under foot it was fine overhead and fairly cool. In each match the ball was as heavy as lead, and all the teams missed what would have been easy chances of scoring in dry weather. Play was hard and fairly fast, and to the few spectators who turned out there were several items both of interest and amusement.

In the Calcutta-Y. M. C. A. match the Young Men turned out with their usual strong quota of soldiers and, although they had one or two weak spots, were on the whole a strong team to tackle. Neither V. Sherman, Todd nor Dodds turned out for the home eleven, but H. Cooper strengthened the forward line and V. Cooper made an excellent back, so matters were well balanced. The game was fast throughout Lamb, Scully, Redmond and Pooler showing up well for the Y. M, and H. Cooper, Stuart, Crawford, Ansell and V. Cooper for the C. F. C. Several chances were missed by both sides owing to the players slipping or miskicking at the critical moment, but the two goals scored by H. Cooper for his side were the result of really good play. Both goalkeepers were of course severely handicapped, but acquitted themselves admirably under the circumstances.

Dalhousie went over to Howrah in force but did not manage to win their first match in the return half of the League. They had much the best of the game, but the weather was too much for them. They could not get the heavy ball between the posts with their feet and the referee would not allow them to play water-polo. Linton, of Howrah, had to be ordered off the field in this match for striking a Dalhousie player after having been tripped. His case will no doubt go before the I. F. A."

The Rangers-64th R. A. match was also a scramble in the mud, in fact the ground was so bad that had not the R. A. come all the way from Barrackpore the game would no doubt have been postponed. The score was one all at half time, but the home team eventually won by two goals to one. Both teams managed to manœvre the ball extremely well considering the state of the ground, but it was hardly football.

The game at Dum-Dum was most exciting, and although the West Ridings were a slightly better team on the day's play, it was rather hard lines on the King's that the goal which lost them the match should have been scored off one of their own men. The Dukes scored first through Wilson, but Carman shortly after equalised from a penalty and the scores were equal at half time. After the interval Carman scored another goal for his side but the home team then played for all they were worth and Woodings equalised. The winning point was scored by a shot from McLaughlin which went off Cottam into the net and the concluding stages of the game were in favour of the West Ridings. This defeat of the King's Own has given the three next teams in the League a chance and should Calcutta manage to beat or draw with the Lancasters the second half of the competition is likely to be far more interesting than the first has been.

The local dailies have lately been besieged by football enthusiasts. Someone has rushed into print with the enquiry why referees penalise players for lifting their heels *off the ground* when throwing in, without stopping to make sure that referees ever do such a thing. I have never heard of it being done. A man is often penalised *when* he has lifted his heels in throwing in but not only because he lifted them off the *ground* but because in doing so both his feet, or one of them, were *off the line.* Wing halves should be careful to stand with their *toes* on the line so that if they happen to raise their heels it does not matter. It is most annoying to have a free kick given against one for a foul throw-in, but the thrower has only himself to blame as nothing is easier than to throw in properly.

We shall soon be in the midst of the numerous (at) junior football "pot hunts." The draw for the Sarma Cup has already taken place and as far as one can see at present the winner will turn up from among the Medicals. 79th R. G. A. and a King's Own Company team. Calcutta B have been drawn against Dalhousie B and this is likely to prove an interesting match.

The B.-N. R. team have had enough of the Civil and Military League so there are now only seven teams competing. The 79th R. A. have had another check from St. Joseph's, but they are still likely to come out winners. There should be a good fight for second place.

The teams in the Calcutta Football League stood as follows on Saturday last :—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals. For	Goals. Against
King's Own ...	8	7	1	0	14	24	4
Calcutta ...	8	6	1	1	13	16	4
West Ridings ...	8	5	2	1	11	13	6
Rangers ...	8	5	2	1	11	12	10
Dalhousie ...	8	2	5	1	5	4	7
Y. M. C. A ...	8	2	5	1	5	3	17
64th R. F. A. ...	8	1	6	1	3	6	14
Howrah ...	8	0	6	2	2	2	18

And the teams in the Civil and Military League as below on Monday :—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points	Goals For	Goals Against.
79th R. G. A. ..	7	4	0	3	11	21	4
La Martinière ...	8	5	2	1	11	12	10
Seebpur ...	6	3	1	2	8	10	3
St. Joseph's ...	7	3	2	2	8	10	7
Hornets ...	7	3	4	0	6	9	10
Caledonians ...	8	2	4	2	6	10	12
Measurers ...	7	0	7	0	0	2	31

TOUCH.

THE MURREE TOURNAMENT.

THE FINAL.

GORDON HIGHLANDERS *vs.* KING'S ROYAL RIFLES.—The final game in the tournament was played on the 6th instant when a large crowd of spectators filled the enclosures. The Rifles got away first and forced a corner; nothing came of it, however, and after pressing for a time they had to defend. Even play in midfield followed and then the Gordons rushed down and put through. The Gordons continued to attack and the Rifles custodian was kept busy. The Rifles relieved at length and getting away Whitehead shot, the ball going over the Gordons goal. The Riflemen again attacked, but could not break through and just before half time the Highlanders transferred play and notched their second goal. In the second moiety the Rifles tried hard to get on terms, but were unsuccessful and the Gordons putting on no further score, ran out victorious by two goals to *nil*. Lady Blood presented the cup to the winners and medals to both teams.

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

THE BOMBAY MEDAL.—The annual competition for this medal took place on the *maidan* on Friday and Saturday last, or rather to be more accurate a few players managed to get round on Friday afternoon, for Saturday's heavy storm quite put all golf out of the question. Naturally the competition proved something of a farce and this was even more so owing to the fact that Major Renton who put in a very steady round of 88 had forgotten to apply for a handicap on his return to Calcutta and this cost him the prize which fell to Major Drury with a score of 92 less 6-86. Only five cards altogether were sent in, and these were as follows :—

	Total.	Hcp.	Result.
Major F J Drury	... 92	6	86
Major R R Renton	... 88	scr.	88
D A Cuthbert ...	... 91	2	89
Major J M Burn	... 94	4	90
F H Stewart ...	... 93	scr.	93
Capt D McClay ...	... 101	7	94
Dr W Forsyth ...	... 106	2	104

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

THE above club held their Plate Diving competition on Friday evening last, the 10th instant. Twelve plates were thrown into the bath, and each competitor had two turns. The one who picked up the most plates at both dives, was declared the winner. There were nine entries, of whom eight competed, with the following result :—

	Aggregate of 2 drives.	
A L Clarke	21	First
W S J Willson	16	Second
L Prike	13	
W Govan...	13	
K M Kennedy	8	
G Mead	8	
A Siddonss	7	
A G Watt	7	

Mr. F. E. H. Power acted as judge, and presented the prizes. The next event is the 3 lengths (100 yards) Handicap heats on Friday the 17th, and the final on the 24th current.

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The Horse.

ORMONDE.

(Special for "The Indian Field.")

THE detailed obituary notices accorded the late Ormonde in the English sporting press—or indeed we may truly say in the press as a whole—is perhaps the most significant testimony that can be afforded of the affectionate interest taken by Britons in a good horse. We do not remember an occasion when so much attention has been lavished upon a race-horse : and, great as were Ormonde's merits during his two brief career on the turf, those merits are not entirely responsible for the length of the biographies which have been awarded him. There is a strong vein of sentiment underlying the sportsman's appreciation of a great horse ; and the circumstance that Ormonde was banished from England for the good of his race and died in exile has not a little to do with the display of feeling which heralded the news that he had been painlessly destroyed on Mr. M'Donough's farm in California. Apart from the unbroken record of racing success Ormonde leaves behind him his remarkable gentleness, went no little way to make him a popular favourite : the idiosyncracies and personal peculiarities of our great horses are as jealously watched and as eagerly recorded as are shreds of strictly personal detail concerning our great public men, more jealously indeed, for a tendency to display temper in fashion untimely has cost many a backer his money and thus every man who "has a bit on" finds sound reason for learning all he may about the horse upon whose performance he depends. Ormonde's disposition in this respect was blameless ; he was led through the streets of London one afternoon through the West End traffic at the height of the season to be present at a garden party, and paid no more attention to the turmoil than a cab horse :so quietiwas he and so dependable;that the only objection urged by the Duke of Westminster to the suggestion that he should ride Ormonde in the Jubilee procession of 1887 was to such parade of ownership of the most famous horse of the day : that the horse would have behaved otherwise than perfectly was never hinted. Though the popularity of a great sire is small in comparison with the popularity enjoyed by a great winner, we are inclined to think that Ormonde's banishment was good for his memory in respect of his stud work As a size he is not entitled to high rank : that he began well is a matter of history. In his first season at the stud he got Orme and Goldfinch ; the latter would have done well but for the leg trouble that overtook him. Llanthony suffered from a mysterious affection of the quarters : Sorcerer was a very fast horse but he inherited from his dam a temperament so nervous that it became impossible to trust him on a course : Orville of course was a roarer. Of the two fillies Ormonde sired in his first season neither Kilkenny nor Orontes II can be said to have contributed to their sire's fame. Then came the fever which seemed to sap Ormonde's vitality, for his average get subsequently was about one foal every second season. Without disparagement it may be said that Orme and his son, Flying Fox, so far as we know at present, stand a'one to keep Ormonde s fame alive. It is said that Mons. Edmond Blanc is trying to buy an Ormonde yearling colt which the great horse got from a St. Serf mare, but what this colt may prove to be remains to see. Thanks to his absence from England Ormonde's subsequent failure as a sire did little to detract from his fame and the affection in which his memory was held

Inevitably his death has evoked the usual speculation concerning Ormonde's place among the horses of the 19th century. In his case this usually barren exercise is less unprofitable than usual, for Ormonde was a good horse, not among mediocrities, but among good contemporaries. Only an exceptional horse could have carried his unbeaten record through seasons which brought to the front such horses as Minting, Breadknife The Bard, Sarabband, and St. Mirin. The hardest task ever set Ormonde, perhaps, was when he beat Bendigo and Minting in the Hardwicke Stakes : in the opinion of his jockey he "won cleverly." When his active career on the turf was over the usual comparisons were instituted between Ormonde and his predecessors. Mathew Dawson always held that St. Simon would have beaten Ormonde at a mile. John Scott, when he reviewed his turf experience opined that West Australian was the best horse he had ever known, holding him the superior of both Velocipede and Don John, between whose claims to supremacy he had previously been divided. John Day clung tenaciously to Bay Middleton : and Mr. Joseph Osborne would admit no horse that he had known the equal of Harkaway. Priam, Plenipotentiary and Barcaldine in the opinion of many, who would review a long period of turf history, were respectively held the best horses of the period over which their admirers' experience extended : but, as we all know, the mists of Time have a magnifying influence which may affect the best balanced judgment Where Ormonde might have stood as a race horse, if when the late Duke of Westminster decided not to risk perpetuation of his unsoundness, he had determined to put him again into training it is idle to speculate : but had he been withdrawn from the stud and put to active work again before that fever undermined his constitution in his fifth year it is possible that we might have enjoyed the spectacle of a really great horse once again winning races well on into years : but supposing Ormonde's success had been continued in his six, seven or eight-year-old seasons, we fear that the temptation to breed from him, roarer or no roarer would have been even more difficult to resist than the Duke found it : for it is no secret that his owner regarded the sale out of England of Ormonde as the hardest wrench of his turf career. He said at the time that be let the horse go with "infinite regret" and those who knew the Duke vouch for it that this was not mere form of words. That horses maintain their form up to a considerable age the records of the turf contain ample proof. Taking a case from our notes at random we find that Black Chance, an exceedingly successful horse in his day, walked over the last race in which he was engaged in his last season, 1744, when he was twelve years old : but in those days a horse s turf career began at the age when animals of the present time are retired to the stud. Black Chance did not run his first race till he was five years old For a really hard life on the turf we need not look nearly so far back. Fisherman, son of Heron, put in four seasons on the course : he ran 31 times in 1856, his first season, and, in all, 117 times, winning 71 races before he was sold to go to Australia

Those who "had to do" with Ormonde must have been grateful for the docility and constitution which nature had bestowed upon the horse. Of Touchstone John Scott said he never trained a horse which needed so much doctoring : as the "Druid" puts it "a record of the calomel and other drugs he swallowed would form a portion of the Whitehall history as remarkable as the recovery of its Prince Llewellyn who answered to the old ale and port and won two races after he had been covered up in the stall as dead and his grave had been dug in the paddock. Touchstone was so lazy at exercise that he had to kick along on most days : but he pulled like an engine when racing. If at all stale he would not stand pressing and would swerve to the left at once it squeezed in the slightest : also he would swerve from the slightest movement of the whip. St. Simon had his peculiarities which had to be studied and indulged: though very quiet in the stable he would never submit to be tied up while being dressed over : if tied, he started weaving and went on till he broke his head collar: and in deference to his peculiarity he was always held by a man while his toilet was performed ; no easy task at times, for St. Simon when in strong work was irritable. At exercise he was a source of anxiety, for he was always dancing about : a habit which might have proved his undoing in the winter of 1883-4 when frost compelled walking exercise for a month : his lad could not keep him on the straw bed and in course of a week St. Simon had seventeen falls : strangely enough he never knocked a hair off. Lanercost during the better part of his career was nearly as lazy as Touchstone, but he became less gross and sluggish as he grew older : a peculiarity of Lanercost was his preference for a heavy weight ; the more curious as his feet gave his trainer infinite trouble. l'Anson used to say that his feet were as good as stable barometers at last and that the horse would fall lame if the ground was going to be hard. Chanticleer is remembered for his shocking temper : it is a matter of history, how on one occasion, his lad remained too long with him in one of his paroxysms and had to be extracted from the horse box by the window. But space presses, and we must not dwell upon the peculiarities of the dead and gone giants. In Ormonde's private history the turf chronicles will find little in the shape of anecdote save to illustrate his singular evenness of temper and docility. Whether his virtues will be perpetuated through his one great son Orme, his grandson, Flying Fox, and his great-grandsons Gouvernant and Ajax, history will tell us.

E. D. C.

The Naturalist.

WHAT ANIMAL IS THAT ?

OR,

NATURAL HISTORY FOR BEGINNERS.

XI

TRUE INSECTS.

IT was explained in the last paper that spiders, scorpions, mites, ticks, and centipedes were not insects. This paper is to deal with insects, which, in spite of their extraordinary variety and incredible numbers, are one and all characterized by the possession of six legs—no more and no fewer—and by the division of the body into three distinct parts—head, thorax, and abdomen : also by their undergoing changes, called "metamorphoses," as from caterpillar to chrysalis, and from chrysalis to perfect insect. In books the caterpillar, grub, or maggot is called a larva, the chrysalis a pupa, and the final form an imago. The number of insects is bewildering. Of beetles alone there are said to be one hundred thousand species in the British Museum, and of these fifteen or twenty thousand may well be put down for India. The diptera, or two-winged flies, are also exceedingly numerous, and of fantastic varieties of form. Leaving out of account the insects that meet our sight occasionally, in all sorts of places, all the year round, the number and variety that swarm round a lamp on a single favourable evening in the monsoon are past belief till one has become accustomed to the astonishment and the nuisance Yet, with a little attention to the mouth and wings, it is possible to sort the multitude into seven orders as readily as one can sort a basket of beads of different sizes and colours. Modern naturalists are at sixes and sevens about the classification ; and the German schools, as a body, are opposed to the systems preferred by Englishmen ; but Linnæus's simple plan, which has served for two hundred years, is still far the best for amateurs and beginners, and leads to less confusion than the advanced systems which are perplexing from their very ingenuity of accuracy. All insects, in the perfect state, except those of the order diptera, have four wings ; and the seven orders are divided with reference to the form of the wings, and to the fact whether the insects have mouths to eat with or probosces to suck with. The following are the orders :—

1.—*Lepidoptera*, or, "scale-winged." Moths and butterflies.

2. *Coleoptera*, or, "hard-winged." Beetles.

3. *Hemiptera*, or, "half-winged." Bugs, lantern flies, cicadas, leaf-hoppers, frog-hoppers, aphides (plant lice), coccids (lac insects, cochineal insects, etc.), boatmen, water scorpions, etc.

4. *Orthoptera*, or, "straight-winged." Locusts, grass-hoppers, crickets, cockroaches, mantises (or mantides), earwigs.

5. *Hymenoptera*, or, "membrane-winged." Ants, bees, wasps, ichneumon flies.

6. *Neuroptera*, or, nerve-winged" (better, "net-winged"). Dragon flies, ant-lion flies, book lice, caddis flies, lace-wings, may flies, termites (or, "white ants," or "flying ants").

7. *Diptera*, or, "two-winged." Mosquitoes, midges, table-flies, blue bottles, eye flies, bot flies, bee killers, gad flies, "sheep ticks" (a misnomer : no insect should be called a tick).

Of these Nos 1, 3, and 7 suck their food with beaks or probosces ; Nos. 2, 4, 5, and 6 chew their food with mandibles or jaws. These are simple, sure marks by which to know the order of any insect in its winged state. And it is a puzzle for evolutionists that the particular form of the wings and of the mouth invariably go together. Another invariable rule is that in 1, 2, 5, and 7 the changes, or metamorphoses, are complete, that is, each insect passes through a death-like, chrysalis state ; whereas in 3 and 4, and generally in 6, that intermediate stage is not passed in a state of inertion.

Persons who desire to extend the information conveyed in these papers out of books, will find themselves confronted by a world of Latin names ; and if they have a taste for natural history, they will find the study most interesting. But there are three words which readers of the smallest ambition require to know : they are *heteroptera*, *homoptera* and *pseudo-neuropter* The first means "diverse-winged," and the second "like-winged," and the words are used to make two orders out of No. 3, the hemiptera. If we examine the two upper wings of a large plant-bug or water-bug, they will be seen to be thick and opaque in the half next the shoulder, and papery and transparent in the farther half. This division of the wing has been not very accurately described by the term *hemiptera*, "half-winged :" *heteroptera* is a more suitable word. Now all the insects of this order, except bugs, have the two upper wings of one texture throughout, as anyone may see by catching a leaf-hopper or a frog-hopper in the garden or at the lamp ; or, by the more difficult feat of securing a cicada when and where this large family of insects is common. Therefore these, that is, all the hemiptera, except bugs, are separated by many naturalists into an order which they name *homoptera*. The two are alike, however, in the possession of a sucking beak, and in the manner of their metamorphosis : so, as simplicity is one of the objects kept in view in these papers, we shall do well to follow Linnæus and recognize the heteroptera and the homoptera as a single order. The reason is less obvious to the eye for distinguishing certain neuropterous insects as *pseudo*, that is, false, neuroptera ; but its reasonableness, more or less, will appear to anyone who follows up the subject in books. Now let the reader, with the help of the following explanations, practise sorting insects into the seven orders, and he will soon be able to do it as easily as a girl sorts a basket of beads or of buttons.

I.—LEPIDOPTERA : Moths and butterflies. Enough : this may suffice. Everybody knows these common, splendid, and harmless insects, with their wings and bodies covered with loose scales. Nevertheless, let me make a few remarks. And first, there is no introduction to the study of insects that compares with the rearing of caterpillars, watching them feed, and grow, and cast their skins, till they are full-grown, when they turn into chrysalises and lie inert for days or months or a year, and then emerge as perfect insects—an amazing type of the resurrection. Much is learned by this practice. Finding caterpillars is an art : for some hide themselves ; and some kinds are to be sought on one part of a tree or plant, and some on another. Of the smaller species, some live in grain, some in the interior of fruit and flowers. The caterpillars of clothes moths live on wool, and both they and the cocoons will be found if carefully looked for on a "moth-eaten" garment. The moths themselves do no harm : all moths and butterflies are harmless in the imago state. Keeping caterpillars is another art : all need to be kept very clean, and constantly supplied with fresh leaves of the kind which each eats. Some eat by day, and some by night. Some species are indifferent to fresh air : others will not live without light and air. Some kinds die in spite of all that is done for them Mr. E. C. Cotes, formerly of the Indian Museum, made the interesting discovery that one species which seemingly would not live in confinement was dependent on the moisture of rain and dew. He sprayed water on them, and they began to thrive. Some caterpillars have sharp spikes on their bodies, which sting if touched. Nearly all the hairy or woolly kinds cause irritation on the skin, the blame of which is usually laid on an innocent spider or lizard ; and some are so poisonous that a single hair getting on the finger, and so touching the eye or the lips, or the inner membrance of the nose, causes much inconvenience. When a caterpillar is about to become a chrysalis, it gives up eating for a day before the change begins ; and sometimes it wanders about restlessly in search of a suitable spot in which to shuffle "off" its skin, and will die if it cannot find what it wants. An interesting fact is that carterpillars of moths are much more like one another than those of butterflies. This is even more true of the chrysalises, those of moths being more or less of the same pattern while those of butterflies are of many different shapes. Most chrysalises of moths are inclosed in a cover of silk ; but every butterfly's chrysalis that I have seen lies or hangs exposed naked to the air. Chrysalises require care in keeping till the moth or butterfly comes out : they should not be shaken, and of course should not be dropped or bruised. Those which naturally hang from some object ought not to be laid in the bottom of a box, cage, or vessel. And they should not be left where ants, beetles, or other insects will get at them to devour them ; nor ought

they to be left in the box or case with caterpillars, some of which are more or less omnivorous and can demolish a chrysalis with relish. Another point to be kept in mind is that a butterfly or a moth comes out of its chrysalis covered with moisture, and with its wings like little rolled up morsels of rag: in a few minutes these spread out, and the whole insect dries quickly. The chrysalis should therefore be kept in a place where the insect can climb up and let its body depend with room enough for its wings to expand before they dry. There is little satisfaction in keeping the perfected insects in confinement during the few days that they live. However, if given plenty of light and air for the butterflies, and of air for the moths, with fresh flowers of several kinds for both, they seem happy enough; and it is interesting to watch them uncoiling their long probosces and probing the flowers to the bottom where the nectar lies. But the flowers must be common and even small flowers: cultivated double and triple beauties seem not to yield nectar, and are passed over by butterflies in a garden.

Moths differ from butterflies in several particulars: they fly by night; they have nearly all smaller wings; and from the manner in which they hold their wings, the outside, or side for show, is the upper side, whereas the show side of a butterfly's wings is the under side. But the most notable difference is that a moth's antennæ are finely pointed, whereas a butterfly's end in a knob. Butterflies are often arrayed in gorgeous colours, but differ little in form. Moths, on the other hand, include several remarkable groups of very different shapes. The *silk moth* of China is a plain enough insect; but the Indian "tusser" silk moths are splendid. There are several kinds, differing in shape and colour, up to the great atlas moth; but they have one common mark in the transpartment membrane which lies like a window in the centre of each wing. These moths are very common, especially in Assam and Eastern Bengal, where silk spinning is a Native trade. The caterpillars, and chrysalises of one kind are found on almond trees, and of another kind on *ber* trees. But the moths, flying by night, are rarely seen; for they are not one of the few species which come to a light. *Clothes moths* have already been mentioned: there are different kinds of them. And in Calcutta there is a moth like a clothes moth, whose Caterpillar makes a small case for itself and crawls about the inside walls of houses, feeding, I suppose, on vegatable mould or some other product of the damp walls which it frequents. *Hawk moths or sphinx moths* are an extensive family with large bodies and small wings whose most remarkable characteristic is that they do not alight on flowers, but draw the nectar while hovering in front of them, after the manner of the American humming birds. Their proboscis are very long. The larvæ of these moths are great, thick, fleshy caterpillars, with smooth skins, and they have the peculiarity of possessing short tails. The chrysalises are equally characteristic, and are not attached to anything—the caterpillars, apparent by being unable to spin silk—but sometimes lie in a natural recess, and sometimes on the bare ground. *Death's-head moths* are one of the most unaccountable forms in the animal kingdom, every species, large or small, having an unmistakable human skull, with eyes, nose, and mouth, painted on the insect's back. The moths have the general appearance of sphinx moths, and are, like them, of large size; that is to say, the smallest species has a large body by comparison with most moths. Some of them make a distinct squeaking noise if held. The largest English species enters beehives, and sucks the honey. Doubtless Indian species have a similar habit. One species, to my knowledge, sucks nectar while humming before a flower, and two or three of the caterpillars, which have also come under my notice, are like sphinx moth caterpillars except that they have rough though hairless skins. There is a group of lepidoptera (*sesiidæ*) which might pass for sphinx moths were it not that they fly by day and have knobbed antennæ, being thus half moth, half butterfly. They are further distinguished by a brush at the end of the abdomen. Most of this group have transparent wings, like a fly's or wasp's, and to them the family name properly belongs; but there are also species with the wings scaled like those of any other moth or butterfly. They are usually brightly and beautifully coloured, one common species being half green. I shall not forget seeing one of this family, at a railway station in Greece, hovering before a large picture advertisement on the wall, and vainly trying the painted flowers, one by one, with its long proboscis.

II.—COLEOPTERA: beetles. These are as unmistakable as moths and butterflies, distinguished by their hard, shell-like skin, and by the upper pair of wings called elytra (sheaths), being of the same texture. The under wings, with which they fly, are large and transparent, ingeniously folded up as to be completely covered and protected by the elytra. The larvæ, or grubs, of beetles do not, like those of most moths and butterflies, live in the open air: many of them live in wood; and others are hidden in the ground, in fruit, in grain and seeds, in piles of decomposing matter, and in other places; and they become chrysalises where they are. Both the larva and the perfect insect of the species which live in wood, possess large strong, jaws, with which the larva tunnels in the wood and eats it while it is growing, and the imago having emerged from the chrysalis, gnaws its way out. Quite commonly a ticking is heard for several days in some large or small article of wood in a house: that is caused by a beetle which has left its pupa-case working its way out; and sometimes the beetle may be caught just as it comes out, leaving a deep hole and a quantity of saw-dust behind it. The larva and chrysalis may have been in the tree before it was cut down; or a beetle may have laid its egg in the piece of furniture, and the whole life of the grub may have been passed in the article after it was made. I have seen a yellow beetle, half an inch long, depositing its eggs in crevices and damaged places in a dead bamboo trellis. Formerly ignorant people in England attributed the ticking to supernatural agency, and called it the deathwatch, supposing that it foretokened the death of one of the family. There are many families of coleoptera, as rhinoceros beetles, carpenter beetles, lady birds, fireflies, weevils, dung beetles, carnivorous beetles, Spanish flies (*cantharides*), cockchafers, water beetles. *glowworms* are the females of *fireflies*: their wings are rudimentary, and they want the hard casing; so they were long not suspected to be beetles at all. Cantharides, or *blister beetles*, occasionally come out in swarms, flocking to the lamp at might, and if they be crushed never so lightly, exuding a moisture which raises an unpleasant blister. The *tigerbeetle* is a well known English species of the carnivorous beetles, which in India are found up to the length of nearly three inches. They are fierce and active, seizing and devouring any soft bodied insect they can master. As far as I know, these and the carpenter beetles are the only families whose bite is painful: the great, horned rhinoceros beetles are quite harmless. *Dung beetles* are known for their habit of collecting a ball of animal manure, or some decomposing vegetable matter, and rolling the mass to a considerable distance to bury it, after depositing one or more eggs in it. A species of this family was the famous scarabæus of ancient Egypt. Some species, if they come on a dead mouse or bird, speedily bury it for the food of their grubs, by excavating the ground under it. The *bookworms* so destructive of books in Bengal, are the larvæ of a minute, reddish-brown beetle which deals with books as carpenter beetles make use of wood. *Water beetles* are unmistakable beetles but they are boat shaped, and their hinder pair of legs are constructed to be most useful paddles. They are quite different from the "water boatmen," which swim on their backs and are hemipterous insects. The species range from one-eighth of an inch to more than one inch in length. They fly readily out of the water, and sometimes fall on the table cloth at dinner time, attracted by the light. This is the only family of beetles which can be kept with any satisfaction and their larvæ swim and thrive and grow in the water, feeding voraciously. There are two divisions of the species; one which catches and eats many sorts of water creatures, and one which is vegetarian in its diet. In this connection the fact should be noted that, unlike lepidoptera in the perfect state, the coleoptera are ravenous eaters. Their ravages by day in the garden are well-known, but much of the damage done at night by night-feeders is put down to grasshoppers and caterpillars. These two kinds of insects usually eat leaves at the edge, but beetles as a rule eat holes in the face of a leaf. When beetles are about, a visit paid to the garden at night with a lamp will show scores of them at their depredations, as well as crickets, grasshoppers, mantises, moths, spiders, bugs, frogs lizards, and perhaps a snake all eating or being eaten. Scared away by your coming are also bats, shrews, nightjars, and little owls, which have been feasting off the whole crowd.

III.—HEMIPTERA. A general description of this order, with its division into *heteroptera* and *homoptera*, has been given near the beginning of this paper. During recent years the term *rhynchota*, or "beaked," has become better known as a name of the order; and it is a suitable name, for the proboscis of these insects is a simple sharp beak compared with the ingenious piercing and sucking apparatus of the diptera. We may now consider the great group of bugs, and then the other division of this order.

Bug is a word which has the misfortune to be excessively vulgar in English, although it is both proper and polite in American, in which tongue even a firefly is called a "lightning bug," suggestive of the Hindoostanee *barg-andaz*. To the naturalist the word is absolutely indispensable, unless he choose to say heteroptera every time: so persons who want to study insects must get over their prejudice and familiarize themselves with it. There is a hymn of Bishop Heber's which tells us that amid the spicy breezes (he meant spiceladen) and pleasing prospects of Ceylon, only man is vile; and of the hundreds of insects bugs the one which has made its home with man is vile also. In all respects—size, colour, disposition, habits and character—it is mean and objectionable. It has even lost the power of flight. But the rest of the suborder are perfectly genteel and many of them are noble. There are Anakim among them, two or three inches in length; and a veritable monster, which lives in the water, is the size of a flat-terel out mouse. They are all winged, and they inhabit the garden, the forest, and the pool. Some of them are without odour, but the scent of the most aromatic differs as widely from that of *viverræ tectularius* as the musk of the musk deer differs from the musk of the musk rat. Gay colours are common among them, and the aristocracy are greaved and casqued, and gorgeted. As in the case of beetles, there are herbivorous and carnivorous families of bugs: the proboscis of the first are the longer, but they cannot pierce the human skin, and are too gentle to try: the carnivorous bugs have short, stout, curved beaks, which they drive vigorously into the hand if they are caught. The first live on the juices of plants and trees; the second size caterpillars and other soft-bodied insects, and suck them dry. There is a predatory bug found in houses in Calcutta whose larva crawls about completely enveloped in a mantle of dust and small particles of rubbish. In this disguise it is said to fasten on other insects and bleed them to death; but I have never caught one in the act. *Water-bugs* can be kept in a suitable vessel of water as easily as water-beetles, and are every whit as interesting. The giant species already mentioned will chase and catch a frog or a fish, hold it fast, and suck it till only the skin is left. I have only seen this species in Bombay and in Calcutta; but it is common in those cities, reaching maturity at the close of the monsoon, when it often leaves the water at night and flies round a street lamp, looking as large and active as a bat. A similar illusion at night is produced by the great mantises and walking-leaves of Assam.

Two other common water bugs are the black, tailed insect called "water scorpion" (*nepa*), and the "boatman" (*notonecta*), which swims on its silver back. There are several varieties of each.

Among the homopterous rhynchota are the extensive family of insects, half moth, half grasshopper, of which the most familiar species are popularly named "frog-hoppers" and "leaf-hoppers. They are of many shapes and colours, but rarely exceed half an inch in length. They may be looked for in books under the names *cercopidæ, membracidæ, jassidæ, psyllidæ, tedridæ*. They are found on plants by day, stepping round a stem or under a leaf with the stiffness of a military recruit at drill, or making instantaneous little jumps with a click; and after they have matured and got their wings, some of them come to the lamp at night. It is the larva of one of these insects that is found on plants in the centre of a mass of froth which shades it from the sun and conceals it from its enemies. The "green flies," which are such an intollerable nuisance on certains nights in October in Calcutta, belong to this family. They exist in most parts of India, but I have not known them swarm outside of Bengal and Sylhet. They are half the size of table flies, and coloured green, or greenish white, or green spotted with brown. The difference of colour may mark males and females; or there may be three species. On favourable nights, these pests come to the house lamps in such multitudes, that it is impossible to eat or to work without removing the light or getting under a net; and in the morning they are found lying dead, to the depth of an inch or more, under every street lamp. At a meeting of the Microscopical Society of Calcutta, several inquiries and suggestions were made regarding the origin of these swarms—whether they came from the trees or from the grass, and why their larvæ were not seen; and I believe that I was the first, or one of the first, to make an experiment in the matter. One day in May, when there was only a little half-withered grass in the gardens and open patches of ground in Calcutta, and on the Maidan, I noticed countless little greenish things the size of fleas jumping about in such grass. They were two small and too numerous for grasshoppers; so they could only be some species of rhynchota and their numbers suggested the "green fly." I conjectured that the eggs laid the previous September had recently hatched, and that if the perfect insects were to appear in the following September the pupæ would require to lie dormant at some depth in the soil during the rainy months. This would be more after the manner of beetles and butterflies than after that of hemiptera. Nevertheless the millions of "flies" had to be accounted for in some way before they suddenly took wing in September. Accordingly, the next September, when the swarms were nightly appearing, I inverted a glass vessel on the ground, where naturally there was more grass than there had been in May, and pressed it down, after making sure that there was no visible living thing under it. That was in the afternoon, and a couple of hours after sunset, when the swarms appeared, I examined the glass and found several "green flies" inside. This did not prove the life history of the insects; but it was an important fact to be noted as a guide in further investigation. I have not been since where I could repeat the experiment.

Cicadas are those large flies, sometimes thrice as large as a bumble bee, which make a tremendous buzzing or singing all through the heat of the day, quite as disturbing when the insects are large and numerous, as the tooting of a thousand tree frogs at night. Of these, as of so many insects in this wonderful country, the species are numerous and the individuals often gigantic and handsome. The empty shell of the pupa, after the winged imago has taken flight, is frequently found on trees. Cicadas are in force in all or most of the dry parts of India, and in the hills. They seem to be unknown in Calcutta and on the coasts of India; but I found them plentiful at Nagasaki, which is on the sea coast of Japan. Cold benumbs them, and on a raw, misty day in the hills they may be taken with the fingers although they are exceedingly alert when the sun is out. The "seventeen years locust" of America is a cicada. *Lantern flies* or *fulgoridæ* occur in several species in the eastern Himalayas. They are of good size, grey or reddish in colour, and have a snout-like process curving upward, with a round knob at the end; but they have no lanterns. And it seems certain that the marvellous descriptions, published a century ago, of the lantern flies of South America, were only travellers' tales. *Plant lice* belong to this order; but not the creatures called wood lice—soft, state-coloured or whitish animals, of several kinds, shaped like a cockroach without wings, measuring from ⅛ inch to ¼ inch in length, and found on or under the bark of trees and elsewhere, in damp weather: these are crustaceans.

B. A.

(*To be concluded.*)

The Story Teller.

THE MAIDEN, THE DHOBIE AND THE I.C.S.

MR. LEEK, as his name implies, was a Welshman. He was also considered a rising man, being one of the brainiest of brainy Heaven borns; and, as such, was of course much in request by the maidens of Cyclonegunge. Two of the local nymphs had far outdistanced the rest in their pursuit of this matrimonial prize; but though Miss Buttercup Midget had made the running, the odds were steadily settling down in Miss Mabel Tyler's favour.

They were both fair; but despite her golden locks and fair skin, it was known that Miss Midget, on her mother's side at least, came of a race, whom to quote a spring poet, "The sun had kissed too ardently." Besides, she knew nothing of European life save what a year or two at a fashionable finishing establishment for young ladies had taught her. Miss Tyler, *au contraire*, though now, owing to the sudden failure and death of her father leaving her and her mother penniless, only filling the humble *rôle* of governess to two motherless girls, had enjoyed a London season and two winters amongst the fashionable health-resorts of Europe. Naturally she outclassed her rival both in style and dress. Her frocks and gowns were, however, fast becoming obsolete. Already the greater part of her modest salary was consumed in making those numberless little alterations in her swagger frocks that kept them fairly up to date. She had also to help her mother, so there was no doubt that in other matters she had to pinch. One way was by paying her *dhobie* by the hundred pieces and not by the month. Miss Midget had heard rumours of the paucity of her rival's weekly wash, and had often thought it would be a score against Miss Mabel, if it could but be brought to the notice of Mr. Leek. The question was, how to do it? She was sharp enough to see, that a direct statement from her might make Mr. Leek think her spiteful and so hurt her more than Miss Mabel. One day, however, chance delivered her rival into her hands. Calling to take the younger of the girls for a drive, Miss Midget had been shown into the deserted schoolroom. The punkha, started for her benefit, fluttered some papers from Miss Tyler's writing table. Picking them up she glanced at one. Eureka! There in Miss Tyler's own writing was her *dhobie's* account for March and April. She barely had time to slip the paper into her pocket before being joined by her young friend. The carriage was just moving off as Miss Tyler appeared on the verandah. Waving a graceful greeting Miss Midget called out "Oh Mabel, don't forget to bring those two books you promised me, to the club to-night."

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Turn we now to the club, where, an hour later, Mr. Leek and Miss Tyler might have been seen enjoying, at the far end of the verandah what appeared to be a confidential confab. The club gradually filled as evening drew on, and presently Miss Midget arrived, who, descending from her carriage, called out gaily to her rival as she approached her. "I do hope you have brought those books." This turned the conversation to the books in question, which were lying on an adjacent chair; and on Mr. Leek saying he had often wished to read one of them, Miss Midget, with her friend's permission, after first glancing through it herself, made it over to him as he rose to leave.

That was the last time he was ever seen in confidential chat with Miss Tyler. Dipping into the book, after dinner, preparatory to reading it, a paper dropped from it as he turned over its leaves. When about to replace it curiosity got the better of him, and he read it.

"Oh a *dhobie's* account without doubt must be Mabel's" (he had got to that stage) "since it was her writing." As he was about to propose there could be no harm in reading it. Rather a lark to see if girls really do wear the wonderful garments one sees advertised in ladies' papers? So mused Leek and so musing he perused; but his brows clouded as he read.

"Hum, four hanky's a week seems rather short, yet that's the average for two months; and,—Oh but that must be a mistake, only nine pairs of stockings in two months. The dear girl has forgotten to put them all down, careless one,' thought he. "Pettis means petticoats, two a week, hardly looks adequate. Dresses four a week, that's better. Eh,—let me see, what on earth are "Ches." Oh—er of course answers to our shirts we believe. Great Scott!! Why I use twelve a week and she has made twelve do for eight weeks!!! I think after all I'll saddle the other filly" concluded he. He did, for the marriage of Miss Buttercup Midget with him was announced a few weeks after.

J. JARBO.

There were plenty of bookmakers in France some thirty years ago who were willing to bet on English races. "All in, run or not" was the general rule, and in order to know the probable starters, telegrams were despatched from the different training quarters informing the layers of what horses had left to fulfil engagements.

About this time the Bromley meeting was in full swing. All the Epsom animals that were intended to perform at the now defunct gathering left the town of salts by the midday train, and the pencillers across the water were duly notified of the fact. On one occasion, however, Antidote, one of the Epsom division looking to have a decided chance in the principal event, did not join the string going to the station, another animal in the same stable, and also entered in the big race, taking his place. Knowing that Antidote would be a strong tip, several layers in Paris offered tempting prices to their clients in order to persuade them to back the non-starter. Scenting a "stumer," many of them refused, but one English "jay" was forthcoming, he backing the horse with several of the biggest pencillers to win something like three thousand pounds.

The result was eagerly waited for. At length it arrived, and when Antidote was given as the winner there was some language—foreign, but expressive. Eventually it leaked out that the native of "perfidious Albion" who had profited so largely by Antidote's success was in league with the stable. Knowing their horse would be at a shortish price, the ruse was adopted of keeping him in the stable until the usual train had gone, and then despatching him to the scene of action by a special. As events turned out, the "wheeze" proved even more successful than anticipated

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I have referred to the advantages the motorist gets. I will mention another advantage these oils have to those whom the motorist passes, *viz.*, the absence of the fried-fish-shop smell so often noted. Several persons have been very much struck by the absence of smell; even when the car has been standing for some time with the engines running, no trace of offensive odour has been apparent to the bystanders.

I mention these experiences, having no interest in the Valvoline Oil Co., that others may be benefited and save themselves trouble and their neighbours some annoyance.

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THURSDAY, 23rd JUNE 1904.

STANDARDS OF SPORTSMANSHIP.

THAT is an unfortunate and unpleasant incident to which reference is made in our London Letter concerning the Palma Trophy at Bisley. It reveals a breadth of difference between the Britisher's standard of propriety in sports and competitions, and that prevailing across the Atlantic which makes us pause and ask ourselves whether international competitions between the two great English-speaking nations can ever be carried to a successful and satisfactory termination. Those who take interest in rifle shooting on the range need not be reminded that the terms on which the match for the Palma Trophy is shot include as their main feature the condition that each competing team shall use the regulation military rifle of the country it represents. The scheme of the competition is a very practical one, it aims at discovering the best rifle as well as the best marksman, or, perhaps, we should say the best combination of man and weapon. Such a competition has peculiarly wide interest: it appeals with equal force to every nation which sends a team to compete, no matter in what country the shooting takes place: and it offers the best opportunity possible for comparing the merits of military rifles, to the advantage of all interested in that vital question.

At Bisley, last year, teams representing France, Norway, Australia, Canada, the United States and Britain competed: the United States team won, beating the British marksman by a very insignificant number of points. Their success was accepted in the usual spirit: they were warmly congratulated and the last thing that occurred to anybody was to cast doubt on the loyalty of the visitors to the rules they had accepted. There were whispers that something was not quite right, but these did not take any definite shape, being promptly silenced by the hosts of the foreign teams who were naturally jealous for the honour of their guests. The rumour never obtained any width of currency and would have been forgotten but for the Americans themselves. An evening paper, published in Washington, made certain statements which were brought to the notice of the National Rifle Association officially and could not, therefore, be ignored. The Secretary of the N. R. A. was instructed to write to the N. R. A. of America and propound specified questions arising out of the assertions which had been made by the Washington journal: and this letter was the means of bringing a reply we will only call disappointing. General Bird Spencer, President of the American R. A., acknowledged that the United States team had taken to England two sets of rifles: one set consisted of the 1902 model, United States Army Service rifle: the other rifles were fitted with special barrels which had not been adopted by the War Office in Washington. In a word one set of rifles complied with the Palma Trophy conditions, but the other did not, and the latter were used by the American team. It cannot be said that General Bird Spencer's reply improves the situation: in course of a long reply he said "my instructions to the captain of the teams were, that if there were the slightest objection to the use of the rifles to which were attached the special barrels his team was immediately to discard them and shoot with the old model of rifle taken with them." The President's concluding remark is that "post-mortem objections at this time can be productive of no benefit or advantage to the cause:" and what feeling prompted this observation our readers may decide for themselves. We should

like to think that it means "We did a smart thing and are sorry for it: and we hope you will not put us to shame by making much of it now," but we must confess the probabilities are against this reading.

The action of the Americans and the explanation offered by their responsible head left the N. R. A. authorities no alternative but to point out that the most vital rule of the competition had been deliberately infringed, this was done in a letter studiously moderate in tone, but which would make the ears of a British recipient burn for a month afterwards. Colonel Crosse wrote "the success and continuance of a match such as that for the Palma Trophy must depend primarily on a scrupulous observance by all parties of the rules which bind allalike. It is difficult for the representatives of our country to know what is the latest regulation respecting the patterns of army rifles of another, and in default of precise information it would be offensive to a competing team to assume that they intended to commit a breach of rules unless prevented by a protest. It is obvious that if all competitors were to feel at liberty to infringe the rules in the hope that objection would not be taken, it would be impossible to preserve good feeling in any match." Colonel Crosse further informed General Bird Spencer, and in doing so, we think, replied to the correct sense of that remark concerning the inutility of "post-mortem objections"—that it was in no degree the purpose of the British N. R. A. Council to seek reversal of the result of the match.

We should like to be able to express surprise that it should be necessary to lay down thus in plainest language the elementary principles governing a sporting competition for the enlightenment of the Americans; but unfortunately previous experience precludes any other feeling than regret. The treatment of the Valkyrie in the America Cup race of 1895 left an unpleasant feeling in the minds of yachtsmen who race only for sport. The proceeding of a member of the American Polo team which visited England last year, in rolling off his pony at Hurlingham and crying "I'm down!" in order to save a goal was on the same footing. Little was said about the latter incident; nothing, if we are not much mistaken, was allowed to appear in print; but the incident was the subject of very general comment in polo circles, and the difficulty of meeting on even terms players who thus evaded the spirit of a rule for their momentary advantage was recognised.

The great difficulty lies in the fact that the American standard differs from the British: the American sporting code allows these opportunist actions: they are part of the game, and the American would not dream of objecting if the Britisher adopted similar tactics; of that we feel quite sure. He is a good sportsman according to his own lights and were an opponent to win by move or dodge which he, the American, had not foreseen, he would merely raise his opinion of that opponent's "smartness." We recall an incident which serves to exemplify this feeling: our readers may have a clearer recollection of it than we can boast, but if we are not mistaken it occurred at the Henley Regatta a few years ago. The occasion was a sculling race for singles, and at the first stroke one of the two competitors had the misfortune to miss the water and overturn his craft. His opponent observing it lay on his sculls, backed and waited for the drenched and gasping oarsman to be wrung out and reinstated in his boat for a fresh start. It was a sportsmanlike thing to do, for, of course, there was nothing in written or unwritten codes to prevent the opponent rowing over the course at his leisure and claiming the heat. One or two American visitors, however, were honestly and volubly astounded at the scullers' behaviour. Why he should thus deliberately refrain from making the most of his opponent's mishap, due, as it was (without doubt) to carelessness, was utterly beyond their comprehension: nor did the proffered suggestion that the gentleman did not care to owe success to an accident which put his opponent out of the race at the start, convey any meaning to them. With natural courtesy they conceded that it was an exceedingly sportsmanlike thing to do, but their courtesy thinly veiled their obvious conviction that a sportsmanlike thing might be extremely quixotic and foolish.

America needs more sportsmen of the Caspar Whitney stamp: Mr. Whitney spent much time in England a few years ago and his "Sporting Pilgrimage," written on the strength of his experiences, contains the opinions and conclusions of a man who combines great impartiality with unusual discernment. "We Americans," he says, "take our sport and ourselves too seriously..... Tradition and years of experience, and, too, possibly, less nervous, active disposition of the native Englishman have persuaded him that, after all, the winning or losing of a football match will neither lengthen nor shorten his earthly career. He is human enough to wish to win, to use his best endeavours to that end and rejoice in his victory, but he is not going to lose any sleep over it. *Too much store is not set on the mere winning, the cardinal principle being to do something athletic and to do it to the best of your ability.*" We have italicised the concluding sentence, because it reflects the American spirit as bared by Mr. Whitney; the American "sets too much store on winning;" and setting overmuch upon it, as a natural sequence seizes every means that will help him to success. The license—as we consider it—which he permits himself in breaking the spirit of rules is the outcome of that intense anxiety to win—somehow. The same intentness upon winning it is that it induces him to study every smallest detail which may contribute to success, and which goes so far to gain for him well-deserved success in games and athletics. If the action of a sculler refusing to take advantage of a mishap made American visitors stare in wonderment, so indeed would "the sight familiar to us (Americans) of members of a defeated football eleven throwing themselves prostrate on the ground in an agony of bitter disappointment," make Englishmen stare, as Mr. Whitney remarks.

That men should do their best to win, but take defeat in a philosophical spirit was a revelation to Mr. Whitney: "on coming in touch with this spirit for the first time it impresses the American University man strangely though none the less pleasantly." We have quoted thus much from him to emphasise the fundamental difference between the standards prevailing in the two countries. Nothing but closer contact between the sportsmen and athletes of the States and of Britain can bring the standards up to a common plane: and we can only hope that the mutual appreciation of one another's good points which it is certain grows with increased frequency of contact will in time rub out such ideas of the permissible as have been brought into painful prominence by the Palma Trophy affair.

Special Telegrams.

THE HARDWICKE STAKES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Hardwicke Stakes—Of 2,000 sovs. added to a sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each p.p., for three-year olds and upwards; three-year olds 7st. 12lbs., four 9st., five and upwards 9st. 2lbs.: M. and G. allowed 3lbs. The winner of a race or of races collectively value 1,000 sovs. to carry 7lbs., of a race or of races collectively value 2,000 sovs. 10lbs. extra: maiden three-year olds allowed 5lbs., four and upwards 10lbs.; the second to receive 10 per cent. and the third 5 per cent. of the whole stakes: Swinley course. 87 subs. Closed 4th November 1902.

London, *Friday, 17th June 1904.*

Sir J Miller's br c ROCK SAND, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune 1
Lord Carnarvon's b c SANTRY, by Gallinule—E P 2
Mr W H Bass's b f SCEPTRE, by Persimmon—Ornament 3

(*Winner trained by G. Blackwell.*)

Betting: 11 to 10 on Sceptre, 13 to 8 agst Rock Sand, 5 to 1 Santry.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third.

Winners since 1883.

1884	Tristan 6y 9st 12lb (5)	1894	Ravensbury 4y 9st 10lb (4)
1885	Pendigo 5y 9st 12lb (7)	1895	Barbary 4y 9st 10lb (3)
1886	Ormonde 3y 8st 8lb (5)	1896	Shaddock 3y 8st 5lb (8)
1887	Ormonde 4y 9st 10lb (4)	1897	Bay Ronald 4y 9st 7lbs (6)
1888	Minting 5y 9st 12lbs (2)	1898	Collar 3y 7st 12lbs (7)
1889	Gulliver 3y 8st 5lbs (6)	1899	Ninus 4y 9st 10lbs (8)
1890	Amphion 4y 9st 10lbs (5)	1900	Boniface 4y 8st 4lbs (7)
1891	L'Abbesse de Jouarre 5y 9st 9lbs (5)	1901	Merry Gal 4y 9st 7lbs (5)
1892	St Damien 3y 7st 12lbs (4)	1902	Joshua 3y 7st 13lbs (11)
1893	Watercress 4y 9st 10lbs (3)	1903	Sceptre 4y 9st 7lbs (7)

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Perfection (1869)	Hermit (1864)	St. Angela (1865)	Galopin (1875)	Sandal (1861)	Wenlock (1869)	Virtue (1864)	St. Albans (1857)
Stockwell (1849)	Newminster (1848)	Adeline (1851)	King Tom (1851)	Voltaire (1854)	Stockwell (1849)	Marpessa (1851)	Stockwell (1849)
Alencia (1860)	Seclusion (1857)	Toulouse (1860)	Fyr. Duchess (1854)	Lady Evelyn (1847)	Mineral (1850)	Mald of Palmyra (1855)	Pourbonitas (1837)
Stockwell (1849)	Touchstone (1831)	Touchstone (1831)	Harkaway (1834)	Vo Figaro (1847)	The Baron (1842)	Lord Clifden (1855)	Newminster (1848)
Pocahontas (1847)	Beeswing (1833)	Little Fairy (1839)	Pocahontas (1837)	Flying Dutchman (1846)	Pocahontas (1837)	Blairthrie I. (1848)	The Slave (1852)
Touchstone (1831)	The Baron (1842)	Iott (1835)	Mrs. Sellen (1855)	Mergo (1841)	Dan Jobs (1855)	Palmyra (1858)	Malibran (1850)
Sheerness (1847)	Pocahontas (1847)	Beeswing (1833)	Tadmor (1846)	Mrs. Ridgway (1849)	Industry (1853)	Orlando (1841)	Stockwell (1849)
						Stockwell (1849)	Pocahontas (1837)

THE GOLD CUP.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

The Gold Cup—Value 1,000sovs, with 3,000 sovs. in specie in addition, out of which the second shall receive 700 sovs. and the third 300 sovs. added to a sweepstakes of 20 sovs. each, h. ft., for entire colts and fillies; three-year-olds 7st. 7lbs., four 9st., five, six and aged 9st. 4lbs., mares allowed 3lbs.; to start at the Cup post and go once round, two miles and a half. 24 entries. Closed 5th January 1904.

London, *Thursday, 16th June 1904.*

Mr F Alexander's b c THROAWAY, by Rightaway—Theale 1
Lord Howard de Walden's ch c ZINFANDEL, by Persimmon—Medora ... 2
Mr W Bass's b f SCEPTRE, by Persimmon—Ornament 3

(*Winner trained by H. Braime.*)

Betting: 5 to 4 on Zinfandel, 7 to 4 agst Sceptre, 2 to 1 Throwaway.

Won by a length; three-quarters of a length between second and third.

Winners since 1883.

1884	St Simon 3y 7st 9lb (5)	1894	La Fleche 5y 9st 11b (5)
1885	St Gatien 4y 9st (4)	1895	Isinglass 5y 9st 4lb (3)
1886	Althrop 4y 9st (3)	1896	Love Wisely 3y 7st 7lb(6)
1887	Bird of Freedom 5y 9st 4lb (6)	1897	Persimmon 4y 9st (4)
1888	Timothy 4y 9st (5)	1898	Elf II 5y 9st 4lb (8)
1889	Trayles 4y 9st (4)	1899	Cyllene 4y 9st (5)
1890	Gold 4y 9st (5)	1900	Merman a 9st 4lb (6)
1891	Morion 4y 9st (5)	1901	Santoi 4y 9st (6)
1892	Buccaneer 4y 9st (2)	1902	William the Third 4y 9st (11)
1893	Marcion 3y 7st 7lb (4)	1902	Maximum II 4y 9st (4)

THE NORTHUMBERLAND PLATE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Northumberland Plate (Handicap)—Of 1,000 sovs.; winners of any handicap value 140 sovs. after the publication of the weights (9th June at noon) 5lbs., if two such handicaps or of one value 200 sovs. 8lbs., or of any race value 500 sovs. 12lbs. extra (extreme penalty); second to receive 50 sovs; entrance 5 sovs. the only forfeit if declared by Tuesday, 14th June, 10 sovs. if left in after that time, or 25 sovs. for starters. Two miles. (31 entries.) Closed 29th March.

London, *Wednesday, 22nd June, 1904.*

Mr J G Baird Hay's br f PALMY DAYS, by Trenton—Pallanza, Hepell 1
Mr W Hall Walker's b c SANDBOY, Ravensbury—Sandblast, McCall ... 2
Mr G Miller's ch g MERRY ANDREW by Xury—Merry Foot, Rollason ... 3
Mr W M G Singer's ch f PRADELLA, by Tarporley—Poppy 0
Mr Spencer Gollan's ch h SEA HORSE II, by Nelson—Moonga 0
Mr C Perkins's b g ROSEBURN, by Petros—Harton Rose 0
Mr C S Newton's ch h SERVITOR, by Forager—La Niche 0
Mr F Langstaff's br c CATTY CRAG, by Wolf's Crag—Nobody's Child... ... 0
Mr H J Newman's br c COCK OF THE ROOST, by Best Man—Gallinule ... 0
Mr L de Rothschild's bf PIERIA, by St Frusquin—Pie Powder 0

(*Winner trained by Peacock*)

Betting: 3 to 1 agst Palmy Days, 10 to 1 Sandboy and Merry Andrew, 5 to 2 Pradella.

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

Winners since 1883.

1884	Lawminster 6y 7st 13lb (9)	1893	Seaton Delaval 4y 7st 5lb (5)
1885	Blue Grass 5y 7st 13lb (7)	1894	Newcourt 6y 8st 6lb (8)
1886	Stone Clink 4y 7st 8lb (6)	1895	The Docker 4y 7st 6lb (9)
1887	Exmoor 4y 8st 12lb (13)	1896	Dare Devil a 8st 7lb (5)
1888	Matin Bell 4y 6st 10.b (10)	1897	Brainwardine 4y 8st 5lb (15)
1889	Drizzle 5y 6st 10lb (7)	1898	King Crow 4y 8st 7lb (10)
1890	Hoondsditch 4y 7st 11lb (16)	1899	Sherburn 4y 8st 9lb (7)
1891	Queen's Birthday 4y 9st (11)	1900	Joe Chamberlain 3y 8st 4lb (8)
1892	Newcourt 4y 7st 3lb (8)	1901	Reminiscence 5y 6st 11b (12)
		1902	Osbeck a 9st (10)
		1903	Cliftonhall 4y 7st 7lb (8)

Sporting Notes.

THE death of Mr. George Garth, of Dacca, as the result of a polo accident on Wednesday, the 15th instant, will be very widely and deeply regretted. He took a terribly bad fall during a practice game on Wednesday evening, was knocked clean out of time and, never recovering consciousness, died early next morning from concussion of the brain and fracture of the skull. It seems that his pony came down and he fell on his head, his *Sola topee* having previously fallen off. As Manager of the Dacca Estates he enjoyed a well-earned popularity throughout Bengal and his success in the management of the Nawab's affairs, from the most important matters down to the smallest details connected therewith, was such as to render his sudden removal from office a circumstance that can mean little short of dismay and the keenest regret to the nobleman whose interests he served so faithfully and so well. His funeral was attended by practically all Dacca and the hearse was drawn by his favourite pony "Olla."

As a sportsman he was ever in the van. The brilliant and successful way he ran the Dacca race meetings, the concomitant polo, sports, social gatherings and festivities will always awaken pleasant memories in those who, in recent years, participated in the hospitalities and sporting doings of Dacca. He was a good all-round sportsman, too, had a practical working knowledge of most sports, was good at several and excelled in a few. In common with the whole of Eastern Bengal we tender our respectful sympathy to the members of his family now in Indiain their sudden bereavement.

The final in the Simla Polo Tournament for the Beresford Cup was played on the 15th instant, a large gathering, including Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Ampthill and Lord Kitchener, was present. The game was won by the 15th Hussars, who beat the Chief's Staff by two goals and four subsidiaries to two subsidiaries.

A General Meeting of Members of the Calcutta Paperchase Club was held last Friday evening at No. 12, Russell Street, to consider the terms of the Pony Paperchase Cup for the coming season.

Pony-chasing of late years has not received the support or attention we think it deserves, and we are pleased to see that certain members of the executive are making a special effort this year to put matters on a sounder footing.

The old rule—for which the executive themselves we believe were reponsible—requiring all ponies running for the cup, irrespective of height or class, to carry even weights (11st.) was not calculated to encourage the smaller ponies, and undoubtedly lessened the fields that have of late started in this race. To ask—say a 13-2 Arab—to run over four miles of natural country at even weights with a 14-1 Waler is scarcely a sporting question from the Arab's point of view, and the meeting very wisely decided to make the teams weight for inches with the usual class allowances.

It had previously been decided—at a meeting held on the 10th instant—to raise the upper limit of height from 14-1 to 14-2 with a view to affording pony owners a wider choice of mounts. The Cup next season will therefore be for ponies 14-2 and under, weight for inches, 14-2's to carry 12st., Arabs and C.-B.'s to receive the usual allowances.

With the increased height, the "little 'uns" given a chance, and some 6 or 8 months for probable competitors to obtain suitable ponies, we trust to see a good entry for the Pony Paperchasers' Cup of 1905.

An attractive programme was gone through with the greatest success at the Simla Gymkhana last Saturday. Entries were big and a large gathering was present. The first event was the Kadir—jumping a hurdle and taking three discs with a spear. This was won by Mr. Gopham. The Polo ball race was won by Mrs. Taylor, who beat Mrs. Rivett-Carnac in the finals, these ladies having won their heats. The Amazon Stakes went to Major and Mrs. Crocker. Lady competitors had to throw a polo ball for their partners to catch. The Musical chairs, with polo balls or sticks in place of chairs, was next and was won by Mrs. Heneage, Mrs. Wormald taking second place. The programme concluded with the Board School Stakes—a word making competition for ladies. Miss Usborne secured this, the word being "Saucer."

The Bangalore Polo Tournament will commence in Bangalore on the 13th proximo and will be continued on the 15th and 18th idem, and, if not finished, will go on again on the 20th idem. The prize offered is a Challenge Cup presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore and is valued at Rs. 1,000. The present holders are the 4th (Q. O.) Hussars. The Tournament is subject to the usual conditions, and the stewards are General Eccles Nixon, C. B., Major A. C. Hamilton, the Carabiniers, and Major W. W. Evans, R. E.

In our Home exchanges this week, we see it stated that Sievier has instructed his solicitors to apply for a new trial of his slander action against Sir James Duke, on the grounds of misdirection of the jury and fresh evidence. Mr. Rufus Isaacs has been briefed to lead in the case, and the confident expectation of the plaintiff is that he will finally win his case on technical grounds. Colossal cheek! And now he is being prosecuted for perjury in connection with one of his insolvencies.

Mr. Walter Winans, the famous expert with the revolver, is taking charge of the shooting gallery, which will, we imagine, be one of the principal attractions at the bazaar in aid of the Victoria Hospital, and which closes to-day. Mr. Winans arranged a whole series of novel shooting competitions, including matches between ladies, gentlemen, and even children, and we hear that some handsome presents will be given to the winners of these contests.

J. Robinson, the jockey, passed through Calcutta last week, on his way to Poona.

A correspondent writes:—Three leopards have been shot close to the officers' quarters at Kailana, one by Mr. MacIntyre, attached to the Rifle Brigade, on the 27th ultimo, and the other two by Mr. Chisholm, of the 15th Hussars. Mr. Chisholm sat up over a goat, and seeing a leopard fired at it, the beast bounded away and thinking he had missed, Mr. Chisholm remained for some time by the goat, as on a previous occasion after having fired and missed, the leopard returned and took the goat; after waiting a short time, Mr. Chisholm had another shot, and in the morning found that he had killed two leopards.

Dr. W. C. Hossack, the well-known sporting medico of Calcutta, has undertaken to compile a history of the Calcutta Paperchases from its earliest days to the present year of grace. It is to be illustrated, to be altogether an *edition de luxe*, and the expenses, we believe, are to be defrayed by subscription.

The little story we heard the other day of the raffled horse, the "lucky winner" and the vet teems with quiet fun. "A," on the eve of his departure for Home, took a ticket in a raffle for a gee whose value was set down at about Rs. 500, and a day or so before he embarked he was informed that he had won it. He left instructions with "B" to sell the animal. "B" had it lotted at auction two or three times, lowering the reserve on each occasion, but with no success; no one wanted this horse it seemed. "B" next lent the animal to "C" to use till "A's" return and "C" forthwith bought a new set of harness and tried the brute in his office gharry next day, when he found there was more than a substratum of truth in the baboo's essay—"horse is noble animal, but if you shall beat him he will not do so." This one *looked* extremely noble, but all the beating in the world failed to make him "do so," or in other words to draw the gharry. The exasperated "C" sought explanation of "B" and together they sought a vet, whose verdict was "osteoporosis all over and badly gonein the loins; shoot him *ek dum*." The "lucky winner" lost his horse, and pays Rs. 70 besides for lotting fees, feed, examination and destruction! Hard case—what should "A" and "C" do?

Ruin, an Australian pony, has just been purchased for India; a good price was paid for the animal, which has a fairly good reputation.

Mr. J. D. Scott has recently bought the English colt Young Sirdar.

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Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—Paper-chasing is proceeding vigorously in Bangalore, and every week there is a run. Latterly the fields have been very large, and when a start was made from the south end of Cambridge Road on the evening of the 14th instant, some fifty riders, both ladies and men, were present. Amongst these were General and Mrs. Nixon and Miss Chinnery, Colonel and Mrs. Daniell, Colonel and Miss Sprot, Colonel and Mrs. Georges, Colonel Stevens, Lieutenant-Colonel Pierce Moore, I. C. S., Major and Mrs. Johnston, Major and Mrs. Jollie, Major and Mrs. Hamilton, Captain and Mrs. Battley, Captain and Mrs. Sharpe Smith, and many others. The course was about four miles and consisted, to a large extent, of "made" fences, differing in this respect from previous courses this season. The artificial obstacles were, however, wisely put into the later stages of the journey, which prevented undue crowding. There was some grief, but nothing serious resulted. Colonel Sprot, of the Carabiniers, was the first to finish in a very trying ride, and this officer, who commands the popular "Carbs," will be compulsorily retired at the end of July! Comment is needless. Colonel Daniell and the officers of the R. A. were "At Home" to their freinds at the finish, which took place on the Agram plain near the Station Hospital.

Mr. "J. B.'s" horses at present with T. Tingey, are to be placed in Ramshaw's hands when that neat horseman returns to India from his holiday.

We are glad to hear that W. Southall has now practically recovered from the injury to his leg, and that he will soon be *en route* from Australia to Poona, at which meeting it is his intention to ride.

Our Poona correspondent writes :—The booming of complimentary salutes in the cold grey of the morning and the flashing of scarlet and gold come as unmistakeable signs to show that High Dignitaries have deigned to return from heights Olympian and that to those of us hopeless mortals who have frizzled here in the plains, the period of Purgatory is well nigh over. For Nature will naturally not presume to disappoint High Officialdom, and High Officialdom by its mere condescension in returning from the hills has intimated its wish for the early attendance of the gentle rain from heaven, and if there's any unseemly delay all that is necessary is the prompt issuing of a Government Resolution. In the civilian mind there is an implicit belief that nothing, not even nature, can withstand a G. R.

But while the beauteous butterflies and dazzling drones of society have been fluttering and flitting, sipping honey at their will from sweet hill flowers, the busy bees, left behind in the hives of the plains, have been whiling away the weary hot days in a praiseworthy attention to stern duty for the public weal.

Polo players are determined that the prestige of their glorious pastime shall not suffer and have issued prospectuses of a Junior and an Open Tournament. The junior contest is to take place during the latter half of August. No member of a team is to have played in any open tournament or in any of the following tournaments:—Inter-Regimental, Punjab, Infantry, Bombay, Poona (open), Delhi Durbar, Bengal Cavalry, Jodhpur, Ulwar or any Championship, or since the 31st December 1899 in Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Bangalore, Madras, Mhow or Nasserabad. The four players are to belong to the same corps or recognised polo club and to be permanent members of the club for which they play. Native State teams are barred. Each team is limited to a dozen ponies and no pony is to play for more than one team and no substitute for a pony injured will be allowed. A team is to be composed of four Europeans and a regimental team of four British officers, except when a second team is entered, in which case one native will be allowed if the Commanding Officer certifies that a fourth British officer is not available, and one is considered available if present even though the individual may not be a player of the game. Ponies are to be the property of the regiment for which they play and in the case of non-regimental teams to be the property of the players, though one player may own them all. Entries, Rs. 40 a team, to go towards a silver pot for the winner. It will amuse those behind the scenes to observe how studiously and ingeniously the executive have endeavoured to guard against the little insidious stratagems of previous experience and the executive are certainly to be congratulated on having effected their object with apparently consummate skill. The aspiring novice has certainly every reason to be grateful, for his interests have been looked after with the most tender solicitude and the cracks have been so completely barred that ambitious youth has every opportunity of displaying his skill among his compeers. The Polo Committee are altogether to be congratulated I think on the cleverness with which they have framed the terms of the tournament. It will make the junior tournament infinitely more interesting without its clashing with the interest in the open tournament, as was the case in previous years.

No less satisfactory seems to be the terms of the Open Tournament, which is to begin about the 30th September, concurrently with the big races. It is very gratifying to observe that the unsporting restriction of last year, debarring native teams although the Challenge Cup was actually presented by the finest of all native sportsmen.—Pertab Singh (as he is best known throughout the length and breadth of Hindustan, even though he now holds regal rank). This restriction aroused intense dissatisfaction among many and has most wisely been eradicated. We may now reasonably hope to see polo of the highest quality. Ponies are limited to 24 a team and of the Rs. 75 entrance fee Rs 50 goes to the winning team for suitable mementoes in addition to the custody of the Challenge Cup for the ensuing 12 months.

Reckless riding by some members of the Ootacamund Hunt has provoked the following circular from the Master :—

"During the first run on Thursday last, 9th instant, two hounds were knocked down and ridden over by members of the field. One of these is badly injured and will probably die. He is one of the best hounds in the pack. We cannot let this incident pass without a protest and we now appeal to the members of the Hunt to conform in future more closely to the recognised rules of riding to hounds, in the full belief that if members, who know what these rules are, will follow them, others of less experience will profit by the example. We quite understand that the circumstances of hunting in the Nilgiris are peculiar, and that it is often necessary to ride nearer to hounds during a run on these hills than would ever be permitted in England; but nothing can excuse the offence of riding directly behind the pack, of riding through the pack to get to a crossing, or of riding so close to the head of the pack on either flank, as to drive them off the line, but these offences have been committed of late, to the great detriment of sport. We feel sure that this appeal will not be misunderstood by the members of the Hunt, but will be accepted in the spirit in which it is made, and that they will recognise that it is in the true interests of sport, which is rightly considered the best, as it is the most popular, these Hills can afford."

Messrs. A. J. Combridge and Company, of Bombay, have sent us a copy of *The Literary Review* for the current month. Among the hundreds of books mentioned therein are several that should be on every sportsman's shelves, including the newly issued "Sportsman's Book for India," edited by Mr. F. G. Aflalo and contributed to by well-known writers on sport in this country.

The following timely letter on the subject of game preservaton in Assam, from the Assam Branch Indian Tea Association, has been forwarded to the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Assam:—

In reply to your letter No. 226 Mily. 113-M of the 11th January 1904, requesting this Association's advice as to the season which should be held to be the close season in the case of each quadruped and bird which it is considered desirable to protect, I have the honour to make the following suggestions:—

All deer should be protected from 1st May until the 1st November, during this period all adult female deer are pregnant or have very young fawns at foot, and are slaughtered in large numbers from boats, by men armed with *daos*, spears and *luthis*, etc.

The protection should include a clause prohibiting the sale of venison during these months, a clause which it is submitted would not be difficult to enforce, as the meat is generally brought in boatloads to various market centres for sale, many of which are easily accessible to the nearest Police: the writer saw six or seven boatloads thus brought in to Kokilamukh in one day during a high flood.

The shortening of gun barrels under License Form XI will do much to save deer from extermination.

As regards the protection of rhinoceros as the period of gestation is 17 or 18 months, the only protection which will be efficacious, will be by providing sanctuaries where no one is allowed to shoot. The extermination of these prehistoric survivals will be principally due to the huge beats got up by sporting Rajas and others (often titled globe-trotters) who kill everything that gets up before the line: male, female or young. One such beat does more to exterminate game than years of individual shooting by Europeans.

The protection of the Bos Gaurus and Bos Frontalis known respectively in Assam as "Mithun" and "Mithun" or "Bonoria Goroo" and Bos Bubalus, known in Assam as the "Moh" will be best effected by a regulation that males alone are to be shot and by limiting the number under each license.

As regards game birds it is doubtful whether it would be possible to enforce different dates for different species, and if but one time for them all is selected it should be from 1st April to 1st September, but the actual breeding season of each kind may be said to be much as follows, and the periods named are those during which protection is recommended.

All Pigeon and Doves :—

Pigeon commonly called Green-Pigeon belonging to the Genera Osmotreron, Treron, Spenocercus and Chalcophaps, Imperial Pigeon or Pagocmas belonging to the Genera Ducula and Carpophaga. Doves belonging to the Genera Turtur and Oenopelia.—From 15th March to 15th June.

Jungle Fowl (Gallus Ferrugineus). Pheasant (Gennaeus horsfieldei and Polypilectron Chinquis). Partridges (The Genera Francolinus, Aboricola, Bambusicola). Pea-fowl (Pavo cristatus and muticus).—From 1st April to 1st September.

Floriken (Sypheotis aurita and bengalensis).—From 1st June to 1st November.

Resident duck and teal (wood-duck, Asarcarnis scutulata). Whistling-teal (Dondrocycna). Cotton Teal (Nettopus coramandelianus) Spotbill Duck. (Anas poecilorhyncha and zonorhyncha).—From 1st June to 1st October.

In conclusion it is submitted that it is a well-known fact to the Police, that gun owners make a regular business of hiring out their guns to other persons for shooting purposes, so that the amount of damage done must not be reckoned by the amount which the owner does, or by the amount of powder and shot he himself can afford to buy; and when one considers that the number of gun licenses issued in Lakhimpur District amounts to over 1,600 and that licenses are issued as freely in all other districts of Upper Assam, it is hardly to be wondered at, that game is rapidly becoming exterminated.

An interesting account of a fishing trip to Poonch is published in to-day's issue. The result, on the whole, was not encouraging, but its interest lies chiefly in the lesson in perseverance, it teaches the fisherman, and the emphasis it lays on the necessity for obtaining accurate and local information as to the condition of rivers before undertaking the trouble and incurring the expense of getting to them.

We hear that so far this season nothing much has been done in respect of mahseer in Kashmir, only a 12 and 4-pounder having been recorded up to the 12th instant. Chiroo, up to 4 and 5lbs., are reported to be fairly plentiful; they are by no means a sporting fish, but are always useful for the larder.

Mr. Buckingham of Assam most opportunely lays before his brother planters the position they place themselves in either in procuring guns for *bustee-wallahs*, or making presents of these weapons to coolies as rewards for long service or loyal behaviour. Many mofussilites not caring for shooting themselves, retain the services of a shikari for bringing in game for the table, but that functionary certainly should never be permitted to take the gun to his home where, as frequently as not, it is lent or hired out to another party who blazes away at all and everything he comes across. A stricter supervision also should be exercised over the amount of ammunition issued, comparing it with the quantity of game brought in. There can be no objection to the man taking tale in moderation from the bag, but in many cases the factory shikari drifts into the regular game supplier for the whole place, and if near a station extends the same business to that, sometimes keeping a regular depôt in the bazar where maimed birds and animals are confined, lingering in agony for sometimes days together. Although there is not much danger now of anything serious arising from the practice, it used to be the custom on some frontier gardens among the shikaries to get powder, lead and caps through an unreflecting good-natured planter selling or rather swapping the same to the hill men for such things as rubber and wax. If all we hear is true, the trading Marwaries still pursue the business, both with the mountaineers as also with the reckless potshooter in the plains, and we have reason to believe that a good deal of John Hall's blasting powder is used for other purposes than quarrying limestone for which alone the mahajans are licensed to sell it. We want a

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little more supervision on the part of subdivisional officers over the frontier bazar shopkeeper.

We have to chronicle the advent of projectile that may be called a "hypnotising shell" for big game. It contains some powerful drug akin in its effects to chloroform, but if all accounts are true it is instantaneous and far spreading in its effects, so that it is by no means necessary to aim for mortal spots, but by simply plumping the missile anywhere round about, as close to the effecting nerves as may be for choice, and lo! the charging beast falls to the ground quiescent and can then be immolated at leisure without spoiling skin or other trophies. How long insensibility lasts has not transpired; an important fact that the hypnotising hunter would do well to have pretty accurately determined, for a sudden recovery similar to that which "Peter" of London Zoo fame exhibited when having a tooth drawn would be decidedly awkward. In the interests of game preservation we hope this shell will not come into use for half a dozen butchers firing into a herd of deer would bring down twenty at once, when the process of the *hallal* could be carried out in as many minutes. In fact our Societies should approach the authorities on the subject of restricting the sale very stringently, for we presume its use would strongly recommend itself to dacoits and burglars as an easy method of carrying on their nefarious transactions without resorting to violence. This hypnotiser may legitimately be brought into use against a convicted rogue or man-eater, but to sanction its general employment would only tend to the extermination of game by placing in the hands of the most nervous cockney aspirant a weapon requiring neither skill nor courage to manipulate. Sundry little precautions would have to be observed in the carriage of the shell, for one dropped on the floor of a howdah, for instance, would placeing occupant, mahout and elephant in a state of coma; then the advantage would certainly be all in favour of the opposite party, who, in the case of a tiger, could select his meal at pleasure, unless, indeed, he himself came under the influence of the anæsthetic. What a subject for a camera!

A correspondent in the Mirzapore district writes:—"While inspecting my sleepers here yesterday, I saw a lot of wild dogs full speed after a sambhar on the hill above me. I immediately put on steam and gave chase as hard as I could, but had not gone far in my mad career when I went head over heels, falling heavily with several hard pointed rocks sticking into the small of my back; but worst of all my gun lay a miserable sight alongside of me with the stock smashed in two. I shook myself together as speedily as aches and scratches would allow me, picked up my wrecked gun and ran on as fast as I could, but saw nothing. While looking at the beautiful country around I heard a scream very much like that of a bear, and also very distinct splashes of water down below where I was standing, but only a short distance off. I thought, to myself, here is a go with a broken gun and a couple of bears fighting in the water within a few yards of me. I pulled out a couple of ball cartridges at once, put them into my disabled gun, fixed the stock as best I could, which felt very shaky in my hands, marched up to the high bank, looked over to ascertain the reason of all the commotion and then I beheld the whole pack of dogs hanging on to and doing their utmost to drown the stag, while he rose to the surface he gave another scream of distress, but in another instance a shell crashed through his ribs and ended his career. My gun with the shock again fell to pieces, and before I could put it together again all the wild dogs had disappeared without a scratch. I regretted their escape, as I wanted to bag one very much, they looked a five savage lot and capable of pulling anything down. My men soon followed up and the stag was brought in here with willing hands much to the delight of the village people who went in for a big dinner that night, which was washed down with a good supply of their favourite beverage "Billi Stink," which reminds me very much of the smell of a dirty Scotch badger.

Lives of fishermen remind us
We may strive for prizes grand:
And, departing, leave behind us
Tales of fish we failed to land.

A great deal of interest is now shown in pigeon racing and the homing instinct of pigeons, and every military nation has carefully-trained pigeons in its Army equipment. It has been noted that pigeons often fail to reach their destination whilst big storms are in progress, and Dr. Tressider, a great authority on these birds, has come to the conclusion that pigeons cannot be relied upon to home in cyclonic weather. He cannot explain the reason, but there is no doubt that some of the big races that have taken place in heavy gales have been most disastrous, and caused the loss of great numbers of valuable birds.

So far as experiments have gone the hopes of those who are attempting the crossing of zebras with donkeys and ponies appear to stand a fair enough chance of being realised. We may anticipate success here on the Chenab paddock, but trust private breeders in other parts of the country will not neglect the business. Runs or ranches are well nigh out of the question in India for obvious reasons, so the grazing grounds devoted to the zebrule will have to be pretty strictly patrolled, or some weak-sighted shikari may perchance mistake the striped *equine* for a striped *feline*. Twelve hands appears to be the maximum average height of the zebra stallion or mare, but with judicious selection the third generation should attain the required 14.

Usually fishermen are anxious to get a bite, but no Nova Scotia fisherman is anxious to get a bite from a dogfish, says the *Ottawa Star*. In August their bite is particularly virulent. Many dogfish go mad in August and bite each other. The thought of a mad dogfish attacked with hydrophobia and encompassed by the dreaded element from which there is no escape, is one to draw tears from the hardest eyes. Clarence drowned in his favourite Malmsey is not a circumstance to it. Fishermen who have been bitten by mad dogfish in August have been known to shun water as a beverage ever afterwards.

The members of the Calcutta Clay Bird Club have a sweep shoot on next Sunday at Messrs. Lyon and Lyon's range.

Ram Jus is an up-country jemadar who has evidently been having rather a troublous time lately. We are led to this observation by the perusal of the following letter which he wrote last week to his employer:—

To Manager—

SIR,—I have the honor to report as follows:—

1. Ram Saroop peon had a son; he therefore craving favor for 10 days' leave and Rs. 10 advance pay.

2. Plowmen is clamorus for *khurcha*, but I am paying nothing. Plowings going on since 3 days.

3. Three cartmen have taken their way homeward. I cannot say why.

4. All your survants fighting for mangos and drunk last night, Sulloo Khansama drinking your *uskey* and smoking *ceekarate*; Jugoo syce and Ramdhun (Dhoby) also suffering, *i.e.*, from drunk, all together beat dhoby's big wife with *lahdis* (sticks), she was telling him abuse.

5. Ticks are thrusting in the flesh of fowl. Ten Pigeons son's died yesterday. Nobody going near big dog Jhabra. He is dam! (?)

All other works is going on well.—

Yours sincerely, RAM JUS.

The results of the Tollygunge Club Gymkhana held yesterday reached us just as we were going to press: we give details in our Turf columns and reserve comments till next issue.

Athletic Notes.

THE annual general meeting of the Indian Football Association was held at the C. V. R. Headquarters, Calcutta, on Friday evening, the 17th instant, Mr. J. G. Greig presiding. The annual report was presented and passed, and the meeting proceeded to the election of the Council for the ensuing season, the following being elected:—President—H. H. Sir Andrew Fraser; Members—Messrs. H. S. Ashton (C. F. C.), M. Remfry (Y. M. C. A.), J. Greig (D. F. C.), A. Mathieson (Rangers), S. Phelps (D. F. C.), K. C. Mitter (Sova Bazaar), and M. Ganguli (National Association), and one member each from the King's Own Regiment, West Ridings, and 79th R. G. A., to be elected hereafter. Mr. N. G. Pritchard expressed his willingness to continue the Honorary Secretaryship, in which he will be assisted by Mr. E. E. Rope. A proposal was then put before the meeting by Mr. Pritchard for the fixing of specific dates for each match played in the first and second rounds of competitions under I. F. A. rules. This was seconded by Mr. Greig, and carried. No further business was transacted, and the meeting terminated with the customary vote of thanks to the chair.

The Southern India Amateur Raquet Tournament will be held in Bangalore during the race and polo weeks, between the 9th and 20th July. It is open to all Southern India Amateurs and there are four matches:—

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5. Handicap pairs. (Players to enter in pairs).

Prizes, conditions, entries, etc., will be published as soon as possible.

Entries, with entrance fees, to be sent in before 4th July 1904.

Among the results of the more important English cricket fixtures last week are the following :—On the 15th instant Notts defeated Middlesex by an innings and 20 runs: Essex beat Surrey by an innings and 196 runs: Worcester beat Oxford University by an innings and 93 runs: Cambridge beat London County by 139 runs: Derbyshire was defeated by Leicestershire by six wickets: the matches between Warwickshire and Lancashire, Sussex and Yorkshire, Gloucester and South Africans were all drawn.

In a match at Sheffield on Saturday, the 28th ultimo, in the Norton and District League, a player named Ash, for Mill-houses, against Totley United, secured six wickets for thirteen runs in a total of seventy. The phenomenal feature of his bowling lay in the fact that twice during the innings he did the "hat trick," taking his wickets with the first three balls sent down and the last three.

In a case before the American courts a novel question affecting golfers is involved. Thomas O'Hagan, a former caddie belonging to the Nyack (N. Y.) County Club, is, by his guardian, suing the Club to recover 10,000 dollars damages for the loss of an eye while acting as caddie at the Club. The question is whether golf clubs are liable for injuries sustained by caddies while performing their duties, a point upon which the courts have not yet passed judgment.

Captain Greig has returned to India, and has proved that he has lost none of his old form with the bat and ball. In the XI *vs.* XX match at Poona last week, he put up 38 in excellent style and retired. He also took five wickets.

On Monday, the 30th ultimo, at the Oval, G. L. Jessop batted practically with one hand for Gloucestershire *vs.* Surrey, because the little finger of his left hand had been splintered by a ball from B. J. T. Bosanquet at Lord's in the previous week. He was able to rest the left hand on the bat until the moment of striking, when he took it away. One of his hits was a drive to the boundary off Smith, and it is hardly necessary to say that the stroke was loudly applauded, for to the ordinary spectator it naturally seems a very remarkable feat to make a good drive with one hand.

But most cricketers have at some time or other had to bat with one hand, and they know well enough that there is nothing extraordinary in making quite a big drive when thus handicapped. Several men have played a fine game in first-class cricket, with only one hand available, and either Lord Harris or Mr. A. N. Hornby could speak from experience of what can be done in this way by a determined man. There used to be a well-known player in Surrey—a master at Cranleigh School, named Casswell—who having lost his left arm, was not disposed to give up cricket. He was known far and wide in the county, and often played an innings of over a hundred. He could hit as hard as most men, and any medium-paced bowler who thought he could dispense with an outfield when Casswell was at the wicket, had very soon to alter his opinion.

The expression "eight," which is so often used to signify the crew of a racing boat, is, it must be confessed, the measure which too many people take of the position of the coxswain. They treat him as non-existent, and some of the towpath have been even heard to express surprise that he should be counted as one of the crew. The truth is that the men who sit in the stern of racing boats have, in some respects, the worst position in the boat. They have to sit perfectly still, their eyes have to be everywhere; they have to exercise consummate judgment often at a moment's notice, and to decide on a course of action which may win or lose the race. To the thoroughly trained oarsmen the work of the race is more or less mechanical; to the coxswain the unforeseen may present itself at any moment, and in the most embarassing circumstances. On a cold day he has a good deal to put up with. He is well wrapped up, it is true, but he has to remember that every extra ounce that he puts on will have to be pulled by the oarsmen over four-and-a-quarter miles, and he has to strike a nice balance between being too heavy and being frozen. Some coxswains have been known to experience a wretched time, sitting in ice-cold water without even the consolation of an oar to pull at or a stretcher to kick against. On the whole, the coxswain deserves something better than to be blamed when things go wrong and ignored when all is well.

The annual race between crews representing H. M. S. *Worcester* (Thames) and H. M. S. *Conway* (Mersey), the well-known cadet vessels, was decided on Tuesday, the 31st ultimo, on the Thames at Greenhithe, last year's race having been at Liverpool. As usual, they rowed in six-oared light boats, and the event created a good deal of interest amongst the friends of the cadets and in naval circles generally. The course was from a point off Greenhithe to the *Worcester*, and Mr. C. W. Kent, the old Oxonian and Leander oarsman, officiated as starter and umpire. The visitors won the toss and selected the Essex side. There was little in the station, but their superiority was marked throughout. In the first minute, the *Conway* boys assumed the lead, rowing nearly thirty strokes. At the end of a mile they led by fifteen lengths, and passing the *Arethusa* had the race at their mercy apparently, bar accidents. Then to the surprise of those following, the *Worcester* spurted. The effort, however, proved unavailing, as the leaders settled down for a fine finish, and, rowing well and cleanly together, repeated last year's win very easily indeed.

Preparations for Henley were going on apace when the last English mail left. The Leander B. C. have already started work with the following "Grand" Eight :—W. H. Chapman (bow), F. S. Kelly, Johnstone, P. H. Thomas, C. W. H. Taylor, F. J. Escombe, A. Graham, and R. H. Nelson (stroke), with G. S. Maglagan (cox).

Messrs. Goldie and Taylor will go for the "Goblets," and F. S. Kelly for the "Diamonds," while the "Stewards" Four are seated thus :—W. H. Chapman (bow), C. W. H. Taylor, F. C. Escombe, F. S. Kelly (stroke and steers).

The London R. C. crews are now in serious work. The provisional "Grand" Eight is composed as follows:—E. Hay-Currie (bow), G. T. Western, E. P. Bryant, W. W. Field, J. W. Knight, R. D. Warren, F. Souttar, G. R. Davie (stroke), but, of course, "Captain" Lowe has yet to be included. The "Stewards" Four will probably be Messrs. Bryant, Western, Knight and Western; and the "Thames" Eight, P. A. Sergeant (bow), F. A. G. Medd (the old Calcutta Rowing Club man), L. B. Cane, M. C. M. Legatt, H. E. Steatus, A. M. Walker, J. Compton, P. Dewar (stroke).

The Kingston R. C. Senior Eight is composed of E. O. Capon, H. M. S. Carpenter, H. G. M. Young, T. P. Scott-Monrieff, H. Prideaux, R. Willis, W. H. Watney, E. W. Greene (stroke), R. W. Spooner (cox). The second eight is manned by B. J. Easton, J. F. Greene, D. H. Whitmore, K. Bremner, R. Woollatt, C. Pimm, J. N. Horsfield, and V. Allcard (stroke); and the Junior Eight by S. Nops, W. Keith, T. Mackie, A. T. Chappell, A. N. Peckham, A. W. Pimm, A. P. Trengrouse, C. H. Bretherton (stroke), Guy Monro (cox).

An Hellas R. C. (Berlin) Four for the "Stewards, seated thus: (bow) Sarre, Wonhter, Schwartz, A. J. Muellier stroke) will probably enter this year. It all depends upon how they shape at the Berlin and Hamburg meetings.

Messrs. H. T. Blackstaffe and D. Fitte, Vesta R. C., have definitely decided not to row for the "Goblets" this year, but it is quite possible that the ex-amateur champion and J. J. Beresford, of the Kensington R. C., may be seen out in the event.

A meeting was held on the 26th ultimo at Newhaven, Connecticut, at which the representatives of Harvard and Yale agreed to accept the Oxford and Cambridge challenge for an athletic meeting.

This decision was reached within six hours of the receipt of the challenge. The number of events will probably be eleven.

Harvard and Yale athletes, owing to this challenge, will not take part in the competitions at St. Louis, except as individuals.

One of the best golf stories perpetrated in recent times is just now running through the papers. It is to the effect that an American has invented a golf ball that squeaks when lost. No wonder that this is characterised as one of the most astounding inventions of the century. It is a pity that the yarn cannot be true. Since the Yankees have doubled the price of golf balls, the anxiety about losing one and the time devoted to searching for a lost sphere have also been doubled, to the serious detriment of the pleasure of the game. *Truth* has a poemlet on "the latest":—

A ball that squeaks? If that be so,
There very well might be
A ball that gives a knowing wink
When missed upon the "tee";
Or one that, when the least result
Rewards the greatest strain,
Through the black dent the cleek has made,
Pipes softly, "Topped again!"

Our Bangalore correspondent writes.—It is really very sporting of the racing professionals, of whom Tom Ferguson is the moving spirit, to be going in for cricket as vigorously as they are doing, and they certainly deserve to beat the owners in the match which will probably be played at the close of the racing season. They have purchased a regular fit-out, including net, bats, etc., and have played two matches, winning against the Bowring Institute and losing against the Carabinier Sergeants. In the latter match however, though they could only muster 44 against 87 in the first innings, they knocked up 124 for 7 wickets at the second attempt, and declaring had got two of their opponents' wickets for 11 when the ground was requisitioned for football. Several of the jockeys and trainers are quite useful all-round cricketers.

We regret to learn of two boating accidents, one of them attended by loss of life, that occurred during the yacht racing at Naini Tal on the 15th instant. The *Spray*, in the yacht race, upset, immersing the skipper, Archdeacon Cockin, and the crew, who were rescued. In the afternoon a row boat upset: Sergeant-Instructor Aunce reached the shore, but Mr. Barling, undertaker, was drowned within a few yards of the shore. Numbers of natives were present, but rendered no assistance. Captain Dundas succeeded in bringing the boat and body to shore. The deceased was formerly a Drum-Major of the Yorkshire Regiment, and leaves a widow.

In the opinion of Mr. W. H. Eyre, the famous Thames R. C. veteran, as expressed in a letter to the *Field*, fixed-seat rowing and training for juniors is not necessary for high excellence later on. Such an opinion from such an authority is worthy of serious thought, of course, but he will not find many to agree with him, we fancy. In the course of this epistle he says:—

"The sliding seat was first used by amateurs in England at the Henley of 1872 by the crews of London and Thames, who wa ked off with all the open eight and four-oared prizes of that regatta, and the new style was then generally adopted. Of course, for the next few years the senior crews of each club were largely manned by oarsmen who had first raced on fixed seats, but a boat racing generation only extends to four or five years, as a rule, and very soon, certainly well before 1880, the mass of metropolitan competitors at regattas had only been taught racing on sliding seats, for (from your point of view, strange to say) the present day notion of the value of fixed seat racing, did not commend itself to the then rulers of London and Thames Clubs—Mr. F. S. Gulston, Mr. W. L. Slater, Mr. J. E. Catty, and Mr. J. Hastie—who themselves had had practical experience of both methods. Their idea was that the two modes of applying skilful force to the oar are so different in essentials that to keep men on fixed seats after they have learned the earliest rudiments (which everyone must, of course, first learn in a fixed seat skiff) was sheer waste of time. On the other hand, I believe, the University authorities from the beginning have kept their lower division crews on fixed seats, so that, at the Henley Regattas between about 1878, or let us say 1880 and 1891, when Leander first became fairly established as the club to which all University oarsmen ought to bear allegiance, the metropolitans, who had learned on the Thames, were the especial representatives of exclusive sliding seat training. But that is the very period when the metropolitans did best as against the Universities, London winning the Grand in 1881, 1883, 1884, and 1890, and Thames in 1888 and 1889. Their successes in other races were equally marked, and most assuredly the junior form of London and Thames during that time was exceptionally good, and decidedly superior to that of the present time, as exemplified by University as well as metropolitan oarsmen. True there was a sprinkling of University men, (not all Blues) in Thames and London crews, but only a sprinkling, and I do not think many people would say that the metropolitan style of these days was leavened by them; indeed, it was rather the other way. The fact is that the men available, quite fortuitously, happened during those years to be exceptionaly strong and keen, while the coaching was exceptionally good. But no crews were ever taken out on fixed seats, and all club races, even for the lowest degree of juniors, were rowed on slides. Yet look at the record. I have tresspassed too much on your space already, but I could give you a long list of Putney-taught oarsman who gained the highest aquatic honours, but who never rowed on fixed seats in an outrigger. The reasons for the recent non-success of tideway men at Henley are, I think, plain enough, but in my opinion are quite other than the neglect of fixed-seat rowing, and it is really hard for me to understand how anyone who remembers the metropolitan form of the eighties can succumb to such a singular delusion. I should like to add that, as one who had four years' racing on fixed seats (including two Henleys, 1870-71) and very well remembers the best style of those days (that of Gulston, Darbishire, J. H. D. Goldie, etc.), I am inclined to think that it will not be easy to find coaches on the tideway competent to teach it to the rising generation. Certainly what I have recently seen of metropolitan fixed-seat rowing bears but small resemblance to the way it was done "lang syne."

At the Calcutta Swimming Baths last Saturday afternoon, that very promising swimmer, Mr. A. B. Siddons, earned the silver time medal offered by the Club. He swam the 100 yards in 1min. 18secs., which is well inside the limit, indeed it is gold medal time, and we make no doubt that later on in the season, when Mr. Siddons tries for the gold medal, he will easily secure the honour of having his name inscribed on the board below those of Messrs. H. P. Henderson and G. Brown.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 3rd June 1904.*

SATURDAY saw publication of the Report of the Royal Commission which was appointed in April of last year to consider the Militia and Volunteers. The report is a very long one and covers a great deal of ground : but in effect (I had written "for practical purposes," but withdra w the words for obvious reasons) the whole gist of the two fat blue-books lies in the following sentence :—"A home defence army capable, in the absence of the whole or the greater portion of the regular forces, of protecting this country against invasion can be raised and maintained only on the principle that it is the duty of every citizen of military age and sound physique to be trained for the national defence, and to take part in it should emergency arise." That is the opinion of the majority. Sir Ralph Knox, Colonels Salter Thwaite and Dalmahoy do not approve of compulsory service. The first named enunciates the apparently sound principle that "the real and only defence of an Island power is its fleet:" the two latter officers do not sign the report because they think it does not deal definitely with the problems submitted to the Commission, and because they do not think any form of compulsory service necessary or advisable.

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The fact is the Commissioners had an uncommonly difficult matter to deal with and were heavily handicapped from the outset. They were asked to say what changes, if any, were necessary to make the auxiliary forces efficient and adequate. "Efficient and Adequate," said the Commissioners, "of course : but efficient and adequate for what purposes ?" They did not feel justified in answering their own question, so they went to the Committee of Defence and knocked at the door. The Committee of Defence was in no hurry to answer, but at last it came and asked what was wanted. "What do you want these auxiliary forces for ?" asked the Commissioners. "Oh, Home Defence we suppose," says the C. of D. "Yes, Home Defence," and it hurriedly shuts the door. "But against what ?" shout the Commissioners. "Invasion," says a muffled voice through the keyhole. "But what scale of invasion ?" cried the poor Commissioners. "How in the world should we know," says the Committee of Defence happily. "Go and ask the War Office—you know the War Office ? It is being abolished, we think, but you *might* find somebody there who hasn't been abolished ; go to the Intelligence Branch ; fourth floor front in St. James's Square." So the Commissioners went. The War Office turned the question over in its mind and was of opinion that the strength of the force which could be landed in this country was a point on which there was some diversity of opinion : it depended a good deal on the Navy ; but some authorities held that the Navy "could guarantee complete protection of the United Kingdom against the danger of invasion by any larger force than from 1,000 to 5,000 men.

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"Come !" says the Commission, "this is something to go on at any rate. We've got to ascertain if, and how many, Militia and Volunteers could repel an invasion of at most 5,000 men if so large a force shipped through our fleet and landed on—Sh, isn't there somebody at the door ?" It was the Defence Committee. "So you've got a statement from the War Office," it said. "Well, I'm not going to say anything against the War Office, capital institution the War Office, though Lord Esher *has* hustled it a bit lately : but I say—you mustn't take what the War Office says as Authoritative, you know : that would never do. The Admiralty put them up to that 5,000 men limit : sort of thing they do at the Admiralty : mere naval swagger you know." The Commissioners looked at one another, and they said, "Well, it did strike us a bit below the mark because something was said about a home force of 330,000 men, of whom four-fifths were to be militia yeomanry and volunteers : and it seemed that necessity for a force of 264,000 auxiliaries pointed to something more serious than invasion by 5,000 men." The Committee of Defence did not know anything about that : it had only come round to say that anything the War Office said must not be considered Authoritative. Then it left. "What *are* we to do ?" the Commissioners asked one another : and being sensible men they decided to go straight to the Admiralty and put a few direct questions. So they drew up a series of six questions with the greatest care not to hurt the Admiralty feelings, asking what the Navy could do ; and sent for the Director of Naval Intelligence to answer them. The Admiralty could not stand that : the paper contained such questions as "To what extent can the Navy be relied upon to protect the country against invasion ?" or "Is it possible that either from (*a*) stress of weather, (*b*) defeat in action, or (*c*) temporary absence from any cause, the protection which the Navy would naturally give, might be temporarily suspended ?" "You mustn't go near those prying people," the Admiralty said to its Director of Naval Intelligence, "its downright impertinence. We will write to these fellows officially and tell them to go to the—Chairman of the Committee of the Imperial Defence." So it did. "Hullo !" said the Committee of Defence genially. "Here you are again ! So they wouldn't give you any information at the Admiralty, wouldn't they ? Well, *we* can't make them do it, you know. Let see ; you were appointed to do something in connection with auxiliary forces weren't you ?" The Commissioners refreshed the Committee of Defence's memory in a polite note (dated 26th May) and the Committee of Defence read it and thought over it and wrote letters and minutes about it until the 5th August. Then it wrote to the Commissioners and told them that if they took 100,000 Militia and 200,000 Volunteers as an effective force, they could go on that basis ; but "these figures do not necessarily represent those which the Committee of Imperial Defence will eventually adopt, and they are only put forward as a basis from which the Royal Commission may prosecute their inquries." And on that basis the Royal Commission prosecuted its inquiries and comes to the conclusion that we must have compulsory service. But was ever Royal Commission told with franker cynicism that it was only appointed as a demonstration of political party activity ?

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He is sanguine who looks for tangible results from a Royal Commission Report, and perhaps it is making a mountain out of a molehill to have dealt at such length with the labours of the Duke of Norfolk and his colleagues whose painstaking endeavours to come at the truth concerning a most important subject were so strangely baulked by the authorities. Needless to say the Government won't hear of compulsory service in any shape or form : so much Mr. Arnold Forster said yesterday in reply to a question. Mr. Arnold Foster hopes that "much will come of the Commission's Report;" if anything comes of it, the results will have been reached in spite of the Imperial Committee of Defence and the Admiralty.

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That is an instructive circular which the Russian Minister of Public Instruction has issued for use in schools. Anxious that the youth of Russia shall be enlightened as to the true facts concerning the genesis of the war, this circular explains that Russia's "periphery" or colonial empire had been gained (by the sword when necessity obliged) by measures kindly and fraternal in the Christian sense : contrasting favourably with the relations maintained by the nations of Western Europe—England in India for instance. Russian colonisation is carried out in the interests of the peasantry : that of Western Europe in the interests of the capitalist—England in the Transvaal for instance. Perhaps the most noteworthy statement in this remarkable document is that the "United States and England thrust forward as an opponent of Russia, Japan, a nation hostile and dangerous to themselves, their competitor in industry and in sea-going commerce." America and Britain did this, it appears, to weaken both Russia and Japan. It is the first time a Russian Government Department has voiced this idea.

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It could be wished that our American cousins were a shade less "smart." A matter which must create a disagreeable impression has been bruited about for long past among men who affect the Bisley meetings, but it has only just been officially made known. The conditions of the Palma Trophy last year included one to the effect that competing teams should use the military rifle of their respective countries. The United States team won it and now it is admitted that they did not use the regulation United States military rifle, but one with a special barrel which the War Office in Washington had not adopted. To aggravate matters, the President of the United States National Rifle Association admits that the team took to England regulation rifles, with instructions to discard the non-regulation rifles if protest against the latter was made. Nobody supposed it necessary to ask our guests if their weapons fulfilled the published conditions, so no protest was made. It is stated that no British team will enter for the Palma Trophy to be shot for in America this summer.

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"Who's Who," which appeared at the Savoy on Saturday, is not a very inspiriting farce : it was disappointing partly because we associate the Savoy with all that is best in light opera : but at any theatre its "knock about" character would be rather depressing. The humour consists largely of people hiding themselves or others in a large trunk : and a very little of the sport goes a long way. Why Inspector Mustel (Mr. Laurence Caird) should have supposed Mr. Fortescue, M. P., (Mr. E. Dagnall) had been murdered, when he had only run down to Bexhill to see a lady, is not very clear : nor was there any evidence strong enough even for a stage detective to affix suspicion on Harold Fortescue (Mr. Arthur Longley). Anyhow, the Inspector did suspect Harold who for some unearthly reason elected to deliver a dog-box shaped like a trunk at Lady Gerrard's house at 6 in the morning. The trunk was for Lady Gerrard (Miss Fannie Ward) to convey her dog down to Bexhill in, but while Harold is explaining he heard Sir Charles coming and hastily hides in the box, in which he travels down to Bexhill. At the Grand Hotel, Bexhill, he is let out by Slater the porter, and the porter alarmed at the approach of the manager, gets in and is shut in. Fortescue, in the porter's apron, mistakes the manager for a visitor and tells him there are no spare rooms : wherefore he is arrested for a burglar. Old Fortescue is in the hotel, and for reasons of his own gives everybo ly a different account of himself and the suspicions of the local police are aroused. Enter Baxter, of the Bexhill Police (Mr. Allen Thomas) hot on the scent of the supposed murderer of old Fortescue: he finds Slater in the suspicious trunk and cries, "Arrest everybody." This disposes of five of the principal characters and down comes the curtain. In the third act old Fortescue is found in that nif—I beg pardon—in that trunk with an asinine explanation : but affairs have got so mixed now we really don't know where we are. The thing has its points, but is sadly incoherent ; possibly the fault of the adapter who did it into English from the French original.

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Dungeons, knives, poison, passion and pistols : of such is Miss Margaret Young's drama in a prologue and three acts entitled "The Edge of the Storm," which burst upon the world at the Duke of York's on Wednesday night. The storm itself is in the wings or thereabout : some of it was in the gallery, rather to my surprise, for so much blood and mystery was, I thought, acceptable to the gods. There are 16 named characters, and "Magyars, sepoys, English, French, and native clerks, aygahs servants, etc., galore (*vide* programme). We begin (prologue) in Hungary in 1846 : and in the depths of a castle dungeon hear of a plot to kidnap Metternich : by and bye ferocious Magyars drag in a gentleman who has apparently been caught looting a second-hand clothes shop and has put on all the cloaks he could find. Evidence of the prisoner's iniquities invited, witnesses step forward one after another and, taking for granted that the gentlemen in cloaks is Metternich, tell appalling stories of his crimes. The gentleman in cloaks stands silent and unmoved until Leta, Istvan's daughter (Miss Gertrude Elliot), sees his eyes and says she shall *Never* forget those eyes : then the cloaks shake and quiver, but whether because the wearer reciprocates this love at short sight or because this promises more entertaining mystery we do not yet know. It turns out that the cloaked party is a young Britisher Poulett by name (Mr. Forbes Robertson) who met Metternich awhile back and changed clothes with him. No Matterrr ! he shall die at daaawn ! Istvan, the Magyar leader (Mr. G. S. Titheradge) has him tied to a post, and to await his doom and in the dead of night Leta naturally turns up with the family carving knife, to cut his bonds and soliloquy and bid him follow her. Istvan evidently had an eye on Miss Leta's goings-on for he comes on in time to get stabbed in the back. Curtain on Ferenz, nephew of Istvan, administering oath, fine and full flavoured, to Leta to avenge her papa. So much for the prologue, which measured by melodramatic standards, appeared to me much the best part of the whole play.

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Act I shows us Jim Poulett's house at Comarlapatan somewhere in India, nine years later—Mutiny epoch. Poulett seems to have settled things for the Hungarians and seems to be regarded as the potential saviour of our Eastern Empire if he will only take the trouble : meantime he has his hands full enough to keep his own skin, and how he would have succeeded but for that opportune boy of his, Mootoosawmy, is more than I can tell. Mootoosawmy represents all that is most useful in, and everything that is expected of, the Faithful Servant. Leta, Wilma (Miss Tita Brand) and Ferenz have been hunting Poulett these nine years and have found him at last : but Mootoo is there too. Would Ferenz stab Poulett ; enter Mootoo with cheroots. Would Wilma poison his coffee ; enter Mootoo to change cups. Priceless Mootoo ! Eventually Wilma and Ferenz plot to leave Leta to marry Poulett and

make her keep her oath after. We gathered that Leta had had a "stroke" of some kind, and the painful demise of her father has been wiped out of her mind. Poulett, ignorant that he had killed his man that night, contrives to wipe it in again by a timely disquisition on the abstract propriety of using knives on one's enemies—it struck me as a remarkably appropriate topic to discuss on one's honeymoon. Leta remembers all. Forgives. Re-enter Ferenz from heaven knows where: fires two shots at Poulett and kills Leta. Ferenz gets killed in the Mutiny, mercifully, or there might have been a fourth act. A vapid play.

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I suppose the Temple Flower Show, as one of the functions of the season, ought to have been noticed in an earlier paragraph. Wednesday was a miserably gloomy day—the Derby was run in a thunderstorm—but I never saw a bigger or smarter crowd than filled the tents. The King and Queen paid an early visit to the show before the public was admitted. The Charing Cross Hospital Fancy Dress Ball, at the Albert Hall, was a great success: the Alake of Abeokuta was there: but he is everywhere: and enjoys everything like a schoolboy.

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It would be too early to say that Madame Magdeleine is making a sensation, but given a fair chance I shall be surprised if she does not attract a great deal of notice. The lady gave a seance, semi-private, at the Sunday Concert Club's Meeting at the Grafton Gallery on Sunday. She is a sort of dancing Trilby. With no particular taste for music, she exhibits when hypnotised an extraordinary sensitiveness to musical sounds. Being hypnotised, a violinist made her dance, walk the tight rope (apparently), swim, gesticulate in all kinds of ways to which one might attach meanings: and her expression varied according to the music: she was in raptures, devout, in agonies of pain and melancholy by turns—and never a word all the time save when she was in pain and then the audience—one member at least of it—suffered as much as she did. It was the weirdest and most eerie performance you could imagine: her dancing was singularly graceful.

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Mr. Beerbohm Tree has lent his theatre for the Clement Scott performance, and half the leading actors in London have promised to take part in the items which are to form the programme, all, or nearly all, of which are new. Madame Réjane is coming over about the middle of this month and so is Sara Bernhardt, who is to appear on the 20th. Sir Henry Irving, in course of a speech at the Manchester Arts Club supper on Wednesday night, observed that it is borne in upon him that a couple of years hence, when he shall have completed 50 years on the stage, he must make his final bow to the public.

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Various items. Evidence of the value of sites in Piccadilly is made manifest just now on the edge of the pit where Walsingham House stood: an enterprising shopkeeper has run up a neat but *kutcha* emporium wherein to carry on his trade till the place be rebuilt. A pretty specimen of journalism up to date was noticeable in the streets about 5 P.M. on Derby day. A ha'penny Radical paper brought out a staring contents bill

"DEFEAT OF THE GOVERNANT."

We are threatened with a cab strike: it is said that 3,000 drivers have ceased work, but there is no lack of cabs in the street though every man has a label of some sort on his whip shaft or in his hat. There are 263 matrimonial law suits down for hearing during the Trinity sittings and these include 146 undefended divorce cases. "R. U. M." writes to draw attention to the fact that he has just travelled from Kampala, in Uganda, to London in 20½ days: and could have done it in 19½ days had he left his steamer at Brindisi instead of Trieste. They have been experimenting at Portsmouth with wire nets as means of foiling the attacks of submarines, and it is reported that the submarines failed in every case to get through or under the seven foot deep nets wherewith the steam pinnace were protecting themselves. The famous "Peacock Room" painted by Whistler in the late Mr. F. R. Leyland's house in Prince's Gate has been sold to Obach, of Bond Street, who are going to exhibit it. The wonderful designs were supposed to have been painted on the walls, but it was recently discovered that the room had been lined with a wooden skin for Whistler to work upon. Messrs. Hooley and Lawson were "up" before the Magistrates twice this week on the charge of obtaining money by misrepresentation.

ONLOOKER.

"AU NATUREL."

At a "smart" dinner party. He: "Who is that somewhat decolletée lady opposite us?"
She: "Oh! don't you know that 'is Princess Chemisoff, née Alloff."

Shikar.

TWO LIONS OF MAUNGU.

THE belief appears to obtain in some quarters that the African lion, though bolder and noisier than the tiger, is not as powerful an animal. I have not had a very vast experience of tigers but know something of what a lion can do in the way of strength and I lean to the opinion that if not exactly stronger, the lion is just as strong as the tiger. However, it is a matter that can easily be considered in the light of facts, and in this view I chronicle the following occurrence in British East Africa. I have, by the way, heard that there was a fight between a Somali lion and a tiger in India, some years ago—in 1898 I think—one of the organisers of the deadly duel being Colonel Tweedie of shikar fame. In this fight I was told both animals perished, the tiger dying first. Another feature of the conflict was that the tiger appeared to be more agile and the wounds it inflicted on its opponent were more ghastly. On the other hand, every blow the lion caught the tiger, he sent the latter rolling over half stunned. Whether all this be true or only the plotting of some fevered brain I cannot tell; but I have treasured the story, and would have given my ears to see the fight. If there is any truth in it, and any of your readers can give further details of the fight, I for one shall be deeply indebted.

Some 83 miles from Mombassa, the port of British East Africa, is a station called Maungu. The station is nearly in the centre of the Taru Desert, the same desert being so called rather from the fact of there being great scarcity of water therein, than an abundance of sand. The station was simply a railway shed of planks and corrugated iron and no more. Herein dwelt a Bengalee station master—a true descendant of Shivaji, hailing from our own fragrant metropolis. Perchance the purlieus of Lower Chitpore Road or the intricacies of Hurri Mohun Bysack's Lane had once known the flavour of his footsteps. Then one day the buzzing *bustie* knew him no more and here we find him much "gobrified" but sleek withal.

Almost opposite the station was a Permanent-way Inspector's hut of wattle and daub, covered over with a green tent. That hut had memories for me, for it was there while on a visit to the worthy Permanent-way Inspector that I first heard the roar of a lion. So close was it and so terrifying that I sat up on my cot and sweated cold. It was in the neighbourhood of this hut that I first got acquainted with the beautiful Impala antelope and saw the huge vulture-headed guinea fowl and the snow white bird of the same genus. The country round was covered with thick brushwood and occasionally one could meet a tree standing out stiffly from its mean surroundings. The Grand Trunk Road, or to call it fairly, the caravan track, wound through the scrub not far from the hut.

One day along this track toiled a soulless and dispirited caravan of half-a-dozen donkeys, well laden, two Indian contractors walking ahead and an escort of Indian coolies and Swahillies armed with obsolete sniders. The sight of the hut seemed welcome enough to them and they hurried on urging the unfortunate little donkeys into a draggling shufile. It was evident that they were coming to stay, for the night at least, for they pulled up near the hut and at once set about making themselves comfortable. The headman enquired if there were lions about, and getting a reply in the affirmative, gave orders for a boma or stockade to be built. In due time this was done and a fairly substantial boma of scrub and timber was built about eight feet high. As night came on the donkeys were driven inside and soon fires were lighted and it wanted no lullaby to put the travellers to sleep.

It must have been about midnight when the whole population of Moungu was awakened by the most frightful noise it has ever been the lot of man to hear. The clashing of empty kerosine oil tins and brass vessels, the shouting of men, the braying and stampeding of donkeys and the banging of rifles made the night hideous. Out over the scrub for miles around, through gulleys and ravines, down the glittering railway track and away into the pitchy stillness beyond, swept that horrible din. Then it crept rumbling through the bolted and barred door of the station master's quarters, and the answering shouts, lantern flashes, and the discharge of what was afterwards discovered to be an antediluvian shot gun told of Soshi Bhusan Bhattacharje being alive to the possibilities of anything from petty larceny to mutiny. And above the efforts of humanity rose another sound—a snarling and growling and snapping in the blackness over there which grew fainter and faded into a hoarse sob.

There was no doubt that something or somebody had been carried off from the Indian boma for the noise had originated there. To get lanterns and dash across, rifles in hands, to the boma was the work of a few minutes; but once there it was no easy matter to gain an entrance. Shouting was vain for it only encouraged those in the boma to shout louder. The only thing was to fire into space, and as the express bullet went pinging into the tree tops there came a lull, a brief parley, and the barricade of the boma gate was removed. The interior of the stockade was an appaling sight. Confusion reigned everywhere, the donkeys in their mad stampede had wrought havoc. The tiny tents of the escort lay in ruins, while large rents in the contractors' shouldaree told a tale. Of the half-a-dozen donkeys, but four remained, and there near the spot where they now stood, cowering and trembling like aspens, were two large pools of blood! That the ghastly work was that of lions, there was not a doubt: but were all the men safe? Yes: nobody was missing and only the two donkeys were gone. But where were their carcases? In vain we searched the sides of the boma for an opening; there was none, so that they could not have been dragged through. There was only one other way and that was for the animals to have been carried over the eight foot boma. It was hardly probable you say, and so did we, but nevertheless it *was so!* Here was an eye witness. He had been roused by the donkeys stampeding and looking up saw a lion and a lioness crouching upon two fallen donkeys. Then of an instant the lion was up and flung his prey over the boma wall, following it immediately. The lioness followed suit and then the man, was borne down by the rushing donkeys and nearly killed. The story was incredible, but the man pointed out the spot where the animals had carried over their victims, and there, sure enough, were drops of blood on the boma wall. I don't believe myself that the donkeys were thrown over, but there was no doubt that they had been carried clean over the eight feet wall, and this with dead-weight donkeys is in itself no mean feat of strength.

For all ostensible purposes my story is told and I have little more to add. The carcase of one donkey was found outside the boma, near the spot where it had been carried over, but the other one had been carried off into the bush and, as was discovered afterwards, devoured.

There was no sleep in camp after these events. The coolies and contractors took to the trees and lived there for two days, or until the valiant Permanent-way Inspector shot the lion over his undevoured kill. And what a rumpus that lioness made over it! She kept out of danger, but for two nights howled and roared and waltzed round the spot where her old man had given up his spirit.

But I am talking of some years ago and I have no doubt she has thrown off her weeds by this time and has settled into the faimly of some other noble whose propensities lead him not donkeywards.

R. E. D.

"GHOOMING" FOR BEARS.

SINCE anything savouring of mystery or a cheap method of attracting attention by the meretricious use of strange and bizarre titles is far removed from the intention of the writer, let him make his peace forthwith by declaring that the first word of the above heading is but a very ordinary Hindi word, anglicized, after the manner of the strangely compound verbiage indulged in by us illiterate but practical exiles, into a perhaps more expressive form of speech than is attainable by the use of purer language.

Having assured the reader therefore that "*Ghooming*" is neither a patent food for captive bears, nor yet a form of searching them out or dealing with these interesting plantigrade quadrupeds in a manner from which he need turn coldly, deeming it to be improper, it may possibly be useful for him to learn that to "*ghoom*" means to wander round and about—to prowl, in fact—being derived from the verb *ghoomna*. My *shikari* prefers to call it, this process, "*ghoom-gham*," after the alliterative or reiterative methods of the Eastern mind; and I have noticed that he makes especial use of this form of wording whenever the prowling or wandering around partakes of a hopeless and useless nature—gloomy in fact.

I don't think there is anything particularly new about this "ghooming" for bears, nor is it in any way a patent process. It was suggested to me one night when I had been persuaded to perch on the limb of a *gular* tree and await the approach of certain black bears which were reported to visit the tree nightly for the sake of the ripe red figs then yielded by it so profusely. The moon was at about her full, and the light she shed most brilliant: the night soft and still, when the slightest sound may be clearly heard—an ideal chance for an easy shot at any black Bhalu who might come my way attracted by the long range scent of the *gular* figs.

My hiding place was not uncomfortable, but as the night rolled on and the "great Bear" revolved slowly round the Pole star it became borne in on me that this was an unprofitable form of amusement, this passive waiting on the capricious wanderings of the earthly prototypes of the great constellation above my head. The position of its "pointers" gave the hour as past midnight. I sat on awhile immersed in further thought. Thus it came to me that why should I too not be a wanderer through the moonlight, a night bird, a beast of prey seeking its quarry through the silent jungle? The chances of meeting with something worth shooting would be multiplied manifold by exchanging my fixed position for one of changeful activity.

I was alone, so had to lower my rifle to the ground by an improvised rope, then descended myself by the aid of the gnarled processes on the trunk of the big fig tree. Just as I put foot to *terra firma*, some creature rushed off suddenly through the crackling leaves; and, every whit as precipitately, did my involuntary muscles shoot me a full six feet upwards, to cling awhile in safety. However 'twas but a mungoose, or some such insignificant *jaiwar*. Once more, therefore, I set foot to earth, picked up the rifle, looked right and left, and chose a path which would bring the moon rather behind me. Thus I began to ghoom.

There were no tigers to alarm by casual shooting in that part of the country, so it was permissible to fire at anything one deemed worth the trouble or the practice. The locality was an elevated plateau of considerable size, rejoicing in the name of Mákla, and composed of low undulations, woody terraces, and, below them grassy glades intersected by small jungle and cattle paths. The woods clothing the sides of the winding terraces were fairly thick, and under the moon they loomed dark and mysterious, with here and there a suspicious crackle of leaf or stick. Far away a little Korku village had long since sunk to rest, but some of its wakeful curs bayed

the moon at intervals, only adding to the sense of sleep and rest. This sense, however, is only partially correct during a moonlight night in India, for a large number of the wild inhabitants are now not only abroad but extremely busy. The deep hum from a sweet-flowered tree overhead tells one that the bees, who hate the hot sun like any————are hard at work. Nightjars are incessantly tapping out their rapid notes of the love-making season, the owls are abroad, and from a deep glen that lies sheer below the edge of the plateau we are traversing can be heard the staccato note of a watchful sámbar, which has seen something suspicious while wandering in search of food.

The little path leads away along the plateau below the terraced slope of jungle, dipping into a little *nala*, and seem to continue its course beyond it, over a patch of short dry white grass. On this clear-lit space stand a black object which brings the *shikari* to a halt. Whatever the creature may be it seems to be listening intently. Perhaps it has seen us! But no! It turns and moves in our direction. Shikar kit of the proper kind is almost invisible at night. As the black shape descends out of sight into the little depression nearer us, we run forward on tip toe, and just as it reappears down we go, lying prone on the ground. The creature approaches. It is a bear, or a pig? Moving slowly onwards it reaches a tiny bush—at which distance we have made up our mind to fire. Turning side-wise the creature lifts its head in the pale light, and seems to be gently scratching its brawny throat against a little twig. It is a huge boar, with grizzled grey chaps and tusks gleaming white, twenty-five yards away. If we can hit this target we should be tolerably certain of a bear under similar circumstances. In the lying position, therefore, on the short sward, the night sight is brought to bear on its forehead. Just at that instant the boar throws up his head and seems to be gazing intently in our direction—but it is too late: there is a long blueish spurt of flame from the heavy cordite rifle, and the thud of the explosion travels reverberating along the line of wooded terraces. Ere its echoes have died away, an intermittent spasmodic kicking is going on close to the right of the bush, where some black object is seen to be stretched out. Still we lie prone. A charging boar by moonlight is not an easy matter to stop! The kicking grows feebler. We rise, and reloading, go slowly forward. As we thought, it is a huge mountain boar, a hoary patriarch bearing testimony to the high feeding of these cool and fertile plateaux. His lower tusks projected 3½ inches from the jaw; there will be quite five to six inches more of ivory embedded in its bony matrix.

And there is the mark of the bullet—just above the eye! With this mountain of flesh we shall make great friends with the Korkus; while with the shot has been gained a sense of confidence that we *can* bring off a bull's-eye by the light of the moon—otherwise it seems a shameful murder, even although the nearest rideable country be thirty miles away. Poor old boar!

Standing there it seems as though no rude shot had ever been fired: the jungle is as it was, the night birds as wakeful, the st llness unbroken, and just as undisturbed a feeling abroad as before.

The season is late April—not much fruit at this particular season in the jungle—and the mhowa must have ceased dropping its sickly flowers long since. Yet—we remember having noted one or two trees of bare appearance and leafless—a sign that all their flowers have not been shed—as we rode along not far from here the previous day. Perhaps they may still attract the bears. In their direction therefore!—and let the process of "ghooming" be resumed!

Winding round promontory after promontory of dark terraces of woods, the yellow white grass grows long and rank, and the moon, shining down with her peculiar cold stare, exercises a strange influence on the eyesight. Everything seems unreal. Each black rock or fallen tree-trunk appears invested with occult powers of motion, and many are the halts to stare, and peer, and rub our eyes and stare again. The night must be far spent in this noiseless shadowy walk of ours, the feet move mechanically, the brain feels a sleepy stagnation creeping over all—until one realizes the enormous and pleasant difference between this, so leisurely a perambulation in an atmosphere of perfect temperature and translucency and that the disadvantage of a tramp abroad in sweltering glare of an Indian sun.

We fall to picturing the ways and habits of the bears that we seek; how, now many hours since, they must have come clambering uncouthly upwards from the precipice—circle ravines surrounding these pleasant uplands, to emerge on these grassy glades and make for the well-known trees—mother and cubs, male and female, or crusty old he-bear moving along and puffing by his lone. They will be right in the middle of the woods now; but, by and by, they must, when they instinctively become aware of the approach of dawn, cross the open grass once more on their downward homeward way.

Wandering along in this manner it must have been about the hour of two in the morning that we became aware of a distant sound from the dark line of trees to the left. There was not the slightest stirring of the air, all was dead and white and ghostly. We halted—but the slight sound has ceased. Moving onwards once more it sounded again, louder, and faintly rustling; and was now located on the face of the sloping terrace about three hundred yards away—a slow gentle crash—crash of heavy animals wandering about in the dry leaves. Pigs perhaps—bears just as likely. The little path is now deserted for the grass land, and gradually, silently we approach the foot of the bosky slope. Still that steady soft crashing and crackling half-way up hill in the black shadow of big trees. Then we begin to pick our way gently under the woods step by step.

At length the sounds in the carpeting of dead leaves appear to come from under the large mhowa tree now only about thirty yards distant. We cannot get much nearer, for every step we have taken has made some slight rustle in the dead leaves, and each time the invisible eaters of mhowa have stopped their foraging to listen suspiciously. Of what can they be suspicious? Tigers and leopards do not attack bears; man is never abroad in the jungle at this ghostly hour of the night. Perhaps, however, the apparently still air has slowly wafted them a suspicious whiff!

Then the snuffling and stirring recommence. Under the mhowa tree it is dark and dim, but out of its immediate shadow patches of moonlight fall on the thin grass and leaves covering the ground, and after a long silence a greyish patch is seen to emerge and point in our direction. Slowly it is followed by a black but indistinct mass, and the bear, as now we can tell it to be, turns its broadside and stands snuffing discontentedly. Behind it in the shadows there is yet more heavy crunching among the leaves: its companion has evidently found something tasty underneath their covering. Then number one moves a step or two forward, and the moon's rays illuminate the hairy ridge of his back.

There is very little light under the trees, and the white card V. of the night sight seems difficult to find. By moving the rifle muzzle up and down, however, something is seen. It is lowered, raised to what seems the correct level, and for the second time that night out darts the blue flame of cordite. The cracking explosion is followed instantly by an appalling uproar! We "stand by" for developments—and a tree-trunk is a comforting thing in a way. There is a murderous disturbance going on under the mhowa tree, rollings about, crashings of timber, and a most heartrending vociferation in which all the bears of Mákla—and they are not few—seem to be taking part! The very trees above us are crashing and whooping!—it is a colony of *langúr* monkeys, that disturbed by the terrifying din below them, are cursing and leaping about aloft, black and spectral against the yellow disc of the moon. Suddenly the yelling ceases, but the dry leaves are still being scattered in all directions. There is a "*umph-a-umph-a*'" heard retreating rapidly; and not long afterwards two dark objects, one of them coughing as it goes, are seen to shoot across an open space in the trees fifty yards away—too quick for a shot.

It would be useless to buoy up the reader with further hopes—a search revealed no defunct bear; there had been but two, and the wounded one—for the time at least—had got away! Wearily we descended the hillside to the grassland, and resumed our way.

At the farthest end of the night's beat, where the little forest road begins its descent to the deep Sipna valley, we halted, and raised the water bottle; and a sandwich was followed by a cheroot. Our late failure with the bears had somewhat damped the spirits and caused a sensation of gloom to pervade the night's wanderings—this was "*ghoom-ghám*"; and the one redeeming feature of the proceedings was that my shikari-orderly was not here to exasperate still further with his lantern-jawed expression of hopeless resignation. Too old a bird to be cast down even by an unusual run of bad luck, if left to myself, the despairing appearance of the Oriental under defeat never yet failed to exercise the most dangerously homicidal feelings in my breast. But to-night it was different. The cheroot with its glowing eye and soft wreaths of soothing smoke soon wafted all such feelings away, and shortly we sprang up, refreshed. Once more we "ghoomed."

Turning northward this time, it was the eastern portion of the plateau that we faced, rather rougher country than on the side we had lately traversed and where the terraced woods are nearer the edge of the plateau, and the intervening grassland less wide in consequence. A little deep-cut miniature glen took us through dark trees awhile, and we then emerged once more on the flat. Again the eyes became aware of that extraordinary kind of moon-blindness, when the sleeping landscape seemed to shimmer and fade, reappear and fade again, rocks to resemble wandering bears, tree-trunks the chest of some intently watchful tiger or panther. The "pointers" of the "great Bear" now lay below the level of the Pole star, and pointed upward, the lower of the two stars being almost hidden by the line of dark trees. It must therefore have been about an hour before dawn, that mysterious time of night when the most nocturnal of creatures seem to pause awhile and slumber, when even night-birds are silent, and mankind, with all his world, is wrapped in the most intensely death-like sleep, all nature at its very feeblest ebb, her breathing scarcely audible. An intense longing for sleep became almost overpowering in its peremptoriness, a desire to sink down anywhere and curl one's self up without delay. But we are nearing the end of our moonlight prowling now. Not far ahead is the grove of indigo-black trees below the village itself; there is a well there, and wild creatures often seek a drink at the little puddle which is fed by the drainings of the women's waterpots as they visit the well at sundown. One look at the well therefore—after that a short nap till sunrise. And so we push forward on the last of our "ghoom."

Pigs have a certain way of walking—"Sister Mary" walked like that perhaps—deer have another. Members of the family *Felis* do not when wandering at night pick out the noisiest heaps of dried leaves and tramp heavily therein. It is plainly a bear therefore, that is making, openly and fearlessly, that loud crashing under a very big spreading banyan tree to the left of the open space round the well. There are one or two tussocks of grass beside the little pathway; behind one of these we sink down in a sitting position. Fifty yards away a black thing had just emerged from the banyan tree's shadow.

The black object was the head of a big male bear, and a very peculiar effect the moonlight had as it fell on this one portion of his frame, over the edge of the shading branches.

Gradually the object increased in size, swelled, grew taller, and out into the moonlight waddled the bear himself. His big incurved paws came marching bandy-legged across the bare grass, and his uncouth lurching bulk threw a long black shadow on the yellow ground in front as he advanced steadily.

"Do bears charge at night?"—was a question that, I remember, occurred with lightning speed at that moment.

"Why not!" came the mental reply. "They are not bad at it sometimes during the day are they?"

"Oh lord!" returned my *alter ego*, or perhaps my Astral self—"*Neither they are!*"

"But we can't help that"—came some third and innermost voice. "Here is a bear!—hast come to shoot bears?" which last was incontrovertible, accompanied as it was by a mental illustration of my orderly drooping his sad jaw, with the words "*ghoom-ghám!*" issuing therefrom.

By this time the bear had advanced a few paces and turned slightly to his right. His head now pointed rather to my left than straight towards me; the moment was auspicious. The rifle came up, elbows on knees, the white card rested well in the middle of that black mass. I can remember the extraordinary sensation conveyed by that hairy waddling thing, the short white moonlit grass, black trees, and dead silence. Next moment there was a bang and a blow on my shoulder. The momentary flash had gone, the echoes rolled away into distance,—and a black rock, as it were, lay there motionless; then still sitting in my place, I could see convulsive movement of the head. That too was shortly stilled. . . . . .

Leaving him lying there, I climbed the path up the little terrace-side to the sleeping village: there was an old forest hut hard by, and in its verandah I found my roll of bedding. The old mare was picketted not far away. In a few minutes I was asleep.

Perhaps I had slept half-an-hour when there was a quick thudding of naked heels on hard ground, a clinking of jingling metal, and a graceful upright figure swept by with long quick strides. An upward curving brown arm, the dark silhouette of a big brass waterpot poised aloft, against the luminous Eastern sky where twinkled the morning star, and the figure was gone with its retreating "clink-clank" of barbaric anklets. Then more hurrying feet and clashing ornaments, as bevy on bevy of dusky Rebeccas went swiftly and silently down the path to the well. Scanty the water-supply therein at this season, it was only the early birds among the village damsels who obtained their household utensils fill: therefore their hurry.

Then, as the faint light spread wider and higher behind the distant mountains, and the jungle-cocks began calling loudly in all directions, I turned me over to complete my nap, smiling as I pictured the Korkunis' affright as they discovered what lay that morning in their path to the well.

DHANK.

Fishing.

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MAHSEER FISHING IN COLOURED WATER.

WHEN a stream is clearing after having come down in red flood, fly, spoon and spun dead bait are all alike practically useless. Mahseer, however, can still be caught by either a dead bait trickled about slowly on the bottom, or with atta. Atta fishing for Mahseer is rather looked down upon as unsporting slow work. So it is, when this system of angling is confined to burying a large hook in a lump of dough, casting the bait into a still pool, and then sitting down to await a bite.

A far more killing and sporting method of paste fishing is based on the way Grayling are angled for with bait at Home. The paste tackle for Mahseer not exceeding ten pounds, should consist of a three-yard medium thick trout cast, with one smallish eyed hook, and a B B shot bitten on to the line 12 or 15 inches above it. There should be a small float. A ball of cork, the size of a marble, with a hole through the centre for the line to go through, and a bit of quill fitting the hole tightly to keep the float in position is a good and simple arrangement. The float should be so set on the line, that the shot is certain to be on the bottom. As Mahseer bite boldly no great exactitude as to the position is necessary; but the paste and some of the gut above it should always be on the bottom. The best rod is a stiff light cane, or ringol, eleven to thirteen feet or so in length. The eddies in each pool, and also the slow runs should be fished. It is not a good plan to stay long in one place, as if Mahseer are on the feed they usually bite at once. A few small pellets of atta thrown into the eddy while one is fishing, help to attract the attention of any fish which are about.

The time to strike is when the float goes under and away; the moving off of the float being a sign that the Mahseer has the paste in his mouth. A sharp twitch of the wrist is all that is necessary to drive the hook home, if it is, as it should be, fine in the wire, and as sharp as a needle. After a little practice movements of the float caused by the current, are never mistaken for bites. The bite of a fish is altogether sharper and more jerky, than any movement caused by the stream.

The winch should have a light check, and there should be eighty or a hundred yards of fine plaited silk roach line.

The line may be dressed or undressed according to fancy: undressed lines are considerably the cheapest.

It is necessary to have a good deal of line, as sometimes even a five or six pound fish will go clean out of his pool down stream at the first rush, and with the fine tackle above described there is no holding on to him.

For dead bait fishing in coloured water, I use a single hook with some lead wire wound round the shank to give the necessary weight. I pass the baiting needle in at the vent and out at the mouth, and draw the hook well up into the vent till only the point and portion below the bend are visible. A lean bait is better than a fat one. With a fat bait the lower portion of the hook lies so close against the belly, that a Mahseer may easily miss being hooked. The dead bait should be cast into every likely eddy and allowed to work round slowly on the bottom. Wherever a clear stream flows into a coloured river, there are sure to be Mahseer waiting about on the look out for food. In these places they take dead bait on the bottom well. By letting the bait trickle slowly round each eddy, I have taken Mahseer when the water has been quite thick. The fish should be given time to get the bait well into the mouth before the strike is made. The tackle being fine and the single hook almost entirely concealed, Mahseer will be quite unsuspicious, and after taking the bait, will, if slack line is given, proceed to gorge it.

On being hooked the Mahseer usually violently ejects the bait, which runs up the line, and is often so little mauled that it can be used again.

For dead bait fishing as above described I use a stiffish eleven-foot trout rod, with fine dressed silk line.

There is not enough lead in the bait to strain a stiff trout rod, which is quite powerful enough for fish of six or eight pounds.

When water is coloured it is a good thing to take two rods, so that each likely pool can be quickly tried with both atta and dead bait.

In discoloured pools with a clear stream falling into them I have found dead bait far more killing than atta; otherwise it seemed to be quite a matter of chance which method proved more deadly.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

FISHING AT POONCH.

THE following account of my experiences at Poonch is not brilliant, but it shows the capabilities of the river and also the necessity for previously ascertaining its condition from local sources.

I left Uri, a stage on the Murree route into Kashmir on the 29th of May and set off on foot with my kit on mules. The new mule track is fair, except after rain, when it becomes very heavy in places. But it is a stiff climb of over twenty miles to the top of Haji Pir (8,500 feet) which is the boundary between Kashmir and Poonch territory. The scenery, however, is magnificent.

From Haji Pir is a steep descent to Aliabad where there is a rest-house belonging to the Rajah of Poonch for the use of which permission is necessary. There is no khansamah, but milk, eggs, fowls, wood, etc., are obtainable locally.

Next morning I made an easy start and breakfasted *in route* at Kahuta, where there is a rest-house similar to the one at Aliabad. Kahuta is somewhat less than halfway. From Kahuta into Poonch is bad going and the Bitarh River has to be forded several times, the depth at this time of year being in places as much as three feet and there is a swift current. Luckily an elephant had very kindly been sent out from Poonch to meet me, so I reached camp in dry clothes.

From Aliabad to Poonch is about 22 miles downhill.

I left Kashmir as it was too early for Mahseer on the Jhelum. Poonch, I was told, was in its prime, though hot. However, the account I was given of enormous fish jostling each other through accommodating eagerness to seize the angler's lure seemed a reasonable enticement even in view of possible cremation.

But on arrival at Poonch I found that the river was much discoloured by snow water and that some sixteen thousand logs had just passed down and were blocking the river at Ser about 8 miles below Poonch and one of the best fishing places.

As the fishing near Poonch itself would naturally recover before places lower down, I determined to remain there and try my luck.

31st May—Morning blank.

1st June—Morning blank; evening six-pounder on a crocodile spinner.

2nd June—Morning blank; evening blank.

3rd June—Morning blank; evening one ¾-pounder on live bait worked with a float.

4th June—Morning blank; evening blank.

5th June—Morning nine pounder; evening two pounder. Both on crocodile spinners.

6th June—Morning blank; Evening forty-five-pounder; length 50", girth 24½" on a dead bait pulled slowly and intermittently along the bottom. *Not* spun.

7th June—Morning blank.

Total 5 fish, weighing 63¾lbs., all Mahseer.

I fished hard for three hours in the morning and the same in the evening—trying every kind of spinning bait and live bait. Eventually I used a flight consisting of one lip hook and two trebles mounted on Hercules gimp and put on a murral about 6" in length. I let the bait remain perfectly straight so as not to spin. One and a half feet above the bait I had a ¾ oz. barrel lead.

I cast this well out into mid stream and let it swing round until the bait touched the bottom. I then pulled it along the bottom slowly with perceptible pauses and it was during one of these pauses when the dead bait was lying on the bottom that it was taken by the 45-pounder. When the water is in good order the fishing should be magnificent.

The best times would be just before the melting of the snows, after the snows have melted and before and after the logs come down.

As these conditions are local and vary considerably each year—they should be carefully ascertained before embarking on a trip.

At the right time of year a very pleasant month might be spent between Tangrote and Poonch with a certainty of large fish. Tents and stores are required and kit should be so packed as to be adapted to whatever mode of transport is employed, *i.e.*, either coolies or ponies. The former will carry about 60lbs. weight and the latter about two maunds.

Soda water of good quality can be obtained at Poonch.

A pony, or better still a riding mule, is very useful and helps one over the rough and stoney ground that one's morning or evening fishing may have placed between oneself and camp. A good mule is wonderful over boulders and really rough ground, and also through fords up to two feet or so in depth with stoney and uneven bottoms.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE "INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Would you oblige us by a decision on the following points:—

Four players are playing a rubber of bridge. Three fresh candidates come into the card-room. Do the four players, with the two first arrivals, form a table and has the third candidate a right to cut in.

On the table being incomplete is it a "fresh table" with the three new arrivals having a prior right to enter, and the lowest cut of the four original players having the right to play?

F. E. E.

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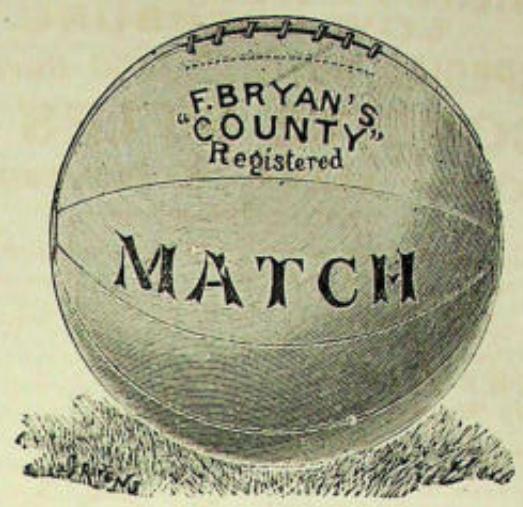
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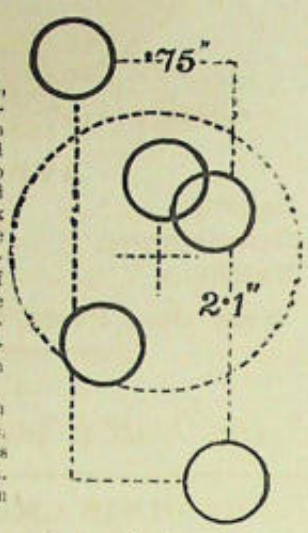
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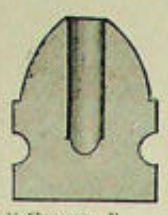
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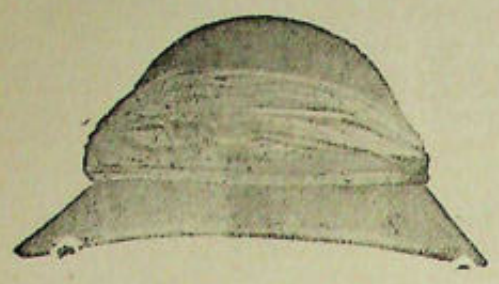
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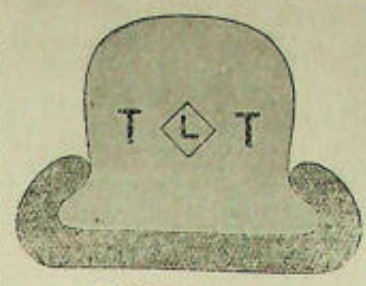
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Name of Races.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana	June	29	
Mysore	"	28, 28, 30	481
Bangalore Races	July	9, 12 & 14	
Secunderabad	"	9, 21, 23	607
Colombo August	"	6, 9, 11 & 13	
Poona First Extra	August	30	
" Second "	July	6	
" Third "	August	13	
" Fourth "	"	20	
" Fifth "	"	23	
" Sixth "	"	27	
" Seventh "	"	3	
" Eighth "	Sept.	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases	"	21, 24, 26, 28	
	"	Oct. 1, 3 and 8	
Calcutta Monsoon First	"	6	506
" " Second	August	13	
" " Third	"	20	
" " Fourth	"	30	
" " Fifth	Sept.	17	
Simla Autumn	"	4 & 6	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	Oct.	25 & 27	
Umballa Autumn	"	5, 8 & 10	625
Meerut Autumn Sky	Nov.	15, 17, & 19	82
Lucknow Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup)	"	1	626
Calcutta First Extra	Dec.	10	
" Second "	"	17	
" First Meeting	"	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	"	27	
Lahore Xmas	"	27, 29 & 31	
Toliyeunge Steeplechase	"	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	Jan.	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	"	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting	"	14 & 21	
" Third Extra	"	28	
" Fourth "	"	4	
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CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Secunderabad	First	15th June.
	Second	16th July.
Bangalore	Third	1st July.
Poona Races	First	2nd August.
	Second	23rd "
	Final	4th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon		2nd August.
" 2nd "		9th August.
" 3rd "		16th August.
" 4th "		6th September.
" 5th "		13th September.
Army Cup	Second	1st July.
	Third	1st October.
	Final	15th November.
Civil Service Cup	Second	1st July.
	Third	15th September.
	Fourth	1st December.
	Final	20th January.
Umballa Autumn	First	13th August.
	Second	17th September.
	Third	28th October.
Calcutta First Extra		6th December.
" Second Extra		13th "
" First Meeting	First	1st November.
	Second	30th "
" Second Meeting	First	30th November.
	Second	7th January.
Lahore Xmas	First	1st July.
	Second	1st November.
	Third	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky	First	1st August.
	Second	15th September
	Third	8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First	1st November.
	Second	30th "
" " Second Day	First	1st November.
	Second	2nd January

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August
Mysore Tournament	24th 26th, 27th and 29th June.
Bangalore Tournament	13th, 15th, 18th and 20th July
Poona Junior Tournament	Begins 13th August.
Poona Open Tournament	Begins 30th September.

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club.

First Moving Target	25th June.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta	30th July.
Ditto 3rd Regatta	September.
Ditto The Power Cup	October.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla)	14th and 27th September.
Calcutta Football League	Now on.

RACQUETS.

South Indian Amateur Tournament	From 9th to 29th July.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Bogey Competition	From 1st to 3rd June.
Calcutta G. C. Colombo Medal Handicap	1st and 2nd July.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay)	23rd, 24th and 25th August.
" " (Poona)	13th, 14th and 15th September

SHOWS.

Bangalore Horse	21st, 22nd and 23rd July

SWIMMING.

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Final 2 lengths Handicap	24th June

SPORTS.

Simla Gymkhana	25th June.
	2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

July Stakes Newmarket (5 furs. 142 yds.)	Tuesday, 28th June.
Princess of Wales' Stakes	Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1¼ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Eber Handicap (1¾ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September
Duke of York Stakes (1½ mile)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 26th November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords)	30th June.
Amateur A. A. Meeting	2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords)	3rd July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords)	4th July.
Henley Regatta	5th, 6th and 7th July.
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Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords)	27th July.
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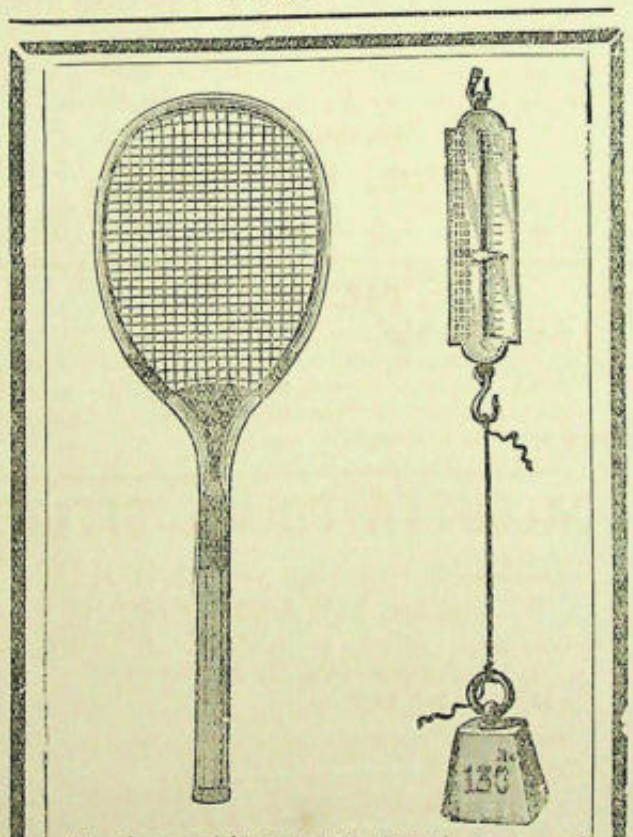
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Wednesday, 22nd June, 1904.

THE first Gymkhana of the season was brought off this afternoon, there being a fair attendance. The going was rather heavy after the recent rain, but good racing and some close finishes were witnessed. Details :—

HORSE HURDLE RACE.—For maiden horses. C. W. 11st. About 1 mile over 5 flights.

Mr T H Wheeler's gr aus g Hailstorm, 11st — W O

PONY FLAT RACE.—A flat race for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description, value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 11-7. W. I. Allowances.—Arabs 28lbs, C.-B.'s 14lbs. ½ mile.

Mr T H Wheeler's ch aus h First Guide, 10st 12lbs	Owner 1
Mr C F Payne's gr c b m Lightning, 8st 11lbs	Owner 2
Mr Dudley Parsons' blk aus g Snapshot, 11st 7lbs	Owner 3

Won easily by three lengths.

HACK STAKES.—A flat race for *bonâ fide* Hacks that have never won a race, value Rs. 50 or over. C W. 11st. Previous Gymkhana winners to carry a penalty of 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mrs Collin's b aus g Day Dream, 11st ...	Mr Parsons 1
Mr N Winkworth's b aus g Winterlea, 11st	Mr Turner 2
Mr G L Sidey's b aus m Betsy, 11st ...	Mr Evers 3
Mrs R L Morgan's b aus g Mascot, 11st ...	Mr Wilmot 0
Mr E L Ralli's b aus m Girlie, 11st ...	Owner 0

Won by a length and a half.

TUM-TUM STAKES.—A flat race for ponies 14-1 and under that have been regularly driven up to date, and that have never been entered for a race of any description, value Rs. 50 and over. 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Allowances.—Arabs 28lbs., C. B.'s 14lbs.—¼ mile.

Mrs Bowring's gr aus m Flush, 11st 8lbs ...	Mr Mortimer	1
Mr A Carters' b aus g Cyclone, 11st 8lbs	Mr Nyscough	2
Mr R G Bates's b aus g Tom, 11st 8lbs ...	Mr Homes	3
Mr A C Apostolides' ch aus g Spartan, 12st	M Turner	0
Mr A Smith's b aus g Swagger, 12st ...	Mr Wagstaff	0

Won by aneck.

THE JUNE STAKES.—A flat race for maiden horses, C. W. 10-7. 5 furlongs.

Mr P A Scaramanga's b aus g Nicotine, 10st 7lbs	Owner	1
Mr K M Hamilton's b e m Pierette, 10st 7lbs	Owner	2
Mr J D Marshall's br aus m The Owl, 10st 7lbs	Owner	3
Mr G H Wilmot's b aus m Maid of Kent, 10st 7lbs	Owner	0

Won by a length.

Entries for Races.

BANGALORE RACES, 1904.

(For programme see The Indian Field of 17th March 1904, page 507.)

First entries closed 1st June.

FIRST DAY.

HIGH GROUND PLATE.—About 2½ miles S. C.

The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	ch aus g	... Senator, 4yrs
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	ch aus g	... Superbus, 4yrs
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	bk aus g	... Carrara, aged
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Gaume, aged
The Hon H Thelluson's ...	b nth am m	Madeira, 6yrs
Major W Dougall's ...	b aus g	... Quandong
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	br aus g	... Musketeer

MACINTIRE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	b c f	... Nigatingale, 3yrs
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus m	... Sister, 4yrs
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus g	... Spithead, 3yrs
Mr M Lakshmi Kanthaiaj Urs	b aus g	... Cecil
Raja Venugopal Bahadur's ...	b aus g	... Anjanaya
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b aus g	... Red Coral

PONY TRIALS.—5 furlongs.

Aga S Shah's ...	b a h	... Oriental, 13-2½
Capt A S Toogood's ...	gr a g	... St Gris, 13-3
Mr Reuben's	gr a h	... Bisthan, 14 hands
Major R M Bell's	b a h	... Matussan, 13-3½
Aga Mohomed Jaffer's ...	b a h	... Nippon, 13-3½, 4yrs
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	gr a h	... Ptarmigan

HORSE TRIALS.—1¼ miles.

Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	br e m	... Bouquet, 5yrs
Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	br aus g	... Wild Raven
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	b aus g	... Severity, aged
Mr J McJohn's	b e g	... Bundook, 4yrs
Mr A W Grosser's ...	b aus g	... Wallgrove, aged
Major W Dougall's ...	b aus g	... Quandong, aged
Major Logan-Home's ...	bk aus g	... Pope, aged
Major Logan-Home's ...	b aus g	... Corrie Roy, aged
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	ch aus g	... Courara

PADDOCK PLATE.—5 furlongs.

H H Aga Khan's	.....	... Cocos
Mr A Sattar's	br aus g	... Ocean, 13-3
Major R Hoare's	b aus g	... Cossack, 14-1
Major W Dougall's ...	ch aus g	... Lancer, 14-0½
Capt Darley and Mr Neilson's	b aus m	... Felicity, 14-1, aged
Major Gunn's	br aus g	... Dandenong, 14-1,
Lieut Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b aus m	... Mamao, 14-0½

ARAB PLAE.—1 mile.

Mr S W Webster's ...	b a g	... Derision, 14-0½
Col A Sprot's	ch a h	... Harefoot, 14-0½
Mr R Moss-King's ...	b a h	... King Cobweb, 13-3½
Mr Reuben's	ch a h	... Syndicate, 5yrs
Mr Richard's	ch a g	... Selpme, 14-2, aged
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	ch a h	... Rubric
Mr Mahomed Hajie Ebrahim's	ch a h	... Gallant, 13-2½

SECOND DAY.

CLOISTER CUP.—1¼ miles.

Maj Smyth's	b e g	... Laurier Rose, 14-0½
Mr S W Webster's ...	br aus m	... Flight, 14-1, aged

LEONIDAS PURSE.—6 furlongs.

Mr C P Graham's ...	ch aus m	... Shot Silk, 14-0½
Maj W Dougall's ...	ch aus g	... Lancer, 14-0½
Maj A C Hamilton's ...	gr a h	... Defendant
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b aus g	... Minimus, 14-2

EASTERN PLATE.—¾ mile.

Mr S W Webster's ...	b a g	... Derison, 14-0½
Aga S Shah's	b a h	... Oriental, 13-2½
Capt A S Toogood's ...	gr a g	... St Gris, 13-3
Mr R Moss-King's ...	b a h	... King Cobweb, 13-3½
Mr Reuben's	gr a h	... Bisthan, 14 hands,
Maj R M Bell's	gr a g	... Superb,—
Aga Mahomed Jaffer's ...	b a h	... Nippon, 13-3½, 4yrs
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b ah	... Delight, 14 hands

HORSE SCURRY.—5 furlongs.

Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	b e f	... Nightingole, 3yrs
Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	ch aus g	... Tecoota
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus m	... Sister, 4yrs
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus g	... Spithead, 3yrs
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus m	... Minerva II., aged
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Pepper Corn, aged
H H Aga Khan's... ...	b aus g	... Beadsman, aged
Mr M Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs'	b aus g	... Gum, aged
Mr A C Tate's	gr aus g	... Wadhurst
Raja Venugopal Bahadur's ...	b aus g	... Anjanaya
Mr A Stewart's	b e g	... Carburton
Mr Kelso's	b aus g	... Harpist

H. H. THE MAHARAJAH'S CUP.—R. C. & 200 yards.

Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	br e m	... Bouquet, 5yrs
Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	br aus g	... Wild Raven
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	b aus g	... Severity, aged
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	b aus g	... Goldsmith, aged
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Rapid Pilgrim, 5yrs
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Pepper Corn, aged
Mr J McJohn's	b e g	... Bundook, 4yrs
Mr A W Grosser's ...	b aus g	... Wallgrove, aged
H H Aga Khan's ...	br e g	... Ayrdale
The Hon H Thelluson's ...	b nth am m	... Madeira 6yrs
Mr R L Kindersley's ...	b nth am h	... St Rule, 6yrs
Maj W Dougall's	b aus g	... Quandong, aged
Capt E J R Peel's ...	b aus g	... The Gaffer, aged
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	br aus g	... Musketeer

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.—1 mile

Aga S Shah's	b a h	... Oriental, 13-2½
Capt A S Toogood's ...	gr a g	... St Gris 13-3
Mr Reuben's	gr a h	... Bisthan, 14 hands,
Maj R M Bell's	b a h	... Matussan, 13-3½
Aga Mohomed Jaffer's ...	b a h	... Nippon, 13-3½, 4yrs
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b a h	... Delight, 14hands

ALL HORSE HANDICAP.—5 furlongs.

Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	b e f	... Nightingale, 3yrs
Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	ch aus g	... Tecoota
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus m	... Sister, 4yrs
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	br aus g	... Spithead, 3yrs
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus m	... Minerva II., 5yrs
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Pepper Corn, aged
H H Aga Khan's ...	br aus g	... Beadsman, aged
Mr M Lakshmi Kantarajur's...	b aus g	... Gum, aged
Mr A C Tate's	gr aus g	... Wadhurst
Raja Venugopal Bahadur's ...	b aus g	... Anjanaya
Mr A Stewart's	b e g	... Carburton, 5yrs
Mr Kelso's	b aus g	... Harpist

EXCELSIOR PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr A Sattar's	br aus g	... Ocean, 13-3
Maj, W Dougall's... ...	ch aus g	... Lancer, 14-0½
Maj R Hoare's	b aus m	... Cossack, 14-1
Capt Darley and Mr Neilson's	b aus m	... Felicity, 14-1, aged
Maj Gunn's	br aus g	... Dandenong, 14-1,
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b aus m	... Mamao, 14-0½

JULY PLATE.—1½ miles.

Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	br e m	... Bouquet, 5yrs
Mr N R Chowdhury's ...	br aus g	... Wild Raven
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	b aus g	... Severity, aged
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ...	b aus g	... Goldsmith, aged
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Rapid Pilgrim, 5yrs
H H the Sultan of Johore's ...	b aus g	... Pepper Corn, aged
Mr J McJohn's	b e g	... Bundook, 4yrs
Mr A W Grosser's ...	b aus g	... Wallgrove, aged
H H Aga Khan's ...	br e g	... Ayrdale
The Hon H Thelluson's ...	bth m h	... Madeira
Mr R L Kindersley's ...	b nth m h	... St Rule, 6yrs
Maj W Dougall's	b aus g	... Quandong
Maj A C Hamilton's	b aus g	... Scissorman
Kumararaja of Pittapore's ...	ch aus g	... Jack O'Lantern
Maj Logan-Home's ...	bk aus g	... Pope, aged
Maj Logan-Home's ...	b aus g	... Corrie Roy, aged
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	ch aus g	... Leonidas
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b aus g	... Red Coral
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ...	b aus g	... Trenton
Capt Wilson's ...	bk e h	... Misty

DESERT HANDICAP.—1¼ miles.

Mr A Stewart's	ch a h	... Shifter
S Webster's	b a g	... Derision 14-0½
H H Aga Khan's ...	ch a h	... Sandow,
Capt A S Toogood's ...	gr a g	... St Gris, 13-3
Mr R Moss King's ...	b a h	... King Cobweb, 13-3½
Mr Ruben's ...	ch a h	... Syndicate 5yrs
Maj R M Bell's ...	gr a g	... Superb
Maj A C Hamilton's ...	ch a h	... Jack Horner
Mr Richard's	ch a g	... Selpme, 14-2, aged
Mr Mahd Hajie Ebrahim's ...	ch a h	... Gallant, 13-2½

YALANDUR PURSE.—¾ mile.

Col J P Grant's	b cb h	... Prime,
Col J P Grant's ...	ch cb h	... Phillistine
Aga S Shah's	gr cb m	... Pardon, 4yrs
Mr Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs ...	ch cb m	... Phylis
Capt J Randall's	b cb f	... Miss Ascot, 4yrs
Mr J B's	ch cb f	... Sweet Sounds
Mr Jaffer Mahd Mistry's ...	b cb g	... Upstart

(Final entries close 1st July.)

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LONDON, *Friday, 3rd June* 1904.

THE TURF.

EPSOM MEETING

THE number of racing enthusiasts who, with a supreme disregard for the elements, find their way to Epsom in all weathers is extraordinarily large; but it would be idle to contend that a soaking wet morning exerts no influence over the attendance. On the 31st ultimo, unfortunately, the rain fell steadily and incessantly from daybreak, and an overwhelming proportion of the regular patrons of the route by road were deterred from undertaking the journey. So, indeed, were many others who race merely for pleasure, and the muster all round showed a marked falling off. The inclement conditions had no terrors for the King, who drove to the stand, accompanied by Prince Christian shortly before the numbers were hoisted for the opening event, and remained an interested spectator almost to the end of the proceedings. The afternoon remained dull and gloomy after the rain had ceased, but some capital sport was witnessed, the display of Sundridge—although he only ran second for the Egmont Plate—being a sterling handicap performance.

THE WOODCOTE STAKES of 930sovs. for two year olds. The last six furlongs of the Derby Course.

Lord Rosebery's ch c Cicero, by Cyllene—Gas, 9st 3lbs	D Maher	1
Mr L de Rothschild's b c Khammurabi, 8st 9lbs...	K Cannon	2
His Majesty's ch c Rosemarket, 9st 5lbs	H Jones	3
Mr H Barnato's Auriform, 8st 12lbs ...	B Lynham	0
Lord Bradford's Sir Hector, 8st 12lbs ...	Watts	0
Mr E Dresden's Galangal, 8st 12lbs ..	B Dillon	0
Rear-Admiral Lambton's Pelopidas, 8st 12lbs	H Aylin	0
Mr L Neumann's Llangibby, 8st 12lbs ...	W Lane	0
Sir J Thursby's Standen, 8st 12lbs ...	Mr G Thursby	0
Lord Ellesmere's Koorhaan, 8st 9lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr J Porter's Kehallan, 8st 9lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr W Raphael's King Duncan, 8st 9lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mr W Raphael's Graceful, 8st 6lbs ...	Trigg	0

(Winner trained by P. Peck.)

BETTING: Evens Cicero, 7 to 1 agst Llangibby, 100 to 12 Standen, and 10 to 1 any other (offered.)

Won a good race by three-quarters of a length; a length and a-half between second and third. Standen was fourth, Galangal fifth, Auriform sixth, Koorhaan seventh, Graceful next, and Sir Hector last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 11⅘secs.

THE EPSOM PLATE HANDICAP of 462sovs. 7 furlongs of the New Course.

Mr Allerton's br c Otherwise, by Banbury—Sally Wise, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs* ...	A Sharples	1
Mr S R Joel's ch c Week End, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs	Butchers	2
Mr W G Langland's b m Noblesse, 5yrs, 8st 10lbs	Trigg	3
Mr G A Prentice's Dumbarton Castle, 4yrs, 9st 6lbs	O Madden	0
Mr A L Duncan's Extradition, 3yrs, 8st 11lb (inc 7lbs ex)	D Maher	0
Mr G Edwardes's Aspendale, 3yrs, 7st 13lbs	E Wheatley	0
Mr S Lockhart's Donnetta, 4yrs, 7st 4lbs	J Jarvis	0
Lord Dunraven's Tamasha, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs	Griggs	0
Duke of Devonshire's c by Campan—Red Wing II., 3yrs, 6st 2lbs*	Saxby	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(Winner trained by Armstrong.)

BETTING: 11 to 4 agst Extradition, 5 to 1 each Noblesse and The Red Wing II. colt, 7 to 1 Aspendale, 100 to 14 each Donnetta and Otherwise, and 100 to 8 any other (offered.)

Won easily by three lengths from Week End, who took second place inside the distance: two lengths between second and third. Dumbarton Castle was fourth, Red Wing II. colt fifth, Aspendale sixth, Donnetta next, and Extradition last throughout.

There is one day in the year when by general consent Epsom is known as "Epsim" and the glorious, far-stretching Downs as the "Dahns." For Derby Day is recognised as the Cockney Carnival. It is the day when the Cockney sportsman sallies forth to witness the great race of the year, and, possibly, to cheer the favourite to victory. Derby Day of 1904 did not break auspiciously. Rain fell incessantly till twelve o'clock, and then for the first time the sun shed its rays through the leaden mass of cloud. The consequence was that there was an agreeable absence of that pell mell rush for the trains at Victoria which one is accustomed to associate with the great racing festival, and one was able to travel down to Epsom in comfort. A sharp shower was falling as I strolled leisurely across the Downs, and one had need to be careful of one's footing, as the overnight rain had transmuted the usually firm surface of the Downs into a white greasy mud. On my way I passed the familiar knots of tatterdemalion race-card vendors, unwashed and unkempt sellers of pencils; oily-tongued purveyors or some celebrity's guinea specials for "thruppence;" polite blind men with honeyed words of flattery for the good-natured eleemosynary and smothered curses for the hardened Pharisee; legless and armless mendicants with less conscience than limbs, *et hoc genus omne*. Within the shadow of the grand stand I overtook picturesque begging gipsy women with borrowed babies and "matriarchal" harologists without any clients. In the public enclosure were garrulous tipsters, smelling of the mews, who were reiterating the old fairy story, "Buy my tip for the Derby and you'll be riding in your carriage to-morrow" But somehow or other no one seemed to be at all engaged by the prospect or else the oft-repeated "gag" has lost its convincing flavour Between twelve and one the people swarmed over the hill like vagrant bees returning to the hive. The traffic along the main road leading to the town was tremendous. There were not so many coster barrows as usual; probably the old-time coster has risen in the world and comes down by coach, while the new breed of coster possibly considers the barrow an undignified means of locomotion for Derby Day. Where also, are the feathers and "pearlies" with which we used to be dazzled? I do not remember seeing a single purple feather or an eruption of pearl buttons. This is a decadent age.

But for the international flavour imparted to the great contest by the presence of the French champion, Gouvernant, this year's Derby would have been one of the tamest on record, the best of our own representatives being admittedly much inferior to the crack filly, Pretty Polly, who was unhappily not entered for the Blue Riband. As it was, however, patriotism and partisanship ran high, and feverish anxiety as to the destination of our most conveted prize attracted a huge concourse to the Surrey slopes in spite of the damp and unpromising outlook. Unfortunately, rain had fallen steadily during the night, and the morning could have hardly been more forbidding, widespread disappointment being caused thereby. On the Hill, where the coaches and other vehicles mostly congregate, there were vacant spaces, and the general attendance could not fail to be below the average for a Derby Day, though the enclosures were thronged. A salvo of cheers greeted the arrival of the King (who was accompanied by the Prince of Wales and Prince Christian) shortly before the first race, but regret was expressed at the absence of the Queen and Princess of Wales. No sooner had His Majesty taken up his position on the stand than the sun peeped through the clouds, but a terrific thunderstorm broke over the Downs whilst the Derby was being run, the popular victory of St. Amant being achieved amidst a torrential downpour.

THE DERBY STAKES of 6,500sovs. by subscription of 50 sovs. each, h ft. or 5 only if declared by the last Tuesday in March 1903; colts 9st, fillies 8st 9lbs; the nominator of the winner received 500sovs., the second at least 400sovs., and the third at least 200sovs. About one mile and a-half. (260subs., forfeit declared for 104). Closed 22nd July 1902.

Mr Leopold de Rothschild's b c St Amant, by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule, 9st	K Cannon	1
Sir J Thursby's b c John o' Gaunt by Isinglass—La Fleche, 9st	Mr G Thursby	2
Mr S B Joel's b c St Denis, by St Simon—Brooch, 9st	W Halsey	3
Mr F Alexander's Andover, by Rightaway Sister Lumley, 9st	W Lane	0
Mr J Musker's Henry the First, by Melton Simena, 9st	O Madden	0
Mr D J Pullinger's Coxswain, by Kilcock—Queen of Holland, 9st	G F Butchers	0
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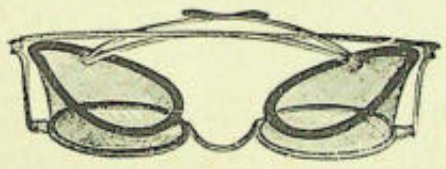
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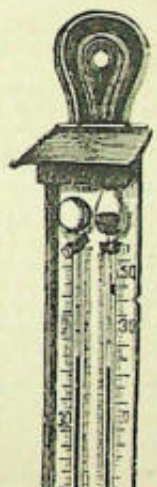
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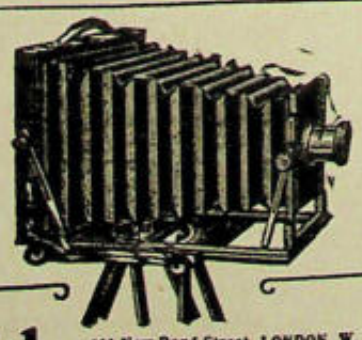
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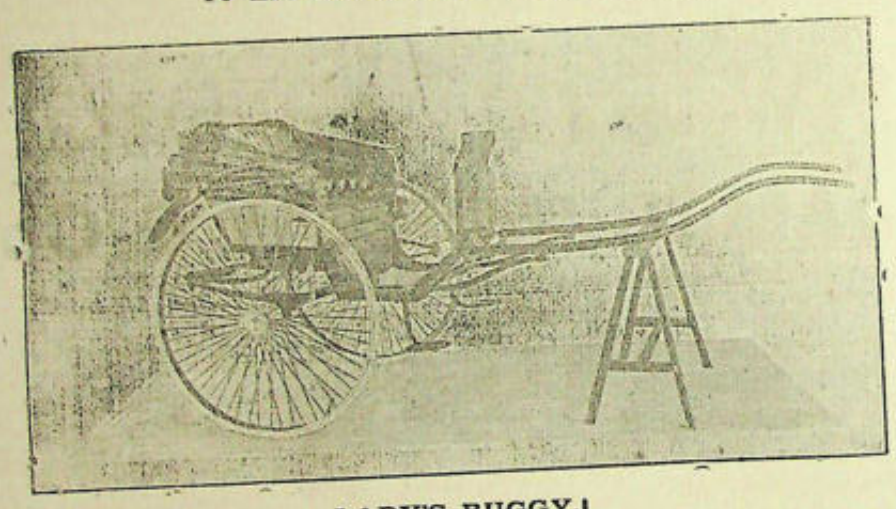
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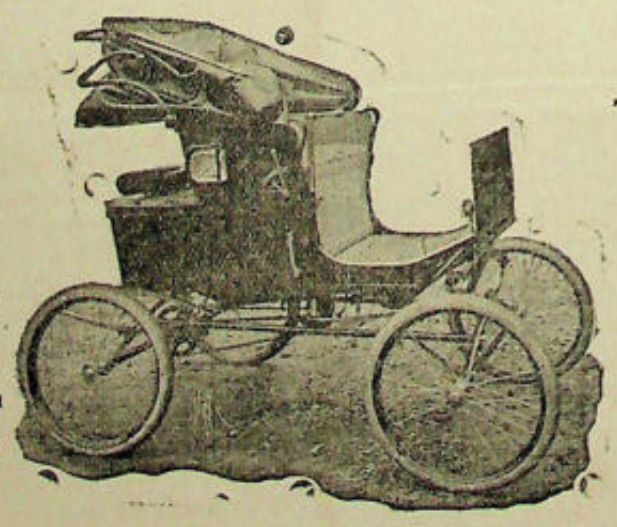
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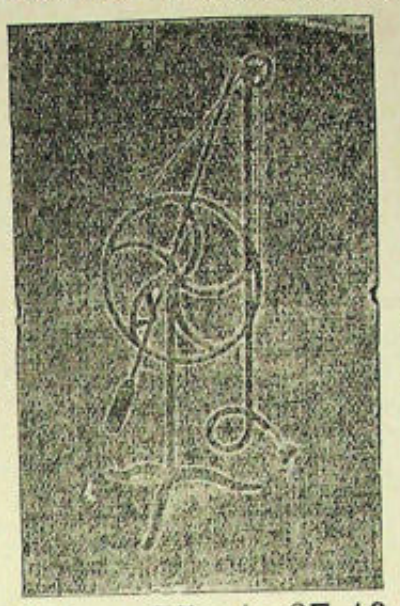
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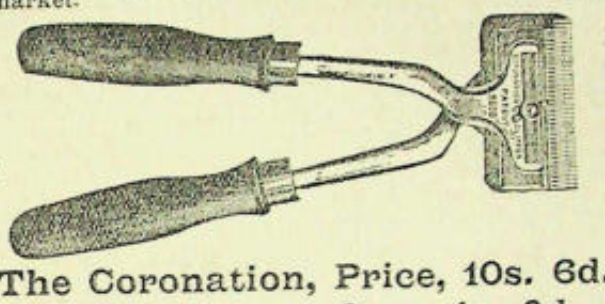
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The first to leave the paddock in a downpour of rain was Andover, who was followed in the parade by St. Amant (wearing blinkers), St. Denis, Lancashire (wearing a hood), Henry the First, Gouvernant, and John o' Gaunt, the whipper-in being Coxswain. They turned and cantered in similar order, and the white flag was hoisted at five minutes past three, a fair start being effected three minutes later. St. Amant, on the outside, was the quickest away, with Coxswain, Lancashire, John o' Gaunt, Andover, and Henry the First next, and Gouvernant last, behind St. Denis, and on setting down St Amant went on with a two-length lead of Henry the First, Lancashire, and Coxswain, with John o' Gaunt next and St. Denis whipping-in. Passing the mile post three lengths of daylight separated St. Amant from Andover, whose nearest attendants were Gouvernant, Coxswain, and John o' Gaunt, St. Denis still being last behind Henry the First, and no further change took place till a quarter of a mile from home, where John o' Gaunt took second place some three lengths behind St. Amant, and a long way clear of St. Denis and Andover. But the victory of Mr. Rothschild's colt was assured, John o' Gaunt failing to gain an inch upon him in the run in, and it was by three lengths and amidst deafening cheers that St. Amant triumphed over John o' Gaunt, after making every yard of running; six lengths separated the second and third, Andover was placed fourth by the judge, Henry the First was fifth, Coxswain sixth, Gouvernant seventh, and Lancashire last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 45⅘secs. Value of the stakes, £6,450.

THE EPSOM TOWN PLATE (handicap)—Of 200sovs: winners extra. Six furlongs, on the New Course.

Mr J H A Marshall's b m Poppits, by St Angelo—Mesopotamia, 5yrs, 7st 9lbs*	Butchers	1
Mr R H Henning's ch c Best Light, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs	F Bullock	2
Mr W Bass's b f by Carbine—Stream of Gold, 3yrs, 7st 2lbs	J Jarvis	3
Mr S Henry's Chant, 5yrs, 8st	B Dillon	0
Capt J Orr-Ewing's Wrinkles, 3yrs, 7st 11lbs	O Madden	0
Mr Heinemann's Billet Doux, 3yrs, 7st	Griggs	0
Mr B Eilam's Blue and Black, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs*	A Sharples	0
Mrs A Barnes's Sir Dennis, 3yrs, 6st 8lbs*	Hunter	0
Mr Wallace Johnstone's Captain Cook, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs	Plant	0
Capt Laing's Padilla, 4yrs, 6st 7lbs	Benson	0
Mr C D Barrow's Devoniensis, 4yrs, 6st 5lbs* (car 6st 7lbs)	Rollason	0
Sir J Thursby's Rosegrove, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs	Trigg	0
Sir S Scott's Scalladale 3yrs, 6st 2lbs*	Saxby	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Clements.*)

BETTING: 9 to 2 agst Billet Doux, 5 to 1 Poppits, 11 to 2 Best Light, 6 to 1 Wrinkles, 7 to 1 Sir Dennis 8 to 1 each Chant and Stream of Gold filly, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by a length; three lengths separated the second and third. Sir Dennis was fourth, Devoniensis fifth, Captain Cook sixth, Billet Doux next, and Wrinkles last.

THE EFFINGHAM PLATE HANDICAP—Of 287sovs.: winners extra. The last mile of the Derby Course.

Lord M Beresford's b h Portcullis, by Royal Hampton—Field Azure, 6yrs, 8st 2lbs (car 8st 3lbs)	H Aylin	1
Mr A Cohen's b c Brownist, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs*	A Sharples	2
Mr J L Dugdale's br g Priam, 4yrs, 7st 13lbs	Trigg	3
Mr H de Paravicini's Vidame, 6yrs, 9st 6lbs	W Lane	0
Lord Rosebery's Oriole, 4yrs, 9st	Halsey	0
Mr P P Peebles's The Solicitor, 6yrs, 8st 7lbs	O Madden	0
Mr H Waring's Wapentake, 4yrs, 8st 6lbs	H Jones	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Valve, 4yrs, 8st 5lbs	G McCall	0
Mr S Henry's Fleeting Love, 6yrs, 8st 2lbs	E Wheatley	0
Mr R H Henning's Camphor, 3yrs, 7st 12lbs	F Bullock	0
Mr H Scott's Sonnetta, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs	B Dillon	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Kreuzbrunn, 3yrs, 7st 2lbs	Miller	0
Mr J T Wood's Glandore, 3yrs, 7st	Griggs	0
Mr C Pownceby's Icon, 5 yrs, 7st 9lbs	Plant	0
Mr B Eilam's Headmaker, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs*	Saxby	0
Mr Russell's Pennacook, 3yrs, 7st	J Jarvis	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Leach.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst Valve, 5 to 1 Priam, 10 to 1 each Portcullis and Wapentake, 100 to 8 each Vidame, Brownist, Glandore and Pennacook, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths from Brownist, who took second place below the distance; four lengths between second and third. Glandore was fourth, Camphor fifth, Icon sixth, Vidame seventh, Kreuzbrunn eighth, Wapentake next, and Pennacook last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 41secs.

Many and varied have been the changes in the card for the third day of the Epsom Summer Meeting. The Grand Prize (won last by Whittier) gave way in 1896 to the Durdans Plate, which was succeeded by the Epsom Cup. Two years ago the Coronation Cup was inaugurated, in its stead and has proved an unqualified success from the very outset. The encounter yesterday stood out as one of the chief attractions of the whole season, and the finish between Zinfandel and Sceptre was a stirring one, although the mare had to suffer defeat by a length. The public appetite for the strenuous diversions of the racecourse had been effectually satisfied by the vicissitudes and exertions of Derby Day, and, many of the Metropolitan division holding themselves in reserve for the Oaks, it was in the presence of a somewhat attenuated audience that the entertainment was run through. The King was present, with the Prince of Wales and Prince Christian. The conditions showed an improvement over either of the preceding days, inasmuch as there was a welcome immunity from rain, but the sky was overcast and the atmosphere was chilly. The going was on the soft side.

THE GREAT SURREY FOAL STAKES—Of 93sovs., for two-year olds, colts 8st 12lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 9lbs: penalties, etc. Five furlongs.

Mr G Faber's b f Queen of the Earth, by Flying Fox—Lonely, 8st 6lbs	W Lane	1
Mr J B Joel's b c Chesnut, 8st 6lbs	B Lynham	2
Lord Crewe's br c Ceyx, 8st 9lbs	M Cannon	3
His Majesty's Politely, 8st 6lbs	H Jones	0
Sir E Cassel's Egypt, 8st 3lbs	Halsey	0
Mr Donald Fraser's f by Nunthorpe—Canter, 8st 3lbs	O Madden	0

(*Winner trained by S. Darling.*)

BETTING: 1s to 8 on Queen of the Earth, 7 to 1 agst Politely, 9 to 8 Ceyx, 10 to 1 Egypt, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by a length from Chesnut, who took second place below the distance; three lengths between the second and third. Politely was fourth and Canter filly last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 1⅘secs.

THE CORONATION CUP—Of 1,590sovs., weight for age, etc. The Derby Course (one mile and a half).

Lord Howard de Walden's ch c Zinfandel, by Persimmon—Medora, 4yrs, 9st 3lbs	M Cannon	1
Mr W Bass's b m Sceptre, 5yrs, 9st 3lbs	O Madden	2
Sir J Miller's br c Rock Sand, 4yrs, 9st 3lbs	D Maher	3
Mr W Hall Walker's Jean's Folly, 3yrs, 7st 11lbs	G McCall	0

(*Winner trained by Major Beatty.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 on Sceptre, 3 to 1 agst Rock Sand, 9 to 2 Zinfandel, and 100 to 7 Jean's Folly (offered).

Won by a length: three-quarters of a length between the second and third. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 45⅘secs.

THE DURDANS PLATE.—Handicap Of 935sovs. The last mile and a quarter of the Derby Course.

Mr T W Blenkiron's b c by Pride—Pegaway, 3yrs 6st 11lbs*	F Hunter	1
Sir J Miller's ch h Pharisee, 5yrs, 8st 7lbs	D Maher	2
Sir E Cassel's b c Love Charm, 4yrs, 8st 8lbs	Halsey	3
Mr G A Prentice's General Cronje, 4yrs, 9st	O Madden	0
Mr H J King's Whistling Crow, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs	H Jones	0
Sir E Vincent's Countermark, 4yrs, 8st 7lbs	W Lane	0
Mr J S Crawford's Captain Kettle, aged, 8st 5lbs	Watts	0
Mr H Sleath Skelton's Happy Slave, 5yrs, 8st 5lbs	M Cannon	0
Mr Heinemann's Falcon, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	Trigg	0
Mr A P Cunliffe's Cape Solitaire, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs	Kerridge	0
Mr S B Joel's Barnstormer, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs (car 7st 11lb)*	Butchers	0
Mr C Hibbert's Auk, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs	Plant	0
Duke of Devonshire's Pam, 3yrs, 6st 8lbs,	Griggs	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall*).

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst Pegaway colt, 4 to 1 Love Charm, 100 to 12 Pharisee, 10 to 1 each Whistling Crow, Countermark, Falcon, Cape Solitaire, and Happy Slave, 100 to 8 Pam, and 100 to 6 any other (offered).

Won by five lengths: three lengths between the second and third. Happy Slave was fourth Countermark fifth, Barnstormer sixth, Captain Kettle seventh. Falcon and Whistling Crow next and Pam last, except Cape Solitaire. The number of Pam was hoisted as second in error. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 11⅘secs.

So far the attendance at the Epsom summer meeting has fallen below the average of previous years but there was a large gathering to-day, the weather being greatly improved.

The King drove from Epsom Downs station in an open carriage, in which were Prince Christian, Lord Farquhar, and the Hon'ble F. Ward. He had a most cordial reception from a large crowd who had gathered about the entrance to the grand stand. In a carriage which followed was the Prince of Wales, attended by Sir C. Cust. They arrived just before the course was cleared for the first race, the Belmont Plate. By that time the spectators had increased greatly, and the scene was a very bright one, such as tradition associates with Oaks Day. The sun was out in full force, the weather had become pleasantly hot and the ladies had an opportunity of displaying their prettiest dresses—an opportunity denied to them on Derby Day. Many coaches were arrived and there general rejoicings at being able to throw off the depression induced by the gloomy weather of the past three days. The Jockey Club Stand was very crowded with distinguished personages.

There could be nothing in more marked contrast than the two great days of this year's meeting, and one recalls in this warm sunshine with less regrets for a holiday spoilt the painful experiences of Derby Day.

I append the result of the big race.

THE OAKS STAKES—Of 5,000sovs by subscription of 50sovs, each, h.ft, or 5sovs. only if declared by the last Tuesday in March 1903 for three-year-old fillies; 9st each; the nominator of the winner to receive 400 sovs out of the race; if not sufficient surplus be obtained from subscriptions to give the second at least 200sovs, and the third at least 100sovs, the difference to be made up by the Race Fund. About one mile and a half. Two hundred and eleven entries, forfeit declared for 95.

Major Eustace Loder's ch Pretty Polly, by Gallinule—Admiration	W Lane	1
Mr F Alexander's b Bitters, by St Serf—Mara	K Cannon	2
Lord Falmouth's b Fiancée, by St Frusquin—Wise Virgin	J E Watts	3
Mr T Jenning's b St Mindred, by St Angelo—Matilda of Flanders	W Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by Mr Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 100 to 8 on Pretty Polly, 100 to 7 agst Fiancée 20 to 1 Bitters, 100 to 1 St. Mindred.

Bitters made the running till approaching Tattenham Corner, when Pretty Polly went to the front, and cantered home a winner by three lengths; Fiancée was a bad third.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(*Compiled from 21st March to 27th May.*)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Un-placed	Percentage
Lane, W. ...	208	40	36	28	104	19·23
Madden, O. ...	230	40	33	27	130	17·39
Maher, D. ...	115	36	21	11	47	31·30
Halsey, W. ...	170	27	21	31	91	15·08
Trigg, C. ...	181	26	14	22	119	14·36
Wheatley, E. ...	114	21	19	15	59	18·42
Dillon, B. ...	94	19	12	10	63	20·21
Griggs, W. ...	171	16	23	15	117	9·35
Randall, H. ...	65	15	7	8	35	23·07
Jarvis, J. ...	89	13	5	6	65	14·60
Jones, H. ...	76	12	12	12	40	15·78
Lynham, B. ...	69	11	4	7	47	15·91
Cannon, M. ...	116	11	18	18	69	9·43
Heppell, T ...	55	10	2	8	40	18·18

CRICKET.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* LONDON COUNTY.—Played at Cambridge on 26th, 27th, and 28th May. Cambridge won by an innings and 36 runs. Dr. Grace was able to take a strong batting team to Cambridge, but the bowling at his command was of such a kind that no one could have been surprised when the University made a big score against it. The match was a triumph for the University both in batting and bowling. On the first day Hopley bowled so finely for them that the London County team was dismissed in an hour and twenty-five minutes, not a single man being able to get going. When the 'Varsity went in they had not to meet any bowler with a reputation, except the Doctor himself, and when stumps were drawn they had scored 200 for three wickets. Keigwin, who carried his bat for 58, helped Mann to put on 142 runs for the second wicket in about an hour and a-half. On Friday K. R. B. Fry hit brilliantly, and his innings included nineteen 4's; he was at the wickets for two hours and a-half. During his partnership with Phillips 110 runs were put on in an hour and a-quarter, while May helped him to score 83 for the last wicket. Keigwin was batting for three hours for his patient 64. London County had made 166 for four wickets when stumps were drawn, and were thus still 20 runs behind. The Doctor played excellent cricket for an hour and a-quarter for his 45. On the next day Poidevin, who was not out 49 overnight, and L. Walker (not out 31) made a fine stand, and they were not separated until their partnership had produced 145 runs. At lunch time Poidevin was not out 95. When, a few minutes after the game was resumed, he was dismissed, he had been batting steadily for three hours and a-quarter, and had done his best to save his side from defeat. The last wicket fell at a quarter to four.

LONDON COUNTY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
W G Grace, c Payne, b Hopley	4	c Payne, b May ...	45
W M Murdoch, c & b Keigwin	11	b May	8
M Hathorn, c Payne, b Napier	13	c Mann, b Eyre ...	18
L O S Poidevin, b Hopley	4	c Eyre, b May ...	103
W A Shalders, c Keigwin, b Hopley	4	c Eyre, b Keigwin ...	15
L Walker, c Payne, b Hopley	0	1-b-w, b Hopley ...	74
J Gilman, c Wilson, b Napier	7	c May, b Hopley ...	26
R M Bell, c Payne, b Hopley	13	not out	21
C Tindall, not out ...	9	b Hopley	1
T A Tapp, c Phillips, b Napier	5	c Payne, b Hopley ...	4
B Wallach, c Mann, b Hopley	7	c Wilson, b May ...	7
Extras	0	B 4, lb 3, w 2, nb 2	11
Total ...	77	Total ...	333

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

R P Keigwin, b Bell ...	64	Wilson, c Walker, b Bell ...	0
G G Harris, c Walker, b Tapp	16	Hopley, c Hathorn, b Bell	12
E W Mann, st Wallach b Grace	95	Napier, c Walker, b Tapp	0
C H Eyre run out ...	20	May, not out	43
Phillips, b Tapp ...	46	B 18, w 3... ...	21
Fry c Bell, b Tapp ...	129	Total ...	446
Payne, b Tapp ...	0		

LONDON COUNTY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Keigwin ...	4	1	18	1	...	...	14	1	59	1
Napier ...	13	3	22	3	...	...	18	6	35	0
Hopley ...	9·3	1	37	6	...	...	35	6	95	4
			May		...	...	29·2	3	100	4
			Eyre		...	...	7	0	30	1
			Harris		...	...	3	0	12	0

Napier bowled one wide and one no-ball, Hopley one wide, and May one no-ball.

LANCASHIRE *vs.* KENT.—Played at Old Trafford on 26th, 27th and 28 May. Lancashire won by an innings and 128 runs. It was only possible to play cricket for two hours and three-quarters at Manchester on the first day of this match, but Lancashire made such good use of their time that when stumps were drawn they had made 244 for four wickets. The chief credit for this excellent performance belongs to Tyldesley and Hallows, who, during a partnership which lasted for about two hours, put on 190 runs on a soft wicket. There was no play on Friday. When the game was resumed on the following morning the innings was not declared closed, since Kent would have had only to make 94 to save the follow-on. But the rest of the Lancashire batsmen made runs as quickly as possible, and most of them, including Tyldesley, lost their wickets in trying to carry out this sensible plan. Tyldesley's splendid innings of 146 included twenty 4's, and lasted for two hours and three-quarters. It was now a question whether Kent would play out time. The wicket was difficult, but although Cuttell and Hallows were both in great form the first few batsmen did so well that a drawn game seemed almost a certainty. At lunch time Kent had lost one wicket for 35 and afterwards Marsham and Huish played so well that despite the failure of the tail only an hour and a-half remained for play when Kent had to follow-on. Humphreys and Alec Hearne began the second innings, and for some time kept their wickets intact without troubling in the least about runs and a little later Humphreys and Seymour kept together for twenty minutes. But then the end soon came, and Humphreys, alone could stand against Cuttell and Hallows, who both bowled exceedingly well, while the fields men worked splendidly The result was that Lancashire gained a brilliant victory about twenty minutes before time.

LANCASHIRE.

R H, Spooner, b Blythe ...	16	W Brearley, c Humphreys, b Blythe	0
H G Garnett, b Blythe ...	0	I'Anson, c Marsham, b Fielder	9
Tyldesley, c Baker, b Blythe ...	146	Cuttell, c Hardinge, b Blythe	0
A C Maclaren, c Huish, b Fielder	13	Worsley, not out ...	1
Hallows, b Hardinge ...	85	B 9, lb 7, nb 1 ...	17
Sharp, c Humphreys, b Blythe	0	Total ...	292
A H Hornby, c Baker, b Fielder	5		

KENT.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hearne, b I'Anson ...	27	b Hallows ...	1
Humphreys, b Cuttell ...	2	b Hallows ...	24
Seymour, c Cuttell, b I. Anson...	32	b Hallows ...	6
C H B Marsham, b Cuttell ...	21	c Cuttell, b Hallows ...	0
Huish, c Worsley, b Hallows ...	24	c Sharp, b Hallows ...	0
Hardinge st Worsley, b Hallows	0	b Cuttell ...	0
H. Z. Baker, b Cuttell ...	3	b Cuttell	2
Murrell, run out ...	3	c Hornby, b Hallows ...	3
Fairservice, b Cuttell ...	3	c Tyldesly, b Cuttell ...	4
Blythe, not out ...	5	c Garnett, b Cuttell ...	0
Fielder, c and b Cuttell ...	0	not out	0
Byes	3	Byes	2
Total ...	122	Total ...	42

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LANCASHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Blythe ...	20	0	129	6	Fairservice ...	8	1	34	0
Hearne ...	10	3	34	0	Humphreys ...	5	1	17	0
Fielder ...	15·4	1	61	3	Hardinge ...	1	1	0	1

Hardinge delivered a no-ball.

KENT.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Hallowe ...	27	5	68	2	... ...	14	5	34	6
Cuttell ...	24·2	14	13	5	... ...	10·2	7	3	4
Brearley ...	6	2	12	0	... ...				
I'Anson ...	8	5	8	2		4	3	3	0

SUSSEX *vs.* SOMERSET.—Played at Brighton 26th, 27th on and 28th may. Sussex won by ten wickets. Although his match was greatly interrupted by the weather Sussex had the good fortune to be able to bring it to a conclusion. On the first day Tate and Cox proved too good for the Somersetshire men on a difficult wicket, and Sussex made an excellent score. Fry was in great form and played an innings which was worthy of his great reputation. He made his runs so rapidly that he was only at the wickets for an hour and three-quarters: his innings included nineteen 4's most of which came from fine drives. Killick played a very useful innings, and Ranjitsinhji, who was more cautious than usual, was at the wickets for an hour and twenty minutes for his 48. The tail did not distinguish itself, but thanks to the good play of Fry, Killick and Ranjitsinhji Sussex had a lead of 202, and as Somerset lost a wicket in their second innings before stumps were drawn with the total at 5, the visitors had an uphill task before them. On Friday there was no play, but on Saturday Somerset made a determined though unsuccessful attempt to save the game. Tate was absent from the Sussex side on account of on injured head, and in this absence some of the Somersetshire men did very well indeed. Montgomery was in for an hour and a-half for a very attractive innings of 50 and with Robson as a partner, put on 50 for the second wicket. Then Palairet and Braund were together for an hour and five minutes during which they scored 50 runs, and there were yet hopes for their side. But although when only half the wickets were down the total was 170 the remaining wickets were so quickly disposed of that Sussex had only 14 runs to make to win.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L C H Palairet, b Tate ...	2	c Butt, b Relf ...	23
Braund, b Tate ...	2	c Cox, b Relf ...	58
P R Johnson, b Tate ...	26	c Smith, b Relf ...	3
Robson, b Tate ...	3	c Brann, b Vine ...	26
S M J Woods c Fry, b Cox	1	run out ...	10
F M Lee, c Killick, b Cox ...	25	run out ...	0
H Martyn, b Tate ...	9	c sub., b Relf ...	0
H F Montgomery, c Cox, b Tate	0	b Cox ...	50
A E Newton, b Cox ...	0	b Cox ...	11
Cranfield, c Butt, b Cox	—	not out ...	17
North, not out ...	2	c sub., b Cox ...	0
Bye	1	B 9, lb 5, nb 2, w 1 ...	17
Total ...	76	Total ...	215

SUSSEX.

C B Fry, c Newton, b Palairet	120	C H M Ebden, c Martyn, b Cranfield ...	2
Vine, b Cranfield ...	8	C L A Smith, c Montgomery, b Cranfield ...	14
Killick, c Martyn, b Palairet ...	46	Cox, c Montgomery b Cranfield ...	3
K S Ranjitsinhji, c Johnson, b Cranfield ...	48	Butt, not out	5
Relf, c and b Cranfield ...	15	Tate, b Cranfield ...	0
G Braun, c Braund, b Cranfield	2	B 12, lb 2, w 1 ...	15
		Total ...	278

Second innings :—Ebden, not out, 10; Vine, not out, 6; extras, 0,—Total (for no wicket), 16.

SOMERSET.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Tate ...	17	2	40	6	... 3	1	3	0
Cox ...	16·3	4	33	4	... 41·3	10	104	3
					Killick ... 14	2	27	0
					Relf ... 23	9	41	4
					Vine ... 10	2	23	1

Killick bowled one wide and one no-ball and Cox one no-ball

SUSSEX.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	23	6	67	8				
Braund ...	19	1	78	0				
North ...	3	0	23	0				
Robson ...	10	0	50	0				
Montgomery	2	0	12	0				
Palairet ...	11	3	33	2				
					Martyn ...	2	0	7	0
					Woods ...	1·2	0	9	0

Cranfield bowled one wide.

OTHER MATCHES.

The following matches were drawn:—Gloucestershire *vs.* Middlesex, played at Lords on 26th, 27th, and 28th May; Notts *vs.* Essex, played at Trent Bridge on 26th, 27th and 28th May; Yorkshire *vs.* Derby, played at Derby on the same dates; and Yorkshire *vs.* Worcestershire, played at Sheffield on 30th and 31st May and 1st June. The matches between Surrey and Leicestershire, played at Leicester on 26th, 27th, and 28th May; Surrey and Gloucestershire, played at the Oval on 30th and 31st May and 1st June; Sussex and Leicestershire, played at Leicester on 30th and 31st May and 1st June; and M.C.C. and South Africans, played at Lords on 30th and 31st May and 1st June, were all abandoned owing to bad weather.

FIRST CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES—(6 innings).

	Inns.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an inn.	Aver.
Hirst ...	7	0	440	153	62·85
Fry, C B ...	8	0	396	120	49·50
Wright, L G ...	6	0	287	139	47·83
Quaife (W G) ...	7	1	279	94	46·50
Rhodes ...	7	2	232	94*	46·40
Palairet, L C H ...	6	0	267	166	44·50
Perrin, P A ...	6	1	216	100*	43·20
Iremonger ...	6	0	250	137	41·66
Poidevin, L O S ...	10	1	354	103	39·33
Hawke, Lord ...	6	1	193	100*	38·60
Hayward	12	1	421	116	38·27
Johnson, P R ...	6	0	222	72	37·00
Jones, A O	7	1	220	63	36·66
Wrathall	7	0	256	85	36·57
Warner, P F ...	6	1	177	54	35·40
Coe (S)	7	1	211	103	35·16
McGahey, C H ...	8	1	243	53*	34·71
Knight	11	2	299	111*	33·22
Denton	8	0	261	76	32·62
Tunnicliffe	7	0	228	85	32·57
Haigh	7	1	195	84	32·50
Whitehead (H) (L'tershr)	8	1	217	62*	31·00
Kinneir	6	1	154	105	30·80
Fishwick, T. S. ...	6	0	181	70	30·16
Crawford, V F S ...	9	2	294	56	29·14
Anthony	9	3	170	67	28·33
Ashcroft, Dr E M ...	6	0	167	85	27·83
Abel	12	0	332	81	27·66
Sewell (E H D) ...	10	0	255	181	26·50
Gunn (J)	7	0	182	66	26·00
Jessop, G L ...	8	0	206	87	25·75
Humphries (Derbyshire)	6	2	102	44	25·50
Ollivierre, O A ...	6	0	151	91	25·16
Vine	13	3	249	124	24·90
Gill (G)	6	0	148	57	24·66
Fane, F L	7	0	172	44	24·57
Killick	8	0	195	52	24·37
Wynyard, Capt E G ...	10	0	242	75	24·20
Relf	8	0	193	68	24·12
Hayes	14	0	332	55	23·71
Lilley	7	0	164	53	23·42
Marsham, C H B ...	12	0	280	71	23·33
Cargenven, G ...	6	0	130	54	21·66
Gunn (G)	8	1	150	42	21·42
Lees	14	1	256	34	19·69
Chinnery, H B ...	12	0	232	66	19·33
Grace, W G, sen ...	10	0	193	52	19·30
Byrne, J F	6	0	115	45	19·16
Foley, C P	8	1	132	30	18·85
Trott (A E) ...	10	0	182	43	18·20
Moulder	6	0	109	47	18·16
Braund	13	0	236	58	18·15

BOWLING AVERAGES (12 wickets.)

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Cuttell	149·3	59	278	25	11·12
Cranfield (Somerset)...	49	11	167	13	12·84
Smith (W C) ...	166·2	44	425	33	12·87
Hayes	72·1	13	175	13	13·46
Hearne (J T) ...	248·1	59	617	45	13·71
Wass	167·5	32	451	33	13·75
Prichard, Hesketh ...	136·3	28	421	30	14·03
Fielder	113·1	29	308	20	15·40
Bird (Worcestershire)	84·2	14	220	14	15·71
Hopley, F J V ...	79·3	8	268	17	15·76
Reeves	108·5	21	300	19	15·78
Evans, W H B ...	82·4	21	254	16	15·87
Kotze, J J ...	72·4	13	270	17	15·88
Tate (F W) (Sussex)...	155·3	39	416	26	16·00
Odell, W W ...	234·5	70	577	36	16·02
Brearley, W ...	148·5	28	465	29	16·03
Higgins	138·2	42	328	19	17·26
Burn, R C W ...	82·2	19	212	12	17·66
Fairservice ...	71·5	16	213	12	17·75
Napier, G G ...	94	28	249	14	17·78
Lockwood ...	144·4	18	464	25	18·56
Blythe	155	46	421	22	19·13
Cox (Sussex) ...	272·4	85	581	30	19·36
Moorhouse ...	86·1	14	275	14	19·64
Dennett	146·3	40	363	18	20·16
Gill (G)	95	18	264	13	20·30
King (J H) ...	248·2	72	652	32	20·37
Relf	163	57	370	18	20·55
Bestwick... ...	154·4	34	497	24	20·70
Haigh	101	22	294	14	21·00
Hallam	219·3	89	401	19	21·10
I'Anson	128·3	48	283	13	21·76
Gunn (J)	182·4	68	409	17	24·05
Lees	256·2	72	630	25	25·20
Hirst	119	28	311	12	25·91
Trott (A E) ...	128·2	21	475	18	26·38
Warren (A R) ...	89·2	11	384	14	27·42
Hargreave ...	158·1	31	480	17	28·23
Arnold	125	25	314	12	26·66
Rhodes	159·4	44	420	14	30·00
Braund	240·4	33	881	27	32·62

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	4	3	1	0	3	100·00
Derbyshire ...	3	1	2	0	1	100·00
Gloucestershire ...	3	1	2	0	1	100·00
Middlesex ...	3	1	2	0	1	100·00
Sussex ...	4	1	3	0	1	100·00
Notts	4	2	1	1	1	33·33
Surrey... ...	6	3	1	2	1	20·00
Leicestershire ...	4	1	2	1	0	00·00
Yorkshire ...	3	0	3	0	0	00·00
Essex	3	0	2	1	—1	—100·00
Hampshire ...	2	0	1	1	—1	—100·00
Somerset ...	3	0	1	2	—2	—100·00
Kent	3	0	1	2	—2	—100·00
Warwickshire ...	3	0	1	2	—2	—100·00
Worcestershire ...	2	0	1	1	—1	—100·00

ROWING.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA.

The Leander put in an early appearance for this year's aquatic gathering on the 2nd instant, trying their four for the "Stewards" over the Henley course. The crew consists of W. H. Chapman (bow), C. W. H. Taylor, F. C. Escombe, and F. S. Kelly (stroke and steers). Their trial consisted of a strong paddle for nearly an hour. The Goblets representatives also tried their new boat by Sims, of Putney—C. J. D. Goldie (bow), C. W. H. Taylor (steers)

The foreign entries for Henley Regatta closed on the 1st instant. The official list, which is a small one, is as under:—

Stewards' Challenge Cup fours.—Winnipeg R. C., Canada.

Diamond Challenge Sculls.—L. F. Scholes, Don. R. C., Toronto, Canada.

Anentry for the Diamond Sculls was also received from Harrison Burke, Tasmanian R. C., but that competitor has scratched.

The regatta takes place on 5th, 6th, and 7th, July.

Two Eton crews have been chosen from the Upper Boats from which the eight for the Ladies Plate will be selected. Mr. R. S. de Havilland, O. U. B. C., has again kindly undertaken the coaching. There are five of last year's old choices left—L. E. Jones, H. C. Bucknall, D. P. Wormald, L. R. A. Gatehuse, and E. W. Powell. With such good oarsmen, their prospects at Henley seem very rosy. Crews:

No. 1 Crew: G. D. Cochrane (bow), 10st 4lbs; 2, G. Campbell, 10st 11½lbs; 3, A. G. Kirby, 12st 10lbs; *4, D. P. Wormald, 12st 10lbs; *5 L. E. Jones, 13st 4½lbs; *6 L. R. A. G. Gatehouse, 13st 2lbs; *7, E. W. Powell, 10st1 2½lbs; *H. C. Bucknall (stroke), 11st; T. Preston (cox), 7st 13lb.

No.2 Crew: J. P. S. Harrison (bow), 9st 12lbs; 2, S. J. Sassoon, 10st 0½lbs; 3, J. D H. Radcliffe, 12st 11b; 4, E. H. L. Southwell, 10st 6lb; 5, C. L. Garton, 11st 9½lbs; 6, R. T. Nugent, 12st 2½lbs; 7, G. L. M. Bland, 10st 4½lbs; E. H. Johnston (stroke), 10st 10lbs H. W. F. Donkin (cox), 7st 11lb.

*Old choices.

CYCLING.

CONTINENTAL CYCLING.

BRUNI BEATS WORLD'S RECORDS.—Eug Bruni, the champion pace follower of France must be considered very unlucky in not holding the world's hour record on the 29th ultimo, as, but for pacing troubles, he would undoubtedly have put fifty-five miles inside the sixty minutes on Friday last at the Parc des Princes track, Paris. Bruni has had his eye on Tommy Hall's record of 54 miles 545 yards for some time past, but has not been able to obtain the necessary pacing until last week, when Reimers completed his 22 h. p. motor and fitted it with a large wind shield. Friday then being fixed for the essay. As the event was advertised, a good number of spectators put in an appearance, and Bruni was despatched just after 6 p. m. He soon got inside world's records, but the monster pacing machine suddenly went wrong, so Bruni dismounted After an interval of twenty minutes a fresh start was made, and the young French man again got well inside world's records, but it was not his day out, for after covering 25 kilometres in 17mins 18⅘secs, as against the previous best of 17mins, 3⅕secs., the motor eased again, and before he got going behind a new pacemaker he was 1min. 7secs. to the bad. Reimers rapidly repaired his motor and was soon ready to take his charge on again; then the pair put in some wonderful pace, travelling at a 57-mile an hour gait, reducing the flying kilometre record *en route* (time 38⅘secs). It was too late, however, to get near Hall's figures, the hour score showing 23 yards worse than 54 miles Bruni went on for the 90 kilometre record, which he beat by a good margin. Below I append the new figures:—

Distance.	Bruni's times. H.	M.	S.	Previous bests H.	M.	S.	
666 metres (f. s.) ...	0	0	25⅘	... 0	0	26⅖	Hall
1 kil. (f. s.) ...	0	0	38⅗	... 0	0	40	Hall
5 kil. (s. s.) ...	0	3	47⅖	... 0	3	57⅘	Hall
10 kil	0	7	5⅕	... 0	7	21⅘	Hall
20 kil	0	13	55⅘	... 0	14	8⅖	Hall
25 kil	0	17	18⅗	... 0	17	32⅖	Hall
90 kil	1	2	10	... 1	2	52⅗	Hall
10 miles	0	11	17⅘	... 0	11	29⅖	Hall

POLO.

ROEHAMPTON CLUB.—Matches between Eden Park and Roehampton and the Old Cantabs and Handley Cross were decided on the 30th ultimo. The former contingents were the first to line out, and were arranged as follows:—Roehampton: Mr. R. Grenfell, Mr. M. Nickalls, Mr. Edward Ezra, and Mr. M. de Las Casas (back); Eden Park: Mr. F. Menzies, Mr. E. Covill, Captain Innes, and Mr. J. C. de Las Casas (back). Captain Sheppard umpired. The visitors had most of the play during the opening period, and broke through the defence of their opponents on two occasions, but, Roehampton had recovered the lost ground by the end of the third bout, when the board indicated three goals all. Subsequently, first one and then the other side took the lead, and the teams were on terms of equality, with seven goals each until within one minute of the close, when Roehampton secured another point, and the victory by eight to seven. Then followed the encounter between the Old Cantabs—Mr W. McCreery, Mr. F. M. Freake, Mr. W. S. Buckmaster and Captain Godfrey Haseltine (back); and Handley Cross: Mr. H. Rich, Mr. F. Jay Mackey, Mr. C P. Nickalls, and Captain H. Lloyd (back). Early in the match, Mr Buckmaster met with an accident, and had to retire. In reaching for the ball he was struck on the side of the temple by the bit of an opponent's pony, and was rendered unconscious for nearly half an hour, being eventually removed from the field on a stretcher. Mr. F. W. Nickalls took his place in the team. At half time the Cantabs, for whom Mr. Nickalls and Mr. Freake had obtained goals, had an advantage of two to love, and as Mr Freake and Mr. Mackay scored for their respective sides in the second portion of the game, Handley Cross were beaten by three to one

RANELAGH CLUB, BARN ELMS.—The Army Cup Tournament, for which six teams have entered, was commenced at Ranelagh yesterday, when the tie between the 1st and 2nd Life Guards was decided. On the latter side were Mr R. J. L. Ogilby, Lord Montgomerie, Mr. H. C. S. Ashton, and Captain C. C. de Crespigny (back); while the 1st Life Guards were represented by Lord H. Grosvenor, the Hon'ble C. Bellowes, Mr E. H. Brassey, and Captain E. W. Clowes (back). Umpire, Captain Scratchley. After playing for thirty minutes the 2nd Life Guards had an advantage of two goals to love, and they eventually qualified for the next round by four to one. Previous to the above an ordinary match was fought out by the premier Ranelagh quartette and Rugby. Though the turf was in a heavy condition, the game was fast throughout, but the scoring was, contrary to expectations, nearly all on one side, the Rugby contingent failing to show to advantage. During the first three periods Ranelagh scored three goals, and to these they had added four more before Rugby gained what proved to be their solitary point almost on the call of time. Sides: Ranelagh: Captain L. C. D. Jenner, Mr. A. Rawlinson, Mr. F. A Gill, and Mr. H. Scott Robson (back); Rugby: Mr Walter Jones, the Earl of Shrewsbury, Captain E. D. Miller, and Mr. C. D. Miller (back). H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught was present at the enclosure.

GOLF.

SCOTLAND *vs.* ENGLAND.

The annual international golf match between teams of nine aside representing England and Scotland was played over the Royal St. George's Club course at Sandwich on Saturday, the 29th May. Last year, at Muirfield, Scotland were defeated by five matches to four, but on Saturday the tables were turned to the extent of a six matches to three victory for the representatives of the Thistle. Two powerful teams were got together, the Scottish side including Mr. Robert Maxwell, the present holder of the Amateur Championship; Mr. J. E. Laidlay, an ex-holder; and Mr. Mure Fergusson, who has twice, and Mr. J. L. Low, who has once run up for the honour, whilst the English team included three ex-champions in Messrs. John Ball, jun., H. H. Hilton, and H.G. Hutchinson, and one runner-up in Mr. S.H. Fry. Play was, as usual, over 36 holes, and at the end of the first round each side had three matches to its credit, whilst neither team could claim the advantage on the other three.

On restarting the Scotsmen began to draw away, and although later in the second round it looked as if England would pull the match out of the fire, the home side was beaten; but not until two of the games had been carried beyond the eighteenth green Results:—

England.	Matches.	Scotland.	Matches
Mr J Ball, jun...	... 0 *vs.*	Mr R Maxwell	... 1
Mr H H Hilton	... 0 *vs.*	Mr S Mure Fergusson	... 1
Mr H W de Zoete	... 0 *vs.*	Mr J Graham jun	... 1
Mr H G Hutchinson	... 1 *vs.*	Mr J E Laidlay	... 0
Mr J B Pease ...	... 0 *vs.*	Mr C K Hutchison	... 1
Mr S H Fry ...	... 0 *vs.*	Mr E Blackwell	... 1
Mr W H Fowler	... 1 *vs.*	Mr A D Blyth	... 0
Mr H G Castle	... 0 *vs.*	Mr C E Dick	... 1
Mr B Darwin ...	... 1 *vs.*	Mr J L Low	... 0
Total ...	... 3	Total ...	... —



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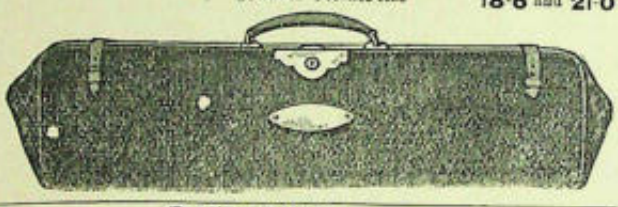
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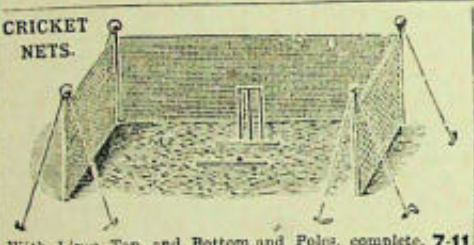
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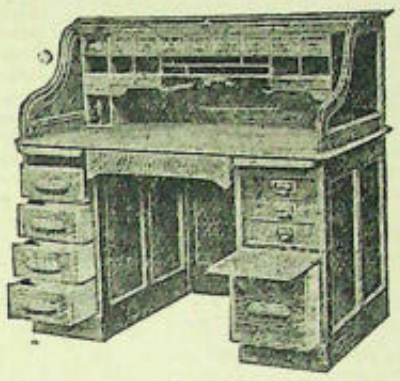
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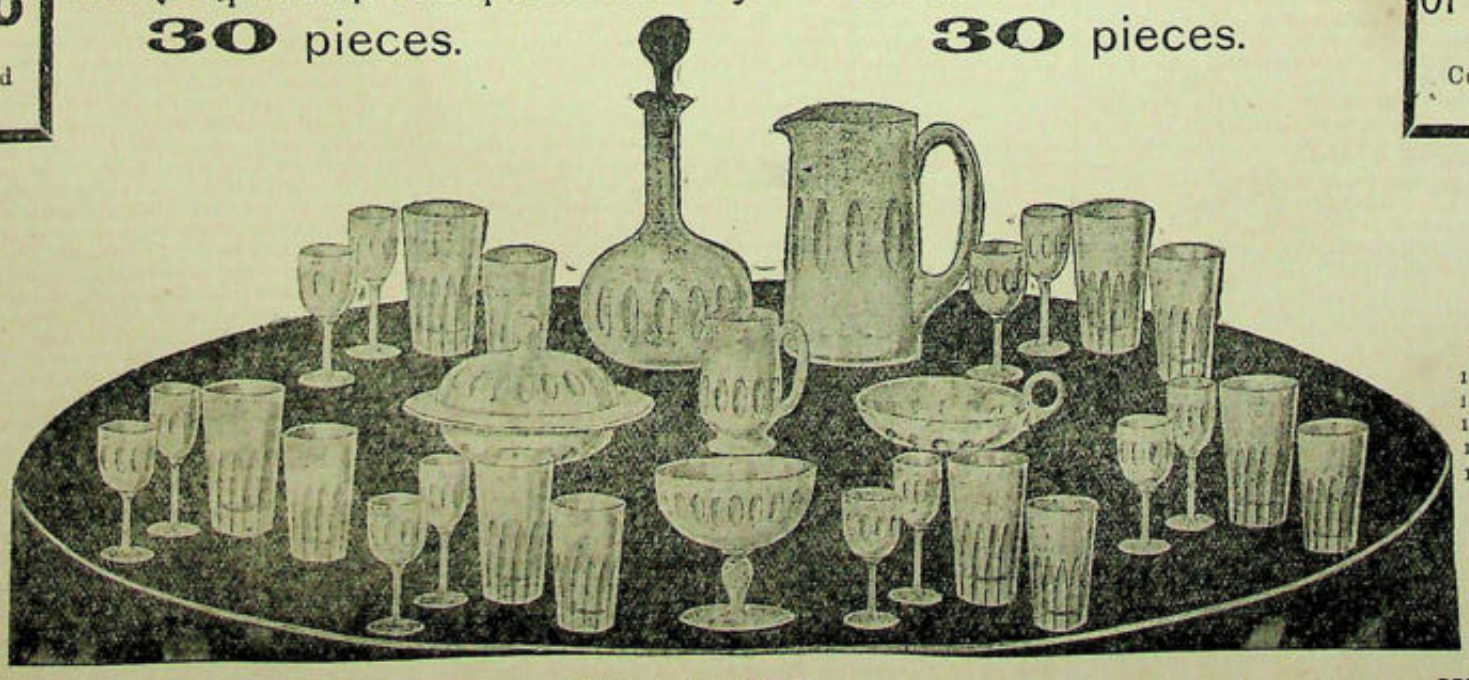
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THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The fifth and sixth rounds of the Amateur Championship were decided on the Royal St. George's Club's links at Sandwich on the 2nd instant, when Walter J. Travis, of Garden City, New York, the United States amateur champion, and Edward Blackwell, the famous St. Andrew's long-driver, qualified to take part in the final tie of 36 holes to-day. That the prominent position taken by the American golfer has created general surprise scarcely needs to be stated. Never before have the leading United States players competed in what is practically the world's amateur championship, and it is indeed remarkable that in their first essay they should have provided a finalist, who, after his performances of yesterday, has become first favourite. Travis disposed of two top-sawyers in H. H. Hilton and H. G. Hutchinson In both matches his driving was very steady, but not exceptionally long. In the approaching and putting, however, he was generally master of the situation. Blackwell had not such difficult tasks to perform, but he disposed of O. C. Bevan and J. E Laidlay in excellent style, and if he be on his long game, he will give the American a great match to-day.

In the semi-final nearly all the spectators followed Travis and Hutchinson. The latter lost the first hole through slicing his drive, but squared at the second, where he laid his pitch dead. Then, however, the American commenced to forge ahead. He ran down a five yards put at the third, and Hutchinson, who had pulled his drive badly, was never in sight of a half. The American made two perfect shots to the fourth, and was down in 4 to 5, and at the fifth after too strong a pitch, he holed a ten yards put for a half in 8. Hutchinson had to get down difficult puts for halves at the next three holes, and at the ninth he became three down, Travis playing a good second shot on to the green and finding the hole in 4. The scores out were :—

Travis. 4, 5, 3, 4, 3, 3, 5, 3, 4—34.
Hutchinson, 5, 4, 5, 5, 3, 3, 5, 3, 5—38.

Coming in Hutchinson regained a hole at the tenth, and looked like reducing his deficit to one at the thirteenth, where Travis duffed his second shot out of the long grass. Hutchinson did not get a clear second shot, but he was farther than the American and he decided to take a brassie, and endeavour to carry the bunkers guarding the green. He took a line too far to the left, and was bunkered. Travis won the hole, and was therefore 3 up with 5 to play. The American laid a pitch out of the bunker dead for a half at the fourteenth, and by dividing the fifteenth, became dormy. He made the better drive to the sixteenth, and getting down in 3 to 4 won the match by 4 up and 2 to play. The scores home were :—

Travis, 6, 5, 5, 6, 5, 5, 3—35 for seven holes.
Hutchinson, 5, 5, 5, 7, 5, 5, 4—36 for seven holes.

Laidlay playing a perfect approach, took the first hole from Blackwell. Three halves followed, and then Blackwell squared at the fifth, where he reached the green from the Tee, while Laidlay was in the rough to the left. Another half followed at the sixth, where both were weak on the green, and then at the seventh where Laidlay lipped a ten yards put for a half Blackwell took the lead for the first time. Laidlay snatched a hard half at the eighth, where he holed and eight yards put for three. After getting into the rough from the Tee, Blackwell took the ninth, thus turning 2 up. He also secured the tenth, but lost the next. A couple of halves were followed by an exchange of holes, and the sixteenth being halved, Blackwell became dormy 2. Blackwell was in the rough to the left of the line going to the seventh, but got out with his mashie to the far edge of the green, and although Laidlay made a plucky effort with a fine approach and a long put, which he laid dead, Blackwell easily effected the necessary half to win by 2 and 1. The scores for seventeen holes were :—

Blackwell (out), 5, 4, 4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 3, 4—37 ; (home), 3, 5, 5, 5, 5, 4, 3, 4—34 ; total, 71.

Laidlay (out), 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 4, 5, 3, 5—39 ; (home), 5 4, 5, 5, 4, 5, 3, 4—35 ; total, 74. Returns :—

FIFTH ROUND.

Edward Blackwell, Royal and Ancient, beat W. E. Fairlie, Royal and Ancient, by 4 and 3.

J. E Laidlay, Hon. Company, beat O. C. Bevan, Royal Ashdown Forest, by 6 and 5.

H. G Hutchinson, Royal North Devon, beat Robert Maxwell, Tantallon, at the 19th hole.

W. J. Travis, Garden City, America, beat H. H. Hilton, Royal Liverpool, by 5 and 4.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND.

E. Blackwell beat J. E Laidlay by 2 and 1. W. J. Travis beat H. G. Hutchinson by 4 and 2.

I have just time to give you the result of the final, the post closing in less than 20 minutes. Travis beat Blackwell. Doubtless your Special Golf Correspondent will deal more fully with the Tournament.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

LAST Saturday (11th) the annual Hunt Breakfast took place at the Club. Their Excellencies the Governor and Mrs. Thomson were present, and there were nearly 150 guests. Hounds met at the Club at 9-45 and there was a very large field out. Brooklands was the first draw and here hounds spoke to a line. They could make nothing of it however. The morning was fine, but very windy, and this made it difficult to hear what was happening. No jack was viewed away and we went on to Rocky Covert which was blank. We then crossed the stream to Lawley's Course and drew on up Rawlings' Nullah, at the top of which hounds picked up a line which took us into Blue Gums. Here, however, Captain Fife, the Master, stopped hounds, considering that it was not the sort of morning for Woodland hunting. He there drew down Black Moor Vale and when we were half way down a jack jumped up at the top of Newmarket Hounds were drawing on a very wide front, and those on the left got away close behind the jack with a lead which the rest of the pack were never able to make up. They raced him over the top of Newmarket and down the side of Rawlings' Nullah, across the stream and up into Staircase, which he reached with hounds at his brush. Here there was a check and it is possible that we may have changed on to another jack, but hounds hunted through Staircase and came out above Herbert Plantation and then on to Briar Shola, where they checked again and the Master stopped them. As it was now getting late hounds were taken home. In spite of the fact that there were several jungle sheep about in Staircase, and the fact that the howling wind made it impossible to hear anything, we were only 1½ couple short out of the 25 couple we had out many of which were puppies.

On Monday (13th) a fairly large field were out at the meet at Sheffield Corner. The morning was cloudy with mist showery and rather windy. We first drew the covert just beyond Andy Plantation and hounds came away on a rather cold scent. They puzzled this out across the swamp below and turned, hunting slowly towards Parsons' Valley. They soon checked and as the field was pressing them it was a few minutes before the Master could get their noses down and hit off the line again. When we got going again we had some beautiful slow hunting across the head waters of the Krurmund stream and then up towards the back of Governor's Shola swinging to the right the pace improved until they marked the jack to ground in a nullah below the Krurmund path. The earth was a big one and two couplé of hounds got in at one end whereupon the jack bolted at the other end and was killed. Another jack bolted immediately afterwards and slipped away while hounds were busy and we then dug down to the hounds underground and found that they had killed another jack in the earth. The weather was now so wild that the Master turned back to Rally Wood which we drew blank. We picked up a line just outside however, and a capital run followed. As soon as hounds had settled to it they ran at a great pace over the top of Newmarket and down the long spur parallel to Rawlings' Nullah, over the stream and up to Staircase. Turning to the right they ran straight through and Captain Fife reached the top of Herbert Plantation just as they came away. Keeping along the ridge they ran through Briar Shola, crossed the Pykara Road and streamed away over the hill past Bacon Wood. A momentary check occurred close to Windy Gap, but they hit it off again across the road and then turned for Winlock Wood. Through this they stuck to the jack and crossed to Khed Shola just short of which a herd of buffaloes were across the line. We were not able to hunt our jack a yard beyond and had to give him up. This was a very fast gallop.

The meet on Thursday morning was at the Kundal Cross Road at 7 A.M. It was a nice hunting morning and the country was wet after rain. We first moved off to draw Mills' Covert and before reaching it—when just over the nullah below Bagman—hounds picked up a line. They hunted over the spur into Mills Covert, through the covert and out at the top and then went away very fast up Blackmoor Vale. On reaching Rally Wood the jack ran straight up to the left of the Potato Field and then cross the Krurmund Road to Monkey Shola. Here, instead of turning down hill as usual, he swung to the left, broke at the top of Monkey Shola and again crossing the road, sported the side of Jackal Shola and re-entered Rally Wood. Without a pause he went on over the hill to Blue Gums, ran straight through on the Forest Fire Line and came out at the bottom, whence he set his head for Staircase. Up to this the pace had been fast enough, but with the jack running up-wind across the valley it now became tremendous and it was impossible to get near hounds. Turning into Staircase the jack ran the usual line and emerged on the saddle above Herbert Plantation. Half way up the ride in Staircase the Master's horse collapsed from exhaustion and lay unable to move. After a few minutes Major Short came up and lent Captain Fife a pony on which he was able to follow the line hounds had gone. They ran along the ridge to Briar Shola and through it and then went on *viâ* Windy Gap and Wapshare's Hare Shola to Wenlock Wood. Here the jack turned across the road to Chemmund at which point the Master came up again and seeing two fresh jacks on foot stopped the body of the pack. But the leading hounds were on, and as has been since ascertained, forced the hunted jack away at the west end of Chemmund, hunted him through the bottom of Dormer Wood and finally marked him to ground in an earth between Dormer Wood and the Pykara River. The distance measured in a straight line on the map from the point where we found to the place where the jack got to ground is five miles, but taking into consideration the large ring which we ran early in the run the actual distance cannot have been less than nine miles and there was no check or any sign that we changed jacks during the run. Scent was very good. We then drew homewards without finding again.

BLUE GUM.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT DARJEELING.

THE STATION *vs.* COMBINED SCHOOLS.—This match between The Station and the pick of St Joseph's College and St. Paul's School was perhaps the best game we have had here this season. The match was all the more interesting as The Station was trying a "colt" in Maharaj Kumar Victor Narayan, the second son of the Maharaja of Cooch Behar. The young Kumar gave a most gratifying display at all points of the game, with the bat, with the ball, and in the field. He compiled the top score for his side, and his 67 was free from blemish, never giving a chance, but the one which disposed of him in the slips. His style was most graceful and the variety of strokes he employed evoked much applause from the pavilion. His driving was powerful, and a couple of leg glances which went for boundaries showed that he played with confidence all round the wicket. The game should have been a drawn one, but instead of drawing stumps at 5-30 The Station" agreed to play to a finish. This sporting decision cost them the match, for Mr. Maddox's wicket went down when but 7 runs were required to win. As usual the Schools fielded brilliantly and The Station score was hardly earned. But The Station's fielding was poor. F. Singleton should have been out when he had made 5 and the mistake cost The Station 91, which, of course, meant the match. For the Schools F. Singleton, Bryan, and Shaw did most execution with the bat, the latter putting up his 27 in less than 20 minutes, while P. Singleton bowled with most success. For The Station Mr. Cousins batted patiently for his 53, and Mr. Uzielli scored his 29 byhard hitting, seven boundaries and one single, and Mr. Murray compiled a careful 26 when runs were badly wanted. Mr. Mytton, did not come off. His first ball he hit out of the grounds, his second ball he smote almost into the pavilion, and his third ball he sent skywards, which on its discent was cleverly held by the smart Beale in the long field. Mr Clayton Daubeny despite a bad sprain he contracted at Polo, bowled with some of his old sting, and the three wickets he took went to beautiful balls with tremendous break. Mr. Maddox bowled in his usual alluring style, and some of the most tempting balls were accepted with fatal results Mr. Mytton was very quick at the wicket his only mistake being when he let off F. Singleton already referred to. The following were the scores :—

COMBINED SCHOOLS.

L Bryan (St Joseph's), b Daubeny	...	56
P Singleton (St Joseph's), b Daubeny	...	7
P Singleton (St Joseph's), st Mytton, b Maddox	...	96
A F Snarling (St Paul's), b Maddox	...	11
C Stubbs (St Joseph's), c Cousins, b Victor Narayan	...	13
F August (St Paul's) c Dyer, b Clarke	...	15
P Gahan (St Joseph's), b Daubeny	...	1
W Shaw (St Paul's), c Victor Narayan, b Maddox	...	27
D Badham (St Paul's), c Mytton, b Maddox	...	2
J Beale (St Paul's), st Mytton, b Maddox	...	0
F Ryan (St Joseph's), not out	...	2
Extras	...	16
Total	...	246

THE STATION.

Mr A J Cousins, c Shaw, b P Singleton	...	53
Mr E L Hammond, c Badham, b Ryan	...	17
Kumar Victor Narayan, c August, b P Singleton	...	67
Mr B L Clarke, b P Singleton	...	1
Mr D S Murray, c Shaw, b Ryan	...	26
Mr U T J Uzielli, c Shaw, b August	...	29
Mr H F Mytton, c Beale, b P Singleton	...	6
Mr B A S Dyer, b August	...	4
Mr F M Browne, c P Singleton, b Ryan	...	4
Mr C R C Daubeny, not out	...	6
Mr S L Maddox, b P Singleton	...	5
Extras	...	22
Total	...	240

CRICKET AT SIMLA.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—Played at Simla, on the 16th instant, and was left unfinished. The Military batted first and put up 210, McConaghey (78) and Mitchell (57) playing good cricket. The Civil lost six wickets for 152, of which French was responsible for 102. This player was given out in his first over by the wrong umpire for a catch: the umpire at the bowler's end decided it a catch from a bump ball and French, resuming his innings, carried his bat for 102. Score.—

MILITARY.

General Spens, b Robinson	21
Mr Mitchell, c Robinson, b Lumsden	57
Mr Walton, c and b Sparke	17
Mr Onslow, c Tippinge, b Sparke	1
Mr Smallwood, b Hensman	9
Mr McConaghey, b Robinson	78
Mr Stokes, l-b-w., b Hensman	11
Mr Hobday, b Hensman	1
Mr Birch, c and b Lumsden	0
Mr Stainforth, st French, b Hensman	2
Mr C Fox, b Lumsden	0
Mr Vidal, not out	7
Extras	6
Total	210

CIVIL.

Mr French, not out	102
Mr Robinson, c Smallwood, b Hobday	23
Mr O F Lumsden, b Mitchell	2
Mr Sparke, run out	7
Mr Coxon, b Birch	4
Mr Anderson, c Birch, b Stainforth	8
Mr F A Robertson, run out	1
Mr Hensman, Mr Tipping, Mr Fox, Mr Osborne, Mr Henry	Did not bat.
Extras	5
Total	152

CRICKET AT POONA.

FIRST XI. *vs.* NEXT XX. The Poona cricket season opened on the 16th instant with this match which ended in a draw. The XX went in first and knocked up 208 for 17 wickets, Thew being top scorer with 30, and Thornton and Usher next 29 each. The X put up 161, Mr. B. M. Carroll contributing 49. Capt. Greig still retains his old form; he scored 38 and retired. Scores :—

TWENTY.

Mr W Brackenbury, b Greig	4
Capt F Jeune, b Greig	2
Mr G Thornton, c substitute, b Bayford	29
Capt F D'Davidson, b Bayford	2
Mr O C Herbert c Col Stevens, b Greig	18
Mr S Usher, st Kearsey, b Greig	29
Capt Holbrooke, l-b-w, b Bayford	0
Maj-Genl Richardson, b Col Stevens	18
Capt Lucas, b Hazelton	11
Capt Meynell, b Greig	4
Mr A D Wilkins, c Greig, b Col Stevens	19
Mr A Boxwell, b Carroll	13
Mr A V Thew c Carroll, b Col Stevens	30
Capt J M Bruce, b Col Stevens	8
Mr J Shaw, b Col Stevens	8
Mr J Sladen, b Col Hazelton	2
Mr H Gordon, b Col Hazelton	0
Mr A W Hooper not out	
Col Bell, Maj Hale	Did not bat
Extras	11
Total	208

ELEVEN.

Capt Greig (retired)	28
Maj Leslie, b Davidson	8
Mr B M Carroll, c and b Thornton	49
Mr A J Kennedy (retired)	33
Col Stevens (retired)	16
Capt Hopwood, Mr F H French, Mr Kearsey, Capt Bayford, Mr Lyon, Col Hazelton	Did not bat.
Extras	17
Total	161

CRICKET CHAT.

THE Gharial Flats have recently been the scene of two cricket matches which should have more than an ordinary interest for cricket lovers throughout India by reason of the number of old public school players who participated in them, as well as the high scoring that marked both matches. The King's Royal Rifles, a regiment which despite a three years' residence in India spent at Kaldana, Rawalpindi, and Gharial is comparatively unknown in the Indian cricket world outside the North-West Frontier Province, furnished the chief interest in these matches. At the present time, I do not think there is another regiment in India that could put quite such a strong batting side in the field and if any one doubts my assertion let him glance at the names of the cricketing officers of the corps. First there is G. Cookson, the old Harrovian who in 1899 was third in the Harrow batting averages with 34·18 for 11 innings (aggregate 376, highest score 85), and in 1900 headed the averages with the excellent figures of 40·63 for the same number of innings (aggregate 447, highest score 89) and who last cold weather added his name to the list of batsmen who have made 200 runs in an innings in India. Then there are the two old Etonians, F. O. Grenfell and E. B. Denison who were contemporaries in the Eton XI. of 1899. The first named headed the batting averages with 40·7 for 9 innings (once not out) and an aggregate of 327 (highest score 136). Denison was fifth in the averages with 23·9 for 12 innings (twice not out), his aggregate being 239 and his highest score 52. This does not by any means exhaust the list of batsmen available as there is Major H. R. Blore, an old Marlborough boy who was in the 1889 XI. There are also Major C. S. Chaplin, R. N. Abadie, Captain E. F. Ward, B. J. Curling, R. H Willan, and F. G. Willan, quite a formidable array of batsmen. The first of the two matches mentioned was between the King's Royal Rifles and the Changla Galli Musketry Class and was remarkable for the manner in which the class

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snatched a victory against time. The Rifles had compiled 310 runs, towards which Major Blore contributed 102 and F. O. Grenfell 65, the latter having to retire with his shoulder out.

The Musketry Class who had such good batsmen as Captain Taylor, Alleyne, Keen and Jackson assisting them created quite a sensation by knocking off the 60 runs they had to make to win during the last half hour. The second match was between the Rifles and the Wiltshire Regiment and here again the scoring was heavy, both sides making over 300 runs the Rifles eventually winning by nine wickets. The chief feature of the game was the magnificent display of R N. Abadie, who made a century for the Rifles.

The first century of the Naini Tal season has I notice, been made by J. Campbell, who compiled 123 not out for Captain Barlow's team *vs.* Lieutenant Colonel Goodwyn's team in a scratch match arranged after the match with Ranikhet. Among other players who scored well were P. T. Hanbury (69), Major H. G. Stainforth (39), Captain Hon'ble F. E Guest (35), and V. A Coaker (52).

Mention of old public school players reminds me that at no time in the history of Indian cricket have the large public schools ever been so strongly represented. Nearly all the principal schools could place elevens in the field at the present time, elevens too composed entirely of players who got their colours. A few years ago, about four I think, I made an attempt to compile a full list of public school players in India and although the result was a list fairly complete if not absolutely accurate there were only two or three schools with as many as eleven representatives in India. Eton I remember had four, but has now fourteen. Some of the best bats turned out by the school in recent years are among these, and as names of prominent public school cricketers are always of interest to cricket lovers I append the names of the fourteen in question:—C. T. Studd, C. W. Foley, Major Hon'ble T. W. Brand, Captain F. C. France-Hayhurst, Captain J. S. Unthank, Major A W. F. Baird, Captain M. H. Tristram, Captain F. C. Pilkington, H. W. Kettlewell, C. T. Aden, Hon'ble G. W. S Cadogan, G. A. Akers-Douglas, F. O. Grenfell, and E. B. Denison. Not much doubt about the batting strength of an eleven selected from the above-mentioned players, two of whom, however—Akers-Douglas and Unthank—got their colours as twelfth men.

I have splendid news from Bombay regarding the prospects of the Presidency and it now seems fairly certain that the Parsees will have to fight all they know if they wish to repeat their performances of last year. Personally I do not think they will be strong enough to defeat the Presidency teams they are likely to meet this year for they will have the famous Captain J. G. Greig to reckon with, his recent return to Poona from Somaliland being the cause of my jubilation. Besides Greig the Presidency will have the services of Captain L M. R Deas, who returns to India next month from England, where he has been on leave. He will be stationed at Poona, which station will have a stronger team than has been the case for some years. Greig, Deas, Carroll, Mc'onogh, Kennedy, Langton, Lyon, Kearsey, and Umfreville with two others, probably Colonel E. H. Hazelton and J. Monteath, will form a very powerful combination. Greig, Deas, Medonogh and Hazelton furnishing the attack. The Parsees with the exception that A.A Mehta will be available will depend on very much the same side that did duty last year. Anyhow it is certain that Mistry, Meherhomji Pavir, Balsara, Daruwalla, Raja senior, and the brothers Kanga will again don flannels and probably Kapadia the young bowler who met with success in the Poona match last year.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

CALCUTTA *vs.* KING'S OWN.—This match was played on the 15th instant on the King's Own Regiment's ground. The soldiers were defeated by five goals to one. They started off at a great pace and the opening exchanges were all in their favour. Ennis got away and opened the scoring. Then Calcutta pulled themselves together and it was not long before H Sherman had equalised after a capital run. Continuing to press Calcutta put on another goal before the interval and crossed over with the lead. Playing a sound game, they had all the best of the second moiety and, three more goals being added by Crawford V. Sherman and H. Cooper the visitors won easily by five to one as stated.

RANGERS *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—Played on the Dalhousie ground on the 15th instant, resulting in a draw. The first half was very evenly contested and the teams crossed over without score. Soon after resuming a penalty against the Rangers gave the home team a chance and Prike did the needful. The visitors were not long in equalising, Pollock putting through shortly before time. Teams:—

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Stimson and Templeton, *backs*; Dalling, Butler and Phelps, *half-backs*; Prike, Bonar, Campbell, Stewart and Holley, *forwards*.

RANGERS—Behrends, *goal*; Margrett and Anderson, *backs*; Allcock, Lees and Russell, *half-backs*; Mellay, Rosser, Mulholland, Pollock and Vears, *forwards*.

Referee.—Sergt. Morell.

RANGERS *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—This match was played on the Rangers' ground on Saturday, the 18th instant, a evenly contested game resulting in a pointless draw. The Young Men had rather the best of the first half, but were unable to score. After the interval the Rangers played up, but missed several opportunities of scoring, the game ending as stated. Teams:—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal*; Margrett and Anderson, *backs*; Bollard, Lees and Russell *half-backs*; Mullholand, Pollock, Rosser, McClay and Vears, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A.—Kay, *goal*; Stokes and Lamb, *backs*; Schaumberg, Pooler and Collingwood, *half-backs*; Price; Dwyer, Scully Gordon and Redmond, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. D. L. Walker.

HOWRAH *vs* KING'S OWN.—The Fort team went across the river last Saturday and defeated Howrah by four goals to *nil*. The opening exchanges were very even. Howrah forced a corner and had hard lines in not scoring. Then the King's Own began to show up and Carman opened the scoring. Diggle adding a second goal soon after. Crossing over with the lead the soldiers attacked and Howrah was kept on the defensive till the end of the game. Diggle scored the third and Walton the fourth goal for the King's Own Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Sinker, *goal*; Standish and Mellor, *backs*; Quinn Ennis and Leonard, *half-backs*; Diggle, Walton, Jones, Carman and Wittingham, *forwards*.

HOWRAH.—Powell, *goal*; Curtis and Annett, *backs*; Morrow Wood and Hart, *half-backs*; Kerr, Burns, O'Neil, Echlin and Smith, *forwards*.

Referee:—Sergeant Marsh

CALCUTTA *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—A large crowd witnessed this match on the Dalhousie ground on the 18th instant. Although the turf was heavy, play was interesting. The homesters rushed down at the start, but Baker relieved and Calcutta got in some good runs. Templeton transferred the ball to the other end, and play ruled even for a space, then the visitors pressed again but were unsuccessful and half time arrived without any score. On resuming Dalhousie kept the Calcutta custodian busy, but Vlasto gave a good display and they could not get past him. The visitors next got away and Smith scored. Fast play followed and Dalhousie sent in a hard one which Vlasto cleared A goal was claimed on the score that the ball had been cleared after it had crossed the line, but Mr. Wilder decided in favour of Calcutta. It has been stated in some quarters that the referee was not on the spot and so unable to judge; but as a matter of fact he was standing close up, actually on the goal line, and was perhaps in a better position than any one else to decide the point. Teams:—

CALCUTTA.—Vlasto, *goal*; Baker and Badham, *backs*; Ansell, Crawford and Maunder, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, Macdonald, V. Cooper, Stuart and Smith, *forwards*.

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Stimson and Templeton, *backs*; Phelps, Dalling and Evans, *half-backs*; Holley, Stewart, Campbell, Bonar and Prike, *forwards*.

Referee:— Mr. P. Willder.

CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE.

On the 18th instant the 79th R. G. A. beat the Hornets by four goals to *nil*. St. Josephs defeated the Caledonians by three goals to one; and the match between Sibpur and the Measurers proved a walk over for the former who won by no less than eight goals to *nil*.

FOOTBALL NOTES

The 61th Royal Artillery visited Howrah on the 14th to play their return League match against United Club, but could not repeat their former victory. The game was a very poor one to watch, neither side having out a representative eleven. Howrah had most of the game, but made a very poor display of shooting. The inside men were well fed by Kerr and O'Neil, and Wood played a strong game at centre half and the visiting forwards worked well together, but neither side could make more than one goal, and the game therefore ended in a draw. Wood is said to be leaving Calcutta this week, and if this is so, Howrah will lose not only their best player, but one of the keenest footballers and all-round sportsmen the Club has ever had.

In this match the 61th Royal Field Artillery made their last appearance in the League, the team having since scratched from all their engagements owing to their inability to get an eleven together With the exception of one incident, which was dealt with by the I. F. A., the Royal Artillery have always played a nice game, and it is a pity they have been unable to continue playing. In case any misconstruction may be put on their withdrawal I have been asked to state that it is in no way due to Bombardier Corby's suspension after their match against the Y. M. C. A. By Rule 14 of the League Competition none of the games already played against the Royal Artillery will count so Calcutta, the King's Own, Dalhousie, and the Y. M. C. A. will come down two points, the Rangers four points and the West Ridings one, and the Calcutta and King's Own goal averages will also be lowered.

Dalhousie had slightly the better of their return match with the Rangers, but could only get past Behrend from a penalty kick, and the Rangers managing to score one goal also the game ended in a draw. Bonar was ordered off the field in this match, but after enquiry he was allowed to play again on Saturday, when he helped Dalhousie considerably against Calcutta.

The King's Own Calcutta match was watched by an enormous crowd, and play was extremely fast and interesting throughout. At the start the civilians seemed all at sixes and sevens and rather nervous, and Carman soon opened the scoring for the military. After this, however, Calcutta pulled themselves together and after an excellent piece of play, H. Sherman scored from the right. Hardly had the ball been restarted when H. Cooper, who was playing an exce lent game at centre, notched another point for his side, amid great applause, and although the King's Own had the best of the remainder of the first half the score at half time was unaltered. The Calcutta men seemed very fatigued at half time, and it looked as though the military would give them a lot of trouble in the second half, but they came up to scratch in great style and played the best game seen this season. Crawford put in the third goal for his side, V. Sherman scored the fourth and H. Cooper the fifth from a penalty and the soldiers were absolutely demoralised. The concluding stages showed, as was anticipated, that the King's Own cannot play a losing game. Fouls were numerous and the referee's whistle seemed to be going continuously and the spectators at any rate were glad when "time" arrived. The Calcutta back division played a great game, against which even such excellent forwards as those of the King's own could do nothing, and of the forwards H. Cooper and V. Sherman were conspicuous. The soldiers goalkeeper seemed rather off color, but Dodds made a brilliant if at times somewhat risky, display for the civilians. The result of this match brought Calcutta to the top of the League, a position which they thoroughly deserve; they will, however, have to work very hard to retain their supremacy.

The last few games played by the King's Own have had a very disastrous effect on their goal average. A fortnight ago it was 22 to 1, whereas now it is less than 3 to 1.

The Rangers could make no headway against the Y. M. C. A. on Saturday in spite of having impressed into their service three men from the 93rd Highlanders. The home team had heaps of chances, but their new men do not seem to be able to shoot, and the game ended in a pointless draw. It is a pity the Rangers have been unable to withstand the "pot-hunting" tendencies of the times and it cannot but be mortifying to the executive responsible for the introduction of the military element into this old civilian team to see that the eleven is not playing nearly so well together now as before this innovation.

The Lancasters had no difficulty in disposing of Howrah by four goals to *nil*. The United Club had out a good team and played up well, but the combination of the military was too good for them.

Calcutta were very lucky in securing two points from Dalhousie on Saturday. The game was watched by a big crowd, and when it was seen that Calcutta were playing without H. Cooper, V. Sherman, Todd and Dodds, the general opinion was that the Trades Club would win. The exchanges were very even in the first half, first one side showing up and then the other, and both goalkeepers had a fair amount of work. At the commencement of the second half Calcutta pressed and Baker having placed the ball almost into the Dalhousie goal from a free kick, Stuart and Smith rushed it through. From now till time Dalhousie had the best of it, but the excellent defence of the visitors' halves kept them from scoring, though at one time a scramble on the Calcutta goal line looked to have resulted in a goal. The referee, however, was on the spot and

had no doubt that the ball had not gone over the line, but Calcutta had a narrow escape. With four of their best men absent Calcutta were rather weak, and though Vlasto in goal was an excellent substitute for Dodds the other three absentees were badly wanted. V. Cooper played centre forward and acquitted himself very well, but Badham who took his place at back was not in form. Crawford, Ansell and Maunder in the half line played an excellent game throughout and were in fact the mainstay of the team The Dalhousie team played extremely well, but were weak in shooting—Boner, Phelps and Stimson were perhaps most prominent.

It is a pity that all the League clubs cannot make such excellent arrangements for keeping the crowd off the ground as those made by the Dalhousie executive on Saturday. The crowding of spectators over the touch lines is an unmitigated nuisance to everybody, and it was hoped at the beginning of the season that all clubs would endeavour to enforce the new rules drawn up by the League Committee to meet such cases: but only in a very few instances have proper steps been taken with the consequence that matters are now just as bad as they were last year. Surely it should not be considered *infradig* for three or four members of the home club to lend a hand to keep the crowd back, and even if it were the men from the Fort are always ready to help when asked.

A proposal is on foot for the arrangement of a Civil *vs.* Military match to take place on the 9th July after the completion of the League Competition. This fixture, in which great interest used to be taken, has been allowed to drop during the last two years, and the League Committee are to be congratulated on their endeavour to revive it. The 'gate" will of course be for charity, and as the prices of admission will, I understand, be only half those charged for the annual I. F. A. charity match, it is to be hoped the venture will meet with great support. The I. F. A. have welcomed the proposal, and the match will come off under their patronage. It is to be hoped the Selection Committees will get together two really representative teams from the League clubs.

The I. F. A. have held their annual meeting, and Mr. Rope, the Honorary Secretary of the League, now joins Mr. Pritchard as Joint-Honorary Secretary Both these gentlemen are extremely keen on doing everything possible to further the interests of football and will we may be sure, do all they can to make this year's Shield Tournament as successful as those of previous years. An innovation has been made in the fixing of dates for the playing of all I. F. A. matches. This year *each* match will be played on a date to be fixed by the Council, the idea being to do away with the playing of all the matches in each round on the last day of the round, which in the past has led to endless confusion, especially in the case of drawn games. It is to be hoped this innovation will work all right, and that the draw will favour good matches on Saturdays.

The League clubs stood as follows on Saturday, the 18th—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals. For	Goals. Against.
Calcutta ...	9	7	1	1	15	18	5
King's Own ...	9	7	2	0	14	26	9
West Ridings ...	7	5	2	0	10	12	5
Rangers ...	8	3	2	3	9	9	9
Y. M. C. A. ...	8	1	5	2	4	2	17
Dalhousie ...	9	1	6	2	4	4	9
Howrah ...	8	0	6	2	2	2	19

"TOUCH."

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE BOMBAY MEDAL.—Played at Guindy on the 4th and 11th instant one round (12 holes) each day, against Colonel Bogey whose score was fixed at 5, 4, 4, 6, 4, 5, 5, 4, 4, 6, 4, 5=56. The medal was won by Mr. J M. Brown. The following are the scores:—

	1st Round.	2nd Round	Total.
J. M. Brown (scr.) ...	... 1 up	3 down	2 down
A. M. Urquhart (5) ...	... 1 up	4 "	3 "
Col Benson, I.M.S. (scr)	... 4 down	2 "	6 "
E P. Corlett (3) ...	... 3 "	3 "	6 "
F. M. Robinson (4) ...	... 1 "	5 "	6 "
R. Meredith (7) ..	... 1 "	6 "	7 "
C. R. T. Balston (5) ...	... 5 "	4 "	9 "
D. Dewar (7) ...	... 4 "	7 "	11 "

Messrs. J. P. Davidson, F. E. Hooper O. J. Sykes, J A. Robertson, J. Wilson, and Captain T. H Baker, retired.

THE FOURSOMES.—The following are the results of this competition, 6 holes, Island links, match play, handicap:—
O. J. Sykes and F. A. Dene (4) Beat C. R. T. Balston and J. A. Robertson (4) by 4 and 3.
J. M. Brown and J. B Bilderbeck (1) beat A. P. Symonds and Captain T. H. Baker (4) by a hole.
D. Dewar and J. Wilson (5) beat C. E. Ross and Major R. M. Bell (3) by 3 and 2 after a tie.
Brown and Bilderbeck beat Dewar and Wilson by 3 and 1.
Brown and Bilderbeck beat Sykes and Dene by 4 and 2.

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CALCUTTA MEDAL.—Played on the 11th instant under wretched weather conditions. Only eleven competitors returned scores: the best are given below. Medal play. One round of 18 holes under handicap. Winner will be holder of the Calcutta Medal for one year, and will receive a Club Medal. A club prize value Rs. 25 to go to the player returning the second best score. Play in the Calcutta Medal also counts for the Gold Medal for best aggregate scratch score at the S. W. and N.-E. monsoon meetings, *viz.*, Calcutta Medal and quarterly Silver Medal at the former, and Lady McLeod vase and club gold scratch Medal at the latter.

	Gross Score.	H'cap.	Nett Score.
R. J. Scott ...	93	15	78
T. P. Simpson ...	86	6	8
H. T. S. Ward ...	87	8	81
W. G. McBean ...	90	8	2

Lieut.-Col. Parry Okeden, Turnworth, Dorset, has in his possession an elephant's tooth, partially decayed. The animal belonged to his father, who was in the East Indian Civil Service at Moradabad, and as the tooth caused the animal so much pain that it interfered with its eating, his father, with the assistance of the mahout's son sitting on the elephant's head, and telling him to be quiet, extracted the tooth by means of hammer, iron bar, and rope. The grateful animal used to like to have his gums dressed with tow and gin for days after the operation. As this happened before 1842 no anæsthetic could have been used.

GOLF AT KARACHI.

AFFINITY MATCH.—This match by medal play was brought off on the Gentlemen's Links on the 16th instant. The conditions were—only two, but any two, clubs to be used by each competitor. Eight couples entered with the following result:—

Names.	Gross Score.	H'cap.	Nett Score.
Mrs P Jones & Mr Davidson — ...	63	3	60
Miss McKenzie & Mr D Miller ...	65	4	61
Mrs D Miller & Mr Peterkin ...	65	3	62
Mrs Lang & Mr Lang ...	70	7	63
Mrs Thackeray & Major Cummings ...	75	11	64
Mrs Advani & Mr Cummings .. —	72	8	64
Mrs Lowsley & Capt Lowsley ...	82	12	70
Miss Thackeray and Mr Creagh ...	95	10	85

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

26th May 1904.

SO many events are taking place every day and all day now, that it is hard to discriminate and pick out the most interesting for notes, for is there not an old saw "What is one man's meat is another man's poison," so that what vitally interests A does not concern B. one jot and *vice versâ*! Perhaps first and foremost in importance ranks the Irish Native Championship under the auspices of the Irish Golfing Union, which has been held at Portmarnock, preceded by the annual inter-provincial match between Leinster and Ulster, when the former easily defeated the latter with teams of 15 a-side. In the Stroke Competition which with most Championship meetings takes place prior to the Tournament, Mr. R. A. Campbell (Malahide) tied with 84+2=86 - for first place with Mr. R J. Hewitte (Malone) 89 - 3=86. Thirty-two couples entered for the Tournament, and the play was of a every first class order. In the second round, W. H. A. Boyd was taken to the 19th hole when he beat the Hon'ble E. Gibson, and Mr. W. H. Boyd only got the better of Mr. G. C. Green on the 21st green. In the third round the holder (Mr. Harold Reade), was beaten by Mr. T. Henshaw In the fourth and fifth rounds the following passed away: Mr. Henshaw, Mr. P. M Watson, Mr J. L. Morgan and Mr. Jennings. The semi-final round drew large crowds of spectators and was played in perfect weather. Chief interest centered in the match between Mr. Boyd, Mr Inglis, the former being 2 up at the time, by the following figures: 4, 4, 5, 5, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4=37. At the 15th hole he was dormy and a half at the 16th gave him the match. Mr. Todd won somewhat easily from Mr. Hewitte by 5 and 4.

In the final, consisting of 36 holes, Mr. H. A. Boyd defeated Mr. J. P. Todd by 4 up and 2 to play.

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The meeting of Professional Golfers Association to discuss the question of handicapping, in the Association Tournament is to be held at Sandwich prior to the Open Championship and should be a very largely attended meeting. The great feature in the competition recently held at the West Middlesex Club was the introduction of handicaps and it will be proposed at the forth coming meeting that in future tournaments of the Association certain leading competitors be made *plus*, and that all others start from scratch. The formal opening of the new course of the Ardross Club took place on Saturday, 21st May. Mrs. Burns of Kilmahey drove the first ball, after which Willie Ferme of Troon and Ben Sayers of North Berwick played in 18 hole match, which was won by the Troon man by 3 and 2.

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The Rules of Golf Committee are certainly not allowed to enjoy a sinecure and have very recently published a series of discussions on points sent to them from all parts of the golfing world and of which many would be of interest to players of both sexes Clear and well worded as are the code of rules now in force, there must inevitably arise from time to time some question on which apparently none of the rules have any decisive bearing, and it is of course quite impossible to provide against all the unlikely things which may and now and again *do* happen in this game of games—hence the use and office of the Rules Committee!

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The formal opening of the Walton Heath Club, where Blaid has not taken up his quarters, by a 3-ball match between Vardon, Taylor and the Local Man, adds another to the many good courses round the Metropolis. The making of the course itself cost, it is stated by one in authority, £10,000. Mr. W. Herbert Fowler is the energetic and capable Honorary Secretary of the Club, and with so experienced an official and such a player an Blaid the success of the venture is almost a foregone conclusion.

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2nd June 1904.

Of course the Whitsuntide holiday meetings have monopolised the attention of Golfers to the exclusion of all else. For England the weather was good and low scoring was the order of the day At Sandwich the enormous entry of 112 players for the St. George's Challenge Vase on Friday, 29th May, rendered the competition so unwieldy and caused so much congestion of the Links, that play was perforce extended over a far longer period than usual. Among the competitors were the Amateur Champion (Mr. Robert Maxwell), the Americans W. J Travis and Mr Byers (with whom Mr. Maxwell was partnered). J. Ball, Junior, the Champion, was somewhat inconvenienced by the large crowd who followed him and although he did the first round in 83 he did not complete his second round. The feature of the day's play was the fine form shown by Mr. John Graham, Junior, the star of the Graham family is just now in the ascendant) who with scores of 98+76=154 constituted himself the holder of the vase for the ensuing 12 months. Next to him came Mr. S. Mure-Ferguson with 79+80=159. Another margin of 4 strokes between Miss and Mr. Edward Blackwell's 163, and then the scores came thick and fast on top of one another. At the Royal St. George's Club, Sandwich, the Whitsuntide Meeting was brought to a close on Tuesday, 24th May, when in the semi-final round Mr. P. Robertson-Walker (6) beat Mr. V. A. Pollock (+1) by 3 up and 2 Mr H. E Acklom (8) w. o., Mr. E. Martin Smith (+1) scratched. Final: Mr. Acklom beat Mr. Robertson-Walker by 2 and 1.

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Sir Walter Foster had a round recently over the old course at St. Andrew's with old Tom Morris. The play of the veteran was very remarkable, giving Sir Walter third, he beat him by 2 and 1, going out old Tom took 46 and coming back in 48 he did the round in 94. In the ordinary course of events a player takes 20, 30, or 40 strokes more than his years can number to a round, but this wonderful old man, who will be 83 this month, took only 11 strokes more than his age and the most wonderful and astonishing part of his game was his driving, which was straight and far and sure.

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At Sandwich on Thursday, 26th, the draw for the Amateur Championship took place. Owing to the death of Mr. N. Martin Smith, Mr. Eric Hambro, M. P., Mr. H. Hambro and Mr. E. Martin Smith are debarred from competing, and another player, Mr. Cecil K. Hutchison is prevented by a military examination from taking part. There are 128 entries and nearly all the prominent players are competing.

Great interest has of course centered in the International match between England and Scotland which took place on Saturday, 28th May, at Sandwich. The representative and results were as below and the teams consisted of 9 aside:—

Scotland.				England.		
Mr. Robert Maxwell ...	1	es.	Mr. John Ball, jr ...	0
" S Mure-Fergusson ...	1	"	" H. H. Hilton	0
" J. Graham, Jr. ...	1	"	" H. W. Dezoete ...	0
" J. E Laidlay ...	0	"	" H G. Hutchinson	1
" C K. Hutchison ...	1	"	" J B. Pease ..	0
" E Blackwell ...	1	"	" S H. Fry ...	0
" A. D Blyth ...	0	"	" H H. Fowler ...	1
" C. E. Dick ...	1	"	" H. G. Castle ...	0
" J. L. Low ...	0	"	" B. Darwin ...	1
	6			3

The match consisted of 36 holes, and at the conclusion of the first round a much closer finish, than what actually took place, seemed probable. As each side was leading in 3 games while the 3 remaining couples stood all square. The hardest match was that between Mr. Robert Maxwell and Mr. John Ball, Junior. In the first round Mr. Maxwell stood 3 up at the turn, the approximate scores out being 33 and 38 respectively, and at the conclusion of the 18 holes, the Scotsman in spite of his lead having been reduced to 1 at the 16th was still 3 up. In the afternoon at the 8th green Mr. Ball squared the match, and took the lead at the 9th with a 4, his score out being 36 and 3 halves in 4, at the following holes he increased his lead 62 by laying his approach at his 13th lead Slicing out of bounds at the next Mr. Maxwell stood 3 down and 4 to play. Losing the 15th and 16th Mr. Ball stood dormy at the 17th, but the Scotsman taking the 18th in a perfect 4, the match was once more square. Starting out again from the 1st tee both drove off the course and halved in 5. At the 2nd Mr. Maxwell got a fine drive and Mr. Ball from a hanging lie put his second in the slope above the hole. Again they halved, but at the 39th hole the match was decided here the Scotsman was hole high to the right, whilst Mr. Ball was just short of the green. Mr. Maxwell's put lopped the hole, and stopped 3 inches off whilst Mr. Ball left himself stunned four feet from the hole and failed in his attempt to get down. Whilst Mr. Hilton was somewhat easily defeated by Mr. Mure-Fergusson by 4 and 2 there was a close fight going on between Mr. John Graham, and Mr. deZoste which was eventually won by the Scotsman by 4 and 3. Mr. H. G. Hutchinson beat Mr. Laidlay by 4 and 2. Mr. Hutchison for Scotland beat Mr. Pease After finishing all square in the morning by 4 and 2 Mr. Fry and Mr. Blackwell had a very close fight. At the 12th hole in the afternoon the match was square and it was again even at the 18th or 36th hole. Going to the 37th Mr. Blackwell hit a very long drive quite 50 yards beyond his opponent. Mr. Fry missed his Brassey, and failed to hole in 4, whilst the Scotsman put down a 4 feet put, and won the hole and match. Mr. Fowler drew away from Mr. Blyth after being all square in the morning and won by 7 up and 5. Mr. Horace Castle was quite off his game in the afternoon and was beaten by Mr. Dick by 9 and 8 to play. whilst for England Mr. Darwin recorded a win by 6 and 5 over Mr. J. L. Law.

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Now to turn our thoughts to the doings of the fair sex on the green; we have done with the opens we have recorded the Scottish Championship, the Irish is yet unplayed, but the Midlands Counties of England have been hard at it. The 8th of this Annual Competition was begun on 26th May at King's Norton with an 18 hole medal round for teams consisting of 3 players from all clubs affiliated to the Midlands Union. eight clubs sent teams and the aggregate score of the three players was counted. In the morning the conditions, for play were perfect and it was in the forenoon that the winning club (Newark) were fortunate enough to play. The individual scores of this team were made up follows: Mrs. C. Richardson 84, Miss E. C. Nevile 85, Miss M Nevile 90 259 Next came the Worcestershire and Handsworth Clubs each with 263 then Minchinhampton, 274. Kings Norton 275, Coventry 285, Northampton 287, Sandwell Park 289. The best individual round was accomplished by Winifred Bryan from Minchinhampton who returned a card of 82, going out in 40 and home in 42. This on the men's course was a very fine performance indeed. Next day, the individual competition in connection with the meeting of the Midlands Counties Ladies' Championship was decided by a 36-hole stroke competition, Miss E C. Nevile (the holder) won the gold medal once again, the silver fell to Miss Bryan and the bronze to Miss Foster, a sister of the well-known Foster Brothers, of Malvern so good at all athletics The entries numbered 34 and all the leading clubs were represented. The conditions under which the play was carried on were most depressing Rain fell without ceasing from the hour of starting, the course became thoroughly soaked and several of the greens were under water. To make matters worse a very violent thunderstorm came on at midday and continued without a break for at least an hour and a half, the lightning was blinding and incessant and more than half the competitors gave up all chance of being Champion and fled into the nearest shelter. Miss Nevile was fortunate in having an early starting time and escaped the thunderstorm and also the worst state of submersion of the green, whereas Miss Bryar who was playing a remarkably fine game came in for the full fury of the storm the 2, greens being quite flooded, down the centre of one of these a swift torrent flowed over the hole carrying the floating ball away down the stream, a local authority being appealed to he made a sort of compromise with player and element, but Miss Bryan took 6 when she should have had a 3, under ordinary circumstances and her card showed 86 to Miss Nevile's 83. Rain still fell heavily when the second round was started, but undeterred Miss Nevile played a brilliant round of 78 and won the Midlands Championship with 12 strokes between her and the next player. This being the *fourth* time she has possessed the cup and title, besides twice having been runner up in the Open Championship, the holder of the Lincolnshire Championship, possessor of Midlands Silver medals and of 2 bronze! Her remarkably fine 78 was made up as follows: 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 5, 4, 5, 4, 3, 5, 4, 5, 5 =78.

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Before closing my notes I should like to say one word in recommendation of 2 balls which have recently been patented and sent to me to sample, those are the "Saxon" and the "Ideal." They are made by the Anglo-American Golfers' Trading Association, 46, Woodward Road, Dulwich, London East, fly remarkably well, especially in a wind, and cost only the very moderate sum of 1s. each for the "Saxon" 1/3 for the "Ideal."

M. E. S.

Australia seems fated to suffer from the importation of European animals and birds. Rabbits and sparrows have become perfect plagues, and now the starling is added to the list of unwelcome visitors who increase, and whose destructive habits are causing serious injury to agriculture. The starlings are said to descend on the vineyards in swarms like locusts, and clear off the grapes wholesale. As starlings invariably roost in large flocks at certain seasons, it should not be very difficult to devise some means of getting rid of them at night by a united effort on the part of grapegrowers.

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Friday, 17th June, 1904.

Three heats in this competition were decided at the Baths this evening. There were only nine entries, but they all started, and, thanks to most excellent handicapping, very good racing was witnessed in each heat, details of which we give below:—

FIRST HEAT.

	Start. Sec.	*Time.* Min. Sec.	
A. Siddons	5	1 17¼	First.
L. Prike	10	1 24¼	Second.
R. Jones	18	1 35	Third.

SECOND HEAT.

	Start. Sec	*Time.* Min. Sec.	
G. Brown	Scratch	1 15	First.
W. Govan	3	1 20	Second.
W. Willson	14	1 37	Third.

THIRD HEAT.

	Start. Sec.	*Time.* Min. Sec.	
H. G. Remfry	12	1 32¾	First.
K. M. Kennedy	4	1 25¼	Second.
J. Chaplain	16	1 39	Third.

The winners of each heat contest the final to-morrow evening.

The Naturalist.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

A MEETING of the members took place at the Society's Rooms last week, Mr James McDonald presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following new members since the last meeting was duly announced :—

Mr C. E. Allen, I. F. S. (Tharrawaddy, Lower Burma); Mr F. Walter (Rangoon); Lieutenant H. S. Eliot, R. A, (Quetta); Mr. C. F. Grant, I. C. S. (Rangoon); Mr. W. H B. Salmon (Bolarum); Mr. J. R. Huggins (Koraput); Mr. R. H. Ellis, I. C.S. (Chittoor, N. Arcot; Mr H. Fearon (Coconada); Lieutenant R. J. B. Yates (Jubbulpore); Lieutenant G. H. E. Twemlow. (Wellington; Captain E. E. Beddek (Cannanore); Captain G. Clarke (Cannanore); Mr. N. A. Worlledge (Cannanore); Dr. G. F. Goldsmith (Lashio, N. Shan States); Mr W. A. Knyvett (Gaya Bengal); Major F. W G. Wadeson (Fort Sandeman); Dr. E. H. Hunt (Secunderabad); Mr. F. A. Möller (Darjeeling); Mr. G. A Miller (Darjeeling); Major C. H. Hale, R. A. M. C. (Rangoon); Captain H. N. Baker (Singapore); Mr. E. Hicks (Tezpur. Assam); Major F. de B. Young (Poona); The Secretary, American Museum of Natural History (New York); and Miss A. C. Hearsey (Ranikhet).

The Honorary Secretary drew the attention of those present to the fact that out of the above 25 new members nine were residents of Bombay and very few belonged to the Presidency. It constituted good evidence that the Journal of the Society was being read and appreciated in distant parts of the country.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

Faune Entomologique de l'Afrique tropicale.

Descriptions of new species of Aculeate and Parasitic Hymenoptera from Northern India by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Description of new Genera and species of Hymenoptera from India, by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Description of a new species of "quartinia" from Deesa, India, etc. by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Description of a new species of "Athalia" (Tenth-rediniae) from India, by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Memoires de la Societe Zologique de France. Tome XV.

Blood Immunity and Blood Relationship, by Dr. G. H. F Nuttall, F. R. S. From the Author.

The Transactions of the Entomological Society of London, 1903. In exchange

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A man arrested for murder, bribed an Irishman on the jury with £20 to hang out for a verdict of manslaughter. The jury were out a long time, and finally came in with a verdict of manslaughter. The man rushed up to the Irish juror and said:—"I am obliged to you, my friend. Did you have a hard time?" "Yes," said the Irishman, "an awful time. The other eleven wanted to acquit yez."

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

Mr. H. M. Phipson, the Honorary Secretary, acknowledged receipt of the following contributions to the Society's Collections :—

Contribution.	Description.	Contributor.
1 Malabar Whistling-Thrus (alive)	Myiophoneus Lorsfieldi	Mr R C H Barnard
1 Skin of Palm Civet	Paradoxurus nictitans	Mr D A MacMillan
1 Chameleon ...	Chamaeleon calcaratus	Mr P Gerhardt
1 Monitor ...	Varanus salvator ...	Mr E L Barton
1 White-tailed Bush Chat	Pratincola leucura	Mr S L Whymper
2 Austens Babbler ...	Dry mocataphus assamensis	Dr H Coltart
2 Red-throated Tit-Babblers.	Schoenparus rufigularis	Do.
2 Short-Wings ...	Brachypteryx sinensis	Do.
1 Close-barred Sand-grouse	Pterocles lichtensteini	Major H A F Magrath
1 Himalayan Viper (alive)	Ancistroion Himalayanus	Mr C Vernon Purkis
A quantity of marine shells from Aden	.....	Mrs. Cabral
1 Skin of the large Brown Flying Squirrel	Pteromys oral ...	Major A F Plinhey, CIE
1 Snake... ...	Lycodon aulicus ...	Maj. C Hudson, IMS
Some land shells, &c., from Assam	.....	Mr James Marten
Boar's Tusks, 9¾ in ..	.....	Mr W Kirkpatrick
1 Snake... ...	Chrysopelea ornata	Mr W Sparke
1 Flying Lizard ...	Draco maculatus ...	Do.
1 Snake... ...	Dipsas trigonata ...	Mr A T Whittle
A collection of 187 Birds' Skins from Chitral	.....	Capt G A. Ferreau
1 Cinereous Vulture (alive)	Vultur monachus ...	Major T E Marshall, R A
A collection of Birds' Eggs from Quetta	89 Eggs of 33 Species of birds	Do.
4 Rats from Kashmir	Mus viceroxi sp n ...	Col A H Ward
1 Red-crested Pochard	Netta rufina ...	Mr E H Marshall
1 White-eyed Duck...	Nyroca ferruginea ...	Do.
2 Black-bellied Sand-grouse	Pterocles arenarius	Do.
8 Common Sand-grouse	Pteroclurus exustus	Do.
2 Spotted Sand-grouse	Pteroclurus senegallus	Do.
1 Snake and Eggs (showing that this Viper is oviparous)	Cachesis monticola...	Mr G A Miller
1 Snake (alive) ...	Zamenis mucosus ...	Mr T J Tomrin
6 Eggs of Common Flamingo from the Rana of Cutch ...	Phoenicopterus roseus	H H the Rao Saheb of Cutch
1 Screech Owl ...	Strix flemmea	Mr F Fischer
1 Slow Loris and Young	Nycticebus turrigredus	Capt W H Lane

PAPERS READ.

The following papers were then read and discussed :—

1. Plants introduced into the Victoria Gardens, Bombay, since 1896, by C. D. Mahaluxmivala.
2. The Wild Plantain, by G. M. Ryan, I.F. S.
3. Notes on the Flora of Northern Ganjam, by Cecil E. C Fisher, I. F. S.
4. The Birds of Chitral, by Capt. H. T. Fulton, D. S. O.
5. Natural Checks on Over-increase, by Major A Newnham.
6. Fly Fishing in the Bombay Presidency (Megalops cyprinoides, a fly-taker), by W. A. Wallinger.
7. Melaniam amongst Panthers, by T. A. Hauxwell I. F. S.
8. The Indian Edible-nest Swiftlets (Collocalia fuciphaga) in the Pulney Hills, by R. Foulkes.
9. Some notes on Butterflies and Moths, by L. C. H. Young B. A.
10. Two notorious Insect Pests, by R. S. Hole I. F. S.

THE FOOD OF FISHES.

FOR a number of years past, investigations have been carried on to ascertain the food consumed by the various kinds of fish, and very interesting are the results Nearly all fishes live on animal food, preying either upon weaker members of their own family or upon animals of lower organisation. The two great ends of existence from a fish's point of view are to eat and to avoid being eaten. Hence the conditions of life under the waters are dreadful in the extreme. When the vastness of the ocean population is considered, and it is realised that nearly every fish devours a score or several scores of other living beings daily, it is obvious that the slaughter which goes on without ceasing is appalling in its immensity. Fortunately for themselves fishes have a poorly developed nervous system, and probably the fear of death gives them little trouble. Of course, as we go down the scale of marine life we reach a class of animals that live entirely on vegetable matter. But even among the most highly organised are vegetable feeders—not wholly vegetarian, but living on a mixed diet. Mr. Cunningham classifies the fishes as those which prey on other fishes only, those which also prey on lower marine animals, those which eat the lower animals alone, and those which partake of a mixed animal and vegetable diet, the last being few in number.

The ways in which fishes feed are various. Some, for instance, hunt only at night, others feed in the day time. Some lie in ambush, others pursue their prey. Some feed at the bottom of the sea, others at the surface, and others still in midwaters. Those which live on very small fry have curious straining organs, by means of which they separate the food from the immense quantity of water which passes through. Among them are the herring, pilchard, and sprat. The plaice, which feeds mainly on shell-fish, has a powerful crushing apparatus in its throat. So has the catfish. Some, like the spotted dog-fish hunt by smell, and are equally successful night or day. Mackerel and whiting hunt by sight, and therefore in the day time only. Then, some of the cod family have been liberally dealt with by Nature, for they can use both sight and smell in capturing prey, while their chin is armed with a barbel to bring in the aid of touch This barbel permits hunting at night, and it is then the ling and the rockling seek their prey. Those curious markings on the backs of flat fishes are designed to aid them in the capture of food as well as in concealing themselves from enemies. They lie on the bottom, sometimes partly buried in gravel or sand, and when an unhappy victim comes near he is pounced upon and devoured. The sole lies quiet all day, having the power to assimilate its colour to that of the ground, but at night it makes full use of its acute sense of smell. Its curious habit is to tap the ground with the side of its head in search of shrimps and worms. The angler, sometimes a monster six feet long, will lie close to a weed-covered rock quite undistinguishable from it, until his prey approaches, when he will seize it with the rapidity of a flash.

Red mullet are armed with barbels with which they rake up worms and other ground animals. The turbot will cover itself with sand, and become the very colour of the ground. There it will wait patiently until its prey comes by, when it will rise quickly and seize it. One would suppose that a fish thus stationary would not obtain any great abundance of food. But the fact, that as many as sixty small fishes have been found in the stomach of a turbot, shows how the ocean teems with life. Perhaps the most curious prowler of the ocean is the John Dory, who takes advantage of his extraordinary flatness to approach his prey unperceived. This fish swims in an upright position with its side turned towards the prey—a herring or pilchard usually—and so small is its antero posterior diameter that it can steal quite close without being observed. When it gets within striking distance there is no escape. Undoubtedly the weaker fishes' wits, if they possess any wits, have need to be sharp. If in the stomach of a single turbot sixty sand eels are found—that being probably only a fraction of the day's diet—it seems a mystery how the vast multitudes of marine animals obtain sufficient food. A single shoal of herrings or mackerel will require millions of their favourite prey every day in the year. The food of a whale should be estimated by the hundredweight. And, not only does the ocean supply food to its own denizens, but it feeds countless millions of sea-birds. Ultimately the whole of the pabulum must be furnished by the vegetables which grow in the waters and on the shores. Marine plants are, indeed, extraordinarily abundant and various. Muddy shores are covered with grass-wrack; on the rocks is a thick carpet of green red, and olive weeds; but of greatest importance as food are the microscopic plants which multiply so amazingly as to colour immense areas of the ocean surface, or make the water turbid to a considerable depth. A great quantity of vegetable matter is also carried by the rivers to the sea On this food live the lower forms of animal life, themselves very often of microscopic minuteness. The periwinkle and other shell-fish browse on the weeds of the inshore waters.

In the ocean are great quantities of foraminifera which feed on diatoms and other minute vegetable matter. The bivalve molluscs live on diatoms, foraminifera and other such things insignificant in size, but almost infinite in number. Scallops, oysters, mussels, moving scarcely at all, suck in continuously a stream of water, from which they strain off these tiny articles of food. In the mud and sands are myriads of worms, molluscs and crustaceans, which form the food of animals higher in the scale. On the bottom of the sea the ground-fishes and their food—starfishes oysters, clams, mussels, shrimps, hermit-crabs, razor shells, cockles, etc. Most of these are practically stationary, and many lie quite exposed, so that, except for their defensive armour, they are easy prey But floating in the water is also an immense quantity of food. If the stronger fishes feed on their weaker brethren, they do not hesitate to swallow the lower animals as well The larvæ of shrimps, lobsters, crabs, hermit crabs, etc., rise to the surface, being decimated on the way by the smaller fishes and almost entirely devoured before it is time to descend again. The spawn of herrings is such a dainty that great number of cod and haddock follow the spawning herrings and grow fat upon it. Mr. McIntosh says that eighty boxes of haddocks have been trawled and that the stomach of every fish was found distended by the eggs of herring. The cod itself will give off as many as five million eggs, of which all but a score are sure to be eaten by other fish. Then there are countless numbers of little copepods, said to be found everywhere. On food of this kind some fishes live mainly or altogether, such as sprats, pilchards, and herrings. Thus every kind of lower animal is eaten by one fish or another. But every fish, except the strongest, is also eaten by another fish. The mackerel prefers sprat and other small fish. The brill eats sprats and sand-eels. The whit-

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Three heats in this competition were decided at the Baths this evening. There were only nine entries, but they all started, and, thanks to most excellent handicapping, very good racing was witnessed in each heat, details of which we give below:—

FIRST HEAT.

	Start. Sec.	*Time.* Min. Sec.	
A. Siddons	5	1 17½	First.
L. Prike	10	1 24½	Second.
R. Jones	18	1 35	Third.

SECOND HEAT.

	Start. Sec	*Time.* Min. Sec.	
G. Brown	Scratch	1 15	First.
W. Govan	3	1 20	Second.
W. Willson	14	1 37	Third.

THIRD HEAT.

	Start. Sec.	*Time.* Min. Sec.	
H. G. Remfry	12	1 32½	First.
K. M. Kennedy	4	1 25½	Second.
J. Chaplain	16	1 39	Third.

The winners of each heat contest the final to-morrow evening.

The Naturalist.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

A MEETING of the members took place at the Society's Rooms last week, Mr James McDonald presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following new members since the last meeting was duly announced :—

Mr C. E. Allen, I. F. S. (Tharrawaddy, Lower Burma); Mr F. Walter (Rangoon); Lieutenant H. S. Eliot, R. A, (Quetta); Mr. C. F. Grant, I. C. S. (Rangoon); Mr. W. H. B. Salmon (Bolarum); Mr. J. R. Huggins (Koraput); Mr. R. H. Ellis, I. C.S. (Chittoor, N. Arcot; Mr H. Fearon (Coconada); Lieutenant R. J. B. Yates (Jubbulpore); Lieutenant G. H. E. Twemlow. (Wellington; Captain E. E. Beddek (Cannanore); Captain G. Clarke (Cannanore); Mr. N. A. Worlledge (Cannanore); Dr. G. F. Goldsmith (Lashio, N. Shan States); Mr W. A. Knyvett (Gaya Bengal); Major F. W G. Wadeson (Fort Sandeman); Dr. E. H. Hunt (Secunderabad); Mr. F. A. Möller (Darjeeling); Mr. G. A Miller (Darjeeling); Major C. H. Hale, R. A. M. C. (Rangoon); Captain H. N. Baker (Singapore); Mr. E. Hicks (Tezpur, Assam); Major F. de B. Young (Poona); The Secretary, American Museum of Natural History (New York); and Miss A. C. Hearsey (Ranikhet).

The Honorary Secretary drew the attention of those present to the fact that out of the above 25 new members nine were residents of Bombay and very few belonged to the Presidency. It constituted good evidence that the Journal of the Society was being read and appreciated in distant parts of the country.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

Faune Entomologique de l'Afrique tropicale.

Descriptions of new species of Aculeate and Parasitic Hymenoptera from Northern India by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Description of new Genera and species of Hymenoptera from India, by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Description of a new species of "quartinia" from Deesa, India, etc. by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Description of a new species of "Athalia" (Tenth-redinidæ) from India, by P. Cameron. From the Author.

Memoires de la Societe Zologique de France. Tome XV.

Blood Immunity and Blood Relationship, by Dr. G. H. F Nuttall, F. R. S. From the Author.

The Transactions of the Entomological Society of London, 1903. In exchange

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A man arrested for murder bribed an Irishman on the jury with £20 to hang out for a verdict of manslaughter. The jury were out a long time, and finally came in with a verdict of manslaughter. The man rushed up to the Irish juror and said:—"I am obliged to you, my friend. Did you have a hard time?" "Yes," said the Irishman, "an awful time. The other eleven wanted to acquit yez."

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

Mr. H. M. Phipson, the Honorary Secretary, acknowledged receipt of the following contributions to the Society's Collections :—

Contribution.	Description.	Contributor.
1 Malabar Whistling-Thrus (alive)	Myiophoneus Lorsfieldi	Mr R C H Barnard
1 Skin of Palm Civet	Paradoxurus nictitans	Mr D A MacMillan
1 Chameleon ...	Chamaeleon calcaratus	Mr P Gerhardt
1 Monitor ...	Varanus salvator ...	Mr E L Barton
1 White-tailed Bush Chat	Pratincola leucura	Mr S L Whymper
2 Austens Babbler ...	Dry mocataphus assamensis	Dr H Coltart
2 Red-throated Tit-Babblers.	Schoenparus rufigularis	Do.
2 Short-Wings ...	Brachypteryx sinensis	Do.
1 Close-barred Sandgrouse	Pterocles lichtensteini	Major H A F Magrath
1 Himalayan Viper (alive)	Ancistroion Himalayanus	Mr C Vernon Purkis
A quantity of marine shells from Aden	.....	Mrs. Cabral
1 Skin of the large Brown Flying Squirrel	Pteromys oral ...	Major A F Plinhey, CIE
1 Snake... ...	Lycodon aulicus ...	Maj. C Hudson, IMS
Some land shells, &c., from Assam	.....	Mr James Marten
Boar's Tusks, 9½ in ..	.....	Mr W Kirkpatrick
1 Snake... ...	Chrysopelea ornata	Mr W Sparke
1 Flying Lizard ...	Draco maculatus ...	Do.
1 Snake... ...	Dipsas trigonata ...	Mr A T Whittle
A collection of 187 Birds' Skins from Chitral	.....	Capt G A. Ferreau
1 Cinereous Vulture (alive)	Vultur monachus ...	Major T E Marshall, RA
A collection of Birds' Eggs from Quetta	89 Eggs of 33 Species of birds	Do.
4 Rats from Kashmir	Mus viceroxi sp n ...	Col A H Ward
1 Red-crested Pochard	Netta rufina ...	Mr E H Marshall
1 White-eyed Duck...	Nyroca ferruginea ...	Do.
2 Black-bellied Sandgrouse	Pterocles arenarius	Do.
3 Common Sandgrouse	Pteroclurus exustus	Do.
2 Spotted Sandgrouse	Pteroclurus senegallus	Do.
1 Snake and Eggs (showing that this Viper is oviparous)	Cachesis monticola...	Mr G A Miller
1 Snake (alive) ...	Zamenis mucosus ...	Mr T J Tomrin
6 Eggs of Common Flamingo from the Rana of Cutch ...	Phoenicopterus roseus	H H the Rao Saheb of Cutch
1 Screech Owl ...	Strix flemmea	Mr F Fischer
1 Slow Loris and Young	Nycticebus turrigredus	Capt W H Lane

PAPERS READ.

The following papers were then read and discussed:—

1. Plants introduced into the Victoria Gardens, Bombay, since 1896, by C. D. Mahaluxmivala.
2. The Wild Plantain, by G. M. Ryan, I.F. S.
3. Notes on the Flora of Northern Ganjam, by Cecil E. C Fisher, I. F. S.
4. The Birds of Chitral, by Capt. H. T. Fulton, D. S. O.
5. Natural Checks on Over-increase, by Major A Newnham.
6. Fly Fishing in the Bombay Presidency (Megalops cyprinoides, a fly-taker), by W. A. Wallinger.
7. Melanism amongst Panthers, by F. A. Hauxwell I. F. S.
8. The Indian Edible-nest Swiftlets (Collocalia fuciphaga) in the Palney Hills, by R. Foulkes.
9. Some notes on Butterflies and Moths, by L. C. H. Young B. A.
10. Two notorious Insect Pests, by R. S. Hole I. F. S.

THE FOOD OF FISHES.

FOR a number of years past, investigations have been carried on to ascertain the food consumed by the various kinds of fish, and very interesting are the results Nearly all fishes live on animal food, preying either upon weaker members of their own family or upon animals of lower organisation The two great ends of existence from a fish's point of view are to eat and to avoid being eaten. Hence the conditions of life under the waters are dreadful in the extreme. When the vastness of the ocean population is considered, and it is realised that nearly every fish devours a score or several scores of other living beings daily, it is obvious that the slaughter which goes on without ceasing is appalling in its immensity. Fortunately for themselves fishes have a poorly developed nervous system, and probably the fear of death gives them little trouble. Of course, as we go down the scale of marine life we reach a class of animals that live entirely on vegetable matter. But even among the most highly organised are vegetable feeders—not wholly vegetarian, but living on a mixed diet. Mr. Cunningham classifies the fishes as those which prey on other fishes only, those which also prey on lower marine animals, those which eat the lower animals alone, and those which partake of a mixed animal and vegetable diet, the last being few in number.

The ways in which fishes feed are various. Some, for instance, hunt only at night, others feed in the day time. Some lie in ambush, others pursue their prey. Some feed at the bottom of the sea, others at the surface, and others still in midwaters. Those which live on very small fry have curious straining organs, by means of which they separate the food from the immense quantity of water which passes through. Among them are the herring, pilchard, and sprat. The plaice, which feeds mainly on shell-fish, has a powerful crushing apparatus in its throat. So has the catfish. Some, like the spotted dog-fish hunt by smell, and are equally successful night or day. Mackerel and whiting hunt by sight, and therefore in the day time only. Then, some of the cod family have been liberally dealt with by Nature, for they can use both sight and smell in capturing prey, while their chin is armed with a barbel to bring in the aid of touch This barbel permits hunting at night, and it is then the ling and the rockling seek their prey. Those curious markings on the backs of flat fishes are designed to aid them in the capture of food as well as in concealing themselves from enemies. They lie on the bottom, sometimes partly buried in gravel or sand, and when an unhappy victim comes near he is pounced upon and devoured. The sole lies quiet all day, having the power to assimilate its colour to that of the ground, but at night it makes full use of its acute sense of smell. Its curious habit is to tap the ground with the side of its head in search of shrimps and worms. The angler, sometimes a monster six feet long, will lie close to a weed-covered rock quite undistinguishable from it, until his prey approaches, when he will seize it with the rapidity of a flash.

Red mullet are armed with barbels with which they rake up worms and other ground animals. The turbot will cover itself with sand, and become the very colour of the ground. There it will wait patiently until its prey comes by, when it will rise quickly and seize it. One would suppose that a fish thus stationary would not obtain any great abundance of food. But the fact, that as many as sixty small fishes have been found in the stomach of a turbot, shows how the ocean teems with life. Perhaps the most curious prowler of the ocean is the John Dory, who takes advantage of his extraordinary flatness to approach his prey unperceived. This fish swims in an upright position with its side turned towards the prey—a herring or pilchard usually—and so small is its antero posterior diameter that it can steal quite close without being observed. When it gets within striking distance there is no escape. Undoubtedly the weaker fishes' wits, if they possess any wits, have need to be sharp. If in the stomach of a single turbot sixty sand eels are found—that being probably only a fraction of the day's diet—it seems a mystery how the vast multitudes of marine animals obtain sufficient food. A single shoal of herrings or mackerel will require millions of their favourite prey every day in the year. The food of a whale should be estimated by the hundredweight. And, not only does the ocean supply food to its own denizens, but it feeds countless millions of sea-birds. Ultimately the whole of the pabulum must be furnished by the vegetables which grow in the waters and on the shores. Marine plants are, indeed, extraordinarily abundant and various. Muddy shores are covered with grass-wrack; on the rocks is a thick carpet of green red, and olive weeds; but of greatest importance as food are the microscopic plants which multiply so amazingly as to colour immense areas of the ocean surface, or make the water turbid to a considerable depth. A great quantity of vegetable matter is also carried by the rivers to the sea On this food live the lower forms of animal life, themselves very often of microscopic minuteness. The periwinkle and other shell-fish browse on the weeds of the inshore waters.

In the ocean are great quantities of foraminifera which feed on diatoms and other minute vegetable matter. The bivalve molluscs live on diatoms, foraminifera and other such things insignificant in size, but almost infinite in number. Scallops, oysters, mussels, moving scarcely at all, suck in continuously a stream of water, from which they strain off these tiny articles of food. In the mud and sands are myriads of worms, molluscs and crustaceans, which form the food of animals higher in the scale. On the bottom of the sea the ground-fishes and their food—starfishes oysters, clams, mussels, shrimps, hermit-crabs, razor shells, cockles, etc. Most of these are practically stationary, and many lie quite exposed, so that, except for their defensive armour, they are easy prey But floating in the water is also an immense quantity of food. If the stronger fishes feed on their weaker brethren, they do not hesitate to swallow the lower animals as well The larvæ of shrimps, lobsters, crabs, hermit crabs, etc., rise to the surface, being decimated on the way by the smaller fishes and almost entirely devoured before it is time to descend again. The spawn of herrings is such a dainty that great number of cod and haddock follow the spawning herrings and grow fat upon it. Mr. McIntosh says that eighty boxes of haddocks have been trawled and that the stomach of every fish was found distended by the eggs of herring. The cod itself will give off as many as five million eggs, of which all but a score are sure to be eaten by other fish. Then there are countless numbers of little copepods, said to be found everywhere. On food of this kind some fishes live mainly or altogether, such as sprats, pilchards, and herrings. Thus every kind of lower animal is eaten by one fish or another. But every fish, except the strongest, is also eaten by another fish. The mackerel prefers sprat and other small fish. The brill eats sprats and sand-eels. The whit-

ing eats herrings, but is equally satisfied with a member of its own tribe. The pollack eats sprats and gurnard. The ling preys on gurnard, haddock, seabab, and mackerel. The hake, a night-hunter, devours mackerel, herrings, and anchovies. The skate feeds on whiting, mackerel, and pollack. The spiny dog-fish on herrings, sprats, whiting, and mackerel; the eel on almost anything it can get; while the female conger will appease her hunger with one of the males. The cuttle fish preys on a great variety of fishes, and he forms the chief part of the sperm whale's food. Among the fishes which prey on the lower animals are the cod, plaice sole, haddock, turbot, flounder, and grey gurnard. The plaice eats cockles, scallops, lug-worms, ragworms, sea-mice and razor-shells, swallowing the smaller razor-shells entire and dragging the larger from their shells. The sole lives chiefly on worms; the cod on squids, anemones, swimming crabs; and the turbot and grey gurnard on a variety of crustaceans and molluses.—*Standard*.

The Story Teller.

A QUESTION OF COLOUR.

"I TELL yer there's a fortin in it," said Peter Grimes, laying a huge paw heavily on the table in front of him—not noisily; that would have attracted attention. The rail structure shook, and waves appeared upon the beer in the pint pots. Peter was a man of substance.

"Yes, if it can be worked all right," dubiously assented his companion. Tommy Batty was a subdued-looking little fellow, in marked contrast to his big, burly, bumptious friend, who was accustomed to lay down the law on every conceivable point, and was decidedly impatient of contradiction.

"What's to prevent it?" demanded Peter, angrily. There had been a time—not so long ago, either—when a proposal of his would scarcely have been questioned. Then he was universally known throughout Aireboro' as "Lucky Peter," the champion among punters, the man who raked in the golden shiners in hatfuls, and promptly squandered them in riotous living. But those blissful days were departed, probably never to return, and his distinguishing adjective now required the negative prefix. It was rare indeed for Peter to make a haul nowadays, although he was clever enough in his way, and absolutely devoid of conscience. At present his chronic condition was that popularly described as "on the rocks." If a brilliant inspiration came to him he was without the funds to carry it out, and he had had bitter experience of the folly of imparting his splendid ideas to others. Time and again a golden harvest had been garnered by men to whom he had confided some of his well-planned *coups*, and what had been the reward of the great originator? Perhaps a tardy and reluctant half-dollar; oftener—with shame be it said—the price of a beggarly pint, which Peter received with picturesque anathemas—after he had pocketed the coin. It had even happened that when he had applied for the monetary recognition due to his talents he had been contemptuously ordered to take his sanguinary hook to the hottest quarter known to fiction.

At last, however, he had evolved a scheme requiring but the merest trifle of capital to commence with, and which, with the least little shade of luck, must grow and grow with the rapidity of the rushing avalanche till, in the gorgeous future he saw in his mind's eye, it had mounted up—who could say?—perhaps to thousands! And in the working out of his idea no other assistance was necessary than that of his faithful henchman, Tommy—Tommy, who was his humble slave. The little man's regard and admiration for his brilliant friend was simply boundless; for his sake he was willing to risk anything, even to that last appalling calamity the loss of his job. And there could be no doubt that in the carrying out of Peter's present designs Tommy would run the gravest danger of being invested with the order of the sack. He was employed as a sort of odd man at the Centaur Club, the chief betting resort of the sport-loving citizens of Aireboro', and it was this fact that rendered Tommy of priceless value in his leader's eyes.

It may as well be frankly admitted that the enterprise on which Peter was about to embark was not one calculated to commend itself to persons of high moral principle, being neither more nor less than the fond aspiration of the earliest punter, what will most certainly be the final dream of the latest—a method of despoiling the innocent bookmaker by betting on a cert; in other words, backing a horse after it had won.

Poor pencillers! How sad it makes one feel to reflect upon the numberless assaults made upon their unprotected pockets! The prey of wicked jockeys, of crafty trainers, and unscrupulous owners, robbed without remorse by conspiring telegraphists and other thieves too numberous to mention—how, oh! how, do the wretched men contrive to exist? And yet to all outward appearance they bear their troubles with manly fortitude, and come up smiling after the rudest buffets of fortune. Truly, there must be a special providence watching over the gentle fielder.

In olden days, when racing results used to reach the club by the ordinary telegraphic message, Peter, then connected with a gang of "sharps" who used to lay themselves out for "quick results," had engineered more than one successful method of communicating with a confederate in the club when a specially speedy result had come to hand, and had many a big win in consequence. This happy state of affairs, it is true, rarely lasted long, but it was splendid business while it did. But now things were changed; there was a particularly rapid tape-machine at the Centaur, and by comparing notes with a member Peter had ascertained that a certain bookmaker of his acquaintance, Drakely by name, who frequented a pub. close by had been betting on a big handicap quite five minutes after the winner had been proclaimed in the club.

Now, he proposed to reverse his former process, and by getting timely information from inside to victimise the poor outside bookmaker. But it was an extremely difficult matter, seeming at first almost impossible. The doors of the club were closed for a certain time before and after each race, and no one allowed in or out; the windows were of thick muffled glass, and communication by sound was out of the question. Still, Peter did not despair. In the course of his many tours of inspection round and about the club premises he had noticed something in connection with the windows that struck him as likely to afford the chance he sought. The building was an old one, the windows composed of many small panes, and in some of them a pane at the top, for purposes of ventilation, could be opened or shut by means of a cord and pulley arrangement.

A question to Tommy elicited the fact that there was such a pane in the small room behind the bar where his time was usually spent. Here the bottled stuff was stored with which he from time to time replenished the bar, and under the window was a sink for washing-up purposes.

"Can they see the window from the bar?" inquired Peter, anxiously.

"No; it's behind the door at the side."

"Good! Then I think I can see my way."

To a man of Peter's capacity the utilising of the ventilating pane was a simple matter. His idea was this: Taking the probable runners for a certain race from the mid-day "tissue," he represented each by a particular colour—red, white, blue, etc.; and when there was a big field by combinations in addition, such as red and white, black and white, and so on. Provided with strips of paper of various colours, each about a foot in length, by three or four inches in width, Tommy, as soon as the name of the winner was announced in the club, was to climb upon the sink, whence he could easily reach the ventilating pane, and show a strip of the pre-arranged colour through the opening. Peter, on the watch outside, would see the signal, and in half-a-minute could be with Drakely, the easy-going bookmaker. There was little danger of his being observed, as this window opened upon an unfrequented lane.

"But do you think you'll get to know the winner at once?" queried Peter. "Time'll be mortal vallyable just then."

"Oh! lor, yes," replied Tommy. "Minnit it comes through on the tape they're a-shoutin' of it all over the shop."

Peter carefully drilled his satellite for a couple of days, and by then Tommy understood his part perfectly, and operations could be commenced forthwith. But there was a serious difficulty in the way, a difficulty that has marred many a promising enterprise—lack of funds. Tommy's last tanner had gone on a gee that had finished down the course, and Peter, as usual, was stumped. But, being a man of observation, he had discovered that the wife of his bosom had a secret hoard which she wickedly concealed from her lord and master, and after diligent search in the dead of night he found it. Peter had good reasons for believing that the money was intended for the purchase of boots for the small feet of Peter, junior, aged seven, but the stoical father brushed that trifling consideration aside.

"Let the brat wait," he said, as he proceeded to annex the poor mother's savings.

They amounted to six shillings, which, Peter reflected, would allow of a bob for necessary refreshment and a dollar to be planked down for the first gamble.

About noon next day he met Tommy by appointment, and gave him a copy of the issue, with a colour marked against the name of every likely starter for the principal race. Peter judged it more prudent to open the campaign with a single flutter, and he also guessed that Drakely would not be quite so particular about the time he closed his book on the chief event.

The longed-for moment arrives at last, and behold Peter close under his pal's window, watching with all his eyes. Great Christopher! how the minutes dragged along! There must have been at least a dozen false starts, or—dreadful thought—had some horrible accident occurred to prevent Tommy signalling? A cold perspiration broke out all over him.

'Eh, what! Hurrah!" A strip of paper was fluttering from the window!

'White by jingo! What is it?"

Referring hastily to his own paper, marked similarly to Tommy's, he found that white represented Rifleman, and he was off like a shot to the bookie. The dollar, at starting price, was accepted without a murmur, and ten minutes later the evening papers were out. Peter could have shouted for joy as he read: "Rifleman—4 to 1 against."

Words fail to describe the pride and joy of the confederates on realising their success. The amount won was, of course, trifling but Peter's plans had been proved perfect, and their possibilities were boundless. The road to fortune lay fair and straight before them.

"Well, old cockie, what d'yer think now, eh?" cried Peter.

Tommy's countenance expressed the profoundest admiration. "Think? Why, there ain't no body breathin' fit to hold a candle to yer, Peter—no, by gosh, there ain't!"

The great man received the remark as a fitting tribute to his transcendent abilities, and went on:

"Now, old chap, I've made the start, and we've a quid in 'and; but' tain't enough, by chalks. There's the big race at Wickhurst to-morrow with a tremenjus field—there's no knowin' what price the winner might start at. If we'd another couple or so we might easy collar an 'undred. Eh, what!"

"Where's it to come from?" said Tommy, dubiously.

"Why, you've got to find it, of course. Didn't I rob my own flesh and blood for a miserly dollar? And you've said many a time as your missus 'ad got a tidy bit put away somewheres—you get it!"

Tommy shook his head, looking the picture of misery. He stood in mortal dread of his wife, a big, brawny woman quite capable of taking her tiny husband on her knee and spanking him; but the fiat had gone forth, and he had but to obey.

Greatly to his surprise, however, he found his task unexpectedly easy. At first, naturally, his better—and bigger—half scouted the idea of risking her hard-earned savings on a pack of rubbishing horses; but when he pointed out the ease and certainty with which large sums of money might be won her natural cupidity was aroused, and she became all eagerness to share in the good things. From some unknown quarter she produced four sovereigns, which she handed to Tommy, so that the capital of the firm now amounted to five pounds.

Tommy, among his bottles and barrels, awaited the result of the great race with feverish anxiety. At last the clamour of noisy tongues was hushed for a moment, and a voice proclaimed—

"Bertram!"

"By gosh, that's a real outsider," muttered Tommy "what's his colour?" A hasty glance at his paper informed him, and presently a strip of blue paper fluttered for a few seconds from the top pane, and was withdrawn.

When Tommy learned that the winner had started at the stupendous odds of 40 to 1 he nearly jumped out of his skin. "Two hundred quid won!" he chuckled. "Why, it's a fortin."

He thought that the longest day of all his life, but it came to an end at last and he was free to hasten at top speed to meet Peter. To his intense astonishment, instead of finding him in the public-house, drinking and smoking as befitted the occasion, he was walking up and down outside looking as black as a thunderstorm.

A sudden chill fell upon the little man: something dreadful must have happened. "D—didn't you get on?" he quivered.

"Get on! Why, of course I did, you blanky fool!"

"Then w—what are you looking so down about?"

"Good Lord!" yelled Peter "he arsts me what I'm lookin' down about! What did you give me Punter's Pride for eh?"

"I never did; it was Bertram—blue slip."

"It was a green 'un, you gory liar!"

Peter could contain himself no longer. He rushed upon poor Tommy, and at once proceeded to wipe the flags with him. And that was nothing compared to the mauling the unfortunate wretch received at the hands of his justly indignant wife when he presented himself before her with his tale of disaster.

And yet Tommy had made no mistake, and Peter was quite sincere in believing a green paper had been exhibited. The explanation is very simple. Peter had not a good eye for colour, that was all, and had mistaken blue for green, with the disastrous results above chronicled. A small thing, and yet enough to irretrievably wreck the great scheme.

JEMMY BLAND was one of the most illiterate men that ever, stood up in the Ring, but he contrived to make money, and eventually became a recognised power amongst the leviathan of his time. Despite the quantity of business Jemmy transacted he was for many years unable to even write his own name, but possessing a wonderful memory he dispensed with a clerk waiting until he reached home for the quantity of future-event bets he invariably made to be entered.

After his first wife's death Bland engaged a good-looking housekeeper much younger than himself, and she, by careful management, eventually became his *confidante*. To her care was entrusted the entering of the bets, answering correspondence, etc., until she was regarded as almost indispensable by her employer, who, moreover, it was rumoured, regarded the fair amanuensis with anything but indifferent eyes.

Several times, to Jemmy's great surprise, he found himself forestalled, and eventually could not help thinking that someone knew as much of his affairs as he did, the climax coming when a secret shared by the lady previously referred to was discovered to have become common property. From that moment the suspicious layer had his housekeeper watched, and it soon transpired that a certain handsome young fellow frequently visited her. Jemmy, from a coign of vantage, recognised the caller as one of a gang of "boys" who were always to the front when any chance of "getting a bit" presented itself.

Bland took matters very quietly, but soon had a plan of revenge ready. To the lady who should have guarded his interests not a word of the discovery was mentioned, but some little while before a big handicap Jemmy commanded several letters to be written telling sundry friends that a certain horse was "good" for the race mentioned.

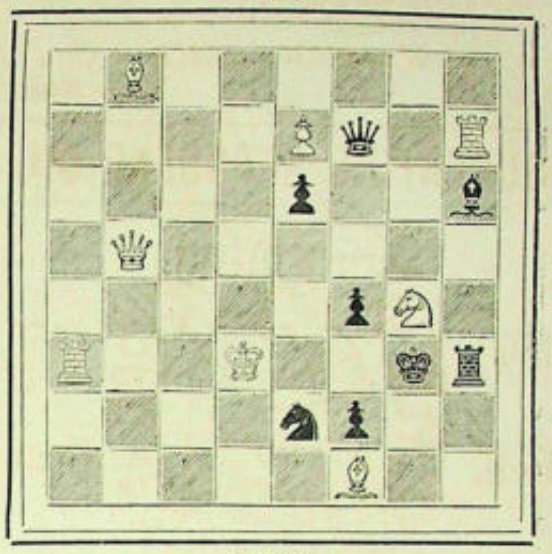
Within a few days the "good thing" was second favourite, several usually "wide" members backing it heavily; but in the race he was "down the course." Bland chuckling heartily, for he had warned the parties interested not to take any notice of communications from him, and had then put a man in to lay the animal, which, as anticipated his amanuensis had told her lover was a cert., and it had been backed, by those in whose interests he was working with the utmost freedom.

On his return home Jemmy told his betrayer something, and without further notice bade her depart, which she did at once joining her companion. The latter, however, having no further use for her services, accused the lady of having sold him and threatened her with such violence that she left him precipitately.

Chess.

PROBLEM XXXIV.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

GAME No. 33.

	WHITE.	BLACK.
1.	P to K 4	P to K 4
2.	P to K B 4	P takes P
3.	Kt to K B 3	Kt to K 2
4.	P to Q 4	Kt to Kt 3
5.	B to Q B 4	B to K 2
6.	Castles	Castles
7.	K to Q B 5	P to Q B 3
8.	Kt to K 2	P to Q 4
9.	B to Q 3	P takes P
10.	B takes K P	P to Q B 4
11.	B to Q 3	B to Q 3
12.	P to K Kt 3	P takes P
13.	Kt takes P	P to K B 5
14.	Kt to K 4	B to K Kt 5
15.	B to K B 4 (ch)	K to R square
16.	B to B 2	Kt to R 5
17.	B to K 2	B takes Kt
18.	B takes B	B to Q B 2
19.	Q to Q 3	Q to K square (a)
20.	Kt to Kt 5	Kt takes B (ch)
21.	K takes Kt	Q to K R 4
22.	Kt takes K R P (b)	R to K square
23.	B to Q 3	R to K 6 (c)
24.	B takes R	Q takes R
25.	R to K square (d)	Kt to Q 2
26.	Q to K B 5	Q to Q 4
27.	Q to K R 3	K to Kt square
28.	B to K B 2	Q to K B 2
29.	Kt to Kt 5	Q to K Kt 3
30.	Q to Kt 3 (ch)	K to R square
31.	P to K R 4	Q to K B 4
32.	Q to K R 3	Kt to K B 3
33.	R to K 7	R to Q B square
34.	P to Q B 4	Q to K Kt 5 (ch)
35.	Q takes Q	Kt takes Q
36.	P to Q B 5	P to Q Kt 3 (e)
37.	Kt to K 6	B to K Kt square
38.	R takes K Kt P	Kt takes B
39.	K takes Kt	R to K Kt square
40.	R takes R	R takes R
41.	P to Q 5	
	And wins.	

(*a*) This seems very inefficient. Better have played out the Q Kt. (*b*) White takes immediate advantage of Black's oversight. (*c*) This is ingenious enough. (*d*) Black dares not take B with P. (*e*) He has nothing better to do.

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THURSDAY, 30th JUNE 1904.

THE JOCKEY CLUB AND HALF-MILE RACES.

LORD DURHAM'S motion to the effect that four-furlong races be again made allowable for two-year-old horses was carried at the annual meeting of the Jockey Club, after a very interesting and instructive discussion, in which many of the members took part, by the convincing majority of 22 votes against seven. Those who follow the history of Turf legislation will, no doubt, remember that half-mile races used to be numerous until they were done away by the Jockey Club in 1879 for reasons which were then convincing enough. Prior to the year mentioned there was no restriction upon the number of two-year-old events which might be included in the programme for one day's racing; Lord Durham cited as an example the Monday of the Second October Meeting in 1878 when there were no fewer than seven races for two-year-olds. Nowadays only two races for two-year-olds are allowable in one day up till 1st September. Again, prior to 1879 two-year-olds might be run up to a mile.

Lord Durham agreed that the radical changes which have taken place in the English system of racing during the last quarter of a century justified the Club in reverting so far to the old system as to make half-mile races allowable. The old races in which two-year-olds might run for very valuable stakes are done away with: the temptation to owners to run their two-year-olds is much less than it was formerly, as the values of stakes early in the year have been diminished. The chance of overdoing a young horse had been, also, reduced by the prohibition which precludes horses at any period of their two-year-old career from running off a dead-heat: not a very great restriction, perhaps, but one which on occasion has been the means of saving a young horse from an effort that would have proved injurious. Then there is the starting-gate, which has done much to spare horses from the hustling and pulling about which was inseparable from the old method of starting: and lastly the system of riding short races from start to finish, which was introduced by Sloan from America a few years ago, had been for the advantage of young horses. Nowadays there is rarely any waiting in two-year-old races: no holding back and coming with a rush in the last furlong: the race is ridden from flagfall to finish, and Lord Durham seems to hold that this alteration of method of itself is enough to render shorter races desirable in the interest of the two-year-old.

His scheme is to let the youngsters run half-mile races during the first two months of the season and gradually increase the distance over which they may compete. He wished to let them run from four to five furlongs until the Epsom Summer Meeting, as when they became more mature, to let them run up to not more than six furlongs until 1st September: after which date they might run any distance which accorded with the existing Rules. The principle is undoubtedly a sound one: it is idle to urge the total abolition of two-year-old racing, and the proper course to adopt with the young horses seems to be just that proposed, to run them over a distance they can get without undue effort to begin with and to gradually increase the distance. It would be of interest if one of the close students of English racing should

make a point of keeping a record of two-year-old breakdowns in the future to compare with similar figures in the past.

Lord Crewe raised objection to the change on the ground that this reduction in distance was not accompanied by any proposal to limit the value of stakes. He thought that unless the Rule were limited to cheap races, there would be temptation to owners and trainers to enter promising youngsters for a four-furlong race which they could resist in the case of a five-furlong race. In other words, he thought the sanctioning of the half-mile limit would defeat its main object by affording undue encouragement to racing of young immature horses. There is undoubtedly weight in the argument: many a young horse in a five-furlong race shows clearly that he has shot his bolt when he has covered the half mile and he finishes the last furlong "shutting up" steadily. Many a two-year-old can be depended on to get the half-mile when his trainer knows he cannot get the additional furlong: and though the very valuable stakes of an earlier period are now done away with, there are plenty of stakes of an amount which will tempt the owner to have the preparation of his two-year-olds pushed on for "only a half-mile race which cannot possibly hurt him." Lord Crewe gave figures to show that this temptation is a very real one. Ten years ago there were seventeen races worth £400 and upwards before the Epsom Summer Meeting: one of these was worth over £2,000 and one over £1,000. This year there were eleven races, each worth over £400, including one worth over £1,000, before the same fixture. Lord Crewe appears to be opposed to two-year-old racing *in toto*, if we correctly read his speech, but he was prepared to vote for Lord Durham's motion if it were so amended as to preclude temptation to the owners of the better class of race-horses. Mr. Chaplin is well known as an opponent of two-year-old racing, and during his long and honourable connection with the Turf he has been consistent in his endeavours to control and limit it: he was much of Lord Crewe's opinion that these four-furlong races should offer the least possible temptation if the change were made at all. He manifestly, however, regarded reduction of distance with dislike. To offer prizes for such races up to a certain period of the season "surely was not the way to try and induce owners to breed animals of stamina, stout and sound horses, that could run for a longer course than four furlongs."

Mr. Chaplin thought the step proposed "most retrograde" and altogether in the wrong direction. Be it far from us to pit an opinion against an authority so eminent and of such long experience, but it appears to us that racing is long since become an industry or a business in which an element of the undesirable must be allowed as a means of staving off worse. It is not given to humanity to breed horses of such uniform excellence that they are worth keeping and preparing for only large and valuable stakes: there must ever be a large proportion of mediocrities, and these, when possible, must recover at least the fee which was paid for the use of their sire. Legislate away all chance of the mediocrities earning a little money for their owners and many breeders will necessarily be legislated out of the business altogether. It may be admitted that the Turf might be none the worse if many of the youngsters now bred never came into the world at all: but inasmuch as the rank failures are speedily retired into private life, we need not consider the point. Mr. Chaplin was willing to vote for half-mile races for two-year-olds provided they were selling races only. He was opposed to a step that would encourage the production of a class of horse that could get only four furlongs, holding that the Turf had quite enough of these as it is. His view is perhaps rather an extreme one: because four furlongs is the maximum distance a two-year-old new to racing can safely travel at speed, it does not necessarily follow that the same horse will never be able to travel any greater distance in his three and four-year-old seasons.

Lord Londonderry was wholly and entirely opposed to half-mile races on any terms: he objected to undoing what had been done for good reasons in 1879: he held that though the starting-gate had done much to mitigate the drawbacks of the start, a four-furlong race could never be anything but a scramble: and he held it discordant with the true interests of the Turf that a horse which won such a race should enjoy the prestige which attaches to any winner. Also, speaking as a breeder, he felt strongly that Mr. Chaplin was right in holding that four-furlong races would not make for the improvement of the thorough-bred.

Colonel Baird opposed the motion because he thought more harm was done to two-year-olds in the first half of a race than in the latter half; also the hustling that went on to get away from the gate was detrimental to the jockey's riding: and believing that a reduction of distance must aggravate these objections he could not support Lord Durham's motion.

Sir Waldie Griffith was in favour of the motion, because he thought four-furlong races would put their best horses out of court for the early races altogether (wherein his view is diametrically opposed to that of Lord Crewe) as owners and trainers would not enter their good ones for a half-mile scramble. Lord Coventry supported the motion, because he thought the shorter the distance two-year-olds ran in the spring when the ground was often deep, the better for them.

The discussion we have summarised above is interesting if only because it shows what diverse opinions best authorities in England hold on the subject. It will have been remarked that little was said as regards the principle of short races: support or opposition was for the most part based on practical considerations. The change in the rule, however, is made, and it remains to see which party's prognostications will be verified.

Special Telegrams.

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(From our own Correspondent.)

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Mr A Belmont's b c LORD HASTINGS, by Hastings—Lady Violet, M Cannon ... 2
Mr L Brassey's b f JOYOUS, by Isinglass—Merry Miser, K Cannon 3
Sir E Cassel's br c HORTICULTURIST, by Florizel II—Rose Gules 0
Mr Arthur James's br c STRATHAVON, by St. Simon—Aboyne 0

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Blair Athol (1861)	Mr Valentine (1855)	Beadsman (1865)	Galopin (1872)	Lord Clifden (1860)	Isola Bella (1863)	Sterling (1863)	Doncaster (1870)
Paradigm (1852)	Ellen Horne (1844)	Blink Bonny (1854)	Ayrshire (1885)	Lady Langden (1863)	Hermit (1864)	Vendetta (1860)	Rouge Rose (1860)
		Stockwell (1849)	Woodbine (1860)	Ferocia (1858)	Landa Bad (1878)	Maenrad (1860)	Mariquita (1870)
		Diversion (1858)	Thormanby (1857)	Volodite (1854)	Newminster (1848)	Mayblossom (1861)	Thormanby (1857)
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1899 Captain Kettle (6)	1903 Montem (8)
	*Dead heat.

Sporting Notes.

BEYOND the fact that it was more or less of a frost, there is not much to be written about the first Tollygunge Gymkhana, of which we gave the bare results last week. The attendance was not particularly good, and the going, in consequence of the course having been recently ploughed up and subsequently drenched by the unexpectedly early rains, was hock deep.

Fields were disappointingly small, five being the largest number of starters, while the hurdle race was a walk-over for Mr. Wheeler's Hailstorm. Not to entirely defraud an expectant audience of their looked-for bit of lepping, however, the solitary candidate generously treated us to a little exhibition of timber-topping as it should be done.

Only three were saddled for the second race, which was considered a good thing for Snapshot, but the mud proved her undoing and the winner turned up in First Guide; though had the galloping been on top of the ground the public selection would have been right enough.

Winterlea was most fancied of a field of five hacks, but here again the selection did not turn up trumps as Day Dream led throughout and, won cantering.

The right one was picked out of the field of four which turned out for the harness pony race, in Mr. Bowring's Flush, a mare with a wonderful pedigree. She only just secured the verdict by a neck, however, from Cyclone, and if it had not been for the fact that the latter's jockey in the excitement of a particularly energetic finish, "came unglued," the order would undoubtedly have been reversed. However, these little accidents will happen even in the best regulated Gymkhanas, and as the favourite got home, no harm was done. A possible objection—it may be mentioned *par parenthèse*,—was averted by the prompt and energetic action of one of Calcutta's largest and most sporting owners, and who fled hot foot to the rescue of the winning jockey, who had apparently forgotten the important ceremony of weighing in after the race, and was off in the direction of the stables! The last race was regarded as a foregone conclusion in favour of Mr. Hamilton's pretty little mare Pierette; but once again the heavy going told and she succumbed to Nicotine, though an unusually ragged start was also partly responsible for the result.

Four firms of bookmakers were present in the enclosure and seemed to be fairly busy; the "tote" on the other hand was not greatly patronized, though on one race it paid the useful dividend of Rs. 57 per Rs. 5 ticket.

Lord Lamington holds his first Levée in Poona next week when prehistoric frock coats and antediluvian "toppers" get their annual airing. Some of the latter can yield pride of place in antiquity only to the fine old yellow beaver of our great grandfathers, while a few of the coats, though doubtless the pride of their respective sartorial professors of some decades past, would bring tears of anguish to a latter day artist of the tape and scissors.

Mr. Cursetjee Dhunjishaw, the "eminent" handicapper of the Western India Turf Club and Officiating Secretary, has apparently lapped knowledge at the feet of wisdom in the shape of Mr. Cecil Gray, with good effect, as it would seem that he is keeping the Poona race-course and all connected with it and matters racing in an excellent state of efficiency and will no doubt keep matters so till the return of Mr. Gray from England. It would ordinarily not be unreasonable to expect that an Executive Officer from the East would come back primed with fresh ideas from the civilized West; but most men who have had experience of racing both at home and at the headquarters of the Turf in Western India hold that there are few, if any, race meetings in England that have not more to learn from the management of racing in Bombay and Poona than they can teach. Mr. Gray seems to have, like the Japanese, the happy facility of getting the best of everything from everywhere, and bettering it.

Our Poona Correspondent writes:—The Official Measurer held an equine levée, about a dozen candidates coming up for presentation, the ceremony being prolonged, I hear, owing to the misbehaviour of two or three candidates who had not acquired the art of standing steady for the dread ceremony. The present Measurer's methods are, I understand, exactly in accord with those of his illustrious predecessor, so owners and trainers know exactly what they may expect and are not unduly disappointed in consequence.

Even thus early in the training season there are, I believe, nearly two hundred and fifty quadrupeds with aspirations to Turf honours going the "daily round" and a new trainer has entered the lists in the shape of Mumford, who has been entrusted with Mr. Galstaun's string: and a new factor ever adds interest. He is, I am told, a strong and determined horseman, and in him Friar Tuck, who was beginning to get a bit troublesome, found his master, and admitted it. He and his stable companion Vasto work together and I am assured one knows when they are coming.

Aga Shamsudeen Shah has taken a few of his string to Mysore, and one may reasonably presume that whatever he selected was taken not merely for change of air and scenery. Jimmy Robinson, too, has gone there and most of the jockeys have already assembled there. "Where the carcase is."

Those well-known trainers, Thomas Tingey, Andrew Clarke, Bleach and the Parsee Byramjee, are all to the fore and none of them have, I should imagine, many spare stalls, while Pearson is in charge of the select and successful stable owned by the sporting Bhattia owners, Messrs. Mathuradas

Gokuldass and Anandjee Nanjee, who win in their turn—and often out of it.

There was a flutter of fast work recently on the part of the Mysore candidates, but work has now, I hear, naturally enough quieted down again. As the first extra day's racing is not till the 30th July, even the most blood-thirsty Arab dealer-trainers seem to be able to control their ardour. And how they love to hear their desert-born steeds rattle on the hard!

The queenly Cricket calls for no serious comment at present—apart from the fact that everyone is glad to welcome back from Somaliland Captain Greig; even though, in spite of his distinguished cricket, the Mullah still must be considered by most umpires as "not out"—"retired hurt" would perhaps be a good decision. The season has opened with the time-honoured XI *vs.* XXII and Under Thirty *vs.* Over Thirty, but the results of these interesting contests are not likely to cause a thrill through Hindostan, so I will wait more doughty deeds.

Colonel Sheringham has an unusually strong pack at his command this year, over 40 couple I am told, and has already begun the season with a little blooding of the new drafts—but I gather that in the present parched, baked condition of the ground anything approaching a run would be eminently undesirable. An expert tells me that hounds are improving in condition rapidly—(and if hounds don't improve with Colonel Sheringham, they are not, I opine, likely to improve with anyone else) and will be in rare fettle by the opening day, which is to be some day during the first week of July. The sporting contingent from the Shropshire Regiment will be greatly missed, but it is to be hoped that the two new regiments will more than supply the deficiency by their support.

In Russia racing is being made to pay its war tribute in the shape of a new totalisator tax, which goes to the Red Cross Society. At a recent trotting meeting in Moscow the tax produced nearly £4,000. As is only to be expected, the war is having a bad effect upon racing generally, and it is stated that more than one prominent Russian owner intends withdrawing at the first opportunity.

Rain spoilt the handicap shoot of the Calcutta Clay Bird Club last week. Only six members were able to fire and by the time these had shot off their ties the company were "demmed, moist unpleasant bodies;" the shoot was declared off and the competitors wended their damp and muddy way homewards.

Although the system of walking horses up to the barrier appears to work all right at some of the big American tracks, it has not given satisfaction at others. At the big Memphis meeting in April the method was abandoned after a fortnight's trial, and the standing start reverted to. One objection to the moving start was the delay at the post, caused no doubt by the boys trying to beat the starter. In New York, at meetings under the supervision of the Jockey Club, the moving start is being given a thorough trial, notwithstanding that at least one prominent starter is understood to be opposed to it.

Second entries for the Bangalore Races are published in our Turf columns to-day: they are not particularly numerous. We remind our readers that final entries close on the 1st proximo.

The following are the latest additions to the Calcutta Zoological Gardens:—

1 Nilgai—*Boselaphus tragocamelus*—Presented by the Superintendent, Muzaffur Jail:

3 Pythons—*Python molurus*—Presented by M. L. Oakes, Esq., D. S. P., Gonda.

1 Andaman Pig—*Sus cristatus* (*Andamanenses*)—Presented by William Rutledge, Esq.

2 Anoa.—*Anoa depressicornis*—By exchange.

The Gymkhana at Simla, on the 25th instant, was a great success and was remarkable for the large number of entries. There were five events and a match for Rs. 100 between Captain Laverton's Cheemji and Captain Southey's Irish mare. Cheemji won after a dead-heat. The Bending Race brought out 19 entries and was run in heats. Mr. Mant and Captains Smith and Southey appeared in the finals, the first-named winning by a head. Twenty entered for the Egg and Spoon Race, which was won by Miss Tyrrell, Mrs. Courage being second. The Costume Race proved an easy win for Captain Mortimer and the Hon'ble Mr. Heneage. The staff ride, for which 22 entered, was won by Miss Tyrrell, who was the only competitor to go the correct course. Mrs. Heneage and Mrs. Taylor tied for second place. The Academy Stakes was won by Mr. Macleod and Mrs. Collins. There were 25 entries.

A proposal to hold a Sky Meeting, on the 6th August, was being considered by the Rangoon Race Stewards when last we heard from that lively little town.

The Indian Government, having decided to start a pure Arabian breeding stud for military purposes, after the model of those long existing in Austria, Russia, and elsewhere, has just concluded the purchase from Mr. Wilfrid Blunt of four of his best stallions from the Crabbet Park Stud, including the well-known sire Seyal. These will be shipped so as to reach India at the beginning of the cold season. In consequence of this and other English sales, which have been more numerous than usual during the past winter, no public auction will be held this year at Crabbet Park.

The hearing of the appeal of that enterprising Rangoon litigant, Mr. F. F. Goodliffe, in the case of himself *vs.* The Stewards of the Rangoon Races, has been fixed for the 18th July.

The following account of a tiger shoot, as told by a native correspondent of Russellkonda, is not too bad:—

"May I request you to publish in your daily issue a tiger of an extraordinary size shot on 12th May 1904, by Mr. A. S. Laurie, the Assistant Engineer of Russellkonda. The tiger was attempted by many a country shot, but without a success. The tiger was a shock of terror to the people of the Kallingia villages because it took away several buffaloes belonging to the villagers and subsequently came to be called a Royal tiger on account of its huge size. The country cartmen were panic-stricken by the presence of the tiger in the jungle adjoining the Kallingia road and hesitated to pass the road with their carts for fear of being killed by the tiger. Somehow or other this news reached the ears of Mr. Laurie, who was ever ready and naturally delighted in such games, ventured to meet the foe. It is interesting to know how he despatched the Royal tiger with one final shot.

Mr. Laurie was told by the villagers that the tiger had taken away one of their buffaloes and thrown it dead on the Kurmungia Ghati road. No sooner had he (Mr. Laurie) heard of this, he lost no time and was ready on the spot waiting to welcome the Royal Master. The tiger slowly sneaked out of its den and appeared to sympathise over its dead friend (buffalo) at about 6-15 P.M. Mr. Laurie was watching him lying in concealment about 20 yards distance. The grand master first came and stood by the dead buffalo for over three minutes, then sat in front of his dead friend like a *Pilevan* (master athletic), resting both his hands on his thighs and looked up to heaven kissing over his dead fellow. After an interval of five minutes he (the grand master) twisted his arrowy whiskers on his majestic face with both the front paws and looked to either side with a challenging attention for a little over a minute, and then commenced to give a bite with his cadaviverous teeth over the neck of his dead fellow (buffalo). Mr. Laurie, who was watching in concealment the chivalrous exploits of this ferocious tiger, waited until he turned his head back and thus securing a position with a well directed aim he (Mr. Laurie) shot him dead on the spot with one blow.

The sudden and powerful shot is said to have made the tiger jump into the sky as high as five yards, and gasping for life fell down from there in full prostration of its length measuring in all 11 feet."

The little vicomtesse sat in the verandah at Le Toquet, and the great game of golf was laboriously explained to her by an expert.

"Ah," she cried at last as sudden light came to her, "I have seen it played at Paris, at Bagatelle, by eight men on ponies."

We publish in our Turf columns details of the Murree Sky Races which, with good entries, fair racing, a good attendance, and the hospitality of the 60th Rifles, were sufficiently successful to encourage the hope that these meetings will be repeated at intervals.

Apropos the recent Murree Sky Races "A Lover of Horses" writes to the *C. and M. Gazette*:—

"May I suggest to those responsible that this race would be equally amusing if the riders were forbiden to carry whips or sticks. I presume the Stewards know the difficulty the average amateur rider has in using his whip. I remember once hearing a jockey remark about a horse trained in Arthur Yate's stable 'he wont try unless you hit him, and every time the captain hit him he missed him,' but Thomas Atkins was a good deal more successful than some of the sporting captains who wore silk, and moreover, some of them carried weapons like clothes props and even when hopelessly beaten flailed the wretched tats mercilessly.

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The bazar pony's life must come as near hell on earth as that of any living creature. Need we rub it in?"

Very seldom has 1,100 guineas to be paid for a horse who is entered in a selling race, the conditions of which state that the winner shall be sold for 100sovs., but before Mr. Hill-Wood could retain Twelvebore after she had won the Mickleham Plate at Epsom on the 3rd instant, he had to run up to the sum mentioned. Twelvebore is a filly by Matchmaker out of ·303, a daughter of Carbine. Mr. Fern, whose Departure gelding finished second, was able to share the very substantial surplus of 1,000 guineas with the race fund, while the value of the race was only 200sovs.

One of the most phenomenal catches of fish on record was made at Oceanside, Los Angeles, Cal. T. J. McGarvin and three assistants ran their seine through the surf, and then were unable to pull it in, owing to the enormous amount of fish they had taken, says the *Chicago Inter-Ocean*. A team of horses was sent for and attached, and still the catch could not be landed. A second team was procured, and the united efforts of men and teams drew the wonderful catch to the shore. Most of the fish were of the kinds known as yellowfin croakers, fish about eighteen inches in length and weighing 8lbs. or 10lbs. each. It was found when the fish were made ready for market that there were 15 tons of them. Nine tons of them were shipped to Los Angeles, and the remainder were dried at the fish-drying works there.

The Lahore Midsummer Polo Tournament, which is being played on the American system, opened on the 20th instant. Only three teams entered owing to the fact that many players are at present on leave. "A" team met "B" team in the first game, the latter winning by 1 goal and 3 subsidiaries to 3 subsidiaries. The teams were as follows:—*Team "A."*—R. H. Anderson, 11th Lancers; Captain H. G. Melville, I.M.S; Alexander, 11th Lancers; Morgan, 24th Regiment. *Team "B."*—T. C. Greenway, 24th Regiment; St. John, 20th Punjabis; Captain A. Smith, C.V.D.; Maxwell, 11th Lancers.

The Mysore week is now in full swing, but skipping, or only lightly touching upon the official festivities, we shall pass at once to matters sporting. It may be said, however, that Government House and the Camp in its grounds now holds nearly 150 guests, and that 145 actually sat down to the State Dinner on the night of the 23rd instant. With the lavish hospitality of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore and the wonderful organising capacities of Mr. Maconoche, I.C.S., Colonel Godfrey Jones, I.S.C., and Mr. H. Donne, it is hardly necessary to state that everything is being done upon a scale which is far more than generous, whilst the thousand and one little items which go so far towards making up a successful function, have been considered with a care that is hardly short of marvellous. If His Highness' guests are not pleased this year, then indeed they are hard to please.

An account of the racing on the 25th and 28th instant is published in our Turf columns. We tender Mr. Apear our congratulations on winning the Maharajah's Cup with Goldsmith, who started at fives and was very nicely ridden by Penton.

The opening matches of the Polo tournament are also given in the usual place. We shall be surprised if either the Bangalore Gymkhana or the Carabiniers —the latter for choice—do not prove the eventual winners. Jimmy Robinson is there, and as a matter of fact few of the good jockeys in India are absent.

The Bombay Gymkhana held their first mounted sports for this season last week. The weather conditions were most favourable and the ground was not so soft as the recent rain would have led one to expect. The programme was a good one and the afternoon's sport a great success. Messrs. W. E. Crum and F. R. Hill, the Joint Honorary Secretaries, were assisted by Messrs. H. Simmons (judge), J. A. Lord (starter), T. L. Roberts and R. Harter. Proceedings opened with tent-pegging, Mr. W. E. Crum securing first place. The jumping competition was good and was won by Mr. D. Graham, who was one mark ahead of Mr. J. Greig. Mrs. S. McCausland won the ladies' trotting race with Mrs. G. McCausland a close second. The Mounted Infantry race went to Mr. Graham. The Pre-Raphaelite Stakes caused much amusement and was won by Mr. J. C. Bruce and Mrs Miller: Mr. P. Fischer and Miss Mills second. The Pony Scurry was won easily by Mr. Fischer's Heera, Mr. McCausland up: the same Owner's Governer, ridden by Mr. Fischer, taking second place. The Horse Scurry brought the sport to a conclusion, Mr. Romnell's Tyke, ridden by owner, winning in a canter.

Athletic Notes.

THE fact that the Racing Club of France, the crack athletic organization in that country, were opposing a team representing the South London Harriers lent quite an international flavour to the gathering at Stamford Bridge on Saturday. Whereas it has been shown that Continental nations can nearly hold their own with us at rowing and other branches of aquatic sport, our supremacy on the running path is beyond all dispute, and the "Irrepressibles" had matters almost entirely their own way. As a matter of fact, the Frenchmen won only one event, the steeplechase, though it is conceivable that du Coteau might have secured the Quarter had he run with a little more judgment. The "star" performers of the afternoon were Shrubb and C. H. Jupp, the former running away with the Mile and Three Miles, while Jupp was timed to do 19½secs. in the 200 yards Invitation Race. This performance, however, must have flattered him somewhat, as Tremeer was only beaten a shade over two yards.

The following are the results of some of the important cricket matches at home last week:—Lancashire beat Kent by 107 runs; Yorkhire beat Essex by 9 wickets; Derby beat Warwickshire by an innings and 24 runs; Sussex beat Cambridge University by an innings and 93 runs. The matches between Middlesex and the South Africans, and between Surrey and Oxford University resulted in a draw.

On the 24th instant, Kent beat Gloucester by 9 wickets; Marylebone beat Cambridge by 9 wickets; the South Africans defeated London County by 10 wickets. On the 25th instant, Yorkshire beat Somerset by 7 wickets; Lancashire beat Surrey by 70 runs; the match between Sussex and Oxford University was won by the former by 6 wickets, and Leicestershire *vs.* Hampshire resulted in a win for Leicestershire by 219 runs.

The Committee of the Calcutta Rowing Club have arranged to include in the programme of their regatta on the 30th proximo a sculling race for ladies, should sufficient entries be obtained. Here's a chance for some of our fair waterwomen.

As a golfer improves he finds the temptation to use strong language grow beautifully less, if it never altogether vanishes (says a critic). Apart from these debatable points, however, the real and chief virtue of golf lies in the fact that it is a source of unlimited enjoyment to an evergrowing section of the community. It is a game which all can play, from the schoolboy to the septuagenarian. It is a recreation, not only for any age, but for all seasons of the year. Cricket and football have encouraged the lethargic Chinese joy of "looking on." Golf has not done so, and is never likely to do so to any serious extent. It encourages our natural energetic characteristics, and is, to this extent, a national asset. It is a vigorous, if not violent, pastime. It is, in short, "a delightful labour."

We noticed in a recent issue the Southern India Amateur Racquet Tournament; among our sporting notifications to-day will be found further details thereof, and we would remind our readers that entries and fees must be sent in before Monday next, the 4th July.

Messrs. Krieg and Co.'s new price list, just issued, reminds us that this popular emporium of all that is choice and toothsome in provisions and high-class in wines fully maintains its popularity among a *clientele* which extends from the Himalayas to Cape Comorin. The present "monsoon" issue of this attractive list displays the neat get-up and interesting contents which we have before had the pleasure to notice and bears evidence of the fact that the firm is determined to keep its position in the van, where we trust it may ever be found.

The entries for the Calcutta Trades Cup closed last Monday, and include twenty-seven teams; which are as follows:—

Jamalpore Apprentice Engineers Recreation Club, Medical College, Gaurandi Football Team, Asansol Football Team, Moslem Football Team, Customs Athletic Club, National Association, Jamalpore Gymkhana, Mohan Bagan, Howrah Sporting, Sibpur Engineering College, St. Joseph's Football Club, Primrose Athletic Club, Rovers Football Club, Aryan Football Club, Calcutta United "A" Team, Calcutta United "B" Team, Lunar Sporting Club, Doveton College, Chowringhee Football Club, Mahomedan Sporting Club, Calcutta Union Club, Phœnix Club, Sporting Union, St. James' Football Club, Entally Football Club, and Bhookalash Football Club.

At the Calcutta Swimming Baths on the 28th instant a water polo match was played between teams representing the Sibpur Engineering College and the Calcutta Swimming Club. At the end of the first half the Swimming Club were leading by three goals to one, but after the interval Sibpur put on five goals, thus winning by six goals to three.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 10th June 1904.

REPORTS of the "unconfirmed" character have been pouring in from the East all the week. On Tuesday the wires had it that Port Arthur had been bombarded for five days: on Wednesday another Russian vessel had been sunk: yesterday Port Arthur had fallen and the Japs had sustained a serious reverse. To-day's morning papers speak of Chinamen being bundled out of Port Arthur in a hurry and the Japanese bombarding the place, at long range for fear of mines; for sensational reports we have to await the evening papers which rarely disappoint. Then we get all that the Russian authorities serve up for their own public; and lots more besides.

Things do not look better for Russia at home than for Russia in the East. It is reported that reservists, officers as well as men, are leaving the country to escape service in Manchuria, the Government preferring to send reservists to the front as a method of counteracting disturbance. There was yesterday a report from Vienna that twelve officers had been shot at Poltava for protesting against their despatch to the East. Deserters are finding their way over the border into Austria. Meantime Japan goes ahead methodically picking up or exploding the mines the Russians scattered with such a liberal hand.

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The House of Commons has devoted some of its time since Friday last to that much needed measure, the Penal Servitude Bill. The scheme provides for the classification of convicts and the longer detention of the habitual under conditions less rigorous than those now in vogue. Experts in criminology have for years been urging some such change as this: there is a class of offender who lives by burglary and theft, and who has no use for liberty except to prey on society; it is this class at which the new Bill aims. For an offence which is now awarded three years the habitual will get seven or more, but the greater part of the term, if the Bill is carried, will take the form of mild detention, its purpose being simply to keep the culprit out of mischief. Very instructive were some of the examples of professional crime cited by Mr. Akers Douglas in introducing the Bill: space forbids reference to these in detail; but it appears that out of 2,879 convicts in prison in 1901, no fewer than 2,242 had been more than once previously convicted.

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Some progress has also been made with the Aliens Bill. Even the C. B.'s can't manage to work up much thunder over that, having I suppose not entirely lost sight of their radical constituents in their furious anger with the Government, but they do their sentimental best. The Licensing Bill gives them a better chance and the fulminations have been simply lurid. We have not quite dropped Chinese labour as a rod for the chastising of the wicked yet, but it is wearing out, as these artificialities must wear out. Tempers on the C. B. side have been very shaky this week, as Mr. Lowther has found while in the chair in Committee.

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The mania for misappropriating an annual Sunday to the perpetuation of somebody or something more or less meritorious has at last attacked the followers of that minor prophet, the late Mr. Richard Cobden, the centenary of whose birth occurred last week. The Cobden Club wanted the nation to recognise a "Cobden Sunday," when the great and good works of Cobden should be preached from all pulpits. The endeavour seems to have met with no very enthusiastic support, and really when Cobden's claims to ultimate beatification are dispassionately considered, charity bids us leave his memory in peace even as charity has forgotten his ravings at the time of the Mutiny. His idea of the Mutiny was it "visited the sins of the fathers upon the children." He wrote that it might have been avoided, had his own countrymen "displayed exalted virtues and high intellectual powers. But I fear the traits most conspicuous in our countrymen have been of a very different character."

He kept all his righteous indignation for those who punished the mutineers at Cawnpore and Delhi, "the bloody deeds now being enacted and which all arise from our own original aggression upon distant and unoffending communities, will be visited with unerring justice upon us or our children." He could never see that our possession of India was beneficial to any native race nor to ourselves, and regarded our dominion as "utterly hopeless," but that was the gentleman's attitude to all Colonial enterprise. He was the smallest, narrowest, and blindest of Little Englanders.

The astonishing thing is that Mr. Cobden should still be accorded rank as a great statesman: every prophecy he uttered has been falsified by events, from the adoption of universal Free Trade (so-called) to our evacuation of India. Stripped of his gift of oratory (misgiven gift to how many misleaders !) he was the most parochial of politicians, who regarded all men of action as emissaries of the devil.

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There is something magnificent about the Marquess of Anglesey's bankruptcy: it is not bankruptcy in a legal sense, but I take it to be so in every other. He succeeded to the title and estates in 1898 and the income was £110,000 a year: since then he has run up bills to the extent of £541,000 odd, including unsecured debts of a quarter of a million. His balance-sheet is interesting. He was paying off an original debt at the rate of £5,000 a year: legacy and succession duties and a mortgage he was not answerable for wiped up £11,700 a year: he was paying £13,950 as interest of debts and £38,000 as life premiums to the Insurance Companies from whom he had borrowed on policies. Altogether this capable spendthrift had reduced his income to £10,500 a year, and the poor fellow has no relatives "who could help him." He is abroad just now for the sake of his health and the creditors are trying to arrange matters. It was agreed at a meeting that there should be an assignment to trustees for the benefit of the creditors who would get practically an immediate dividend of 3 shillings in the pound. When the Marquess came into the title and gave up the Anglesey Harriers as a first step, one felt he could come to no good.

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I made brief reference in a recent letter to a curious case of death which arose from the accidental omission to remove a pair of forceps from a patient's body after an operation. Another case of somewhat similar oversight has been the subject of an action for damages in the King's Bench Division. A servant sued Miss Thorne, a lady doctor, for damages for alleged negligence. The patient underwent a very serious operation in the abdominal region at Miss Thorne's hands and by an unfortunate accident a "mattrass sponge" was left in the body when the operation, which occupied an hour and three-quarters, was finished. The patient became ill again and a second operation revealed the sponge. The medical testimony showed how easily a sponge of the kind employed might by discolouration be overlooked, and there was room for the supposition that one of those used had come apart in process of removal, the nurse swearing that the number was correct when counted. The jury gave the patient a farthing damages, being influenced by the fact that Miss Thorne had operated without making any charge; but the Judge holding this incompatible with the answers given to the specific questions he had put, sent them back and accepted a verdict carrying £25 damages. It is a disturbing thought that the marvels of modern surgery should be complicated by the risk of appliances being left in one's interior. I feel inclined to speculate on the number of deaths due to such causes which have gone undiscovered or unrevealed.

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Christie's was crowded on Saturday when the Orrock collection of old masters was sold. It struck me that the most expensive work was Turner's water-colour "Lancaster from the Aqueduct," which sold for 1,500 gs.: 480 gs. was paid for another sketch 8½ inches by 3¼ inches. Strange how the market value of pictures fluctuates. Ten or twelve years ago the Germans offered in vain £8,000 for Gainsborough's portrait of Mrs. Charlotte Freer to add to the Berlin Museum. On Saturday the canvas went at 3,300 gs. to an English purchaser. Reynolds' "Lady Anne Fitzpatrick" brought 4,000 gs. There were also pictures by Romney, Laurence, Raeburn, Constable and David Cox, but none made sensational prices.

Another crowd assembled at Christie's on Monday when the late Duke of Cambridge's silver plate was sold: the 150 lots brought about £10,000, but there were no sensational prices. The Duke's Canteen set, used by him in the Crimea, partly silver and partly plated ware, brought £120. The Guards Presentation Vase, given to the Duke of York by the Coldstreams, went at 16-3 per oz., £595. A pair of William III.'s two-handled cups brought £4-4-0 per oz., £92-16-6. Some of the 16 inches by 17 inches century German silver-gilt ware sold at high prices and after warm competition: one beautiful little cup, not four inches high, went at £200 to a Bond Street dealer: another, a little larger, but less beautifully chased, brought £280. The catalogue describes something under a ton of silverware. It is said by experts that the Duke's collection of portraits of Royalties is the finest ever brought into a sale-room.

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Miss Harriet Ford has not made the best of Stanley Weyman's "A Gentleman of France," which was produced at the Avenue on Saturday. The novel bustles with incident, and with incident that lends itself to the stage, and a more capable hand would have made a good romantic play of the material provided. This version is a poor one: by some fatality the adapter has omitted most of the scenes that suggest themselves and the incisive diction of Weyman's characters finds no echo on the Avenue boards. Wordy to weariness, to any one who has not the story at his finger ends, it is so verbose and confused as to be almost unintelligible. Mr. Murray Carson did what he could with Gaston, but was obviously handicapped by the long speeches which come so strangely from a man of action: and Miss Esmé Beringer put as much life as she could into Mdlle. de la Vire: but the adapter was against them and the applause which welcomed curtain fall was neither spontaneous nor hearty.

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The production of Mrs. Lyttelton's "society" play at the Camden Theatre on Monday created more excitement outside than in. The position of the authoress naturally brought what journalistic jargon calls a "fashionable audience" to remote Camden Town to see "Warp and Woof," and Camden Town assembled literally in thousands to see the smart people arrive: mere hansom cabbers could scarcely get near the doors for the crowd. Mrs. Lyttelton must be suspected of writing with a purpose: the whole business depends on the thoughtlessness of great ladies who delay till the last moment to order dresses for swell functions and on the hardships so inflicted on work girls. Act I takes place in Madame Stefanie's show-room, a spectacle of gowns and affluence: Act II in the work-room, a spectacle of overworked girls suddenly relieved by the appearance of an Inspector of Factories, to whose notice some of them have brought their wrongs. The scheme of the play is good, but the most has not been made of it. Mrs. Patrick Campbell as Theodosia the "fitter" had some opportunities at the period when she has accepted an offer to become somebody's mistress in order to get money for her dying sister, after they have been turned out of Madame Stefanie's; but what interest the play possesses crumbles away after the dismissal scene. I should like to know which of the three ladies in the bill acted the red-haired sewing girl: her performance of a minor part was so good as to keep it clearly in one's memory after more important features have dimmed. It was rather a society function than a regular "first night" performance.

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It seems to be a growing fashion to give pieces a trial in suburban houses before bringing them into town. A new play called "The Sadducee and the Sinner," has been produced at Kennington; "The King's Diamond" at Notting Hill; and Miss Louie Freear has a company of her own at Hammersmith playing "Boy Bob." Of all these more anon if the acceptance accorded brings them into the heart of London. Miss Viola Tree made her *début* on Tuesday afternoon at His Majesty's in the part of Viola. Mr. Tree, no doubt, took a liberty with Shakespeare when he transferred Feste's songs "Come away Death" and part of "When that I was and a little tiny boy" to Viola, but the doing was an experiment that made all the difference to Miss Tree. She has a charming voice and sings with great feelings: and the applause deservedly given put fire into her acting. The change was really remarkable, and I bethought me of Mr. Pinero's axiom at a Playgoers' Club dinner years ago, "The atmosphere of art is praise." Miss Tree has been carefully trained, of course almost too carefully, but after her successful song it was curious to see how the trace of the teacher disappeared and how she "stood on her feet." Miss Tree is tall, slight, very pretty and endowed with beautiful eyes. She will be a successful actress: whether great or no remains to be seen. By the way, small gratification was expressed at the inclusion in each "souvenir programme" of an envelope in which we were invited to place a donation to Miss Viola Tree's special collection to the Fresh Air Fund for poor children. It is an excellent charity, but when one goes to the theatre one does not expect appeals to one's purse for extraneous matters. Mr. Tree thanked us for enabling 20,000 poor children to get

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a day in the country, so I am afraid the appeal had larger success than the merits of this practice warrant. It may be mentioned here that, that emasculated version of "The man who was" is in revival, but at His Majesty's.

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Concerning the Music Halls, the most noteworthy event is the appearance of Mdlle. Dancrey of the Folies Bergère, one of the most delightful of French dancers and singers : she is the most exhilarating dancer I can remember ; her gaiety and vivacity are really captivating.

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Various items : On Wednesday, 1st June, the Cape to Cario Railway reached the Zambesi below the Victoria Falls ; and they await arrival of the bridge sections to go on. Jersey has refused to supply funds for Militia, and the States have been told that if they don't do so the garrison will be withdrawn. It appears to me that the better and cheaper plan would be to withdraw the local mis-government. An Irish labourer, aged 107, has been discovered in a charitable retreat at Clapham ; as is usually the case he is neither an abstainer nor a non-smoker ; odd isn't it how the good die young. The "Fourth" was celebrated in due form at Eton this year for the first time since 1900. Queen Victoria's death, the King's illness, and the fatal fire in turn caused the abandonment of the function in three successive years : a thing unknown in Eton history. Mr. George Marshall, who reported that he had been robbed of £18,000 in notes while staying at the Hotel "Metropole" in January, has been committed for trial on the charge of misappropriating £12,000, the property of his employer, the Duke of Newcastle. The allegation is that he invented his circumstantial story of robbery to cover his own misdeeds. Where shall we find freedom from the motor-car ? Yet another man has driven his machine up to the top of Snowdon and brought it safely down again : that he did it in 61 minutes appears to me no palliation of the offence. The Alake of Abeskuta is making good use of his time in England. Royal Military Tournament, City receptions, Alhambra—his impressions will be a trifle mixed when he gives himself time to think. On Wednesday he went to the Royal Counties show at Guildford and was so much taken with the ploughs he saw that he ploughed a furrow on his own account and ordered half-a-dozen to take home with him. Not before it was necessary a regulation has been issued limiting motors in Hyde Park to ten miles an hour. The British Ambassador at Paris has obtained the release, after a fortnight's detention, of Colonel Gordon Smith, aged 70, who was arrested for taking photographs of an ancient Breton fortress interesting to none but antiquarians. Some pig-headed gendarmerie officer was responsible for the high-handed and foolish proceeding.

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MIKE MURPHY'S TIGER.

'TWAS Misther Michael Murphy, visiting the East,
Who wished to shoot a tiger as a noble sort of beast,
So he sought the Forest Officer, and thus to him he said,
"Bedad me bhoy 'tis Misther Stripes I'd dose wid pills of lead."

But Misther Michael Murphy, tho' generally awake,
Had in this single instance made a "thriflin" mistake,
He'd read of shooting tigers from elephants and so
He thought that from a pachyderm he'd lay *his* tiger low.

But educated elephants who'll stand a tiger's roar,
Are sometimes not available—'twas so in Dustipore.
So Misther Michael Murphy got lots of jungle walking,
Whilst—hardship to an Irishman—his host allowed no talking.

A week went by, and Michael still was tramping through the jungle,
Beginning to be doubtful if he hadn't made a bungle,
Mosquitoes ate him day and night, "wait-a-bits" tore his breeches,
And Misther Michael Murphy pricked his fingers dropping stitches.

The first time Misther Murphy came across a tiger's "pug"
He opened both his mouth and eyes and gave his hair a tug,
"My sowl is that a fut-mark," he said, "'tis like a plate,"
"Begorra if he shteps on us we'll all of us be ate."

One evening Misther Murphy was reclining near his tent,
His host the Forest Officer was out on business bent,
When lo ! there came a jungle man, "Salaam, Salaam huzoor,"
"Bahut burra bagh hai—plenty near—Protector of the poor."

Now though not a Hindooi scholar, Mike Murphy understood,
An uncommonly big tiger was somewhere in the wood,
"Shure now's the time," he thought, "to show that Indian Forest man,"
"The descendants of the Murphies were iver in the van."

He took his twelve-bore rifle and he took his cartridge bag,
The jungle-man went with him, clad in just a single rag,
They quickly took the tracks up, and they followed them until
They tracked that mighty tiger to a sholah on a hill.

All round about that sholah a girdle soon they placed,
Misther Michael Murphy said "Begob he's here the baste,"
They quickly built a large *machan* and then tied up a bait,
Then invited Michael Murphy to ascend and take his "sate."

But Misther Michael Murphy was short of breath and fat,
And climbing up an awkward tree did not come very pat,
With many groans and many puffs and many shoves behind,
The coign of vantage reached at last he thought Fate wondrous kind.

For many long and weary hours he waited up that tree,
He squinted till his eyes ached, but no tiger could he see,
Cramped and mosquito bitten, as the dawn began to peep,
Mike Murphy and his jungle-man were both of them asleep.

Simultaneously the feline, with the earliest gleam of light,
Having missed his supper—sambur beef—and prowled throughout the night,
Winded the wretched *byle* and quickly followed up his nose,
One stroke of that tremendous paw and down the bullock goes.

Now couched upon his victim, Stripes drank both long and deep,
And then with tooth and claw began his beefy spoils to reap,
He had had one mighty helping, and had come again for more,
When his meal was interrupted by a most terrific *snore*.

A tiger seldom looks aloft so Stripes gazed all around,
Searching the bushes with his eyes, but nothing there he found,
He had taken two springs forward, when there came an awful "crack,"
And Michael Murphy's sixteen stone dropped on that tiger's back.

Fast following Misther Murphy, his startled henchman fell,
And, landing on the sprawling pair, uttered an awful yell,
With a "wough" astonished Stripes made off, but two barrels had been loaded,
And at a range of just three yards, Mike Murphy's gun exploded.

'Tis often said Diana to youthful griffs is kind,
And 'tis true as Lempriere's utterance that Love is ever b'ind,
But never was the luckiest griff with such a stake at issue,
So finely served as Michael by his extra fatty tissue.

For as the gun exploded, Fate played a friendly part,
And steered that random bullet straight into that tiger's heart,
Though this may sound a Yankee yarn it is an o'er true tale
And that splendid ten-foot tiger was *as dead as any nail*.

But from the fallen sportsmen a bitter cry arose,
"Och wirrasthrue," "Aiyo, aiyo," they thus poured forth their woes,
Where they fell down, there they remained, each covering, up his head,
Wishing the thing was over and each comfortably dead.

For a sad and solemn interval, then silence reigned around,
Mike Murphy, henchman, tiger all lay sprawling on the ground,
Then Mike peeped through his fingers and jumped up with a howl,
"Erin-go-bragh" likewise "Hurroo" he's dead upon me sowl.

And then with "pomp and circumstance," the bearers twelve they came,
With "embroidery" his jungle-man extolled the sportsman's fame,
There was much congratulation from his generous Forest host,
And Michael Murphy's tiger has become an annual toast.

An annual toast in Ireland with the little Murphies round,
When Mike describes with gusto, how he lay upon the ground,
But rose upon one elbow and took a deadly aim,
The bullet sped, straight to the head and slew the noble game.

If you would ask me how I know all that befell that day,
"Natives are sometimes venal" is what I fain would say,
But Mister Michael Murphy's true name I may not tell,
For he's a friend of many years and faith I like him well.

B. A. B.

ADVENTURE WITH A CROCODILE.

WHILE sitting in my verandah early one morning in October last discussing my *chota-hazri*, the "Baega" (priest) of my principal village came rushing at a very unusual rate of speed for such a high dignitary, and sat down in my verandah gasping and quite knocked up by an experience which his old bones were not accustomed to. By his wild appearance I at once concluded that something very serious had occurred in his domestic arrangements, and having lost ground came rushing to me for protection. He was, however, too excited to remain quiet and all my attempts to pacify him having failed, I was compelled to listen to his speech, which was delivered in gusts, and gradually the real facts came out, *viz.*, that he had narrowly escaped being made a feast of by "Old Nick" himself in the disguise of a huge crocodile while he was crossing an inland hill stream about half a mile from my bungalow.

To enable me to fish the real truth out of this naked semi-savage I began by sympathising with him ; observing what a fearful calamity it would have been for the immediate population had he been carried away and devoured by this *bhoot* crocodile, to which he at once concurred and breathed a word of approval as to his importance, and judging from the dignified air he assumed one might have imagined himself in the presence of at least a bishop than that of a poor ignorant dirty semi-savage. I again got him on the subject of his narrow escape, and it seems he was crossing the nalla where it is shallow to inspect his crops on the other side accompanied as usual by his favourite dog, when half across a huge black mass rose from the centre of the pool to his right with evil intent. The "Baega" realising the situation at a glance turned to the right about and ran according to his own account faster than he ever did in his life before—with the crocodile close at his heels determined to lay hold of and make a feast of him. The "Baega," however, thinking he was done for, was giving vent to his feeling by producing numerous unearthly yells and as a last resort to save his precious bacon jinked the alligator by leaving the pathway and running up a steep hill, but this sudden move placed the dog in his pursuer's jaws. It was killed on the spot and dragged back to the pool at the crossing.

As I had nothing particular to do that day, I thought I might as well go out and interview "Old Nick" in his disguise, for being an intruder he had to explain his presence on my property. I at once looked up my cartridge box, but could find only two shell cartridges, remains of old stock, with which to stay this renowned monster. About 30 well-seasoned braves were collected, and we all left as bold as lions. Stories relating to their former deeds of bravery were being freely discussed on the way, and as I listened attentively concluded myself fortunate in having such experienced and bold warriors to join me in the coming fight. We were not long in reaching the scene of the struggle where the dog was killed, the track was followed up to the pool where the "Baega" very cautiously looked over the bank and immediately signed to me to come alongside, which I did, and low and behold there lay at the clear bottom a huge black and very ugly looking mugger with the dog in his mouth. The water was very clear which made the depth deceptive, but as he did not look far from the surface I at once prepared to put a couple of shells through his ribs. All became suddenly quiet, and on looking round for my bold hunters not one could be seen, all having fled to a man. Some distance off I sighted my holy friend, the priest, high up a tree. I requested him to come and stand by me, but he shook his head, stoutly declining the invitation, saying he did not want to be killed ; the others had all disappeared up the hill well concealed behind rocks, leaving me quite alone facing the enemy. As I saw assistance from such a cowardly lot was hopeless, I at once levelled my gun and fired both barrels into the black mass below, but as no disturbing result was visible, I began to think I had killed him and communicated my impression to my brave followers who began to drop in very cautiously. After the water cleared, I looked over the bank and there saw the crocodile in the same position and spot, not having budged an inch. The coolies had made up their minds that he was dead, all, no doubt, inwardly hoping that such was the case. I knew better, and warned them to keep well away from the bank.

As I had no more ammunition a couple of dilapidated spears of uncertain age, probably of Noah's period, were brought from the village, not at all promising looking weapons with which to attack such a monster. I selected the strongest and had it lashed to a good sound sapling, and when all was ready slipped it into the pool which was about four feet below where I stood. On looking round to call for assistance all the coolies had disappeared, leaving me alone surrounded by hills and dense jungle with the sleepy-looking croc in front of me. Of course, my experience of such animals did not go beyond shooting them on the banks of the river and they always appeared to me to be a sleepy, slovenly and unwieldy lot ; so that I was quite ignorant of the danger and activity of this animal, no doubt the natives were fully aware of his capabilities ; but had this been explained to me in detail, I would certainly have disbelieved them and acted as I did. I lost no time in raising my heavy spear with both hands and dug it in between the brute's shoulders with all my might, but in an instant the infuriated brute rose to the surface, pushing me up the bank and lashing the water with his tail into a perfect sea, throwing volumes of water all over the place. He tried to hit me with his tail. His first attempt at this was nearly successful, but seeing his game I gave him more pole and defied him and held my spear into him with all my might. Failing to lay hold of me he then seized the pole in his mouth, twisting his head and neck round it like a snake, his small eyes gleaming and flashing his rage and contempt for his assailant, wishing no doubt he had him between his jaws. After a fearful and determined struggle he released himself by giving a sudden jerk with the whole of his body, thus throwing the spear out of my hands, bending it out of all shape and pitching me almost head over heels without ceremony on the rough bank with a splinter of wood forced into my hand during the last round, but of course this wound was not felt at the time, and until the final fight was over pain had no consideration.

My quarry then quietly sank to the bottom, I withdrew my spear from the pool, and while meditating how to repair it to renew the fight my braves began to crawl in, the "Baega" returning with a few more looking very much scared, and re-opened our conversation by saying "*Sahib*, let us sit down and discuss matters." This I refused to do, at the same time instructing them to hold their council of war while I repaired the damaged spear. Shortly afterwards they came back in a body saying that they had unanimously concluded that the creature was a *bhoot*, and if we did not let him alone there would be murder in the end. I certainly agreed with them so far that he was a decided *shaitan*; but I meant to bag him all the same. I ordered the trembling coolies out of my sight. The first encounter they witnessed was evidently more than enough for them, as they all stoutly refused to assist where murder would be the result, and all deserted me for the second time and retreated to their former place of safety. I had just slipped my spear, lashed to a new and heavier sapling, over the bank, and while meditating where to strike the enemy, I observed three natives running along the opposite bank who joined me as speedily as possible and at once volunteered to assist in the struggle. These men came from a distance, being boatmen in my employ, and made of different stuff to the cowardly lot here; without delay we dug the spear in the saurian, who immediately rose to the surface again renewing his lashing of the water, but was not nearly so savage as he was on the first occasion; he soon sank to the bottom through exhaustion and from repeated spear thrusts was speedily converted into a corpse and dragged out on the opposite shore with many shouts of victory from my cowardly crew whose bravery suddenly returned when all danger had vanished. The creature was cut open for examination in case he might be in possession of valuable treasure. His stomach contained a lot of human bones and eighteen zinc bracelets which had turned the colour of iron. Enquiries were subsequently made in my own and other villages if any had been killed by this animal, no one had been lost in the near neighbourhood, so that he must have been new to this place. Judging from the size of the bracelets the girl killed must have been about ten to twelve years old. I do not know whether an account of this encounter will be interesting reading or not, all I can say is that the fight was a grand one, and I would go a long way to enjoy such another.

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WESTLEY RICHARDS' DETACHABLE LOCKS.

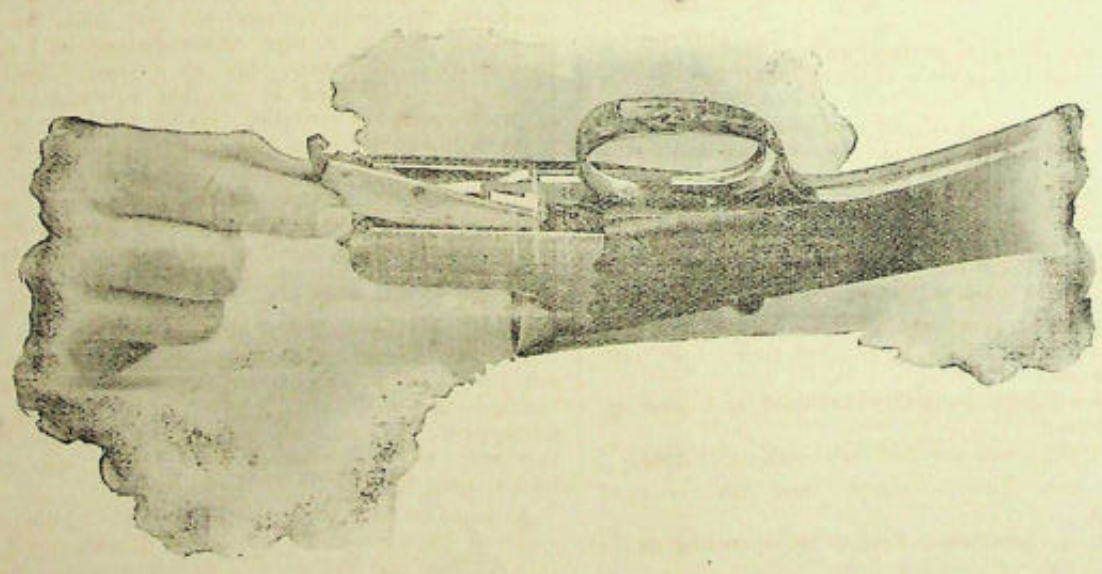
AMONG the many inventions for which sportsmen are indebted to the ingenuity of modern gunmakers there are few which commend themselves more to us than the detachable lock mechanism which Messrs. Westley Richards and Co. patented a year or two ago. There is nothing novel in the actual mechanism of the lock action: it is the Westley Richards' well-known Hammerless Gun with their Anson and Deeley patent which was introduced nearly thirty years since and whose strength, simplicity and reliability have earned the popularity it continues to enjoy. Incidentally, it may be remarked that this hammerless gun-lock reduced the action, which until 1875 had vogue, by no less than fifteen parts. The difference between the complexities of the old lock and the simplicity of the Anson and Deeley can only be fully realised by placing examples of the two side by side for comparison: the ingenuity of the latter, which consists of only four main parts, the cocking jifter, hammer, mainspring and gear, then speaks for itself.

No. 1.
The Westley Richards' detachable lock.



It is this mechaniam, the Anson and Deeley to which Messrs. Westley Richards apply their "hand detachable" principle. The lock is built upon a plate and each plate with its lock drops easily into the body and is held in position by a cover plate which is furnished with a catch; there is neither pin to draw nor screw to turn; the catch does everything. To remove the lock (or locks for each is distinct from the other) the gun is cocked by opening the breech and the fore-end is taken off; pressure on the catch, which fits into a suitable groove in the fore-end, releases the detachable lock on its plate which comes clear away from the gun.

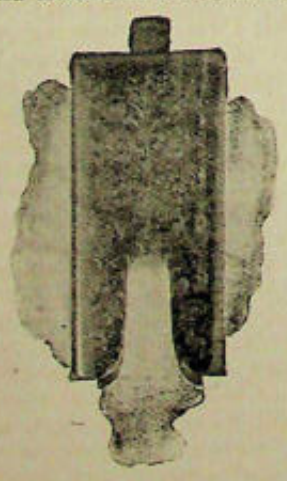
No. 2
Inserting the lock.



To replace it the hammer is cocked and the lock is slipped back into the body as before, the cover plate is placed over it, gentle pressure sending the catch home to retain it in place

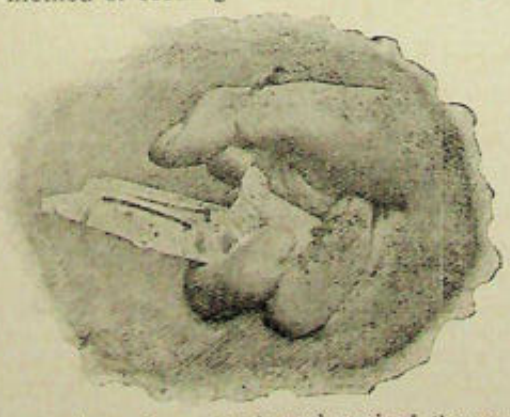
The simplicity and the advantages of this invention are such that one involuntarily enquires why nobody thought of it before—the truest compliment that can be paid any invention. The advantages are self-evident. If one lock comes to grief it can be removed without disturbing the other and sent for repair. The plates fit with such nicety into the body of the gun that there is as little risk of the locks being affected by rust or damp as in the case of an ordinary gun, while for ease of cleaning, the detachable locks are infinitely superior to the immoveable mechanism.

No. 3.
The cover plate with catch which goes over locks and holds them in position.



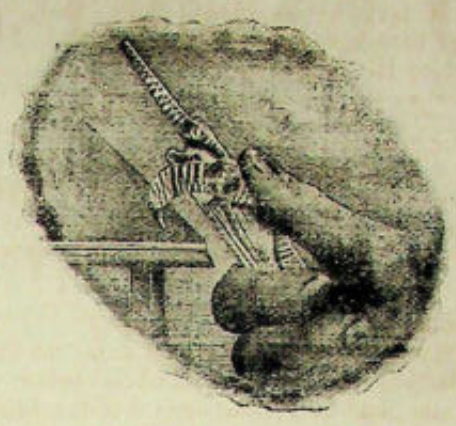
Those of us whose weapons have suffered from the curious fingers of enquiring native servants will appreciate the advantages of an invention which enables one to remove the locks and put them away apart from the gun. If one falls in mud or water while out shooting and the gun seems to have suffered, the locks can be removed for examination in half a minute, wiped dry if necessary, and as quickly replaced. The system is applicable to either hammerless gun or hammerless rifle of any calibre.

No. 4.
A method of cocking the lock before using it.



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No. 5.
Another method of cocking the lock by pressing the hammer on the edge of a bench or table.



It should be noted that this welcome contrivance is obtained without the sacrifice of anything in the shape of strength or adjustment: the detachable lock gives us much and deprives us of literally nothing. It is practically impossible to tell that the locks are on the detachable principle by glancing at the gun, with such beautiful neatness is the invention arranged. The stud which operates the catch of the cover plate as already said is countersunk in the fore-end and thus it is impossible for the locks, or either of them, to be displaced by accident: the fore-end must be removed before the locks can be taken out.

The illustrations need no explanation. It may be said, however, that when the locks are out of the gun, they may be cocked when necessary by the thumb. To prevent the point of the striker hurting the thumb, a small horn cap is placed over the hammer, but this may be dispensed with and the lock cocked as shown in Fig. 5, which is also extremely simple.

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THE SPIDER'S LICK.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

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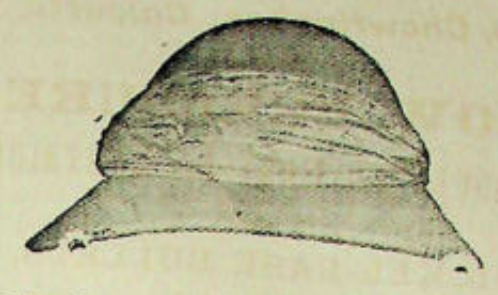
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The Turf.

INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Name of Races.	Month.	Date	For Prospectus see page.
Bangalore Races	July	9, 12 & 14	
Secunderabad	"	23, 25, 27	507
Colombo August	"	6, 9, 11 & 13	
Tollygunge Club Second Gymkhana	"	13	
Poona First Extra	August	30	
" Second "	July	6	
" Third "	August	13	
" Fourth "	"	20	
" Fifth "	"	25	
" Sixth "	"	27	
" Seventh "	"	3	
" Eighth "	Sept.	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases	"	21, 24, 26, 28	
Calcutta Monsoon First	August	Oct. 1, 3 and 8	
" " Second	"	6	506
" " Third	"	13	
" " Fourth	Sept.	20	
" " Fifth	"	10	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	17	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	"	4 & 6	
Umballa Autumn	Nov.	25 & 27	
Meerut Autumn Sky	"	5, 8 & 10	625
Lucknow Autumn	"	15, 17, & 19	82
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup)	Dec.	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Calcutta First Extra	"	1	625
" Second "	"	10	
" First Meeting	"	17	
Viceroy's Cup	"	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Lahore Xmas	"	27	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	27, 29 & 31	
Rawalpindi Sky	"	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	"	5, 7, 10	
Calcutta Second Meeting	"	21, 23, 25	
" Third Extra	"	11 & 21	
" Fourth "	Feb	28	
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CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Secunderabad	Second	—	10th July.
Bangalore	Third		1st July.
Poona Races	First		2nd August.
	Second		23rd "
	Final		4th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon	—	—	2nd August.
" 2nd "	—	—	9th August.
" 3rd "	—	—	16th August.
" 4th "	—	—	6th September.
" 5th "	—	—	13th September.
Army Cup —	Second		1st July.
	Third		1st October.
	Final		15th November.
Civil Service Cup	Second	—	1st July.
	Third		15th September.
	Fourth		1st December.
	Final		20th January.
Umballa Autumn	First	—	13th August.
	Second		17th September
	Third	—	28th October.
Calcutta First Extra	—	—	6th December.
" Second Extra			13th "
" First Meeting	First		1st November.
	Second		30th "
" Second Meeting	First		30th November.
	Second		7th January.
Lahore Xmas	First		1st July.
	Second		1st November.
	Third	—	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky	First		1st August.
	Second		15th September
	Third		6th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First		1st November.
	Second		30th "
Second Day	First		1st November.
	Second		2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	—	Begins 29th August.
Bangalore Tournament	—	13th, 15th, 18th and 20th July
Poona Junior Tournament	—	Begins 15th August.
Poona Open Tournament	—	Begins 30th September

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club.

Fourth Monthly Meeting	—	9th July.
Second Rapid Fire Competition	—	23rd July.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta	—	30th July.
Ditto 3rd Regatta	—	September.
Ditto The Power Cup	—	October.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla)	—	14th and 27th September.
Calcutta Football League	—	Now on.
Trades Cup (Calcutta)	—	14th Begins.

RACQUETS.

South Indian Amateur Tournament	—	From 9th to 20th July.

HOCKEY.

Madras Tournament	—	Begins 25th July.
Lahore and Mian Mir Tournament	—	Begins 1st July.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	—	Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Colombo Medal Handicap	—	1st and 2nd July.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay)	—	23rd, 24th and 25th August.
" " (Poona)	—	13th, 14th and 15th September

SHOWS.

Bangalore Horse —	—	21st, 22nd and 23rd July

SWIMMING.

Calcutta S. C.

One Length Handicap	—	1st July.
Four Lengths "	—	8th July.
Final Four Lengths Handicap	—	15th July.
Two Lengths Hurdle Handicap	—	29th July.

SPORTS.

Simla Gymkhanas	—	2nd July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Princess of Wales' Stakes	—	Thursday, 30th June
Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	—	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	—	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)	—	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	—	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	—	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1¼ miles)	—	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	—	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	—	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles)	—	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	—	Tuesday, 2nd August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	—	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	—	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	—	Tuesday, 6th September
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	—	Wednesday, 7th Sept
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	—	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ miles)	—	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	—	Thursday, 29th September
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles)	—	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	—	Wednesday, 12th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	—	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile furlong)	—	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	—	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	—	Tuesday, 8th November
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	—	Friday, 11th November
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	—	Saturday, 26th November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Oxford vs. Cambridge (Lords)	30th June.
Amateur A. A. Meeting	2nd July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Lords)	3rd July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Lords)	4th July.
Henley Regatta	5th, 6th and 7th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Ova')	7th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords)	27th July.
Dublin Horse Show	23rd August.
Birmingham Dog Show	28th November.

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MYSORE RACES, 1904-05.

(By Special Telegram.)

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First Day, Saturday, 25th June 1904.

The Mysore Meeting opened in dull and slightly showery, but pleasant weather. The attendance was good, the Maharaja and Yuvaraja being early on the course. It was decidedly a backers' day, favourites or second favourites, coming home in every race ; but on the other hand in three out of five events another horse was well backed, so the bookmakers got their chance. Seven pencilling firms were on the course and they laid fair prices. Unless stopped by weight of money. Details :—

The Lilliput Plate.—Rs. 1,000. Rs. 500 presented by M. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs, Esq., with Rs. 500 added from the Fund, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under. 14 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs 200 or more once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftner 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races, value as above, of the aggregate value of Rs. 2,000, 3lbs. ; of Rs. 5,000, 7lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Maidens, 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Lt Col Desaraj Urs' g a h Ptarmigan, 8st 4lbs	Melsom 1
Aga S Shah's b a h Oriental, 9st 2lbs ...	Robinson 2
Major Bell's b a h Matussan, 8st 11lbs ...	Lansdowne 3
Mr White's g a h Robin, 9st	Hoyt 0
Mr Franklyn's g a h Bijli, 8st 5lbs ...	Elliott 0

Betting : 6 to 4 on Oriental, 5 to 4 agst. Ptarmagan, 20 to 1 each Robin, Bijli, and Matussan

Oriental was left six lengths. Matussan led for a furlong when Ptarmigan, went by and made the pace a cracker ; Oriental came through his horses and took second place two furlongs from home, Robinson riding hard, but never approached Ptarmigan who won in a canter by eight lengths, Oriental was eased ; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 25secs.

The Macintire Plate.—Rs. 1,000, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100. For horses which were maidens on the 1st of January 1904. W. A. and C. Penalties—Winners, since 1st January 1904, of a race value Rs. 200 or more, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftener 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 2,000, 5lbs. in addition to above penalties. Entrance—15th 6 furlongs.

Mr Chowdry's b e f Nightingale, 8st 5lbs...	Lansdowne 1
Lt-Col Desaraj Urs' b. aus g Red Coral, 9st 10lbs	Melsom 2
Hon Mr Apcar's br aus g Spithead, 8st 12lbs	Penton 3
Lakshmi Khantaraj Urs' b aus g Cecil. 9st...	Thompson 0

Betting : 7 to 4 and 2 to 1 on Nightingale, 2 to 1 agst Red Coral, 4 to 1 Spithead, 10 to 1 Cecil.

Spithead gave trouble at the start and eventually broke the rope barrier.

When off to a good start Cecil led for a few strides but was passed by Nightingale. The latter made the running at a fast pace ; Red Coral came up at the turn for home, but Melsom was early at work on him and Nightingale won fairly comfortably by one and a quarter lengths ; six lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 300, and third Rs. 200. For Arabs. W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners, since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs 200 or more, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftener 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races, value as above, of the aggregate value of Rs. 2,000, 3lbs.; of Rs. 5,000, 7lbs., in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens 7lbs. Ponies under 14 hands 7lbs. Cumulative. 1¼ mile.

Mohamed Haji Ebrahim's ch a h Gallant, 9st 6lbs	Heroo	1
Mr Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 7st 10lbs	O'Neill	2
Mr Richard's ch a g Selpme, 8st 10lbs ...	Elliott	3
Col Sprot's ch a h Harefoot, 9st ...	Capt Randall	0
Maharaja of Mysore's b a h Khundoos, 8st 4lbs	Thompson	0
Mr Webster's b a g Derision, 8st ...	Melsom	0
Major Bell's g a h Scattercash, 8st ...	Hoyt	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Gallant, 3 to 1 agst. King Cobweb, 4 to 1 Scattercash, 6 to 1 Derision, 8 to 1 each Harefoot and Selpme, and 10 to 1 Khundoos.

After a good start, Derision made the running from Khundoos, Selpme, King Cobweb, and the favourite last. They ran in this order for three-quarter mile when Gallant and Harefoot improved their positions and King Cobweb dropped back last. At the distance Harefoot died away and Derision was already done with. O'Neill brought King Cobweb through and challenged Gallant vigorously, but the favourite won, all out by three-quarters of a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 24⅘secs.

THE FARM PLATE.—Rs. 1,000, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100. For C.-B. horses. W. A. reduced 4lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 200 or more, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftener 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 2,000, 3lbs.; of Rs. 5,000, 7lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Maidens 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Jaffer Mohomed Mystery's beb g Upstart, 9st 9lbs	Heroo	1
Capt Randall's br cb f Miss Ascot, 8st 11lb	Hoyt	2
Maharaja of Mysore's Clara, 6st 11lbs ...	Melsom	3
Aga S Shah's g cb m Pardon, 8st 11lb ...	Kamad	0
Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs' ch cb m Phyllis, 7st 11lbs	O'Neill	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Upstart, 3 to 1 agst. Clara, 4 to 1 each Pardon and Miss Ascot, and 6 to 1 Phyllis.

Pardon led out from a fair start of which, however, Clara got much the worst. Upstart lay second to Pardon until a furlong from home where Heroo asked the question of the favourite and quickly had the race in hand winning by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 5⅗secs.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—Rs. 1,000. Rs. 500 presented by M. Kantharaj Urs, Esq., with Rs. 500 added from the Fund, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. ¼ mile.

Lt-Col Desaraj Urs' b aus m Mamao, 9st 11lbs	Lansdowne	1
Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 8st 10lbs	Melsom	2
Mr West's ch aus m Firebrand, 9st 2lbs ...	Elliott	3
Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs' ch aus m Queen Cole, 11st	Thompson	0
Mr Kindersley's br e m Freda, 9st 5lbs ...	Hoyt	0
Capt Dailey and Mr Neilson's b aus m Felicity, 9st 5lbs	Capt Randall	0
Capt Ward's b aus m Dolly, 8st 6lbs	Meah Jan	0
Maharaja of Mysore's b aus m Doris, 6st 9lbs	Bennett	0

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst Mamao, 6 to 4 Freda, 4 to 1 Dandenong, 5 to 1 Queen Cole, 6 to 1 Firebrand, and 10 to 1 Felicity.

Dolly and Doris were quickest at the start, but we soon found Mamao racing Freda until two furlongs from home; Freda then fell back and Dandenong rapidly improved his position and challenged the leader, but the favourite held her own and won without being pressed by a length; one and a-half lengths between second and third. Time—51⅗secs.

Second Day, Tuesday, 28th June 1904.

(By Special Telegram.)

The attendance showed a great improvement, and to-day's fields, with the exception of the first race, were excellent. The Maharaja and Yuvaraj, the Maharani, the British Resident and General Nixon were on the course, and there were many ladies on the grand stand. It was not, on the whole, a backers' day. The field for the Cup was really excellent both as regards numbers and class. It provided a fine finish, too; Penton rode Goldsmith with great judgment. It was a very open race. Details:—

THE YELLANDUR PLATE.—Rs. 1,500. Presented by Sir P. N. Krishnamurthi, K. C. I. E., Dewan of Mysore, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 300, and third Rs. 200. A handicap for C.-B. horses. 1 mile.

Capt Randall's br cb f Miss Ascot, 7st 5lbs	Hoyt	1
Jaffer Mahomed Mystry's b cb g Upstart, 10st 7lbs	Heeroo	2
Col Grant's b cb h Prime, 7st 2lbs ...	Gooloo	3
Aga S Shah's g cb m Pardon, 6st 4lbs ...	Kamad	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Miss Ascot, 2 to 1 agst. Upstart, 4 to 1 Prime, 10 to 1 Pardon.

Prime made the running for a furlong, with Upstart last, Pardon and Miss Ascot in the order named. At the half mile Pardon was leading Miss Ascot, Upstart still last and coming into the straight Miss Ascot went round her horses and assumed command. Upstart came up second, a furlong from home and made his effort but weight told and Miss Ascot won in a canter by a length; ten lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 49⅘secs.

THE MYSORE SERVICE PLATE.—Rs. 2,500, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 300 and third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arab horses. R. C.

Maj Hamilton's Jack Horner, 6st 4lbs ...	Kamad	1
Mahomed Haji Ibrahim's ch a h Gallant, 9st 10lbs	Heeroo	2
Col Kavanagh's g a h Money Spinner, 8st 2lbs	Hoyt	3
Aga S Shah's ch a h Sandow, 8st 6lbs ...	Robinson	0
Col Sprot's ch a h Harefoot, 8st 3lbs ...	Bennett	0
Capt Dailey and Mr Stewart's ch a g Selpme, 8st 11lb	Elliott	0
Mr Webster's b a g Derision, 6st 12lbs ...	Melsom	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Sandow, 3 to 1 agst. Gallant, 5 to 1 each Money Spinner and Selpme, 6 to 1 Jack Horner, 8 to 1 Derision, and 10 to 1 Harefoot.

Jack Horner led out from a good start and took a clear lead of several lengths, with the favourite going after him, Selpme and Derision next, and the rest in a string. At the seven furlongs post the favourite was leading, and coming into the straight Sandow was second to Pardon, the rest closing up. Two furlongs from the finish Gallant caught Pardon and the favourite was beaten. At the second enclosure Jack Horner came through full of running and won comfortably by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 22secs.

H. H. THE MYSORE MAHARAJA'S CUP.—Rs. 3,000, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 300 and third Rs. 200, to which will be added a Cup, of the value of Rs. 500, presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore to be given to the winner. A handicap for horses. R. C.

Hon Mr A A Apcar's b aus g Goldsmith, 9st 8lbs	Penton	1
Capt Wilson's bk aus h Misty, 7st ...	Kamad	2
Maj Logan-Home's b aus g Corrie Roy, 7st 5lbs	Bennett	3
Mr MacJohn's b e g Bundook, 9st 9lbs ...	O'Neill	0
Lieut Col Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton, 8st 12lbs ...	Melsom	0
Aga Khan's br e g Ayrdale, 8st 11lbs ...	Robinson	0
Mr Chowdry's br aus g Wild Raven, 8st 7lbs	Lansdowne	0
Maj Logan-Home's bk aus g Pope, 7st 13lbs	Elliott	0
Hon Thelluson's b nth am m Madeira, 7st 2lbs	Hoyt	0
Maj Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 7st 2lbs	King	0

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Bundook, 3 to 1 each Ayrdale, Corrie Roy, and Misty, 5 to 1 Goldsmith, 6 to 1 each Madeira and Trenton and 20 to 1 each Scissorman and Pope.

Wild Raven was first away, but Scissorman passed him and took the lead twenty lengths, from Misty, Madeira, Corrie Roy, and Ayrdale in the order named, the three last being Bundook, Goldsmith, and Trenton. Scissorman was caught by Misty at the six furlong post and fell away beaten. Coming into the straight O'Neill was driving Bundook into fourth place and Misty looked all over a winner. A hundred yards from home Goldsmith challenged, got the best of the struggle, and won a good race by three-quarter of a length; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 9⅘secs.

THE STABLE CUP.—Rs. 1,000, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under 6 furlongs.

Aga Khan and Aga Shah's Cocos, 9st 5lbs	Robinson	1
Mr Kindersley's br e m Freda, 7st 6lbs ...	Hoyt	2
Major Dougall's ch aus g Lancer, 9st 11b	Penton	3
Mr A Sattar's br aus g Ocean, 10st 3lbs ...	Capt Randall	0
Lieut-Col Desaraj Urs' br aus m Mamao, 10st 2lbs	Lansdowne	0
Mr West's ch aus m Firebrand, 8st 2lbs ...	Elliott	0
Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 8st ...	Heeroo	0
Capt Dailey and Mr. Neilson's b aus m Felicity, 7st 10lbs	O'Neill	0
Major Logan-Home's br aus m Nipcat, 7st 5lbs	Bennett	0

BETTING: Evens Cocos, 4 to 1 each agst. Mamao and Dandenong, 5 to 1 Ocean, 6 to 1 Freda, 10 to 1 each Lancer, Firebrand, Nipcat and Felicity.

To a somewhat straggling start Firebrand and Freda got away best and at the five furlong post Freda had a clear lead which he retained to the distance. The favourite then came up and a good race ensued, opposite the stand Cocos drew away and won by one and a quarter lengths; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 19⅖secs.

THE BIRTHDAY CUP.—Rs. 2,000, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 400 and third Rs. 200. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr Chowdry's b e f Nightingale, 8st 12lbs...	Lansdowne	1
Mr Kelso's b aus g Harpist 9st 10lbs ...	Penton	2
Aga Khan's br aus g Beadsman, 9st 8lbs ...	Robinson	3
Mr Stewart's b e g Carburton, 9st 5lbs ...	Capt Randall	0
Lieut Col Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral, 8st 8lbs	Melson	0
Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs' b aus g Gum, 8st 5lbs	O'Neill	0
Mr Chowdry's ch aus g Tecoota, 8st 2lbs ...	Elliott	0
Hon Mr Apcar's br aus g Spithead, 7st 3lbs	Bennett	0
Mr Tate's gr aus g Wadhurst, 7st 11b ...	King	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Nightingale, 5 to 2 Carburton 3 to 1 each Harpist, Beadsman, and Red Coral, 6 to 1 each Gum, Tecoota and Spithead, any odds Wadhurst.

Nightingale made strong running with Carburton and Beadsman next. Coming into the straight Harpist came up second and Carburton dropped back a furlong from home, Harpist passed Beadsman but could not reach the favourite who won in great form by a length and a quarter; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 2secs.

MURREE SKY RACES.

Saturday, 11th June 1904.

A VERY successful afternoon's racing was the general opinion of those who witnessed the sport at Gharial to-day. Entries were fair and the course in good condition. The 60th Rifles were "At Home" and their band enlivened the proceedings. There were six events, of which Mr. F. Grenfell secured two—the Beginners' Stakes and the Polo Stakes—with that game little mare Mabel Valley. Details:—

BEGINNERS' STAKES.—Rs. 32 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second.

Mr. F Grenfell's Mabel Valley, 10st 4lbs	Captain Melvill	1
Major F. Crum's Baron Irek, 11st 8lbs ...	Owner	2
Mr. G. Cookson's Cæsar, 12st... ...	Owner	3

Also ran-Maggra.

Won in a canter by eight lengths; four lengths between second and third.

CHAMPION STAKES.—Rs. 32 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second.

Mr. J. G. Willan's Envoy, 11st 4lbs	Captain Melvill	1
Mr. Macmillan's Sutton 11st 4lbs ...	Owner	2
Mr. H. P. Burn's Gabriel, 11st 7lbs ...	Captain Dick Cunningham	3

Also ran: Hoosainee, Quibble, and Annie Laurie.

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

NOVICE STAKES.—Rs. 32 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second.

Mr S. Grenfell's Shah, 12st	Owner	1
Mrs. F. Stewart's Rufus; 10st 10lbs ...	Mr. Mulholland	2
Mr. Sydney Smith's Shamrock, 11st 8lbs...	Mr. Furnell	3

Also ran: Night Shirt, Beaver, Lassie, and Cupid.

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

POLO STAKES.—Rs. 32 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second.

Mr. F. Grenfell's Mabel Valley, 11st 11lbs	Owner	1
Capt. Melvill's Goona, 13st 7lbs ...	Owner	2
Capt Dick Cunningham's Beaumasque, 13st 7lbs	Owner	3

CALCUTTA FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY MATCH.

(Under the auspices of the I. F. A.)

On Calcutta F. C. ground, kindly lent for the purpose, Saturday, 9th July.

Prices of Admission, Re. 1, As. 8 and As. 4. Reserved seats in the Re. 1 enclosure may be obtained from the undersigned or any of the League Committee.

The proceeds will be devoted to Charity.

E. E. ROPE,
Hon. Sec., C. F. League,
4, Fairlie Place.

Also ran: Lawyer, Free Lance, and Gay Paris.

Won easily by four lengths; four lengths between second and third.

GRAND MILITARY.—Rs 16, open to N.-C. O.'s and men on bazaar ponies. Three heats were run off, and after some great racing and much amusement the final heat was won by—

Pte. Findly, Irish Fusilliers, ...	.....	1
Trumpeter Murphy, 3rd Hussars ...	.....	2
Pte. Richard's, Irish Fusiliers... ...	.....	3

GHARIAL STAKES.—Rs. 32 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second.

Mrs. F. Stewart's Rufus. 10st 10lbs ...	Mr Mulholland	1
Mr. H. Burn's Gabriel, 13st	Captain Dick Cunningham	2
Mr F. Grenfell's Shah, 12st	Owner	3

Also ran: Cain Goram and Dandy Dick, Fitz.

Won a good race by half a length; a length between second and third.

SIMLA GYMKHANA.

(By Special Telegram.)

Tuesday, 28th June 1904.

THERE was a poor attendance at this event, but there was fair sport. Details:—

SUMMER HILL HURDLE RACE.—Handicap.

Mr Bond's b w m Burlesque, 30yds ...	Owner	1
Capt Laverton's b cb m Sillyloo (scratch)	Mr Pawson	2
Col Blennerhasset's ch aus m Emerald, 15yds	Owner	3

Won by two lengths; five lengths between the second and third. Six ran.

BARNES COURT PLATE.—Round the course.

Mr Davies' g a h Cut Off, 10st 10lbs ...	Mr Binny	D. H.
Mrs Wormald's r a m Nellie, 12st 1olbs ...		
Col Blennerhasset's b aus m Salmonfly, 12st 7lbs	Owner	3

Won by a short head.

Time.—64secs. Nine ran.

THE POLO SCURRY.—600 yards.

Capt Smith's b cb m Kargoosh ...	Owner	1
Capt Laverton's b cb m Cheemji ...	.....	2
Mr Howell's bl aus g Sweep	.....	3

Won easily. Ten ran.

THE GRIFFIN PLATE.—1½ furlongs.

Mr Mant's b a g Teddy, 10st 8lbs ...	Owner	1
Capt Mortimer's bl w m Betsy, 12st ...	Owner	2
Capt Smith's b a g Cypress, 10st 11lbs ...	.....	3

Won by one and a half lengths. Nine ran.

THE DESERT STAKES.—1,400 yards.

Mr Davie's g a h Cut Off, 11st 30lbs ...	Mr Binny	1
Capt Smith's ch a h Rover, 8st 3lbs ...	Native	2
Mr Bond's ch a h Impostor, 9st 13lbs ...	Owner	3

Won by one and a-half lengths; half a length between the second and third. Time—1min. 38secs. Eight ran.

MATCH FOR Rs 200.

Capt Jones Mortimer's ch w m Rani, 13st ...	Owner	1
Maj Boynter's g a h Saudan, 10st 7lbs ...	Owner	2

Won easily.

THE LADIES' PLATE.—Round the Course.

Mrs Wormald's r a m Nellie, 12st 4lbs ...	Mr Pawson	1
Col Blennerhasset's b aus g Tim, 12st 4lbs, Capt Mortimer		2
Mrs Peacocke's b aus g Assurance, 12st 4lbs, Capt Peacocke		3

Won by three lengths; one length between the second and third. Seven ran.

Entries for Races.

BANGALORE RACES.

SECOND ENTRIES.

For First Entries see "The Indian Field" of 23rd June, page 174

1. THE PADDOCK PLATE.

Major Smyth's ... ... b e g ... Laurier Rose, 11 0½

2. CLOISTER CUP.

Mr Wagstaff's ... ... b aus m ... Snowball, 14-1

3. THE CAMBRIGDESHIRE.

Capt E J R Peel's ... b a h ... Bayleaf

4. EXCELSIOR PLATE.

Major Smyth's ... ... b e g ... Laurier Rose, 14-0½
Mr C P Graham's ... ch aus m ... Shot Silk, 14-0½

N B.— Musketeer has been purchased by Mr. D Devaraj Urs.

Final Entries close 1st July. H. DONNE, *Secretary.*

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 10th June* 1904.

THE TURF.

KEMPTON PARK MEETING.

THE fourth of June celebrations at Eton and elsewhere accounted for the absence of several prominent patrons of the Turf from Kempton, but the conditions were such that a large crowd was attracted to Sunbury, and the gathering must have proved a brilliant financial success. The members' enclosure had not been so well filled this season, and the dainty toilettes of the fair sex which lit up the lawn served as a vivid reminder that Ascot is but a few days distant. The rustic charms of the umbrageous park were vastly appreciated after the stress and turmoil of Epsom, and the card amply sufficed to provide an exhilarating entertainment, the enjoyment of which was enhanced by the summerlike environments. A cool easterly breeze tempered the fierce heat of the solar rays, and the course, covered as it was with a profusion of herbage, yielded perfect going. Details:—

THE KEMPTON PARK TWO YEAR OLD PLATE of 885sovs. for two year olds. 5 furlongs.

Major J D Edwards's br g Scribe, by Loved One—Edna, 8st 9lbs ...	E Wheatley	1
Mr W Raphael's br f Graceful, 8st 6lbs ...	D Maher	2
Mr A C Carton's ch F by Velasquez—St Lucia, 8st 6lbs	W Lane	3
Mr P E Liddiard's Silver Streak, 9st 11b...	H Jones	0
Mr S Darling's Bishop's Court, 8st 12lbs ...	Pearce	0
Sir T R Dewar's Refiner, 8st 12lbs ...	B Dillon	0
Mr H Barnato's Auriform, 8st 9lbs ...	Lynham	0
Mr J Gubbins's The Dhow, 8st 9lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr T S Jay's Ormazd, 8st 9lbs ...	K Cannon	0
Mr J Musker's Lila, 8st 9lbs	O Madden	0
Sir E Vincent's Reggio, 8st 9lbs ...	Griggs	0
Mr R Marsh's Shiskin, 8st 6lbs ...	Watts	0
Capt Bewicke's Kirkheaton, 8st 12lbs ...	Bramley	0
Mr J L Dugdale's Maimie, 8st 9lbs ...	Trigg	0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst. Silver Streak, 3 to 1 Graceful, 11 to 2 Scribo, 7 to 1 St. Lucia filly, and 100 to 7 any other (offered.)

Won by half a length ; a like distance separated the second and third. Auriform was fourth, Ormazd fifth, Reggio sixth, Silver Streak seventh, Refiner next, and The Dhow last, except Kirkheaton, who cantered in afterwards. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2⅘secs.

THE KENTON COURT SELLING PLATE of 693sovs. ; weight for age, etc. 7 furlongs.

Mr G Edwardes's b c Pollion, by Ermak—Pomponne, 5yrs, 9st	E Wheatley 1
Mr W Waugh's b g Compliment, 6yrs, 8st 11lbs (£100)	Jones 2
Mr W Johnston's b h Silent Friend, 6yrs, 9st (£100)	W Lane 3
Lord Fairquhar's Bistonian 6yrs, 8st 11lbs	D Maher 0
Mr J B Joel's Kilcheran, 6yrs, 9st (£100)	M Cannon 0
Mr W Parrish's Energetic, 6yrs, 9st (£100)	Griggs 0

(*Winner trained by Major Edwards.*)

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst Kilcheran, 7 to 2 each Pollion and Silent Friend, 6 to 1 Bistonian, 8 to 1 Compliment, and 10 to 1 Energetic.

Won by half a length ; a head divided the second and third. Kilcheran was fourth and Bistonian last throughout. The winner was bought in for 420guineas. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 28secs.

THE WINDSOR CASTLE HANDICAP PLATE, of 440sovs. 5 furlongs.

Mr J Sloncombe's Out O'Sight, by Right-away—Hazleben, 5yrs, 8st 6lbs ...	Halsey 1
Major J D Edwardes's br g Robino, aged, 6st 11lbs*	Sharples 2
Mr B S Strauss's ch c Edicius, 4yrs, 6st 6lbs	East 3
Mr W H Schwind's Castle Wise, aged, 7st 10lbs	O Madden 0
Mr R H Henning's Xeny, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs ...	F Bullock 0
Mr A H Rushton's Early Bird, 4yrs, 6st 11lbs	Trigg 0
Lord Carnarvon's Hauten Bas, 6yrs, 6st 5lbs*	R McIntyre 0
Mr Rouse's Fiore, 3yrs, 6st 4lbs* ...	Saxby 0
Mr S B Joel's Divorce Court, 3yrs, 6st 6lbs	Heppell 0
Mr H Bottomley's Venta, 3yrs, 6st 4lbs ...	Hunter 0
Mr F Hardy's The Cingalee, 3yrs, 6st (car 6st 10lbs)	E Pratt 0
Lord Dunraven's Livia, 3yrs, 6st 8lbs ...	Griggs 0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by F. R. Hunt.*)

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst Out O'Sight, 5 to 1 Fiore, 6 to 1 Castle Wise, 7 to 1 Divorce Court, 8 to 1 Robino, 9 to 1 Early Bird, 10 to 1 agst. Edicius, 100 to 8 Xeny, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won easily by three lengths ; a length and a-half divided the second and third. Divorce Court was fourth, Cingalee fifth, Xeny sixth, Castle Wise seventh, and Early Bird (whose bridle broke) last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 1⅘secs.

LINGFIELD PARK MEETING.

The week before Ascot is always very quiet, and, with two or three exceptions, the racing is of an unpretentious character. This gives trainers of high-class thoroughbreds a nice opportunity for staying at home and concentrating their attention on the aspirants to fame and fortune on the Royal Heath—an advantage of which the leading lights of the profession are not slow to avail themselves. Most of the combatants at Lingfield on the 7th instant hailed from the country stables, and if they were of moderate calibre the sport was nevertheless enjoyable. It could hardly fail to be so amidst to-day's environments. A strong north-easterly breeze tempered the heat of the solar rays and rendered the atmosphere pleasantly cool, but except in the members enclosure the attendance did not seem to quite reach the average. This may be accounted for by the fact that the counter attractions of the metropolis are very numerous and varied at this season of the year. The course was in beautiful order.

THE LINGFIELD SPRING TWO YEAR OLD SELLING PLATE of 417sovs. 5 furlongs.

Mr W B Purefoy's ch f Egyptian Beauty, by Buckingham or Islington—Isis Belle, 8st 4lbs (£100)	B Dillon 1
Mr H N Lindemere's b f Arietta, 8st 4lbs (£100)	O Madden 2
Mr S Loates's ch g No Account, 8st 11lb (£100)	Griggs 3
Mr F Luscombe's Anabell, 8st 4lbs (£100)	Halsey 0
Mr H Passmore's Dean Stanhope, 8st 4lbs (£100)	G Manser 0

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING : 9 to 4 on Egyptian Beauty, 5 to 1 agst. Arietta, 8 to 1 No Account, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won in hollow fashion by five lengths ; two lengths divided second and third. Anabell was fourth. The winner was bought in for 330, guineas. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2⅘secs.

A HIGH-CLASS SELLING HANDICAP of 293sovs ; winner to be sold for 100sovs. 1 mile.

Mr H Escott's ch f Belle Savile, by Savile—Belle of the Choir, 3yrs, 7st...	Butchers 1
Mr W Goodchild's b c Sherry Cobbler, 4yrs, 8st	B Dillon 2
Lord Ellesmere's ch c Ravenhill, 3yrs, 7st 11b	Griggs 3
Mr C Wood's Newton, 6yrs, 8st 8lbs* ..	Slade 0
Mr H Bottomley's Cerillo, 5yrs, 8st 5lbs ...	Allcorn 0
Mr C Wood's Lady Anchester, 3yrs, 7st 5lbs car 7st 9lbs)	O Madden 0
Mr J Gubbins's Walk In, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs ...	Stokes 0
Mr H E Randall's Albynes. 5yrs, 7st 3lbs	Trigg 0
Mr W G Stevens's f by Despair—Flower of Teviot, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs ...	East 0
Major J D Edwardes's Snooker, 3yrs 6st 11lbs*	J Page 0
Mr T Jennings's Merry, 3yrs, 6st 11lbs* ...	Rollason 0

*7lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : 100 to 30 agst. Albynes, 7 to 2 Lady Anchester, 7 to 1 Flower of Teviot filly, 6 to 1 Snooker, 7 to 1 Sherry Cobbler, 10 to 1 Merry, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by three lengths ; a length divided second and third. Flower of Teviot filly was fourth, Albynes fifth, Snooker sixth, Merry next, and Walk In last. The winner was sold to Mr. Jersey for 360 guineas.

The universal 'tip' for the Ford Manor Plate in the morning was Chicory, but Mr. Liddiard's three years old—who had been run into by a cab last night—remained in his stable, and odds were always laid on apresl, with 10 to 1 on offer barring her and Hopetoun. It was an uninteresting and one-sided contest, the favourite's victory being assured half a mile from home, and she cantered past the post five lengths in front of the Manton horse. The mare was very much on the big side when she finished last of four to Chicory, Sakubona and Gun Carriage at Warwick in the spring, but she stripped in very different fettle to-day and ran like a thorough stayer. She filled second place behind Roe O'Neill for this race a twelvemonth ago, when Hopetoun was last, Mistle had defeated Tay filly so decisively at Harpenden (though the verdict was only a length in her favour) that Escott's filly seemed to possess a chance second to none in the Godstone Two Year Old Selling Plate, and her party were lucky to get such a nice price as 3 to 1 about her The good thing was very nearly coming undone through the overconfidence of Halsey, who eased the daughter of Mimic and Palmiste when she was out by herself at the distance, with the result that Gallop On, coming with an electrifying rush opposite the stands, got to the favourites neck as they swept past the judge. Mistle should have won very easily, but Gallop On is doubtless pretty useful. The Dead Heart colt by Darnley appeared erroneously on the card as a gelding. Escott was able to retain the winner for 160 guineas, and Vive la Reine (advertised as for sale, win or lose) was sold to Mr. Dean for 24 guineas. Details.—

THE IMPERIAL PLATE of 975 sovs. for three year olds. One mile and a quarter.

Sir E Cassel's b c Love Potion by Love Wisely—April Morn, 8st 3lbs ...	Halsey 1
Mr J Musker's h c The Warrior, 8st ...	O Madden 2
Mr D J Pullinger's br c Coxswain, 8st 3lbs	Butcher 3
Col E W Baird's Fairy Martin, 8st 6lbs ...	H Aylin 0
Mr W W Lewison's Lamos, 8st ...	Miller 0

(*Winner trained by Mr. F. Lambton.*)

BETTING : 5 to 4 agst The Warrior, 5 to 2 Love Potion, 7 to 2 Coxswain and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by three-quarters of a length; a head divided the second and third. Fairy Martin was fourth. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 25⅘secs.

THE OXTED SELLING HANDICAP of 100sovs ; winner to be sold for 50 sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr F Luscombe's ch g Amendment, by Marco—Improvement, 4yrs. 8st 4lbs	Halsey 1
Mr A Stedall's b c Arabi, 4yrs, 8st 11lbs	Trigg 2
Mr A Stevens's b G by Despair—Richesse, 3yrs, 7st 7lbs	East 3
Mr T G Statter's Somerled, 5yrs, 8st 9lbs	O Madden 0
Mr R S Rewswell's Bad News, 6yrs, 8st 3lbs*	Stevenson 0
Mr C Hibbert's Lady Beth, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs*	Nolan 0
Mr C Wood's Chatter Mag, 4yrs 8st 11lbs*	Slade 0
Mr A McMicking's Farthinghoe, 3yrs, 7st 13lbs*	H Walsh 0
Mr D J Pullinger's Lady Don, 3yrs, 7st 11lbs*	Butchers 0
Mr E J Percy's Dalhousie, 6yrs, 8st 2lbs ...	B Lynham 0
Mr D W Clarke's American Bride, 3yrs, 8st 11b...	G McCall 0
Capt Forester's Musk Rose, 3yrs, 8st 11b ...	B Dillon 0
Mr R Wright's Chicane, 5yrs, 7st 9lbs* ...	Bott 0
Mr C J Merry's Donorina, 3yrs, 7st 10lbs ...	Yarnell 0
Mr W Dawtrey's Pendulum, 5yrs, 7st 5lbs*	Murray 0
Mr H Bonas's Ben Bouncer, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs*	Pacquet 0
Mr A L Cliff's Thrift, 4yrs, 7st 4lbs* ...	E Pratt 0
Mr T Sherwood's Perigarnet, 3yrs, 7st 9lbs	Griggs 0
Sir S M Lockhart's Avington Pet, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs*	Green 0
Mr G Phillips's Cowyard, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs* ...	Scourse 0

*3lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by C Waugh.*)

BETTING : 9 to 4 agst Musk Rose, 8 to 1 each Perigarnet and Richesse gelding, 10 to 1 each Dalhousie and Amendment, 100 to 8 each Arabi, Somerled, Chicane and Thrift, and 100 to 7 any other.

Won easily by three lengths ; four lengths separated the second and third. Donorina was fourth, Musk Rose fifth, Somerled sixth, Thrift next and Lady Beth last. The winner was sold to Mr. Gorham for 300 guineas and Lady Don to Mr. Dean for 42 guineas. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2secs.

THE FRENCH "GRAND NATIONAL."

I do not know whether your readers are interested in racing in France outside the Grand Prix, but I append details of the Grand Steeplechase de Paris, which was won by Dandolo, none of the English horses getting placed.

THE GRAND STEEPLECHASE DE PARIS of 40 sovs each, 20 ft. with 480 added to a work of art value 400 sovs.; weight for age; the second received 10 per cent and the third 5 per cent of the nominal amount of the stakes; the fourth received 80 sovs. out of the entries. Four miles and half a furlong.

M E Fischhof's ch h Dandolo, by Yellow—La Dame Blanche, 5yrs, 11st ...	P Woodland 1
Viscount G de Fontarce's ch h Gascon II, 5yrs, 11st ...	F. Hartigan 2
M G Ledat's br m Spa III. 6yrs. 11st. 6lbs	Hollebone 3
M Caston Dreyfus's Dampierre, 5yrs, 11st	A Roberts 0
M Ch Lienart's Killarney, aged, 11st 6lbs	Chapman 0
M W E Nelson's Pat'ander, aged, 11st 6lbs	E Piggott 0
M Ch Lienart's Le Matin, 4yrs, 9st 12lbs	Flint 0
Sir Thos Gallwey's Leinster, 6yrs, 11st 6lbs	J Phillips 0
M R Douvreleur's Violon II, 5yrs, 11st ...	Campbell 0
M F Bibby's Leamington 6yrs, 11st 6lbs	Mason 0
M Roger de Salverte's Kriss, 4yrs, 9st 12lbs	Hart 0
Count de Songeon's Bucheron, aged 11st 6lbs	U David 0
M J Bater's Fairland, aged, 11st 6lbs ...	G Goswell 0
M A Berard's Red Cedar, 5yrs, 11st ...	Hall 0

BETTING : 7 to 2 agst. Violon II, 6 to 1 Killarney, 7 to 1 Leinster, 8 to 1 Dandolo, 10 to 1 Dampierre, 12 to 1 Gascon II., 20 to 1 Fairland, 20 to 1 Kriss, 25 to 1 Spa III, 25 to 1 Bucheron, 30 to 1 Fatlander, 33 to 1 Leamington, 40 to 1 Red Cedar, 50 to 1 Le Matin.

Half a mile from home Dandolo drew to the front, followed by Gascon II., Spa III. and Dampiere, and won by a length ; a neck between second and third. Dampierre, a length and a half off, was placed fourth. Time by Benson's chronograph, 8mins. 12⅕secs. Value of the stakes, £5,380. Only eight completed the course.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(*Compiled from 21st March to 3rd June.*)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Un-placed	Percentage
Lane, W. ...	228	46	39	31	112	20·13
Madden, O. ...	257	44	35	31	147	17·12
Maher, D. ...	128	40	23	14	51	31·17
Halsey, W. ...	192	29	23	35	105	15·10
Trigg, C. ...	205	26	17	25	137	12·68
Wheatley, E. ...	130	24	19	15	72	18·46
Dillon, B. ...	113	19	13	11	70	17·69
Griggs, W. ...	192	18	25	16	133	9·37
Randall, H. ...	72	15	9	9	39	20·08
Jones, H. ...	94	13	13	14	70	13·54
Jarvis, J. ...	94	13	5	8	54	13 14
Lynham, B. ...	76	12	6	7	51	15 78
Cannon, M. ...	130	12	19	22	77	9·23
East, J. ...	103	11	11	8	73	10·67
Heppell, T ...	58	10	3	3	4	17 24
Sharples, A ...	62	10	14	6	32	16·12
Butcher G. F. ...	91	10	7	13	61	10·98

SOUTH AFRICAN'S TOUR.

MATCH *v.* WORCESTER.—Played at Worcester on 2nd, 3rd and 4th June. Worcestershire won by 137 runs. Although the South African cricketers have now been for some time in England they have hardly become accustomed to turf wickets, and it was a good performance to run Worcestershire as close as they did, especially as H. K. Foster and Arnold were both in splendid form with the bat, while Arnold also bowled very well indeed. Foster's brilliant innings of 107 lasted for about two hours and three-quarters, and included twelve 4's. The partnership between Foster and Simpson-Hayward produced 102 runs in an hour and a half, and it was all the more noticeable because when it was commenced, six wickets had fallen for 81 runs. Simpson-Hayward was batting for two hours for his 58. When stumps were drawn the visitors had made 80 for three wickets. On Friday Mitchell played a great game but was so poorly backed up that Worcestershire had a lead of 66 on the first innings. When the home team went in a second time Foster again played a fine innings, putting on 18 runs in partnership with Arnold, whose 82 runs were made by beautiful cricket. The visitors had to make 301 to win, and when the day's play ended had scored 5 of them without loss On Saturday the South Africans began so well that at one time the total was 106 for one wicket. Tancred was in great form and Mitchell and Shalders rendered their side great service. Unfortunately there was an astonishing break down in the batting when Burrows went on to bowl, and the last six wickets fell for 30 runs.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Bowley, b Kotze ...	0	c Halliwell, b Kotze ...	12
H K Foster, c Sinclair, b Middleton	107	c Halliwell, b Middleton	53
Arnold, c Sinclair, b Kotze ...	4	run out	85
Wheldon, b Middleton ...	1	b Kotze	2
Cuffe, c and b Kotze ...	13	b Sinclair ...	16
W B Burns, st Halliwell, b Sinclair	4	c Shalders, b Middleton	18
A W Isaac b White ...	9	b Sinclair ...	11
G H Simpson-Hayward, b Middleton	58	c White, b Kotze ...	8
Gaukrodger, b Sinclair ...	1	b White	0
Bird, not out	4	not out	1
Burrows, c Sinclair, b Middleton	22	c Mitchell, b White ...	29
Leg-byes ...	4	b 12, lb 10, w 2 ...	24
Total ..	227	Total ...	259

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L J Tancred, b Simpson-Hayward	2	c Bowley, b Arnold ...	61
W A Shalders, c Gaukrodger, b Cuffe	36	b Burrows ...	37
M Hathorn, b Cuffe ...	17	c Isaac, b Bird	14
F Mitchell, not out ...	70	c Burrows, b Arnold ...	40
J H Sinclair, c Wheldon, b Burrows	6	b S-Hayward ...	5
R O Schwarz, b Arnold ...	5	c Wheldon, b Burrows	9
G C White, lbw, b Burrows	2	b Burrows ...	4
G H Shepstone, lbw, b Arnold	13	b Burrows ...	5
E A Halliwell, b Arnold ...	9	b Arnold	2
J J Kotze, b Arnold ...	0	b Burrows ...	6
J Middleton, b Arnold ...	0	not out	0
Wide	1	Leg-byes ...	5
Total ...	161	Total ...	188

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	18	0	59	3		21	7	44	3
Middleton ...	21·4	1	73	4		27	4	65	2
Sinclair ...	17	1	59	2		20	3	84	2
White ...	13	2	41	1		8·1	0	32	2
					Tancred ...	4	1	10	0

Middleton and Sinclair each bowled one wide.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O	M.	R	W.
Arnold ...	34·3	14	59	5		24	10	34	3
S-Hayward...	5	0	14	1		12	0	51	1
Bird ...	7	5	9	0		12	2	37	1
Cuffe ...	14	5	35	2		9	1	18	0
Burrows ...	14	3	43	2		14·1	1	43	5

Cuffe bowled one wide.

MATCH *v.* CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—Played at Cambridge on 6th, 7th and 8th June, South Africans won by 70 runs. The South African cricketers gave a good account of themselves on Monday in this match, but towards the end of the day the weakness of their bowling became noticeable. Their visit attracted the largest crowd of the season. The best innings of the day was the 50 of Sinclair, who played beautiful and powerful cricket for about an hour. He and Shalders put up 59 for the first wicket, and at one time the scoring board showed 131 for three wickets. There was then a breakdown in the batting, which was arrested by a good stand by Halliwell and Shepstone, who, in a little over half an hour, increased the total by 50 runs. As the wicket was excellent, it did not seem at all likely that the University would have any difficulty in beating the visitors' total of 216, but at the commencement of their innings Sinclair met with such success with the ball that when only 18 runs had been made four men were out. But Phillips and Wilson added 50 runs in thirty-five minutes, and for the next wicket McDonell and Hopley made 85 in forty minutes. During these last two partnerships the bowling of the tourists was made to appear quite commonplace. When stumps were drawn Cambridge, with three wickets in hand, were 45 runs behind, McDonell being not out 53. The 'Varsity only increased their total by 26. Sinclair then played another excellent innings for the visitors but no one else except Mitchell, who played a very fine game indeed for his 1 2 not out, made a good score. Nevertheless, the 'Varsity had to make 265 to win. They began badly by losing Eyre before a run had been scored. The success of the South African bowlers did not end here and they dismissed half the Cambridge team for 67. But McDonell and Phillips then remained together until the total was 141, leaving the University still to make 165 to win, but this proved too hard a task yesterday.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J H Sinclair, c Phillips, b Keigwin	50	c Keigwin, b May ...	46
W A Shalders, c Payne, b Keigwin	29	c McDonell, b Mann ...	0
M Hathorn, c Harris, b May	16	c Mann, b Roberts ...	29
F Mitchell, b McDonell ...	22	not out	102
R O Schwarz, c Payne, b May	3	st Payne, b McDonell	0
G H Shepstone, c and b Hopley	46	lbw, b McDonell ...	22
S J Snooke, b May ...	3	b Hopley	3
G C White, b May ...	4	c and b McDonell ...	0
E A Halliwell, b Hopley ...	21	c and b McDonell ...	12
J J Kotze, c Hopley, b Keigwin	2	lbw, b McDonell ...	14
J Middleton, not out ...	6	c Payne, b McDonell...	7
B 11, lb 3	14	Lb 8, w 2, nb 1 ...	11
Total ...	216	Total ...	216

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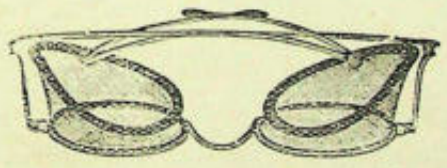
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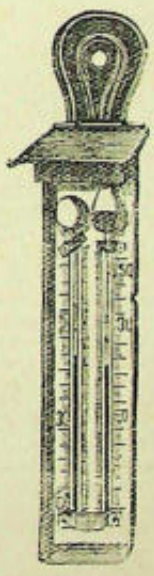
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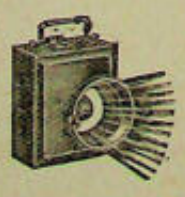
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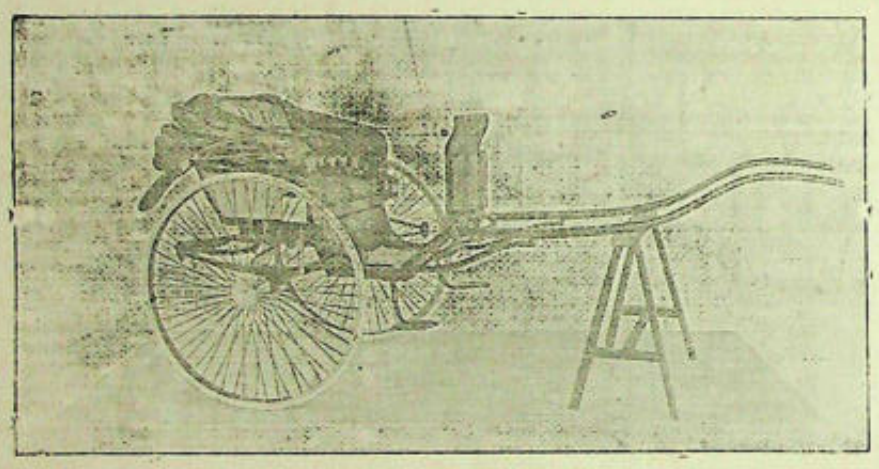
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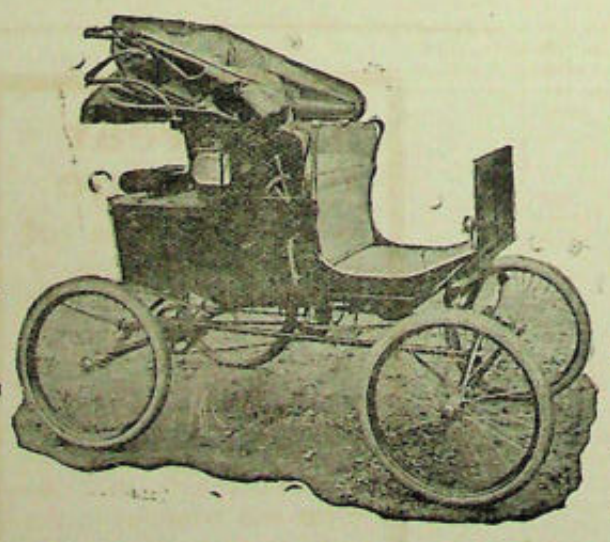


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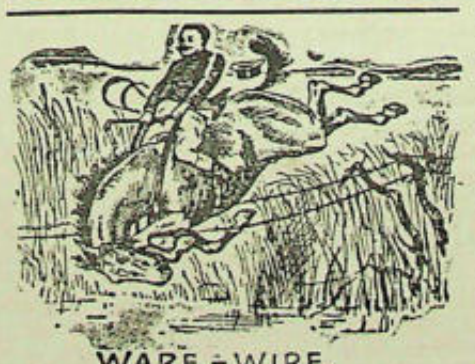
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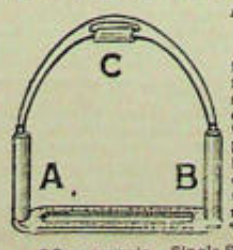
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E W Mann, b Sinclair ...	0	b Kotze ...	1
S S Harris, st Halliwell, b Sinclair ...	0	run out ...	4
E S Phillips, c Halliwell, b Sinclair ...	18	c Snooke, b Sinclair.. ...	47
F B Wilson, c Michell, b Kotze ...	40	c Sinclair, b Kotze ...	14
H C McDonell, c Snooke, b Middleton ...	58	b Kotze ...	27
F J Hopley, c Sinclair, b Middleton ...	31	b Silclair ...	1
F B Roberts, b Kotze ...	0	not out ...	34
M W Payne, c Mitchell, b Middleton ...	9	c Shalders, b Sinclair ...	16
P R May, not out ...	11	b Kotze ...	16
B 16, lb 3, nb 1 ...	20	Extras ...	18
Total ...	197	Total ...	195

SOUTH AFRICA.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hopley ...	12	0	33	2	...	15	4	32	1
McDonell ...	18	4	59	1	...	28·5	4	84	6
May ...	18	1	61	4	...	14	0	74	1
Keigwin ...	12	1	49	3	...	...	...	...	...
					Mann ...	7	0	25	1
					Roberts ...	6	1	20	1

Mann bowled one wide and May one wide and one no ball.

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Kotze ...	18	6	52	3	...	29·5	6	98	5
White ...	3	0	25	0	...	...	...	...	...
Middleton ...	9·5	2	46	3	...	5	1	18	0
Snooke ...	2	0	9	0	...	...	...	...	...

Kotze bowled two no balls and one wide and Sinclair one wide.

MIDDLESEX *vs.* YORKSHIRE.—Played at Lord's on 2nd, 3rd, and 4th June. Middlesex won by 77 runs. It was only natural that this match should have attracted a vast amount of attention, for Middlesex, the champions, are this year, as well as last year, the favourites of fortune, while the Yorkshiremen still create a certain amount of awe wherever they go, although their bowlers seemed to have all been turned into batsmen. Middlesex had the good fortune to win the toss and began to bat at about twenty minutes past two on a wicket which, while it was by no means in favour of the batsmen, was far easier than it became on the next morning. Their display was decidedly good on the whole, for although four wickets were down with the total at 24, Warner, E. A. Beldam, MacGregor and Foley all played such plucky cricket that when stumps were drawn the total had been raised to 183 for the loss of three more wickets. Warner's innings was worthy of the highest praise, for he made his runs at a time when Hirst was bowling superbly and when other men were quite at sea. E. A. Beldam only made eight, but there have been innings of 80 of less value to a sight, for he stayed in for an hour at a most critical time. It must have been an unpleasant surprise for the Yorkshiremen when Foley and MacGregor, who came together with the total at 76 for seven wickets, began to take charge of the bowling, and eventually to master it. The light was bad and it was by no means easy to make runs, but for about a couple of hours they remained at the wickets, without making many mistakes. Altogether their display was one of the best of the season. Their unfinished partnership produced 107 runs. But on Friday morning they were soon out, Foley leaving at 197 and MacGregor at 20. It was seen from the way in which the bowlers obtained the upper hand as soon as play began on Friday morning that every run made during the day would have to be fought for, and no one could have been greatly surprised when the Yorkshiremen failed to distinguish themselves against Trott and J. T. Hearne, who were both admirably suited by the wicket. None of them, except perhaps Ernest Smith, ever looked like making runs, and the follow-on was only just saved. Nor did Middlesex fare much better when, with a lead of 142, they went in a second time. But Warner again played admirable cricket. The last eight wickets fell for only 25 runs. Hirst and Rhodes were unsuccessful, although on a similar wicket they would have been deadly last year. Jackson and Haigh, however bowled with great effect. Yorkshire had to make 238 to win, and although the wicket was still very difficult, they made a fight which was quite worthy of their reputation as players of an uphill game. With the total at eight Tunnicliffe was bowled by Haigh, and spectators prepared themselves to see a procession. But there is no man in the world who can play a game against enormous odds better than F. S. Jackson, and with Denton as a partner he was now seen at his best. He and Denton proceeded to knock off Trott, making 26 off five overs, and by so doing they did a very great service to their side. They both played a great game, and put on 50 runs for the second wicket. The fourth wicket fell at 93, and then Rhodes and Wilkinson doggedly kept up their wickets till stumps were drawn with the total at 169 for four. Thus 129 runs were still required. Rhodes was not out 11 and Wilkinson not out 22. In the Yorkshire second innings on Friday it was noticeable that although the batsmen were getting the best of the situation, Bosanquet and G. W. Beldam were not called on to bowl. It was pretty certain that if the sun came out on Saturday morning Yorkshire would not be able to make the runs, as the wicket would be exceedingly difficult. The sun appeared at full strength, and everything turned out just as had been anticipated. Wilkinson and Smith were very soon dismissed, and although Rhodes played steadily and did his best to save the side, wickets continued to fall, and at the end of an hour Middlesex had won easily. Lord Hawke, who carried his bat, played a plucky game, and possibly might have saved the situation if anybody could have stayed with him.

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
P F Warner, b Haigh ...	45	c Hirst, b Haigh ...	39
L J Moon, c Hunter, b Hirst	0	c Jackson, b Rhodes ...	17
G W Beldam, c Rhodes, b Hirst ...	6	b Haigh	1
J H Hunt, c Hunter, b Hirst	0	b Haigh	11
B J T Bosanquet, b Hirst ...	0	l-b-w, b Haigh ...	4
E A Beldam, c Tunnicliffe, b Jackson ...	8	b Haigh	4
A E Trott, c Hirst, b Haigh...	14	l-b-w, b Jackson ...	0
G MacGregor, c Tunnicliffe, b Hirst ...	61	c Tunnicliffefe, b Jackson	3
C P Foley, c Tunnicliffe, b Rhodes ...	61	c Smith, b Jackson ...	0
Rawlin, b Hirst	7	st Hunter, b Haigh ...	3
J T Hearne, not out ...	6	not out	3
B 1, lb 5 ...	6	B 9, lb 1 ...	10
Total ...	214	Total ...	95

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hon F S Jackson, l-b-w, b Hearne	3	c MacGregor, b Rawlin	31
Tunnicliffe, c Moon, b Rawlin	16	b Hearne	4
Denton, b Hearne ...	7	l-b-w, b Hearne ...	22
H Wilkinson, b Hearne ...	8	b Trott	24
Hirst, c and b Hearne ...	11	c and b Trott ...	8
Rhodes, b Trott	5	c Bosanquet, b Hearne	24
E Smith, b Trott ...	11	b Hearne	7
Haigh, b Trott	0	b Trott	7
Lord Hawke, run out ...	0	not out	12
Whithead (Lees), b Trott ...	0	b Hearne	6
Hunter, not out	1	c and b Hearne ...	1
B 7, lb 3 ...	10	B 10, lb 4 ...	14
Total	72	Total ...	160

MIDDLESEX.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst ...	32·3	10	66	6	4	1	14	0
Rhodes ...	30	11	51	1	7	0	33	1
Haigh ...	22	3	59	2	11·1	3	25	6
Jackson ...	9	4	12	1	8	3	13	3
Smith ...	3	0	20	0				

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rawlin ...	7	1	18	1		10	2	21	1
Hearne ...	12	2	37	4		31	12	48	6
Trott ...	5·2	2	7	4		21	2	77	3

SUSSEX *vs.* NOTTS.—Played at Trent Bridge on 2nd, 3rd and 4th June Notts won by 226 runs. On the first day of this match the Notts men covered themselves with glory. They put together a total of 313 on a slow and easy wicket which never dried, and then got rid of three of the best Sussex bats, including C. B. Fry, for 47. They had chiefly to thank A. O. Jones and Iremonger for this happy state of affairs, for the two men put on 173 for the first wicket in a little over two hours by really brilliant cricket. But Iremonger was badly missed with his score at 13. After this good beginning the bowlers began to meet with better fortune, and although J. Gunn, Anthony and Oates all made useful scores, the total fell short of what had been anticipated. On Friday morning Sussex began their uphill game badly, for Relf and Ranjitsinhji were both disposed of when they seemed set, but Newham, as usual when he reappears in the team, played a fine defensive game and was ninth out after batting for two hours and a quarter for an invaluable 69, the highest and best innings of the day. Notts went in again with a lead of 135, and when stumps were drawn they had made 225 for the loss of six wickets, so that they were 360 runs on, and had a remarkably good chance of winning the match. Jones and Iremonger again played a fine game, putting up 66 for the first wicket, while J. Gunn and Anthony kept together for a little more than an hour. Fry made a brilliant running catch behind the bowler, disposing of Hemingway. When Notts had added 43 on Saturday morning without further loss, the innings was declared closed, and Sussex had to make 404 to win. Unfortunately for them, neither Fry nor Ranjitsinhji did anything big, and although Relf played a fine game, while Newham again did well, the result was never in doubt. Score.—

NOTTS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A O Jones, c Fry, b Cox ...	97	b Leach	45
Iremonger, c Ranjitsinhji, b Relf	75	b Cox	35
Gunn (J.), st Butt, b Cox...	27	st Butt, b Seymour ...	58
Anthony, c Seal, b Relf ...	28	c Killick, b Seymour ...	50
Day, b Cox	1	c Butt, b Cox ...	11
R E Hemingway, lb w b Cox	4	c Fry, b Seymour ...	4
C R Morris, lbw, b Cox ...	4	not out	24
Hardstaff, not out ...	16	not out	20
Oates, c Butt, b Relf ...	23		
Hallam, c Vine, b Relf ...	0		
Wass, b Cox	3		
B 20, lb 13, wl. nbl,	35	B 13, lb 8	21
Total ...	313	Total (6 wkts)* ...	268

* Innings declared closed.

SUSSEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C B Fry, b Anthony ...	26	c Morris, b J Gunn ...	39
Vine, c Oates, b Wass ...	0	b Wass	7
Killick, c and b J Gunn ...	8	c Jones, b Hallam ...	50
Relf, c Iremonger, b J Gunn	22	c Hallam, b J Gunn ...	14
K S Ranjitsinhji, c Jones, b J Gunn	13	c Hall, b J Gunn ...	10
W Newham, b J Gunn ...	69	c Jones, b J Gunn ...	26
Cox, run out ...	19	b Wass	7
Leach, b Hallam ...	0	b Wass	7
Butt, c Hallam, b J Gunn	6	not out	5
Seymour, not out ...	5	st Jones, b J Gunn ...	4
Seal, run out ...	0	c Jones b J Gunn ...	0
B 7, lb 3 ...	10	B 7, nbl	8
Total ...	178	Total	177

NOTTS.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Cox ...	35·1	5	99	6	23	5	91	2
Relf ...	39	8	94	4	18	2	58	0
Leach ...	9	1	46	0	11	4	29	1
Vine ...	5	1	13	0	...	...	...	...
Killick ...	6	0	26	0	10	4	23	0
			Seal		5	1	17	0
			Seymour		8	1	29	3

Cox bowled a wide and Leach delivered a no-ball.

SUSSEX.

	First Innings. O.	M.*	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Wass ...	29	7	72	1	31	10	82	3
Gunn (J)	34	10	65	5	31·3	5	67	6
Hallam ...	16	4	17	1	5	2	6	1
Anthony...	10	3	14	1	5	1	14	0

J. Gunn delivered a no-ball.

WARWICKSHIRE *vs.* ESSEX.—Played at Edgbaston on 6th, 7th and 8th June. Warwickshire won by an innings and 110 runs. After a series of small innings for Essex, Sewell was sent in first in this match, and proceeded to play his true game with brilliant success. He was only at the wickets for an hour and twenty minutes, but in that time he scored 107, his hits including nineteen 4's. In an over from Moorhouse soon after the match began he made four boundary hits. Carpenter also played a very fine innings, and only just missed making his hundred. He was at the wickets for three hours, and helped Sewell to put up 142 for the first wicket. After Sewell was out, the play of the Essex men was not very noteworthy, but Russell and Read played finely towards the end of the innings. When stumps were drawn Warwickshire had made 33 for the loss of a wicket. On Tuesday there was a succession of good scores, Quaife and Lilley especially playing very fine cricket. Quaife and Lilley put on 136 for the sixth wicket, and when play ended for the day, Quaife was still unconquered with 178 to his credit, while the total was 532 for seven wickets. Yesterday Quaife reached 200 after batting for five hours. Score.—

ESSEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Sewell, c Fishwick, b Quaife	107	c Byrne, b Hargreave ...	6
Carpenter, c Byrne, b Quaife	96	st Lilley, b Quaife ...	33
P. Perrin, b Moorhouse ...	0	b Whittle	13
C. McGahey, c Lilley, b Hargreave	17	b Byrne	32
G. Tossetti, c Lilley, b Quaife	23	c Lilley, b Bryne ...	38
Reeves, c Lilley, b Quaife ...	15	b Byrne	0
J. W. H. T. Douglas, lbw, b Hargreave	1	c Whittle, b Hargreave ...	8
Russell (E.), run out ...	43	b Quaife	14
Buckenham, c Lilley, b Whittle	4	c Fishwick, b Quaife ...	4
A. H. Read, st Lilley, b Moorhouse	22	c Hargreave b Moorhouse...	7
Tremlin, not out ...	3	not out	9
B 4, nb 1 ...	5	Extras	4
Total	336	Total	168

WARWICKSHIRE.

T. S. Fishwick, b McGahey	21	Lilley, c and b Sewell ...	81
Kinneir, b Read ...	52	Charlesworth, b Reeves ...	10
Hargreave, lbw, b Tremlin	23	Whittle, c Sewell, b Reeves	104
A. C. S. Glover, b Sewell ...	69	Extras	16
Quaife, not out ...	200		
J. F. Byrne, b Tremlin ...	38	Total (8 wkts)*	614

Moorhouse and Santall did not bat.

* Innings declared closed.

ESSEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hargreave ...	37	13	74	2	...	40	16	57	2
Moorhouse ...	21·3	4	89	2	...	12·4	8	10	1
Santall ...	10	2	30	0	...	14	8	18	0
Quaife ...	24	5	83	4	...	19	4	46	3
Whittle ...	16	3	55	1	...	13	7	15	1
					Byrne ...	8	2	18	3

Hargreave delivered one no-ball.

WARWICKSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Buckenham	53	7	125	0	Read ...	15	2	54	1
Reeves ...	28·4	6	100	2	Tossetti ...	13	4	41	0
McGahey ...	17	1	49	1	Sewell ...	19	1	84	2
Tremlin ...	20	5	85	2	Carpenter ...	6	1	17	0
Douglas ...	11	1	43	0					

Buckenham and Douglas each delivered a no-ball.

SUSSEX *vs.* DERBYSHIRE.—Played at Brighton on 6th, 7th, and 8th June Sussex won by an innings and 65 runs. These two counties resumed their annual contest on Monday after an interval of twenty years Ranjitsinhji, who has not been the Ranjitsinhji of old this year although he has made a few good scores, was taking a rest, but as C. B. Fry happened to be in brilliant form the Derbyshire bowlers had plenty of work. Fry played a magnificent innings, and the only chance that he gave was of a kind which is taken very rarely indeed. He was at the wickets for four hours and a-half, and was seventh out with the total at 376; his innings of 226 included twenty-two 4's. In partnership with Vine he put up 175 for the first wicket in two hours and ten minutes, and although Relf was the only other batsmen besides Vine who helped him much he made his runs so rapidly that this did not greatly matter. When stumps were drawn the total was 392 for eight wickets. A heavy thunderstorm on Monday night affected the wicket considerably, and the Derbyshire batsmen with the exception of Wright, who played a splendid game, did not greatly distinguish themselves. Hopelessly behind Derbyshire had to follow-on. By the time that the day's play ended Derbyshire were in a hopeless position, for with only two wickets in hand they were still 152 runs behind. Yesterday Ashe oft played a great game.

SUSSEX.

C B Fry, c Humphries, b Cadman ...	226	Butt, c Needham, b Warren	15
Vine, b Warren ...	58	Seymour, not out ...	26
Killick b Cadman ...	13	Leach, c Needham, b Cadman	14
Relf, c and b Curgenven...	27	Tate, c Humphries, b Cadman	5
W Newham, b Curgenven	8	B 8, lb 5, nb 7 ...	20
G Brann, b Warren ...	11	Total ...	425
Cox, b Curgenven ...	2		

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DERBYSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L G Wright, st Butt, b Leach	57	b Leach	10
C A Ollivierre, b Cox ...	6	b Cox	31
Storer, b Tate	29	c and b Relf ...	7
E M Ashcroft, c Fry, b Cox ...	5	c Seymour, b Tate ...	111
G Curgenven, c and b Tate ...	7	b Relf	12
Needham, c Relf, b Cox ..	0	c Cox, b Relf ...	1
Morton, c Cox, b Leach ...	17	b Relf	8
Cadman, c Butt, b Relf ...	25	c Vine, b Relf ...	6
Warren, c and b Leach ...	0	b Cox	3
Humphries, b Leach ...	0	not out	14
Bestwick, not out	0	c Brann, b Tate ...	2
B 2, lb 2, nb 2 ...	6	Extras ...	8
Total ...	152	Total ...	208

SUSSEX.

Firrt Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bestwick ...	28	4	93	0	Storer ...	6	0	18	0
Cadman ...	44·1	13	92	4	Curgeven ...	12	1	32	3
Warren ...	42	6	169	3	Morton ...	1	0	1	0

Bestwick bowled three and Warren four no-balls.

DERBYSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Relf ...	91	1	19	1	...	...	35	9	81	5
Cox ..	21	5	51	3	...	...	22	6	43	2
Tate ...	18	1	58	2	...	...	4·3	1	7	2
Leach ...	6	2	18	4	...	...	16	3	51	1
					Killick ...		4	0	18	0

Relf bowled four and Cox three no-balls.

OTHER MATCHES.

The following are results of important matches played during the week. Kent *vs.* Hampshire, at Southampton on 2nd and 3rd June, Kent won by 283 runs. Lancashire beat Sussex by an innings and 113 runs, played at Old Trafford on 2nd and 3rd June. Leicestershire beat Essex by six wickets at Leyton on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th June. Somerset beat Gloucester by 105 runs, played at Bath on 2nd, 3rd and 4th June. Kent *vs.* Worcester played at Maidstone on 6th, 7th and 8th June, resulted in a win for Kent by 204 runs. Seymour put up 108 and 136 for the winners. At Bradford on 6th, 7th and 8th June Yorkshire beat Surrey by 297 runs. Lancashire defeated Somerset at Bath on 6th, 7th and 8th June by ten wickets. Notts beat Gloucestershire by eight wickets, played at Gloucester on 6th and 7th June. Gentlemen of England *vs* I Zingari resulted in a win for the latter by six wickets.

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

(To Saturday, 4th June inclusive.)

BATTING AVERAGES—(7 innings.)

	Inns.	Times not out.	Total runs	Most in an inn.	Aver.
Spooner, R H	7	1	430	126	71·66
Fry, C B	11	1	652	191*	65·20
Hirst — ...	10	0	478	153	47·80
Jones, A O	9	1	362	97	45·25
Iremonger	8	0	360	137	45·00
Bowley (F)	8	1	300	153	42·85
Poidevin, L O S ...	11	1	409	103	40·90
Perrin, P A — ...	8	1	276	100*	39·42
Ranjitsinhji, K S ...	7	1	234	82	39·00
Warner, P F	8	1	261	54	37·28
Fry, K R B	7	0	258	129	36·85
Quaife (W G)	9	1	294	94	36·75
Mitchell, F	7	1	205	70*	34·16
Rhodes	10	2	271	94*	33·87
Palairet, L C H ...	8	0	271	166	33·87
Coe (S)	9	2	237	103	33·85
Eyre, C H	7	0	233	80	33·28
Fishwick, T S	8	0	259	70	32·37
Hayward	15	1	439	116	31·35
Anthony	11	3	248	67	31·00
McGahey, C H ...	10	1	278	53*	30·88
Foster, H K	8	0	239	107	29·87
Wrathall	10	0	298	85	29·80
Gunn (J)	9	0	267	66	29·66
Hawke, Lord	9	2	207	100*	29·57
Spry	8	5	146	68	29·20
Mann, E W	7	0	202	95	28·85
Knight	14	2	338	111*	28·16
Langdon	8	1	195	83*	27·85
Lilley	9	0	250	53	27·77
Crawford, V F S ...	12	3	246	56	27·43
Denton	11	0	300	76	27·27
Wynyard, Capt E G ...	11	0	294	75	26·72
Carpenter	7	0	184	75	26·57
Whitehead (H) (L'tershr) ..	11	1	257	62*	25·70
Tunnicliffe	10	0	257	85	25·70
Humphries (Derbyshire) ...	7	3	102	44	25·50
Kinneir	8	1	176	105*	25·14
Thomas, F E	8	1	172	67	24·57
Jessop, G L	9	0	216	87	24·00
Fane, F L	9	0	215	44	23·88
Killick	11	0	262	52	23·81
Sewell (E H D) ...	12	0	282	181	23·50
Abel	15	0	349	81	23·26
Hathorn, M	8	0	184	117	23·00
Haigh	10	1	204	84	22·66
Shalders, W A	7	0	158	47	22·57
Vine	16	3	288	124	22·16
Reeves	7	2	110	45	22·00
Gill (G)	7	0	151	57	21·57

BOWLING AVERAGES (14 Wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Cuttell	182·4	69	329	35	9·40
Hearne (J T)	291·1	73	702	55	12·76
Cranfield (Somerset) ...	104·5	25	289	22	13·13
Hallows	104	29	278	20	13·10
Hayes	81·1	13	200	14	14·28
Smith (W C) (Surrey) ...	223·5	63	553	39	14·43
Blythe	192·4	56	512	33	14·62
Prichard, Hesketh	196·1	49	562	38	14·78
Bosanquet, B J T ...	75·1	13	212	17	14·82
Bird (Worcestershire) ...	114·2	25	291	19	15·31
Reeves	140·2	25	425	27	15·74
Fairservice	76·5	18	222	14	15·78
Kotze, J J	133·4	28	412	26	15·84
Evans, W H B —	82·4	21	254	16	15·85
Tate (F W)	155·3	39	416	26	16·00
Brearley, W	148·5	28	455	29	16·03
Fielder	136·1	32	371	23	16·13
Wass	227·5	49	668	37	16·43
Huggins	194·2	57	485	29	16·72
Napier, G G	130	35	371	22	16·86
Haigh	144·1	30	406	24	16·91
Odell, W W	306·5	95	783	44	17·34
Cox	347·3	98	807	45	17·93
Arnold	202·3	57	478	26	18·38
Gill (G)	109	21	280	15	18·66
Lockwood	174·5	24	559	29	19·27
Gunn (J)	248·1	83	541	28	19·32
Moorhouse	122·1	28	362	18	20·11
Hallam	240·2	95	424	21	20·19
Bestwick	154·4	34	497	24	20·70
King (J H)	327	95	810	39	20·76
Dennett	209·1	55	545	26	20·96
Hirst	182·3	44	466	22	21·18
Hopley, F J V ...	120·3	13	417	19	21·94
Relf	236	71	552	25	22·08
Trott (A E)	156·4	25	566	25	22·64
Lees	315·3	83	744	31	24·00
Rhodes ... —	247·4	76	580	26	25·21
Warren (A)	89·2	11	384	14	27·42
Hargreave	228·1	41	677	24	28·20
Braund	269·3	40	965	33	29·24

Hearne (Alec) has taken thirteen wickets for 152 runs (average 11·69).

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	5	4	0	1	4	100·00
Middlesex ...	4	2	0	2	2	100·00
Derbyshire ...	3	1	0	2	1	100·00
Notts	5	3	1	1	2	50·00
Sussex ...	6	2	1	3	1	33·33
Leicestershire ...	6	2	1	3	1	33·33
Gloucestershire ...	5	1	1	3	0	—
Surrey... ...	8	3	3	2	0	—
Kent	4	1	2	1	—1	33·33
Somerset ...	4	1	3	0	—2	—50·00
Yorkshire ...	5	0	1	4	—1	—100·00
Warwickshire ...	3	0	2	1	—2	—100·00
Worcestershire ...	3	0	1	2	—1	—100·00
Essex	4	0	2	2	—2	—100·00
Hampshire ...	3	0	2	1	—2	—100·00

ATHLETICS.

L.A.C. EVENING MEETING.

A good deal of interest was attached to the evening meeting of the L.A.C. held on the 8th instant at Stamford Bridge, owing to the fact that the programme included a 7-mile Level Race and "Yacht" Handicap confined to members of the Stock Exchange. For this twenty-two were allotted starts from last year's winner, T. E. Hammond, J. Levy having the limit of 9mins. 30secs. The chief absentees were E. F. Broad, G. Hoare, and the brothers Nicholas, and on the publication of the handicap J. T. Jull was perhaps the most fancied. The weather proved bright and fine, but the competitors had to contend against a stiff north-east wind. With all the men starting off the mark, first place in the actual race was voted a certainty for Hammond, and not troubling himself about the handicap, he made a waiting race of it until the last half-mile, when he came away and won by a dozen yards. Details:—

440 Yards Hurdles Challenge Cup.—J. B. Densham (holder), 1; C. D. Comrie, 2. Densham jumped off with the lead, and never being caught, won easily by twenty-five yards. Time (63-⅕secs.

300 Yards Handicap (members) (first three in each heat to snart in final).—Heat 1: C. W. B. King; 24 yards starts, 1; E. H. Flatt, 16, 2; H. Watson, 7, 3; W. H. Orton, 9 0; P. A. Casserley, 23, 0; J. R. Barnes Moss, 34, 0. Won easily by two yards. Time—33secs. Heat 2: E. F. Goodale, 26 yards start, 1; R. E. Wright, 22, 2; E. S. Ward, 21-3; L. F. Tremeer, 5, 0; J. B. Densham, 7, 0; C. D. Comrie, 7, 0; R. S. Paine, 13, 0; E. F. Vowles, 30, 0. Another easy win by a yard and a half. Time—32⅕secs. Final heat: E. F. Goodale, 26 yards start, 1; R. E. Wright 22, 2; H. Watson, 7, 3; E. H. Flatt, 16, 4; E. S. Ward 21, 0, C. W. B. King, 24, 0. The limit man was never caught, and won by two yards, three dividing second and third. Time—32⅕secs.

STOCK EXCHANGE SEVEN-MILE WALK.

Psn.		Handicap allowance. M. S.	Nett time. M. S.	Handicap order. M. S.
1	T E Hammond ...	scr	57 15	57 15
2	H N Duke ...	0 45	56 38⅘	58 33⅘
3	A H Hare-Duke ...	0 45	57 27⅗	56 42⅘
4	J T Jull ...	0 50	57 59⅗	57 9⅗
5	S E Knights ...	1 45	59 25⅘	57 40⅘
6	W H Farrell ...	6 15	62 51⅘	56 36⅘
7	F Beadmead ...	7 45	63 24⅗	55 39⅘
8	P Wood ...	5 20	64 37⅗	59 17⅘
9	Jno Ide ...	6 0	65 51⅗	59 51⅗
10	W G Lewis ...	7 30	65 59⅘	58 29⅘
11	A R Williamson ...	5 30	66 20⅘	60 50⅘

Francis Fry, 3mins., O. C. Nickalls, junior, 5mins. 20secs., and A. Bingley, 5mins. 30secs., did not finish.

Hammond led for the first lap, closely followed by Hare-Duke, Jull, and Knights. Three hundred yards later Hare-Duke went to the front with Hammond next, H N. Duke third, Jull fourth, and Knights fifth. This order was maintained for six miles. At two thousand yards Bingley retired, and Fry stopped at three miles and a half. Up to six miles and a half not more than eight yards separated the first four. Here H. N. Duke took command and Hammond walked into second place. Half-way through the last lap but one, however, Hammond went to the head of affairs for the first time, and despite a sturdy effort from H. N. Duke he won cleverly by a dozen yards; twenty-five yards divided the next two.

S.L.H. SUMMER MEETING.

Quite an International flavour was imported into the proceedings in connection with the above meeting, decided at Stamford Bridge on Saturday, owing to the presence, as competitors, of the pick of the members of the Racing Club of France. The "Irrepressibles," as the South Londoners have long been known, and the Frenchmen are old and friendly rivals in the matter of athletics, for twice previous to Saturday they had met and contended for honour and glory. On each occasion victory rested with the Britishers, who for the third time showed, in rather a marked manner, their superiority over the young gentlemen from the other side of the Channel. The conditions could not have been more favourable. The sun shone from a sky of almost cloudless blue, while the programme included the names of many of the foremost amateur athletes of the day. For some reason, difficult to explain, the attendance was not what it should have been, considering the charming weather and the very interesting card put forward, the proceedings attracting less than two thousand spectators. Details:—

100 YARDS MATCH.

E H Clube, S L H 1
H Tissier, Racing Club, France 2
H Watson, S L H 3
A Klingelhoefer, Racing Club, France 0

After a splendid start, Clube, Watson, and Tissier were level at the half-distance. Here Clube forged slightly ahead, but Tissier, finishing strongly, was only beaten half a yard; the same distance between second and third. Time—10⅖secs.

100 YARDS HANDICAP (Open).

Final Heat.

H Courlander, S L H, 7 yards start 1
R Lemoine, Racing Club, France, 9 2
E E Parkhurst H H H, 8 3
C J Limpenny, R N College, 6½ 4

The South London harrier drew steadily on Parkhurst, and catching the Frenchman in the last stride won by a yard; a foot between the second and third. Time—10secs.

880 YARDS MATCH.

E H Montague, S L H 1
M Scalhat, Racing Club, France 2
E Langlais, Racing Club, France 0
P B Dodd, S L H 0

The Frenchman made play, with Montague lying third and Dodd last for a lap. Soon after entering the second circuit Montague ran right away and won by twelve yards. Only two finished. Time—2mins. 0⅘secs.

ONE MILE MATCH.

A Shrubb, S L H 1
P A Casserley, S L H... 2
L de Fleurac, Racing Club, France 0
A Moreau, Racing Club, France 0

Shrubb ran right away from the flash of the pistol and won by 200 yards. Moreau stopped at a quarter and Fleurac in the third lap. Times—Half mile, 2mins. 6⅘secs; one mile, 4mins. 28secs.

880 YARDS HANDICAP (Open).

Final Heat.

C G Turner, Gainsford A C, 62 yards start 1
H E M Martin, S L H 65 2
J F Lintott, Ranelagh H, 62 3
J Ellingham, Elstree A C, 75 4
T Stuart, Putney A C, 75 5
T W Blott, Ranelagh H, 70 6

Turner, who was always handy, took command half-way round the last lap and won cleverly by five yards; two yards between the second and third. Time—1min. 56⅕secs.

120 YARDS HURDLE MATCH.

H P Phillips, S L H, ... 1
M Rachon, Racing Club, France 2
A Gowing, S L H 3
A Klingelhoefer, Racing Club, France 0

A splendid race. Up to the seventh obstacle the four were almost level; then Phillips and Klingelhoefer drew out. They rose almost together at the last hurdle where, however, the Frenchman blundered and fell, leaving Phillips to win by five yards. Time—16⅕secs.

440 YARDS MATCH.

J B Densham, S L H. 1
Bellin du Coteau, Racing Club, France ... — 2
E Langlais, Racing Club, France 3
E H Montague, S L H 0

The last named, after making the best part of the running, was pumped out at three hundred yards. Du Coteau turned into the straight with a lead of four yards, but Densham, finishing with all his well-known grit, wore the Frenchman down and won by a yard and a half. Time—53⅕secs.

Final Heat.

C H Jupp, L A C 1
L F Tremeer, L A C 2
L J de B Reed, S L H 3

Jupp forged steadily away from the start, and at the half distance he was two yards ahead. This in the next fifty he increased slightly, and finally he won very cleverly by two yards and a half in 19⅘secs., equaling E. H. Pelling's record time.

1,000 YARDS STEEPLE CHASE MATCH.

M Soalhat, Racing Club, France 1
F J Spencer, S L H 2
G Filiatre, Racing Club, France 3
P B Dodd, S L H 0

Dodd fell at the water and retired, and Filiatre, after leading for nearly half a mile, gave way to Spencer. The last-named looked like winning, but he was beaten for pace and defeated by five yards. Time—2mins. 44⅕secs.

THREE-MILE MATCH.

A Shrubb, S.L.H. 1
J Versal, Racing Club France 2
A Moreau, Racing Club, France 0
F A Knott, S.L.H. 0

As in the mile, Shrubb adopted cutting down tactics, and bounding away, he soon took a lead of twenty yards. This he increased as he liked. Moreau retired at a mile and a quarter and Knott at two miles, and finally Shrubb all but lapped Versal, who was beaten by 430 yards. Times—One mile 4mins. 41⅕secs.; two miles, 9mins. 44⅕secs.; three miles. 14mins. 42⅕secs.

POLO.

THE HURLINGHAM CLUB, FULHAM.

Held as it was under the most pleasant weather conditions, and numerously attended by the leaders of London Society, Saturday's meeting at Hurlingham proved a huge success. Of the two matches decided the most important was that between Ranelagh and a home contingent, the former being given a trial in view of their engagement in the Champion Cup Tournament this week. This season Ranelagh have been enabled to place two teams in the field for this important competition, and the side that did battle was their second string. The quartettes were constituted thus: Ranelagh: Mr. A de Las Casas, Mr. R. Grenfell, Capt. the Hon. G. Morris, and Capt. A. E. W. Harman (back); Hurlingham: Mr. J. Bellville, Capt. G. J. Fitzgerald, Mr. John Watson, and Capt. the Hon. Dudley Marjoribank (back). Umpire: Mr F. Bellville. No sooner had the ball been thrown in than Hurlingham assumed the aggressive, making a combined run to their antagonists' end and scoring through Mr. Bellville within a minute of the start, but immediately after an exchange of territory had been effected Ranelagh drew level with a goal by Mr. Grenfell. Hurlingham then again took the lead, Mr. Bellville securing their second point, and they maintained their advantage until nearing the end of the second period, when their defence fell twice in rapid succession to shots by Major Morris and Capt. Harman. Play in the third stage ruled very fast, and was slightly in favour of the home team, who, however, missed an excellent opportunity of equalising after Capt. Fitzgerald had made a capital run and left the ball favourably placed within a few yards of the posts and at half-time they were in a minority of three goals to two. At the close of the third period Hurlingham were attacking hotly, and early in the succeeding bout Mr. Bellville credited them with a third goal from a scrimmage, but Mr. de Las Casas soon enabled Ranelagh to again forge ahead, and they finally won by four points to three. The visitors played well together, and were unlucky not to have registered more goals. In the succeeding match the sides were Hurlingham: Mr. H. W. Hudson, Mr. Burdon, Lord Villiers, and Mr. Mann Thomson (back); Pelicans: Col. Martyr, Mr. F. Newman, Major K. McLaren, and Mr. T. B. Drybrough (back). Capt. Blacker umpired. At the midway interval the board denoted two goals all. Hurlingham eventually proving successful by three goals to two. Mr. Buckmaster was present, and has made such rapid recovery from the accident sustained at Roehampton on Monday last that he will be able to play for the Old Cantabs in the Champion Cup.

ROEHAMPTON CLUB.

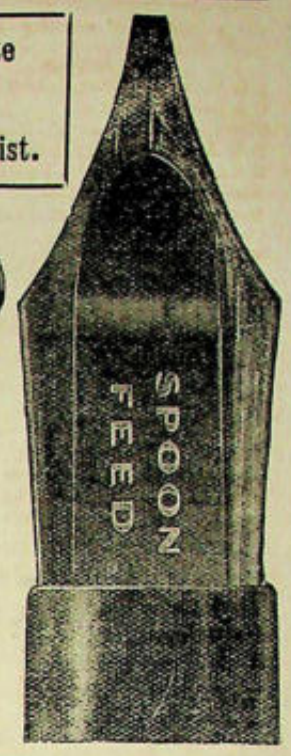
Roehampton was well attended on Saturday, when extremely interesting play was witnessed. Of the four matches that figured on the programme a commencement was made with that between Handley Cross and the Old Cantabs, the latter not being at full strength in the absence of Mr. Buckmaster. Sides: Handley Cross—Mr. H. Rich, Mr. F. Jay Mackey, Capt. Neil Haig, and Col. W. Gordon Renton (back); Old Cantabs—Mr. W. McCreery, Mr. F. M. Freake, Mr. O. P. Nickalls, and Capt. Godfrey



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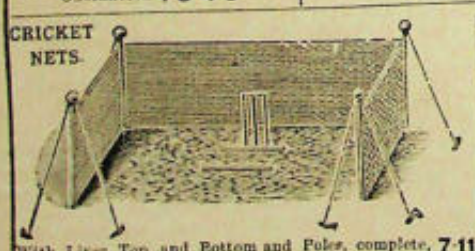
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Haseltine (back). Half-time saw Handley Cross with the slight advantage of three goals to two, which they had increased by four to that number on the completion of the fourth period, but the Old Cantabs had placed themselves on terms with ten minutes remaining for play. During that time Handley Cross scored twice to the Cantabs' once and thus achieved the victory by the narrow margin of six goals to five. In the engagement between the Royal Artillery and the 1st Life Guards, the former had registered three goals to two at the midway interval, and they finally rode off the winners by seven to four. The teams were: Royal Artillery—Major H. N. Schofield, Capt. Aldridge, Capt. Gosling, and Major Young (back); 1st Life Guards—Lord H. Grosvenor, the Hon. C. Fellowes, Capt. E. W. Clowes, and Mr. E. Brassey (back) A most important match was that in which Rugby (the winners of the Champion Cup last year) opposed Rochampton, as both have again entered for that tournament. After playing for fifty minutes, the sides were level at three goals all. Rochampton then went to the front, and won by six to four. Sides: Rochampton—Capt. H. Wilson, Mr. M Nickalls, Mr. P. W. Nickalls, and Capt H. Lloyd (back); Rugby—Mr. W. Jones Lord Shrewsbury, Capt. E. D. Miller, and Mr. C. D. Miller (back) In the other contest, the quartettes were arranged thus: Free Traders—Mr. R. Emmet Major Powell, Mr. F. Bellville, and Mr. K. Marsham (back); Rochampton—Mr. C. Bucknall, Mr. C. Grenfell, Mr. W. Roylance Court, and Mr. J. B. Dale (back). The Free Traders led by six goals to three at the end of the third period, and won by eight to five. The Band of the 14th (King's) Hussars gave a number of spirited selections.

LONDON POLO CLUB.

In beautiful weather, the members of the London Club met an Eden Park team at the Crystal Palace on Saturday when the home side gained an easy victory. The sides were: London—Mr. M. Burge, Mr. W. Farquhar, Mr. R. Tryon, and Mr. E. Blake (back); Eden Park—Mr. F. Holder, Mr. E. De Clermont, Mr. E. Covell, and Mr. A. Holder (back). Umpires: Messrs. Fleming and Parsons. At half-time the London Club led by nine goals to one, and they eventually won by fifteen goals to two. For London, Mr. Farquhar scored five goals, Mr. Tryon four, Mr. Burge four, and Mr. Blake two. The Eden Park points were gained by Mr. De Clermont and Mr. A. Holder. A match, in which Married (Mr. Wilson, Mr. E. Webb, Mr. B. Fleming, and Mr. Trollope) opposed Single (Mr. Porter, Mr. J. Parsons, Capt. B. Turner, and Col. Grainger) followed, Mr. Farquhar umpiring. In a well-contested game the bachelors were beaten by six goals to five.

THE RANELAGH CLUB, BARN ELMS.

The Ranelagh club was largely patronised on Saturday. Two polo matches were decided, in the first of which a home team—Messrs. I. Bell, Nigel Baring, Guy Gilbey, and J. C. de Las Casas (back)—took the field against the Wanderers—Messrs. W. V. Beatty, M. de Las Casas, A. Dugdle, and H. Schwind (back). Capt. Scratchley officiated as umpire. It was a keen and close game, the Wanderers having all their work cut out to defeat Ranelagh by have goals to four. Chief interest centred in the succeeding encounter, which was between the Magpies and the premier Ranelagh combination, both of which were playing sides that will represent them in the Hurlingham Champion Cup this week and consequently the match served as an impromptu trial for the sterner contests in the tournament mentioned. The sides were: Ranelagh—Capt. Jenner, Mr. A. Rawlinson, Mr. F. A. Gill, and Mr. H. Scott Kobson (back); Magpies—Capt. G. W. Hobson Major. J. Vaughan. Capt Ulric O. Thyme, and Capt. H. R. Lee (back). Of such a one-sided nature was the scoring that the game calls for little comment. There is no gainsaying the fact that Ranelagh are in extremely formidable team, but one had certainly expected the Magpies to make a much better fight. As it was they made a very poor show, and after being in arrears at seven goals to one at the end of the third period, had ultimately to strike their colours by ten goals to two.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

ON Monday (20th), the meet was at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar on a wet, windy morning very stormy and with driving clouds. As was to be expected there was only a small field out. We first drew Lawley's Course blank and also Gibb's Shola. Briar Shola was also empty, but from the swamp below Wapshare's Hare Shola we picked up a line and hunted slowly with a very bad scent as far as the earths below the Old Pykara Road, when hounds killed a half grown cub. The line which had brought us here took us on to Khed Shola, hounds running fast here and there for a short distance, but never being able to carry on far long. A stag sambur went away in front of them at Khed Shola, but they took no notice of him and puzzled out the jack's line back to the Old Pykara Road at the seventh mile across it and down to the swamps on the north side. Here they began to go along faster, but were soon brought to their noses again and a long check followed. Recovering the line we had some very pretty slow hunting, turning gradually left handed until we found ourselves in Tada Coffee Shop Shola where scent improved. Crossing the Pykara Road, hounds ran through the lower part of Road Shola and on to Dormer wood. They were now beginning to press their jack and though sambur and jungle sheep were jumping up in all directions they stuck to the line and forced the jack out above Chemmund. He ran through this and then faced the Yemakal Valley. On reaching the Yemakal stream his heart failed him and he turned back towards Chemmund, but was too beat to get away from hounds now, even uphill and they rolled him over just below the Shola. It was a capital run, but scent was very catchy.

The meet on Wednesday was at Golf corner at 7 o'clock on a fine morning with a howling wind. There were about 35 people out, we first drew Jackal Shola and found a brace of jacks One broke at the top and hounds got away on the other, which took on to Rallywood. Here hounds checked. At least one more jack was on foot and scent was so bad that hounds, would not keep to the line. Eventually the jack slipped away over the road to Monkey Shola and we hunted him in covert for some time. At last he broke away to Baikie, but scent failed altogether. News was now brought of another jack having been viewed into Jackal Shola and the Master took hounds back there and we ran a second time to Rallywood. A brace of jacks were viewed away over the hill to Blue Gums, but scent was so very bad that hounds were hardly able to hunt a yard. We then tried for a fresh jack down Newmarket, up Gold Mine swamp and down Lawley's Course. We drew Gibb's Shola, Briar Shola and Wapshare's Hare Shola the covert along the old Pykara Road and the top part of Beadnell's Shola without finding again. Scent has never been known worse than to-day probably owing to the gale.

BLUE GUM.

Barber (striking up a conversation): "Have you ever been here for a shave before?"
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Barber: "That's strange; I don't remember your face."
Customer: "No; I suppose not. It's healed up now."

Polo.

THE MYSORE TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

MYSORE, *24th June.*

THE Mysore Polo Tournament opened this evening in somewhat threatening and windy weather, but luckily the rain clouds all went round at the back of Chamundi Hill and only half-a-dozen big drops fell. The two matches which took place were played on the Government House ground which was rather dry and hard, but some excellent play was seen. H H. the Maharaja's numerous guests took great interest in the matches, and the gathering of the general public was very large. H. H. the Maharaja's Band, and the Band of the Barr Infantry were on the ground, and played excellent selections of music. Details:—

IMPERIAL SERVICE LANCERS, "A" TEAM *vs.* MYSORE GYMKHANA.—*First Chukker.*—From the start Lingaraj Urs took the ball down to the Lancers line, but Murad Beg averted danger. Annaji Kadam gained ground for his side, but was well ridden off and shortly afterwards Subramanya Urs opened the scoring with a subsidiary for the Gymkhana. Play came back to the territory of the latter team, and Lingaraj Urs was proving himself a very safe back when the chukker closed.

Score:—Mysore Gymkhana:—0 goal 1 subsidiary.
Imperial Service Lancers:—0 goal 0 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—From the re-start at the Gymkhana end H. H. the Maharaja came through at once, and scored a fine goal for his side amidst loud applause Changing ends the ball went behind the Gymkhana line, Subramanya Raj Urs temporarily relieved the pressure, but the ball was brought back and went out at the side near the Gymkhana end Murad Beg broke his stick in a good back-handed shot which was only just saved, but Annaji Kadam added a second goal for the Lancers.

Score:—Imperial Service Lancers:—2 goals 0 subsidiaries.
Mysore Gymkhana:—0 goal 1 subsidiary.

Third Chukker.—Annaji Kadam was well checked by Kantharaj Urs when looking dangerous, and H. H. the Maharaja was applauded for a fine back-handed stroke when in difficulties. Though now playing up the hill, the Lancers were having all the best of the play and a good shot by Colonel Desaraj Urs was barely saved. He should have scored almost immediately afterwards, but shot wide, and a long drive by Gopal Raj Urs transferred play to the Lancer end. Sticky play followed near their goal, where Murad Beg defended stoutly. Play was proceeding in midfield when the chukker ended without any change in the score.

Score:—Imperial Service Lancers:—2 goals 0 subsidiary.
Mysore Gymkhana:—0 goal 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—Subramanya Raj Urs almost scored for the Gymkhana, but Murad Beg and the Maharaja relieved, and the ball was taken to the other end of the ground. Lingaraj Urs, who played well throughout, got away, and was looking dangerous when his stick was cleverly crooked by Murad Beg. The Gymkhana goal was then hotly besieged, and Annaji Kadam scored a goal for the Lancers. A foul was shortly afterwards given against them, and the Gymkhana added a subsidiary, but the Lancers then came back, and before the chukker closed Colonel Desaraj Urs hit a fine goal.

Score:—Imperial Service Lancers:—4 goals 0 subsidiary.
Mysore Gymkhana:—0 goal 2 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—This chukker opened with a good run by Subramanya Raj Urs, and Lingaraj Urs gained more ground, but the Gymkhana were penalised for a foul and the advantage was lost. H. H. the Maharaja and Colonel Desaraj Urs, playing well together, then invaded the Gymkhana end, where the ball twice went behind the line. Sticky play was in progress when the bugle sounded.

Score:—Imperial Service Lancers:—4 goals 0 subsidiary.
Mysore Gymkhana:—0 goal 2 subsidiaries.

Sixth Chukker.—There was only a short time remaining for play, and a good run by Colonel Desaraj Urs and a shot by Murad Beg which narrowly missed the posts were the only noteworthy features of this final chukker.

Final Score:—Imperial Service Lancers, "A" Team:—4 goals 0 subsidiary. Mysore Gymkhana:—0 goal 2 subsidiaries.

TEAMS.

IMPERIAL SERVICE LANCERS, "A" TEAM.	MYSORE GYMKHANA.
1 Resaldar Annaji Kadam.	1 Mr. Subramanya Raj Urs.
2 H H. the Maharaja of Mysore	2 Mr. Gopal Raj Urs.
3 Lieut.-Col. J Desaraj Urs	3 Mr. Lakhshmi Kantaraj Urs.
Resaldar Murad Beg. (*back*).	Mr. H. Lingaraj Urs. (*back*).

Umpires:—Captain Hay and Mr. Henderson.

RAJA VENUGOPAUL BAHADUR'S TEAM *vs.* IMPERIAL SERVICE LANCERS "B" TEAM. *First Chukker.*—The Lancers played up the hill, and play opened somewhat slowly, a foul being given against them in the first two minutes. The pace quickened, and give and take play followed, in which the Lancers had a trifle the best of the argument. But their opponents then warmed up, Sheik Ismail all but scored, and just as the chukker closed Oakes opened the scoring for Raja Venugopaul's team with a fine shot

Score:—Raja Venugopaul's Team:—1 goal 0 subsidiary.
Imperial Service Lancers:—0 goal 0 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The scratch team attacked, and Sheik Ismail, though ridden off at the last moment, scored a subsidiary which would probably otherwise have been a goal. Gwyer and Oakes became prominent, the latter doing some fine riding off, and the Lancers began to have considerably the worst of the play. The ball went behind their line and immediately afterwards their goal was at Sheik Ismail's mercy, but he missed the stroke clean. Raja Venugopaul then scored for his team and immediately afterwards put in a fine run, eventually over-riding the ball. Play was proceeding near the Lancers end when the bugle sounded.

Score:—Raja Venugopaul's Team:—2 goals 1 subsidiary.
Imperial Service Lancers:—0 goal 0 subsidiary.

Third Chukker.—Gwyer scored a good goal almost at once for Raja Venugopaul's team, and it began to be apparent that the Lancers were not in it with their opponents. They temporarily improved, however, after the re-start and took play into their opponents' quarters, where it remained until Oakes relieved with a pretty run, shortly afterwards cleverly turning the ball through the posts and placing his side further ahead. The same player well checked Chanda Rao Ranavaraj, and Sheik Ismail added a subsidiary.

Score:—Raja Venugopaul's Team:—4 goals 2 subsidiaries.
Imperial Service Lancers:—0 goal 0 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—When play was resumed the Lancers attacked vigorously, but Gwyer was just now safe at back, though he had previously missed a good many and he could not be passed. The hitting of the Lancers was not so accurate as that of the scratch team, nor did their ponies seem so handy. However they kept Gwyer busily employed for a time, and then Oakes and Sheik Ismail once more took play to the Lancers end.

Score:—Raja Venugopaul's Team:—4 goals 2 subsidiaries
Imperial Service Lancers:—0 goal 0 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The ball went behind the Lancers line, and shortly afterwards Raja Venugopaul scored his second goal and the fifth for his side. The match was now clearly all over; although the Lancers never relaxed their efforts and continually broke away, only to be checked or to override the ball. Chanda Rao Ranavaraj became dangerous, but Gwyer cleverly crooked his stick and the ball was brought up the hill and twice went behind the Lancers line. From the second hit out Gwyer and Oakes checked a rush, and Raja Venugopaul gained ground, Sheik Ismail finally adding a subsidiary.

Score:—Raja Venugopaul's Team:—5 goals 3 subsidiaries.
Imperial Service Lancers:—0 goal 0 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—Chanda Rao Ranavaraj took the ball three-quarters down the field at a great pace, but Gwyer returned with a clever run. The play quickened and Raja Venugopaul almost scored as the result of a good effort by Oakes. Finally Sheik Ismail, though pressed at the time, scored a very neat goal by a shot underneath his pony and the chukker and match shortly afterwards closed.

Final Score:—Raja Venugopaul's Team:—6 goals 3 subsidiaries.
Imperial Service Lancers, "B" Team:—0 goal 0 subsidiary.

TEAMS.

IMPERIAL SERVICE LANCERS, "B" TEAM.	RAJA VENUGOPAUL'S TEAM.
1 Resaldar Chanda Rao Ranavaraj.	1 Sheik Ismail.
2 Resaldar Chamaraj Urs.	2 Raja Venugopaul Bahadur.
3 Jamadar T. Nanjaraj Urs.	3 Captain H C Oakes.
Jamadar Srinivasa Rao Selke. (*Back*).	Mr. A. Gwyer. (*Back*).

Umpires:—Captain Hay and Mr. Henderson.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *10th June 1904.*

THE Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland, is to motorists what the Cyclists' Touring Club is to members of the push-bike brigade, but in the two institutions there is a wide difference as to the manner in which each look after the interests of their respective patrons. The Cyclists' Touring Club is conducted on too rigid business lines, there is, and has been for some time, too much trade about its proposals and transactions; the object of the executive apparently being to amass riches in the form of a substantial reserve fund, whereas, the correct procedure of such an institution is to spend the surplus revenue in the good of the pastime, of course, the while, remaining solvent. On the other hand, the Automobile Club is doing excellent work in fostering the pursuit of which it bears the name. As an instance of the contrast between the action of the two clubs we may take the recent side-slip trials organised by the Automobile Club. The Club had not been in existence more than seven years before it offered valuable money prizes for the most effective non-slipping device with the object of unearthing some contrivance that would overcome that constant danger to Automobilists—side-slip. For seventeen years Cyclists have been confronted with this danger, yet, the Cyclists' Touring Club never moved in the matter. True, the consequences of a slip on an ordinary cycle are not so serious as is the case with a motor but we have known of many cases where cyclists have sustained fractured limbs and in some cases met their death.

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Whilst some of the larger and best known cycle manufacturers are working at full pressure in order to keep pace with the orders that continually fall in, many of the smaller concerns are crying out at the stagnant state of trade. A great change is coming over the industry and the above is the forerunner of what is to be. Two or three weeks ago, an old established firm, with a high reputation, came out with the announcement that it was putting on the market an eight-guinea machine, fitted with two rim brakes and free wheel, which could also be obtained on the gradual payment system of fifteen shillings a month. The announcement was naturally received with many misgivings by those in the trade, since such an offer by a firm of standing would practically cut the ground from beneath the feet of small manufacturers and local makers. Indeed, we do not doubt, but that in a few year's time, local makers will have ceased to exist, their business having drifted into the hands of big firms that possess up-to-date labour-saving machines.

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The "rational" dress is now almost extinct, only now and again a stray specimen being seen on the highways—an image of what might have been. Amongst those who fostered the cause some years ago there still lingers the hope that the movement is but hibernating till the day arrives when lady cyclists will appreciate its advantages. We trust that it has contracted the sleeping sickness. Now and again, however, the rationalists secure an argument in favour of their cause, and one in point is a somewhat serious accident that has just happened to a lady cyclist. An extra heavy gust of wind blew her skirt into the front wheel of her bicycle, looking it, and bringing her down heavily to the ground. Such an accident would be a clinching argument for rationals were it not for the fact that the lady in question was riding in a full skirt at the time of the accident which blew about in all directions. If ladies will ride in ordinary walking skirts they must take the risk of such an accident occurring, but with a properly cut cycling skirt there is no more danger than with rationals.

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A cyclist in Dublin who was riding a practically new ten-guinea machine, stopped at an inn for refreshments, leaving his cycle unattended without. On emerging from the bar he was surprised to find that his machine was gone and that another, of more value than his own, had been left in its place. Thinking that someone had taken it in mistake and would be returning when the error was discovered, the wheelman waited about until at last he rode home on it with silent congratulations on the good deal. On the evening he began to grow uneasy about the incident and decided to lay the facts before the police. He soon discovered the reason for the second parties generosity in leaving a high grade machine for his ten-guinea mount. The high class machine had been stolen, and the thief, finding that the search was becoming too hot, made the exchange in order to throw the police off the scent. The police handed the machine over to the rightful owner and the unfortunate cyclist was left without one.

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An example of what a modern motor car is capable of accomplishing, is provided by the wonderful feat just achieved by Mr. Harvey du Cros, junior, who on a 15 horse power car surmounted the highest mountain in England and Wales—Snowdon. In January last, Mr. du Cros was obliged to relinquish an attempt he then made owing to the heavy snowdrift encountered when only within a short distance of his goal. On the recent attempt, however, the snow had vanished and the intrepid driver successfully steered his car to the summit. The course he pursued was the track of the mountain railway which winds its way up

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the face of the mountain and which at places possesses gradients of 1 in 5. Nor was this all the mountain climber had to put up with. The track consisted of a loose bed of stones and slates and at many points gulleys had to be bridge over with planks so as to permit the car to proceed. At places the car was driven along the edge of the Llanbere's Pass which dropped many thousands of feet into the valley, and if at these points anything went wrong with the steering a terrible catastrophy would have occurred. The ascent occupied a matter of four hours the average speed of the car working out at seven miles an hour.

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A motor cyclist whose business took him along a certain road three or four times a week discovered that three barking curs invariably flew out from one of the houses and followed him down the street snapping at his legs. So consistently did they attack the wheelman that he at last decided to meet them on equal terms. Armed with a heavy cycle polo stick he sallied forth to do battle and was not long before meeting the enemy. The fight was hot and furious and was favouring the wheelmen when an old lady came rushing out of the house to protect her "dear pets." She appealed to a passing policeman, who called upon the cyclist to stay his slaying arm. More in fun than in earnest the cyclist suggested to the policeman that the old lady be asked to produce her licenses for the dogs, which alas, she was unable to do, and was therefore subsequently find 22s. 6d. with costs.

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Although amongst the British amateur riders there are several who must be classed top fliers, there is one who stands out prominently as a rider of exceptional merit since in whatever meeting he competes, he invariable carrys off at least one of the prizes. We refer to A. L. Reed, the Polytechnic C. C. Champion. He is a tall man of somewhat heavy build and his powerful legs will keep up a sprint considerably longer than any ordinary rider, indeed, it is said that he will sprint a whole lap without reducing his speed. On the 19th June he intends making his first appearance on the Parisian race path, having entered with his co clubman, Rowland Janson, in the amateur race for the world-renowned grand Prix des Paris. He should certainly carry off this event as the French amateurs are not such speedy men as our men, owing to the rage there is over there to turn professional immediately one develops a turn of speed.

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Excitement is growing apace in the motoring world over the Gordon-bennett Cup Race which is to be decided in Germany next Thursday, 16th June. Nineteen cars of high horse power and developing great speed have entered for the contest and a keen fight is expected for the Motor Derby. Next week I intend giving a short history of the Gordon-Bennett Cup together with details of the race.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT CHAKRATA.

ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS *vs.* KAILANA DEPÔT.—The match between these teams resulted in a win for the Fusiliers by 202 runs. They went in first and put up 310 runs to which Venables contributed a well played 115, while Colonel Lyle, Captain Hayhurst and Lloyd made useful scores. The Depôt's innings produced but 108, Saxton being top scorer with 31. Scores :—

ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS.

Capt France Hayhurst, c Darlington, b Porteous	...	32
E C C Lloyd, b Porteous	...	5
H R Reynolds, c and b Porteous	...	18
Capt G Lloyd, b Chisholm	...	25
Capt H Hill, c Saxton, b Chisholm	...	16
J D Venables, b Saxton	...	115
Lieut-Col Lyle, l-b-w, b Darlington	...	45
Capt Cadogan, b Darlington	...	0
C I Stockwell, c Charles, b Chisholm	...	11
F Y Walwyn, not out	...	7
Major Mantell, c Arnott, b Saxton	...	0
Extras	...	36
Total	...	310

KAILANA DEPÔT.

Rev R M Kirwan, l-w-b, b Hayhurst	...	9
A Chisholm, 15th Hussars, c Stockwell, b Hayhurst	...	3
M A Muir, 15th Hussars, c and b G Lloyd	...	28
Pte Porteous, 3rd Hussars, b Hayhurst	...	3
P D Saxton, S Staffs, c Hayhurst, b G Lloyd	...	31
R Arnott R G A, b G Lloyd	...	0
E E Charles R G A, b G Lloyd	...	0
G C Briggs, R S F, b Hayhurst	...	0
G A C Wetherall, 15th Hussars, c Reynolds, b G Lloyd		0
J St O Darlington, S Staffs, not out	...	22
D Macintyre, R B,c Cadogan, b Hill	...	2
Extras	...	10
Total	...	108

CRICKET AT KARACHI.

KARACHI GYMKHANA *vs.* PARSIS.—Played on the 18th instant, a large gathering being present. The Gymkhana batted first and made 112, Wilson and Merriman played good cricket. The Parsis replied with 139 for six wickets. Dinshaw put up 59. Score :—

KARACHI GYMKHANA.

Capt Price, b N J Mobed	...	12
Wilson, c J Miniwalla, b S Miniwalla	...	29
Creagh, b Bamboat	...	10
Lieut Merriman, st G M Dinshaw, b S Miniwalla	...	24
Capt Keogh b N J Mobed	...	8
Lucas, c Mobed, b S Miniwalla	...	4
Oldham, b S Miniwalla	...	5
Chetham, c S Miniwalla, b A J Mobed	...	3
Barnes, b N J Mobed	...	2
Newton, not out	...	7
Woodward l-b-w, b N J Mobed	...	0
Extras	...	8
Total	...	112

PARSIS

H M Dinshaw, b Lucas	...	5
P D Dastur, c Wilson, b Lucas	...	20
N M Dinshaw, c Merriman, b Barnes	...	59
G M Dinshaw, b Newton	...	7
J D Miniwalla, b Newton	...	15
N J Mobed, c Chetham, b Barnes	...	5
K B Dadina, not out	...	8
S A Miniwalla, not out	...	8
B T Gorwalla, J Bamboat, N C Majainah }	did not bat	
Extras	...	12
Total	...	139

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
Karachi Gymkhana.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lucas	17	4	48	12
Newton	16	5	39	3
Barnes	4	1	7	1

Parsis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A J Mobed	15	4	20	5
J Bamboat	9	2	21	1
S N Miniwalla	16	3	31	4

CRICKET AT POONA.

OVER 30 *vs.* UNDER 30.—This match was played on the Gymkhana ground on the 23rd instant and resulted in a win for the younger men by 65 runs. Lieutenant-Colonel Hazelton and Captain Bruce were top scorers for the "Over 30."

Thornton played good cricket for his 68 not out, while Noake, Ussher and Carroll were in good form. Score :—

OVER THIRTY.

Col Stevens, c Thornton, b Noake	...	4
Mr French, c Carroll, b Noake	...	6
Mr Wilkins, b Carroll	...	0
Genl Richardson, c Carroll, b Jeune	...	20
Capt Hopwood, b Carroll	...	11
Capt Bayford, b Jeune	...	7
Capt Bruce, c Lyon, b Noake	...	54
Lieut-Col Hazelton, c Thornton, b Kearsey	...	57
Capt Holbrooke, b Noake	...	8
Lord Murray, b Kearsey	...	0
Capt Davidson, b Kearsey	...	5
Mr Shaw, not out	...	0
Extras	...	24
Total	...	196

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Noake	21	62	2	4
Carroll	12	16	6	2
Jeune	5	25	1	2
Ussher	6	14	1	0
Thornton	2	7	0	0
Lyon	4	31	0	0
Kearsey	5	17	0	3

UNDER THIRTY.

A O Kearsey, b Col Stevens	0
C W Lyon, b Col Stevens	3
B Nox Carroll, st Bayford, b Davidson	31
J Kennedy, c Lord G Murray b Davidson	6
S Ussher, c Col Stevens, b Bayford	48
Capt Jeune, b Davidson	3
Noake, c Hopwood, b Bayford	58
G Thornton, not out	68
O C Herbert, l-b-w, b Col Hazelton	16
N V Thew, not out	14
Tillard, absent	0
Extras	14
Total	261

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Col Stevens	17	72	3	2
Davidson	10	35	0	3
Wilkins	3	26	0	0
Col Hazelton	9	48	0	1
Bayford	9	60	0	2

CRICKET CHAT.

ALTHOUGH there are so many well-known Anglo-Indian and Indian Cricketers in England this season I have not noticed many of their names in connection with club cricket. J. P. Candler, the rejected of Cambridge, where he was given a long trial for his Blue a few years ago and who will be remembered by Bengal Cricketers is doing very well with both bat and ball for Mr. J. C. Lovell's XI this season. Against Barnes he scored 7 and took 4 wickets. For Single *vs.* Married he scored 23 and took 4 wickets, and followed this up in the next match against Home and Colonial with 44 and 4 wickets. His best performance was perhaps against Norbury Park when he scored 22 and took 7 wickets Another well-known Bengal Cricketer, E. A. Leach, of the Calcutta C. C., is playing for the Wimbledon Club this season and against Kensington Park made 0 and 36. Captain R. E. E. Krickenbeck, a well-known Bombay Presidency player, is assisting Surbiton and against Hampstead only made 8 runs in two innings. G. L. Whatford who showed such good form against the Authentics a couple of years ago for Bundelkhand playing for the Gentlemen of M. C. C. *vs.* the London and Westminster Bank, scored 12. A native player named Mahboot Ali Beg playing for Forest Hill *vs.* London and Westminster Bank was dismissed for a blob. Captain H. Strong, of the Indian Army, scored 20 for Incogniti *vs.* R. M. A., Woolwich. Three well-known Jhansi and Bombay players Lieutenants R. J. Armes W. J. Locker, and P. Lyon, of the North Staffordshire Regiment, played in a recent match for Lichfield *vs.* Incogniti. P. Lyon made 32 not out. S. de Saram, a cousin of D. L. Saram's who visited Bombay for the Indian team for England test matches last cold weather played in the Cambridge Freshmen's match, scoring 15 and 18. In a trial match a few days later for Mr. R. P. Keigwin's team he only scored 8 and 4. S. de Saram had the reputation of being one of the best native cricketers in Ceylon about five years ago, but has evidently not trained on much. It is rather unfortunate that the climatic conditions of Bombay are such as to make it necessary that football and cricket should be played in the same months. Cricketers cannot play both games and keep their hand and eye in for cricket and in any case the time given up to football is the time that should be spent at the nets. Cricket is flourishing at Karachi this season and the local Gymkhana have been able to place a stronger team in the field than in any year since 1897 when A. P. Douglas the old Middlesex, Surrey, and Presidency player was a power in Karachi cricket and captained the Gymkhana team. For some years after Douglas' departure the game languished so far as the Gymkhana was concerned the dearth of good players being partly responsible for this state of things. Last season things began to assume a more rosy hue and this season the presence of F. L. Sprott, the old Presidency captain, has given the game a much needed stimulus. Quite a strong batting side can now be placed in the field with Sprott, Creagh, Chetham (J. C.), Captain Price, Merriman, and several others of equal calibre available, while the bowling with two such capable performers as Lucas and Newton is by no means weak. Sprott has met with success in every match that he has played and last weak compiled a faultless 41 against the Sind Volunteers, a match in which Creagh scored 86 not out, the highest innings made by a Gymkhana batsman this season. Newton placed a good bowling performance to his credit capturing seven wickets for 53 runs. The Gymkhana total was 245, the

highest total made by the club for some years, Captain Price (29), Merriman (21), Newton (18), and Lucas (11) being the other double figure contributors. The Volunteers were only able to make 102, of which H. N. Dinshaw, the youngest member of the Karachi cricketing family of that name, made 42.

The second match of the Poona season between teams composed of players Over Thirty years and Under Thirty has let further light in on the form of several of the new players and has made it practically certain that the Poona Gymkhana team this year will be stronger in batting than any team since 1900 when Captain Greig, Captain N. D. Wood, F. L. Sprott, Captain W. Drysdale, A. F. Lumsden, E. L. Sale were all able to assist regularly. G. Thornton, who is a batsman of the hard-hitting order and who made a successful first appearance in the match last week, contributed 68 not out to the Under Thirty total of 261, and gives promise of being very useful to Poona this season. Two other new players, A. S. Noake and S. Ussher, also shaped well for the same side, the first-named making 58 and the latter 48. These players with B. M. Carroll who contributed 31 made between them 205. C. D. G. Lyon, the old Wellingtonian, and J Kennedy, the old Hailyburian, who were both assisting Under Thirty, were dismissed for small scores. Over Thirty who had to take the field without Captain Greig compiled 196 of which three players, Lieutenant-Colonel Hazelton (57), Captain Bruce (54), and Major-General Richardson (20) contributed 131 between them. There are signs of weakness in the bowling at present but when Captain L. M. R. Deas arrives the attack will the strengthened.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE

DALHOUSIE *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—These teams met on the 22nd instant on the Dalhousie ground before a large crowd. The home team started the game, but the Dum-Dum men soon got possession and Woodings put through two minutes from the start. The soldiers continued to have the best of matters, and Hulyer sent in a fine shot, in trying to clear which Robinson headed the ball into his own goal. Following on this second success the West Ridings obtained a penalty kick for "hands" and Hulyer scored a third goal. After the interval the Dalhousie men showed greatly improved form and Prike getting away found the net. The home team continued to play up and had the better of the exchanges, but they were unable to add to their score and the West Ridings won by three goals to one. Teams:—

WEST RIDINGS.—Roberts, *goal*; Evans and Holcombe, *backs*; Reeves, Turner and Morris, *half-backs*; Woodings, Laughlin, Wilson, Drew and Hulyer, *forwards*.

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Stimson and Robinson, *backs*, Phelps, Butler and Evans, *half-backs*; Holly, Stewart, Dalling; Prike and Campbell, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. P. Willder.

HOWRAH *vs.* RANGERS.—Played at Howrah on the 22nd instant, the visitors winning by two goals to one. In the first half, though the Rangers did most of the attacking, they were unable to score owing to the fine defence of the Howrah back division. Mulholland managed to put the ball through, but the point was disallowed. On resuming, after the interval, Maclay scored from a *melee*. Howrah were not long in equalising, Kerr putting through. Then the Rangers had the best of the game and Rosser scored the winning point. Teams:—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal;* Margrett and Anderson, *backs;* Mulholland, Lees and Affleck, *half-back;* Vears, Maclay, Rosser, McCready and Pollock, *forwards*.

HOWRAH.—Powell, *goal;* Curtis and Burns, *backs;* Morrow, Wood and Hart, *half-backs;* T. Smith, O'Neil, Sanderson, J Smith and Kerr, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A. *vs.* West Ridings.—Played on the Rangers' ground last Saturday, resulting in a win for the regiment by two goals to *nil*. The West Ridings were first away and Woodings opened the scorings. Shortly after Wilson put through. The soldiers continued to press during the second moiety, but could not break the defence and won as stated. Teams:—

WEST RIDINGS. Roberts, *goal;* Evans and P. Reeves, *backs;* A Reeves, Turner and Morris, *half-back;* Woodings. Laughlin, Wilson, Holcombe and Hulyer, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A.—Kay, *goal;* Stokes and Skully, *backs;* Schaumberg, Pooler and Collingwood, *half-backs;* Vanspal, Dwyer, Redmond, Critchley and Gordon, *forwards*.

CALCUTTA *vs.* HOWRAH.—The trans-Hugli team gave us a surprise last Saturday when they defeated Calcutta on the latter's ground. Howrah, who were at full strength, started the ball and the opening exchanges were very even. Then the home forwards put in some good combined runs, but missed a couple of chances. Howrah next forced a corner, but nothing came of it, and Calcutta returned to the attack. The shooting of the forwards was poor, and some good opportunities were missed, the interval arriving without score. On changing ends Calcutta pressed hard, but the Howrah backs played well and the home team could not get through. Then Kerr got away for the visitors and passing to Jackson, the latter found the net. Calcutta played all they knew and kept up a strong attack, but were unable to get even, and the visitors thus won by a goal to *nil*. Teams:—

HOWRAH.—Powell, *goal*; Annett and Curtis, *backs*; Morrow, Wood and Hart, *half-back*; Smith, Echlin, Jackson, Burns and Kerr, *forwards*.

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal*; Baker and Badham, *backs*; Maunder, Govan and Ansell, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, MacDonald, H. Cooper, V Sherman and Stuart, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. P. Willder.

KING'S OWN REGIMENT *vs.* RANGERS.—The match between these teams on the King's Own ground attracted a large number of spectators who witnessed a very even game, resulting in a pointless draw. After a dash by the home team play settled down, and ruled very even till they got away again, and Carman and Ennis just missed scoring. Then the Rangers had a turn, but could not find the net. After half time Rosser got away for the visitors, but was stopped. Play was fast and even for the rest of the game which ended as stated. Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Sinker, *goal*; Standish and Mellor, *backs*; Quinn, Ennis and Lionard, *half-backs*; Diggle, Jones, Walton, Carman and Wittingham, *forwards*.

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal*; Margrett and Anderson, *backs*; Affleck, Lees and Mulholland, *half-backs*; McCready, Pollock, Rosser, Maclay and Vears, *forwards*.

Referee:—Captain Gardner.

CALCUTTA *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—Playing on their own ground, on Tuesday, Calcutta defeated the West Ridings by three goals to one. The soldiers ran through at the start, but Hulyer shot wide and the home forwards going away forced a corner, which proved abortive. Calcutta continued to press and from a scrimmage in front of the visitors' goal, H. Cooper put through. The Dum-Dum team played hard, but were unable to score before the interval. On changing ends Calcutta had the best of the play. Then the military forced a corner, which they did not turn to account. Even play followed till Cooper put in a fine run and once more beat Roberts. Shortly after Cooper scored a third goal. The West Ridings were playing up all they knew, and before time their efforts were rewarded, Wilson finding the net. Teams:—

CALCUTTA.—Dods, *goal*; Todd and V. Cooper, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford and Ansell, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, MacDonald, H. Cooper, V. Sherman and Stuart, *forwards*.

WEST RIDING.—Roberts, *goal*; Evans and P. Reeves, *backs*; A. Reeves, Turner and Morris, *half-backs*; Woodings, Lochlin, Wilson, Holcombe and Hulyer, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. P. Wilder.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—These teams met on the Dalhousie ground last Tuesday, the home team having the best of matters all through and winning by a goal to *nil*. In the first half Dalhousie pressed, but nothing was scored till just before the interval Street found the net. On resuming the Young Men gave a better display, but their shooting was wild. Teams:—

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Templeton and Dalling, *backs*; Phelps, Butler and Evans, *half-backs*; Campbell, Robinson, Prike, Stewart and Holly, *forwards*.

Y. M. C. A.—Kay, *goal*; Stokes and Scully *backs*; Schaumberg, Pooler and Collingwood, *half-backs*; Mitchell, McPhu, Redmond, Mason and Critchley, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. F. Lees.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

DALHOUSIE were expected to turn the tables on the West Ridings at their second meeting or to at any rate secure one point from them, but the soldiers put so much 'go" into their play in the first few minutes that they had put on two goals before the home team had got into their stride. Matters were not improved by an unlucky handling of the ball by Stimson in the penalty area, and before the game had been in progress for fifteen minutes, the West Ridings were three goals to the good. The position now seemed hopeless for the Dals., but they were far from accepting the score as final and, during the second half of the game, played up so well that the military had to play one of hardest defensive games they have tackled this season to keep the homesters out. Prike managed to get through once, after a rather lucky piece of play, and the match thus ended in favour of the soldiers by three goals to one. Dalhousie unfortunately could not turn out their best team, Robinson especially not being a good substitute for Templeton, but Stimson at back and the three halves all played a good defensive game and Stewart, Dalling and Holley put in some good work in the forward line. For the Dum-Dum team Woodings and Hulyer on the wings, and Morris, Turner and Reeves in the half line were most conspicuous.

Being interested in the West Riding's match I was unable to visit Howrah where the Rangers beat the home team on the post by one goal. The visitors evidently had most of the shooting though, as in their match against the Y. M. C. A., the ball seemed to go anywhere but between the posts.

Once more the Howrah team have upset all calculations and kept up their reputation for surprises by securing two points from Calcutta, the weakest Club in the League beating the strongest. The game needs little description. For the first ten minutes it was very even; both sides attacked in turn, but the ground and ball being very slippery no one seemed to have any command over the ball. Calcutta then took up the running and for the rest of the game, with the exception of the one smart run down from which Jackson scored for Howrah, the home team swarmed round the visitors' goal. Shot after shot hit the posts or crossbar, went just outside the net or was saved by Powell, but although each of the forwards seemed to be trying their best no one could score. The Howrah defence was excellent, the halves and backs playing a strong game and the goalkeeper saving marvellously, and Wood, who has by now left for Rangoon, is to be congratulated on his final display. Calcutta were unfortunately without their usual backs and centre half, Crawford being especially missed, but the game was mostly a "forward" one and with a little luck they should have won by a good margin.

The West Ridings had not much difficulty in defeating the Y. M. C. A., though the latter played up well. The Rangers gave the King's Own a hard game and interest was maintained right up to the call of time. In the first half the Lancasters pressed and Behrend had to clear several shots, but in the second half the Rangers had rather the best of it and on two or three occasions looked like scoring. The shooting, however, was not as good as it might have been, and Sinker had no difficulty in keeping his goal clear, so that when "time" arrived neither side had scored.

As will be seen from the table below, Calcutta's defeat has given the King's Own another chance of annexing the Locke Cup, in spite of the latter's draw with the Rangers. The probabilities are in favor of the team from the Fort winning their remaining two matches which will bring their final total of points up to 19—Calcutta by winning their remaining matches can also obtain 19 points and as their goal average at present is just a point better than the King's Own they might by a bit of luck came out on top, but, and this is a very big but, the soldiers have yet to play the Y. M. C. A., and in this match they are likely to improve their goal average considerably! As regards the West Ridings all depends on their match against Calcutta. Should they win or even make a draw of it the finish is likely to be between them and the King's Own and the civilian team will drop into third place. It will thus be seen that a great deal hangs on the result of Tuesday's match, and it is unfortunate that I am unable to keep these "notes" back till this great game has been played. Calcutta may beat the Dum-Dum men, but they are not likely to win by a sufficiant number of goals to counterbalance the Lancasters' probable score against the Y. M. C. A.

The teams which have been selected to play in the Civil *vs.* Military match on the 9th are representative of this season's League football and, as will be seen from the names of the players which I am able to give below, an extremely strong combination has been got together. On the civilian side, Crawford should, on his play this season, have been in the half line and Street is perhaps not quite the strongest man who could have been picked for goal, but on the whole the eleven has been very judiciously selected. On the military side Diggle is perhaps deserving of a place, but it would be difficult to know which of the chosen five should be left out for him and the soldiers need have no doubt of their being fully represented.

In spite of the attempt in some quarters to throw cold water on the idea of a Civil *vs.* Military match I think we may, expect a good display and, given a fine afternoon, the "gate" should be a good one.

The following are the selected players:— (*Civil*—Street, goal, (Behrend reserve); Todd and Stimson, backs, (Margrett reserve); Phelps, Lees and Pooler, halves, (Crawford reserve); H. Sherman, Rosser, H. Cooper, V. Sherman and Kerr forwards, (Boner, Holley and Prike reserves). *Military*—Roberts, goal, (Sinker reserve); Evans and Mellor, backs, (Holcombe reserve); Quinn, Tanner and Reeves, halves, (Ennis and Merris reserves); Whittingham, Carman, Wilson, Jones and Wooding, forwards, (Hulyer, Diggle and Laughlin reserves.)

The Calcutta Football League teams stood as below on Saturday, the 25th instant:—

Name of Club.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals. For	Goals. Against.
Calcutta ...	10	7	2	1	15	18	6
King's Own ...	10	7	2	1	15	26	9
West Ridings ...	9	7	2	0	14	17	6
Rangers ...	10	4	2	4	12	11	10
Y. M. C. A. ...	9	1	6	2	4	2	19
Dalhousie ...	10	1	7	2	4	5	12
Howrah ...	10	1	7	2	4	4	21

TOUCH.

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE GUTHRIE MEDAL.—The following is the result of the competition for this medal. Mr Meredith securing first place:—

R Meredith	...	...	...	46+41 – 14=73
A M Urquhart	...	...	...	45+45 – 12=78
F M Robinson	...	...	...	46+42 – 9=79
O J Sykes	...	...	...	46+42 – 9=79
J M Brown	...	...	...	39+43 – scr.=82
C E Ross	...	...	...	52+42 – 12=82
F A Dene	...	...	...	48+51 – 16=83

Major B. M. Bell, D. Dewar, A. W. Smart, W. G. Kirkman J. A. Robertson, J. B. Bilderbeck, and W. S. Bickham, retired.

THE GUINDY CUP.

The following is the result of the third qualifying round:—

F M Robinson	...	...	...	63 – 6=57
C T R Balston	...	...	...	65 – 8=57
J M Brown	...	...	...	62 – scr.=62
Major R M Bell	...	...	...	72 – 8=64
A M Urquhart	...	...	...	73 – 8=65
W S Bickham	...	...	...	77 – 10=67

O. J. Sykes and C. H. Payne retired.

Messrs. Robinson and Brown qualifying for the final stage, Mr. Balston having already qualified.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

June 9th, 1904.

FOR the first time in the history of this competition, the Amateur Golf Championship has been taken out of the United Kingdom. When it was first known that Mr. Travis, the American Champion, intended to take part, and later on when his form had been seen, critics did not consider him steady enough for premier honors, in competition with all the amateur cracks of Great Britain and Ireland; but after his display at Sandwich in the past week, it is universally acknowledged and conceded that no player has ever deserved his win more than Mr. Walter Travis, his golf having been throughout the Tournament, magnificent His victory perhaps was almost entirely owing to his marvellous putting, but at the same time his play through the green was excellent. With the exception of one or two notoriously long drives Mr. Travis held his own off the tee, whilst his brassie shots and approaches would compare favourably with those of any other player. Among the crowd of several thousand spectators who witnessed the final, were most of the leading professionals, and they one and all agreed that Mr. Travis is the finest putter they had ever seen: for this he uses a very peculiar club, of aluminium with the shaft let in nicely half way along the top; this is a club of American invention known as Norton's Schenectady Putter. In all probability this patent club will henceforth be frequently seen in the hands of anxious golfers of both sexes and the fortune of the inventor be made!

But we must back to Tuesday, 31st May, when the first round of the Amateur Championship was still undecided. To begin with the weather was deplorable, rain began early, and except for a brief cessation at mid-day continued the whole day while a fairly strong cold wind blew across the links towards the sea. The draw was somewhat unfortunate as the majority of the best players were in the lower half, and only one of the following "fancied" players *could* reach the semi-final, Messrs Graham, Maxwell, Balfour, Melville, Ball, Mure-Fergusson, N. F. Hunter and Hutchinson, of these Mr. Balfour-Melville succumbed easily to Mr. Graham by 7 and 6. There was considerable excitement when it became known that Mr. Maxwell was *driving 2 down* to Mr. Mathews, but the holder, although quite off his drive won the 17 and 18 and eventually won the match on the 20th green. Mr. J. Ball had a w.o. from Mr. W. Dod. Mr. Mure Fergusson disposed of Mr. Norman Hunter.

In the next round, the chief interest centred in the exciting match between the American Champion Mr. Travis and Mr. Robb of Glasgow. The opinion of the Yankee's play at this stage was briefly condensed into this.—"The American player's putting was wonderful, and his short game very accurate, but he gets no length on his long game and it is difficult to see how he can stand against a really long player.' He, however, won this his second beat on the last green and passed on to the third round heat. In this the players were favoured with fair weather with a moderate south-westerly breeze, and two matches of high importance were decided, that between Mr. Graham and Mr. Maxwell and that between Mr. Bell and Mr. Hutchinson, the former did not however, prove the great struggle that was anticipated, Mr. Maxwell very soon showed that he had recovered from his "off" phase and Mr. Graham's weakness on the green lost him many a hole and without going into details of a not very interesting match, Mr. Maxwell won his heat by 5 up and 3 to play. The criticism on Mr. Travis' play in his match with Mr. Murray, whom he beat by 3 and 1, was slightly more favourable but even now his chances of going through were considered very very remote, and it was said that the Sandwich links with its comparatively large number of not very long holes suited the American's game to perfection. Be that as it may he passed on with 15 others to the fifth round. It was in this heat that attention just became drawn towards Mr. Blackwell as a probability! In his match with Mr. Boyd the best golf of the day was produced. There was never more than two holes between the pair and Mr. Blackwell was round approximately in 74. In the match between Mr. Ball and Mr. Hutchinson, in which the latter was victorious by 2 and 1, some remarkable play was shown by the winner, both an account of his putting and ability of more than once holing out in 2 from a bunker. The match was give and take till the 17th green when all was over in Mr. Hutchinson's favour. Mr. Hilton beat Mr. Williamson only at the 19th hole Mr. Laidlay only succeeded in defeating Mr. Graham Murray on the 20th green and Mr. Travis after a close match with Mr. Reade qualified for the 6th round; after being 2 down with 4 to go he finished very strongly, doing the last 4 holes in 15 strokes and still he was not looked upon as dangerous!

Rain fell most of the morning while the fifth round was being decided, but the afternoon was fine. Mr. Blackwell defeated Mr. W. E. Fairlie after being one down at the turn, then Mr. Blackwell went right away from his opponent and won the next five holes, over a stymie on the 15th green to win the hole and match. In the match between Mr. Bevan and Mr. Laidlay, the latter was 4

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up at the turn and won by 6 and 5. The match between Mr. Maxwell and Mr. Hutchinson was a very fine one, the latter putted badly at the start, but afterwards played a strong game, and somewhat to the surprise of the onlookers after a very close and exciting finish he knocked the holder out, but only when 19 holes, lofting had been played. An exciting incident took place on the 18th green, when Mr. Hutchinson played his 2nd they left of the green, while his opponent was only just over the bunker, but he laid his approach quite dead, when Mr Hutchinson laid him a dead stymie Mr. Maxwell lofted his ball successfully amidst great excitement and all square till they went to the 19th Tee; it was then that Mr Hutchinson holed a 10ft. putt and his opponent failing with his, the match was won. Mr. Hilton was quite off his game in his match with Mr. Travis and 3 down at the turn he lost the match by 5 and 3 leaving in the semi-finals Mr. Blackwell *vs* Mr. Laidlay, Mr. Tranvis *vs* Mr. Hutchinson. The match between the two former was very close and exciting, laying a long putt dead Mr. Laidlay took the 1st hole in 4 to 5 and two halves in 4 followed, the 4th was halved in an indifferent 5. Reaching the green from the Tee Mr. Blackwell squared the match at the 5th with a 3, but only halved the maiden in 4 by taking 3 putts and took the lead at the 7th but Mr. Laidlay by completely missing his drive at the 9th turned 2 down At the 14th by a fine 4, Mr. Laidlay reduced the lead to 1, but lost the 15th and only halving the 16th. Mr. Blackwell stood at dormy 2 and a half at the 17th gave him the match.

All doubts as to Mr. Travis' ability and form were completely set at rest by his match with Mr. Horace Hutchinson, each day he seemed to better his golf, playing well within himself and bringing out a game just sufficient to beat his adversry 'Apparently Mr. Travis has no nerves" said a spectator and he certainly is the most calm and imperturbable golfer one has ever seen. Playing Mr. Hutchinson he turned for home 3 up with the following score—4, 5, 3, 4 3, 3 5, 3, 4 = 34, but driven often from the Tee, Mr. Travis' remarkably accurate short game and putting carried him successfully through. At the 14th the American was still 3 up, a half 5 in at the 15th made him "dormy" and he brought matters to a conclusion at the 16th by winning the hole, and stood 4 up and 2 to paly. Next day was fine when the final tie of 36 holes was played and the American Champion and Mr. Blackwell met and fought. At the 1st hole neither was seen to advantage, so often the case; but both that and the 2nd went to Mr. Travis. Bad play at the 3rd resulted in a half, and at the 4th after two fine shots the American holed a long putt and stood 3 up, the 5th he won with a very long putt giving him a substantial lead of 4 holes. At the 10th, however, his lead was reduced to 2, then followed two halves, but at the 13th, after having all the best of the long game, the Scotsman threw his chance away on the green and lost the hole. With a fine approach Mr. Travis won the 14th and stood 3 up at the 15th the next two were halved, but the American winning the 18th stood 4 up on the round. After lunch any feeble glimmer of hope which still existed in British breasts was extinguished, a lead of 4 is not always enough to pin our faith on, but when at the 5th with another of his constantly recurring miraculous putts, the American stood 5 up and the "maiden" falling also to a 3 from him he stood 6 up and 12 to play the British hope grew faint. Mr. Blackwell, however, was not yet beaten for he won the 7th in 4, halved the 8 and holed 6 holes in 23. Mr. Travis found the 2nd bunker at the 9th and Mr Blackwell holing a long putt turned 4 down. He looked like winning the next 2 holes but Mr. Travis again put down some more of his patent long putts and by so doing snatched a half at both. A half in 4 followed at the 12th and the 13th and 14th were down by each in 5 The match came to an end on the 15th green the approximate scores for 15 holes being,—

Mr Travis 7, 4, 4, 4, 3, 3, 6, 3 5, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6 = 67.
" Blackwell 6 5, 3, 5 4, 4 4, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4. 5 5, 6 = 66.

Lord Northborne afterwards presented the cup and medals to the winners, Mr. Travis being very heartily cheered. According to precedent, but contrary to his intention, Mr. Travis is competing in the open Championship this week. Directly the great event was over and ever since the demand for the patent putter used by the winner has been enormous and every one of the kind is, it is stated on authority, sold already, and thousands are wanting this marvellous and most efficacious weapon.

M. E. S.

Badminton.

KODAIKANAL TOURNAMENT.

The following are the results of this Tournament :—

FIRST TIES.

No. 5 Team.		No. 4 Team.
Miss F Marjoribanks		Mrs C A Smith
Miss Loche		Mrs Slight
Miss Browne (+10)	beat	Miss Lloyd (+15)
Mr Moberly		Mr Graham
Mr Drake		Dr Henderson

87 to 67.

No. 6 Team.		No. 7 Team.
Mrs Henderson		Miss Flude
Mrs Prest		Mrs McIntosh
Miss Shubrick (+5)	beat	Mrs Sheldrick (Scr.)
Mr Ross Logan		Mr Barton
The Dorai Rajah		Mr Turner

87 to 83.

SECOND TIES.

No. 1 Team.		No. 2 Team.
Mrs Dobbs		Mrs Clarke
Miss Grimes		Mrs Lloyd
Miss Tomlinson (–20)	beat	Mrs Austin (+10)
Mr Prest		Mr A P Miller
Dr Wolf		Mr Soutar

87 to 69.

No. 10 Team.		No. 9 Team
Mrs Knapp		Mrs Sterling
Mrs Moberly		Miss Bazeley
Mrs Cox (–10)	beat	Mrs O'Connell (+15)
Rev C Clark		Mr Gillespie
Mr Peachey		Mr Millar (sub)

87 to 63.

		No. 3 Team.
		Mrs Thomas
		Mrs Peachey
No. 5 Team	beat	Mrs Baldwin (+20)
		Mr Fowler
		Mr Bond

87 to 61.

		No. 8 Team.
		Miss McLeod
		Mrs Muter
No. 6 Team	beat	Miss Sheldrick (+25)
		Mr Power
		Mr Soutar (sub)

87 to 52.

SEMI-FINALS.

No. 1 TEAM beat No. 5 TEAM.
87 to 67.

No. 6 TEAM beat No. 10 TEAM.
87 to 57.

FINAL.

No. 1 TEAM beat No. 6 TEAM.
87 to 78.

Racquets.

BANGALORE TOURNAMENT.

This tournament was played at the United Service Club and was concluded on the 21st instant, with the following results :—

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(First Ties.)

Capt. Scott Elliott	beat	Lieut. Kidd.
Capt. Rice		Mr. P. L. Moore.
Capt. Perrin	beat	Major Roe.
Capt. Nethersole		Lieut. A. A Crookshank.
Lieut. Lewin	beat	Lieut. McHarg.
Lieut. Bushell		Lieut. Ruck.
Major Birdwood	vs.	Major Marsh.
Capt. Clarke		Major Burn (scr.)
Col. R. G. Jones		
Mr. H. F. Wilkieson		
Capt. Gunter		Byes.
Capt. Hudson		
Mr. McHutchin		
Mr. Cobbe		
Major Marsh		
Mr. Kennedy		

(Second Ties.)

Col. Jones	beat	Capt. Gunter.
Mr. Wilkieson		Capt. Hudson.
Capt Scott-Elliott	beat	Major Birdwood.
Capt. Rice		Capt. Clarke.
Capt. Perrin	beat	Lieut Lewin.
Capt. Nethersole		Lieut. Bushell.
Mr. McHutchin	beat	Major Marsh.
Mr. Cobbe		Mr. Kennedy.

Semi-Finals.

Col Jones	beat	Capt. Scott-Elliott.
Mr. Wilkieson		Capt. Rice
Capt. Perrin	beat	Mr. McHutchin.
Capt. Nethersole		Mr. Cobbe.

(Final.)

Col. Jones	beat	Capt. Perrin.
Mr. Wilkieson		Capt. Nethersole.

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

Judge and Starter :—Mr. H. P Henderson.
Hony. Secretary :—Mr. W. Govan.

Friday, 24th June 1904.

The final heat of the Three Lengths (100 yards) Handicap was swum off this evening and resulted as follows :—

		Start.	Time
A. Siddons	...	5	1 16⅗ first
G. Brown	...	... Scr.	1-15⅘ second
H. G. Remfry	...	... 12	1-31⅘

Won easily.

Mr. W. S. J. Willson gave away the prizes.

The Horse.

THE AMERICAN SADDLE HORSE.

THE American saddle horse presents an anomaly; unknown to the great majority of the American people; unrecognized by America's foremost horse show and propagated by only a small number of individual enthusiasts, he is nevertheless known to his breeders as the most docile, most versatile, and most intelligent of all breeds of domestic animals. Not only so much, but also as far and away, the most beautiful and most nearly ideal of all the breeds of horses. He has received the gratuitous and unstinted praise of all writers who have contributed to the literature of The Horse in recent years, and where he is known at all his partisans are absolute devotees. And yet of all of the forms of unutilized wealth at our command, so far as horse flesh is concerned, no other is so generally ignored as this beau ideal of the horse kingdom.

To explain why this is so is to seek the *raison d'etre* of the saddle horse, and this is plainly found in the local conditions obtaining where he originated. In any country where short distances are to be frequently traversed and convenience of the means employed is essential the saddle horse is par excellence. Further that saddle horse who conveys his rider with greatest ease and expedition is obviously most desired.

Hence the original habitat of the American saddle horse is found in the hilly districts of the Southern States, where the nature of the country and the vast extent of the plantations made him the child of Mother Necessity. Climatic conditions have made Kentucky the nursery of America's horses, and it is here, in common with the thoroughbred and the trotter, that the saddle horse originated, flourished, and has blown into the full flower of perfection.

In a technical sense the saddle horse includes those animals that have been entered for registration in the books of the American Saddle Horse Register Association. The number included up to the last published volume 1,785 stallions and 2,229 mares, including animals entered under different numbers, etc. Probably at this time there are less than 5,000 registered horses living. But aside from registration the saddle horse is *sui generis*. Leaving out of consideration for the present the blood lines of saddle horse sires, let us recall the essential characteristics and distinguishing features that have created a specific type and peculiar breed of horses.

Every breed of horses to day extant has come to be recognized as such by virtue of two essential characteristics: First, the ability to do certain things better than others, and second, to reproduce its kind. Thus certain horses were observed to run very fast and from this fact grew the development of our thoroughbred horse, with his five generation of uncontaminated blood. Other horses were able to go swiftly at the trot until the ability to trot a mile at this gait in two minutes and thirty seconds became one of the elements of the breed, it being assumed that so much demonstrated speed betokened the requisite blood in the ancestors or likely to occur in the progeny. The draft breed grew out of the ability of certain strains to move great burdens, and each particular family perpetrates certain peculiar features. So the saddle horse. In the localities where horses were mostly used under the saddle it was found that certain animals had peculiar gaits, the motion of which conveyed no sense of discomfort to their riders. It will be readily appreciated that an animal who would carry his rider at a rapid gait, and could change from one to several others without losing time at any of them would do so with a maximum of longevity to himself and minimum of fatigue to the rider.

With these selfish considerations as the (perhaps unconscious) basis of his law of selection, the southern breeder mated animals who possessed the easy riding gaits until we have the result in the breed of horse under this title head. Inasmuch, therefore, as they are the basic foundation of the type let us study these gaits somewhat in detail.

Until within the last past two years the gaits requisite to be shown for registration by performance were: First, walk; second, trot, third, rack; fourth canter; and fifth, either, (*a*) fox trot, (*b*) running walk, or (*c*) slow pace, and five were essential. The walk and canter are natural gaits with all breeds of horses. We cannot here give space to the much mooted question as to the trot *vs.* pace being the original gait as against the other, but will assume that the consensus of opinion is in favour of the trot reserving only our personal opinion that the burden of evidence is on the side of the pace. We find that in walking, a horse really lifts his feet one at a time but that the extensions of the front near and hind off foot are made so nearly together as to convey the impression of moving in pairs.

It may be observed here that by the ear and not by the eye is the only true way to observe the succession of movement in a horse.

In the trot the diagonally opposite feet strike the ground together, resulting in a two-beat sound.

In the pace the fore and hind leg on the same side are extended together; two-beat gait.

I think the word "rack" is a misnomer. It is at best a colloquialism or, perhaps better, a localism. In the authorities the words rack, pace and amble are practically synonymous, and none have the sense of our use of them. However, as used by horsemen, the word rack means the same thing as the term 'singlefoot," which I prefer on the ground of expressiveness. Single-foot, *i.e.*, each foot striking the ground singly separately, aptly and truthfully tells the story of this four-beat gait to the

ear. While the impulses arise almost in pairs, as in the pace, yet the extension of the hind legs are retarded sufficiently as to alternate with the fore legs giving the rapid one-two-three-four sound peculiar to this gait.

The slow pace differs only from the pace in point of speed.

The canter is the slow form of the gallop or run. The perfection of a canter is measured not by its speed but by its slowness.

The mass is propelled by one hind foot the other three feet striking the ground practically together and the impelling foot following after. Nevertheless the legs on each side move in pairs.

The leaves us with the running-walk and fox-trot for consideration, and I believe it will be as well to make a frank confession about these gaits, and say plainly we don't know what they are It is very difficult to explain them on paper or without having an object lesson for illustration. It may be that there are men who know all about these two gaits, but I have questioned numberless trainers and breeders, and I have never met one who could give me a concise, accurate description of the successions of leg movements distinguishing these gaits. I have, myself, been engaged in breaking, training, gaiting and riding saddle horses for some years, and, contradictory as it may seem, I cannot tell much about the gaits, though I can teach them to an amenable horse. Here is about the best I can offer.

The running walk is a slow gait; faster than a walk, not so fast as a trot or rack. An extremely exaggerated walk in point of speed comes very nearly being accurate. But there is a peculiarity about it, too. In this gait a horse moves forward with seemingly very little leg motion The knee action is next to nothing, and on the other hand the ankle or fetlock joint motion is excessive. One might fairly say stiff-legged, so far as the upper joints are engaged. Really the horse seems to easily glide forward in a rapid four-beat gait, each leg moving independently. A horse called Bald Stockings was the first horse to attract attention to his peculiar gait. For ease to the rider it is the very "poetry of motion" idealized.

The fox-trot, too, is a slow gait. It probably owes its name to some fancied resemblance to the rapid, swinging, all day trot of the fox in his native haunts and which he will maintain hour after hour to the despair of the most ardent "hunter."

It is the two-beat trot reduced in point of speed—but also with a peculiarity. While the diagonally opposite legs move in pairs there is a shortening of the extensions, resulting in a peculiar rhythm of what sounds like a one-two-one-two recurrence. Another characteristic is that the hinder parts of the horse feel as though slightly elevated and cause the sensation to the rider of his being tilted forward in a small degree.

Having thus cursorily examined the mechanism of the gaits, let us consider them solely from the vantage of the saddle.

When a rider mounted upon a horse accelerates the speed of the animal from a walk into a trot he experiences the feeling that it is next to impossible for him to retain his seat. It is, indeed, possible to remain on the horse by leaning well back and extending the arms and the legs but even so it becomes extremely wearisome and dangerous. In other words the lifting in unison of the diagonally opposite legs of a horse results in an effect upon his back that causes any object placed there on to receive a succession of jolts, which come with too great rapidity to admit of continuous adjustment. Next one finds by experiment that by having something whereon to rest the feet (stirrups) and by throwing his weight on to the stirrups and rising from the horses with each alternate bound he can maintain his series of re-adjustments with ease and regularity. This is what is called "posting" in the saddle, from which it may be easily seen that the trot is not an easy gait to ride, although the efforts involved in "posting" is stimulating and enhances a pleasurable feeling of exhilaration.

In the canter, as the horse leads with his right forward foot that foot will extend beyond the point where the left foreleg alights, and his left hind foot will be the one from which the mass receives its impetus, and which will be the last to leave the ground. Consequently it will be placed at a point somewhat in the rear of the right hind foot. So nearly, however, do the feet move in pairs that the result to a mounted rider is one of undulating grace that leaves his contact with the saddle unimpaired and hence it is an easy gait to ride.

The slow pace is the gait par excellence for ease and comfort. In this, as in the pace, the two side legs move in union, and the result is a smooth, even effect to the rider, wholly devoid of jolt or jar. In the fast pace, however, there is too much of the rolling motion for great comfort. This brings us, then to the rack. This is a fast gait, and may be said to be between a pace and a trot. It is considered an easy gait to ride, no matter how great the speed. The rider sits fast in the saddle, simply helping to maintain his equilibrium by carrying the weight of the legs in the stirrups. A person can ride as far as he would ask a horse to get at a fast gait on the rack without any fatigue or effort. In point of ease and comfort to the rider the running-walk and fox-trot are akin in that they are wholly pleasurable. This consideration of the slow gaits brings prominently to mind the fact that there are really two sorts of saddle horses. The slow gaits and the rack are characteristics distinguishing one sort from the other. They have given rise to a saddle horse called "the gaited horse" as distinguished from what is known as the "walk trot and canter saddle horse." The term used in connection with each of these horses characterizes their abilities. Now among the "smart" people who follow the dictates of fashion and with whom fashion means aping the succession of changes in our English cousins across the water the gaited horse is ostracized and the only saddle beast recognized is the walk, trot and canter horse.

In England they have no such thing as a gaited horse. The hunter of the English gentleman is to all intents and purposes a thoroughbred and along with the ability to walk, trot and canter he must be able to run swiftly and jump any of the fences and ditches that abound in the 'Tight Little Isle." I doubt if any English rider ever tried a "gaited" horse enough to learn his merit, and I apprehend a somewhat ludicrous result of a first experiment. And this tying to old country custom has prevented our own leaders of fashion from becoming acquainted with the treasure their own countrymen have to offer them in the form of a pure American-bred product.

Of the incomprehensible things under heaven this is the most so, that people who love to ride should favour an uncomfortable horse to an easy one. In our consideration of the gaits in the foregoing paper we have shown that the trot is a rough, jolting gait, tiresome and fatiguing, and to be used with pleasure only as a change from something else Just why a horse should be taboced because he is beautiful, vivacious and comfortable to ride upon is one of the impenetrable mysteries of "fad, fashion and foolishness." There is not one single point of merit in the 'walk, trot" horse that is not embodied in the gaited saddler. In fact, they are the same horse in breeding, put to a different use. The 1903 winner of the saddle horse championship at the Garden was sired by the most popular and successful saddle horse in Kentucky. Given a good saddle horse, take his tail off, teach him to forget his easy gaits, pull his chin in and bound towards his ears with one step and bump back in the saddle with the next, and you have your fashionable horse that conforms to the indefinite, intangible, etherial thing they call 'Type.'

Further—an important part of my plea—a woman, quite as well as a man, can ride a gaited horse with ease, pleasure and decorum, and remember the trot (so dear to the heart of the "walk-trot" purist) is always there in its perfection for the change we take advantage of on some short, secluded bit of road. But the other gaits are so peculiarly adapted for woman's riding it seems a marvel she will permit herself to be denied their perfect pleasure. Early on a spring morning she mounts her gaited horse, whose graceful beauty, from flashing eye to gorgeous, flowing tail, completely fills her pride, and over springy country roads, beneath the foliage of the full-bloomed trees, her horse glides under her at that easy 'stealing pace" that fills her whole being with health, hope and happiness. The running walk is conducive to pleasant thoughts, and while nature smiles on her from every side she moves along in pleasant communion with herself and at peace with all the world A gently sloping stretch of road invites to faster speed, and gently 'feeling" the velvet of her companion's mount, with double reins well gathered, she is graduated without conscious effort or effect, into a rhythm of the four-beat rack that sends her swirling through space, easily, gently and with only such vibration of movement as brings a flush of colour mounting, and sends the blood flying through her veins in a fever of exhilaration She sits quietly upon the saddle, bracing herself slightly upon the reins and stirrup and the quiet, rolling, rocking, swaying of her body thrills her, fills her with ecstatic pleasures never felt before. Horse and rider are one, and in perfect unison. The music of the flying feet, the rushing of the air past her as she sweeps through space and the sense of perfect security and ease combine to form such a symphony of pleasure as makes the path on which she rides seem but a "way to glory."

Slowing down with the same diminution of momentum to a walk, she feels no more of unpleasant sensation than the parlour car passenger of an Empire State express. And while she feels how good a thing is life and how sweet a joy is youth, the gentle onward swing of the fox-trot allows the enthusiasm to become cooled and the blood to resume its normal flow. And even here the great advantages of the gaited horse are in evidence, for these slow gaits so pleasant to ride as a change from the fast speed of the trot, rack or gallop are at the same time ground-covering gaits far different from the dull, dead level of the flat-foot walk. The walk is for the end of the journey, for reminiscence and contemplation, but now we want life and activity. And if the rack is the princeps facile of the fast gaits, so is the canter the movement of beauty, grace and dignity at a slower rate of speed. No horse in the world is comparable with the gaited American saddle horse in the refined daintiness with which he performs this graceful movement. Leading with either foot, rising from his supple haunches, mane and tail swaying with the up-and-down undulation, he is easy as a cradle and realizes the adage of "cantering all day in the shade of a tree."

In a practical way it may be said that the day of the horse as a means of transportation has gone by. The filling up and settling of the country; the decrease in the size of individual holdings: the era of railway and electric trains, of the bicycle and the motor-car—all these have helped to force the horse from the Southern bridle path, the cow range and trail, and even the humble livery steed has all but found the oblivion of innocuous desuetude along with the tow path mule. Generally speaking, the horse remains to us to-day as one of but two things—a beast of burden or a vehicle of pleasure. The race horse, running or trotting, is still here, but whether he is to be classified under the head of profit or pleasure, we will leave to those who have tried him for the former. When we speak of the horse for pleasure, we are sure we are on solid ground, where neither that convenient little run about bicycle nor the most pretentious auto-car can affect us. Nor can such improvements be made in mechanics as will, for one thing is sure: The pleasure of riding or driving a horse is *sui generis*. Auto-machines may come and go, but for pleasure two horses will forever retain their absolute supremacy: The American Trotter and the American Saddle Horse. For at the last the whole thing is right here: A horse may be a companion; there establishes itself between a congenial man and his horse a bond of sympathy a camaraderie that nothing can take the place of, and nothing take away. The two become one thing, with common feelings and impulses. In song and story; in marble and bronze; in peace and in war the horse has been part and parcel of the history of man and through all the unrest of ambition, whether of toil, of husbandry or charge of battlefield, the page whereon is written the story of man's progress bears letters in shining light of Man's Noblest Friend, the Horse.—*Horse Show Monthly.*

The Naturalist.

RUNNING ANIMALS.

THE fourth and last of the admirable series of articles devoted to the adaptations of mammals to particular modes of existence, which have for the last few months been in course of publication in the *American Naturalist*, appeared in the January issue of that journal, and deals with the structural modifications rendered necessary in species which depend upon their speed, either for the purpose of escaping from foes or for capturing their prey. In this article on running, or cursorial, mammals the author, Mr. R. S. Lull, points out that, as might naturally, have been expected, the modifications for the purpose in question are most distinctly displayed in the feet and limbs, and in a less degree in a corresponding elongation of the neck in long-legged forms which is, of course, a necessary correlation. Nevertheless, adaptation for speed is likewise displayed is the moulding of the contour of the body so as to prevent the least possible amount of resistance to the air, as well as in increased heart and lung capacity in order to withstand the greater exertion demanded from those organs, whose duty it is to supply what we may call boiler power to the organism. Nor is this all, for in species which progress by means of great letess, such as kangaroos, jerboas, and African jumping hares, the tail, which has to serve the purpose of a balancing organ, becomes greatly elongated.

Nearly all terrestrial mammals are capable of running to a certain extent, but those which have developed an excessive turn of speed, although numerous, belong for the most part to a comparatively small number of the ordinal groups of the class. The author classes cursorial mammals in two groups according as to whether they possess speed for the purpose of capturing prey or for fleeing from foes. Those coming under the former category are said to be endowed with "offensive flight," while those in the second group are described as exhibiting "defensive flight" Such expression savour however, a little; too much of Americanisms for the taste of English readers, the first being in fact scarcely even grammatically justifiable, seeing that the idea of 'flight," except in the case of birds and bats, essentially implies the act of fleeing from enemies. It can hardly, therefore, be made to express pursuit.

Mammals which capture their prey by running it down or rushing suddenly upon it are to be met with not only among the true carnivora, but likewise among the carnivorous marsupials, in which, as indicated by its name the Tasmanian wolf curiously simulates in build and structure the true wolves. On the other hand, species which seek safety in flight are to be found among the marsupials, as exemplified by the kangaroos and wallabies, among the rodents, as the hare, the jerboas, and the African jumping hares, and in both the odd and even-toed groups of the ungulates; the cursorial representatives of the two latter groups being too numerous and too well-known to need mention.

As regards the adaptation of the foot for great speed, we notice among the carnivora the passage from a plantigrade type of foot, which still survives in the slow moving bears, to one of the digitigrade type, like that of the cats and dogs, in which the animal walks on the tips of its toes. There is also a slight tendency to a reduction in the number of digits, all the member of the dog tribe having lost the first front toe, as has also the Tasmanian wolf; while in the African hunting dog and the hyænas the number of hind toes is likewise reduced to four. Much more marked is the reduction of the number of digits in the hoofed or ungulate mammals, as is also the degree of specialisation of the foot in general. Here, starting with a primitive, partially plantigrade and short-limbed, five-toed mammal, with the toes covered with broad nails (of which the elephant and the hippopotamus are perhaps the nearest living representative). We have a complete gradation on the one hand to long-limbed and single-toed creatures like the modern horses and some of the extinct South American proterotheres in which the one remaining digit is completely encased in a solid hoof; and on the other hand, to the giraffes and certain antelopes in which the reduction process has resulted in the production of a pair of toes to each foot encased in hoofs symmetrical to the line between them. Accompanied with this latter reduction is the production of a cannon bone by the union of the so-called metapodial bones in each foot. Nor is this all in the way of solidifying the limb skeleton, for in both the horse tribe and in the deer, antelopes, oxen, giraffes, etc., the ulna in the fore-leg and the fibula in the hind one have been reduced in size and respectively fused with the radius and the tibia; the lack of any necessity for pronation and supination in the limbs of these animals rendering the presence of two parallel bones in the lower segment superfluous. Again, the lower ends of the cannon bones in these animals are provided with "tongue and groove" joints, which are admirably adapted for running purposes, although they mar the limb for other use.

Another marked cursorial adaptation noticed by the author is the increase in the length of the lower segment of the leg and of the foot, both absolutely and in relation to the length of the thigh bone, or femur; this lengthening of the limb increasing the stride of the animal, while the raising of the centre of gravity accelerates the motion. The greatest development of this adaptation is displayed in animals of the approximat size of the Indan blackbuck, since in species of decidedly larger dimensions the increase in the weight of the body entails greater structural strength, which limits the degree of relative elongation of the limbs.

In all the above-mentioned running animals, as well as in many others, the kind foot is lengthened by the elongation of the metapodial, or metatarsal, bones; but, curiously enough, in the African lemurs or galagos, as well as in the weird little Malay lemur, commonly known as the tarsier, it is the tarsus, or ankle-joint itself which becomes elongated, two of its component elements taking on the character of "long-bones."

Herbivorous cursorial animals, other than those which progress by leaping with the hind limbs alone, also display a lengthening of the head as is well exemplified in the case of the horse; this being, of course, rendered necessary in order that they may be able to graze. A similarly elongated skull is likewise noticeable in the greyhound; and serves in this instance to enable the animal to seize its prey with facility when running at top speed.

The neck is likewise lengthened in herbivorous cursorial forms in correlation with the limbs; the most noticeable instance being the giraffe-antelope, or gerenuk, of Somaliland, the giraffe itself and the extinct giraffe-camel (*Alticamelus*) of North America, which although a true camel, shows a most giraffe-like build and stature. In jumping forms on the other hand, and more especially those like the Cape jumping hare, in which the head is short, there is a marked tendency to an abbreviation of the neck, accompanied in many cases by a loss of movement, some of the cervical vertebræ being in certain instances fused together. In no instance, however, is there any variation from the typical number of seven cervical vertebræ as a result of speed adaptation.

Finally, it has to be noticed that as a general rule the tail is short in cursorial mammals. The greyhound and the pointer, as well as wolves and foxes present, however, a marked exception to this rule: but as Mr. Lull suggests, this appendage may serve as an aid in maintaining the equilibrium when a greyhound or a pointer is suddenly changing its course, and if so, there would be a sufficient reason for its length. Again the members of the horse tribe, including the wild asses, as well as certain antelopes, such as oryx, have long tails These serve the purpose of a fly brush; and it may be that some animals require such an instrument much more than others. At any rate, the deer manages to get on perfectly well without one.

In jumping mammals, on the other hand, as already mentioned, the tail is frequently very long, and increases in relative length and weight directly with the increase in the proportions of the hind-limbs over the front pair. The development of a caudal counterpoise also occur among such of the extinct dinosaurian reptiles as habitually assumed the upright postures although these creatures walked instead of hopping. In the ostrich and its kindred, as the author points out the balance of the body is maintained by the outstretched wings; these birds having become flightless long after the date when the long tail characteristic of the primitive member of the class had been lost.

As a whole, the series of articles of which the one under consideration forms the last, are a valuable contribution to the study of adaptation among mammals. And the importance of this branch of zoological science can scarcely be overrated, since it is by this means alone we are able to determine which features in the structure of an animal are indicative of genetic affinity.

R. LYDEKKER.

Chess.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM XXXIV.

	WHITE.	BLACK.
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	2. K takes Kt, dis. ch	2 K takes Kt
	3. B takes R, mate.	
(*a*)	1.	1. Kt to B 4, ch, or (*b*)
	2. K to K 4, dis. ch	2. Kt moves
	3. R takes Kt, mate.	
(*b*)	1.	1. Kt. to Kt 8, or (*c*)
	2. Kt to K 3, dis. ch	2. B takes Q
	3. R takes R, mate	
(*c*)	1	1. Q takes R, ch
	2. K takes Kt, dis. ch	2. Q to Q 6
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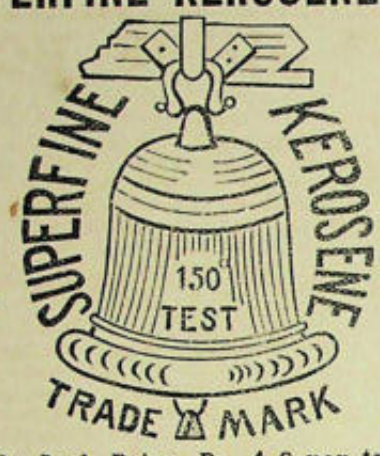
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A REVIVAL OF THE EGLINTON TOURNAMENT.

IT has been proposed, we observe from the English papers, to organise a revival of the famous "Eglinton Tournament" of 1839, whose ruination by bad weather has given the event a place in history which is firmer possibly than would have been the case had a few fine days enabled the promoters of the affair to bring it off with all its long prepared ceremonial and completeness. To discover how great a stir the Eglinton Tournament made in the world of 1838 and 1839, it is necessary to refer to old journals of the period. The story has been repeated time and again in various magazines, but what was perhaps the most curious feature of it has received comparatively little attention: we refer to the practice and rehearsal which occupied social London during practically two years before the date ultimately fixed for the Tournament. The idea was conceived by the thirteenth Earl of Eglinton, a young man of 25, steeped in Arthurian and mediæval lore, in the year 1837: he, a wealthy man, but it may be doubted whether even he, bent as he was on his scheme of reviving for three days the glories of the lists, realised what it was to cost him: that however by the way. He put forward his idea, and the "fashionable world," to use an odious phrase, instantly rose to it. The eagerness with which the leaders of English society welcomed the proposition may have been due to the ever-ready appetite for something novel: or it may have been that chivalrous feeling was roused at the time by the recent advent of the young Queen Victoria to the throne. Whatever the reason, Lord Eglinton's idea was taken up with the utmost enthusiasm.

A suitable field, sufficiently excluded from the vulgar gaze, was found at the Eyre Arms, a then suburban tavern on the outskirts of St. John's Wood, and to the Eyre Arms daily, during the London seasons of 1838 and 1839, resorted every young man of family, who could ride and who intended to bear a part in the Tournament. Lord Chesterfield, Count D'Orsay, Lord Londonderry, the Marquis of Waterford and all the leading men of early Victorian society joined in the business, and spent their afternoon tilting at wooden shields and practising with the lance. Horses had to be trained to withstand the shock of meeting, and to facilitate their education a sort of tramway was laid down on which ran a life size wooden horse moved by rope and windlass, against whose rider the practising knight might educate himself and his mount. The Earl of Eglinton courted publicity for the Tournament itself, but naturally enough those who purposed to bear part in it were not anxious that their bungles and tumbles in the Eyre Arms field should be watched by the newspaper reporter. Hence most that posterity has been permitted to learn of the proceedings at St. John's Wood has come to light through letters which have since been published in "Reminiscences" and "Recollections" of various personages who were interested in the affair at the time. Little has come down to us concerning the horses used: as the practising knights and nobles did not wear armour at rehearsal they no doubt used their most reliable hacks and hunters; and the modern cart-horse who alone among equines could carry the mailed knight in full panoply was not brought into requisition. Public attention to the

doings at St John's Wood was only invited in July 1839, when a full dress rehearsal took place for the last time, preparatory to the real Tournament, which had been arranged to take place on the 28th and two following days in August: and during the intervening weeks the "Eglinton Tournament" was the staple topic of public interest.

The thing was done on an extraordinarily lavish scale. The Eglinton Castle "house party" numbered 300 and included royalties from most parts of Europe: stands were erected in the park to accommodate 3,000 people; and the Earl issued a general invitation to persons of all classes in the three kingdoms to be present. This remarkable public invitation was coupled with a request that those who came should wear the dress of the period to which the Tournament referred—the sixteenth century—and on the great day it must have been a matter of no small gratification to the Earl to see that a large proportion of the host that assembled—estimated at 200,000 persons—had observed his wishes. This phase of the affair, by the way, gave rise to a curious difficulty: pursuant to his policy of giving the public an interest in the matter, Lord Eglinton caused special and excellent arrangements to be made for the newspaper reporters: and the question was mooted what style of dress would be appropriate to a calling which had no existence in the sixteenth century? The editor of a local journal gave expression to his doubts on the point and received an unlooked for reply from a rival Glasgow editor who urged the Eyre editor to "go in a fool'scap and bells as Wamba son of Witless."

The Earl's great undertaking, it may be remarked, was not unanimously approved by a section of the Scottish public whose imagination was not amenable to the romance of the affair: and the Glasgow *Argus* had been prominent in denouncing the Tournament as tomfoolery which disgraced all concerned with it. That the "tomfoolery" brought into the district more money than the inhabitants ever had had to spend before or since was a detail which might have commended the scheme to the hard-headed Scots, but their dourness apparently rose superior even to monetary considerations. At the eleventh hour a fresh and entirely unforeseen difficulty cropped up in the persons of the police: the authorities, who had apparently been rubbing up their history for the occasion, discovered that the jousts of ancient days were frequently the cause of serious accidents: and they interfered. Their intervention, however, was pardonably half-hearted: indeed it seems to have been almost a formal compliance with some grandmotherly piece of officialism: and, receiving the assurance that the lances were without steel points and were made of a wood that did not splinter, and also that the armour (in many cases genuine antique mail) could be relied upon, the police gracefully withdrew.

There is no institution or ceremonial of the middle ages concerning which more complete and minute details have been preserved to us than the complex etiquette which surrounded the old Tournament: and the Eglinton Tournament reproduced these with an elaboration which did infinite credit to those who "stage managed" it. The public could not be expected to appreciate the research and care which had been exercised in laying out the lists and in getting up the ancient laws and forms of the tourney, but they could appreciate the wonderful pageantry which surrounded the business, from the Queen of Beauty (Lady Seymour, one of the three famous Miss Sheridans) down to the squires, retainers and men at arms. The enthusiasm of the public knew no bounds. Every house within twenty miles of Eglinton Castle took in guests for the occasion, either as friends or for payment: off Ardrossan, the nearest point on the Firth of Clyde, some twenty steamers, fitted up as floating hotels, were anchored; and fancy prices were paid for any and every kind of conveyance. One thing only was necessary to secure success—a fine day: and that was denied the Tournament. The Queen of Beauty and her ladies, who were to have ridden in procession on the cobs which had been collected and equipped with gorgeous trappings, declined to face the downpour of rain which ushered in that memorable 28th August, and arrived at their Pavilion in the most modern of closed carriages: the knights in their magnificent armour, their squires, trumpeters, standard bearers and retinues braved the storm and paraded in shoals of mud and sawdust: but this touch of realism was cruelly counteracted by the practically-minded spectators who, regardless of the sorry anachronism, put up forests of umbrellas. Ginghams at a sixteenth century function! Storms of rain notwithstanding the programme was carried out in a curtailed form, and the better part of the day was spent in an admirable reproduction of the "jousts of peace." On the 29th the lists were flooded, and the house party had to be content with bouts of sword play in the ball-room; but the rain ceasing that night the Tournament was renewed on the 30th with the Queen of Beauty's procession and other ceremonies which had been given up on the 28th. The last act was a sword combat between eight mounted knights, and is memorable for the *contrétemps* which no doubt had many a counterpart four centuries ago. The hot-headed Marquis of Waterford was pitted against Lord Alford: and the two losing their tempers attacked one another with the forbidden "point" with such hearty ill-will that the Marshal of the Lists had to exercise the authority of his ancient office in good earnest and separate the combatants. Only one accident of any consequence occurred: the Hon'ble Edward Jermingham, who appeared as the Knight of the White Swan, received an injury to his wrist from whose effects he suffered for a long time. His death from fever ten years later was attributed to the effects of this wound: other mishaps, to the chief actors at all events, there were none.

What was spent on this remarkable Tournament by all concerned in it cannot of course be known: some of the fifteen knights who bore part spent upwards of £2,000 on their armour and trappings, and each of the 300 guests who formed the house party made a point of maintaining their sixteenth century character indoors and out during the tournament week. Lord Eglinton, on whom of course fell the lion's share of the cost, spent £40,000 on the affair before it was finished; but it is to be remembered that larger sums have been spent in modern times upon schemes with much less to recommend them and calculated to afford pleasure to not one-twentieth the number of people.

The Tournament which is reported to be in contemplation cannot be in any sense a rival of the great Eglinton pageant: it is proposed to hold it in aid of charity, and though the charities may benefit, we may doubt whether the thing will be done on the prodigal scale which made for success in the Tournament of 1839.

FISH CULTURE AS A SOURCE OF CHEAP FOOD.

THE question of Fish Preservation and Culture has been brought before the Indian Government time after time, but so far the matter has not been taken in hand with any seriousness. We all know how fry are ruthlessly destroyed in millions every year, which, if preserved, might become hundreds of tons of valuable food. The legislature necessary to turn the fresh waters of Hindoostan into fruitful fish farms would have to be vast and far-reaching, and the contemplation of such a task appears to be quite beyond the powers that be. As it is apparently hopeless to expect any sweeping fishery laws being made and enforced, it will be as well to think out some way of making a beginning.

Perhaps if the Indian Government could be induced to make an experimental grant extending over, say, ten years; the importance of fish as a food-supply might be so irrefutably established, that efficient Legislature would follow as a matter of course We would propose one or two fish farms being started in suitable localities in each Presidency. Each farm would require a small fish-curing factory, to preserve the fish in various ways. The fish to experiment with would be the various labeos and carps, and the gourami. The murrals would also probably repay culture. At present we do not know their growth rate, but they are much esteemed as food by certain of the native population, and they are singularly easy to transport, as they will live many hours out of water.

The tanks and ponds of the experimental farms would, of course, have to be canal fed, in order to ensure a constant water supply. Re-oxygenation by means of running in fresh water is also very important during the hot weather in order to keep fish free from disease. The interesting question could then also be tested, as to whether a certain amount of canal water devoted to fish culture brings better returns, than the same volume expended in irrigating crops.

Fish on farms would, of course, be principally fed on natural food. Certain weeds are most valuable: some few are actually eaten by the large carps, and the gourami is also a vegetable-eater, but weeds derive their principal importance from the animal life they bring with them. The fresh water snail is a fish food of the highest value.

Fish ponds, if they are to give the highest results, must be under perfect control. If they can be run dry and cleaned out when necessary, so much the better. They should, at any rate, be capable of being thoroughly netted. Predaceous fish in India are innumerable, and every precaution would have to be taken to keep them out of the ponds.

The labeos and carps grow with great rapidity when turned into suitable water. Small fry of an ounce or so will probably attain to at least a pound within a year.

The spawning of Indian fish is at present so little understood, that the ponds at first would be stocked by means of netting suitable fry from rivers and tanks. With the fish under strict observation, the best methods of artificial breeding would be quickly arrived at; and the farms once well established, steps could be taken to gradually re-stock and preserve suitable waters all over India.

Special Telegrams.

THE PRINCESS OF WALES'S STAKES

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

THE PRINCESS OF WALES'S STAKES of 10,000sovs.; the second to receive 1,500sovs., the third 1,000sovs., the nominator of the winner 400sovs., and the nominator of the second 200sovs., out of the stakes: four-year-olds 8st. 10lbs., five and upwards 8st. 12lbs.; m and g allowed 3lbs.; those got by stallions advertised at the time of covering to cover at less (including groom's fee) than 195sovs., allowed 3lbs., at less than 95sovs. 6lbs., at less than 40sovs. 9lbs., if claimed at the time of naming; maidens allowed 7lbs.; allowances accumulative; winners of 500sovs. 3lbs., 1,000sovs. 6lbs., 3,000sovs. 9lbs., of the Derby, Grand Prix de Paris, Ascot Cup, or St. Leger 12lbs., of the Jockey Club Stakes, or Princess of Wales's Stakes, Newmarket, or Eclipse Stakes, Sandown, if carrying full penalty in the se three last-mentioned races 14lbs. extra; Suffolk Stakes Course (one mile four furlongs twenty-five yards).—254 subs., 84 of whom pay 31sovs., 58 10sovs., and 46 5sovs. each. Closed 18th September 1900.

London, *Saturday, 2nd July 1904.*

Mr J Miller's br c ROCK SAND, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, 4yrs, Maher 1
Mr L Brassey's b c SALTPETRE, by St Simon—Bitlow, 4yrs, K Cannon ... 2
Mr J Musker's ch c WILLIAM RUFUS, by Melton—Simena, 4yrs, Madden ... 3
Sir E Cassel's br c EXCHEQUER, by Florizel II—Ways and Means, 4yrs ... 0
Duke of Devonshire's br c CHEERS, by Persimmon—Applause II, 5yrs 0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

Betting: 100 to 6 on Rock Sand, 33 to 1 agst. William Rufus, 100 to 1 Saltpetre.

Won by two lengths; three-quarters of a length between second and third.

Pedigree of the Winner.

ROCK SAND (1900).

Roquebrune (1893)		Sainfoin (1887)	
St. Marguerite (1879)	St. Simon (1881)	Canada (1878)	Springfield (1873)
Devotion (1869)	Hermit (1864)	St. Angela (1865)	Galopin (1872)
			Stockwell (1849)
			Berberry (1864)
		Signal (1861)	Weatherbit (1850)
			Mineral (1859)
		Wenlock (1863)	Stockwell (1849)
			Lady Evelyn (1847)
		Virtue (1865)	St. Albans (1857)
			Stockwell (1849)
			Marpessa (1853)
		Maid of Palmyra (1853)	Newminster (1848)
			Lord Clifton (1850)
		Stockwell (1849)	Bertrand (1839)
			Lady Evelyn (1847)
		Violette (1864)	Voltaire (1854)
			Pip'e Doch's (1853)
		King Tom (1851)	Harkaway (1839)
		Adeline (1851)	Pocahontas (1837)
			Touchstone (1831)
		Newminster (1848)	Beeswing (1839)
		Seclusion (1857)	Touchstone (1831)
			Mrs Stafford (1851)
		Stockwell (1849)	Bertrand (1839)
			Lady Evelyn (1847)
		Abreetle (1880)	Hermit (1864)
			Pocahontas (1837)

The Baron (1842)	Pocahontas (1837)
The Libel (1849)	Splitrose (1841)
Orlando (1841)	Muliwai (1830)
Phryxus I (1843)	Palmyra (1839)
Newminster (1848)	Phryxus I (1843)
The Slave (1854)	Rataplan (1839)
Marigold (1853)	Pocahontas (1837)
Dan John (1856)	Indecision (1846)
Voltaire (1847)	Mrs. Ridgway (1850)
Pyle Dochan (1850)	Merrope (1848)
Harkaway (1839)	Pocahontas (1837)
Iona (1855)	Little Fairy (1842)
Touchstone (1831)	Beeswing (1839)
Talisman (1850)	Mrs Stafford (1851)
The Baron (1842)	Pocahontas (1837)
Tomatine (1867)	Touchstone (1841)
Sacrifice (1847)	

Previous Winners.

1894 Isinglass, 4y, 10st 3lbs (7)	1899 Flying Fox, 3y, 9st 3lbs (9)
1895 Le Var, 3y, 8st 3.bs (11)	1900 Merry Gal, 3y, 7st 13lbs (8)
1896 St Frusquin, 3y, 9st 2lbs (10)	1901 Epsom Lad, 4y, 9st 2lbs (12)
1897 Velasquez, 3y, 8st 13lbs (9)	1902 Veles, 4y, 9st 2lbs (6)
1898 Goletta, 4y, 9st 11lbs (15)	1903 Ard Patrick, 4y, 9st 8lbs (9)

INTER-VARSITY CRICKET MATCH.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Monday, 4th July 1904.*

THE match between Oxford and Cambridge, which began at Lords on the 30th June, ended in a draw.

Cambridge made 253 in the first innings and 390 for eight wickets in the second and then declared. Oxford made 149 in the first innings and 221 for six wickets in the second.

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS.

London, *Monday, 4th July 1904.*

THIS meeting was held at Rochdale on Saturday, the 2nd instant, and produced good results. Shrubb won the mile and 4 miles, Larner walked in great form and Workman won the half mile—all very popular wins. Details:—

100 Yards Flat Race.

British Amateur Record. 10secs. by Wharton 1886, Bradley 1893, Downer 1895, Wadsley and Cooper 1898, C. R. Thomas 1899, and A. F. Duffey since 1900.

Won by J. W. Morton.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 21⅕secs. by C. G. Wood 1887.
Won by C. H. Jupp.
QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 48⅖secs. by H. C. L. Tindall 1889, E. C. Bredin 1895. Standard time 52secs.
Won by H. Watson.
HALF MILE FLAT RACE.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 1min. 53⅗secs. by Cross 1888. Standard time 2mins. 2secs.
Won by H. W. Workman.
ONE MILE FLAT RACE.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 4mins. 17secs. by F. E. Bacon 1895. Standard time 4mins. 30secs.
Won by A. A. Shrubb.
FOUR-MILES FLAT RACE.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 19mins. 31⅕secs. by A. A. Shrubb 1902. Standard time 21mins.
Won by A. A. Shrubb.
120 YARDS HURDLES.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 15⅖secs. by G. Shaw 1895 on grass. Standard time 17secs.
Won by J. Stranach.
TWO MILES STEEPLECHASE.
Won by A. Russell.
TWO MILES WALKING RACE.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 13mins. 24⅕secs. by W. J. Sturgess 1897. Standard time 14mins. 50secs.
Won by G. E. Larner.
HIGH JUMP.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 6ft. 4¾ins. by P. Leahy 1898. Standard time 5ft. 7ins.
Won by P. O'Connor, J. B. Milne and R. G. Murray, a treble tie.
LONG JUMP.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 24ft. 9ins. by P. O'Connor 1901. Standard time 20ft.
Won by P. O'Connor.
POLE JUMP.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD.—11ft. 9ins. by R. D. Dickinson 1891. Standard time 10ft.
Won by Puysegur.
PUTTING THE WEIGHT. 16lbs. from 7ft. square.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 48ft. 2ins. by D. Horgan 1897. Standard time 36ft.
Won by D. Horgan.
THROWING THE HAMMER. 16lbs. from 9ft. circle.
BRITISH AMATEUR RECORD. 163ft. 4ins. by J. Flanagan 1900. Standard time 110ft.
Won by T. R. Nicholson.

WINNERS SINCE 1893.

100 YARDS.

1894	C A Bradley	10⅘	1899	R W Wadsley	10⅘
1895	C A Bradley	10	1900	A F Duffey	10
1896	N D Morgan	10⅖	1901	A F Duffey	10
1897	H F Palmer	10⅖	1902	A F Duffey	10
1898	F W Cooper	10	1903	A F Duffey	10

QUARTER MILE.

1894	E C Bredin	50	1899	R W Wadsley	54⅖
1895	W Fitzherbert	49⅖	1900	M W Long	49⅘
1896	J C Meredith	52	1901	R W Wadsley	49⅘
1897	S Elliott	53⅕	1902	G W White	50⅕
1898	W Fitzherbert	50	1903	C McLachlan	52⅗

HALF MILE.

1894	E C Bredin	1	56⅘	1899	A E Tysoe	1 58⅖
1895	E C Bredin	1	55⅗	1900	A E Tysoe	1 57⅘
1896	A W de C King	2	1⅗	1901	J R Cleave	1 59⅗
1897	A E Relf	2	0⅗	1902	A B Manning	1 59⅘
1898	A E Relf	1	56⅕	1903	B J Blunden	1 58⅘

ONE MILE.

1894	F E Bacon	4	25⅕	1899	H Welsh	4 26
1895	F E Bacon	4	17	1900	C Bennett	4 28⅖
1896	B Lawford	4	31⅖	1901	F G Cockshott	4 21⅖
1897	A E Tysoe	4	27	1902	J Binks	4 16⅘
1898	H Welsh	4	17⅗	1903	A Shrubb	4 24⅗

FOUR MILES.

1894	F E Bacon	19	48⅘	1899	C Bennett	20 49⅖
1895	H A Munro	19	49⅖	1900	J T Rimmer	20 11
1896	H Harrison	20	27⅖	1901	A Shrubb	20 1⅘
1897	C Bennett	20	52⅖	1902	A Shrubb	20 1⅖
1898	C Bennett	20	14⅖	1903	A Shrubb	20 6

120 YARDS HURDLES.

1894	G B Shaw	16⅖	1899	W E Paget Tomlinson	16⅖
1895	G B Shaw	15⅘	1900	A C Kraenzlein	15⅖
1896	G B Shaw	15⅖	1901	A C Kreanzlein	15⅖
1897	A Trafford	17⅖	1902	G W Smith	16
1898	H E Parkes	16⅖	1903	G R Garnier	15⅘

TWO MILES STEEPLECHASE.

1894	A B George	1899	W Stokes
1895	C J Wilkins	1900	S J Robinson
1896	S J Robinson	1901	S J Robinson
1897	G H Lee	1902	G Martin
1898	G W Orton	1903	S J Robinson

TWO MILES WALK.

1901	G Deyermond	14mins 17secs.
1902	W J Sturgess	14mins. 46⅘ secs.
1903	G J Negus	14mins. 44⅕ secs.

LONG JUMP.

		ft.	ins.			ft.	ins.
1894	T M Donovan	20	8	1899	W J M Newburn	22	2
1895	W J Oakley	21	6½	1900	A C Kraenzlein	22	10½
1896	C E H Leggatt	23	0½	1901	P O'Connor	23	8½
1897	C E H Leggatt	21	4	1902	P O'Connor	23	7½
1898	W J M Newburn	23	7	1903	P O'Connor	22	9½

HIGH JUMP.

		ft	ins.			ft.	ins.
1894	R Williams	5	9½	1899	P Leahy	5	10
1895	J M Ryan	5	11½	1900	I K Baxter	6	2
1896	M O'Brien	5	11	1901	I K Baxter	6	1
1897	C E H Leggatt	5	9	1902	S S Jones	6	3
1898	P Leahy	5	10	1903	P O'Connor	5	8

POLE JUMP.

		ft.	ins.			ft.	ins.
1894	R D Dickinson	10	10	1899	E C Pritchard	9	1
1895	R D Dickinson	10	0	1900	B Johnson	11	4
1896	R E Forshaw	10	0	1901	I K Baxter	9	10
1897	J Poole	9	10½	1902	F J Kauser	10	8
1898	J Poole	10	3	1903	S Morriss	j.	0.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.

		ft.	ins.			ft.	ins.
1894	D Horgan	42	4	1899	D Horgan	46	0½
1895	D Horgan	44	3½	1900	R Sheldon	45	10½
1896	D Horgan	43	5½	1901	W W Coe	45	5½
1897	D Horgan	45	4	1902	W W Coe	42	10½
1898	D Horgan	45	1	1903	T R Nicholson	40	7½

THROWING THE HAMMER.

		ft.	ins.			ft.	ins.
1894	W J M Barry	126	3½	1899	T F Kiely	136	4½
1895	W J M Barry	132	11½	1900	J Flanagan	163	1
1896	J Flanagan	131	11	1901	T F Kiely	148	6½
1897	T F Kiely	142	5	1902	T F Kiely	142	9
1898	T F Kiely	140	1	1903	T R Nicholson	142	7

Sporting Notes.

UP to the present the prospects for the Calcutta Monsoon meetings do not look too brilliant as regards fields ; but after all it is the rule rather than the exception to foresee a paucity of horses for their fixtures, and yet when the time comes they usually roll up in numbers sufficient to fill up a satisfactory card.

Mr. Galstaun has, we understand, only four in pickle for the Autumn meetings, three ponies and an untrained jump horse. The ponies are Rosalea, Western Queen, and the evergreen Not Yet. The hurdle horse, a dark chestnut from the Straits, was given a few schools this time last year, but did not start in a race. He is a nice lepper at any rate, though as he has not been sent along as yet, it remains to be seen whether he has much dash of foot.

There should, with any luck, be no difficulty in filling the jump races, as there are a very fair number of jumpers undergoing preparation ; one that should be about the best of the bundle being Bell Brand, who is now in Smallman's charge. This horse is taking very kindly to the game and has, as we know, a great turn of speed. Whether he will be able to get a mile and a half in the mud is another matter, though of course it is well-known that many horses who could not even get six furlongs on the flat have turned out a success over two miles of sticks.

Mr. Parsons, too, has a useful jumper in Belmeath, the property of Mr. Rowland Hudson, and the winner of a good hurdle race at home, besides one or two minor performances on the flat. He has also a couple of Irish-bred youngsters belonging to the same owner, and the little bay horse Planet, who it is to be supposed will go for the closed hurdle races and should be worth looking after.

Another pair have come down from Behar in Pierette and a jump pony, both belonging to Mr. Hamilton. The latter went a short school with Yuletide on Saturday, but seemed to jump a bit sticky, at last the mare was jumping right away from him at each flight. Bell Brand, Mr. Galstaun's chestnut, and a little brown horse named, we believe, Norman, also put in a school the same morning, all fencing well.

Euryalus is also being schooled over hurdles, but is not taking kindly to it so far, and on Saturday morning gave Wall a spill, after repeated refusals.

No jumping was indulged in on Tuesday, but a little fast work was witnessed, being restricted to short spurts across the middle of the course. Bell Brand, Harold and Hello were the first to go out and put in a short three-quarter pace spin.

Rosalea and Not Yet were given a couple of darts over three furlongs, as were also Western Queen and a new one from the same string. All this lot are looking as fit as possible and only require a final polish to be cherry ripe. Clynder, and a new one of Mr. Dass' did a couple of spins in which the new one looked to be altogether out-classed.

We have seen a copy of the programme for the second Tollygunge Gymkhana on the 16th instant; the Courteous Hony. Secretary did not send us one. It does not call for much comment, except perhaps as regards the introduction of the "All-Comers' Stakes," in which the usual restrictions as to owners being members of one or other of the principal clubs are withdrawn. This strikes us as being a distinctly wise move and we shall not be surprised to see a very fair field turn out for this race. It is not quite apparent from the wording of the programme whether these restrictions are also withdrawn as regards riders and the race opened to all G. R.'s or not, but we take it that this is the idea and here again we applaud.

As regards the rest of the programme, it remains to be seen whether three flat races for ponies on the same day will fill, but it looks doubtful. In view also of the walk-over for the hurdle race at the last meeting, it would hardly seem as though the chase included in this card stood much chance of drawing a field but *nous verrons*, as Mr. Jorrocks says.

It is rumoured that the Nawab of Dacca has offered the appointment of general manager of his estates to Mr. Luttman Johnson, late Com-

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missioner of the Dacca Division. Though from an accident Mr. Johnson is debarred from personal participation in field sports, as a district officer in Assam he took a keen interest in game preservation, so should he accept the proferred post we may look for a much stricter conservation of the Mahadapur waste than has been exercised over it since the grandfather of the present owner Ghani Meah practically threw it open to the surrounding villagers some thirty years ago. Previous to this the ground was as popular with the big game hunter as the khets of Jessore with the spearman under Archie Hills.

Second entries for the Army Cup are but two—Modesty and Alexis, as per details further on. This brings the total up to thirty-nine, and we may add that third entries close on the 1st October.

There is no second entry for the Civil Service Cup.

The marriage of Mrs. A. G. Lewis, the millionaire widow of the late Mr. "Sam" Lewis, of 16, Grosvener Square, W., and Woodside, Maidenhead, to Mr. Montague Hill, of the Scots Guards, is announced to take place this month. On Mr. Lewis's death it was estimated that his estate was worth £4,000,000. Mrs. Lewis's sister is Hope Temple, the well-known composer, who is now the wife of Mr. André Messager. Mr. Montague Hill, her future husband, is in his twenty-eighth year. He joined the Scots Guards from Sandhurst in January, 1899, and obtained his lieutenancy in 1900. He served under Lord Methuen with the Brigade of Guards at the Cape. After good work at Belmont and Enslin, he was wounded at Modder River. His keenness as a soldier secured him the adjutancy of his battalion.

Mr. Edmond Blanc, the owner of Ajax, has no reason to be otherwise than satisfied with the horse, especially when he casts his eye on his racing account. Ajax has won him five races and placed to the credit of his account in stakes £22,404.

The black country-bred mare, Blue Bell, owned by the Maharajah of Mysore, has been renamed Clara.

We hear from Rangoon that Mr. Beville has lost that first-class little mare Ida: she died last week.

Our Poona Correspondent writes:—We are now launched out into the perilous sea of the season's festivities, the shove off from the shore having been given by the functions in honour of the birthday of His Most Gracious Majesty, The King (whom may God long preserve) The big parade was really a very fine sight and though it is not my mission in life, or goodness knows my desire, to draw any comparison there is no doubt that for feminine eyes there is a wondrous fascination in the "lilt o' the kilt." Sir Archibald Hunter took the parade while His Excellency Lord Lamington, on horseback, took the place of honour at the saluting flag. His Excellency certainly had a hard day's work. For in the afternoon he held his first levée in the Hall of Council; entertained a large number of high functionaries at a State banquet and after dinner he and Lady Lamington held a reception—one of the most largely-attended ones on record I am assured—which lasted till a late hour.

By the way some serious calamity evidently happened to the flag staff in the Council Hall as we all noticed with a shock that "the flag that's braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze" was fluttering ignominiously, yet defiantly from a disreputable looking bamboo stuck in an unwonted position. But thank Heaven the Union Jack is the Union Jack where ever it flutters!

Cricket calls for more than a mere passing comment this week owing to the fact that in a match between the "Indian Army" against "The World" the first batsman on either side and no less than three performers successfully topped the century. It seems almost superfluous to add that one of the centurions was Captain Greig whose arduous duties in hunting the Somaliland Snark do not seem to have materially interfered with the strict accuracy of his vision. After scoring five score runs and five he obligingly retired, a politeness which was copied by Mr. Carroll on passing the coveted triplet and after annexing 287 for seven wickets, five out and the above two "voluntaries," the Indian Army adopted the closure. If they mildly imagined it was all over bar the shouting, however, they grievously erred, for Mr. A. D. Wilkins, the veteran of many hard-fought fights, who was, I am told, playing cricket out here when many of us were at dame schools, soon showed that he was still in form and playing delightful cricket, made 103 before he put one up in the air, Mr. Kearsey (not out 53) and Mr. Ussher (not out 30) added most useful contribution with the result that at call of time The World were 206 for two wickets.

The news that Colonel Sheringham was taking hounds for exercise to draw the babul covers and reeds along the river bank behind the Sappers and Miner's Mess on the off chance of finding a jack attracted a large number of sportsmen to Holkar's Bridge and I hear a sprinkling of habits even though it was understood that no serious work was intended. Hares were, I believe, annoyingly plentiful and hounds wonderfully steady to the riot of fur, but though hounds seemed once to hit off the line of a jack the ground was so sunbaked and the morning so dry and hot that they could make nothing of it. Colonel Sheringham has not, I believe, been able to dare put as much work into the hounds as he could have wished and they are still as a natural result a bit backward in galloping condition. Hounds drew right away down to the Bund Bridge without their just reward.

A few days afterwards they did a useful morning's exercise in the country round about the ominously-named Gibbet Hill and though a jack and a brace of foxes were on foot hounds could make little of an impossible scent. The first real business is, I hear, to be on the 3rd at Yerrowda which appears from all I can gather to be the pick of the hunting country and the opening meet is definitely fixed for the 7th at Government House. In my last week's note on hounds I see I inadvertently referred to the Hunt having sustained a loss owing to the departure since last season of the Shropshires. How I ran off the line I really don't know. I meant the Buffs, who I have been assured formed a very strong hunting contingent, none attending more regularly or going straighter than the Commanding Officer Colonel Vyvyan. Doubtless one or both of the new regiments will fully fill the gap in supporting the Hunt.

The second match in the Lahore Polo Tournament was played on the 23rd ultimo when "B" Team met "C" Team, the latter winning after a well contested game by 3 goals and 1 subsidiary to 1 goal and 4 subsidiaries. Teams:—"B" Maxwell 1, Smith 2, St. John 3, Greenway (back). "C" Elgee 1, Casson 2, Clifford 3, Warburton (back). On the 25th ultimo "C" Team beat "A" Team by 2 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 2 subsidiaries. "C" Team thus are easily first in the Tournament, the total scores being as follows:—"C" 5 goals, and 4 subsidiaries; "B" 2 goals and 7 subsidiaries: "A" 5 subsidiaries.

In connection with two-year-old racing and the newly-passed Rule reintroducing juvenile races of four furlongs, it is interesting, writes "Arbitrator" in the *Sportsman*, to recall some bygone attempts of members of the Jockey Club to ameliorate the lot of thorough-breds of that tender age. One most serious attempt was that of Sir Joseph Hawley, who in 1869 made a proposal to his fellow members of the "most exclusive Club in Europe," to the effect that no two-year-old should run earlier in the year than 1st July. This motion was lost by 25 votes to 18. Among those who voted for the resolution was Lord Durham, father of the present peer. After several other resolutions of Sir Joseph Hawley's had been lost, inclusive of one which stipulated that two-year-olds running a dead-heat should not be allowed to run it off, but must divide the prize—thus anticipating a somewhat similar rule which came into being a few years ago—an alternative proposal by Colonel Forester was carried by 27 votes to 8, making it law that two-year-olds should not run before 1st May.

This compromise remained in force exactly four seasons (1870—'73). Apparently, however, there was strong opposition to two-year-olds being debarred from running during the first nine weeks of the season, for at a general meeting of the Jockey Club held at Newmarket during the Houghton Meeting of 1873, Mr. Caledon Alexander moved "that the part of Rule 15 which prohibits two-year-olds from running until 1st May be rescinded, and that they be allowed to run at and after the first legitimate race meeting of the season. Mr. Stirling Crawfurd seconded the motion, Admiral Rous supported it, and Mr. George Payne presented a memorial in its favour. Mr. Henry Chaplin proposed, as an amendment, that the Rule should remain as it was, and among his supporters was General Peel. On a division 16 voted for the original motion and 14 for Mr. Chaplin's amendment. It was to this narrow majority of two, therefore, whether for better or for worse, that the Turf owed the reinstitution of early two-year-old racing after its temporary abandonment Harking back to Sir Joseph Hawley's original resolution that no two-year-olds should run earlier than the 1st of July. the Kentish baronet had on his side, in addition to the late Lord Durham and Mr. Chaplin, such other prominent owners as Lord Bradford, Colonel Forester, Mr. H. Savile, and Lords Stradbroke, Strafford, Wilton, Zetland, and Fitzwilliam, as well as the late Duke of Richmond and the Duke of Rutland. The late Lord Derby was not present, but wrote Sir Joseph Hawley a letter approving of his proposal. To such a sweeping measure Admiral Rous was strongly opposed, and among the 24 others who voted against it were the late Lord Falmouth, the Duke af Beaufort, Prince Soltykoff, Lord Alington (then still Mr. Sturt), the Duke of St. Albans, Lord St. Vincent, Prince (then Count) Batthyany, Lord George Manners, Mr. George Payne, Sir Frederic Johnstone, Sir Charles Legard, Baron Rothschild, Lord Calthorpe, and Mr. Alexander. The last-named a few years later led the anti-close-timists in their successful assault on the milder measure which was passed in place of Sir Joseph's drastic remedy for the ills of our two-year-olds.

Our Mysore Correspondent writes:—The week is over and it has been a huge success. Having the happiness to be able to speak from experience, I can state that the arrangements made for the entertainment of His Highness' guests were perfect, and they were loud in their appreciation of the fact. Lavish expenditure was no more carefully carried out than small details, and it is these small details which as much as anything else conduce to complete success. There were three dances and two concerts in Government House during the week, and a special word of praise is due to the playing of H. H. the Maharaja's band, which was quite first rate. Mr. Alec Marsh, an English baritone of some repute, had been invited as a guest of the Maharaja's and moreover professionally engaged at great expense. A pleasing feature of the week was a dinner of Old Etonians, who were guests in Government House. This little function was organised by Captain Stirling, D. S. O., of the Essex Regiment, and just a round dozen sat down, including R. Moss King, the Hon'ble H. E. Thelluson, J. J. Unthank, R. Neave, C. Graham, A. Gwyer, E. J. Peel, I. E. Darley, C. M. Lawin, F. C. Rash, Captain G. H. Stirling, and T. M. Babington. The last-named as the senior Etonian present was in the chair and proposed "Florast Etona, esto perpetua," which was duly honoured and several verses of the Eton boating song were sung.

Each Etonian present signed his name, on the back of a menu, inserting the initials of his house master and the years during which he was at school, and the menus so signed were retained as mementos of the occasion. Considering that Captain Stirling's engagement to Miss Mabel Sprot, daughter, of Colonel Sport commanding the Carbiniers, has only just been announced, it was infinitely energetic of him to find time for the organisation of a gathering which will be a modest landmark in the memories of those present.

With regard to the sport of the week, it has been so fully reported for your columns that not much need be said here. Bundook did not quite come up to the expectations I had formed of him, but then whilst bowing in all humility to the superior wisdom of Mr. Cursetjee Dinshaw, it did not seem to me that he was too well treated. Surely on public form, Goldsmith, the winner of the Cup, should have given him weight? However, he would nearly have beaten Misty in the Palace Cup had the weather been dry. He ran very game, but was under the whip for nearly a furlong. A similar remark applies to the finish between Minimus and Cleopatra, in which the former was beaten a neck carrying 12st 10lbs. (ye gods!) on a wet course. Fields were not too big, and many jockeys who went up to Mysore did not, it is to be feared, get mounts.

Other features of the meeting were the surprising running of Jack Horner on the second day, when he won the second best stake of the meeting; and the manner in which Ptarmagau, Colonel Desaraj Urs' well-known half-mile Arab, compassed double that distance and won in a canter. Jack Horner was of course chucked in with 6st. 2lbs., but even so no one thought he could beat an Arab of the class of Gallant. The third day was the worst of the three for backers, and the fielders must have done well on the meeting.

The polo tournament also has been sent you in full detail, and little remains to be said. Quite the most consistent team which was entered won, and as the next best got into the final, there was no fluke about it. But if the "Carbs" could only have moderated their ardour, and hit a bit slower when nearing goal they would have made a much better fight. Captain Peel stood out by himself as an indi-

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vidual player, and by the way I hear that one or two of his ponies are for sale. There is a very particular little grey whose name I cannot remember at the moment, but the subject is worthy of the attention of polo players. (*Verb sap.*) Very sporting young teams came from the Essex Regiment and Durham L. I. and it was good to see how those boys put all their heart and soul into the polo. I think the Durhams should have beaten Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur's team, and a little better mounted, the Essex Regiment would have bothered the Carabiniers.

The Kulu fruit growers are not the only ones who have to complain of the invasion of bruin, for the terai villagers in North and Eastern India are suffering from a similar irruption of shaggy coated poachers. As a general rule the small black fellow under the eastern mountains confines his attention to jack, but since bee-keeping has been entered on systematically, he has turned his attention to the hives; even those set up in the centre of the villages. As visitors find no difficulty in obtaining quarters among the people hereabouts some good fun can be had in capturing there animals as the cubs are seldom left at home, but in honey-stealing more especially, accompany the dam and once the adult is accounted for they will not quit the body. There is no sneaking on the part of these midnight marauders for when once they have scented honey they go boldly for it. Small as the black sub-Hamalayan bear is he is not to be played with, for though the full-grown male generally tries to get away the female will show determined fight when the cubs are with her. There is no difficulty in getting reliable *khubber* for the victimised bee-keeper is only too glad to get asistance. The wild hives pendent from tree limbs and over-hanging rocks are easily spotted and though to a more intelligent animal their position would reveal the hopelessness of getting at them, bruin will remain about the place for days on the chance of something happening to bring booty within his reach; detached portions of comb do occasionally fall and then there's ruction twixt bear and monkey for possession. In well wooded ravines where hives are to be seen regular bear walks are found so there is not much likelihood of the hunter returning empty handed from either village or jungle. A jack tope is almost always a certain find at this reason when the fruit is in its prime.

The abnormally heavy rains that visited the whole of Northern India in March and April though driving animals from the low lands up into the ravines and mountain spurs, thus bothering those who indulge in howdah shooting, has played into the hands of the fowler for next season's operations. The usual grass firing which destroyed multitudes of immature birds has been rendered impracticable over a vast extent of country and though no doubt a considerable number of delicate chicks have succumbed to the wet, there has been nothing like the destruction caused by the practice alluded to. Vermin have no doubt enjoyed a similar immunity, but as the former greatly out number them in ordinary seasons that does not much matter. Of big game there seems to be no dearth, and with an early tailing off of the rains, which many predict, fawns and wild calves should be born under the most favorable conditions. On the higher lands self-sown seeds, such as orchids, etc., have had a better chance of establishing themselves than for many years past, hence both sportsmen and botanists have every reason to anticipate a successful cold weather. The early rising of the mountain streams also, in preventing close weir fishing, has given the finny tribe a respite, so that though many hot weather outings have been spoilt, taking things all round, the cycle of wet has been propitious so far as next cold weather operations are concerned.

There is a very common belief amongst keepers and others, that birds are odourless during the period of incubation, writes "Ranger" in the *Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News*. I have always been sceptical upon this point until recently, when a pair of robins built their nest in a mushroom ridge about two feet from the ground. Past this nest my brace of cocker spaniels go to and fro the whole day long, but they have never "winded" the robin. As these dogs are the keenest-nosed spaniels I ever possessed there must be something in the odourless theory. I was discussing this subject with my friend, Velveteens, who has been going about the woods, with dogs at his heels, all his life. He was very emphatic in his belief that sitting birds possessed no odour, and what was more he declared that a vixen carrying young gave off no sent. He ought to know, for his dogs have been chasing foxes off his ground for the past ten years at least. It is useless to remonstrate, because he says his business is to rear birds, not foxes, and his master does not hunt.

We understand that Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. Worlledge, of the 99th Deccan Infantry, was successful in bagging not fewer than 12 tigers during a month's shooting trip in the Sirpur Tandur District of the Nizam's Dominions. This is something like a successful shoot, even though it took thirty days to do.

That great lady shikari Lady Jenkins recently returned from one of her numerous tiger shoots and was made the honoured guest at a grand banquet given by His Highness the Nizam in her honour. By order of the Nizam a photograph was taken on the occasion in which besides His Highness and his principal guests Brigadier-General Beatson, Major and Mrs. Wolseley Haig, the Prime Minister, the Premier Nobles, Colonel Afsar-ul-Mulk, and others appeared.

One of the Ootacamund hounds, glorying in the undoggy-like soubriquet of *Red Skin* got left out in a hunt on the 22nd of June. The Master was afraid he had got stuck in an earth and a search of all the probable earths was made for two days without success. On the third day Red Skin was heard barking in a nullah by some men who were passing that way. He was subsequently dug out having been in the earth about 86 hours and 107 hours without food. Of course Red Skin was very weak, but it is good to hear that he is doing well.

The Northern India Kennel Association are endeavouring to effect a reform which, if carried out, should be of immense benefit to our big Indian shows. The Secretary of the N. I. K. A. writes the following letter:—

"We are making an attempt to collect sufficient money to bring out to India, this cold weather, a judge from England for our chief shows in Bombay, Lahore and Calcutta. It has occurred to me that, perhaps, your Club would like to join, for it would scarcely cost more for the judge to go from Calcutta to Colombo and to England than from Calcutta to Bombay and England. The Northern India Kennel Association have promised Rs. 500, and I fancy only about Rs. 1,500 would be required, and we should try to raise the balance from show funds and by sending round the hat. Men are coming forward already with promises. Could your Club join? If so, what amount would you give? It would be a great thing for shows, and would give a great impetus to canine matters. Will you kindly lay the matter before your Committee and let me hear as soon as possible, for there is not much time. Mr. Sydney Castle is probably the man who would come. He is a well-known judg- at Home."

Athletic Notes.

THE English Varsity team of athletes who will meet the Americans this month have been selected, and on paper it looks as if we shall be able to render a good account of ourselves. Here are the names:—100 Yards—R. W. Barclay (Cambridge) and J. Churchill (Cambridge); Quarter Mile—R. W. Barclay (Cambridge) and J. Churchill or T. B. Wilson (Cambridge); Half Mile—K. Cornwallis and H. E. Holding (Oxford); One Mile—H. W. Gregson (Cambridge) and C. C. Henderson Hamilton (Oxford); Two Miles—A. R. Churchill (Cambridge), M. H. Godley (Oxford) and H. W. Gregson (Cambridge); High Jump—E. E. Leader (Cambridge) and C. S. Doorly (Cambridge); Long Jump—T. A. Leach (Oxford) and G. Le B. Smith (Oxford); Hurdles—F. H. Teall (Cambridge) and A. M. Lyle (Oxford); Hammer—M. Spicer (Cambridge) and B. M. Tomlinson (Oxford).

Many as are the brilliant performances which that wonderful runner, Alfred Shrubb, has accomplished during his sensational career, he has seldom been seen to greater advantage than at Glasgow on the 11th ultimo. Taking part in two events, he covered himself with glory on each occasion, winning the Two Miles' handicap from scratch in 9mins. 9⅗ secs.—world's record for the distance—and later in the afternoon scoring again over a mile in a similar sort of event. That Shrubb was running extraordinarily well, even for him, is suggested by the fact that the time—4mins. 23⅘secs.—is better than any he had previously accomplished at the distance, while to McGough, who a few weeks previously had beaten the South London Harrier on even terms, he this time successfully conceded 15 yards. If he confined his attention for a time to the shorter distances, Shrubb could very probably get near George's wonderful mile record. As our special wire informs us Shrubb last Saturday won the mile and 4 miles at the A. A. A. Championship meeting for the second and fourth years in succession.

Skipping is recommended to those in search of health or desirous of maintaining it, by Dr. Bond, in an article he contributes to the current *National*

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Review. To find a pure exercise which is not a game, he says, and which approximates in anything like the degree that running and walking do to our *beau ideal*, we must hark back to the days of our youth, or, indeed of our childhood, and must make up our minds to try skipping. The trained athlete knows that skipping holds a high place in the repertory of exercises which the candidate for honours in athletics, of whatever kind, practises in order to develop firmness in his muscles generally, capacity of breathing power and maintenance of sustained effort. It is stated on good authority that a well-known pugilist of the mid-Victorian era (Jem Mace) had so high an opinion of skipping for the purpose of training that he used it largly to get himself into condition for fighting, and especially as a means of promoting agility, in which he was remarkably proficient. Many a footballer and boating man also has had reason to thank the skipping rope for bringing him into condition for the struggle in which, with leg or arm, he had prepared himself to engage. Among the claims of skipping is the ease with which it can be graduated to meet the capacity of even the feeblest tyro. For the graduation of effort is of the very essence of training. Skipping is essentially a rhythmical exercise. The skipper cannot skip at all except in a rhythm of some sort. Other forms of home athletics, such as dumbbells, clubs, expanders, etc., may be used in a rhythmical manner, but the rhythm must be imparted to them by the will of the user. It is this essentially rhythmical feature of skipping which enables it to be graduated so precisely. The skipper who adjusts his movements to a definite rate per minute may be assured that in 10 minutes he is expending just 10 times the energy that he expends in one minute, with a greater certainty than he can have in the case of any other exercise except walking. Skipping gives hope to the corpulent. Dr. Bond quotes a lady writer, well known for her works on hygiene, who says that "for keeping corpulence at bay there is nothing to equal skipping," and relates the experience of "a poor but unhappy lady of her acquaintance." This lady, being threatened with embonpoint, adopted the advice of a candid friend and took to skipping as her daily exercise. Living in a neighbourhood where the barrel organ nuisance is rampant, she is a proof of the saying that "it is an ill wind that blows nobody any good," for she so manages her work that as soon as the daily organ reaches her end of the street she can take her skipping rope into her paved back yard and skip in regular measure to its rhythmic if noisy music. She is now slim and upright as a dart, bright of face, and ready for anything.

Among the county cricket results at home last week were the following:—Surrey beat Derbyshire by an innings and 103 runs: Sussex beat Leicestershire by an innings and 92: Yorkshire beat Warwickshire by an innings and 4: and Notts drew with Lancashire.

We remind our local readers of the big football match—Civil *vs.* Military—which is set down for settlement on the Calcutta F. C. ground next Saturday afternoon. The I. F. A. executive have been at great pains to have all the arrangements for the match as *pucca* as possible, and we believe more than usual attention has been devoted to the seating accommodation, the desire being to ensure the greatest comfort to those who patronise the gallery and help to swell the exchequer of some of our most deserving charities, to wit, the Hospital Nurses' Association, the Little Sisters of the Poor and a military institution given to good works. We are glad to hear that every reserved seat has been booked; it needs but fine weather to make the undertaking a success. We think the idea a very sound one; indeed a charity match once a month, if any one could be found with time enough to run it, would not, in our opinion, be out of place; we must be a miserable lot, with a poor idea of "charity," if we find a rupee a month too great a tax on our generosity.

We have to thank the Telegraph Department for a copy of the July number of the *Indian Telegraph Guide*.

A most unfortunate gun accident has deprived the Calcutta Football Club of one of its best backs, and the Bengal Pilot Service of one of its most promising young officers. Mr. H. R. Todd was admitted to the General Hospital on Monday suffering from the effects of a gunshot wound, the result of a most deplorable accident, and, to the regret of all who knew him, he expired on admission.

From the report of the directors of the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, we make the following extracts:—

The nett premium income for the year ending 31st December 1903, amounted to £1,140,351.

The percentage of losses on premiums is 51·41 as against 51·55 in 1902 and 71·74 in 1901.

After setting aside one-third of the premiums (£380,117) as a Reserve against liabilities on policies not run off, the balance at the credit of profit and loss account, including the unappropriated balance, £189,921, brought forward from the previous year, is £341,981, out of which an interim dividend of £2 per share was paid in January last, and a further dividend of £2 per share, with the addition of a bonus of £1, has been declared by the board, and will be payable on the 9th of June.

The undivided balance, amounting to £286,981, inclusive of £125,000 required to provide for the Society's losses arising out of the conflagration at Baltimore in February last, is carried forward to next year's credit.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes.—The past week has been singularly unattractive from a sporting point of view chiefly on account of heavy rain in the evenings. Interest in Rugger is, I am glad to say, on the increase in Bombay judging from the number of people who have turned out to witness the games between the Gymkhana, United Services and the Casuals during the past three weeks. I am glad of this in common with a great many others who have seen with regret the very small interest taken in Rugger outside the Gymkhana during the past five or six years. The formation of the Casuals Club was given a great stimulus to the game and I doubt not has weaned back to their allegiance a number of players who had temporarily forsaken Rugger for Soccer. With so much interest taken in Rugger now there is a good chance that some at least of the lost glories of Bombay will be restored, glories which held sway in the halcyon days of Marshall Reid (Scottish International), R. H. MacAulay (Cambridge Blue), A. Walpole (Irish International), P. R. Cadel (Oxford Blue), H. F. Cleveland (Blackheath), J. H. Casserby (Dublin), and a host of others well known in home club circles. The brothers Langhorne, who have given a great impetus to the game in military circles and have twice so far put teams representing the Colaba Garrison in the field, are as keen as mustard and are moreover both good players to boot. There are a large number of enthusiasts and provided they turn out regularly interest in Rugger will be sustained. The Casuals are a bit new to the game yet, and their play is somewhat crude but shews improvement every week. On Friday they met the Gymkhana and were beaten by a goal, a drop goal, and a try to *nil*. Even these points hardly represented the difference between the two teams, the Gymkhana showing immeasurably superior combinations both in the forward and back lines. Griffiths, Brand, Taylor and Mackay were all very greatly in evidence for the Gymkhana, Mackay and Griffiths crossing the line and Taylor dropping a neat goal on the Casuals' 25 line. Brand kicked a goal off Mackay's try. Before closing my references to Rugger I would like to mention an instance of keenness certain to interest Rugger players throughout India. Major C. E. Baynes, D. A. A. G., Bombay, who had not donned a Jersey for over twenty years turned out for the Military *vs.* Gymkhana last week and played a wonderfully good game at half-back. I wonder how many would care to play Rugger after an interval of twenty years and at forty-five years of age. Major Baynes, I should state, was a very fine player in his day and was in the Woolwich XV.

Interest in the Harewood League games is still keen and some of the games played recently have been well attended. The Cheshire Regiment who have two teams are going very strong and B team, which are so far has played four games and won them all without having any points scored against them, is at the head of the table, A Team with two wins, one loss and one draw and three points against being second. The R. G. A. team is third with two wins and one draw out of three games. H. M. S. *Perseus* occupies fourth place with one win, one loss and one draw, while the Rovers have drawn one and lost one of the two games played and are fifth.

Votaries of the "royal and ancient game" are taking their pleasures somewhat sadly just at present the wet mornings interfering considerably with attendance at the links. Bombay without its "gowf" is to a certain section of players absolutely unendurable and and I hear that a number of keen spirits have been spending their week ends at Nasik where, on the famous links of Western India's golf headquarters, they derive consolation for the disappointments of the week in Bombay.

Although one still occasionally notices announcements in the papers to the effect that "the ground will be reserved for polo this evening" one hears of nothing that is hopeful regarding a revival of interest in the game. A stroll down to the *maidan* on a polo evening is hardly an enlivening experience and one that has a chastening effect on a lover of the game, for what is there to see in the way of polo, but four or five players engaging in a practice game in a half-hearted kind of way. It is one of the very strangest things that polo should absorb so very little interest in a large place like Bombay. The defeat of the poloists by the *maidan* cricket clubs in regard to a monopoly of the ground for polo has practically killed all interest in the game.

The mud sports, or rather, to call them by their new and more dignified name, the mounted sports again furnish us every Wednesday afternoon with a little diversion. Riding men naturally look forward to Wednesday afternoons and this year have been lucky inasmuch that the committee have been favoured with fine weather for the first two fixtures which duly came off and were largely attended and in all other respects most successful. I say that riding men were lucky, because the mud sports are more celebrated for being postponed than for taking place.

I need make only a passing reference to the matches played yesterday, the 2nd instant. The Gymkhana who had the B. B. and C. I. Railway C. C. as opponents suffered a defeat by 72 runs being unable to do much with the bowling of Baloo and Bhanda who secured six wickets for 21 and two for 19 respectively. The Gymkhana total was only 53 of which S. N. Powell (18), and E. E. Coombs (12) contributed more than half. At one stage of the game the Gymkhana had lost five wickets for four runs, and it was not until Captain Langhorne joined Powell on the fall of the fifth wicket that the rot was stopped. Langhorne played a most patient game and eventually carried his bat out for 8 after batting for forty minutes. Only two of the Railway batsmen reached double figures but as it happened their united efforts realised more runs than the whole total of the Gymkhana. Bhanda, who is emphatically one of the best bats in Bombay as Baloo is the best bowler, contributed a faultless 47, while Patel knocked up 29, in compiling which he gave several chances. No one else on the side made more than half a dozen runs, but extras accounted for 23 which helped to bring the total to 125. Reference to Baloo's form with the ball reminds me that on the previous Saturday playing against the Y. M. C. A. he captured seven wickets for 13 runs. The first three figure innings of the Bombay season was made by H. D. Kanga who, playing for the Parsee Gymkhana against Elphinstone College, carried his bat right through the innings for 102.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, Friday, 17th June 1904.

MONDAY was a great day at Eton: the King and Queen paid their promised visit and after the formal reception in the Quadrangle and a visit to the Chapel, the function of the day required a move to the river. The old Royal Barge, which dates from the reign of William and Mary, was put in commission for the day, and the beauty of the craft made one wish that water pageants were more usual than they are: the "boats" filed past the Royal Barge twice and then, with the King and Queen on board, joined in a long procession, led by the upper boats and closed by the lower, down to Albert Bridge. The Home Park was opened to the public for the occasion, and the procession went down stream 'mid shoutings I have rarely heard excelled for volume. Their Majesties seemed to thoroughly enjoy the proceedings.

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Lord Dundonald was, no doubt, quite wrong to make a speech charging a member of the Canadian Government with political prejudice in deleting the name of a man Lord Dundonald had put on the list for a commission in the Militia: and Mr. Fisher, the minister, who did so delete the name was, no doubt, quite within his rights in doing so. And under the circumstances there was nothing but to relieve Lord Dundonald of his command. The whole affair is more than regrettable: and Sir W. Lawrier did not improve the case for his Government when he referred to Lord Dundonald as "a foreigner—stranger." The incident is one of those of which the exact unvarnished truth will never be given the public. Those who know, have long been aware that politics and Militia commissions are far more closely involved one with the other than Military efficiency would have them: that political jobbery has been the bane of every Commander who has gone out from England with the interest of the force at heart. It is now proposed that the com-

manding officer shall be appointed by the Canadian Parliament: what that implies it remains to see.

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Raisuli, passive resister and brigand, is doing remarkably well for himself. Urged by the American Government whose subjects' lives are at stake the Sultan of Morocco dismisses the Governor of Tangier a *persona ingrata* to Raisuli: pays him £11,000: releases all Raisuli's imprisoned tribesmen: imprisons the Sheiks who obtained Raisuli's arrest and grants him absolute jurisdiction over specified districts. Having got so much, Raisuli naturally wanted more: He demanded the cession of four provinces cession to be guaranteed by the States and two other Great Powers: he got the provinces, but lacks the guarantee, so I doubt the value of the cession. There seems likelihood that the eminent brigand will over reach himself: let Messrs. Pericardis and Verlay out of his hands without "guarantees," and he is like to find the Sultan as good as evading bargains as himself.

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If the Alake of Abeokuta keeps a diary I should like to see it. We know everything he does and says: but I want to know the thoughts that pass through the mind of this sagacious West Coast African. On Friday he regaled Liverpool with a brief address on cotton planting: on Saturday at Oldham he worked with his own hands a field cotton-ginning machine: on Sunday—he was at peace: on Monday he came back to town: on Tuesday he received a deputation from the Church Society for the Promotion of Kindness to Animals and made a speech promising benefits to live-stock of Abeokuta: then he went to a missionary meeting and made a suitable—very suitable—speech there. On Wednesday he went to the Norwich Agricultural Show, made a speech after lunch and manifested his usual interest in the implement sections. Yesterday he went to Aberdeen to study the bagpipes and the trawling industry. The Alake's private opinions on all he has seen and heard would be interesting.

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The Trustees of the Chantry bequest are undergoing the, to them, by now familiar ordeal of public inquest. Firm in their iniquity these persist in regarding the works of (*a*) Academicians, (*b*) Associates, or (*c*) Associates unofficially elect as the "best:" and there be those who aver that there are better pictures and work by men who are neither (*a*), (*b*), nor (*c*), which remain unbought for the Chantry collection. Is the Chantry bequest an endowment of the Royal Academy? Are there no pictures, no statues, no anything done by hands unrecognised of the forty? That is what quite a number of people want to know apparently: but the forty preserve a massive silence.

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The *General Slocum* disaster in Long Island Sound seems to have been one of the worst things of the kind known to history. The strange feature of the business is the amazing rapidity with which the fire spread: one asks where the boats were hung that the burning of the davit tackles rendered it impossible to launch them. Whether many would have been saved had it been possible to put the boats in such a mill race as the telegrams describe is another matter. The Captain, who appears to have kept his head perfectly under extraordinarily trying circumstances, attributes the great loss of life to panic: but with some two thousand women and children on board it had been wonderful did panic not occur. The majority of the dead were drowned in the whirling eddies. The Captain has been arrested: a matter of form no doubt. There *may* have been default on his part, though the fire is said to have been caused in the cook's galley: so far what we learn of Captain Vanschaik is that he stuck to the bridge and safely steered a blazing ship crammed with shrieking children and women through a mile or more of cross currents strewn with sunken rocks: a course hard to hold in the easiest circumstances.

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The American Rifle Association Committee has decided that it cannot possibly keep the Palma Trophy under the circumstances I referred to in my last letter, and have intimated their intention of returning it. That is well done: it is the action of straightforward men with British blood in them. The N. R. A. for its part consents to hold the trophy for future competition under the same conditions as before.

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I have not been able to make much of Mrs. Kipling's "Army of a Dream" which "fantasy" has embellished the columns of the *Morning Post* this week. The failure is probably due to the fact that I have not had time to read it all twice over; and on first reading it strikes one as a needlessly subtle and obscure presentation of a sensible idea: military training for the million at school, barrack life made enjoyable, encouragement to men to be keen about their business. The Imperial idea runs through it of course: but I pray you be referred to the *Posts* of Wednesday, yesterday and to-day. It is quite a long time since the Recluse of Burwash has put pen to paper; I wondered the Esher Report and the Norfolk ditto did not bring him into the arena before.

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I heard this little story from a member of Mr. Chamberlain's Commission before whom it was told to illustrate the American business man's veneration for method:—He was a young "drummer" and having climbed to the 31st or top storey of a skyscraper, he so dunned the occupant to buy his wares that the occupant arose in his might and thrust him forth: with one hand to the scruff of his neck and a blow of the fist between the shoulders the occupant of floor 31 shot that drummer downstairs. On floor 30 appeared one who saying "to be fired out!" caught the drummer by the scruff, hit him between the shoulders and shot him down to floor 29. On floor 29 he was met by another man who said and did precisely the same things: and so on even unto the ground floor, and as the drummer sat a while on the bottom step to rest he looked up and said 'What system!"

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Mr. Owen Hall's new musical farce "Sergeant Brue" wants pulling together a bit, particularly in the last Act, but that done Mr. Willie Edouin as the Sergeant and Miss Ethel Irving as Lady Bickenhall will carry it to success, an I mistake not. The piece has a fairly sound thread of plot through it which always serves to commend. Here it is. Sergeant Brue of the Metropolitan Police will inherent £10,000 under his deceased brother's will if he become an Inspector before a year elapses. The prospects are not bright when the curtain rises, which it does on a swell hair dressing shop kept by Michall, the Sergeant's son (Mr. Farren Soutar), for in the Sergeant's own words his "lines traffic" which does not lead to a brilliant future. Michall, however, is in touch with Lady Bickenhall, a lady who takes a philanthropic interest in girls and the interest born of need in her own future. Lady Bickenhall has placed several girls—very pretty ones too—in Michael's shop; and it is to Lady Bickenhall that the Sergeant is introduced. She is an inventive woman with a large and curiously selected acquaintance: or it may be that philanthropy has made Crookie Scrubbs (Mr. Arthur Williams) whose vocation is petty larceny an intimate of hers. She engages Crookie to burgle her rooms in the Green Park Hotel, to the end that the Sergeant may catch him and his mates and receive promotion. The plot fails (Act II) Crookies heart failing him: and when the alarm is given the Sergeant is found hiding under her ladyship's bed and led away to the police station before a chorus of alarmed ladies who were in such a hurry to see the fun that nary, one of them, stayed to put on a dressing-gown: quite an instructive display of bed-gowns was this. In Act III, scene 1, we have the Sergeant pleading guilty to burglary before Mr. Crank at Crawlborough police court, to save Lady Bickenhall's fair fame. I suppose he was released on bail that he might catch Mr. Crank and Sir Fergus Treherne of the Home Office playing baccarat at 75, Berkeley Square, whereby he receives promotion as the price of silence. It is a distinctly amusing piece and the music by Madame Liza Lehmann was a genuine surprise: nobody had suspected the lady of the *Daisy Chain* capable of such light, nay frivolous and tuneful work. Lady Bickenhall's song "Heigho! Men come and go" is so charming that 'tis like to fall early prey to the barrel organ. The "Tea" duet and the "Twopenny Tube" duet are also safe to reach popularity. Miss Hilda Trevelyan as a maid was very good in a small part, and Mr. Gilbert Porteous was capital as Mr. Crank. The Sergeant's business is pregnant with possibilities and if Mr. Edouin does not develop them nobody can I have never seen Miss Irving in a part that suited her better, and she played it for all she was worth. Did I say that Sergeant Brue is the successor of the Chinese Honeymoon at the Strand, and that Tuesday night saw his birth?

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Mr. Max Pemberton's "Romance" The Finishing School which was produced at Wyndham's last night is simply a comic opera without the music: and a comic opera without music has an atmosphere of its own which demands indulgence. If I say that in half a score of places we felt the orchestra was wanted, and the school-girls were as often remiss in failing to burst into chorus, you will have the sense the piece conveys. The time is the earlier part of the 18th century: which provides pretty dresses: and the main idea is the not unfamiliar one that a school-girl shall disguise herself as a boy to follow her soldier lover "to the wars." The people concerned in a piece of this kind are pretty well known to us all. Sir John Vane, the crusty but good-hearted old guardian (Mr. J. H. Barnes), Murray Vane (Mr. Ben Webster) his son who is Dorothy Melville's lover, and Lady Rose (Miss Ethel Matthews) to whom Sir John wishes to wed his son, are the principal characters. pardon! I forgot Dorothy herself, charmingly done by Miss Annie Hughes. We meet the lovers first at Gretna Green where Sir John chips in just in time to stop the marriage: then we are taken to the "Finishing School" where the girls are treated with far more gentleness and consideration than were ever school-girls in 1701—1750 if history be an honest record. Then to York Barracks, crowds of uniforms and pretty dresses: and back in Act IV to the school again. The plot won't bear examination: it is a very pretty, well-dressed and "busy" piece but—it wants the music badly all through.

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The Queen was at the opera on Saturday to hear Madame Melba as Marguerite in Faust. Madame Patti gave her first and last concert in London this season at the Albert Hall on Saturday: mention of the Albert Hall suggests reference to the grateful diversity of the posters now display: on one hoarding is a large portrait of the white head and beard of "General" Booth, to notify a Salvation Army meeting; on its neighbour stimulating figures of wrestlers stripped to the buff soliciting patronage for a very different display. Captain Jessel's Public Entertainments Bill, which seeks to bring peace between Managers of Theatres, of the one part, and managers of Music Halls of the other is published. Briefly it proposes that a "sketch" of not more than 40 minutes' duration and having not more than six principal performers shall be lawful in the music hall. The bill is not likely to secure a second reading this session. Mrs. Lyttelton's play "Warp and Woof" has been moved from Camden Town to the Coronet where it is drawing good houses. Madame Réjane opened her season at the Prince of Wales' on Monday with that not very pleasing play "Zaza", taking the name part, of course, herself: it is one that gives her rare opportunity, there can be no question of that. "Twelfth Night" has been revived in the evening bill of His Majesty's for this week, Miss Tree taking the part of Viola. She had a great reception and the general concensus of opinion is that Miss Tree has a future before her. Mr. Alfred Austin's comedietta "A Lesson in Harmony" was produced as a curtain raiser to the Fairy's Dilemma at the Garrick last night, but I was at Wyndham's and the poet laureate's achievement must wait: the piece I am told, is slight, but fresh and brightly written. Sir Charles Wyndham last night revived at the New, H. A. Jones' The Liars: quite the best of the Only's plays.

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Various Items:—The action brought by Mrs. Millar (Mrs. Grimwood that was) against her solicitor for neglecting her interests and involving her in loss was settled without going to the jury. It seems to have been a case of a lady in haste to be rich by means of a Bond Street dressmaking business; in arranging the terms of copartnery wherein, the lady was badly advised by the lawyer: who pays up. There is quite a remarkable falling off in the number of motor-cars to be seen in the Park this season: it seems to have gone out of fashion to "mote" there in the afternoon; anyway the atmosphere gains in purity and horses up from the country are not frightened. The Bishop of Stepney, preaching at St. Paul's last Sunday gave London Society a "dressing down" worthy of Rita herself. His particular complaint was the dependence of the Hospitals on the legacies of the dead rather than on the purses of the living: a complaint, me thinks, ill-founded. John Alexander Dowie the prophet made but a short stay with us whom he had come to regenerate. He fell into the error of saying silly things against the King and the public did not like it: such was the feeling that not an hotel manager in London would take him in: he did get a room in the Savoy—somehow—but was requested to leave the moment his identity was discovered: so he left with some haste and without ostentation for Boulogne on Monday, having spent about 50 hours in town. At the sale of the late Duke of Cambridge's pictures on Saturday, Gainsborough's half length portrait of Maria Walpole was bought by Agnew for 12,100 guineas: the record price for a Gainsborough. The estate of Mr. Leiter, Lord Curzon's father-in-law, is estimated at 25 million dollars. The Board of Agriculture and Fisheries has appointed a commission of well-known shooting men to enquire into the mysteries of grouse disease.

ONLOOKER.

Captain Burton, the intrepid explorer, had been telling of an Arab attack which ended fatally for his assailant, when a doctor who was of the company, rather aggravatingly inquired: "And how do you feel captain, when you kill a man?"

Burton paused for a moment, as if to analyse his feelings, and then replied slowly: 'I don't know, doctor. How do you?"

Review.

OVIS AMMON AND IBEX IN SOUTHERN SIBERIA.

MAJOR SWAYNE'S trip was over much the same ground as that which has been covered by Prince Demidoff and Major Cumberland, Mr. Littledale and a few other sportsmen: and he is able to confirm the reports of his predecessors concerning the quantity of game to be killed in the Russo-Chinese frontier region if the visitor be prepared to work very hard and if he go about the business in the right way. The right way, if we profit by the author's experience, includes self-denial in the matter of travelling companions, for it appears much better to go alone: and the scrupulous ommission to take Kalmuk attendants out shooting for any purpose whatever. Major Swayne began by bringing out one or more of his densely idiotic native followers and a pony to carry tiffin: but after these valuable dependents had distinguished themselves by appearing and scaring away the game two or three times, he left them behind in camp and got on much better. As regards companions, Major Swayne had with him during part of the trip Sir H. Seton Karr and the two Messrs. Cattley: good sportsmen all: but we are inclined to think that in such country as the author describes two sportsmen starting from the same camp are extremely likely to mar one another's sport: with the greatest care in the world this must sometimes occur.

Major Swayne sighted Ovis ammon for the first time on the 11th July, and reached Prince Demidoff's "Happy Valley," where he saw so many wild sheep, two days later. It would appear that at this season the rams congregate in larger or smaller flocks, while the ewes and lambs assemble together apart from the males. This habit of congregation does nothing to make successful stalking easier: and the author might well have put "patience" first among the essentials for a trip in this region. An idea of the quantity of game may be gathered from the fact that on occasion the author saw "no less than 400 ewes and young rams—too many to count." These were not at all shy and "seemed to know they were not fair game:" a curious thing, for the Kalmuks make no distinctions in the matter of age or sex when in want of mutton: perhaps the ewes, measuring the risks of mankind by the range a Kalmuk deems killing, felt safe from the author at the 300 yards distance whence he saw them. By the way he notes in respect of this large flock that when they moved away "the valley reverberated with their loud and deep baaing. This was the only time I ever heard wild sheep making a noise." It was on the same day that he saw a sight that makes one's mouth water. His Kalmuk Shikari Power had pointed out a ram's head looking over the brow of the hill whence they had just come: Major Swayne covered it with his telescope and presently "another head came up above the brow beside the first one and stared at me. . . . . I took my eye from the telescope and just then the rams' heads turned at right angles and heads and backs could be seen as they trotted away. They were followed by a string of some sixty grand rams' heads and backs in silhouette against the skyline. Every one of them passed in review before my telescope and there was not one which was not a faultless head." And this was only one of three flocks of rams seen almost in the same hour! Needless to add this superfluity did not make for sport, as the movements of one flock put the others on the *qui vive*. The best head obtained by the author was one of 51 inches and 18¼ inches in girth: a long way behind the record, but a very grand trophy nevertheless. Major Swayne killed a few ibex, but he saw nothing with horns that exceeded 42 inches, and confirms the observations of others in regarding the ibex of this region much inferior to those of Kashmir and Turkestan.

It is a singularly wearying country to shoot in, as we know from previous writers: but none have more graphically brought home to us the toil of struggling ups and downs these long steep slopes of loose and shifting detritus, the oppression of such work at high elevation, the embarrassments of snowfall and sleet on the mountains than Major Swayne. Another drawback to camp life, is the mosquito, which for size, number and ferocity has few equals in any part of the world.

The great numbers of "derelict sheep skulls" found in places afford food for interesting speculation. After a careful search over the ground under some rocky bluffs and examination of a few hundred skulls, the author inclines to the belief that the wolves, which are numerous, drive the sheep to these rocks, where they have their dens and kill them there for the convenience of their young. He does not think that the numerous skulls and skeletons seen were those of the victims of avalanches, as they often were found in situations which forbade the avalanche theory at once, and also the bones were too fresh. "In the valley under the slopes, for the distance of a mile or so, I estimated that there were about 150 skulls of all ages: some rotten with time, the skeletons having long since been carried away piecemeal: some had been killed within the year, or even within a week or two before our presence here. There seems to be no other way in which to account for this extraordinary fact, that the rams go to one place to die, unless we accept the theory that they are driven there by wolves or men." There, Major Swayne indicates an alternative which may be acceptable, which at all events deserves notice. Is it not possible that the "huanaco's dying place" in Patagonia may have its counterpart in this valley of rams' skulls in Southern Siberia? But why are only the skulls of males found there? We gather that the skulls seen were those only of rams. If we are to discard the wolf theory, we confess that the suggestion conveyed in the following passage commends itself as well worth consideration: "It is said that in certain valleys the sweep of the wind prevents the snow from lying deep over the grass in winter, that these favoured grazing spots are resorted to by the sheep and many die there" Major Swayne rejects this theory, but on not, we think, very sufficient grounds. If the hungry sheep resort to particular spots in winter it is only reasonable to suppose that the hungry wolves will learn to expect them there: and thus it is quite possible to reconcile two highly probable theories.

Major Swayne gives the Kalmuks who accompained him a very indifferent character: lazy, disobedient, independent and deplorably stupid in some respects. Of the Kalmuk pony's endurance and docility and climbing powers he has the highest opinion: that humble animal contributes much to the amenities of shooting in this region: he carries the sportsman over long distances of bad ground which elsewhere he would cover on his own feet. The reader will pick up many useful hints while reading this very interesting book:* and the appendix contains a fund of practical information concerning kit and stores required and probable expenses. We notice, by the way, that the author swears by the ·450 cordite express for such shikar: and certainly when chance favoured he did some good practice with it. There are many very admirable photographs in the book: and the stalking map facing page 114 is a capital idea, which we hope future writers on sport will keep in mind. It saves a world of words and makes the plan of a stalk perfectly clear at a glance. An exceedingly good and entertaining book.

* *Through the Highlands of Siberia.* By Major H. G. C. Swayne, E. R. Rowland Ward.

"Why don't you try to drive that horse without profanity?" "It wouldn't do any good," answered the canal boatman. "It ain't fair to the horse to ask 'im to start in at ees time o' life to learn a whole lot o' polite synonyms."

CONSUMPTION.

IT is not always a good thing to read medical works. Jerome's man in a boat said that after reading one he wasn't sure whether he had "Housemaid's Knee," but he knew he had got the symptoms of all the other diseases he found described. But there are diseases which it is good for the man-in-the-street to know something about, so that, as the rat which knows a lot about rat-traps avoids walking into them, he may know how to avoid these death-traps, which no one would walk into if every one knew all about them. Consumption is such a disease. It is an infectious disease caused by a microbe which is mostly passed on from one person to another through the expectoration, though it may be contracted from the milk or meat of a tuberculous animal. It is a preventible disease, as if the advanced cases were treated in suitable sanitaria and used disinfectant spitoons, and the rest of the world was stopped spitting about the place, there would be very little chance for the microbe to find fresh fields and pastures new for its ravages. It may be added that it is in many cases a curable disease and not the least interesting part of the book before us is the author's description of the air cure on the mountain, by the sea or almost any where else. The book before us is quite easy reading and does not necessitate any great mental effort like working to pass the lower standard or picking out a winner in the handicaps. We commend it to such of our readers as are not entirely devoted to the absorbing study of the Turf and the Chase. The price, one shilling, is not ruinous.

Consumption: its nature, causes, prevention and cure. By Dr. Sicard de Plauzoles. Translated from the French by Bertram H. Hall. The Walter Scott Publishing Co., London and Newcastle-on-Tyne, 1903.

Shikar.

BISON, BEES AND BUFFLOES.

D. having received a wire from his friend S. who was then in camp in the Native States of Chota Nagpur, to join him for a few days' shooting, proceeded by rail to Sakti where he found a dooley and bearers waiting for him with a letter from S. saying he was to come on by dooley, about 30 miles to Dhoolian, where he would find an elephant and further on horse dâks laid for him. Starting by dooley about 9 P.M. he got to Dhoolian about 6 or 7 the following morning and learnt that he had still some 20 miles to go to S.'s camp which he reached about midday. The camp was a large one and the tents were pitched in a spacious mango grove to the north of which about half a mile distant a rocky but well-wooded line of hills ran east and west. The country D. had passed through on his way up lay through continuous forests intersected by numerous streams, large and small, and with every appearance of good cover for large game. S. had come to that part of the States for the special purpose of getting a shot at gaur and wild buffalo which were still to be found thereabouts and which he had never before had an opportunity of shooting during the two days previous to D.'s arrival he had had men out to get him *khubber*, but so far they had only come across old tracks of gaur, though they had reported wild buffaloes to be tolerably numerous in the lower jungles to the south. D. being rather done up by his long journey, they decided on making the following an easy day in camp, but riding out in the cool of the evening they questioned some villagers about two miles from camp about game in the neighbourhood and were told that wild buffaloes frequently strayed into and ate down their cold weather rice crops, when if two or three were together they had great difficulty in driving them off: upon this S. promised them Rs. 20 reward if they could put him in the way of shooting the animals which they promised if possible to do. The Feudatory Chief of the State being in S.'s camp they were, of course, pretty sure that everything that was possible would be done in order to get them the sport they desired, and about 9 P.M. that night he came to tell S. that he had received information from some of the men he had out that they had the previous evening come across that morning's fresh tracks of gaur about seven miles from the camp, he suggested that the *Sahebs* should go out about 3 o'clock the next morning on elephants so as to be on the ground by dawn which was agreed to, S. and D. accordingly left, as was arranged, on pad elephants taking with them a tiffin basket with cold provender. It was a dark night and rather cloudy, and as the way lay over a very rough country through dense jungles and deep ravines sleepy as they both still were, they had a rather uncomfortable ride.

An hour before dawn they got to a somewhat open plain country and the Chief's men who had guided them said they were then among the usual gaur haunts, and it would be well, therefore, to halt till dawn broke, and then to proceed on foot leaving the elephants there. This being settled S. and D. dismounted and after fortifying themselves with some cold coffee from the tiffin basket, and each putting some half a dozen sandwiches and a few biscuits in their pockets in case they should get separated in the course of the morning from the coolie told off to follow with the basket, they were ready for a start. Two of the Chief's trackers and three coolies had come out with them, so the spare guns were handed over to two of the latter to carry the third coolie following with the provender. gaur being exceedingly wary and easily startled animals the trackers asked to be allowed to go a little ahead of the *Sahebs* who followed about eighty yards behind. When the sun rose they had covered about two miles of a rough country without having, however, come on any traces of gaur; pig tracks, fresh and old, as also those of a sambhur that had passed that night had been observed, and as it was thought improbable that gaur would after that hour be found out in that comparatively open country, as they usually retire for the day to the heaviest jungle covers, it was agreed to try for any other game that might turn up and the trackers again led the way.

They had hardly gone a quarter of a mile when they saw a large bear, followed by a half-grown cub, leisurely coming directly towards them, with their noses to the ground, and occasionally stopping while the old one scratched at an old ant hill, they were evidently making for a small tongri or rocky hill half a mile to the east, the whole party stepped behind a large rock close to the path the bears were coming along, and on their coming up to within twenty-five yards D. fired at and knocked the she Bear over, she rolled about biting viciously at the wound in her side, and then suddenly jumping up came on up the path; having apparently caught sight of one of the coolies who in his excitement had stepped out on to the path but a second ball from D. finished her, when an exciting chase after cub ensued. He had followed his mother up the path and when she fell ran up to her body which he smelt all over running round and round her, but as soon as the coolies advanced to catch him he charged full at them with loud savage "suf oup" he did not, however, charge home, and one of the coolies managed to catch hold of the long hair on his back as he turned off to escape, the little fellow on this rolled on to his back, and catching the coolie's arm with both his paws scratched him severely and also managed to fix his teeth in his wrist, he however soon let go and being himself freed by his captor scampered off closely followed down the path by the coolies and was not finally secured till one of them had knocked him over with a blow on the head from a stick, his legs were then all securely tied together with a cloth. One of the trackers was then sent back to bring on the elephants and on their arrival the old she bear was hoisted on to a guddee and sent back to camp.

As the extensive forests were too heavy at that season for stalking game through, it was decided to return homewards through the lower jungles which were lighter and where there was a probability of getting a chance at peacock and jungle fowl, and the trackers in the meantime went off again to try for traces of gaur. S. and D. reached camp in time for a late breakfast bringing in a pair of very fine jungle fowl. Soon after nightfall the trackers turned up and reported that they had got traces of three gaur, a bull, and two cows by the size of their footprints, which had come down to drink at a pool about half way to the spot where the elephants had been left that morning, and that they had after drinking turned to grazing in some long grass close at hand where the trackers felt sure of being able to take up their tracks in the morning, and a second early start as before was at once arranged.

They were accordingly off by 3 A.M., when they had gone about four miles they crossed a river bed down which, however, only a narrow streak of water was then slowly trickling, here the trackers called a halt till dawn, as they were but a short distance from the spot where the gaur had been the previous evening, a little before dawn the trackers silently stole off to try and ascertain if the animals were still about the neighbourhood, half an hour later one of them returned saying that the gaur had apparently grazed thereabouts throughout the night and they had found their perfectly fresh tracks leading away across the river towards the heavy jungles to the west where the party had gone the previous day, and that there were still hopes of being able to come up with them if not startled by anything. Crossing the river on the elephants S. and D. then got down and followed the trackers who now, that the light was sufficient, ran the tracks along in a wonderful manner, examining the ground as they went, seldom at fault for a moment, they kept on for a couple of miles at a slow trot, and at length stopping suddenly they advanced slowly and cautiously for some distance when again stopping one of them made signs to S. and D. to come on, which they did as noiselessly as possible, fortunately such little breeze as there was at the time blew towards them. On their joining them one of the trackers whispered that the quarry were immediately ahead of them in some long grass, but it was some time before they could make anything out till the sound of an animal moving in marshy ground gave them the direction, and a moment after the head and shoulders of a gaur appeared as the animal evidently came up out of the water on to the higher ground in the grass, its head was turned slightly away from them up wind, S. at once fired at his shoulder and the report was followed by a loud thud and a rush as of other animals making off, but the groaning among the grass showed that S.'s shot had told, remaining quiet for a short time, however, they heard the animal get up and plunge forward and then move off slowly after his companions, the sounds indicated that he stopped frequently so moving on to the spot where he had been hit, they found the grass around it broken down and a large quantity of blood about, they were thus easily able to follow the blood tracks, the trackers now keeping behind they slowly followed the wounded animal without sighting it for over two miles, when the blood traces became fewer and fainter and at length were lost altogether, the trackers, therefore, again took the lead, S. and D. keeping close to them, suddenly the long grass they had been passing through abruptly ended and they found themselves looking down into a marshy hollow with a pool of murky looking water in the middle, on the opposite side of which the wounded gaur lay on his side, his neck stretched out to the water which he was trying to lap, having heard their approach he with difficulty got on his legs and moved threateningly towards them, but immediately fell again on his knees, head foremost when two more bullets from S. finished him. He appeared to be

a young bull hardly full grown, as he was barely 5 feet high at the shoulder, and his horns measured but 2 feet still he was the first either S. or D. had ever seen and S. was delighted with his good fortune in getting him.

After giving directions about securing the head they left one of the trackers and the coolies to cut the animal up and started on their return journey with the other tracker to show the way to the elephants, and to take one of them back to bring in such portions of the gaur's carcase as might be required in camp for consumption. Having put up a couple of peacock before reaching the elephants they returned with them to the spot to beat the birds up and D. succeeded in securing one, when they left for camp. On the way they passed the village where they had two days before been to'd that wild buffaloes frequently came down to the rice crops at night, and learnt that they had, during the previous night, done considerable damage. S. again offered Rs. 20 reward to anyone who would enable him to get a shot at a buffalo, and said he was willing to come down at any hour day or night, on the chance of getting a shot. Passing on presently under a mango tree D. thoughtlessly struck with a stick at what he took to be an old bee's comb on it, but in an instant he found out his mistake when hundreds of enraged bees poured out of it flying and buzzing round them. S.'s bearer had in the morning put a rough horse blanket up on the elephant's pad for his master to wrap round his legs during the early morning ride out, and this S. quickly threw over D. and himself, but not before D. had been a good deal stung about the face and hands. The mahout had also an old blanket on which he was sitting on the elephant's neck and this he threw round himself, but the elephant was in the meantime maddened by the bees which pursued her viciously and had made off as fast as she could across country, when the mahout hampered as he was with the blanket about him had great difficulty in keeping her head towards the camp: after a run of about a mile, however, the bees finding the blankets impenetrable to their stings gradually slackened off and left them altogether. S. and D. were both pretty tired with their tramp after reaching camp while D. was besides very sore from the stings he had received, and his hands and face by evening were a good deal swollen, the elephant had also been badly stung about her trunk.

After dinner about 9. P.M., a couple of men came in to say that some wild buffaloes were in their crops at the village they had visited that morning, D. was much too sore to think of moving, but S. at once accompanied the men back, one of them carrying his second gun. They had about an hour's trudge and on reaching the village two dark objects were pointed out in some distant crops, while a third was noticed grazing alone about 200 yards further west, as there was a little scrub jungle alongside of the crops in the direction of the latter S. decided to try and steal up towards the single animal by taking cover as he went among the jungle patches, he began his stalk taking a wide circle round and so got the jungle between him and his objective, and then walked down towards it, as he got closer he had to crawl from one shrub to another which required great caution in order not to frighten his quarry, and being a stout man it was somewhat trying to have occasionally to progress for thirty or forty yards stooping low, almost to the ground, and all the time carrying a heavy gun, he however managed to get up to a bush within about thirty-five yards of the buffalo and then paused to take breath. The animal before him loomed large in the uncertain light, and he was not able to make out clearly how long the horns might be, but there at any rate was a wild buffalo at last in front of him, heading slightly towards him but almost broad side on, and he was determined to make no mistake about it, so waiting a bit till he had quite recovered his wind, he took a steady aim at the shoulder and fired, the huge mass tumbled over, kicking violently, and running forward he gave it his second barrel. The other animals at once galloped off, and the villagers ran round shouting to S. who in the meantime examined his prize, he had never before seen a wild buffalo, but was not struck with any remarkable difference between the animal before him and the ordinary domestic village buffalo, this one might possibly he thought be a little larger, but here the villagers arrived, they walked round the carcase silently at first, then two or three at once broke out that this was not what they brought the *Saheb* to shoot, this was one of the village buffaloes which must have got loose from the bathan and strayed down to the rice fields, in fact it was soon recognised as belonging to one of the very men who had actually brought S. out. It appeared that several of the villagers had been watching the crops and saw two wild buffaloes come down to them when it was decided to leave them alone and that the *Saheb* should be sent for, the third buffalo had not then been out and was only first seen shortly before S.'s arrival and being a long way off, it also had been supposed to be another wild one. As there was no chance, of course, of animals returning and nothing further could be done that night S. tramped home escorted by several of the villagers to whom he then paid Rs. 35 which was said to be the value of the slaughtered animal. D. was greatly amused at the adventure and considered he had been well out of it. He was too sore to do anything for the next two days, during which they therefore remained quietly at home.

On the second night one of the Chief's trackers reported that they had seen five buffaloes four miles away and that his companion had remained out with two villagers to watch them, so it was decided to try in that direction next day, when an early start was again made. About dawn one of the above villagers met them with the information that the Buffaloes were still grazing near the spot they had been discoverd in the previous evening, and as there was water close by and heavy jungle within a mile of it, they would probably go no further than to the latter when the sun was up. He led them on for half a mile or so till they came up to his companions, who explained that there were a bull, two cows and two half-grown calves. A gentle south breeze was blowing from the grassy patches they were in towards the jungle, so it was settled that the guns should be posted near the latter, while the elephants were sent south, whence their advent would certainly send the buffaloes off to shelter northwards. S. and D. therefore, accompained only by the trackers carrying their second guns, took up their positions, well shelterd behind some large trees and the elephants making a circuit to the south slowly moved in their direction, when a minute or so later large animals galloping through long grass were heard approaching. Immediately in front of the guns was a comparatively clear space a few yards broad, and suddenly the whole heard pulled up at the edge of it, looking round and behind them in a startled manner, the two calves had come on into the open, the cows stood a little behind them and a very fine bull was again beyond them; all had their heads thrown well back sniffing the air towards the elephants. D. aimed and fired at the bull's shoulder at about thirty-five yards, when he swung round and attempted to bolt, but stumbled on to his nose, when D. put in another ball-breaking his right fore leg and rendering him helpless for the moment; in the meantime S. had brought down a bull calf, but he was up in a moment and charged down as S. incautiously stepped out from behind his tree, but a second ball through the side of the chest stopped him, and he was then easily finished off. Just, then D.'s bull again got on his legs somehow and endeavoured to come at them, but his weight proved too much for his three whole legs and he again fell groaning and struggling, but it took three more shots to kill him. The rest of the herd had got clear away to the jungle and it was useless to think of following them up.

RAJAH.

Fishing.

THE TARPON AND THE MEGALOPS.

A FEW years ago I saw a beautifully set up specimen of the tarpon (Megalops Atlanticus) in the window of a fishing tackle shop in London. I was immediately struck with its close resemblance to the Indian megalops (M. Cyprinoides) and examining it closely saw that except to a naturalist, and barring size, the two fish were identical. This set me wondering as to what size the Indian representative of the family really reaches in the sea, and this is a point over which I am still in ignorance. Perhaps some of the readers of *The Indian Field* may be able to supply this information.

In one of the ponds in the Madras Park years ago I hooked a large Megalops on a livebait. This fish eventually got off, but before leaving gave me several opportunities of estimating his size, as he was in the air almost as much as in the water He looked about six pounds.

The megalops thrives in fresh water although really a sea fish. There is, therefore, little doubt that if anyone introduced tarpon fry into a large fresh water lake in a suitable climate, they would breed and do well. As, however, the megalops family are essentially predaceous, they would soon clear a piece of water of most of the other fish.

Megalops in Indian ponds often take a fly well. Dark coloured flies are the best. The half and three-quarter pounders are extraordinarily lively when hooked, jumping repeatedly. Unfortunately, owing to the boniness of their mouths, they often get off. A very small livebait will take the larger ones. I daresay a fly spoon might also afford sport, but have not tried it, so can only conjecture.

Megalops fry must be peculiarly migratory, as they manage to get into ponds which are quite a considerable distance from the nearest river. I conclude they take advantage of the monsoon to work up the nallahs and water-courses, even then it is extraordinary how far they get from any water communicating with the sea.

The megalops is a silvery handsome fish with large brilliant eyes, and a strongly forked tail. I have not tried them from the sea, but when caught in ponds, they are practically uneatable in spite of their beauty.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

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SNOOKERS QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Will you kindly give your valued opinion on the following point which arose in a game of Snookers:—

A and *B* play. *A's* score stands at 10 and all the red balls are off the table. Our coloured balls are brown, green, blue and black, valued respectively 2, 3, 4, and 5. *A* plays at brown (2) which goes down, but his white ball also hits the blue (4) and holes it, the green (3) being still left on the table. My queries are:—

(1) How should *A's* score stand after the stroke?
(2) Should *A* continue to play?

Another point. *A* has played and having missed the red ball on which he was entitled to play left his ball touching the green and paid a penalty of 3 points; the green is directly between the white and the last red ball left on the table.

If *B* plays direct on the red, pushing the green out of the way. In doing so does he lose 3 points for playing on the green ball? In other words is *B* in order to avoid a penalty compelled to play away from the green ball, which the white ball is touching?

[*A's* score stands after the stroke 16. The blue ball is put on the table again and *A* continues to play. *B* loses 3 points for playing on the green ball; he must play away from it in order to avoid the penalty.—ED.]

SOBRIETY TESTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Ichthyosaurus and Plesiosaurus have been considered test words of Sobriety, but what price the "Pi's" "dirigible balloon races" if punters have offered their oblation to

BACCHUS!

CROQUET QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—I should be much obliged if you would give me a ruling on the following Croquet hard case.

A, playing blue a non-rover has black a rover as partner. A roquets black with blue: in the croquet black (roving) hits the peg. Is black dead, *i. e.*, out of the game or not?

I maintain it is: and rules of Croquet No. 12. Rule 14 is not in point, as it deals only with balls pegged out by *rovers*, whereas in this case—blue is not a rover.

A. D.

GURGEON, *28th June 1904.*

[No; only a Rover can peg a Rover out. See official Edition, 1902, of the Croquet Association, Rules 14 and 15. The rule says a Rover can be pegged out by another Rover. It does not say a Rover can be pegged out by any other ball. Some of the rules are not very precise, they should be made more definite and leave no room for quibbling, of which there is far too much. The rules of Croquet appear to have been drawn up in the idea that everybody knew all about the game—hence the trouble. Rule 14 to be complete should have added to it—but cannot be pegged out by a ball that is not a Rover. There is plenty of room for more explicitness in many of the rules, and we are surprised the Association have not seen to it ere this. Here is a case. The rule is—A Ball may not roquet another a second time before making a point. There is no penalty given for making this stroke which is usually an accident, and it does not appear under the head of fouls, it is, however, we believe, generally taken to be a foul, although not definitely expressed as such.

The trouble comes in when in taking Croquet the ball croquet'd slows down or is arrested in its course and the player's ball following on hits it again. Is this roqueting a ball a second time? No doubt earnest players wish to play according to the rules, but players in this country, and we may include the Colonies, who have not had the opportunity of seeing first-class play in England have only the printed rules to go by and they unfortunately leave so much to be desired. Some players contend that you may do anything at Croquet that the rules do not expressly forbid—for instance you may run a hoop and go off the dead boundary and bringing the ball on continue your turn, also you may knock a ball off in the Roquet and still continue your turn—because the rules do not state your turn stops by doing either of these things, and as a matter of fact the game is so played in first-class play in England. In this country the turn stops on many grounds when either of these strokes takes place.

With reference to the question at head of this there is no rule that says a ball that is not a Rover cannot peg out a ball that is a Rover, and so the contention that you may do anything that the rules do not forbid, admits of argument—and no one refrains from arguing given the chance. Hence the game is played with variations on different grounds according to the construction placed on rules which should have but one possible construction. ED.]

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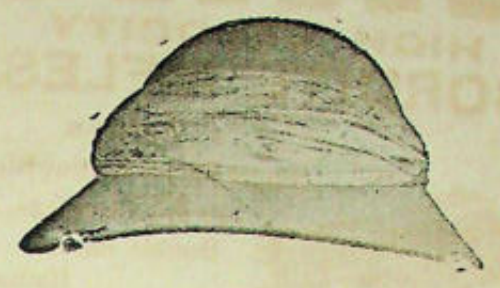
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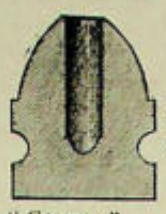
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Name of Races.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Bangalore Races	July	9, 12 & 14	
Secunderabad	„	23, 25, 27	507
Colombo August	„	9, 11 & 13	
Tollygunge Club Second Gymkhana ..	„	16	
Poona First Extra —	August	30	
„ Second „ —	July	6	
„ Third „	August	13	
„ Fourth „	„	20	
„ Fifth „	„	25	
„ Sixth „ — ..	„	27	
„ Seventh „ — —	„	3	
„ Eighth „	Sept.	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	„	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	
Calcutta Monsoon First .. —	August	6	506
„ „ Second	„	13	
„ „ Third — ..	„	20	
„ „ Fourth	Sept.	10	
„ „ Fifth	„	17	
Simla Autumn — ..	Oct.	4 & 6	
Lucknow Autumn Sky — ..	„	25 & 27	
Umballa Autumn	Nov.	5, 8 & 10	625
Meerut Autumn Sky	„	15, 17, & 19	82
Lucknow Autumn .. —	„	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	626
Calcutta First Extra	„	10	
„ Second „	„	17	
„ First Meeting	„	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup .. — ..	„	27	
Lahore Xmas	„	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	„	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	„	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting .. —	„	14 & 21	
„ Third Extra	„	28	
„ Fourth „ .. —	Feb	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Secunderabad	Second —	—	10th July.
Poona Races	First ..	..	2nd August.
	Second ..	..	23rd „
	Final ..	..	6th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon ..	—	—	2nd August.
„ 2nd „ ..	—	—	9th August.
„ 3rd „ ..	—	..	16th August.
„ 4th „ —	—	—	6th September.
„ 5th „ —	..	—	13th September.
Army Cup — ..	Third —	..	1st October.
	Final ..	..	15th November.
Civil Service Cup ..	Third ..	—	15th September.
	Fourth —	..	1st December.
	Final —	—	20th January.
Umballa Autumn ..	First —	..	13th August.
	Second ..	—	17th September.
	Third —	..	29th October.
Calcutta First Extra —	..	..	6th December.
„ Second Extra	..	..	13th „
„ First Meeting ..	First —	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	30th „
„ Second Meeting ..	First ..	..	30th November.
	Second ..	..	7th January.
Lahore Xmas	Second ..	..	1st November.
	Third —	..	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	First ..	..	1st August.
	Second —	..	15th September
	Third ..	..	6th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	30th „
„ „ Second Day	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	—	2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August.
Bangalore Tournament — —	13th, 15th, 18th and 20th July
Poona Junior Tournament	Begins 15th August.
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Calcutta Football League	Now on.
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RACQUETS.

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HOCKEY.

Madras Tournament —	Begins 25th July.
Lahore and Mian Mir Tournament	Now on.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	Begins 22nd August.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay) —	23rd, 24th and 25th August.
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SHOWS.

Bangalore Horse —	21st, 22nd and 23rd July

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Final Four Lengths Handicap .. —	15th July.
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ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Eclipse Stakes (1¼ miles) .. .. —	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs) —	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles) .. — ..	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1¼ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate .. — ..	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1¾ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs) — ..	Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes .. — ..	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap —	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.) ..	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) .. —	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ miles) . ..	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 12th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong) ..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) .. —	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs) ..	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles) ..	Saturday, 26th November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Gentlemen vs. Players (Oval) .. —	7th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords)	27th July.
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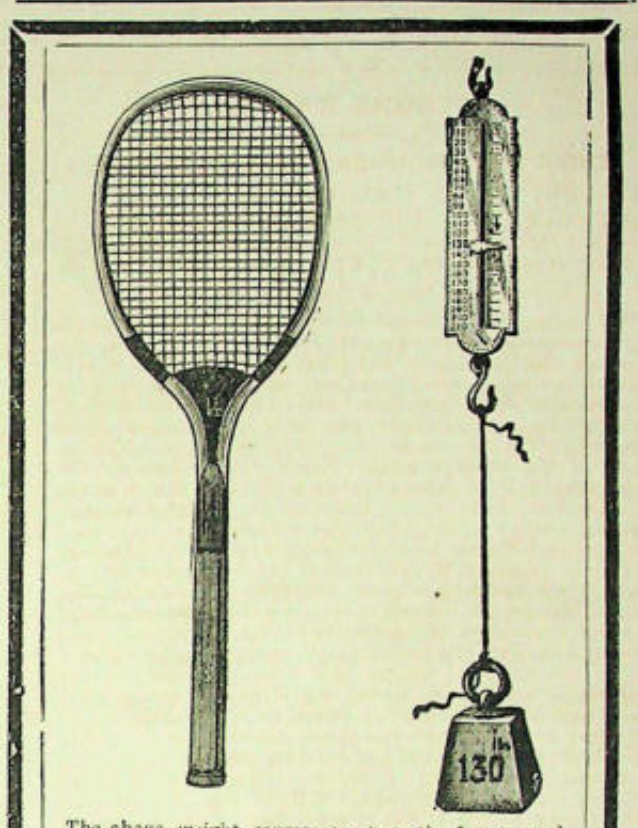
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MYSORE RACES.

Third Day, Thursday, 30th June 1904.

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THE racing in the course of the third and last day of the Mysore races was perhaps the best of any seen during the meeting. But the course was heavy, owing to a big shower that fell just before racing began, and rain continued more or less throughout the afternoon. Had it not been for this fact, certainly one, and possibly two races would have ended differently; the wet course being quite enough to break the hearts of the heavy weights. Heavy weights indeed! It seems next door to cruelty to ask a good pony like Minimus to carry 12st. 10lbs. over a mile, but he struggled so hard that he nearly upset what was considered a very good thing by those "in the know." Cleopatra won a lot of money for certain people at Mysore, but had the course been dry, the second pony would have given her 52lbs. (!) and a beating. Bundook was another top-weight upon whom the wet course had an effect the reverse of beneficial; but he ran a good, game horse, and was only just beaten though running under the whip for the last furlong. Sandow and Cleopatra were the only actual favourites winning during the afternoon, though there was a good deal of money on Prime for the opening event. Ptarmagan and Misty were four to one chances, and the people who thought Colonel Desaraj Urs' beautiful little grey could not go a mile were woefully mistaken. "Best half-mile Arab in India, can go five furlongs, and if not bustled early, can scratch along for six." But a mile! No! back Oriental—real good." That was the opinion heard all over the course. But Ptarmagan nevertheless made practically all his own running, and cantered in two lengths ahead of St. Gris whilst Oriental, a red hot favourite, ran a perfect pig. It only shows how apt even the best informed tuifites are to go wrong. It was on the whole most distinctly a bookmakers' meeting, there were many long faces amongst punters, and lots of men are looking forward to Bangalore with the hope of getting a bit of their own back. Details:—

THE B. C. HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200, and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for Country-bred horses. 1¼ miles.

Colonel I P Grant's bc b h Prime, 6st 10lbs ... ... Kamad 1
Captain J Randall's br cb m Miss Ascot, 8st 12lbs ... ... Hoyt 2
Mr Jaffer Mahomed Mystry's b cb g Upstart, 11st 7lbs ... ... Heroo 3

BETTING: Evens Miss Ascot, 6 to 4 agst. Prime, and 4 to 1 Upstart.

Prime made running from start to finish, with Miss Ascot second and Upstart last.

The same order was maintained throughout, Upstart being eased in the last quarter of a mile and finishing twenty lengths behind Miss Ascot, the latter being easily beaten by a length by Prime for first place. Time—2 mins. 22⅕secs.

THE CHAMUNDI PLATE—Rs. 1,500. Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 200, and the third Rs. 100. Handicap for Arab ponies 14 hands and under.—One mile.

Lieut-Col Desaraj Urs' g a h Ptarmagan 8st 6lbs ... ... Melsom 1
Captain A S Toogood's g a g St Gris, 8st ... O'Neill 2
Colonel Kavanagh's g a h Money Spinner, 8st 13lbs ... ... Heroo 3
Aga S Shah's b a h Oriental, 8st 8lbs ... Kamad 0
Major R M Bell's g a h Scattercash 9st ... Hoyt 0
Major R M Bell's b a h Matussan, 6st 12lbs (carried 7st 3lbs) ... ... Gooloo 0
Major A C Hamilton's g a h Defendant, 6st 11lbs ... ... Bennett 0

BETTING: Evens Oriental, 3 to 1 agst. Money Spinner, 4 to 1 Ptarmagan 5 to 1 Scattercash, and 10 to 1 each St. Gris, Matusson and Defendant.

Ptarmagan at once streaked away from Defendant and Oriental, but the pace afterwards became a bit slow. At the turn for home Defendant dropped back, and a little later Oriental was well beaten, whilst St. Gris came through. He could make no impression, however, upon Ptarmagan, the latter winning as he liked by two lengths; three-quarter of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 55⅕secs.

THE PALACE CUP.—Rs. 2,000. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 300, and the third Rs. 200. A Handicap for Horses. One mile.

Capt Wilson's bk e h Misty, 7st 10lbs ... Kamad 1
Mr J MacJohn's b e g Bundook, 9st 8lbs ... O'Neill 2
Mr N R Chowdry's br aus g Wild Raven, 8st 2lbs ... ... Elliott 3
Mr Kelso's b aus g Harpist, 9st 3lbs ... Heroo 0
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton, 8st 10lbs ... Melsom 0
H H Aga Khan's br e g Ayrdale, 8st 8lbs... Robinson 0
Major F C Logan-Home's br aus g Corrie Roy, 7st 8lbs ... ... Hoyt 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Ayrdale, 4 to 1 each Bundook, Harpist, Misty and Corrie Roy, and 5 to 1 each Trenton and Wild Raven.

Misty made strong running from Bundook and Harpist, when three furlongs had been covered, Misty was still leading, with Bundook Harpist and Ayrdale running in the order named. So they ran until entering the straight, when Harpist dropped away beaten, and Corrie Roy improved his position. Wild Raven also came through, and a great race home ensued Misty just holding his own, and winning by three-quarter of a length. Only half a length divided Bundook from Wild Raven and so close behind the latter was Corrie Roy, that many people thought he had run into third place. Time—1min. 45⅕secs.

THE ROYAL PURSE.—Rs. 1,500. Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 200, and the third Rs. 100. A Handicap for Ponies. One mile.

Mr A P Symond's bk aus m Cleopatra, 9st Heroo 1
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' br aus g Minimus, 12st 10lbs ... ... Lansdowne 2
Mr A West's ch aus m Firebrand, 7st 7lbs Elliott 3
Mr M Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs' ch aus m Queen Cole, 10st 5lbs ... ... Thompson 0
Major Dougall's ch aus g Lancer, 9st 6lbs Penton 0
Mr S W Webster's b aus m Flight, 6st 8lbs Bennett 0

BETTING: Evens Cleopatra, 3 to 1 each agst. Minimus and Lancer, 4 to 1 Flight, and 10 to 1 each Queen Cole and Firebrand.

When they settled down, Cleopatra led from Lancer and Queen Cole, with Minimus last. After running two furlongs Flight came up third, but the pace subsequently became too good for her and she dropped back. At the turn into the straights Minimus improved his position, and a furlong from home took second place and challenged the leader. A great struggle ensued, Cleopatra eventually beating Minimus who ran game as a pebble under his crushing weight, by a neck, with Firebrand third, two and a half lengths away. Time—1min. 54⅕secs.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200, and the third Rs. 100. A Handicap for Arab Horses. 9 furlongs.

H H Aga Khan's ch a h Sandow, 8st 8lbs Robinson 1
Mr Mahomed Hajee Ibrahim's ch a h Gallant, 10st 4lbs ... ... Heroo 2
Colonel A Sprot's ch a h Harefoot, 7st 11lbs Hoyt 3
Capt Darley and Mr Stewart's ch a g Selpme 7st 13lbs ... ... Elliott 3
Major A C Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 7st 8lbs .. .. Bennett 0
Mr S W Webster's b a g Derision, 6st 10lbs (carried 7st 2lbs) ... ... Melsom 0
H H The Maharaja of Mysore's b a h Khundoos, 6st 2lbs (carried 6st 5lbs) Kamad 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Sandow, 2 to 1 Jack Horner, 5 to 1 Gallant, and 6 to 1 each Selpme, Harefoot, Derision and Khundoos.

Khundoos led out from the favourite, and Derision, with Jack Horner, whipping in. Along the far side of the course the last-named pony was sent to the front and led into the straight by two lengths. A quarter of a mile from home he dropped back beaten, while Sandow assumed the lead and Gallant and Harefoot improved their positions. Sandow eventually won without being asked a question, by two and a half lengths, two lengths dividing second and third. Time:—2mins. 10secs.

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

THE A. R. C. BIRTHDAY MEETING.

BIRTHDAY CUP.—A handicap of 800sovs.; second horse to receive 150sovs., and the third 75sovs. out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. The winner of any handicap flat race (after declaration of weights) of the value of 50sovs. to carry a penalty of 5lbs.; of 100 sovs. 7lbs.; of 200sovs. or over 10lbs. One and a half miles.

£189 10 Mr J H Aldridge's b or br m Antilles, by Carlyon—Queen of Nations, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs—including 10lbs penalty and 1lb over ... ... W Burn 1
£618 5 Mr H Abram's b g Seaport, by Portsea—Opera, 6yrs, 7st 7lbs ... R Lewis 2
£245 Messrs H and C Hughes's b g Combat, by Carnage—Maid of Honour, aged, 9st 4lbs ... ... H J Morrison 0
£101 Mr H Hawkins's b h Bonnie Chief, 5yrs, 9st ... ... C Cooper 0
£374 Mr C Lenny's c g Avalon, aged, 8st 5lbs ... ... J O'Brien 0
£212 5 Mr R King's b or br m Fairyland, 6yrs, 7st 11lbs ... ... J McDonald 0
£597 15 Mr H G Wheeler's c g Bright Pilgrim, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs ... ... W Hopwood 0
£144 5 Messrs Nicholas and McKeon's b c Bandolier, 3yrs, 7st 10lbs... ... A Richardson 0
£97 10 Mr T Kelly's c g Bedford, aged, 6st 13lbs ... ... W Burns 0
£100 15 Mr C Mellen's br m Magda, 5yrs, 7st 11lb—including 2lbs over ... A Pile 0
£65 10 Mr J Rowen's b c Rifler, 3 yrs, 6st 12lbs ... ... M Carslake 0
£162 10 Mr N McEachern's br h Discussion, 5yrs, 6st 12lbs ... ... D J Hall 0

(*Winner trained by L. Aldridge.*)

Amount in totalizator. £3,008 5. Dividends—Antilles, £10 14 Seaport, £1 1.

Won very easily by three lengths; a length between second and third Time—2mins. 37secs.

ALDERMAN CUP.—A handicap of 300sovs.; second horse to receive 70sovs., and the third 30sovs., out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. The winner of any handicap flat race (after declaration of weights) to carry a penalty of 7lbs. One and three-quarter miles.

£211 5 Mr C Lenny's c g Avalon, by Strathmore—Chintz, aged, 8st 4lbs ... J O'Brien 1
£308 10 Mr N McEachern's br h Discussion, by Light Artillery—Small Talk, 5yrs, 7st ... ... E J Hall 2
£192 10 Mr H G Wheeler's c g Bright Pilgrim, by Pilgrim's Progress—Bright Eyes, 5yrs, 7st 7lbs ... J H Mills 3
£299 Messrs H and C Hughes's b g Combat, aged, 9st 5lbs ... ... H J Morrison 0
£801 10 Mr H Abram's b g Seaport, 6yrs, 8st 2lbs ... ... W Burn 0
£160 15 Mr R King's b or br m Fairyland, 6yrs, 7st 7lbs—including 2lbs over J McDonald 0
£80 10 Messrs Nicholas and McKeon's b c Bandolier, 3yrs, 7st 2lbs ... ... A Anderson 0
£261 Mr C Quinn's b m Light Joy, 6yrs, or aged, 6st 12lbs ... ... W Burns 0
£151 Mr F Burmeister's br g Quandong, aged, 6st 9lbs ... — W Claus 0
£56 10 Mr T Kelly's c g Bedford, aged, 6st 11lbs—including 2lbs over — M Carslake 0
£22 5 Mr Fitzgerald's c g Conceal, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs ... ... C King 0

(*Winner trained by J. Walsh.*)

Amount in totalizator, £2,547 15. Dividends—Avalon, £8 2; Discussion, £1 17.

Won by a length and a half; same distance between second and third. Time—3mins. 6secs.

VICTORIA PARK STEEPLECHASE.—A handicap of 250sovs.; second horse to receive 50sovs. and the third 25sovs. out of the stake. Over such course and jumps as the committee shall direct. The winner of any handicap hurdle race or handicap steeplechase (after declaration of weight) of the value of 50sovs. to carry a penalty of 7lbs.; of 100sovs. (or Kensington Steeplechase), 10lbs.; of 20sovs. or over, 14lbs. About three miles.

£240 15 Mr C L Moorhouse's br or bk g Convoy, by Pacific—King of the Hills mare, aged, 9st 12lbs ... .. M Whelan 1
£342 Mr S Ferry's c g The Actor, 6yrs, or aged, 11st 4lbs ... ... J Spooner 2
£305 15 Mr C Watson's b m Isis, aged, 12st 10lbs ... ... C Howie 3
£187 Mr S Ferry's c g Hornpipe, aged, 10st 5lbs ... ... T Bowen 0
£52 Mr T J Barrett's b g Cromwell, aged, 9st 13lbs ... ... H McLean 0
£203 Mr H Dunn's bk g The Sheik, aged, 9st 13lbs ... . A Bennett 0
£153 15 Mr S F Reynold's b g C.U.L., aged, 9st 9lbs... ... ... A P Brewer 0
£44 10 Mr J Murphy's c g Try Again, aged, 9st 4lbs—including 4lbs over T Kain 0
£54 10 Mr W Mallen's br or br g Burlaway, aged, 9st ... ... T Timmins 0

(*Winner trained by G. Dally.*)

Amount in totalizator, £1,583 5. Dividend, £5 18.

Won by two and a half lengths; six lengths between second and third. Time—6mins. 24secs.

Entries for Races.

LUCKNOW AUTUMN MEETING, 1904.

SECOND ENTRIES.

THE ARMY CUP—7 furlongs.

38 Major Stisted's ... ch a h ... Modesty, 13-0½
39 Major General Smith Dorrian's ... ... g a h ... Alexis, 13-3½

Third Entries will close on 1st October.

H. D. MCNEILE.
Captain for Hony. Secy., Lucknow Races.

BANGALORE RACES 1904.

Entrances for 1st July.

THE CLOISTER CUP.

1 Mr R Anketell Jones' ... ch aus g ... Tight Rope, 13-2½
2 Mr Rasch's ... ... g a h ... Maxim

THE HORSE SCURRY.

1 Major A C Hamilton's ... b aus g ... Scissorman

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

1 Mr S W Webster's ... b a h ... Syndic to be measured.
2 Mr R Anketell Jones' ... b a h ... Moonder, 13-1½

ALL HORSE HANDICAP.

1 Major A C Hamilton's ... b aus g ... Scissorman

THE EXCELSIOR PLATE.

1 Mr R Anketell Jones' ... ch aus g ... Tight Rope, 13-2½
2 H H Aga Khan and Aga Shah's ... ... ch aus g ... Cocos

BANGALORE, 2nd July 1904. | H. DUNNE. *Secretary, Bangalore Races.*

Ponies.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

POONA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Poona, on the 18th June 1904.

Horse's Name.	*Description.*	*Owners Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Avatar	gr a h	Capt Bayford	5	14-0¼	31st March, 1905.
Formosa	br aus m	Capt W J Lambert	Aged	14-0	For life.
Grand Slam II	gr a h	Mr H R Hackney	5	13-3¼	31st March, 1905.
Iman	gr a g	Capt V K Birch	Aged	13-3¾	For life.
Jan Alum	b a h	Mr Hajee Abdool Gunnie	6	13-2¾	For life.
Promise II	gr a h	Mr A Lucas	Aged	13-3¾	For life.
Shaugraun	ch aus g	Aga S Shah	4	14-2¼	
Sample	br cb m	Mr T Kendall	6	14-1½	For life.
Splendour	b a h	Mr T Kendall	Aged	13-3	For life.
Tidal Wave	gr a h	Capt Davie	5	14-0¼	31st March, 1905.
Tribute	b a h	Mr Trikumdass	5	13-2¾	31st March, 1905.
Cleo	b e m	Aga S Shah	3	.....	31st December, 1904.
Mark I	ch a h	Capt H A Sullivan	4	.....	31st December, 1904.
Mimosa	br aus m	Major G Moore	Aged	.....	

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT).

LONDON, *Friday, 17th June, 1904.*

THE TURF.

ASCOT MEETING.

THOUGH the turf was singularly verdant (and never looked better) for the opening stage of the fixture on the 15th instant, the ground was decidedly firm, and grave apprehensions were entertained lest the going should revert to its old-time adamantine condition before the conclusion of the gathering. These fears were effectually dispelled, however, when it was realised that the rain which set in towards the close of the entertainment had continued almost without intermission throughout the night, and the galloping was not only in fine order the next day, but it is likely to remain so for the rest of the week. Happily the downpour ceased soon after dawn, and the afternoon being fine, though dull, the gathering again assumed the appearance of a fashionable garden party. In spite of the temperature being appreciably lower, costumes of the daintiest and most delicate fabrics lit up the lawn, and the scene was worthy of the traditions of the venue. The king and Prince of Wales again honoured the reunion, but no ladies were included amongst the Royalties present. The feature of the racing was the marked success of Mr. Gilpin's stable. Details:—

THE ROYAL HUNT CUP of 2,620sovs; winners extra. Seven furlongs and 166 yards. (76 entries.)

Mr Keswick's b h Csardas, by Ladas—Polka, 5yrs, 7st 5lbs) ... ... G McCall 1
M E de Blaskovits's b h Hazafi, by Orwell—Ollyan Nines, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs ... H Lewis 2
Mr L Brassy's b c Wild Oats, by Bay Ronald—Wild Rose, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs ... K Cannon 3

Lord Carnarvon's br h Robert le Diable, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay, 5yrs, 9st ... W Lane 0
Mr W A Jarvis's b c Cades, by Cyllene—Lovette, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs ... ... J Jarvis 0
Sir J Miller's b h Cossack, by Ayrshire—Kosakin, 6 yrs, 8st 13lbs ... D Maher 0
Mr L Robinson's br m Niphetos, by Bill of Portland—Tea Rose, 5yrs 7st 4lbs* W Saxby 0
Mr F Taylor's b g Union Jack, by Suspender—Gloriola, 4yrs, 8st 12lbs ... H Randall 0
Mr E C Irish's ch h Over Norton, by Adieu—Lady Why, aged, 8st 2lbs ... H Aylin 0
Lord Howard de Walden's b c Kilglass, by Isinglass—Kilkenny, 4yrs, 8st ... T L Miller 0
Duke of Portland's b c The Scribe, by Isinglass—Memoir, 3yrs, 6st 5lbs* (car 6st 9lbs) ... ... A Sharples 0
Mr A Taylor's b c Jolly Bird, by Gallinule—La Joie, 4yrs, 6st 4lbs* (car 6st 5lbs) J Rollason 0
Mr G A Prentice's b c Dumbarton Castle, by Wolf's Crag—Chemistry, 4yrs, 8st 8lbs ... ... O Madden 0
Sir E Cassel's b or br g Speculator, by Matchmaker—Miss Speculum, 5yrs, 8st 8lbs ... ... W Halsey 0
Mr G Faber's b h Duke of Westminster, by Orme—Gantlet, 5yrs, 8st 8lbs ... M Cannon 0
Duke of Devonshire's b m Simony, by Common—Simon's Bay, 5yrs, 8st 4lbs H Jones 0
Mr J B Joel's b f Our Lassie, by Ayrshire—Yours, 4yrs, 8st ... ... J E Watts 0
Mr W G Langland's b m Noblesse, by Racburn—Noble Countess, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs ... ... J Dillon 0
Sir J Thursby's b c John Peel by Enthusiast—Hunting Queen, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs ... C Trigg 0
Mr J Buchanan's b c Lancashire, by Kingston—Calico, 3yrs, 7st 5lbs ... E Wheatley 0
Capt Forester's b f Queen's Holiday, by Royal Hampton—Cimiez, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs* ... ... W Kerridge 0
Mr W Rankin's ch h St Luke, by Isosceles—La Niche, 5yrs, 7st 11lb ... Murray 0
Miss Clinton's b f Sun Rose, by Sheen—Nina, 4yrs, 6st 11lbs ... ... J Plant 0
Mr A Stedall's b g Marsden, by Orvieto—Virtus, 3yrs, 6st 5lbs* ... ... B Hughes 0
Mr L de Rothschild's ch f Catgut, by Lactantius—Catkin, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs ... J W East 0
Mr J M Kern's ch c Melayr, by Ayrshire—Melton Queen, 3yrs 6st 11lb (car 6st 4lbs) ... ... W Griggs 0
Col H T Fenwick's ch f Cherry Agnes, by Enthusiast—Ethel Agnes, 3yrs, 6st (car 6st 3lbs) ... ... G Pearson 0
Mr L de Rothschild's b g Chapeau, by Bonnet Rouge—Dymac, 3yrs, 5st 9lbs* (car 5st 11lbs) ... ... Hunter 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by J. Cannon.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 agst Wild Oats, 9 to 1 Robert le Diable 10 to 1 Kilglass, 10 to 1 Csardas, 100 to 8 Cossack, 100 to 6 Niphetos, 20 to 1 Melayr, 20 to 1 Duke of Westminster, 20 to 1 Speculator, 25 to 1 Catgut, 25 to 1 Union Jack, 30 to 1 Cades, 33 to 1 Dumbarton Castle, 33 to 1 St. Luke, 40 to 1 Hazafi, 40 to 1 Over Norton, 40 to 1 Lancashire, 50 to 1 Simony, 50 to 1 Marsden, 50 to 1 Sun Rose, 50 to 1 The Scribe, 50 to 1 Chapeau, 66 to 1 John Peel, 66 to 1 Jollybird, 66 to 1 Noblesse, 66 to 1 Our Lassie, 100 to 1 Queen's Holiday, 100 to 1 Cherry Agnes.

PLACE BETTING: (1, 2, 3.) 2 to 1 agst. Wild Oats, 9 to 4 Robert le Diable, 5 to 2 Kilglass, 5 to 2 Csardas, 3 to 1 Cossack, 4 to 1 Niphetos, 5 to 1 Melayr, 5 to 1 Duke of Westminster, 5 to 1 Speculator, 6 to 1 Catgut, 6 to 1 Union Jack, 7 to 1 Cades, 8 to 1 Dumbarton Castle, 8 to 1 St. Luke, 10 to 1 Hazafi, 10 to 1 Over Norton, 10 to 1 Lancashire, 100 to 8 Simony, 100 to 8 Marsden, 100 to 8 The Scribe, 100 to 8 Chapeau, 100 to 8 Jollybird, 100 to 7 Sun Rose, 100 to 7 John Peel, 100 to 7 Noblesse, 100 to 7 Our Lassie, 20 to 1 Cherry Agnes, 25 to 1 Queen's Holiday.

There was a slight delay caused by Simony before the lot were despatched at 3·10 to an excellent start, Catgut making play in the centre from Csardas, Hazafi, and Wild Oats on the stand side, Cossack, Robert le Diable, and Niphetos, with Melayr, Union Jack, John Peel, and St. Luke next, in advance of Kilglass and Queen's Holiday, for about a furlong, when Melayr dropped back beaten. After going about halfway Csardas drew to the front in the centre of the course, attended by Hazafi and Cossack on the stand side, Wild Oats in the Middle, Niphetos on the right, and Cades, and, making the remainder of the running, won by length and a half; half a length separated the second and third. Robert le Diable was placed fourth, Cades was fifth, Cossack sixth, Niphetos seventh, Union Jack eighth, Over Norton ninth, Kilglass tenth. The Scribe eleventh, Jollybird twelth, Queen's Holiday next, and Melayr last, behind St. Luke. Time by Benson's chronograph—1min. 43⅗secs.

THE ASCOT DERBY STAKES of 1,125sovs. for three-year-olds; colts 8st 10lbs., fillies and geldings 8st 6lbs.; penalties, etc. Swinley Course (one mile and a half).

Duke of Portland's b c Darley Dale, by St Simon—Ismay, 8st 8lbs ... ... M Cannon 1
His Majesty's b c Chatsworth, 8st 3lbs ... H Jones 2
Mr L Neumann's b c Sertorious, 8st 3lbs W Lane 3
Mr Reid Walker's Landsman, 8st 3lbs ... Halsey 0
Lord Wolverton's Golden Touch, 8st 3lbs Watts 0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Topiary, 7st 13lbs ... ... G McCall 0

(*Winner trained by J. Porter*).

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Darley Dale, 3 to 1 Chatsworth, 8 to 1 Topiary, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a length; a length and a half divided the second and third. Landsman was fourth and Golden Touch last. Time by Benson's chronograph.—2mins 37⅗secs

THE CORONATION STAKES of 3,000sovs. for three-year-old fillies; 8st 10lbs each; penalties, etc. One mile.

Major E Loder's ch f Pretty Polly, by Gallinule—Admiration, 9st 8lbs ... W Lane 1
Lord Wolverton's br f Montem, 8st 10lbs H Jones 2
Mr L de Rothschild's b f Pieria, 8st 10lbs K Cannon 3
Col E W Baird's Leucadia, 8st 10lbs ... H Aylin 0
Mr Jersey's Vergia, 8st 10lbs ... ... O Madden 0
Lord Stanley's Flamma, 8st 10lbs ... D Maher 0
Lord Rosebery's Chelys, 8st 10lbs ... Watts 0
Mr Reid Walker's Kilbirnie, 8st 3lbs ... Halsey 0

(*Winner trained by Mr. Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Pretty Polly, and 100 to 8 agst. any other (offered)

Won in a common canter by three lengths from Montem, who beat Pieria a neck for second place. Flamma was fourth, Chelys fifth, Leucadia next, and Vergia last. Time by Benson's chronograph—1min. 49⅗secs.

Three circumstances combined to make yesterday's gathering at Ascot the most interesting so far of the meeting, and possibly the most enjoyable. I allude to the weather, the prospect of a Homerio struggle between Sceptre, the gamest mare that ever planted her four feet on the turf, and the dashing, long-striding Zinfandel, and the visit in State of the King and Queen. The optimist is so happily minded that he can always find some new feature of enjoyment in the present, and disdains comparison with past Ascots, because he knows such gatherings are more or less at the mercy of hidebound circumstance as regards weather and the social phase, while the element of luck has been known to play by no means an unimportant part in the game of racing. In writing of the gathering yesterday I have in my mind the knowledge that possibly hundreds are making their social *debut* on the most fashionable day of the most fashionable function in the world, and therefore, I hope it will gratify them in the same measure as it gratifies me to be able to state that Gold Vase day has never been favoured by more glorious weather conditions, has never attracted a bigger attendance, and has never had its traditions more worthily upheld in all respects. Details:—

THE ROUS MEMORIAL STAKES of 930sovs.; weight for age, etc. Hunt Cup Course (seven furlongs and 166 yards).

Mr L Brassey's b c Wild Oats, by Bay Ronald—Wild Rose, 4yrs, 8st 10lbs ... K Cannon 1
Lord Falmouth's b c Esquire, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs Trigg 2
Mr Douglas Baird's b c Islesman, 3yrs, 7st 9lbs (car 7st 10lbs) ... ... W Lane 3
Capt Forester's Uninsured, 4yrs, 8st 7lbs ... B Dillon 0

(*Winner trained by H. Sadler.*)

BETTING: 6 to 5 on Uninsured, 2 to 1 agst. Wild Oats, 7 to 1 Islesman, and 100 to 8 Esquire.

Won in a canter by four lengths; half a length divided the second and third.

THE GOLD CUP, value 3,260sovs.; weight for age, with allowances. Two miles and a half.

Mr F Alexander's b h Throwaway, by Right Away—Theale, 5yrs, 9st 4lbs W Lane 1
Lord Howard de Walden's ch c Zinfandel, by Persimmon—Medora, 4yrs, 9st ... M Cannon 2
Mr W Bass's b m Sceptre, by Persimmon—Ornament, 5yrs, 9st 11b ... ... O Madden 3
M J de Bremond's b h Maximum II, by Pythagoras—Miss Allen, 5yrs, 9st 4lbs G Stern 0

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Zinfandel, 7 to 4 agst. Sceptre, 10 to 1 Maximum II., 20 to 1 Throwaway (offered).

Throwaway was the first to leave the paddock, and he led the parade from Maximum II., Sceptre, and Zinfandel, a stable companion of the latter preceding him. The white flag was hoisted at four minutes past three, and a minute later the quartette were despatched to a capital start. Throwaway settling down with a clear lead of Sceptre, with Maximum II., whipping in. Turning out of the straight Throwaway increased his lead to about five lengths and the others maintained their positions (a space of about a length separating each to the junction of the courses where Sceptre began to creep up, reducing the gap to a couple of lengths. Making the bend for home Sceptre drew level with Throwaway, and when fairly in the line for home she held a three-quarter-length lead, whilst Zinfandel and Maximum II. closed up with the other pair. Halfway up the straight, however, Sceptre was in difficulties and Throwaway resumed the lead, and, resisting the challenge of Zinfandel, won, amidst intense excitement, by a length; three-quarters of a length divided the second and third. Time by Benson's chronograph—4mins. 43⅗secs.

THE NEW STAKES of 1,942sovs., for two-year-olds; colts 8st. 10lbs., fillies 8st. 7lbs; winners extra. Five furlongs and 144 yards.

Mr L Neumann's ch c Llangibby, by Wildfowler—Concussion, 8st 10lbs ... W Lane 1
Sir E Vincent's ch c Shah Jehan, 8st 10lbs D Maher 2
Mr H I Higham's b c Selim 8st 10lbs ... M Cannon 3
Mr F Bibby's Monsieur Beaucaire, 8st 10lbs Randall 0
Mr J Buchanan's Esclavo, 8st 10lbs ... E Wheatley 0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's c by Ladas—St Ia, 8st 10lbs ... ... Griggs 0
Mr A James's Atlas, 8st 10lbs ... ... H Jones 0
Mr J B Joel's Pure Crystal, 8st 10lbs ... O Maden 0
Duke of Devonshire's f by Flying Fox—Lady Villikins, 8st 7lbs ... ... Halsey 0

(*Winner trained by Mr. Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Llangibby, 100 to 30 Atlas, 100 to 15 Lady Villikins filly, 7 to 1 Shah Jehan, 8 to 1 St. Ia colt, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; six lengths between second and third. Esclavo was fourth, Atlas fifth, Pure Crystal sixth, Lady Villikins filly next, and St. Ia colt last. Time by Benson's chronograph—1min 14⅗secs.

Bright as was the promise of this morning, it has now somewhat clouded over, and it is not unlikely that rain may close the day. The heat is great, and any breeze stirring of the slightest, so that never were the gardens more attractive. Those who came down by the earlier trains, settled quietly down in their seats around the band stand and preferred that way of going a racing to anything that the course could offer. They had a distinct advantage, for they could contemplate close at hand the long stream of well-known people who poured into the stands or were on their way to the Royal enclosure. The attendance in what is called in theatres "the better parts of the house" is almost as big as yesterday. The paddock, in the close atmosphere, is the favourite resort, and has been crowded at every interval.

THE ASCOT HIGH-WEIGHT STAKES (Handicap) of 300sovs., with 50sovs. to the second, added to a Sweepstakes of 15sovs each, 5 ft. One mile and a quarter. Forty-one entries.

Sir J Miller's Pharisee, by The Sailor Prince—Perception, 5yrs, 9st 2lbs ... Maher 1
Mr T Corn's Rightful, 5yrs, 7st 12lbs ... Butchers 2
Duke of Portland's Bolsover, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs Miller 3
Sir John Thursby's Fighting Furley, aged, 9st 7lbs ... ... Lewis 0
Mr G A Prentice's General Cronje, 4yrs, 9st 3lbs ... ... Madden 0
Sir E Cassel's Love Charm, 4yrs, 9st 2lbs Halsey 0
Lord Ellesmere's Gower, 4yrs, 9st 2lbs ... H Aylin 0
Mr Reid Walker's Courlan, aged, 9st 11lbs Randall 0
Lord Westbury's Cerisier, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs ... R Jones 0
Mr H Sleath Skelton's Happy Slave, 5yrs, 8st 9lbs ... ... M Cannon 0
Mr J Hammond's Burses, 5yrs, 8st 8lbs ... K Cannon 0
Mr N G Higham's Prince Royal, 4yrs, 8st 7lbs ... ... Watts 0
Mr Arthur James's Achaicus, 5yrs 8st 3lbs H Jones 0
Mr Lionel Robinson's Glenamoy, 3yrs, 7st 12lbs ... ... W Lane 0
Mr J H Houldsworth's Prestwick, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs ... ... Jarves 0
Mr E A Wigan's First Shot, 3yrs, 7st 9lbs B Dillon 0
Sir S Scott's Series, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs ... E Wheatley 0
Lord Rosebery's Catscradle, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs Trigg 0
Mr L de Rothschild's Chapeau, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs ... ... — Saxby 0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Glenamoy, 6 to 1 each Burses and Prestwick, 100 to 8 each Love Charm, Pharisee, and Cerisier, 100 to 7 each Courlan and Bolsover, 100 to 6 Chapeau, 20 to 1 Rightful or any other (offered).

Won easily by two lengths: a length and a half between the second and third: Glenamoy was fourth; Happy Slave fifth; Achaicus sixth; and Prince Royal next. Time—2mins. 9⅗secs.

THE ALEXANDRA PLATE of 1,500sovs., added to a Sweepstakes of 25sovs each, 15 ft; second to receive 400sovs. and the third 100sovs out of the stakes. Two miles six furlongs and 85 yards, starting at the Hunt Cup Post and going once round. Twenty-six entries.

Lord Howard de Walden's Zinfandel, by Persimmon—Medora, 4yrs, 9st 5lbs ... M Cannon 1
Mr G A Prentice's Karakoul, 5yrs, 9st 6lbs Madden 2
Lord Ellesmere's Firmilian, 4yrs, 9st ... W Lane 3
Mr H E Randall's Genius, 6yrs, 9st 3lbs ... Trigg 0
Mr H E Beddington's D'Orsay, 4yrs, 8st 10lbs ... ... K Cannon 0
Mr Fred Day's Hodge 4 yrs, 8st ... Lewis 0

(*Winner trained by Major Beatty.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Zinfandel, 8 to 1 agst. Karakoul, 10 to 1 Firmilian, 100 to 8 D'Orsay, 25 to 1 each Hodge and Genius (offered).

Won in a canter by four lengths; a length and a half divided the second and third, D'Orsay was fourth; and Genius last. Time—5mins. 8secs.

THE WOKINGHAM STAKES (Handicap) of 15sovs. each, 5 ft, with 600 added; second to receive 100sovs. Six furlongs, on the Hunt Cup Course. Seventy-nine entries.

Mr J Sloncombe's Out o' Sight, by Rightaway—Hazethen, 5yrs 8st 5lbs ... M Cannon 1
Sir E Cassel's Nabot, 5yrs, 8st 7lbs ... Halsey 2
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Count de Moltke-Hvitfeldt's Rataplan, 9st 2lbs ... ... O'Connor 0
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BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Ajax, 7 to 1 Gouvernant, 8 to 1 Lorlot, 10 to 1 Macdonald II, 12 to 1 Turenne, 16 to 1 Samsam, 20 to 1 Rataplan, 20 to 1 Mannequin, 33 to 1 Profane, 50 to 1 Orange Blossom, 66 to 1 Xenophon, 66 to 1 Borgia, 100 to 1 Devis.

There was a long delay at the start, caused by Profane refusing to face the barrier. Turenne was first off, attended by Lorlot, Macdonald II, and Samsam, with Profane next, then came Xenophon, Rataplan, Ajax, Orange Blossom, and Gouvernant, Borgia being in the rear. On settling down, Profane took up the running from Turenne, followed by Samsam, Ajax, Lorlot, and Devis, the next division being led by Macdonald II, closely followed by Rataplan, Gouvernant, and Mannequin. There was little further alteration in the running until they had traversed a little over a mile, when Profane increased the pace. Turenne again assumed command, close up being Gouvernant, Macdonald II, Ajax, and Rataplan, with Mannequin next. At the distance Gouvernant showed signs of distress and dropped back. Stern now called upon the favourite, who responded gallantly, and amidst a scene of considerable excitement Ajax overhauled Turenne and won easily by half a length; two lengths and a half divided the second and third, and, half a length away, Gouvernant was placed fourth. Time by Benson's chronograph—3mins. 19⅗secs. Value of the stakes, 10,904sovs.

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Trigg, C. ...	224	26	21	28	149	11·60
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Randall, H. ...	81	16	10	13	42	19·75
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Jarvis, J. ...	102	15	6	9	72	14·70
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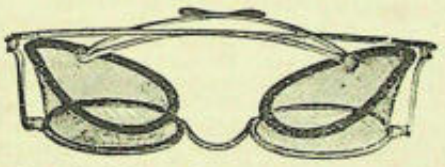
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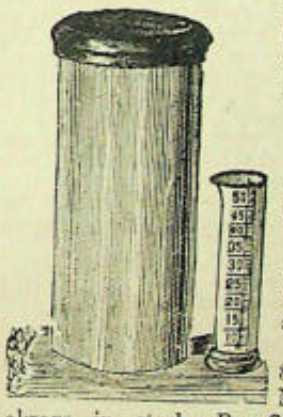
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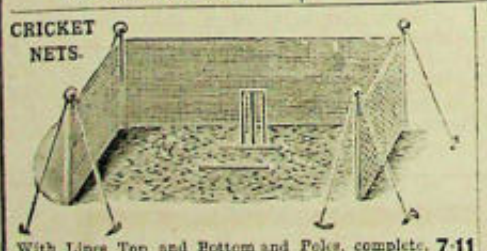
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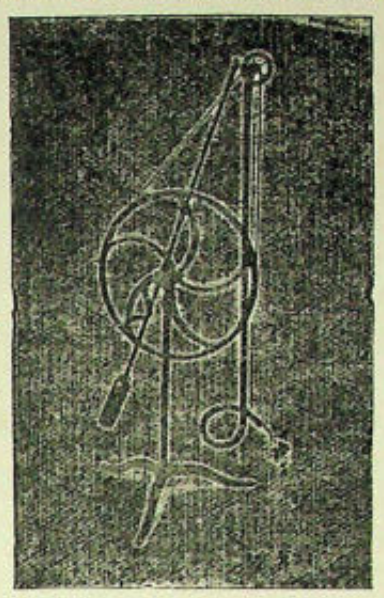
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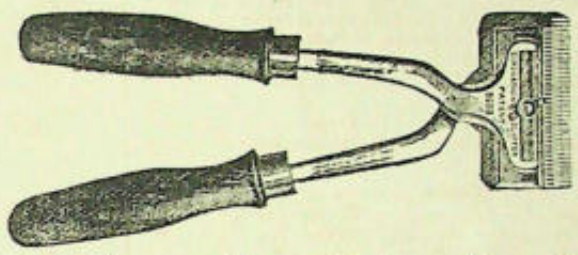
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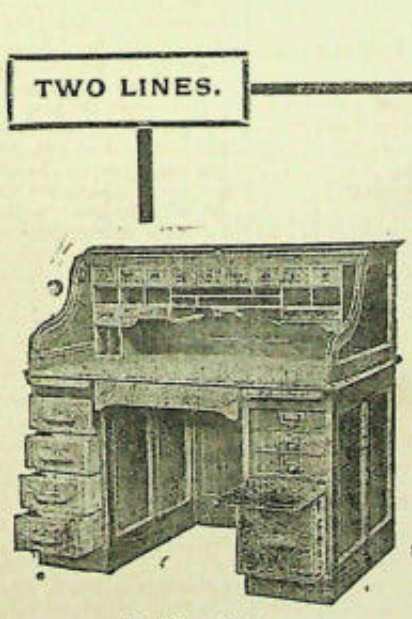
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behind. On the next day the Notts bowlers came in for even more severe treatment than had been the lot of the Yorkshire men on the previous afternoon, and when play ended for the day, Yorkshire had still two wickets in hand, and were leading by 80 runs. Several of the team played excellent cricket, but Tunnicliffe, the highest scorer, was by no means seen at his best. He and Denton put on 174 for the third wicket in two hours and ten minutes. Later in the day, Hirst and Rhodes made a most useful stand, and when stumps were drawn with the total at 422 for eight wickets, Lord Hawke was not out 18. It did not seem at all likely on Saturday that the match would be finished, for with two wickets in hand Yorkshire only had a lead of 70. But the unexpected happened, and before half-past four Yorkshire had gained a brilliant victory. The remaining two wickets increased the total by 30, and when the innings came to an end Notts were 100 runs behind, while the wicket still remained good. But everything now came off for Yorkshire, whose three regular bowlers were seen in their form of last year. Even Rhodes who has of late been of very little service to his side with the ball came out of his shell, and showed something of his old skill. It was a bad thing for Notts when Hirst got rid of A. O. Jones and W. Gunn for a duck's egg apiece, and although he did nothing else during the innings, he deserved extremely well of his side. From this time Notts struggled in vain to extricate themselves from an awkward position, and although Iremonger, J. Gunn, and Dixon all played with great pluck, they could not save their side. Score.—

NOTTS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A O Jones, b Haigh	113	c Ringrose, b Hirst	0
Iremonger, c Tunnicliffe, b Ringrose	7	c Rhodes, b Haigh	30
Gunn (W), l-b-w, b Hirst	18	c Tunnicliffe b Hirst	0
Gunn, (J), l-b w, b Ringrose	2	b Rhodes	23
Anthony, c Wilkinson, b Hirst	0	c and b Rhodes	0
J A Dixon, b Myers	135	c Hunter, b Haigh	27
Day, b Hirst	8	b Haigh	1
Hardstaff, b Haigh	35	l-b-w, b Rhodes	4
Oates, not out	19	b Haigh	12
Hallam, b Haigh	5	c and b Rhodes	7
Wass, b Myers	0	not out	0
B 2, lb 4, nb 4	10	B 3, lb 4	7
Total	352	Total	111

YORKSHIRE.

Hunter, c Dixon, b J Gunn	17	Rhodes, b Wass	35
Myers, c Day, b Anthony	47	Grimshaw (C H), c Oates, b Wass	9
Tunnicliffe, c Oates, b Iremonger	119	Lord Hawke, not out	29
Denton, c Oates, b Iremonger	85	Haigh, st Oates, b J Gunn	9
H Wilkinson, l-b-w, b Iremonger	5	Ringrose, c and b J Gunn	10
Hirst, c W Gunn, b Wass	77	B 6, w 1, nb 3	10
		Total	452

Second Innings.—Hunter, not out, 11; Myers, not out, 0; nb 1—total (no wkt.) 12.

NOTTS.

First Innings.	O	M	R	W	Second Innings.	O	M	R	W
Hirst	29	1	119	3		12	2	25	2
Ringrose	25	2	86	2		6	0	22	0
Rhodes	17	4	54	0		13·1	7	12	4
Haigh	22	4	55	3		20	8	45	4
Myers	4·5	1	28	2					

Ringrose delivered three, and Hirst one, no-ball.

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.	O	M	R	W	Second Innings.	O	M	R	W
Wass	44	12	114	3		3·2	1	11	0
J Gunn	46·4	14	119	3		4	4	0	0
Hallam	27	14	48	0					
Anthony	10	1	36	1					
Day	3	1	16	0					
Jones	3	0	14	0					
Dixon	6	0	35	0					
Iremonger	16	3	69	3					

J Gunn delivered two no-balls, and Wass two no-balls and one wide.

SURREY *vs.* CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—Played at Cambridge on 9th, 10th and 11th June. Surrey won by 40 runs. Score.—

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hayward, c Napier, b McDonell	25	b McDonell	3
Holland, c Wilson, b Napier	47	c Roberts, b McDonell	22
Hayes, c McDonell, b Napier	12	b McDonell	80
S S Harris, c Napier, b McDonell	1	st Payne, b McDonell	8
W G Sarel, c and b McDonell	44	c Payne, b McDonell	12
Moulder, b McDonell	0	c Payne, b McDonell	6
Lees, c Eyre, b Napier	3	c Payne, b McDonell	7
Goodet, l-b-w, b McDonell	7	c Eyre, b Napier	8
Strudwick, c Keigwin, b McDonell	1	c Marsh, b McDonell	15
Smith, c Eyre, b McDonell	28	not out	23
P R May, not out	0	c and b Napier	25
B 11, lb 1, w e nb 1	15	B 1, nb 2	3
Total	198	Total	212

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings		Second Innings.	
R P Keigwin, l-b-w, b Lees	1	b Lees	25
C H Eyre, c Strudwick, b Lees	6	b Lees	35
E W Mann, c Hayes, b Gooder	8	c Holland, b Smith	37
J F Marsh, not out	60	b Hayes	5
E S Phillips, c and b Lees	1	c Hayes, b Lees	0
F B Wilson, c May, b Lees	4	c Sarel, b May	75
H C McDonell, b Lees	9	l-b-w, b Hayes	0
F J V Hopley, c Hayes, b Lees	0	b May	16
F B Roberts, c Hayward, b Lees	26	b Lees	7
M W Payne, c Hayward, b Smith	0	c Harris, b Lees	35
G C Napier, b Lees	3	not out	8
		B 3, lb 1	4
Total	118	Total	247

SURREY.

First Innings.	O	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hopely	7	3	16	0		4	0	19	0
Napier	27	8	85	8		20	3	62	2
McDonell	28	11	55	7		36	8	83	8
Roberts	6	3	12	0		12	2	45	0
Keigwin	3	0	10	0					

Keigwin bowled one wide. Napier one wide and one no-ball, and Roberts and Hopley each one no-ball.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees	19·3	4	58	8		28·5	9	65	5
Gooder	14	0	47	1					
Smith	5	1	18	1		25	6	82	1
					May	15	4	49	2
					Hayes	19	4	47	2

NOTTS *vs.* MIDDLESEX.—Played at Lord's on 13th, 14th and 15th June. Notts won by an innings and 20 runs. After A. O. Jones and Iremonger had put up 72 runs for the first Notts wicket such a change came over the game that when half the wicket were down the total had only been advanced by 61. Hardstaff then joined Iremonger, and helped him to put on 73 runs in an hour for the sixth wicket, and as Day, Hallam, and Wass all gave valuable assistance to Iremonger, the Notts total nearly approached 400 Iremonger was at the wickets for five hours and a quarter. J. T. Hearne bowled exceedingly well for a long time during the day. On Tuesday, Middlesex began their innings badly, losing three wickets for 41. Bosanquet then played a lively innings, making 32 out of 35 runs, and Littlejohn played good cricket. Meanwhile, G. W. Beldam was batting with great caution. At lunch-time the total was 122 for five wickets. Beldam received so little assistance that his side were made to follow on; his innings of 49 lasted for two hours. Yesterday, Middlesex struggled gamely, but although both Beldam and Littlejohn kept their wickets intact for a long time, there never seemed any chance that a drawn game would be brought about. Score.—

NOTTS.

First Innings.			
Iremonger, not out	189	Hardstaff, b Trott	25
A O Jones, c and b Hearne	36	Day, c Hearne, b Beldam	33
Gun (J), c Trott, b Hearne	8	Oates, b Hearne	4
Gunn (G), l-b-w, b Rawlin	4	Hallam, run out	20
Anthony, c Littlejohn, b Hearne	13	Wass, b Bosanquet	24
Simpson, b Hearne	2	B 18, lb 1	19
		Total	377

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
P F Warner, st Oates, b J Gunn	7	c Oates, b Wass	15
L J Moon, b J Gunn	23	c G Gunn, b Wass	0
G W Beldam, c Hardstaff, b Wass	40	c G Gunn, b Wass	39
H C Pilkington, b Wass	1	b J Gunn	5
B J T Bosanquet b J Gunn	32	l-b-w, b J Gunn	28
E S Littlejohn, c G Gunn, b Wass	18	l-b-w, b Hallam	55
C P Foley, c Oates, b J Gunn	16	c Oates, b Hallam	3
G Macgregor, b J Gunn	1	c Oates, b Wass	1
Trott (A E), b J Gunn	11	c Day, b Wass	23
Rawlin, c Jones, b Wass	10	c Oates, b Wass	2
Hearne (J T), not out	4	not out	0
B 1, nb 1	2	Extras	21
Total	165	Total	192

NOTTS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beldam	19	1	66	1	Trott	22	2	78	1
Bosanquet	27·2	2	96	1	Rawlin	9	1	34	1
Hearne	40	11	84	5					

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wass	33	6	88	4		35·2	13	77	6
J Gunn	32	7	75	6		27	13	58	2
					Anthony	7	4	19	0
					Hallam	16	6	17	2

J. Gunn delivered two no-balls and one wide, and Wass one wide and two no-balls.

SURREY *vs.* ESSEX.—Played at the Oval on 13th, 14th and 15th June. Essex won by an innings and 196 runs. Batting on a perfect wicket on Monday, Essex made 396 runs for the loss of only three wickets. Most of the runs were scored in partnership by Carpenter and McGahey, who, coming together when two wickets were down for 67, added 328 runs for the third wicket in four hours by cricket which, if it was not very exciting, was always correct and scientific. During the long partnership there were periods when the play became even tedious to watch, and Carpenter, after he had reached his hundred, was an hour in scoring the next 30 runs, although he had quite taken the measure of the bowling; but, on the whole, runs came at a good pace. Carpenter was dismissed five minutes before stumps were drawn, when he only required a single run to complete his second hundred; he was at the wickets for five hours and a quarter, and can hardly be said to have made a really bad stroke; his hits included twenty-three 4's. McGahey was still unconquered with 143 to credit. As there was prospect of heavy rain during the night Surrey men could not look forward with much cheerfulness to the remainder of the match. It was thought that Essex would probably endeavour to make runs very quickly on the next morning, but Sewell and McGahey played very carefully until, with the total at 467 for four wickets, the long and patient innings of the latter came to a close; he had been at the wickets for five hours, and his hits included two 5's and nineteen 4's. Tosetti then played a pretty game, and his partnership with Sewell produced 105 runs in an hour. Sewell made some big hits now and then, and at lunchtime he was not out 106, after batting for two hours and twenty minutes. Naturally, the innings was now declared closed, and Surrey had a bad time, the first three wickets falling for 22 runs. Hayward and Hayes then made a much needed stand, but at 78 Hayward and Smith were both dismissed. The tail played up well, but the innings came to an end just before rain stopped play for the day. Yesterday in the follow-on Hayes and Holland played a great game, but by lunch time the match was practically over. Score.—

ESSEX.

F L Fane, c Hayes, b Lees		21
Carpenter, c Strudwick, b Moulder		199
P A Perrin, c Strudwick, b Lees		9
C H McGahey, c Hayes, b Smith		173
Sewell not out		106
G Tosetti, b Lees		49
Reeves, not out		28
B 18, lb 6, nb 4		28
Total (5 wkts)*		616

* Innings declared closed.

Russell (E.) J W H Douglas, Buckenham, and Tremlin did not bat.

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings	
Holland, c Perrin, b McGahey	4	c Perrin, b Douglas	75
Moulder, b Buckenham	5	c Buckenham, b Reeves	7
Hayes, c Tremlin, b Tosetti	50	c Reeves, b McGahey	58
Goatly, l-b-w, b McGahey	1	b Buckenham	2
Hayward, b Douglas	24	c Tremlin, b Douglas	81
Smith, b Douglas	0	not out	1
Lees, c Carpenter, b Buckenham	25	c Sewell, b Tremlin	28
K J Key, b Buckenham	27	c Russell, b McGahey	0
Gooder, c Buckenham, b McGahey	4	c Douglas b McGahey	1
Strudwick, not out	16	run out	2
P R May, b Douglas	16	c Carpenter, b Douglas	23
B 9, lb 5, w 1, nb 1	16	B 8, lb 2, nb 4	14
Total	188	Total	232

ESSEX.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees	47	9	128	3	Hayes	41	8	100	3
Smith	36	2	119	1	Hayward	12	1	51	0
Gooder	26	5	77	0	Moulder	2	1	1	1
May	20	1	94	0	Goatly	3	0	18	0

Hayward and May each delivered two no-balls.

SURREY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Buckenham	22	5	63	3		14	4	39	1
McGahey	19	5	53	3		7	1	21	3
Douglas	10·3	3	22	3		8 5	3	40	3
Reeves	5	1	8	0		22	7	61	1
Tremlin	4	0	10	0		6	0	43	1
Tosetti	4	0	16	1		4	0	11	0

Buckenham bowled a wide, Douglas four no-balls, and Tosetti one no-ball.

SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—Played at Oxford on June 9th and 10th. The South African team won by an innings and 95 runs. The South Africans seem to be finding their feet rapidly, and although neither of the University teams can be considered as very formidable, the visitors did so well against both of them as to raise great hopes for their future. On the first day the University was quite outplayed, the South Africans making 288 for six wickets against a total of 154. Oxford lost their first four wickets for 50 runs, and never recovered from this unsatisfactory beginning. The chief cause for their failure was the excellent bowling of Sinclair, who took eight wickets for 69. Sinclair also played a fine innings of 65, which was put together at the rate of a run a minute. Hathorn and Mitchell also batted exceedingly well, putting on 87 in an hour during their partnership for the third wicket. W. H. B. Evans, the Oxford Captain, was not playing, and during his absence the bowling was not well managed, the first change not being made until the total was 70 for one wicket, although Hathorn and Sinclair were making runs rapidly. Burn was kept on until the total was 120, although his only wicket was taken in the first few minutes after the innings began. On Friday White and Wallach added 75 runs in a little over three-quarters of an hour, and when the innings came to an end the visitors had a lead of 264. In the second innings of Oxford Awdrey made a great effort to save his side, and kept up his wicket for about an hour and three-quarters, during which he scored 69, his hits including eleven 4's. Score.—

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J E Raphael, c Mitchell, b Sinclair	46	b Sinclair	5
R W Awdrey, c Mitchell, b Sinclair	2	b Schwarz	69
G M Bennett, c Wallach, b Sinclair	7	c Hathorn, b Sinclair	26
Hon Herbert, b Sinclair	1	c Wallach, b Kotze	5
K M Carlisle, c Wallach, b Kotze	3	c White, b Kotze	0
L D Brownlee, b Sinclair	23	b Schwarz	17
G T Branston, b Sinclair	2	b Schwarz	10
W S Bird, b Sinclair	13	b Schwarz	12
E G Martin, c Wallach, b Kotze	8	b Schwarz	6
A C Ernsthausen, b Sinclair	11	b Kotze	1
R C W Burn, not out	24	not out	0
B 10, nb 3, w 1	14	B 13, w 2, nb 1	16
Total	154	Total	167

SOUTH AFRICANS.

J H Sinclair, c Awdrey, b Branston	65	S E Horwood, b Martin	13
W A Shalders, c Awdrey, b Burn	7	J Middleton retired hurt	4
M Hathorn, c Ernsthausen, b Brownlee	80	G C White, not out	79
F Mitchell, b Burn	82	B Wallach, b Martin	30
R O Schwarz, b Martin	31	J J Kotze, c Ernsthausen, b Martin	19
G H Shepstone, c Raphael, b Martin	1	B 3, lb 3, nb 1	7
		Total	115

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	O	M	R	W	Second Innings.	O	M	R	W
Kotze	22	6	64	2		16	4	51	3
Sinclair	22·5	6	69	8		9	1	42	2
Middleton	1	0	7	0					
					White	9	1	31	0
					Schwarz	7·2	0	27	5

Kotze bowled two wides and four no-balls, and White one wide.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	O	M	R	W		O	M	B	W
Martin	32·1	3	115	5	Branston	10	0	62	1
Burn	29	3	116	2	Brownlee	4	0	17	1
Ernsthausen	14	1	89	0	Raphael	3	0	12	0

Martin delivered one no-ball.

MATCH *vs.* GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—Played at Bristol, on 13th, 14th, and 15th June. Drawn. Against a weak team of Gloucestershire the South Africans gave a good account of themselves on Monday, scoring 339, and taking a Gloucestershire wicket for 11 runs. Tancred, Shalders, and Hathorn began the South Africans' first innings so well that the first wicket fell at 75, while

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the second produced 93 runs in fifty minutes. At lunch time the total was 180 for two wickets. Tancred and Schwarz each made nearly a hundred, the former batting for two hours, and the latter for an hour and a half. During the partnership of Wallach and Schwarz for the ninth wicket 75 runs were put on in forty minutes, most of them from the bat of Schwarz. The batting of Gloucestershire was disappointing on Tuesday, and Wrathall alone made a good score. Soon after the first innings closed play was abandoned for the day owing to rain, Gloucestershire being 193 runs behind. Yesterday, in the follow on Gloucestershire did well, and the South Africans were left to make 69 runs. Score.—

SOUTH AFRICANS.

L J Tancred, c Board, b Huggins ...	...	97	
W A Shalders, b Hill	...	34	
M Hathorn, st Board, b Dennett ...	...	46	
F Mitchell, c Wrathall, b Dennett ...	...	25	
J H Sinclair, run out	...	2	
Llewellyn, st Board, b Huggins ...	...	15	
R O Schwarz, c Langdon, b Dennett ...	...	93	
G C White, b Huggins ...		0	
S E Horwood, c Thomas, b Dennett ...	...	5	
B B Wallach, c Dennett, b Huggins ..	...	7	
J J Kotze, not out	...	0	
B 12, lb 1, w 2	...	15	
Total ...	...	339	

Second innings :—Tancred, c and b Dennett, 26 ; Sinclair, b Huggins, 0 ; Hathorn, c Dennett, b Huggins, 4 ; Llewellyn, not out, 9 ; Mitchell, c Board, b Dennett, 0 ; byes, 2.—Total (4 wkts), 41.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
C Barnett, b Sinclair ...	14		b Kotze	42	
Sellick, c Tancred, b Sinclair	0		b White	9	
Spry, l-b-w, b Sinclair ...	4		not out	13	
Wrathall, c Sinclair, b Llewellyn	88		c Wallach, b Sinclair	54	
Langdon, st Wallach, b Sinclair	3		c Schwarz, b Kotze ...	14	
F E Thomas, b Sinclair ...	11		c Horwood, b White...	46	
J Healing, c White, b Schwarz	22		b Llewellyn ...	9	
Board, b Sinclair,... ...	0		b White	11	
Huggins, b Sinclair ...	2		b Llewellyn ...	8	
Hill, not out	29		l-b-w, b Llewellyn ...	1	
Dennett, l-b-w, b Llewellyn ...	2		c Wallach, b White ...	4	
Extras ...	7		Extras ...	14	
Total ...	182		Total ...	225	

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O	M	R	W	Second Innings.	O	M	R	W
Kotze ...	14	3	36	0		22	10	24	2
Sinclair ...	30	15	75	7		27	5	55	1
Llewellyn	12	2	39	2		24	7	65	3
Schwarz	7	2	20	1		5	2	13	0
White ...	2	0	5	0		21·2	5	54	4

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Huggins ...	36	4	117	4	4	0	23	2
Dennett ...	31·3	3	144	4	3·4	1	16	2
Langdon ...	5	2	16	0				
Hill ...	10	1	47	1				

Dennett and Hill each delivered a wide.

OTHER MATCHES.

At Catford, on the 9th and 10th June, Kent beat Middlesex by eight wickets ; on the same dates at Leyton, Essex beat Sussex by an innings and 204 runs, and at Gloucester Lancashire beat Gloucestershire by an innings and 43 runs. At Lords M. C. C. and Ground beat Derbyshire by eight wickets. On the 9th, 10th, and 11th June, at Southampton, Worcesterhire beat Hampshire by six wickets ; Leicestershire beat Derby by six wickets, at Derby, on the 13th, 14th, and 15th June ; Worcestershire beat Oxford University by an innings and 93 runs on the same dates ; Cambridge University defeated London County, at the Crystal Palace, by 139 runs.

The following Matches were drawn :—

Sussex *vs.* Yorkshire, played at Sheffield, on 13th, 14th, and 15th June ; Lancashire *vs.* Warwickshire, played at Edgbaston, on 13th, 14th, and 15th June.

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

(*Calculated to Saturday, 11th June inclusive.*)

BATTING AVERAGES—(8 innings.)

	Inns.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an inn.	Aver.
Tyldesley	8	1	618	210	88·28
Fry, C B	14	1	936	226	72·00
Spooner, R H	9	1	557	126	69·62
Quaife (W G)	10	2	494	200*	61·75
Raphael, J E	8	0	428	201	53·50
Mitchell, F	10	2	411	102*	51·37
Hirst ... —	15	0	625	153	48·07
Perrin, P A ... —	11	1	479	190	47·90
Jones, A O	13	1	551	113	47·91
Poidevin, L O S ...	13	1	486	103	40·50
Palairet, L C H ...	10	0	401	165	40·10
Wright, L G	10	0	395	139	39·50
Rhodes	13	2	434	107	39·45
Knight	16	3	487	140	37·46
Wynyard, Capt E G ...	13	0	486	147	37·38
Warner, P F	8	1	261	54	37·28
Coe (S)	10	2	298	103	37·25
Beldam, G W	10	0	361	140	36·10
Seymour (Jas) (Kent) ...	14	1	469	136*	36·07
Bowley (F)	12	1	396	153	36·00
Hawke, Lord	12	4	285	100*	35·62
Gunn (J)	13	1	426	95	35·50
Ashcroft, Dr E M ...	8	0	283	111	35·37
Carpenter	10	0	345	96	34·50
Iremonger	12	0	411	137	34·25
Lilley	10	0	331	81	33·10
Moon, L J	10	0	329	162	32·90
Tunnicliffe ... —	13	0	408	119	31·38
Denton	14	0	437	85	31·21
Fishwick, T S	9	0	280	70	31·11
Foster, H K	13	0	370	107	30·83
Sinclair, J H	9	0	277	65	30·77
McGahey, C H ...	10	1	360	53*	30·00
Sewell (E H D) ...	15	0	449	181	29·93
Hayward	19	1	530	116	29·44
Lewis (Somerset) ...	8	1	204	63	29·14
Whitehead (H) (L'tershr) ...	12	1	317	62*	28·81
Kinneir	9	1	228	105	28·50
Hathorn, M	11	0	309	117	28·09
Storer	10	1	251	110	27·88
Crawford, V F S ...	13	3	275	56	27·50
May, P R	8	4	107	43*	26·75
Grace, W G, sen ...	13	0	347	73	26·69
Kelgwin, R P	9	1	213	64	26·62
Eyre, C H	11	0	282	80	25·63
Wood, C J B	16	2	358	110	25·57
Fane, F L	10	0	247	44	24·70
King (J H)	16	2	337	92	24·07
Jessop, G L	13	0	312	87	24·00
Wheldon	12	3	212	63	23·55

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES (16 wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Cuttell	276·4	98	537	47	11·42
Hearne (J T) ...	331	91	760	61	12·45
Jackson, Hon F S ...	95	27	215	17	12·64
Hallows ...	181·5	53	456	34	13·41
Fielder	223·8	56	549	40	13·72
Blythe	295·5	89	712	50	14·24
Bosanquet, B J T ...	139·4	24	450	30	15·00
Evans, W H B —	82·4	21	254	16	15·87
Haigh	192·1	44	524	22	16·37
Bird (Worcestershire) ...	157·2	58	394	24	16·41
Hesketh-Prichard, H ...	245·1	65	739	45	16·42
Smith (W C) (Surrey) ...	267·5	72	716	43	16·65
Allsopp	125·1	36	318	19	16·73
Cranfield (Somerset) ...	136·5	28	443	26	17·02
Wass	336·4	83	841	49	17·16
Kotze, J J	219·3	50	677	39	17·35
McDonell, H C ...	189·2	36	510	29	17·58
Hayes	110·1	17	299	17	17·58
Reeves	206	58	634	36	17·61
Tate (F W)	208	47	568	32	17·75
Brearley, W	232	37	772	42	18·68
Lees	432·4	121	1029	55	18·70
Huggins	259·4	73	697	37	18·83
Fairservice	113·5	29	321	17	18·88
Gunn (J)	354·5	115	803	42	19·11
Arnold	316	71	813	44	19·13
Napier, G G	177	46	518	27	19·18
Odell, W W	340·5	108	849	44	19·29
Cox	418·3	113	992	50	19·84
Hirst	264·2	57	703	35	20·03
Buckenham	152·2	29	467	28	20·35
Relf	316·2	93	737	35	21·05
Sinclair, J H	161·1	26	599	28	21·39
Dennett	275·2	64	754	35	21·54
Moorhouse	156·2	40	461	21	21·95
King (J H)	408·1	114	1034	46	22·47
Ringrose	152	36	412	18	22·88
Rhodes	219·5	89	670	29	23·10
Bestwick	227·4	51	742	32	23·18
Hallam	278·3	114	488	21	23·23
Hopley, F J V ...	158·3	20	517	22	23·50
Lockwood	212·5	30	724	30	24·03
Trott (A E)	232·3	42	846	33	25·63
Warren (A)	171·2	25	661	25	26·44
Hargreave	305·1	70	808	28	28·85
Braund	295·3	43	1092	36	30·33

GOLF.

THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

After as exciting a day's play as the golfer could wish to see in a tournament conducted under stroke game rules, the forty-fourth annual competition for the Open Golf Championship was won on the 10th instant by Jack White, the professional to the Sunningdale Club. Throughout the competition, he played a brilliant game, as his aggregate of 296 for the four rounds testified, yet he had many anxious moments after he had come in with his splendid final round of 69, for first Jas. Braid and then J. H. Taylor had a put on the last green to tie with White. In each case the put was a long and difficult one, but it was holeable to such men as Braid and Taylor, who had been playing grandly all day, and not until Taylor had made his plucky bid which touched the hole and ran past, was it certain that White had triumphed. That he thoroughly deserved his triumph was agreed on all sides. Throughout the meeting his pulling was wonderful, and in the long game he made only two genuine mistakes. They consisted of pulled drives. His rounds were 80, 75, 72, and 69, and his aggregate of 296 constituted a record for the championship. The previous best was 300 by Harry Vardon at Prestwick last year. White was born at Pefferside in Scotland thirty years ago, and has played golf since early childhood. He learnt his game at North Berwick, where he used to carry for Mr. J. E. Laidlay. He has made several highly creditable appearances in past championships, and in 1899, when the meeting was last held at Sandwich he set up a record of 75 for the championship course and finished second to Harry Vardon. White's record for the green was made with a guttapercha ball and with the help of the rubber-cored ball it was beaten several times during the recent meeting. To J. H. Taylor, however, fell the honour of making the best score of the meeting. In the afternoon he needed to do a round of 67 to tie with White, and it said much for his pluck that he all but accomplished that task. With a hole to play he had three strokes left, and after reaching the home green in two, he gave his put every chance. For an instant it looked certain to go down, but then it was seen to slip along the edge of the hole, and it was realised that White had won. Taylor lost his chance at the sixteenth hole, where he took 4 instead of a par 3. Owing to the crowd in front he had to wait for some time on the tee, and the delay probably put him off his game. Anyhow his drive was hooked, and, failing to get dead in two, he lost what was perhaps the most valuable stroke of the round. Prior to that, however, Braid had given White a fright. The Walton Heath professional was playing a game full of confidence, and when on the fifteenth tee he was told that he needed to do one 3 and three 4's to tie with White he set to work in such brilliant style that he did the fifteenth in 3. At the next, however, he, like Taylor, took 4, and it was not until he had finished that he knew that he had been misinformed as to his position when he had four holes to play. As a matter of fact, he wanted at that point two 3's and two 4's. On the last green, still under the impression that he had a 4 to tie, he putted so as not to run out of holing distance. He wanted to get down, but not to go too far ; he was short and his chance was gone. As he said afterwards, if he had known that he had only that put to tie he would have been ten yards past rather than a foot short. The conditions were all in favour of low scoring. Heavy rain during the night had taken the keenness out of the greens, and there was practically no wind. Still, the returns generally were remarkably good, and Taylor's record round of 68 was brilliant in the extreme. It should be stated that of the fifty-two who qualified to play, Willie Fernie, Arnaud Massey, and G. Pulford scratched, so that the competitors numbered forty-nine.

Pln.	Name. Club.	1st round	2nd round	3rd round	4th round	Ttl.
1	Jack White, Sunningdale ...	80	75	72	69	296
2	Jas Braid, Walton Hth ...	77	80	69	71	297
2	J H Taylor, Mid Surrey ...	77	73	74	68	297
4	Tom Vardon, Sandwich ...	77	77	75	72	301
5	Harry Vardon, Totteridge ...	76	73	79	74	302
6	J Sherlock, Oxford ...	83	71	78	77	309
7	A Kirkaldy, St Andrew's ...	78	79	74	79	310
7	Mr J Graham, jun., Royal Liverpool ...	76	76	78	80	310
9	A Herd, Huddersfield ...	84	76	76	75	311
10	Mr R Maxwell, Tantallon ...	80	80	76	77	313
10	Ben Savers, N Berwick ...	80	80	76	77	313
12	Robert Thomson, Romford ...	75	76	80	84	315
12	Edward Ray, Ganton ...	81	81	77	76	315
12	W Park, Huntercombe ...	84	72	81	78	315
12	A H Toogood, Chingford ...	88	76	74	77	315
16	J Rowe, Ashdown Forest ...	86	82	75	73	316
16	G Coburn, Portmarnock ...	79	82	75	80	316
18	Mr J Ball, jun., Royal Lytl...	83	78	79	78	318
19	G H Cawsey, Malvern ...	82	80	78	79	319
19	E Gray Littlehampton ...	84	77	74	84	319
19	F Collins, Llandudno ...	88	77	75	79	319
22	Mr J S Worthington, Md Sy	85	79	78	78	320
23	T G Renouf, Silloth ...	82	79	79	81	321
24	A Mathews, Rhyl ...	85	81	78	78	322
24	P J Gaudin, Manchester ...	79	83	80	80	322
26	Alec Thompson, N Surrey ...	86	81	75	81	323
27	Mr Edward Blackwell, Royal and Ancient ...	88	77	81	79	325
27	G Cawkwell, Sandy Gate ...	83	83	79	80	325
27	R Jones Wimbledon Park ...	89	77	77	82	325
30	A Bellworthy, Mitcham ...	82	81	83	77	326
30	J M Hopburn, Surbiton ...	87	80	79	80	326
30	P Hills, N Manchester ...	85	83	80	78	326
33	W J Leaver, Harlech ...	85	80	82	81	328
33	G Pannell, Littlehampton ...	82	84	81	81	328

ROWING.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY SUMMER RACES.

Although the weather was dull the greater part of the day, the sun shone brilliantly for the conclusion of these races on Saturday. As a consequence, another large company was present. Third left off the head of the river being more than their distance at the finish and quite fresh. The Hall made no impression on First Trinity, but Caius gained considerably on the Jhonians. Jesus experienced bad luck, as they kept away from Emmanuel till just before the finish, when the stroke lost his oar and they were defeated. Christ's descended for the fourth time, King's being the conquerors. Selwyn had to give in to First Trinity 2, Emmanuel 2 left off head of the second division, whilst Magdalene, by making another bump gained their oars, being the only crew to have accomplished this performance. Both the Emmanuel boats have made three bumps, as also have Clare. Seven bumps were recorded on Saturday evening, making a total of twenty-nine for the four nights. There were again a large number of old blues on the towing-path. The judges for the evening were Messrs H. B Grylls, J. F. Escombe, and J. B. Peace.

The Second Division were started at 5-35 in the following order :—

Emmanuel 2	Jesus 2	St Catharine's
Peterhouse	Corpus	Queens'
Clare 1	First Trinity 3	Third Trinity 2
Sidney	Clare 2	Selwyn 2
Caius 2	Magdalene	Downing
Pembroke 2		

Emmanuel easily held their own. Clare overtook Peterhouse after a fine struggle at the Railway Bridge. The next five boats caused great excitement, only half a length separating each crew, but no bumps took place between them. Magdalene again ascended. Clare 2 being their victims. Queens' caught St. Catharine's at Ditton Corner, whilst Selwyn 2 vanquished Third Trinity 2 at the Little Ditch.

The First Division were started at 6-35 as follows :—

Third Trinity 1	Jesus 1	Pembroke 1
First Trinity 1	Emmanuel 1	Trinity Hall 2
Trinity Hall 1	Christ's	Lady Margaret 2
Lady Margaret 1	King's	Emmanuel 2
Caius 1	Selwyn 1	
	First Trinity 2	

Third rowed well throughout and were never pressed. First had no difficulty in keeping away from the Hall, but Caius gained a lot on the Johnians, who, however, reached home safely, Emmanual had a splendid race with the Jesus crew, the latter having hard luck, as just before the finish their stroke lost his ear and this gave Emmanual their chance, who quickly drew up and bumped them. King's overcame Christ's at the Willows, and First Trinity bumped Selwyn in the Long Reach. The next four boats were in close pursuit of each other with no definite result. The following is the order in which the boats started and finished :—

First Division (at start).—Third Trinity, Trinity Hall, First Trinity, Lady Margaret, Christ's, Caius, Jesus, Selwyn, Emmanuel, King's, First Trinity 2, Pembroke, Lady Margaret, 2, Peterhouse, Trinity Hall 2.

Second Division.—Trinity Hall 2, Sidney, Caius 2, Emmanuel 2, Clare, Pembroke 2, Jesus 2, First Trinity 3, Corpus, Clare 2, Third Trinity 2, St. Catharine's Queens', Magdalene, Downing, Selwyn 2.

First Division (at finish).—Third Trinity, First Trinity, Trinity, Trinity Hall, Lady Margaret, Caius, Emmanuel, Jesus, King's, Christ's, First Trinity 2 Selwyn, Pembroke, Trinity Hall 2, Lady Margaret 2, Emmanuel 2.

Second Division.—Emmanuel 2, Clare, Peterhouse, Sidney, Caius 2, Pembroke 2 Jesus 2, Corpus, First Trinity 3, Magdalene, Clare 2, Queens', St. Catharine's, Selwyn 2, Third Trinity 2, Downing.

Appended are the first five crews, with weights :—

FIRST DIVISION.

Third Trinity : M. E. Balston, 10st 6lbs (bow); H. J. Seymour, 10st 11lbs ; R. V. Powell, 12st 11b; W. M. Garnett-Botfield , 11st 6lbs ; B. R. Winthrop-Smith, 12st 2lbs ; P. H. Thomas, 12st 6lbs ; B. C. Johnstone, 12st 4lbs ; C. H. Chalmers, 9st 13lbs (stroke) ; C. Kent, 8st 6lbs (cox).

First Trinity: J V. Pixell, 10st 5lbs (bow) ; H. F. Percival, 10st 11lbs ; E. S. Moore, 12st ; J. B. Bowen, 13st 11b ; M. Donaldson, 13st 5lbs ; W. B. Savoury, 12st 12lbs ; W. D. Barratt, 11st 9lbs ; G. H. Johnstone, 11st 10lbs (stroke) ; K. Okura, 8st 5lbs (cox).

Trinity Hall : H. Shimwell (bow) ; W. C. Hodges, H. S. Harris, C. G. Stansbury, F. R. Bullard, S. M. Bruce, A. C. C. Hutchinson, M. V. Smith (stroke), E. H. Turner (cox).

Lady Margaret B. C. : H. S. Crole-Rees, 10st 9lbs (bow); F. A. Higgns, 10st 7lbs ; J. Fraser, 11st ; J. C. H. How, 11st 5lbs ; H. Sanger, 10st 4lbs ; J. S. Collins, 12st 5lbs ; H. L. Clarke, 10st 10lbs ; P. J. Lewis, 10st 6lbs (stroke) ; A. J. L. Hunt 7st 11lbs (cox).

Caius : C. C. Brinton, 9st 12lbs (bow) ; C. B. Heald, 12st 11b ; C. R. P. Cooper, 10st 12lbs ; J. L. Wordsworth, 12st 10lbs ; W. S. Cooke, 12st 4lbs ; E. P. W. Wedd, 13st ; H. D. Gillies, 10st 4lbs ; C. H. S. Taylor, 10st 4lbs (stroke) ; J. G. Randles 8st 12lbs (cox).

POLO.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY TOURNAMENT.

The tournament was brought to a conclusion on the 15th instant, when the final games in connection with the Challenge Cup and Handicap Tournament were decided. The weather was again favourable, and rain having fallen the previous night naturally made the gowing better. The first game was for the Challenge Cup, in which St. Neots and Odds and Ends were left in. Lord Wodehouse played substitute for Mr. A. Brown on the Odds and Ends side. Both went off at a fast pace, and it looked as if a fine game would be seen. Such, however, was not the case, as after the first ten St. Neots were seen to great advantage, the final score reading : St. Neots, fifteen goals ; Odds and Ends, two. The goals for the winners were scored by Evans (6), Montgomery (5), Fordham (2), and Jordan (2), and for the Odds and Ends by Paget, the other being kicked through by Barron's horse. The sides were : St. Neots—Mr. A. Jordan, Mr. G. Evans, Mr. H. Montgomery, and Mr. W. Fordham ; Odds and Ends—Mr. H. W. Fordham, Mr. W. E. Paget, Lord Wodehouse, and Mr. E. W. Barron. Umpire : Mr. I Buxton. In the Handicap Tournament final the sides were "B" Team (reds) *vs.* "C" Team (whites). Only four tens were played, the Reds winning by six goals to one. The teams were : Reds—Mr. R. Meyer, Mr. H. E. Von Tiedman, Mr. A. Jordan, and Mr. G. Evans ; Whites—Mr. C. Aspinall, Mr. I. Buxton, Hon. O. R. Windsor Clive, and Mr. W. E. Paget. Umpire : Mr. W. J. Peters.

THE WEASEL.

Polo.

THE MYSORE TOURNAMENT.

(Second Ties)

MYSORE, *27th June 1904.*

TWO games in the second ties of this tournament were decided on the morning of the 27th June, and some good play was witnessed especially in the match between the Carabiniers and "A" Team of the Imperial Service Lancers. The other game in the morning was something like a triumphal procession on the part of the Bangalore Gymkhana who were far too good for the Local Service Cavalry and also better mounted, their ponies being much handier than those of the local men, which seemed raw. It was very sporting, however, of the Silledars to enter a team, and everyone will wish them better luck next time. The score in the match between the gallant "Carbs," and the Imperial Service Lancers hardly represents the game, for the Carabiniers had all the best of it almost throughout. But though always travelling at a great pace, their shooting was sometimes erratic, and a rather rough ground did not tend to improve this. Details of the play :—

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.	LOCAL SERVICE LANCERS.
1 Mr Rasch	1 Jamadar Mahomed Nasiruddin
2 Captain Peel	2 Jamadar Khaja Hussain
3 Mr Wagstaffe	3 Jamadar Sadudin
Mr Lewin (*back*)	Risaldar Mahomed Ismail (*back*)

First Chukker.—Although it was pretty well known that the game was a gift for the Gymkhana, it was hardly expected that they would score so rapidly as they did. Peel and Rasch each put the ball through the posts before play had been in progress for more than a few minutes, and a subsidiary quickly followed. Then Peel added another goal, and it was evident that the Gymkhana were going to have a day out. However, Sadudin and Mahomed Nasiruddin got in a good bit of combined play, and the latter scored the first and last goal for his side amidst applause. The Lancers were then sent behind their own line for infringing the "off-side" regulation and Rasch scored a subsidiary for the Gymkhana as the chukker closed.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—3 goals and 2 subsidiaries.
Local Service Lancers :—1 goal.

Second Chukker.—After two subsidiaries to the Gymkhana, who were penning their adversaries terribly, Wagstaffe made a neat dribble, concluding it with a goal. A foul against the local men followed and still disaster dogged their footsteps—or rather their ponies' hoofs—Lewin adding another major point to the rapidly increasing score. He was again prominent, but missed his stroke and Peel scored a subsidiary. The Gymkhana lost opportunities by twice paying the penalty for "off-side," but there was only one team in it and after fine combined work by Peel and Lewin, Rasch scored an uncommonly pretty goal, with the neatest of backhand strokes.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhan :—6 goals and 5 subsidiaries.
Local Service Lancers :—1 goal.

Third Chukker.—The Lancers for a brief period held their own, and Mahomed Nasiruddin, particularly did some accurate hitting, but then Peel came away in a manner peculiar to himself. His last stroke but one was a bit hard, and the ball almost went behind the line, but picking it up very quickly he put it between the posts—a brilliant goal this. Lewin added a subsidiary and then Peel once more scored, the contributions to the already large Gymkhana score, coming in such quick succession that it was difficult to keep account as to who actually added the points. With a desperate rush the local men came down the field and for a few moments kept play at the Gymkhana end but once again Peel was away being uncommonly well pulled up by Mahomed Ismail. It was of little use, however, for no one was marking Rasch and he easily scored.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—9 goals and 6 subsidiaries.
Local Service Lancers :—1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—Nothing daunted by the monumental record on the scoring board, the Lancers attacked, but the ball went over the Gymkhana line, and Lewin was very prominent in the combination which took play back to the local mens' end. Who individually scored the next goal for the Gymkhana, deponent knoweth not for it accrued out of a stately and stickly gathering of men and ponies in the Lancers' goal mouth, but Wagstaffe immediately afterwards put in a most brilliant run, and, unassisted, placed the pillule where it was intended to go. After this the Gymkhana somewhat relaxed their efforts and the game became bit slow. Score at the end of the chukker :—

Bangalore Gymkhana :—11 goals and 6 subsidiaries.
Local Service Lancers :—1 goal.

Fifth (and last) Chukker—It is illustrative of the fact that even now the Lancers did not know they were beaten, that they came down and got in a subsidiary. The Gymkhana subsequently shook themselves up again and waltzing complacently to their opponents' end, Peel scored a grave and sedate goal. At least that was the impression it gave the spectators, it was so very deliberate. There were only two minutes remaining for play when the chukker closed, and with the scoring board "staring them in the face," the Lancers decided that they could hardly pull up in that time. Moreover there was a second match to be played, and the sun was getting hot. So "all over" was called and the Gymkhana went to breakfast

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—12 goals 6 subsidiaries.
Local Service Lancers :—1 goal.

Umpires :—Captain Hay and Mr. Queripel.

THE CARABINIERS.	IMPERIAL SERVICE LANCERS "A" TEAM.
1 Mr Dormer	1 Resalder Annaji Kadam
2 Mr Kennard	2 H H the Maharaja
3 Captain Watson	3 Lt-Col J. Desaraj Urs
Mr Swifte (*back*)	Resaldar Murad Beg (*back*).

First Chukker.—The Maharaja and Colonel Desaraj Urs were at once prominent, but Swifte—a safe back my Masters—returned with a hard drive down the ground, and Kennard, after taking the ball over the Lancer's line, ended a pretty little run with a successful shot at the posts. The pace quickened, and if not very accurate, there was no doubt about the Carabiniers *vim* and energy. Before the end of the chukker Dormer added a second goal for them.

Score :—The Carabiniers :—2 goals.
Imperial Service Lancers, "A" Team :—*Nil.*

Second Chukker.—Uneventful play marked the opening of this chukker, and after some scrambling exchanges near the Lancers' goal, the ball went behind their line. Then Dormer registered a subsidiary and the same player in conjunction with Kennard was looking dangerous when a somewhat uninteresting chukker closed.

Score :—The Carabiniers :—2 goals, and 1 subsidiary.
Imperial Service Lancers "A" Team :—*Nil.*

Third Chukker.—Clearly the Carabiniers' chukker, although only a goal and a subsidiary were added to their score. Watson showed up quite brilliantly at times, but was erratic when near goal, although more than once he travelled almost the whole length of the ground. Dormer was also responsible for a fine run in which he missed the ball at the psychological moment, but Kennard coming up completed a good effort by scoring an easy goal. Watson was travelling again at a great pace, when the ball went out and the chukker ended.

Score :—The Carabiniers :—3 goals and 2 subsidiaries.
Imperial Service Lancers, "A" Team :—*Nil.*

Fourth Chukker.—The Commandant of the Imperial Service Troops was quickly away, but Swifte pulled him up with a certain emphasis, and combined play by the Carbs took the ball back to midfield where some sticky work succeeded. Then Swifte was applauded for an excellent run but a "dangerous foul" against his side neutralised the advantage and the Lancers were returning to the attack when the chukker ended.

Score :—The Carabiniers :— 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries.
Imperial Service Lancers, "A" Team :—*Nil.*

Fifth (and last) Chukker.—Owing to the length of the previous chukkers no sixth chukker was required and even as it was not much time remained. Nothing more was scored, and the match ended as above in a win for the Carabiniers by 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries to *nil*.

The evening polo was, if anything, better than the morning, the Essex team in particular supprising their warmest adherents by the excellent form they showed. Ootacamund Gymkhana never looked like beating them, although it must be said that Barr for the losers played an excellent game. But the Essex men hit accurately, had plenty of pace, and most important of all seemed to understand each other, whilst Ootacamund were decidedly scratch. The other match resulted in a great game Opinions were divided as to whether Raja Venugopaul's team or the Durham Light Infantry would win, and the event proved that the match was very open. Indeed had the Durhams shot a little straighter for goal they might well have won, and though they themselves modestly put down the result to rotten bad "shooting," several of the subsidiaries were distinctly hard lines. Details of the play :—

ESSEX REGIMENT.	OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.
1 Mr Raymond	1 Capt Gibbes
2 Mr Bowen	2 Major Logan-Home
3 Mr Neave	3 Capt Barr
Mr Raleigh (*back*)	Capt Henderson (*back*)

First Chucker.—The Essex quartette played down the hill and Raymond at once was away with a fast run to the Ootacamund end, where the ball twice went behind the line. Barr then brought play to neutral territory, and subsequently almost to the Essex goal. Raymond and Bowen retaliated and three times the ball was sent over the line. Then Neave scored a subsidiary for the Essex, who were still having the best of matters when the chucker ended.

Score :—Essex Regiment :—0 goal 1 subsidiary.
Ootacamund Gymkhana :—*Nil.*

Second Chucker.—Logan-Home gained much ground, but was stopped by Raleigh, and Raymond getting away, scored a goal for the Essex. Raymond who by the way played excellently throughout, was again prominent, but playing the ball against his pony's fetlocks he lost it. Neave, however, was backing up, continued the run and again scored. Logan-Home was once more doing useful work for "Ooty" when the ball went out, but for a few minutes, the scratch team—for they were practically scratch—held their own. Raymond, however, was again away, and going down the field at a great rate, scored a subsidiary, which was quickly followed by another from the same stick. Then Gibbes and Barr took play to the Essex end where it was proceeding when the chucker closed.

Score :—Essex Regiment :—2 goals 3 subsidiaries.
Ootacamund Gymkhana :—*Nil.*

Third Chucker.—The Essex team pressed at once and Raymond was prominent in a run which enable Neave to score for them. Changing ends, Henderson approached the Essex end of the ground with a mighty drive, but "off-side" and a "dangerous foul" were given in quick succession against Ootacamund, and from the latter Neave scored a goal. Raymond was at once away after the restart, but he missed his hit near the Ooty goal, and all the other Essex men strangely enough followed suit. Barr thereupon got possession, and transferred operations to the Essex line, where the ball went behind. Give and take play was the order of the day for the reminder of the chucker

Score :—Essex Regiment :—4 goals 3 subsidiaries.
Ootacamund Gymkhana.—*Nil*

Fourth Chucker —The ball went behind the Ootacamund line and then Barr with a nice run took play to midfield The Essex men were soon back, however, and some good combined work by Neave and Bowen resulted in the latter scoring a goal. The Gymkhana came down with a rush, but the ball went behind the line, and Raymond, going up the field with a brilliant run, scored a subsidiary

Score :—Essex Regiment :—5 goals 4 subsidiaries.
Ootacamund Gymkhana. *Nil.*

Fifth Chucker.—Ootacamund here began to have more of their share of the play, and after Barr had been applauded for an uncommonly fine run, Gibbes got possession and taking it on scored a good goal, Neave retaliated with a subsidiary for the regiment, but Ootacamund were for the time the better team, and after Barr and Logan-Home had brought the ball to the Essex goal line, the former had distinctly bad luck in not scoring.

Score :—The Essex Regiment :—5 goals 5 subsidiaries.
Ootacamund Gymkhana:—1 goal 0 subsidiary

Sixth Chucker.—Still sticking pluckily at work whilst their opponents seemed to be either tiring or relaxing their efforts, Ootacamund pressed, and after the ball had gone behind the Essex line, Barr scored a subsidiary which was all but a goal. From the hit-out Raymond broke away, but the bugle sounded, and the Essex team retired thoroughly deserving victors.

Final Score :—The Essex Regiment :—5 goals 5 subsidiaries
Ootacamund Gymkhana :—1 goal 1 subsidiary.

Umpires :—General Eccles Niton and Mr. Wagstaffe.

RAJA VENUGOPAUL BAHADUR'S TEAM.	DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY.
1 Shaik Ismail	1 Mr Hartley
2 Raja Venugopaul Bahadur	2 Mr Turner
3 Capt H C Oakes	3 Capt Unthank
Mr A Gwyer (*back*)	Mr Wallace (*back*)

First Chucker.—The Raja winning the toss his side played down the slope to began with, but notwithstanding this the Durhams had the best of the opening exchanges. Unthank got in a good run along the side of the ground and finished up with a subsidiary a second accruing to the regimental team before the chucker closed.

Score :—Durham Light Infantry :—0 goal 2 subsidiaries.
Raja Venugopaul's Team :—*Nil.*

Second Chucker.—Raja Venugopaul got away, but Hartley robbed him and brought the ball back. He was pulled up by Gwyer and the scratch team began to press, Oakes scoring a subsidiary. Hartley and Turner raised the siege, but a foul near their opponents' goal neutralised the advantage gained. Play was in progress in midfield when a somewhat uninteresting chucker closed.

Score:—Durham Light Infantry :—0 goal 2 subsidiaries.
Raja Venugopaul's Team :—0 „ 1 subidiary.

Third Chucker.—Both teams warmed up, and the play became faster. The Raja put in a very pretty run, and Oakes, in close attendence, took the ball on and scored a goal. Then Turner came back with a good run and concluding with a goal, placed his side again ahead. The ball went behind the scratch teams line twice and they were temporarily in a state of siege, but Sheik Ismail and Gwyer went down the field and the latter steered the ball safely through the Durham posts. The native player was again very prominent but, no further score took place, and the chucker ended with Raja Venugopul's team in a bare majority.

Score :—Raja Venugopaul's Team:—2 goals 1 subsidiary.
Duham Light Infentry :—1 goal 2 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chucker.—The Durhams, playing for all they were worth began to press, and after Hartley had scored a neat goal, Turner became very dangerous, with a brilliant run. He added a subsidiary, but then Oakes took a judicious pass from Gwyer, and once more placed his side ahead, hearty applause greeting a really good bit of play.

Score :—Raja Venugopaul's Team :—3 goals 1 subsidiary.
Durham Light Infantry :—2 goals 3 subsidiaries.

Fifth Chucker.—The game now became very exciting, and every stroke was closely watched by the spectators. For a while the Raja's team pressed, but then Turner, who with Hartley played a good game throughout, came down the field at a great pace and Hartley scored a subsidiary. Turner added another and had the Durham's shooting been better at this point in the game they would probably have won. The psychological moment passed however and after Gwyer had gained a lot of ground, the Raja hit a very neat goal.

Score :—Raja Venugopaul's Team :—4 goals 1 subsidiary.
Durham Light Infantry :—2 goals 5 subsidiaries.

Sixth Chucker.—Only two minutes and twenty-eight seconds remained for play, but the Durhams kept going with undaunted pluck and had all the best of the closing phases of the game, although they could not manage to score. With better shooting they should have gone into the semi finals.

Final Score :—Raja Venugopaul's Team :—4 goals 1 subsidiary.
Durham Light Infantry :—2 goals 5 subsidiaries.

THE SEMI-FINALS.

The semi-finals were played on the morning of the 29th June, and although both the teams that won were favourites in their matches, it was not expected that such scores would be piled up. The score in the first game, however, hardly represented the play correctly. Several times the Essex team should have scored, and when it is considered that they were a very young side with comparatively little experience, and were moreover entirely out-paced by the grand ponies ridden by the Dragoons, it must be confessed that their display was an excellent one. It is good to see such sporting spirit in four young subalterns of an infantry regiment. Their money is considerably better invested in this way than—well in *others*. The "Carbs" played their usual galloping game, but with very much more accuracy than they exhibited against the Imperial Service Lancers, and Kennard especially played quite a different game.

Ye gods! What a slaughter of the innocents followed. Most people thought the Bangalore Gymkhana would beat Rajah Venugopaul's side, but no one imagined that they would pile up 8 goals and 4 subsidiaries to *nil*. Peel hit briliantly, Lewin played up to him very consistently, Wagstaffe was a very safe back, and Rasch quite out-generalled Sheik Ismail, a very good performance for a young player. Moreover, both Oakes and Sheik Ismail were much off their game, the latter in particular, seeming unable to hit the ball. Gwyer did a lot of hard work throughout, and the Rajah played well for three chukkers, but they were long ones, and he seemed a bit cooked in the later stages of the game. Details of the play :—

THE CARABINIERS.	THE ESSEX REGIMENT.
1 Mr Dormer	1 Mr Raymond
2 Mr Kennard	2 Mr Bowen
3 Capt Watson	3 Mr Neave
Mr Swifte (*back*)	Mr Raleigh (*back*)

First Chukker.—The Cavalrymen played towards the transport lines, *i.e.*, down the hill and had the best of the opening exchanges. Watson after a good run scored a goal for them, and though Bowen gained some ground after changing ends, the "Carbs" came back, and Watson adding a subsidiary when the Essex goal seemed at his mercy, did better at his next attempt, and taking an accurate centre from Dormer scored an easy goal.

Score :—The Carabiniers :—2 goals and 1 subsidiary.
The Essex Regiment :—*Nil.*

Second Chukker.—Dormer reached the Essex line with a fast run, but Neave and Raymond took play back to midfield where Kennard got possession. He centred well and Watson scored a subsidiary. Off side was given against the Cavalry, but from the hit out Kennard was away with a good run. Raleigh checked him and returned the ball, but Watson with a mighty drive put the ball almost into the Essex goal mouth where sticky play succeeded. Neave, with one of the best bits of play in the match, got the ball away and ran it safely to midfield, where play was proceeding when an excellent and interesting chukker ended.

Score :—The Carabiniers :—2 goals and 2 subsidiaries.
The Essex Regiment :—*Nil.*

Third Chukker.—After some give and take play, the ball went out. The Infantry team about now played with much dash, and Bowen and Neave were loudly applauded for a combined run which took play close to the Carabinier goal. Here a shot, which looked as though it would have scored, hit a pony—distinctly bad luck—and the Cavalry temporarily cleared. Once more there was hearty applause for the Essex, as Neave and Raymond took play close up to their opponents' posts where the ball went behind. Watson retaliated and took the ball down the ground, Swifte adding a subsidiary to the Carabiniers' score. But although their sheet was still blank, this at least was quite the Essex men's chukker.

Score :—The Carabiniers :—2 goal sand 3 subsidiaries.
The Essex Regiment:—*Nil.*

Fourth Chukker.—The last had been a very lengthy chukker and play was two minutes over time. Raleigh hit out, Dormer returned and Watson scored a subsidiary. The superiority of the Cavalrymen's ponies now began to make itself felt, and yet Neave and Raymond twice took play up to their opponents' line. Nothing tangible resulted, however. Watson and Neave put in good runs for their respective sides, but after the latter's effort, the Carabiniers came down with a rush, and Watson scored a fine goal, as the chukker closed.

Score :—The Carabiniers:—3 goals and 4 subsidiaries.
The Essex Regiment:—*Nil.*

Fifth Chukker.—Good exchanges and subsequent sticky play marked the opening of what proved to be the final chukker, but the Carabiniers were now outpacing their opponents, and after Watson had missed an easy chance, Kennard coming up, put the ball through without being interfered with. The Essex four kept going and Raymond scored a subsidiary for them which was within an ace of being a goal. Watson then got clear away and going right down the ground by himself, drove the ball between the Essex posts, loud applause greeting this fine effort. The Essex ponies were about done, and though Neave broke away, Watson, on a much faster pony, easily caught and checked him. The Carabiniers were still pressing when time arrived, and a very sportingly contested match ended.

Final Score :—The Carabiniers :—5 goals 5 subsidiaries.
The Essex Regiment :——0 goal 1 subsidiary.

Umpires :—General Nixon and Mr. Queripel, R. A.

An amusing incident occurred in the course of the game Raleigh was riding an uncommonly cross-grained Arab and taking a dislike to Dormer's pony, this Arab bit at her and then seized her rein in his teeth, declining to let it go. Dormer not unnaturally presented the Arab with a smart rap on the head to make him loose the rain, and several spectators were under the impression that a little fight was in progress between Messrs. Dormer and Baleigh!

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.	RAJAH VENUGOPAUL BAHADUR'S TEAM.
1 Mr Rasch	1 Sheik Ismail
2 Capt Peel	2 Raja Venugopaul
3 Mr Lewin	3 Capt H C Oakes
Mr Wagstaffe (*back*)	Mr A Gwyer (*back*)

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First Chukker.—Peel scored a subsidiary for the Gymkhana in the first half-minute, and though Oakes gained some ground, Wagstaffe checked him, and Peel getting away hit a fine goal. Peel and Rasch were again prominent, and though Gwyer temporarily relieved, the Gymkhana were soon back, and Wagstaffe scored a goal.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—2 goals and 1 subsidiary.
Rajah Venugopaul's Team :—*Nil.*

Second Chukker—Bangalore thus early were showing a decided superiority. Peel scored a subsidiary, the ball subsequently going behind the scratch team's line. Sheik Ismail and Gwyer gained a little ground, but Peel getting away in a characteristic run, out galloped Gwyer, and hitting very accurately, was deservedly applauded for a really brilliant goal. The ball went out near the scratch team's line and then Peel added another subsidiary Lewin and Peel were working nicely together and from a neat pass the latter once more scored a subsidiary. The Rajah at last relieved with a fine run three parts down the ground, the ball eventually going over the Gymkhana line. The last named team, however, came back, and Rasch riding Gwyer off afterwards got possession and hit a neat goal.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—4 goals and 4 subsidiaries.
Rajah Venugopaul's Team :—*Nil.*

Third Chukker.—Play had hardly started when Lewin took a pass from Wagstaffe and put the ball safely between the goal-posts. Changing ends Peel was at once away, but the ball went behind Gwyer shortly afterwards saving what looked like a certain goal. Gwyer and the Rajah, who were playing well took play to their adversaries line, but once more the Gymkhana came back and Peel scored another goal for them as the chukker ended.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—6 goals and 4 subsidiaries.
Rajah Venugopaul's Team :—*Nil.*

Fourth Chukker. Gwyer and Rajah Venugopaul were once more prominent, but they were not particularly well supported, and Sheik Ismail especially, though working hard seemed never in his place. From a centre by Peel, Lewin almost scored, and then Peel himself with a neat backhanded stroke completed the point. The match was now all over, and the Gymkhana were romping away with their opponents

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—7 goals and 4 subsidiaries.
Rajah Venugopaul's Team :—*Nil.*

Fifth Chukker.—Gwyer made a baddish miss, and Peel got away, but the Rajah pulled him up and gained some ground. Bangalore, however, were not to be denied and coming back again, Wagstaffe put the ball between the posts as the chukker ended. Only 20 seconds of time remained and no further play took place.

Final Score :—Pangalore Gymkhana :—8 goals, and 4 subsidiaries.
Rajah Venugopaul's Team :—*Nil.*

THE FINAL.

The final was played on the morning of Thursday, the 30th June, the new polo ground on the Mysore racecourse being utilised for the purpose. The opposing teams were the Bangalore Gymkhana and the Carabiniers, and whilst the first-named were the favourites, it was thought that the Carabiniers, who are a very fast side, would hustle their opponents considerably. They did not do themselves justice, however, and were beaten somewhat easily, although the score hardly represents the game. Peel for the winners surpassed himself. He hit accurately, galloped at a great pace, and seemed rather to like being ridden than otherwise. Wagstaffe at back was also good, Lewin performed the unostentatious business of playing up to Peel very satisfactorily, whilst Rasch at No. 1 helped considerably by his vigourous riding off and general hard work. In short the side deserved to win.

Of the Carabiniers, Watson stood out head and shoulders the best man on the day's play, and Kennard was perhaps next best. Swifte hardly seemed up to his usual form at back, and Dormer, though at times playing well, was uncertain. That a single "off-side" decision should have been the only transgression of the Laws throughout the match, speaks volumes for the gentlemanly game played by both sides, and it may be mentioned in parenthesis that the Carabiniers are most unlucky in polo tournaments. In pretty nearly every tournament they enter for they get into the final, but they have not yet been able to win. Details:—

First Chukker.—The Gymkhana were the quickest starters, and after Watson and Kennard had repulsed an attack, Peel went down to the Carabiniers' with a brilliant run. Give and take play, however, succeeded, and it looked like being a good game. Rasch broke away, and with a good drive landed the ball in close proximity to the Cavalrymen's goal, where Peel opened the ball by scoring a subsidiary. Nothing more was added during the opening chukker.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—1 subsidiary.
The Carabiniers :—*Nil.*

Second Chukker.—Watson was at once prominent, but Peel retaliated and took a long shot at goal. The ball through sheer bad luck hit Rasch's pony and Dormer temporarily relieved, but Peel, who was playing a magnificent game, was soon back, and scored a subsidiary. Swifte transferred play to Gymkhana territory with a mighty drive, but again the Bangalore men came down: and Peel scored a good goal for them amidst applause. Changing ends the "Carbs" played for all they were worth and for a bit it seemed as though they might out-gallop their opponents. But they showed a want of judgment in the strength of their hitting, and Watson, Dormer and then again Watson, played too hard and shot over the Gymkhana line. Dormer about now got in pretty run, and Kennard backing him up well, scored a goal for the Carabiniers, the enthusiastic nature of the applause being a sufficient proof of the popularity of the gallant Carbs.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.
The Carabiniers :—1 goal.

Third Chukker.—After 'off-side' had been claimed and allowed against the Cavalrymen, Peel put the ball into their goal mouth but Swifte saved and play was transferred to midfield. Peel, however, was irresistible, and was soon again attacking; Watson although playing excellently when he himself got away seeming unable to stop the brilliant Bangalore No. 2.

The ball went behind the Carabiniers line and then Peel put his side further ahead with a long shot, Watson got away after changing ends, but with the goal absolutely at his mercy, made a missing hit and shot wide—a bad piece of luck for the "Carbs," for Watson is as a rule the cleanest of hitters. Now occurred what was perhaps the most brilliant individual piece of play in the match. Peel got a clear field with the exception of the Cavalry back, close to his own goal, and travelling like a streak he went clean down the ground, drove the ball beyond Swifte, galloped past him as though he was standing still—the pony he was riding, *Bayleaf*, is well known for his pace in Bangalore—and took the ball straight through the Carabinier goal, hearty cheers greeting what was a magnificent effort. Out of a scrimmage before the close of the chukker Lewin added another goal, and the Gymkhana appeared to be certain winners.

Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—2 goals and 2 subsidiaries.
The Carabiniers :—1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The "Carbs" were not yet done with, however, and they certainly had all the best of the next chukker. Watson took the ball down and shot behind. Shortly afterwards he again got away, and making no mistake, put the ball between the Gymkhana posts by a clever shot. Vigorous applause from all over the ground resulted, and for a time the Cavalrymen more than held their own. Watson, who about this time, was playing brilliantly, but hitting too hard when approaching the line, was once again away after the change of ends, but Swifte sent the ball over the line. A clever dribble by Kennard, and a run by Watson, who, however once more put the ball over the Gymkhana line, brought about the end of a chukker which ought certainly to have resulted in more tangible advantage to the Carabiniers had they kept their heads when nearing goal

Score.—Bangalore Gymkhana :—4 goals and 2 subsidiaries.
The Carabiniers :—2 goals.

Fifth Chukker.—The ball was hit out from behind the Gymkhana line, and they at once invaded the Carabiniers' territority. Swifte twice saved well, and then Wagstaffe brought the ball round, and though ridden hard at the moment of shooting, he scored a goal with an uncommonly fine slanting shot. Still the Bangalore Gymkhana pressed, and Peel scored a subsidiary. He shortly afterwards put in another fine run and though being ridden by Kennard, he met Swifte's return and scored another grand goal which was deservedly applauded.

Nothing more was scored during the chukker, and as only 37 seconds remained for play when it closed it was considered useless to begin a fresh chukker.

Final Score :—Bangalore Gymkhana :—6 goals and 3 subsidiaries. The Carabiniers :—2 goals.

Teams :—

Bangalore Gymkhana		The Carabiniers.	
1	Mr Rasch	1	Mr Dormer ... ...
2	Capt Peel	2	Mr Kennard ... ...
3	Mr Lewin	3	Capt Watson ...
	Mr Wagstaffe (*back*)		Mr Swift (*back*)

Umpires.—General Eccles Nixon, C.B., and Captain Barr, A.-D.-C.

PRESENTATION OF THE CUP.

The numerous spectators and the players then assembled in the enclosure in front of the Grand Stand and Mr. Maconochie, I. C. S., Private Secretary to His Highness the Maharaja, said :—"Ladies and Gentlemen, His Highness has asked me to say something on his behalf before the Cup is presented to the winners. We have just finished what I think has been a very sporting tournament, and have had a capital game to wind up with. I daresay that the winners will forgive us if we say that we should have liked to see the Carabiniers win as it is always pleasant to see a regiment win. But we can only wish the Carabiniers better luck in the future. The entries this year have been a good deal bigger than they were last and His Highness wishes me to say, "Let 'em all come." We want a gunners team badly. The Durhams—I hope they may emulate the glories of their other battalion, and the Essex have played real sporting games (hear, hear) and the Bangalore Gymkhana thoroughly deserved to win the cup for they have played consistently well through out the tournament. It now only remains for we to ask Lady Pretyman to kindly present the cups to the winners (applause.)

Lady Pretyman then presented the handsome challenge cup to Captain Peel, the Captain of the Bangalore Gymkhana, and the small silver cups to the individual members of the team Cheers were subsequently given for Lady Pretyman, His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, the winners, and the runners up, and an uncommonly sporting and successful tournament closed. Under the conditions of the tournament, Bangalore Gymkhana, if they win the cup next year will retain it as their own property.

Rowing.

REGATTA AT NAINI TAL.
Saturday, 25th June 1904

A VERY successful regatta was held this afternoon, the rain holding off and enabling a small gathering to spend a pleasant afternoon. Details :—

SCRATCH FOURS.

Mr G S Cooper, Mr J Hope Simpson, Capt Hon H Guest, Mr F T Coode beat Mr B W Gillan, Mr T Harcourt, Capt Hon T Guest, Mr W Maunsell

Won by half a length after a close race.

CANOE RACE.

First Heat.

Miss Cockin, Mr A R Hewitt (1) Miss Elliott, Mr A Bowie (2) Miss Hooper, Mr R Roberts (3)

Second Heat.

Mrs Porteous, Maj Thompson (1) Miss Marsh, Mr G Campbell (2) Miss Woolner, Capt Davies (3) Miss Gales, Mr S P Flawerdew

Third Heat.

Miss Warren, Mr H Smithers (1) Mrs Norrington, Capt Goldsmith (2) Miss Sartorious, Mr H Mayston

Final Heat.

Miss Cockin, Mr Hewitt (1) Mrs Porteous, Maj Thompson (2) Mrs Warren, Mrs Smithers (3)

OPEN PAIR OARS.

Hon F Guest, Mr R W Gillan, Mrs Laing (*cox*) beat Mr G Harcourt, Capt C T Nicholson

Won easily.

P. AND O. RACE.

Miss A Hooper, Miss N Elliott, Mr T G Heaven, Mr S P Flowerdew, Mr R Roberts beat Miss Woolner, Miss Elliott, Capt Davies, Mr Turner, Mr Bailey

WILL O' THE WISP.

Messrs. Hewitt, Smithers, E. Harcourt and Captains Goldsmith and Hon'ble F. Guest competed. They were blindfolded and had to catch Messrs. Bayley and Turner in a boat with a bell. No one succeeded.

MIXED DOUBLE SCULLS.

Mrs Porteous, Mr G Harcourt, Mrs Lawrence (*cox*) beat Miss Elliott, Mr F T Coode, Miss Elliott (*cox*).

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

London, 17th June 1904.

IT was in 1898 that Mr. James Gordon-Bennett, the proprietor of the *New York Herald*, desirous of encouraging the motor industry which at that time was in its infancy, presented to the Automobile Club of France a valuable and handsome trophy which was to be put up for annual competition amongst motorists and which is now known the year over as the Gordon-Bennett Cup. Amongst the rules governing the contest is one stipulating that the cars must be constructed wholly and in every detail in the country of the clubs they represent. Thus it was that in the first two races the Automobile Club of France secured the Cup, the French people having had a considerable lead in motor construction which enabled them to enter cars far in advance of those produced in other countries. Every Foreign Automobile Club recognized by the leading Automobile Clubs of the world are allowed to challenge for the cup, providing the challenge is sent to the club holding the trophy before the first day of January of the year the race is to take place, and each club is entitled to enter three cars. It is also necessary to send with the challenge a deposit of one hundred and twenty pounds, which sum is returned if the club is represented at the start. The first race held for this cup was decided in France in 1900 over what is known as the Paris-Lyons course and resulted in a win for M. F. Charron. The second race took place on 29th May 1901 on a course from Paris to Berlin and was won by M. Girardot. The third race held over the Paris-Vienna route in 1902, marked the rise of the British motor car industry, the Cup being secured by the Automobile Club of Great Britain through its representative, Mr. S. F. Edge. This rider on an English-built motor car, not only won the race for the Cup but also a long distance race held in connection with it, in spite of the fact that no less than 132 other competitors started. Last year's race held in Ireland was won by M. Jenatzy, the German representative. While writing this, nineteen huge racing cars are competing in the fifth annual race over a carefully selected course in the Taunus Mountains, Germany. The result, however, will not be to hand before the Indian mail leaves, so particulars must wait over until next week.

We have decided to spend all our riding time on a push bicycle in the Brighton Road, in the hope of being run down by a motor cyclist of wealth who is known to frequent that highway. Last Sunday, the gentleman in question, collided with an ordinary cyclist completely smashing his machine. Instead of resorting to abuse intermingled with unparliamentary adjectives, the motor cyclist immediately dismounted and the following conversation took place. "How much do you want to settle it? £8!" "£12" replied the cyclist, "All right. Here you are" said the motorist as he handed over the amount demanded. He then mounted his machine and rode off before a policeman came to take his name and address, whilst the cyclist walked off with his wrecked cycle on his shoulders and twelve golden guineas in his pocket.

It may be some years yet before the motor is extensively used on home farms owing to the deep grafted prejudice that exist amongst agriculturists against innovations of any description, but as the railway has displaced the old mail coach and gas and electric light the farthing rush-light, so will in time the motor displace the horse on the farm. In this country, more than in any other, is it necessary to practice efficiency and economy if the land is to be made to pay for its cultivation. Keen competition against the foreign markets, unfavourable seasons, and heavy charges by the railways for produce sent to market, are a few of the difficulties that an English farmer has to contend with, and if he is to do so successfully it must be by reducing the cost of cultivation to its lowest possible figure.

In what better way then, can this be accomplished, than by employing motor power? During the last two years, agricultural motors have been perfected to a considerable degree, and although inexpensive, they will do practically any haulage work on a farm, cheaper and quicker than would be the case were horses employed. At the Royal Agricultural Show held last year, there were no less than six exhibitors of agricultural motors, and in some tests carried out with one of the machines, a field of nineteen acres of wheat was cut in ten hours, and two acres and fifteen poles of land, with a very hard surface, was ploughed with a double-furrow plough in 5hours 49minutes. The cost of running the motor is extremely low.

The good sport-loving citizens of Manchester have answered in an unmistakable manner the question which has been worrying cycle sport promoters for the last few years, as to why it is that cycle racing fails to attract support? They have answered it by attending in their thousands a meeting that was *worth* attending—a meeting brim full of high class events and which was carried out from start to finish in a manner that could not fail to draw the public: indeed, it was a cycle race meeting conducted as cycle race meetings should be conducted. The meeting to which we refer was the first of the National Cyclists' Union Championships of the year, held on the Fallowfield grounds, Manchester, on Saturday last, 11th June, when the most attractive of all the National Cyclists Union Championships—the one mile and quarter mile events—were decided, sandwiched between two open handicaps over a lap and a mile. The weather was favourable, and over 6,000 spectators watched some of the most exciting and interesting racing that it has been our lot to witness for many a long day.

In the race for the mile championship a splendid entry had been received of twenty-six good riders, which necessitated eight heats being run in the first round, three heats in the second round and then the final—and what a final it was, in which A. L. Reed, the Londoner, E. Payne of Worcester, and J. S. Benyon of Chesterneld figured. At the bell, Payne went for his usual lap sprint with Reed closely hugging his back wheel and Benyon in the running. Almost up to the white tape the positions remained unchanged when, with a desperate effort Reed gained the lead and won by one foot from Payne with Benyon only half a wheel behind. In the race for the quarter mile championship twenty-three entrants had been received which after holding a matter of ten heats were sifted down to J. S. Benyon, H. Buck and A. L. Reed. The racing in the quarter mile final, although good, lacked the dash and excitement of the mile event, Reed, being tired out with his afternoon's riding having to give way to Benyon and Buck, indeed, Reed sat up before the race was over, "whacked" as he afterwards explained. This race was won by Benyon with Buck a length in the rear.

Our leading professional rider "Tommy" Hall, still continues to meet with success in Paris, which City he makes his headquarters during the summer season. His latest win was in an hour paced race when he was opposed by Bracy, Bruni, Contenet and Darolli, four good men behind fast pace. In spite of the fact, that during the race Hall met with a rather serious fall—one of his tyres bursting—he managed to put in the respectable distance of 51 miles 100 yards in the time, winning by over two kilometres from Contenet. These riders who race behind high powered motor bicycles, that can easily cover fifty miles an hour, take upon themselves a tremendous risk of sustaining severe, if not fatal, injuries. Already this season Hall has experienced seven falls, but in each case he has been rather fortunate and has not been obliged to lay up for any length of time.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

CIVIL *vs.* UNITED SERVICES.—Played on the Gymkhana ground on the 27th ultimo, the Civilians winning by 158 runs. Mr. Aston played a fine innings of 86 for the Civil, Messrs. Milne, Powell and Gratwicke adding useful scores. The United Services made but 54 in their first venture. Captain Bond (19) being the only batsman to reach double figures. Following on they put 76 for 5 wickets. Score :—

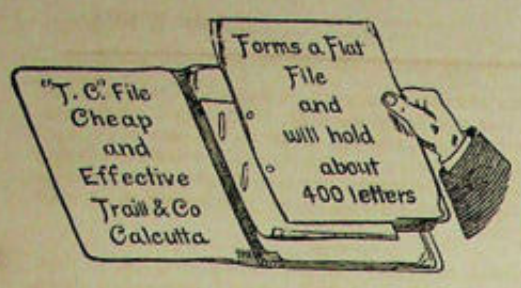
CIVIL.

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Mr Ainsworth, c Lieut Langhorne, b Hobbs		1
Mr Milne, b Hobbs	...	38
Mr Stileman, run out	... ...	0
Mr McCausland, l-b-w, b Taylor	...	12
Mr Gratwicke, c Marsh, b Taylor	...	23
Mr Muirhead, not out	... ..	1
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Mr Kemp, c Philbrick, b Taylor	...	0
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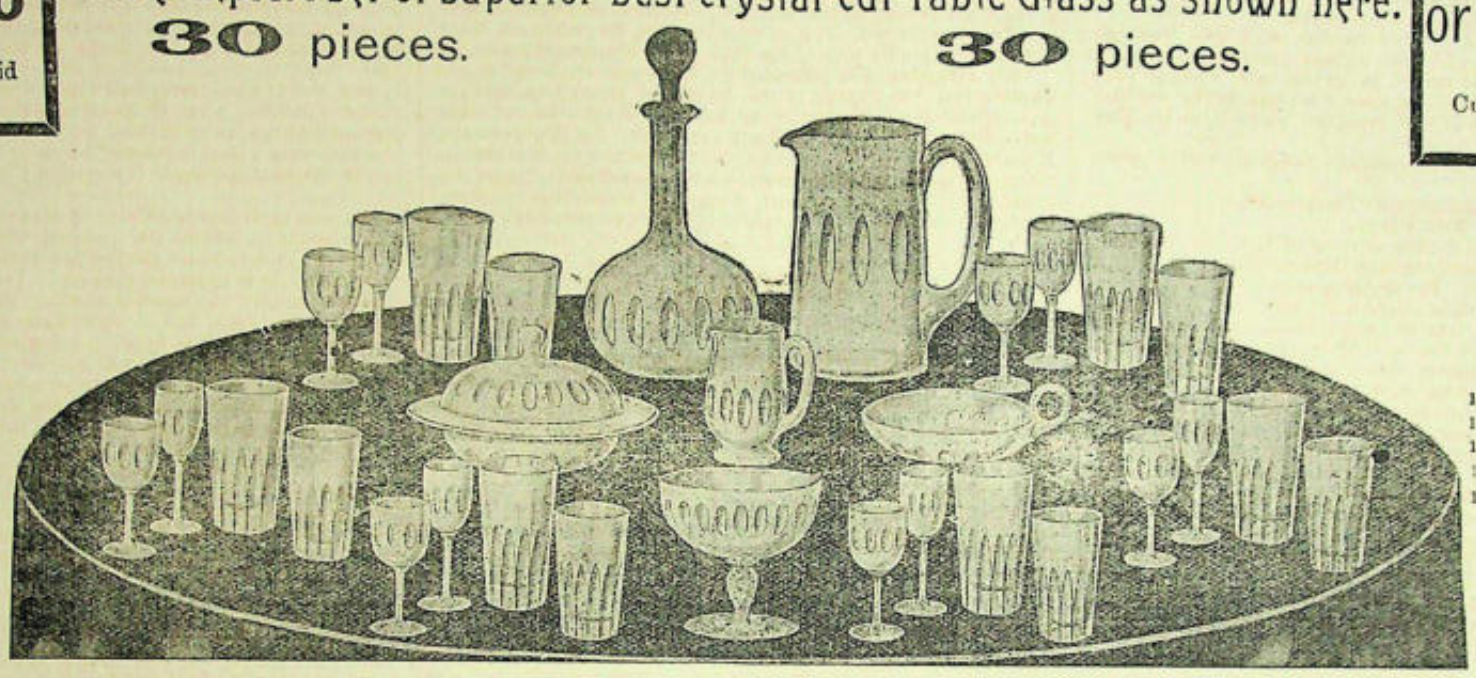
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First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Sergt Cheshire, b Ainsworth	5	b Milne ...	2
Lieut Philbrick, c Milne, b Ainsworth ...	5	b Powell ...	27
Lieut Taylor, b Coombs ...	0	b Stileman ...	1
Maj Baynes, b Coombs ...	6	not out ...	25
Lieut Marsh, st Gratwicke, b Ainsworth ...	0	b Powell ...	0
Capt McDonald, c Powell, b Coombs ...	0	not out ...	6
Lce-Corpl Birkby, not out	0	c Kemp, b Stileman ...	1
Lieut Langhorne, b Ainsworth	2	Did not bat.	
Lieut E R Jones, c and b Ainsworth ...	3		
Corpl Langhorne, c and b Ainsworth ...	6		
Corpl Hobbs, b Coombs ...	4		
Capt Bond, c and b Ainsworth	19		
Extras ...	4	Extras ...	15
Total ...	54	Total (for 5 wkts) ...	76

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Mr Coomb	12	19	4	4
Mr Ainsworth ...	11·2	31	3	7

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* ELPHINSTONE COLLEGE.—The Gymkhana opened their season with this match on the 25th ultimo. Rain interfered with the game and it was left unfinished. Score:—

GYMKHANA.

Lieut A P Y Langhorne, c Vakil, b Jeh Antia ...	61
Mr A H S Astin, c Jamshed Antia, b Jeh Antia ...	31
Mr S N Powde, b Jeh Antia	9
Capt J A D Langhorne, c Vakil, b Jeh Antia ...	7
Lieut Philbrich, b Jeh Antia	5
Mr J S Milne, b Parekh	0
Mr A B Burney, c Mody, b Jeh Antia	9
Mr J L Ainsworth, b Parekh	9
Mr E E Coombs, c and b Parekh	6
Capt J H Macdonald, not out	1
Mr C Stileman, b Antia	0
Extras	4
Total ...	142

ELPHINSTONE COLLEGE.

Mr J Mody, b Coombs	5
Mr P K Telang, b Coombs	50
Mr Neksathkan, not out	24
Mr M B Parekh, not out	1
Extras	2
Total (for 2 wkts) ...	62

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
ELPHINSTONE COLLEGE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr D N Vakil	9	1	39	0
Mr R Pavri	8	0	10	0
Mr M R Parekh	13	2	42	3
Mr Neksathkan ...	5	0	19	0
Mr Antia	13	3	29	7

GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr Coombs	7	1	10	2
Mr Ainsworth	5	1	39	0
Mr Stileman	2	0	11	0

CRICKET AT POONA.

INDIAN ARMY *vs.* THE WORLD.—This match was played at Poona, on the 30th ultimo and provided some high scoring. Captain Greig put up 103 and retired, and Mr. Carroll 101 and retired for the Indian Army whose score was 287 for seven wickets. The World made 206 to which Mr. A. D Wilkins contributed 103 and Messrs. Kearsey and Unwin 58 not out and 30 not out respectively. Score:—

THE INDIAN ARMY.

Capt Greig, retired	103
Mr Noake, c Jeune, b Col Hazelton ...	18
Mr B M Carroll, retired	101
Lieut-Col Stevens, b Kearsey	26
Major-Genl Richardson, b Langton ...	3
Capt Hopwood, b Kearsey	8
Capt Bruce, b Langton	3
Mr Thew, not out	11
Mr Shaw, not out	12
Capt Holbrooke, Capt Davidson } did not bat	
Extras	5
Total ...	287*

* The innings declared closed.

THE WORLD.

Mr A D Wilkins, c Hopwood, b Shaw ...	103
Mr T S French, c Bruce, b Greig ...	0
Mr Kearsey, not out...	58
Mr Usher, not out	30
Mr Thornton, Capt Langton, Lieut-Col Hazelton, Lord Murray, Capt Jeune, Mr Boxwell, Capt Bayford } did not bat	
Extras	10
Total ...	206

CRICKET AT SIMLA.

VISITORS *vs.* RESIDENTS.—Played at Annandale on the 30th ultimo, the Residents winning by four wickets. Score:—

VISITORS

A G G Pullan, c Lumsden, b Robinson ...	6
Sergeant Mitchell, c Edmundson, b Lumsden ...	2
V A Keighley, c Stokes b Robinson	22
Capt McConaghey, c and b Lumsden	2
S W Coxon, b Robinson	1
Genl Spens b Lumsden	39
Capt Laverton, c Walton, b Robinson	17
Major Stainforth, c Smallwood, b Robinson ...	1
J C Tritton, c Walton, b Lumsden	36
Major Tod, not out	12
Private Vidal, b Lumsden	0
Extras	7
Total ...	145

RESIDENTS.

E L French, b Laverton	2
S M Robinson, c Coxon, b Laverton	2
Capt Smallwood, c Stainforth, b Pullan	36
Capt Onslow, b Pullan	31
O F Lumsden, b Stainforth	14
Capt Stokes, b Laverton	25
H C Sparke, not out	26
G E Edmundson, not out	4
Major Walton, Capt Drummond } did not bat	
Extras	18
Total ...	158

CRICKET CHAT.

E. A. LEACH, the Calcutta C. C. player, is making a lot of runs for Wimbledon this season. His latest effort was 55 against Upper Tooting on 4th June. J. P. Candler, the old Bengal Presidency player continues to make runs and get wickets for Mr. J. C. Lovell's XI, and on 4th June scored 24 and took two of the five wickets that fell against Beddington. T. B. Nicholson, an old Madras player of the later nineties who went to South Africa with Lumsden's Horse and got a commission, playing for London County *vs.* Leicestershire, scored, 1 and 12. This was his first appearance in an important match. Ernest Steel, the old Bombay player, was in great form with the bat in the Gent'eman of England *vs.* I Zingari match, played on 6th, 7th and 8th June, scoring 11 and 111 for I. Zingari. He captured two wickets for 63 runs. E. L. Sale, the Bombay Presidency player, scored, 0 and 83 not out for Marlborough Blues *vs.* Hampstead on 4th June.

After three successive wet Saturdays the Bombay Gymkhana were able to play their first match last Saturday, their opponents being the Elphinstone College. Rain unfortunately interfered with the game, but what play there was did not lack in interest. The Gymkhana total was 192, of which two men, A. H. S. Aston and A. P. T. Langhorne contributed the large proportion of 92. No one else on the side got into double figures, but considering that this was the opening match and practice has not been possible owing to rain, I do not attach much importance to the failure of most of the side. Langhorne, whose second season it is, knocked up 61 by free cricket, and when he gets set is a most punishing bat. Aston played nice cricket for his 31, and is a vastly improved bat. He now plays a free, sometimes brilliant game He and Langhorne are without a doubt the best batsmen the Gymkhana have this year. Aston on Monday last, the King's Birthday in a whole-day match between the Civil and United Services, gave further proof of his batting ability by scoring 86 for the Civil, his highest score so far in India. It was not a faultless innings—how many innings ever are?—but all the same deeply impressed those who witnessed it. One of the most pleasing incidents in the recent matches has been the success with the ball of J. L. Ainsworth, the old Marlburian and Lancashire county player. He has a beautifully easy action and can keep on all day without tiring. He bowls with a big break (medium—slow) and varies his pace and length in a way that is most puzzling to the batsman. He ought to be very good by the middle of August and it is of course a foregone conclusion that he will play for the Presidency. A batsman, who is likely to prove a very useful acquisition to the Gymkhana is Lieutenant J A. D. Langhorne, R. A., an elder brother of A. P. J. of that ilk In point of style he is the antithesis of hisbrother, being a very slow bat with stonewalling tendencies Still, on the sticky difficult, rungetting Bombay wickets he should do very wel. Hemade only 7 and 6 but he was in a considerable time on each occasion S. N. Powell and J. S. Milne were in scoring vain on Monday, making 31 and 38 respectively for the Civil. Coombs so far has done very well with the ball, having secured six wickets for 29 runs.

Dharwar cricketers have started the season with a match between the Gymkhana and the local Hindus which after an exciting finish ended in a victory for the Gymkhana by 9 runs, the totals being 122 and 113 respectively. Dharwar has some good cricketers this year, including J. Monteath the Old Cliftonian who played for the Presidency last year, M. C. Gibb, and L. C. Crump, a player who, if he were to practice regularly, would be one of the best in the Presidency. He made top score for his side in this match and took a couple of wickets. D. Bhasker took seven wickets for the Gymkhana, and Samuel for the Hindus only just missed the rare feat of taking all ten wickets, nine batsmen falling to his deliveries. The annual match between Dharwar and Bellary played last Friday and Saturday, showed both districts to be in possession of very strong teams this year. The Dharwar wicket is a matting one so high scoring is usually the order on that ground. Nobody reached a century in the match, but there were four scores of over 50 and six others over 20. The highest score in the match was made by Passannah who knocked up 87 in Bellary's second innings. A. F. Mullings (56 and 0) and Lieutenant C. W. Watney (8 and 45) were also seen to a advantage for Bellary who, however, lost the match by eight wickets. It is worthy of note that Passannah and Watney contributed 132 out of the total of 171 in the second innings. The Dharwar batsmen shaped splendidly in the first innings, seven men reaching double figures. J. Monteath, the old Cliftonian and Presidency player, was the principal contributor with 79, and M. C. Gibb (59), L. C. Crump (38), G. McHarrison (38), D. Bhaskar (34), and C. Sinclair (24), all did well. Crump and Bhaskar bowled well, the former getting five wickets in the second innings and the latter five in the first and three in the second.

Karachi lovers of the game were *en fete* last Saturday week, the occasion being the first of the two annual meetings between the Gymkhana and the Parsees, a fixture which attracts as much attention in Karachi as the Presidency match does in Bombay. The match was, however, robbed of a good deal of interest by the absence of F. L. Sprott, the Gymkhana's best batsman and wicket keeper. Four Gymkhana batsmen got into double figures—Wilson 29, Merriman 24, Price 12, and Creagh 10,—but the total was only 112. N. J. Mobed, a bowler, who has figured in Karachi cricket for some years with great success, captured five wickets for 20 runs, while S. N. Miniwalla got four for 31 runs. The Parsees compiled 139 for six wickets. N. M. Dinshaw, their crack batsman, contributing 59, while P. D. Dastar got 20, and J. D. Miniwalla 15. I hope Dinshaw's latest effort will be duly noted by the Parsee Selection Committee.

The Royal Welsh Fusiliers have a team that can always be relied upon to run up a big score no matter how strong their opponents may be in bowling. Last Saturday week I notice they totalled 310 against Kailana Depôt, J. D. Venables taking a century (115), while useful scores were made by Lieutenant-Colonel Lyle (45), Captain France-Hayhurst (32), Captain G. Lloyd (25), H. J. Reynolds (18), and Captain H. Hill (16). The Depôt team were not comfortable in facing the deliveries of G. Lloyd and France-Hayhurst who took five and four wickets respectively. Three batsmen, P. D. Saxton 31, M. A. Muir 28, and J. St. O. Darlington 22 not out, were responsible for 81 of the total of 108.

A whole day match was played at Poona on Thursday last which, a glance at the scores will show, was remarkable for individual innings of three figures and weak bowling among other things. The sides were the Indian Army *vs.* The World, and altogether 493 runs were made for the loss of only seven wickets which gives some idea of the weakness of the bowling. Three batsmen placed centuries to their account, *viz.*, Captain J. G. Greig (105 retired) and B. M. Carroll (101 retired) for the Indian Army and A. D. Wilkins (103) for the World. A. H. C. Kearsey, who made 53 not out for the latter side, would also very probably have taken a century had play lasted another hour. S. Langton of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders made his *debut* in this match but had no opportunity of batting. He, however, did as well as anyone else on his side with the ball. Greig, Carroll and Wilkins are all in great form with the bat, and should make plenty of runs in the more important matches this season. The two first-named should give the Parsee bowlers a lot of trouble in the Presidency matches. Wilkins' success was very gratifying to himself and his friends. The old Bedfordshire County Cricketer is the oldest player in the Presidency and made a memorable score of over 200 for North of the Presidency *vs.* South of the Presidency eighteen years ago.

Dhulia was the scene of an interesting match last week between teams representing the Station and Bhusaval and Manmad the latter team having been got together by A. Dangerfield The visitors were out-classed at all points and H. Pogson, an old Presidency player, made 104 not out for the Station. T. Maitland Kirwan, who played for Poona Gymkhana last season, D. Kotwal, G. A. White, and R. E. A. Elliott, all made double figure scores for the Station, whose innings was declared on the fall of the third wicket with the total 216. C. S. Campbell (15 not out), Howard (20) and Otto (35) were responsible for 70 of the total of 91 in the visitors' first innings, six men falling to score. In the follow-on C. S. Campbell made 34 not out out of the total of 54. Four batsmen made a single apiece while three failed to score, two of whom obtained spectacles in the match. The best work with the ball for the Station was done by Joshi, who captured seven wickets, Kulkami who took five wickets and Pogson who took four. H. Pogson was given a trial in the Presidency test match last year at Bombay, but had no luck and did not get a place in the eleven, though he represented the Presidency in 1899. He is said to be showing very fine form with the bat this year a fact which I hope will not escape the Cricket Committee of the Bombay Gymkhana with whom lies the selection of the team of the Bombay match.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

KING'S OWN *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—These teams met on the soldiers' ground last Saturday when a well-contested game was witnessed by a large crowd. A lucky goal to the King's Own gave them the victory. They began the attack and Carman came very near scoring. Dalhousie then had a turn and several shots were sent in but all failed to find the net and the game settled down very fast and even, neither side having gained any material advantage at the arrival of the interval. On changing ends the Dalhousie men rushed away and obtained three corners, play near the King's Own goal being very exciting. They were unable to score, however, and the military took the ball to the visitors' end where the Dalhousie custodian was kept busy. In trying to save a low shot Street fell and, throwing the ball over his head it was put into the net. The Dalhousie men made great efforts to equalise but in vain, and the match ended in a win for the King's Own by a goal to *nil* Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Sinker, *goal;* Mellor and Cotham, *backs;* Ennis, Standish and Leonard, *half-backs;* Quin, Carman, Ashworth, Diggle and Mitchell, *forwards.*

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal;* Templeton and Stimson, *backs;* Phelps, Butler and Dalling, *half-backs;* Prike, Bonar, Evans, Stewart and Campbell, *forwards.*

Referee.—Mr. J. Greig.

RANGERS *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—Played on the Rangers, ground last Saturday, the home team being victorious by two goals to one. The Dum Dum team went away at the start and Woodings and Laughlin put in a couple of shots. The Rangers then attacked but Roberts kept the ball out and from a scrimmage in front of the home goal Drew found the net On resuming after the interval the Rangers ran right away from the soldiers and Rosser equalised. Continuing to press Pollock shot and the ball being only partialy cleared Rosser had no difficulty in getting possession and scoring a second goal. The remainder of the game was very even. Teams:—

RANGERS.—Behrend *goal* Margrett and Anersderson, *backs;* Boilard, Lees, and Mulholland, *half-backs;* Vears, Maclay, Rosser McCready and Pollock, *forwards.*

WEST RIDINGS.—Roberts *goal;* Evans and Holcombe, *backs;* Reeves, Turner and Morris, *half-backs;* Hulyer, Drew, Wilson, Laughlin and Woodings, *forwards.*

Y. M. C. A. *vs.* HOWRAH. A pointless draw was the result of this match played on the Y. M. C. A. ground last Saturday. The visitors had the best of the play but failed to score owing to wild shooting Teams.—

HOWRAH.—Powell, *goal;* Curtis and Annett, *backs;* O'Neil, Morrow and Hart, *half-backs;* Smith, Echlin, Jackson, Burns and Kerr, *forwards.*

Y. M. C. A.—Kay, *goal;* Stokes and Glover, *backs;* Collingwood Pooler and Schaumberg, *half-backs;* Mitchell, Mason, Redmond, Vanspal and Vears, *forwards.*

Referee.—Mr. McPhee.

WEST RIDINGS *vs.* HOWRAH.—This match was played on the Rangers' ground on the 5th instant and closed the League engagements of these two teams. It was a very even game, but the soldiers eventually won by two goals to *nil*. The West Ridings went down and obtained a corner, which was not improved upon, and play being transferred, Howrah sent in some hard shots, and the Regiment conceded a corner. No advantage accrued and after a spell of even play, Woodings got away and opened the scoring. After the interval Howrah played hard, but missed opportunities owing to wild shooting. Then the West Ridings once more scored, Drew putting through from a centre by Woodings. Howrah played hard but were unable to score, the game ending as stated. Teams:—

WEST RIDINGS.—Roberts, *goal;* Evans and T. Reeves, *backs;* A. Reeves, Turner, and Morris, *half-backs;* Woodings, Kelly, Wilson, Drew and Hulyer, *forwards.*

HOWRAH.—Powell, *goal;* Curtis and Annett, *backs;* Hart, Morrow and O'Neil, *half-backs;* Echlin, Burns, Jackson, Smith and Kerr, *forwards.*

Referee.—Mr. P. C. Margrett.

CIVIL AND MILITARY LEAGUE.

CALADONIA A. C. *vs.* SIBPUR COLLEGE.—The teams met on the Dalhousie ground for their return match on Saturday when the College won by one goal after a hard game. At the start Fox and Street went away at great pace and pressed the Caledonians hard, but the defence was sound and gradually relieved the goal. A miskick from the goal was taken advantage of by Street and the only point in the match was scored by Street, towards the end of the game.

CALEDONIA A. C. *vs.* 79TH R. G. A.—On Monday, the 79th R. G. A, piled on six goals in their League match with the Caledonians. The Hastings ground was very heavy and the visitors had a very weak team out.

Watts, who was in good form, scored twice in the first half and twice in the second, and Fleming scored twice towards the end of the match. This heavy defeat was disheartening to the Caledonians who have done well all through the season and actually think of competing in the I. F. A. tournament.

FOOTBALL IN CALCUTTA.

OLD WORLD *vs.* OFFICERS OF THE FORT.—This game was played on the Calcutta ground on the 1st instant, and though the officers won by three goals to love, the Old World gave them a good game. The latter team was composed of players who were shining lights on the footer field in by-gone years, and included such players as Winckworth, Hechle, Newton and Watson. Play ruled very even throughout, and the Old World had hard luck in not scoring. Le Fleming (2) and Captain Gardner (1) put on the goals for the winners.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

AS expected, the return meeting of Calcutta and the West Ridings provided a most exciting game. Calcutta came out winners by three goals to one but they had to fight hard to secure their two points as the soldiers played for all they were worth right up to the call of time, and did not appear to be at all disheartened at having three goals against them. The Ridings' forwards were in great form and as they did not waste time in short passing, but shot whenever they got the chance, and shot well too, the civilian defence was severely tried. The halves frequently. The Calcutta team played an excellent game though Macdonald was slow at taking chances, and the younger Sherman missed one or two openings, Cooper giving the best exhibition of centre-forward play seen this season and scoring all three goals. Maunder in the half-line also came out strong supported their forward line well, but the backs, especially in the second half, played rather wildly, and Roberts in goal had more work than he has had in any other match this season. He put in some excellent play, but was inclined to run out rather too and played sound football from start to finish, but when all performed so well it would be unfair to too highly commend individuals.

Dalhousie had the best of their match against the Y. M. C. A., but although they had their full team out, with the exception of Stimson, they only managed to win by one goal, for which Steward was responsible. The Y. M. defence was excellent, but Dalhousie had no difficulty in checkmating their forwards, and Street in goal was seldom troubled.

The King's Own won their match against Dalhousie on Saturday through an unlucky fall of Street's. He had been in excellent form throughout the match and had cleared several dangerous shots, but towards the end of the second half after stopping a shot he slipped backwards and the ball rolled into the net. Although Dalhousie had on the whole the best of the game, the King's Own thus won by one goal to *nil*, and brought their goal average to the same level as that of Calcutta.

The West Ridings played a good game against the Rangers, but as in their match against Calcutta their backs seemed off colour, and Rosser got through twice owing to their miskicking. In the first half the men from Dum-Dum had rather the best of matters and scored one goal, but in the second half the home team asserted their superiority, and the match eventually ended in their favour by two goals to one. The ground and ball were very slippery, so that accurate shooting and passing were difficult, but both lines of forwards acquitted themselves creditably and the goalkeepers on both sides were called upon to save on several occasions. This match disposed of the West Ridings chances of annexing the Locke Cup, but although they have now the same number of points as the Rangers they are likely to retain the third place. The final struggle is between The King's Own and Calcutta and, as stated last week, the probabilities are in favour of the former team winning on goal average—a close finish?

Appended is the League state up to Saturday last :—

Teams.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals For	Goals Against.
King's Own ...	11	8	2	1	17	27	9
Calcutta ...	11	8	2	1	17	21	7
West Ridings ...	11	7	4	0	14	19	11
Rangers ...	11	5	2	4	14	13	11
Dalhousie ...	12	2	8	2	6	6	13
Howrah ...	11	1	7	3	5	4	21
Y. M. C. A. ...	11	1	7	3	5	2	20

A record number of entries has been received for "The Trades' Cup," which now seems to be the most popular junior football competition in India. The Honorary Secretary has his work cut out to satisfy twenty-eight teams and before the finals are reached he will no doubt wish the entries had been fewer. The competition is supposed to commence on the 6th and finish on the 23rd instant; but the executive will be extremely lucky if it is brought to a successful issue within this time. It is useless speculating on the probable winners at this early stage, but there are several games which should be worth watching, notably those between St. Joseph's and the Nationals, St. James' and the Medicos, and Gaurungdi and Asansol.

Owing to the sad death of Mr. H. R. Todd, the Calcutta-Rangers match has, by mutual agreement between the two clubs and with the consent of the League Secretary, been postponed till early next week. Though Todd had not played much this season, those who remember the struggle for the I. F. A. Shield last July are not likely to forget the splendid display he made as right back for Calcutta. Todd always "played the game," and the Calcutta Club has lost not only one of the best footballers who ever played for them, but a real good sportsmen.

"TOUCH."

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

THE COLOMBO MEDAL.—This competition on Friday and Saturday last, the final one of the season, proved a regular farce, only four cards been sent in and a nett score of 88 by Mr. B. Sinclair being sufficient to win the prize. Why this was so it is difficult to say for though the weather was persistently showers and the putting greens anything but easy to putt on there way really no reason why the scoring should be so much worse than usual, and the numbers of returns so scanty. Result :—

B. Sinclair	89	– 1 =	88
Captain D. McCay	98	– 7 =	91
F. H. Stewart	93	– Scr. =	93
Major Drury	104	– 5 =	99

THE ORMISTON SILVER CHALLENGE CLUB.—The close of the season also brings with it the close of the competitions for the Ormiston Silver Challenge Club, for the eight lowest nine hole rounds for the year in Club Competitions and for the Cashmere Cup, which goes to the player who returns the lowest scratch score for nine holes in a Club Competition, during the year. The scoring for both was decidedly good, and there was a great struggle between Messrs. Sinclair and Dick for the former trophy, which is always a much coveted one Mr. Sinclair fully, deserved his success which has been very marked of late on the *maidan*, and Mr. Cuthbert, the Honorary Secretary of the Club, is also to be congratulated on winning the Cashmere Cup, which usually falls to one of of the scratch players, the following are the best scores put in for both events.

ORMISTON SILVER CHALLENGE CLUB.

	Total.	Hcp.	Nett.
B Sinclair (winner)	336	– 5½ =	330½
H W Dick	374	– 43 =	331
Captain D McCay, I M S	379	– 40 =	339
D A Cuthbert	349	– 9 =	340
Major I M Burn, R E	360	– 20 =	340
M Cathcart	372	– 32 =	340
C D H Dunlop	383	– 40 =	343
T B Peterkin	352	– 8 =	344
Major Drury, I M S	370	– 24½ =	345½
E A Wild	361	– 12 =	349
F H Stewart	353	– Scr. =	353
A H Nicholl	408	– 54 =	354
C Engel	371	– 17 =	355
W T Reid	376	– 12 =	364
Dr W Forsyth	388	– 8 =	380

CASHMERE CUP.

D A Cuthbert (winner)	38
H C Begg	40
F H Stewart	40
T B Peterkin	41
T Drimmie	41
B Sinclair	42
N Mitchell Innes	42
W T Reed	42
Major Burn, R E	43
M Cathcart	43
E D Wild	43
D Pym	43
Major Penton	43

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FIRST HEAT.

			Start	Time
1	W Willson		7	23⅘ secs
2	R Collier		9	26½ ,,
0	H Bemfry		7	26¼ ,,
0	G Brown		Scr	20 ,,
0	K M Kennedy		1	21⅘ ,,

SECOND HEAT.

			Start	Time
1	J Chaplin		7	25⅘ secs
2	A G Watts		13	32 ,,
0	W Govan		1	20⅘ ,,
0	G H Harnack		6	28⅘ ,,
0	W G Deeks		7	32 ,,

THIRD HEAT.

			Start	Time
1	F B Prike		8	23⅘ secs
2	R Jones		9	26½ ,,
0	L Price		6	23¾ ,,
0	A L Clarke		5	23½ ,,
0	A Siddons		1	27 ,,

FINAL HEAT.

			Start	Time
1	F B Prike		8	32⅘ secs
2	W Wilson		7	22½ ,,
0	R Jones		9	25½ ,,
0	R Collier		9	25½ ,,
0	J Chaplin		7	

The next event is the Four Lengths Handicap, the heats will be swum off on Friday, the 8th current

The Naturalist.

WHAT ANIMAL IS THAT ?
Or,
NATURAL HISTORY FOR BEGINNERS.
XII.

TRUE INSECTS.—(*Continued.*)

IV.—ORTHOPTERA. With the exception of earwigs, whose wings are differently folded, and which are otherwise anomalous, the members of this order are easily recognised by their wings alone. If we examine a large cockroach or a large grasshopper in its perfect state, the inner pair of wings appear folded lengthwise, like a fan ; and that, with the eating mouth and the imperfect metamorphosis, constitutes the mark of the order. Most of the genera can be kept and reared as easily as caterpillars, and their ways even those of cockroaches, are most interesting. In intelligence they surpass any other order except the hymenoptera.

To pass to the separate families, *locusts* differ from grasshoppers in possessing the power of sustained flight, and in travelling in swarms. The name is wrongly applied, in both England and America to several insects which are neither locusts nor grasshoppers. *Grasshoppers* differ from crickets in five particulars ; they are active by day ; they have very short antennæ ; they are silent ; they live in the open air ; and their wings slope downward on the sides of their bodies Crickets are active by night ; they have antennæ from one inch to four inches long ; the males chirrup or sing by the hour, the great field crickets very loudly ; they live in burrows or crevices ; and their wings lie flat on their backs. There are only a few common kinds ; but there are uncommon kinds with marked peculiarities. Grasshoppers, on the other hand, are in great variety, and some species are strikingly beautiful Grasshoppers mostly live on grass, and in exceptional cases damage plants ; but crickets, with their stronger teeth and savage disposition, are very destructive, whether in the house or out-of-doors The Chinese keep field crickets in little cages, and set them to fight *Molecrickets*—so ruinous to the roots of plants—have no legs for jumping, and their forelegs are shaped into powerful diggers. They are not as bulky as field-crickets, but are considerably longer. Nobody could tell them to be crickets, and if shape goes for anything, they are not crickets : but they can be seen at once to be orthoptera.

There is a family of carnivorous insects of this order, usually green or brown, which are neither grasshoppers nor crickets : they are active by night ; they have long antennæ ; they make a loud scraping noise, some kinds incessantly, and others in three syllables often repeated ; they live in the open ; their wings are held like those of grasshoppers The best known species is a green insect which comes into the house in the evening and rasps away energetically. People call it a grasshopper, but it will be found to answer the description I have given. There is an immense brown species in Assam, which looks like a bat, and makes a triple sound that can be heard nearly half a mile off. The "katy-did" of North America is one of this family. They do not live on grass or leaves ; they eat juicy vegetables or fruit, but prefer insects. The Japanese keep them in neat bamboo cages, for the sake of their "song" Some years ago I saw several of a small brown species in a house in the Monghyr district, among some papers, which had made little shelters for themselves by turning over pieces of paper and fastening the edges together with some glutinous secretion. The work was more difficult than anything a mason wasp does, and was neatly done. I do not know that this practice of these grasshopper crickets has been observed in another case The females of all these insects—locusts, grasshoppers and crickets—have an instrument of some kind at the end of the abdomen, called an ovipositor, by means of which they put their eggs under the soil, in crevices of trees and plants, or in some other suitable place of safety.

If we set aside the intelligence of bees, wasps, ants and spiders, *mantises* (or *mantides*) are the most interesting of all insects and arachnids. They are those insects, varying from half an inch to six inches in length, and of any colour, but usually green, brown, or grey which stand and walk on four legs, using the third, front, pair to seize their food or feel their way. Their very name, *mantis*, a soothsayer, was given to them because of their quaint way of holding their spiked forepaws either in an attitude of prayer or to point this way and that, their curious heads, with two observant eyes, meanwhile turning to every point of the compass. The mantis is the only insect which can be called tame in the sense that a bird or a beast is tame : for it will allow itself to be taken up, and in a few moments will stand on the hand or the table, and with its paws take food from the fingers and eat it, looking about all the while like a parrot. But a quiet species must be chosen : some are so swift and nervous that they cannot be tamed any more than a fly. The species are innumerable, some of grotesque shapes and some in perfect imitation of leaves, twigs, knotted grass, or pieces of bamboo, green or dry. These are known as walking leaves and walking sticks. Some kinds stay on the bark of trees, and run round the trunk as swiftly as cockroaches, which they resemble in their flat forms There are two main divisions of these insects ; one which are predatory, seizing things suddenly with their forepaws or claws, and another which are Phytophagus or in the King's English, feeders on plants and leaves. The latter are soft, slow, weak, and helpless creatures, looking like thin twigs ; but they grow to a greater length than those which capture prey : I have taken one that was nine inches long, and I have seen one in a collection from Assam or the Malay Peninsula which measured a foot in length In the first of these papers I have described a fight between one of the predacious species and a minute shrew. I had another, which, not getting all the insects it wanted, ate a large quantity of a sour mango, sickened soon afterwards, and died next day. Mantises lay their eggs in a mass, mixed with a substance which cakes or crusts and forms a protection to the eggs. This dried mass, which takes many shapes and colors, is often found adhering to a twig or a stem of grass, and after a few days about a hundred tiny mantises make their way out of it and enter life on their own account, eating and being eaten.

Cockroaches are of many kinds, some living indoors and some out-of-doors. Offensive as the common kinds are, it will repay anyone interested in natural history to keep several species in cages, giving them room and fresh air and food, and a dark corner, and watching them grow and change their skins till they reach maturity and lay their eggs. The egg-cases of one species are constantly found in the house—little reddish brown capsules, like small seed-pods. And there is a shining, black parasite fly (hymenopterous : genus *evania*) about twice the size of a table fly, with a huge thorax and a preposterously small hinder part which lays its eggs in these cases and leaves its larvæ to feed on the contents. Obviously that is a fly to be encouraged. Some field cockroaches fly into the house, to the lamp, in the evening, and are variously taken for moths, bugs and beetles, because of their unusual appearance ; but a slight examination will reveal the marks of the orthoptera. A species is described as common in Brazil which is really formidable, half as large again as our great brown flying kind : it eats off the eye-lashes of children who sleep soundly, and also the toe-nails and finger-nails. The Brazilians have also a gigantic spider which they encourage to live with them because it has both the will and the strength to hunt these cockroaches. The "black beetles" of England are cockroaches, and are not black. The mark of an *earwig* is the "pincers" which take the place of a tail. One Indian species, which I found in the thatch of a native boat, is so much larger than the common kinds, and so fleshy, that a novice might hesitate to recognise it but for this mark.

V.—HYMENOPTERA. These are so-called because their forewings consist of a transparent membrane with just enough nerves or veins through them to serve as a frame. They eat with masticating mouths, and their pupæ are motionless chrysalises. They almost all sting, or bite, or do both. The exceptions, when recognized, though looking for all the world like wasps, may be taken in the hand with impunity. Some ants, as the common black ant, merely nip with their jaws : others, as the dreaded red ant, inject venom into the wound they make. This order—bees, wasps and ants—is the wonder of the insect world. I must pass over the subject, and refer readers to books and cyclopædias where they may satiate themselves with detailed and illustrated descriptions of the thousand and one ways in which these insects make their living and provide for their young, some kinds singly and others in organized communities. *Bees*—honey bees of several kinds, humble bees, and solitary bees, among which are mason bees, which from their habits might be classed with wasps, and parasite bees. One of the commonest of the last in India is of a bright metallic green colour, with a patch of red where its tail should be. It is in several sizes, and one may be seen following and watching a mason wasp as it packs spiders or caterpillars into the mud house it has built for its young. As soon as the wasp flies off for another insect the bee lays an egg, in the nest. This egg is hatched before the wasp's egg, and the larvæ feeds on the store and doubtless eats up the young wasp also. The genus is called *tubulifera* and "ruby-tails," and though bee-shaped to the common eye, is no nearer bees than wasps to the naturalist. For some reason the insect's abdomen is armed with five chisel-like edges. With reference to humble bees, it is well known that in England large numbers of their nests are destroyed by fieldmice, which eat the comb. Can we doubt that only investigators are required to discover that the same kind of thing goes on in India on a larger scale ? *Wasps*—honey wasps, mason wasps, robber wasps, burrowing wasps, parasitic wasps, and predatory wasps, or "ichneumon flies," so called because they *track* their prey. How many sorts and sizes and colours of them there are ! What sorts of houses they do build ! And in how many ways they lay up food for their young—some not "laying up" anything, but laying their eggs in the bodies of living caterpillars ! In such a case the larvæ come out before the caterpillar whose inside they have consumed is quite dead, and turn into little cocoons on its outside ; or else the caterpillar turns prematurely into a chrysalis of unnatural shape, and the wasp, of which there may be only one, comes out instead of the intended moth or butterfly. There is a large, grey, hairy caterpillar, which feeds on the jamoon and tamarind trees, and turns into a handsome brown and white moth. This caterpillar is beset by a certain ichneumon fly, and dozens of its chrysalises, round and half-sized, are sometimes to be found on the trunks of those trees, all bound to become wasps. There is endless interest in watching wasps building their paper nests or their houses of mud or leaves, sometimes on a door or a wall, sometimes on a tree and sometimes in a hole, and finding insects to stock them with surprising energy and success In the hot weather, when water is scarce, one has only to go to any place where there is soft mud to see a dozen wasps making up little balls and flying off with them. Some kind, especially a black "bee" with a white patch on his tail, put on outer coating of white or red or black on their nests, and know where to find clay of those colours. I have seen the darkening of a room cause a mason bee that was building in it to change the coating on its house. After some days, if the nest be broken up or the comb torn open, the larvæ or pupæ will be found in separate cells inside ; and the state of the larder may also be observed. Sometimes a large wasp is seen dragging a large cockroach or cricket it has found and stung across the ground to a hole where it intends its young to be brought up. *Ants*—of many kinds and sizes : some eating only grain and sweets, some only insects and sweets, and some anything whatever. Sir John Lubbock, now Lord Avebury, has taught the world how to study ants in their threefold division—like honey bees—of drones, queens and workers ; otherwise, males, females and neuters. As I have spoken of sorting the multitude of insects that swarm round the lamp on monsoon evenings, I ought to mention a number of winged ants of different kinds (not the "flying ants," which belong to the next order) that appear among them These are the males and females of various sorts of ants which we commonly see in the neuter, or undeveloped and wingless, form. Ants are hymenoptera because their males and females are all winged, although the mass of workers are not. Another thing to be mentioned is that at the beginning of the rains we see a whole population of some kind of ant migrating to a drier spot, and each carrying a little white thing in its mouth Those white things, nearly as large as the ants, are absurdly called eggs : they are really chrysalises. Why only one or two species of ants thus transport their pupæ, has not, I believe been yet discovered. The saw flies, or wood-borers, (*terebrantia*), which with their larva, live in plants or wood, like carpenter beetles, belong to this class. Another genus of hymenoptera, which will be found in books under the name *proctotrupes*, has the extraordinary faculty and habit of swimming under water for hours at a time It does not swim like a water beetle or water bug, but with its wings, like a water-ouzel. This discovery was made many years ago in Europe ; and it suggests what discoveries are possible in the far wider field of India.

VI.—NEUROPTERA. This word means "nerve-winged ;" but "lace-winged," or "net-winged," would better describe the order ; for the hymenoptera and diptera have nerves in their wings, but the wings of this order are simply a net work of fine nerves. The difference may be seen in a moment by comparing a wasp's wing with the wing of a dragon fly. The order, as Zinnæus fixed it, is discarded by modern entomologists, who nevertheless are hopelessly at variance what to do with it. The principal difficulty arises from the fact that whereas dragon flies and may flies have active pupæ, the pupæ of caddisflies and ant lions are inactive. Even the device of calling half the families *pseudo-neuroptera* does not dispose of the strange family of termites For all this, to the common man or woman who simply wants to place an insect where he will find it again, the chewing mouth and reticulated wing make a sure and satisfactory sign.

Coming to the families, *dragon flies* are familiar to everybody, with their great eyes and gaping jaws, as they sail about rapidly at a height of twenty feet in the air, hawking gnats, midges and flies, or else rest on the end of a twig. They are of several sizes and many colours. Their larvæ live in water, where they carry on similar devastation, till the time comes for them to change into pupæ, and after a turn at that they crawl up the stem of a water plant and take up a position. Before long the skin bursts, and the dragon fly comes forth and takes to the air. There is a family of common insects like dragon flies ; only their bodies are slender, they hold their wings closed behind them, they do not often rise more than three or four feet from the ground, and they prefer perching to being on the wing. *Ant lion flies* are like these flies just mentioned ; but their wings are very long and are folded at their sides, like a moth's. They have large eyes, sharp jaws, and short, knobbed antennæ ; and they fly in a violent, jerky manner. The most common species is found in

nearly all parts of India. It is an inch or more in length, and the wings extend beyond the body, like the fly last described, it has a small head and thorax, and a long, slender abdomen. It flies by day. The larva of this species is the common ant lion—so common that had not many intelligent persons assured me that they had never seen or heard of it, I should consider any account of it unnecessary. It, or another of the same genus, is well known in Europe, and in India its funnel-shaped pits, one inch wide and deep, are found in almost any place when there is fine sand If a small ant or other insect fall in, or be thrown in, the lion, concealed at the bottom, jerks up sand, to prevent it from scrambling out, and then drags it under and devours it. This larva,—looking like a small grey spider—may be dug out with the finger. There is a large species of the fly, six times the size of this one, which flies at night, and has dark spots on its wings. It is common in Bombay and down the Malabar coast, and in parts of the Deccan. Its larva has not been certainly identified in India, but is believed to live in holes and burrows and to prowl about in search of prey. Anyone seeing the larva, may take it for a spider the size of a large bee; but if it have six legs it is probably this insect. There is an allied family of flies with long, knobbed antennæ, and a rougher, hairy appearance. I have found one in Lucknow, in size midway between the two species just described.

The hairy-winged caddis fly, despite its moth-like appearance, bears the unmistakable marks of this order. It is very well-known in England, and a full description of it can be found in books. There are more species than one in India, and their larva have the same habit of living in cases made by themselves under water. The *mantispidæ* and *mantispa*, or "mantis flies," are a curious family and genus of small and not uncommon insects which look for all the world like minute mantises till an examination of their wings shows them to be neuroptera. I have found one species, straw coloured, not half an inch long, and as fine as a hair, occasionally in Calcutta and commonly in Lucknow. They have a mantis's clawed arms, with which they catch microscopic prey, but they do not turn about their heads as mantises do. As in the case of all neuroptera, the larvæ are quite unlike the perfect insect: they made their way into the egg-sacs in spider's webs, and feed on the eggs. The mearmorphosis is complete.

By their wings and mouths the termites, or so-called "white ant," belong to this order. But they alone, outside of the hymenoptera, have the social organisation of bees and ants, with queen, drones and neuters, and a fourth class, soldiers, which guard the entrances of the ant-hills, and, with their long sharp jaws, draw blood from a finger inserted in the hole, or cut in two an intruding insect. The workers and soldiers, being immature, are wingless. There has been no Indian Lubbock to study their ways, which still remain a puzzle. Thus much is known, that the so-called "flying ants," which appear in swarms at the beginning of the monsoon, and in a short time drop their wings, are the males and females of a new generation setting out to seek a home and found a colony. The queen, at any time in the rains, can be dug out of an ant-hill, and is found to be a helpless, grub-like creature distended with eggs, to the size of one's little finger. There are at least two species of termites in India, a large and a small species, and the difference of size appears both, in the "white ants" and in the 'flying ants."

VII.—DIPTERA. Every two-winged insect belongs to this order, mosquito, gnat, midge, house fly, blue bottle, gadfly, "sheeptick', crane fly, or the English "daddy long legs," and innumerable others; and every one sucks its food: they have neither lips, nor jaws, nor teeth. The variety seems endless: some are of fairy loveliness, some sparkle like gems, others are richly painted, and others, again, are dull and ordinary. Some live on plant juices some on sweets, some on filth and putrid substances, some on the blood of man and animals: a few are savage and overpower other insects before sucking the juice out of them. The jungles of most Indian hills are infested with biting flies—of kinds which bite without inflaming like mosquitoes. But there is, in the Eastern Himalayas and the hills about Assam, a monster, one inch in length, which drives its stiletto into man and beast, causing blood to trickle from the wound. Then there is the not less formidable "bee killer,' or "robber fly' (*asilus*), which pounces upon moths, hornets, and even tiger beetles, impaling them with its rostrum and sucking their juices. The ravages of the innocent-looking bot fly among flocks of sheep are well-known; and the tse tse scourge of Africa is also one of the two-winged order.

Many species lay their eggs in water; others in all sorts of substances, fresh and corrupt; other in the nests of hymenoptera like so many of the hymenoptera themselves; others on the skin of large animals; and others in still more unlikely places All the species have the wings (only two) of hymenoptera, and not the network wings of neuroptera. Their metamorphosis is complete. If we could force ourselves to keep a maggot and feed it and be good to it, we should see it turn into a motionless chrysalis like a dark red seed, out of which a fly would soon make its appearance, and show its gratitude by sitting on the point of our nose and refusing to leave us.

Such are the seven orders into one or another of which any insect that comes before us may be placed with certainty after a glance at its wings and its mouth. One in a thousand is so aberrant or anomalous that it makes an interesting puzzle; but the other nine hundred and ninety-nine are sure.

B. A.

A NATURALIST IN THE N.-W. HIMALAYAS.

PART II.

IN January and February there is but little to be done amongst the Rodents which inhabit the higher hills—but at about 5,000 feet and below that elevation a good many rats and mice can be collected.

The common mouse of the Jhelum valley must, for the present, be called *Mus bactrianus*. This mouse, in its winter coat, is brown or rather rufous brown on the back and sides, the coloring is fairly uniform throughout, but the sides are inclined to be slightly more tinged with red than is the back: underneath the coloring becomes fainter and gradually merges into grey, in some specimens to nearly white The tail is dark above and light below. The whiskers are fine, and dark in coloring.

Measurements. ♀ B & H 3·06" tail 2·60" h. foot 0·50" ear 0·10"
♀ " 3·10" " 2·50" " 0·65" " 0·50"
♂ " 3·20" " 2·40" " 0·60" " 0·50"
An exceptionally large ♀ was B & H 3·80" tail 2·90"

To compare *Mus bactrianus* with the *Mus* from the higher ground is interesting.

Description. The specimens were obtained in September in Ladak. We find the coloring on the back not so uniform as in bactrianus, this is not to be wondered at owing to there having been procured before the winter had really commenced. The color, however, is much lighter, there is not nearly so distinct a rufous tinge. Whiskers very long and white.

Measurements. ♂ B & H 3·51" tail 3·15" h. foot 0·81" ear 0·62"
♀ " 3·25" " 3·01" " 0·82" " 0·61"

The great length of the hind foot at once strikes one—and the longer tail is also a marked difference; amongst all my specimens of bactrianus only one has a tail of 3 inches.

If successful in obtaining a large series of the house mouse from Ladak, the experts at home will be able to work them out, but it is far from easy to get specimens from the distant villages of north-east Ladak during the winter, and I am afraid some time must elapse before the mice will be properly classified.

Up A more popular subject than small mammals is that of the geese and ducks. There is, however, but little new to be said. The barred-headed Goose *Anser Indicus* breeds in Ladak, I have also found the Brahminy or Ruddy Sheldrake eggs in Changchenmo and towards the eastward of that valley.

The Smew (*Mergus albellus*) followed by young was observed on the Shyok and in the Nubra valley in July. The eggs of the common teal in my collection are labelled Iceland, 12th June. The Redcrested Pochard eggs, Holland, 14th May, those of the Scaup came from Iceland, the tufted ducks' eggs are from Sweden, the Mallard's from Kashmir where this duck occasionally stays to breed, the White-eyed Pochards' eggs from the same locality. Once or twice I have flushed the Pintail and the Gadwall in July but could not find the eggs, nor have I ever succeeded in obtaining either the young or eggs of the common teal in any of the lakes of Kashmir, Ladak or Western Tibet. The lesser White fronted Goose (*Anser erythropus*) is a very rare visitor to the North-West Himalayas, but *Anser albifrons* is far from uncommon in winter. The Mute Swan (*Cygnus olor*) were seen in one or two places during February, and appear to be more frequent visitors than formerly.

Of other birds, *Ruticilla erythronata* (Eversman's redstart) and *Cyanecula suecica* (The Indian Blue-throat) were found at about 5,000 feet in February.

A. E. W.

Travel and Adventure.

TRAVEL IN CHIN LAND.

REALITY AND A VISION.

IT is a pelting day towards the end of June. The rain descends in sheets, a persistent chilling downpour that is only experienced in the hills. An equestrian splashes wearily through the red brick mud, picking his way gingerly over the rough-cut track. He is drenched to the skin and the very marrow in his bones has frozen.

"Splish splosh"—"Splish, splosh' treads his equally drenched steed through the running rivulets of semi-liquid mire, as it turns its head from the driving blast To go out of an exasperating crawl is impossible The path, formed of hard red clay, is as slippery as a sheet of ice and trends everlastingly up or down. The traveller dismounts to stretch his cramped limbs, and trudges despairingly onwards in the vain hope of restoring the circulation to his numbed legs. A mile of plodding through the endless sludge is enough; he pulls up to mount once more his faithful nag, but finds that a colony of leeches has attached itself to his calves and shins As he stands there endeavouring to disengage these lusty blood-suckers from his person, he perceives the whole road is one moving mass of them all converging with slow but persistent arch-like strides on one object—himself Hastily the vagrant throws his leg over the saddle and hurriedly quits the pestilential spot. Anon a collection of a few corrugated iron roofs heaves in sight. Shelter and warmth at last muses the nomad. Ha!—he little recks of the difficulty of obtaining that latter comfort. But here we are at length before the noble portals of Bamboozleum Camp. The wayfarer at once alights, a piteous object forsooth Runnels of water trickle off his coat-cuffs; his breeches have soaked up the moisture like a sop and cling in unseemly folds about his shivering thighs. At every step jets of muddy liquid squirt out from the eye-let holes off his boots. He enters the rest-house in search of the warmth of which he stands so badly in need. A two-roomed tenement it is, divided by a wooden partition He gazes around the apartment in despair. In the left hand corner rests a charcoal stove, with a capacity of somewhat less than half a cubic foot. Along the further wall stretches a lob-sided bed. An almirah and some shelves occupy another wall, a three-foot square table blocks up the centre. One regulation pattern wooden chair smirks smugly at the intruder, and a couple of its canvassed backed brothers groan imploringly from pegs in two opposite corners where they have been placed through lack of space on the floor, for be it remembered this cell tapes the magnificent proportions of twelve feet by twelve. "A charcoal stove in a kennel like this, if lighted, is courting asphyxiation," soliliquizes the new arrival.

Warmth at all risks, though,—anything for warmth. Outside the wind howls and shrieks dismally, dashing the huge raindrops with unabated fury against the grime-besmeared window panes. Currents of air permeate the chamber, but to localize their inlet is impossible, for the doors are without exception warped. Shelter indeed—but warmth?

'Here, lugale—a whisky and hot water sharp and durwan light that stove."

"So the bungalow is going to be improved is it, but sanction not yet received" queries the itinerant.

'Huzoor—so they say."

"M—yes. Not the first time of asking

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How drowsy I feel. Can it be the potent fumes of the potato juice and water that has brought on this sudden lassitude. I can't possibly reason now. Everything seems so peaceful, and why shouldn't I sleep! Anon my head sinks on my arms and I am in the land of dreams. *Dreams* did I say? No mortal under the influence of natural sleep could ever have seen those visions. Yes, visions—call them visions. On they come one after another. Will they *never* stop? Hustling and jostling one another these vague shadowy phantasies race kaleidoscopically past. My brain reels with dizziness. Images half form themselves, but are swept off in the general vortex of ruin. Will these spectral fancies never cease to whirl? Crash—Ah! at last those eddying imageries have vanished, and in their stead I see things clearly limned.

But where am I? Such a building I have never seem the like of before. I find myself in a spacious room. The walls are made of some bright greyish metal. Is it aluminium? No, it is much too hard for that extract of clay. What a comfortable apartment. All the furniture, too, composed of the same material. Tables, chairs, in plenty there are, and snugly ensconced in one corner is a perfect bed-stead which invites the weary *voyageur* to lay himself down and sleep. But no sleep for me now, I must examine this strange lodgment and its equally strange contents.

Good,—what's the meaning of this apparition? Hermetically sealed in a glass case stands the grinning skeleton of a human being. At its feet reposes a portion of an ancient and well-thumbed book, and at its side rests a rusted old stove. The sight of this corroded article seems to drag up from the long vista of by-gone scenes a faint wave of recollection, but it has passed in an instant and I turn to scrutinize another stove of evidently quite modern manufacture. What a genial warmth it diffuses, but how is the heat generated! I open the shutter, but am dazzled by a minute ball of metal glowing at a white heat. No odour and no fumes are discernible. Its identity is a mystery. However it radiates a generous heat that is extremely acceptable. How the rain descends outside. Torrents and sheets beat up against the windows. Ah, that curious sensation is again creeping over my person. The scene appears familiar, but yet it is buried in the depths of semi-oblivion and cannot be definitely recalled. But what is that humming, rushing swishing noise without? What is that gigantic, shadowy form, looming out of the maze of watery vapours! I am out in the verandah in a second.

Shades of my ancestors—an aërocraft. There—emblazoned on its glistening brow in letters of crimson is its name

THE CALEDONIAN CLOUD-SCRAPER.

But it arrives on a perfectly peaceful mission. All is bustle aboard and soon the monster disgorges a part of its human freight. A flunkey of dusky hue bows obsequiously and ushers in the visitors to the mansion. What puny little creatures they all seem to be. I stare at them one and all in utter amazement. But the wind flows chill outside, and I would fain be basking in the ardent glow of that mysterious stove. I have barely made myself comfortable when a side door springs open, and escorted by the diminutive lackey enter a Lilliputian dame with a youth and girl at her train. Ah, I muse the very embodiment of a modern Mrs. Grundy. The elderly spinster strolls languidly up to the glass case, raises her lorgnettes and scrutinizes the skeleton with droll amusement.

"Ample—so this is the remains of the ancient Chin, is it!" queries the matron

"I assure you not, Madam: this——" "Ah, but my good man," interrupts her majesty, "in my Bædeker it distinctly states—here, I will read it out to you 'in a portion of the long undisturbed range of mountain, anciently known as the Chin hills, at a spot called Bamboozleum Camp (easily reached by aërocraft in 24 hours from Edinburgh) may be seen the unusual spectacle of a perfect specimen of the now long-extinct Chin.'"

"No doubt, Madam," replied the valet, 'that interesting specimen will be found in another apartment. This particular skeleton was unearthed only this year in an extraordinary novel at the back of this mansion. Its original lived exactly ten centuries ago in the pre-historic year of 1904, and was undoubtedly an Ancient Briton.'

"How very interesting,' from the belua donna.

I hear a faint murmur emanate from the jaws of the skele-"*Interesting*, indeed: and you mistake *me* for a Chin do you; if I was 1,000 years younger, I'd waltz off this pedestal and shake those false ivories—no I suppose you call them metals, for the elephant must have been extinct these 500 years—down your grizzly throat. But you wait, I'll have my revenge for your insolence.' "Yes, Madam," continued the guide, "a tale hangs about this thing's decease: there are some as say that he poisoned himself on account of love.

"Love—bah—another relic of those barborous times.

A meaning glance passes between the youthful pair behind.

"All right you saucy puss—a case of sour grapes, I should say," mumbles the skeleton, 'when I was in the land of the living it would have been a sorry sort of man that would have taken two glances at the likes of you." "But I think this piece of innocent looking scrap-iron——.'

"Iron!" interrupts the spinster—"iron, oh yes, I remember now one of the ancient metals"—"Yes, madam, this old stove—they used to burn charcoal in those days. I think was the cause of his death, at least we may judge so from this book of the Waste Paper Department. The custom in those times seemed to be for travellers to enter their names in a book, and most of them are not legible now but one of the lot has passed some remarks which are wonderfully well preserved considering the age."

"The present little art gems should be relegated to their proper place, the [illegible] museum, before they suffer damage at the hands of some chilly and exasperated wayfarer, an act of vandalism that would be greatly deplored.'

"Yes—I expect you were an ugly old thing in your time,' was the parting shot as the beldame turns to leave

But the cabinet at that instant is violently tipped forward, the doors fly open and the skeleton parts at the hips The upper portion is jerked forward and next moment the ancient spinster is encradled in the circle of rits, the head flops over her shoulder, is held by a wire, and the gleaming jaws grin revengefully within kissing distance of the rapidly-purpling face.

Shrieks rend the air—shouts resound in my ears—I am violently shaken by an unseen force.

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"In the name of all the saints, lugale, what are you roaring about, and how did I come to be stretched full length on the floor with a cut head?"

"Good heavens, I see it all now—that infernal charcoal stove." "Here—durwan—do you see that stove? Well, drown it smash it to atoms, hurl it down the khud and damn the act of vandalism.

Red-tape, and a hide-bound conservatism, I murmur, as I bathe my bleeding cranium, have been as often as not the cause of the break-up of many a man's constitution

MORVEN.

Rather an interesting question was raised the other day as to the places on the earth's surface which are plagued by the presence of those scourges of the fresh waters of warm countries, known under the various names of alligators, crocodiles, caymans, and gavials Someone lately referred to alligators in Australia, whereon the editor of a well-known evening paper not unnaturally confessed to doubts as to whether there were alligators in Australia, though the other man-eating denizen of the waters, viz., the shark, is in places common enough. It proved that there are any numbers of alligators in the rivers of North Australia. In what are the tropical regions of the great island continent. These long-lived, hideous, and most destructive creatures are found from the Amazon northward to a considerable distance up the Mississippi, where they grow to a great size They are also common in the rivers of the larger West Indian Islands; and, besides being found in every river in Africa, from the Limpopo to the Nile, are denizens of the waters of India, Borneo, Cochin China, and China itself. In prehistoric days they were found in England, and their remains are still discovered from time to time in the mud of Hordle Cliffs on the Solent.

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I have referred to the advantages the motorist gets. I will mention another advantage these oils have to those whom the motorist passes, *viz.*, the absence of the fried-fish-shop smell so often noted. Several persons have been very much struck by the absence of smell; even when the car has been standing for some time with the engines running, no trace of offensive odour has been apparent to the bystanders.

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THURSDAY, 14th JULY 1904.

PREHISTORIC PORTRAITS.

THE traveller in many parts of Ladak cannot fail to have been struck by the sight on many smooth faces of rock of rude, although life-like, sketches of ibex and other indigenous wild animals incised in the stone. Many of these portraits appear to have been executed very recently—we have seen some in which the grooves in the black stone still showed the white dust produced by the graving tool; but others seem to be of great antiquity, although in a country with the ancient records of Tibet it would be rash to say that any of them date from prehistoric times. Be this as it may, these pictures closely resemble those drawn by the Chukchis and the Eskimo of Arctic America, both of whom have Mongol blood in their veins and are noted for their artistic skill in carving pictures of the indigenous animals of their respective countries on their implements, weapons and ornaments. Possibly, then, the artistic traits of this nature displayed by Eskimo, Chukchis, Ladakis, and the prehistoric hunters of Europe may all be due to a common ancestry.

If this be so, the truthfulness to nature of the pictorial designs of the Ladakis and the Eskimo may be used as an argument in favour of the authenticity and fidelity of those of the prehistoric inhabitants of Europe. In any case, the incised portraits of the wild animals of Ladak, executed by the natives of the country, have a more than ordinary interest; for they are precisely comparable to the representations of the animals of a long past epoch left by our prehistoric ancestors of the polished and the chopped stone ages on the walls of caverns in Europe, or, more commonly, on fragments of mammoth ivory, reindeer antler, or bone found with other debris in these caverns. Nor is this all, for the prehistoric inhabitants of North-Western Europe have been regarded by many authorities as more or less intimately related to the Chukchis of North-Eastern Siberia and that such uncivilised people as the Eskimo and such a comparatively untutored race as the Ladakis are capable of artistic productions of this nature, removes any doubts that may exist as to the capacity of primitive man for similar attainments.

It is almost necessary to make this statement, as ideas appear to be current that the presumed prehistoric drawings are, in some cases at any rate, modern productions. This idea appears to be largely due to certain allegations which have been made with regard to some of the sketches from the celebrated cave of Kesslerloch, in Schaffhausen, Switzerland. These, it is said, were drawn by schoolboys at the time the cavern was first explored. Possibly the assertion may be true in some small degree; but if it be so, it is not of the slightest importance, for it is quite certain that no schoolboys could have drawn with such fidelity to nature such unfamiliar animals as reindeer and bison, while the mammoth, with its hairy coat and long curved tusks, they could not have depicted at all. Again, all the horses of the cave-men are represented with short upright manes and large heads like the wild horses of Central Asia, whereas had they been drawn by modern artists it is quite certain they would have been depicted with the long flowing mane of the domesticated breeds. Moreover, all the cave-sketches and sculptures indicate animals which, from the evidence of their fossilised remains, are definitely

known to have existed in Western Europe during the prehistoric epoch. Had they been the work of forgers of a later period, it is quite certain that not only would species like the mammoth have been conspicuous by their absence, but that the portrait gallery would have included animals foreign to Europe at the epoch in question.

Apart, then, from the possibility of the occurrence among them of a few modern forgeries, the portraits of animals found in the caves of Europe may be unhesitatingly accepted as the work of prehistoric men who lived among, and were familiar with the animals they portrayed. And we cannot but marvel at the skill with which they recorded the salient features and distinctive characteristics of the various species thus faithfully, although rudely, depicted.

So far as we are aware, these prehistoric portraits have not made known any species of animal with which science was otherwise unacquainted. They have, however, apart from their antiquarian interest, a very considerable importance to the zoologist. Without these sketches, we could not, for instance, have possibly known, that the prehistoric horse of ancient Europe was a hog-maned and large-headed animal like the new extinct tarpan of the Russian steppes, or the wild Przewalski's pony of the Mongolian deserts. These sketches have also afforded important evidence in favour of the opinion that the onager, or smaller Asiatic wild ass, was an inhabitant of Western Europe in prehistoric times. It may be added that, if we had not the testimony of the frozen carcases from the Siberian tundras, these prehistoric portraits would have afforded the only evidence that the mammoth was furnished with the coat of long and shaggy hair which made it externally so unlike its existing cousin the Indian elephant.

While some animals, such as the reindeer, the horse, and the mammoth, are depicted very frequently in these prehistoric portraits, others, like the great cave-bear, are very seldom shewn, while yet others, like the gigantic Irish deer, so far as we know, do not appear at all among the series. The absence of any contemporary portrait of the species last mentioned is indeed a matter for regret, for its mere bones and antlers are insufficient to enable us to restore with confidence all the details of its external form and appearance. American naturalists have indeed restored this creature with the short tail, large light rump-patch, and uniformly coloured coat of their own wapiti, from which it differs widely in the form of its antlers. From these latter, it is much more probable that the Irish deer was modelled on the lines of the modern fallow deer, and that it had a comparatively long tail and (in summer) a dappled hide. Were a contemporary sketch available, the point would be settled at once. May we venture to hope that such an invaluable art treasure will some day be discovered!

To survey, even very briefly, all the portraits of his contemporary animals left us by prehistoric man would obviously be impossible within the limits of a single article, and we must therefore content ourselves with the mention of a few of the more interesting and important types.

Of the mammoth, in addition to our well-known sketch depicting the monster in a stationary attitude, and showing to perfection the curved form of the huge tusks and the long shaggy coat, there is a second (from the cave of Langerie Basse) displaying the head of one of these elephants in full charge. The curious feature about this sketch is that it seems to represent the trunk fully extended, whereas, as we all knew, the Indian elephant' (unlike its African cousin) when charging has this delicate organ carefully rolled up out of harm's way. The trunks of the Indian and African species, it may be mentioned, differ markedly in structure, that of the former being by far the more delicate organ. Now, from the similarity of their teeth, it is almost certain that the Indian elephant and the mammoth must have had trunks of the same type, and if so, it is scarcely conceivable that these appendages were not carried in the same manner. We thus appear to have grounds for charging the prehistoric artist with inaccuracy in this respect; perhaps, if the indictment be true, he may be excused on account of the difficulty of gaining a true conception of details in the rush of a herd of mammoths! Reindeer, as exemplified by the well-known sketch from Kesslerloch, are depicted with marvellous fidelity to nature; and from the great expansion of the brow and bez tines, coupled with the great length of the beam of the antlers, it may be inferred that the prehistoric race was more near akin to the Novaia Zemlian and North American Barren Ground types than to the Scandinavian form.

Equally characteristic are the shetches of the bison, the two heads on ivory from La Madelaine showing in an unmistakable manner the broad and convex face, the short horns and shaggy mane. Still more noteworthy are the sketches of the entire animal recently described by Messrs. Capitan and Breuil from the cave of Font-de-Gaume, in the Dordogue, in which the characteristic elevation of the withers is shown in a somewhat exaggerated manner. These sketches are especially valuable on account of being coloured. Unfortunately, it does not appear that the sketches in this cave include one of the wild ox or aurochs; if this had been the case, we might have had further testimony that the colour of this species was black. In other caves sketches of the aurochs are far from uncommon, and serve to shew that the artists fully realised the striking difference between that animal and the bison.

Much interest attaches, as already mentioned, to the representations of the prehistoric horses. These, as a rule, indicate a heavy-headed hog-maned animal, which was probably very similar to the tarpan and the Mongolian wild pony, although, judging from its fossil remains, in many cases at any rate, considerably superior to the latter in point of size. In all cases in which the true *equus caballus* is depicted the characteristic horse type of tail is indicated by the thickness of this appendage, and the ears are often drawn of so small a size as to be quite inconspicuous. There is, however, one very remarkable drawing of a member of the horse family from the Kesserloch cave which has given rise to a considerable amount of discussion. It shows a big-bodied, small-headed animal, with a concave profile, well-developed ears, and a thin rat-like tail. It has been suggested that this sketch indicates a second species of true horse; and several explanations have been suggested to account for the presence of two closely allied species in the same area. There, however, are quite untenable; and the probability is that the sketch depicts one of the races of the smaller species of Asiatic wild ass,—the onager or ghor-khur. Evidence in favour of this view is afforded by the slender ass-like tail, the concave profile of the face, and the large size of the ears, as compared with those of many of the contemporary portraits of the horse. From certain markings on the body, it has, we believe, been suggested that the sketch indicates a striped animal; but the markings are no more pronounced than in the figure of a reindeer from the same cave, and in both cases seem to be the artists' attempts at shading.

Did space permit, we might refer to representations of many other species, but the foregoing is sufficient to indicate the great zoological interest attaching to man's earliest known attempts at animal portraiture.

Special Telegrams.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 8th July* 1904.

THE following are the results in the finals of the events at the Henley Regatta, which was most successful. Third Trinity were in great form winning the Visitors' Challenge Cup, the Stewards' Challenge Cup, and the Silver Goblets. Mr. L. F. Scholes, the Canadian sculler, who represents the Don R. C., Toronts, won the Diamond Sculls, beating the previous time record. Details.—

THE GRAND CHALLENGE CUP.

(*Holders*:—Leander R. C.) Won by Leander R. C.

Crew:—W. H. Chapman (*bow*); F. S. Kelly 2; B. C. Johnstone, 3; G. H. Thomas, 4; C. W. H. Taylor, 5; F. J. Escombe, 6; A. Graham, 7; R. H. Nelson (*stroke*); G. S. Maglagan (*cox*).

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.		M.	S.
1891 Leander ...	6	51	1897 New Coll. Oxford	6	51
1892 Leander ...	7	48½	1898 Leander ...	7	13
1893 Leander ...	7	45	1899 Leander ...	7	12
1894 Leander ...	7	22	1900 Leander ...	7	6
1895 Trin Hall, Camb	7	30	1901 Leander ...	7	5
1896 Leander ...	7	43	1902 Third Trinity, Camb	7	17
1903 Leander R C ...	7	9			

THE LADIES' CHALLENGE PLATE

(*Holders*:—Magdalene Coll., Oxford). Won by Eton Coll, B. C.

Crew:—G. Cochrane, (*bow*); G. Campbell, 2: A. Kirby, 3; D. P. Wormald, 4; L. E. Jones (Capt). 5; L. R. A. Gatehouse, 6; E. W. Powell, 7; H. C. Bucknall (*stroke*); T. Preston (*cox*).

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.		M.	S.
1891 Balliol Coll, Oxford	7	20	1897 Eton Coll B C ...	7	1
1892 First Trinity, Camb	7	48½	1898 Eton Coll B C ...	7	3
1893 Eton Coll B C ...	7	32	1899 Eton Coll B C ...	7	20
1894 Eton Coll B C ...	7	36	1900 New Coll. Oxford ...	7	18
1895 Eton Coll B C ...	7	25	1901 Univ Coll, Oxford ...	7	28
1896 Eton Coll B C ...	8	6	1902 Univ Coll, Oxford ...	7	16
1903 Univ Coll, Oxford ...	7	33			

THAMES CHALLENGE CUP.

(*Holders*:—Trinity Coll, Dublin). Won by Caius Coll, Cambridge.

Crew.—C. C. Brinton (*bow*); C. B. Heald, 2; C. R. P. Cooper, 3; E. F. Water-Meyer, 4; W. S. Cooke, 5; E. P. W. Wedd, 6; H. D. Gillies, 7; C. H. S. Taylor (*stroke*); J. G. Randles (*cox*).

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.		M.	S.
1891 Molesey B C ...	7	18	1897 Kingston R C ...	7	9
1892 Jesus Coll, Camb ...	8	10	1898 Trinit Coll, Oxford	7	19
1893 Thames R C ...	7	49	1899 First Trinity, Camb	7	25
1894 Trinity Coll, Oxford	7	58	1900 Trinity Coll, Camb	7	24
1895 Nereus B C, Amsterdam ...	7	29	1901 Trinity Hall, Camb	7	23
1896 Emmanuel College, Camb ...	8	7	1902 Trinity Hall, Camb	7	34
1903 Trinity Coll, Dublin	7	37			

STEWARDS' CHALLENGE CUP.

(*Holders*:—Third Trinity, Cambridge). Won by Third Trinity, Cambridge.

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.		M.	S.
1891 Thames R C ...	7	55	1897 Leander ...	7	30
1892 Royal Chester R C	8	58	1898 Leander ...	7	42
1893 Magdalene Coll, Oxford ...	7	45	1899 Magdalene Coll, Oxford ...	7	55
1894 Thames R C ...	8	22	1900 Leander ...	7	55
1895 London R C ...	7	45	1901 Third Trinity, Camb	7	54
1896 London R C ...	8	42	1902 Third Trinity, Camb	7	44
1903 Third Trinity, Camb ...	8	5			

THE VISITORS' CHALLENGE CUP.

(*Holders*:—University Coll, Oxford). Won by Third Trinity, Cambridge.

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.		M.	S.
1891 Trinity Hall, Camb	7	45	1897 Trinity Coll, Oxford	7	53
1892 Trinity B C, Camb	8	23	1898 New Coll, Oxford ...	7	37
1893 Third Trinity B C, Camb ...	8	21	1899 Bailliol Coll, Oxford	8	1
1894 New Coll, Oxford ———			1900 Trinity Coll, Camb———		
1895 Trinity Coll Oxford	8	17	1901 Bailliol Coll, Oxford	8	27
1895 Caius Coll, Camb ...	8	29	1902 Jesus Coll, Camb...	7	59
1903 Univ. Coll, Oxford ...	8	25			

THE WYFOLD CHALLENGE CUP.

(*Holders*:—Kingston Rowing Club). Won by Birmingham.

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.		M.	S.
1891 Royal Chester, R C	7	50	1897 Kingston R C ...	8	9
1892 Molesey B C ...	8	42	1898 Kingston B C ...	8	28
1893 Molesey B C ...	8	28	1899 Trin Hall, Camb ...	7	57
1894 Thames R C ...	8	16	1900 Trin Hall, Camb ...	8	11
1895 London R C ...	8	16	1901 Trin Hall, Camb	8	9
1896 Trin Coll, Oxford ...	8	41	1902 Burton R C ...	7	48
1903 Kingston R C ...	8	28			

THE SILVER GOBLETS.

(*Holders*:—Victoria Rowing Club, Berlin). Won by Third Trinity, Camb.

Crew:—C. J. D. Goldie and C. W. H. Taylor.

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.
1891 Lord Ampthill, Guy Nickalls (str) Leander ...	8	6
1892 V Nickalls, W A L Fletcher (str) O U B C ...	9	7
1893 V Nickalls, W A L Fletcher (str) O U B C ...	8	44
1894 V Nickalls, Guy Nickalls (str) Formosa B C ...	9	35
1895 V Nickalls, Guy Nickalls (str) London R C ...	9	11
1896 V Nickalls, Guy Nickalls (str) London R C ...	9	10
1897 G R Balfour, Guy Nickalls (str) Leander ...	8	59
1898 A Bogle, W J Fernie (str, Thames R C ...	8	41
1899 C K Phillips, H W M Willis (str) Leander ...	8	49
1900 C J D Goldie, E M Maitland (str) Trin Coll Camb...	8	35
1901 H J Hall, F W Warre (str) Balliol Coll, Oxford	8	50
1902 W Dudley Ward, C W H Taylor (str) 3rd Trin, Camb	8	36
1903 L Klaus and A Ehrenberg, Victoria R C, Berlin ...	8	45

THE DIAMOND CHALLENGE SCULLS.

(*Holder*:—F. S. Kelly, Balliol College, Oxford). Won by L. F. Scholes, Don R. C., Toronto.

WINNERS SINCE 1890.

	M.	S.
1891 V Nickalls, Magdalene Coll, Oxford ...	...	
1892 J J K Ooms, Nereus B C, Amsterdam ...	10	9½
1893 Guy Nickalls, Magdalene Coll, Oxford ...	9	12
1894 Guy Nickalls, Formosa B C ...	...	32
1895 Hon R Guinness, Leander Club ...	...	11
1896 Hon R Guinness, Leander Club ...	...	35
1897 G H Ten Eyck, Worcester, U S A ...	...	35
1898 B H Howell, Trin Hall, Camb ...	...	29
1899 B H Howell, Thames R C ...	...	38
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Sporting Notes.

THE heavy rain which fell in Calcutta during the latter end of last week rendered anything, except the slowest of slow work impossible. The Ellenborough, being the least marshy ground was utilized by the majority of trainers and owners, but nothing but trotting and slow cantering work took place. Sunday and Monday, however, dried the place up a bit, and on Tuesday the going was excellent, so much so in fact that considerable surprise was expressed at the outer half of the training track not having been opened. The powers that be having decided otherwise, however, some fast spurts were indulged in across the centre of the course, and a fair amount of jumping was also witnessed. The first to go out were a trio from Smallman's string, Hello, Harold, and a new one whom we did not recognise. Harold looks to have improved out of all knowledge since last season, and both as regards his condition and the way he moves, leaves little to be desired. Hello struck us as looking a bit out of sorts, but he was a bit of a ragged looking customer, and that did not prevent him from proving himself a real useful horse last cold weather, when comparatively lately landed. Up to the present we do not see anything to beat him in the C. W. A. C. race at the first meeting

Bell Brand and the pony Norman were schooled a couple of times over the two flights, in the straight; and the pony is a beautiful lepper, and is very quick away from them, in fact he will take a lot of beating for the pony jump events. Bell Brand was not jumping too well; seemed a trifle uncertain as to where to take off, and inclined to put in a hasty "short 'un" at the end.

Flash, Sylvester and the pony Young Rake also went a school, the two last-named fencing admirably. Flash was a bit reluctant, and Jack Spillain had to exercise his most persuasive powers to get him to the other side of the timber. This fine horseman subsequently had a very rough ride on Mr. Galstaun's unnamed chestnut who after clearing the first flight in great style proceeded to "go to market" in earnest, and had anyone else been up there would no doubt have been a dissolution of partnership. Spillain, however, takes a lot of shifting—almost as much as Mr. "Soapy" Sponge from a comfortable county house!

Euryalus who is evidently being readied in a hurry for the All-Comers' Stakes at Tollygunge, went a three furlong spurt with "Mr. Dudley" up, from which we conclude that he is to have the mount on Saturday. This combination should be dangerous. Rosalea and Not Yet went a couple of three furlongs spins, and Western Queen went three furlongs on her own, about three-quarter pace.

We are indebted to an esteemed daily contemporary for the list of entries for the next Tollygunge Gymkhana to be held on the 16th instant. They will be found in the usual place. On the whole the entries are fairly satisfactory, but a large number of them being double entries, fields may dwindle somewhat when it comes to starting declarations. The All-Comers' Stakes should—as we predicted—provide the best field, and assuming that Nicotine and Pierette regard the July Stakes as being more their class, there should still be six or seven left in. If he starts there should, we imagine, be nothing in it but Morris, though when it is a case of G. R.'s, it is rash to pick a winner without knowing who is to perform in the pig skin, and Euryalus with "Mr. Dudley" up will take some catching. All the same we would, granting a competent jock, pick Reinzette to follow Morris home.

The July Stakes should also furnish a good field and if Winklet goes we should not look elsewhere for the winner. May B. and Pierette, however, are both useful, and the latter, if the going is decently firm, will probably show herself a different mare from what she was in the mud. In the Tum-Tum Stakes Cyclone—provided he has a jockey who can "remain"—should be the only one in it.

Snapshot should have no difficulty in disposing of the rest for the Ladies' Bracelet, over 3 furlongs, and for the Pony Flat Race we like The Owl, provided she is ridden by some one who can be trusted not to lose his way and wander off into the jungles.

As regards the terms of the match, the Executive have been somewhat reticent, and we are uncertain whether it is 3 furlongs on the flat, or 1½ miles over fences, or any distance and course veering between these two, so that all we can say with regard to it is "may the best horse win."

Our Poona Correspondent writes:—Their Excellencies gave a State Ball on the 7th to which the world and their wives to the number of nearly half a thousand went. The band and the floor left nothing to be desired and everything was excellently done and thoroughly enjoyed, so I gather.

Polo and cricket have naturally had but a poor look in since the advent of the welcome rain regarding which we were all beginning to get a bit anxious. The Nizam Cricket Club were, however, just in time to tackle the Poona Gymkhana—and perhaps wished they hadn't been, as the followers of Mahomet made a very poor show against the trundling of Umfreville and Greig and were dismissed for the ignominious total of 38. For the Gymkhana Greig and Thew each annexed 63 and the total for the innings was 224.

Andrew Clarke, the veteran trainer, has had a slice of real bad luck in losing the neat little English mare Dorade (the property of Mr. Murdock of Bombay, I believe), under peculiar circumstances. The filly was sent a half speed gallop and was seen to drop back and pull up lame. So lame that Clarke gave orders for her to be straightway walked to the Army Veterinary School at Wanowrie. After going about a quarter of a mile the mare dropped down as if shot, and all efforts to get her on her legs proving futile, the horse ambulance was summoned. She, I believe, never got up again, and on the following day the poor brute's agonies were ended by the merciful bullet, a *post mortem* confirming the diagnosis of a fractured back.

That good but peculiarly unfortunate horse Friar Tuck has, I hear, been again laid up with fever and is, of course, out of work. The Indian climate apparently do s not suit his constitution. There seems a fate against high class, high priced English horses for the nonce, Friar Tuck, Carabine and the curious tempered Presbyterian.

The final game in the English Inter-Regimental Polo Tournament was played on the 9th instant at Hurlingham, resulting in the 17th Lancers beating the Horse Guards by seven goals to six.

Sportsmen who intend shooting Chitral way will be interested in the game laws of that State, which we publish to-day in our Shikar Columns.

Our Secunderabad Correspondent writes:—We have at last bid farewell to the hot weather and are enjoying cool breezes and refreshing showers. There is doubtless a great amount of rain in store for us however, and it is to be hoped that the majority of it will have come down before the "Secunderabad week." It will be remembered that the races last year had to be postponed twice owing to the rain.

The first entries which closed on the 25th ultimo are good there being an average of eight for each event. In the capable hands of Captain Roome, the popular Secretary for the Races, everything promises to be on the best lines and the idea of making this meeting the first of a series on a par with the races of a few years back, when Hyderabad Mulkapet could boast of decent sport seems to be within the range of realisation.

On the 23rd July, the first day of the races, a a dinner and smoking concert will be held at the Club and a dance has been arranged for the 28th.

The billiard tournament at the Secunderabad Club concluded last Saturday, the Cup going to Major Cloete who beat Colonel Dobbs by 33. There was no second prize although the entries were large.

Motor car fever is beginning to attack Hyderabad although the number of motorists at present is small, a fact perhaps due to the restrictions imposed on motor car owners in Hyderabad City. I am told, however, that enquiries for the best and most reliable makes are on the increase, while quite a flourishing little trade has commenced in petrol, now procurable in the bazaar. Motor bicycles and trailers are owned by several officers in the garrison, and there is more than one car which finds stabling accommodation in the Cavalry lines at Bolaram.

Pro Bono, in our Correspondence columns, makes a suggestion for grappling with the Calcutta syce nuisance which we commend to the consideration of all owners of racing establishments.

The Ceylon Fishing Club, says Mr. E. M. de C. Short, in his report for 1903 on the Nuwara Eliya District, to which the Assistant Agent acts as Honorary Secretary, imported 30,000 ova during the year, and turned out 6,733 fry into the Club waters. The Club has now ninety members, and trout fishing in Ceylon has come to stay. Breeding experiments are about to be made locally, and it is hoped that the risky and expensive system of importing ova will soon be discontinued. The engagement of an expert from England is under consideration, and a movement in favour of asking for State aid has been initiated. A good deal of time is devoted to this work.

Rather late in the day the Assam paper reports a nasty accident to Mr Bather, of the Dulabcherra tea estate, south Sylhet, when extracting cartridges from his gun on return from a shoot. Our contemporary has it that "one of the bullets! exploded, inflicting severe injuries to the calf of Mr. Bather's leg." Whether the so-called bullet was a shell or not has not transpired, but we hope those dangerous and unnecessary missiles are not again coming into fashion, as many lamentable accidents are on record when they were in vogue.

Major James Harrison, traveller and sportsman, has just returned to England after an adventurous period of big game hunting in the great forests of Central Africa. The natives declare him to be the only white man who has seen the recently-discovered animal, the okapi, alive in its native wilds. Major Harrison recently related the story of his experiences. "I started a few days after Christmas," he said, "and made my way down to the Stanley Forest, where the pigmies are. I saw many of the pigmies. They used to keep away from us on our approach, but afterwards hung on our rear. They are keen little people and good hunters; none

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was over 3ft. 10in. in height. Failing to find the okapi I worked up to Jabir, and thence into the great forest of De Melley. The trees of the forest were so interwoven with tangled creepers and underwood that one had often to crawl to make one's way through it. On the sixth day in the forest we came on the spoor of okapi. We had been following it for hours when, on suddenly turning round a bush, I saw an okapi not more than fifteen feet in front of me. It was an animal something like a giraffe, some ten or eleven feet high, of a tawny grey in colour, with stripes over the loins. It was gone like a flash into the thicket long before I could get my rifle from the native who was carrying it. I never saw the okapi again." Deducting the time occupied in actual hunting, Major Harrison covered the distance from Lado on the Nile to Boma at the mouth of the Congo in thirty-six marching days. It is worthy of note that Major Harrison is a strong believer in the administration of the Congo Free State, which he considers humane and beneficent, and he further is strongly of opinion that the Lado Enclave is well "run."

Full reports of the first two days of the Bangalore Races appear among our Turf news to-day. Ayrdale won the Maharaja's Cup on the second day, the race being run in torrential rain which necessitated two of the races on the card being held over for next day. Some of the Calcutta stables showed up well.

At Poona, on the 10th instant, George Stonhill, the jockey met with an accident when riding Fireup. He was doing a half-mile gallop with Miss Windsor, both belonging to Mr. A. W. P.'s stable; the horses collided fracturing Stonhill's leg in three places. He was conveyed to the Sassoon General Hospital where he will be laid up for some time.

The remains of a whale were washed ashore near Alutgania in Ceylon on the 1st instant. A correspondent to the *Times of Ceylon* describing the incident writes:—The information was wired by the Assistant Government Agent of the Province to Dr. A. Willey, Director of the Colombo Museum. He left Colombo the same day, and after inspecting the carcase, decided to secure the skeleton for the Colombo Museum. When Dr. Willey saw it, the huge carcase had been partly broken up, but he expected to save the skeleton. It was that of a cachalot or sperm whale—the oil-yielding whale of commerce (*Physeter macrocephalus*)—and bore traces of having been shot with a harpoon gun by whalers. The left half of the upper jaw had been shattered and broken off. Measurements taken showed the skull to be 5 feet in height, while the length of the head to the end of the muzzle was 16 feet. The two nasal bones, which would make the head longer, had broken off. The width of the head was 5 feet 5 inches. Dr. Willey estimated the length of the whale to be about 40 feet. As the usual length of a full-grown sperm whale is about 80 feet, the specimen washed ashore at Athuruwela must be that of a middle-aged one. The whale had probably been killed two or three weeks before, as there was hardly any flesh left on the skull except a few tendons, though the body had a quantity of flesh without any skin.

Athletic Notes.

THE following are the entries for the I. F. A. Tournament:—

Calcutta (holders), Royal Irish Rifles, Rangers, Hornets, Dalhousie, Caledonians, Y. M. C. A., Howrah, Chinsurah, Sova Bazar, Hare Sporting and the King's Own.

The Lahore and Mian Mir Hockey Tournament opened at Lahore on the 1st instant, when the Volunteers defeated the Chief's College by three goals to one, after a well-contested game. The next game was between the Hornets and the North-Western Railway, and resulted in an easy win for the Railway by seven goals to *nil*. In the second round the Volunteers beat the Government College by seven goals to *nil*, and the North-Western Railway beat the South Wales Borderers by 7 goals to two.

The final game in the football tournament for the Surma Cup was played on the Calcutta ground on the 11th instant. The teams were the "C" Company, King's Own and "B" team, Calcutta. The soldiers were too strong for the homesters and won by four goals to *nil*, Ennis (2) Critchley and Ashworth putting through.

B. Jayaram, the Southern India native cricketer, while playing for London County *vs.* Old Charlton the other day compiled 103 not out.

The following are among the most important county cricket results last week:—On the 8th instant the South Africans defeated Hampshire by an innings, and the match between Kent and Yorkshire was abandoned. On the 9th July the Gentlemen beat the Players at the Oval by an innings and 39 runs. Eton beat Harrow by an innings and 12 runs. Derbyshire beat Leicestershire by 306 runs. Sussex and Essex drew.

It is stated that the negotiations between Sir Thomas Lipton and the New York Y. C. are likely to be brought to a successful issue, in which case a challenge for the America Cup will be given for next year.

M. Théry, the winner of the Gordon-Bennett Race, met with a serious accident, near Kirchberg on the 23rd ultimo. On his return journey to France, his motor-car was upset in a ditch, and he sustained a fracture of the foot. M. Théry continued the journey by rail. We give details of the race in our London Sporting letter.

Mr. F. A. G. Medd, who some seasons ago used to take a prominent part in Calcutta rowing, is doing well at home with the London Rowing Club. He was rowing bow in the L. R. C. crew who contested the final with the Thames R. C. in the Walton Fours and was No. 2 in his boat in the Walton Eights Challenge Cup: his crew won both their preliminary heats, but succumbed in the finals. Medd rowed at Henley in the L. R. C. crew for the Thames Challenge Cup.

Says *London Opinion*:—"In punting, endeavour to remain in the punt as much as possible. You will find there is very little room for you on the pole, and, if there be but one pole, the other people in the punt will miss you. Besides, it isn't punting.

A boat may be made to move through the water (1) with the bow foremost; (2) stern foremost. As a general rule, however, the first method is to be perferred, as the bow, being the sharper end, more readily cuts through obstacles to the boat's progress—such as other boats, etc.

In sailing, remember that a sufficiently low bridge may always be depended upon to lower your mast and sail for you without the least antecedent trouble on your part.

When steering, keep the boat's head steadily directed towards some conspicuous mark in the distance, such as a large barge or steam tug approaching from the opposite direction. When you have reached it, another similar object may be selected, if it is found necessary to continue the voyage.

An imitation of the course of a heavy coal-cart zig-zagging up a steep hill has no corresponding advantage in a crowded reach of the river.

A boat-hook is adapted for catching hold of things, but should not be used upon the persons or apparel of people in other boats in order to attract their attention—though, of course, it will do this.

It is, after all, a secondary use of an oar to refresh the passengers in the stern by splashing them with cold water.

Three blasts from the whistle of a steam launch may be taken to mean "What the—! Where the—!! Why the—!!!" or words to that effect.

At a Special Meeting of the Amateur Rowing Association Committee, held 15th June last, the following alterations in the Laws of Boat Racing were passed:—

Law VII. That the words "liable to disqualification" be substituted for the word "disqualified" so that the law may read as follows:—

"No fouling whatever shall be allowed, a boat or boats committing a foul shall be liable to disqualification."

Law VIII. That the word "scull" be inserted after the word "oar" in each case, so that it may read:—

". . . Any competitor by his oar, scull, boat or person comes into contact with the oar, scull, boat or person, &c. . . ."

Law XII. That the following words be added, *viz.*:—

"but he may disqualify a competitor for a foul without an appeal being made provided that he does so immediately upon the foul occurring."

Law XVII. That the words "if he thinks proper" be deleted and that the following words be inserted after the word "may," *viz.*:—"except when he disqualifies a competitor for a foul without an appeal being made," so that the law may read as follows:—

"The Umpire may, except when he disqualifies a competitor for a foul without an appeal being made, reserve his decision provided that, &c."

At a Special Meeting of the Committee held on 13th July it was to be proposed that:

The following Law be substituted for Law VI of the Laws of Boat Racing:—

"A Boat's own water is the best course it can take from the Station assigned to it at the start to the finish, provided that it leaves ample water for any boat which started upon either side of it to pass on that side, when such boat is in a position to enforce its right to that water."

The Calcutta Golf Club Cleek Competition will begin on the 16th instant and run on to the 23rd idem.

We hear that a few Calcutta motor bicycle enthusiasts intend cycling up from Silliguri to Darjeeling next Doorga Pujahs.

We have to acknowledge from our friends, Messrs. Combridge and Co. of Bombay, a copy of their *Literary Review* for the current month.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes:—A final meeting of the Committee which had in hand the arrangements to send a native cricket team to England this year will be held next week to read the report of the Honorary Treasurer (Mr. A. H. S. Aston) and the Honorary Secretary (Mr. R. S. McG. Shepherd) in connection with the winding up of the scheme. At the last meeting held in February it was decided that no call should be made upon the guarantors, but that the expenses incurred by the Committee, roughly a sum of twelve hundred rupees, should be deducted proportionally from the subscriptions in hand. This has been carried out and each subscriber has had a refund of his subscription less 12 per cent.

It has been recognised that the Committee made a mistake in trying to work the scheme from Bombay and that it would have been better for the success of the undertaking had separate Committees been formed in all the chief cricket centres in the country. Thus Committees at Calcutta, Madras, Lahore and Allahabad would have been able to work up an interest in the scheme in their respective provinces and at the same time to co-operate with the Bombay Committee. It is, of course, useless at this time writing about what might or might not have been done, but should the scheme ever be taken up again I trust it will be on the lines suggested. [And advocated by us from the outset. Ed.]

The Bombay Telegraph team met the Rovers in a League match last Tuesday evening and, as usual, had all the worst of the game. The Telegraph men have not taken kindly to soccer and are greatly handicapped inasmuch that they never have any new blood to draw upon. In the game under notice they were quite outclassed and had the Rovers not slackened off considerably in the second half the margin against the Telegraph—5 goals to 1—would have been heavier. In the latter half the Telegraph men had the wind of the Rovers, but unfortunately not the science, and they were able to score the only goal they have made so far in League matches this season. The Rovers who played with great dash in the first half when all five goals were registered continue to show lack of condition and unless they improve considerably between this and the dates fixed for the tournament will fare roughly at the hands of the military teams. The Telegraph who have lost every one of the six matches played up to date are at the bottom of the League table where they are likely to remain.

Perhaps one of the best games we have had so far was that on Wednesday last between the cup holders, the Royal Garrison Artillery, and the Naval eleven from H. M. S. *Perseus*. The game was certainly the fastest I have witnessed this monsoon and the form of both teams, especially in the first half, was very good. The Naval custodian struck me as being the best in Bombay. Time after time in the latter half, when things were going in favour of the gunners and the sailors were penned up in their own country, he saved in the most brilliant fashion and I don't believe there is another goal-keeper in Bombay who would have saved half the shots that he stopped, some of which were very hot. The gunners' custodian gave an almost equally good account of himself and guarded well in the first half when the sailors were pressing. It speaks well for the defence shewn by both sides that despite the fierce combined rushes that marked the play at intervals the game ended in a pointless draw. The back divisions on both sides defended well and fed the forward lines judiciously, while the passing of the forwards was generally good. At the conclusion of the game the opinion was freely expressed that the *Perseus*' team will run the cup-holders closely this year for premier honours.

The Gymkhana and the Telegraph, the two weakest teams in the Harwood League, met on Thursday when both sides showed form distinctly above anything else they had previously shown this season. In the first half there was really nothing to choose

between them and the Gymkhana were somewhat lucky to score a few minutes after the start. Nothing further was scored until play was resumed after the interval when the Telegraph started a series of offensive tactics which culminated in a well-deserved goal. Play waged fast and furious during the remaining fifteen minutes and with only ten minutes left the Gymkhana from a free kick scored the winning point.

On Friday evening the Casuals met the Military, the latter being assisted by several civilian players, and, after a fairly fast game, the new club had to admit defeat by a goal and three tries to *nil*.

There is ample evidence in the large crowd that lines the ground during the progress of a Rugger match that the old popularity of the game in Bombay is being restored. I learn on what I believe to be reliable authority that Madras will send a team to Bombay for the tournament in September.

Turning to cricket Captain L. M. R. Deas, of the Supply and Transport Corps, the fast bowler, will not, I fear, after all be able to play for the Presidency. He only returned to Poona last week from England and is now under orders for Quetta where by the end of the month the cricket of that station will be receiving his valuable assistance. It is a far cry from Quetta to Bombay, a four days' journey by rail in fact so it is hopeless to expect that Deas would be able to return to Bombay in less than a month after having left the place.

At one time on Wednesday it was feared that the usual weekly mounted sports would have to be abandoned as it rained steadily from early morning right up to 3 o'clock, close upon two inches of rain having fallen. The weather cleared, however, as the afternoon advanced, and although the ground was in a shocking condition necessitating the abandonment of the Ladies' Tilting Competition and the Jumping Competition for Horses, the other events on the programme duly came off. The Individual Tilting and Tent-pegging was, considering the state of the ground, well contested and was won by Donald Graham with W. E. Crum second. The Polo Ball race, in which the contestants had to hit a polo ball round a given course and finally between two posts, hardly saw poloists at their best, owing to the slippery condition of the ground which made anything like hard riding extremely dangerous. The event was won by L. Barraclough with D. Graham second.

The most interesting item on the card was the event for Ladies and Gentlemen which had the merit of being amusing. The conditions were, the gentleman had the ride a certain distance and place a cocoanut on a post, while the lady's part consisted in knocking the nut off with a polo ball. The gentleman had then to pick up the nut and return to the starting point. The result of the competition was a win for L. Barraclough and Mrs. Dyson, with Mr. D. Graham and Mrs. McCausland second. The evening closed with the usual scurries for ponies and horses which, however, on this occasion were devoid of interest on account of the state of the ground. The Pony Scurry was won by D. Graham with A. Ash second. The Horse Scurry fell to J. St. J. Graham with F. H. Greig second. Although a certain class of people make it a practice to attend the weekly mounted sports regularly they have not much interest for the general public and I doubt if the regular habitues of the Marine Lines *Maidan* derive much pleasure from their outting. The reasons for this are, we see week after week the same limited number of competitors competing in the same events and as a rule the same competitors winning with unfailing regularity. This kind of thing is apt to grow somewhat monotonous and unless the Honorary Secretary can induce more competitors to enter for the various events and make more changes in the programme the Mounted Sports will never hold the high place that they should in the estimation of the Bombay sporting public.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 24th June* 1904.

THE Park is crammed these fine afternoons. The tendency on the part of the flights that settle in chairs is to draw nearer and nearer the sunk garden every season: in time I shall look for friends somewhere about Grosvenor Gate and eventually in the marble arch region. It is quite the thing this year to have tea in Kensington Gardens: so I judge from the numbers of carriages there whenever I pass about 5 o'clock: I doubt whether this will last very long, though. The big function of the week was the Nursery Rhyme bazar at the Albert Hall which was opened by the Queen on Tuesday afternoon. It was uncommonly well done: the floor was built up to the level of the lowest tier of boxes and an arrangement in blue muslin made a most effective canopy. Every stall holder adopted a nursery rhyme by way of device, and the effect was distinctly good. Last night they wound it up with a dance, and then went home to bed happy in the knowledge that they had cleared £11,000, after paying all expenses, for the Victoria Children's Hospital.

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To-day being the King's "Official" Birthday they are trooping the colour. Time was when I used piously to attend that function; but upon a day I discovered that you could see it ever so much better at rehearsal, and if I want to take a country cousin now it is to the rehearsal he or she goes. The Coaching Club meet on Wednesday at the Magazine, drew a bigger crowd than usual, for no reason apparently save that it was a glorious day. There is a certain sameness about coaching meets at the Magazine and the impossibility of getting a fair view of the whole makes is rather an ineffective spectacle.

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The "hot fit" is passing rapidly away and the authorities give indications of being more concerned with retrenchment in Army matters than with measures calculated towards efficiency. Lord Donoughmore told the Lords on Tuesday that the Government accepted in principle the suggestions made for the reduction of the Regular Army at home. Not the least noteworthy feature of the discussion was Lord Lansdowne's spirited defence of the financial department of the War Office, that department on which the Esher Commission put its mailed fist so heavily and as most people think so justly. He said that the strictures passed by the Commission were resented by both civil and military sides of the War Office. He ought to know. There have been persistent rumours lately of cabinet dissensions on the subject of military policy, but I suppose Tuesday's debate in the Lords must be held clearance of the air.

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Lord Dundonald's reply to his ministerial critics in Canada has been made through the press, and Reuter gives us a long summary of it, with the remark that the document has caused a great sensation. One can quite believe it. In 1902 Lord Dundonald made his report on the Militia in two parts: The second part contained the outline of his scheme for re-organising the force: this was suppressed by Sir Frederick Borden who described it as secret, private and confidential, though it was marked none of these. In 1903 Lord Dundonald was requested to "modify" his report: because "it was so strong it might embarrass him." He did so and Sir F. Borden struck out whole pages all of which Lord Dundonald intended for public information. Among the deletions were references to the condition of the permanent corps which Lord Dundonald pronounced unsatisfactory. "Last year for instance, permanent corps with an establishment of 995 were 207 under strength and had 277 enlistments and 154 desertions." When Lord Dundonald organised an Ordnance Corps, Sir E. Borden was "anxious to have a number of senior and highly-paid posts:" and Lord Dundonald gave way so far as to admit one Colonel, a second in command with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel and three other Lieutenant-Colonels. Soon after this had been arranged Lord Dundonald left for the North-West: and as soon as he left Ottawa the Minister of Militia ordered the A. G. to prepare an order increasing the Lieutenant-Colonels of the Ordnance Corps to seven. This for a corps of about 100 men! "In this connexion it must be remembered that the most elementary requirements of the Militia were neglected for want of money." Referring to the action of Mr. Fisher in striking out the name of a gentleman recommended for a Commission, Lord Dundonald notices as a singular coincidence the fact on the day this case came up Mr. Fisher was acting for the first and only time he ever did act for the Minister of Militia. He tells the people of Canada frankly that as regards their preparedness in a military sense they are "living in a fool's paradise." It is a treat to read this bold outspoken indictment of politicians and their works.

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The strange case of Sir Charles Eliot presents interesting possibilities. I cannot remember a responsible Governor taking so extreme a step before: but there can be no use discussing it in the dark. So far we have Sir Charles' telegram to go on and no word from the other side. The "East African Syndicate" to whom, Sir Charles alleges, Lord Lansdowne ordered him to grant lands on terms "unjust and impolitic" is a mining and prospecting concern with £50,000 capital and which numbers among its shareholders the Duke of Abercorn, Earls Grey, Roberts, Denbigh, of Chesterfield and of Verulam, to say nothing of a regiment of commoners whose names are reminiscent of the syna-

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Telegrams:—"Hercules," CALCUTTA.

gogue. Sir Charles resigns his Commissionership rather than obey the order to grant lands to the Syndicate when grants are refused to private persons; telegraphs to the Prime Minister demanding a public inquiry into the circumstances of his resignation: and takes the first boat from Mombassa, home. The Government cannot well refuse the inquiry demanded and we can wait for revelations, if there are any to come.

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The London County Council has awakened to the fact that there are limits even to the patience of ratepayers, and has exhibited this week distinct anxiety to check its enormous expenditure. The Council, if I am not mistaken, has a debt of rather over forty millions, and has come to the conclusion it ought to stop: the flag of distress appeared this week when it declined by 71 votes to 41 to sanction a trifle of £145,000 on a new tunnel under the Thames at Woolwich, because the finances could not afford it. Furthermore it has been deciding to create a real sinking fund at the rate of £250,000 a year with an eye to the extinction of Metropolitan or County Council stock. It does not seem quite necessary to extinguish the whole debt: why should the present generation of ratepayers be saddled with the cost of improvements whose benefit future generations will reap?

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London pauperism shows such a steady increase during the last few years that the L. C. C. might well turn its beneficent attention to that question. On the last day of the first week in June 1901, relief was given to 99,008 persons: on the same date 1902 to 101,862 persons: on same date 1903 to 104,818 persons: and on same date 1904 to 109,494. The greater increase is in the number who entered the workhouse: the position is aggravated by the fact that this has been a beautifully fine June and in many parts farmers complain of inability to get labour to save the hay. I can answer for it myself that beggars are largely on the increase in London: latterly the beggar armed with the protective wisp of boot laces or handful of match boxes has invaded the Park of an evening, a thing unknown for many years part.

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On Tuesday the Lords had a field day with the Chantrey Bequest and after some discussion agreed to Lord Lytton's motion for a Select Committee to enquire into the administration of the fund which now amounts to £2,000 or £3,000 a year. The question whether the trustees do or do not properly administer the bequest seems to me capable of very easy answer. Let them produce a list of pictures bought with prices paid, and therewith a list of pictures which have been sold by the painters thereof to private buyers since, with the prices paid, comparison of the two lists would surely show whether the Chantery Bequest trustees had, on the whole, bought wisely during their twenty-seven years of work.

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The Governors of St. George's Hospital at a special court held on Tuesday, decided by a large majority not to remove the hospital from its present site. The majority opined that the present is not a favourable time for an appeal to the public for funds for the purpose, and the majority are probably quite right. The alternative scheme is to utilise the newly acquired Knightsbridge site to build with the view of extending the erection into a new hospital, and negociations with the Duke of Westminster for purchase of adjoining leaseholds for £23,700 were sanctioned. The great majority of "cases" come to St. George's from the districts South of it, and the idea was to seek a new site in that direction. Temptation lay in the preparedness of a firm of agents to give £350,000 to £375,000 for the present site "the best site in the world" as somebody truly called it on Tuesday.

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The Japanese seem to be taking a hint from Boer methods. The correspondent of a Russian journal states, on the authority of wounded Russian officers that the Japs tell off marksmen to shoot officers. Apart from the inherent probability that Japan would adopt so effective a method as we, to our cost, found it in South Africa, the returns of killed and wounded support the statement. Of three regiments and three batteries 73 Officers or over one-third of the total were put out of action in one fight and in another all the officers of certain detatchments were killed. The heavy losses explain why reserved officers have been called out in Warsaw and Russian Poland.

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For lack of other sticks to beat the Government with the C. Bees have been working Chinese Labour hard again. A considerate cooly died of beri beri on the voyage to Durban, and the opposition rose like one man at the golden opportunity. A callous Deputy Speaker refused to put a motion for the adjournment of the House that the case of that cooly might receive adequate attention, and in spite of the uproarious indignation his decision evoked, honourable members were obliged to content themselves with a squabble over the tobacco duty. Then we had Mr. McKenna and the old story of Mr. Gallaber over again, and a very characteristic evening's "debate," as mistaken convention calls it, squandered time. I should dearly like to see put in force the Rule which forbids publication of parliamentary proceedings: lack of publicity would have a marvellous effect in checking these floods of futile talk.

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The Royal Society's second *conversazione* was held on Wednesday evening. The most attractive exhibit was Mr. Enock's colour photographs of living moths and butterflies in various stages: a veritable revelation in colour photography. Very curious and interesting too, were Mrs. D. H. Scott's series of photographs to illustrate the growth of plants, whereby the slow development of a fortnight is shown on the screen, in a few seconds. The exhibition of "spontaneous electrification of radium" was I fear lost upon an unscientific mind which could not grasp the marvel.

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Cooper's Hill is to be closed permanently at the end of the session of 1905-6, and the Entrance Exam of next month will be the last. From those passing this exam, twenty-five appointments are to be made in the engineering branch of the D. P. W., one in the Accounts and two in the Telegraphs. A futhur communication is promised concerning the future education of candidates.

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I have had five days in which to make up my mind about Mr. Alfred Austin's comiedietta, curtain-raiser. "A Lesson in Harmony" which now precedes "A Fairy's Dilemma" at the Garrick. It is not very easy to find the right word for it. The thing is pretty, it is nicely written, and the folks are natural enough; and if some aspiring playwright had written it for a country house amateur company and the country house company had acted it well, one would have said it was clever and showed promise. It is very very simple. Philip Leslie (Mr. David Domvile) is grown remiss in his attentions to his Ida (Miss Jessie Bateman) though they have not been married very long. Otho Hazlewood, dramatic author (Mr. Bourchier) comes to stay, and by tactful address shows the wife that cold mutton is not the stuff on which to "feed the brute" and that a passion for white waistcoats is really no serious blemish in a character otherwise good. He gains Ida's ear and then operates on Philip with equally good effect. "A very daisy" as Bunthorne might say: there is really nothing in the thing: the epigrams are numerous but not sparkling "matrimony was instituted that cold mutton might be eaten" does not impress me as coruscating: and that is a fair example. Mr Bourchier was very well suited as Hazlewood the commonsense bachelor guest: for Mr. Domvile and Miss Bateman there was little scope for acting.

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Dramatic mems. "Who's who" is gone from the Savoy after a short and unsuccessful career. "The Money Makers" has vacated the Royalty but its vitality is far from exhausted and it has found a home at Notting Hill Gate. Mr. Forbes Robertson has revived "Mice and Men" at the Duke of York's: Mr. Charles Cherry is the Captain Lovell originally played by Mr. Ben Webster; and this I think forms the only conspicuous difference between the new cast and the old. Madame Sarah Bernhardt opened her fortnight's season at His Majesty's on Monday with La Sorcirèe. Madame Rejane as mentioned last week is at the Prince of Wales', and last night put on "La Parisienne." Also there is a very strong French company in possession at the Avenue, so you see on the whole we are not badly off for French drama at present. The "Alcestis" of Euripides was the play at Bradfield on Tuesday: the play was exceedingly well done, and my sympathies were with those who had to play in the unsparing light of a hot sun: strange the difference between the orthodox histrionic atmosphere of footlights and the light of day.

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The Clement Scott matinee yesterday at His Majesty's rather recalled the old Aquarium announcement "Twelve Hours' Constant Entertainment for one shilling." The show began at 1-30 and was not over till after six. Sir H. Irving appeared in "Waterloo" and recited "Eugene Aram." Mr. Tree appeared in the third Act of "Herod": three little plays "Flower o' the Rose," "The Conversion of Nat Sturge" and "The Marchioness" were played; and it was announced that £1,250 had been realised for Mr. Scott who is lying seriously ill at Broadstairs.

Various items: As the Pilgrim's Dinner on Saturday evening Mr. Choate gave Lord Roberts a most pressing invitation to visit the States, which invitation was backed up by several telegrams from various prominent Americans, delivered during the dinner. Lord Roberts, undauneted by recollections of Lieutenant Hobson's experience said he hoped soon to go over to America. A statement showing the position of Lord Anglesey's affairs has been issued to his creditors: his liabilities are about £256,000; and if this figure be not swelled by subsequent claims creditors may hope for a dividend of 3s. in the pound a few months hence; and be paid in full with 1 per cent. on their claims by 1911 if the Marquis lives so long. He has assigned all his property, real and personal, to trustees who are to pay him an annual allowance of £2,000 a year. Mr. Arnold White thinking the Russian circular on the "genesis of the War" for use in schools unfriendly to this country, wrote to a Russian friend for explanations. The friend replies that the text is "seriously garbled" by the translator, and that the document represents not official Russian opinion but "that of the educated, cultured, thinking and learned classes." The Automobile Club in Piccadilly held itself prepared for large rejoicings on Friday evening last, but the victory of M. Théry left the agreeable duty of firework and illumination display to France, and Piccadilly was left to it wonted sober calm. No doubt you have all particulars of the Gordon-Bennett race from other quarters: the principal comment on it heard among non-motoring people was on the absence of fatal accident. They did not seem to want the prophet Dr. Dowie in France: he came back from Boulogne very quietly on Friday night, hurried secretly to Liverpool and embarked on Saturday for New York; where it is hoped he will remain. Mrs. Percy Sladen has devoted £20,000 to the promotion of scientific research, in memory of her late husband some time president of the Linnæan Society. Mr. Sladen was more especially interested in geology, zoology and anthropology: and the trustees are to employ the income for researches in these fields. Considerable sensation was caused on Monday by the announcement that Mr. Sievier had been arrested on a charge of perjury committed during a private examination in bankruptcy in December 1898. The arrest was said by counsel not to have arisen out of the recent slander case. Bail allowed, two sureties of £3,000 each. Certain young hooligans, ornaments of the Aberdeen University, distinguished themselves last Friday by hustling the Alake of Abeokuta, tearing his clothes and knocking off his topi. Little has been said of the actual outrage, but I learn that the Alake bore himself with great dignity. The University authorities "dealt with" the affair: I hope the cane figured in the dealing. Jewels belonging to Mrs. Langtry were sold at Christies on Monday: they brought £5,374.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

VETERINARY PATHOLOGY.

WE are indebted to the publishers for a copy of the first volume of Veterinary Pathology by Messrs. Friedberger and Fröhners, to which is added notes on Bacteriology by Dr. G Newman. The work runs to 500 pages dealing comprehensively with all the diseases horseflesh is heir to. To the profession there is nothing new, the book being an elaborate compilation from many authorities. The unprofessional will find it a standard reference, the copious index rendering diagnosis rapid and accurate. The joint authors do not confine themselves to equine maladies but treat of those afflicting the animal world from cattle down to the smaller rodents. The work has been translated into English by Captain M. H. Hayes, to whom credit must be accorded for the manner in which the task has been accomplished.

Veterinary Pathology, Vol. I, 4th Edition, by Friedberger and Fröhner Hurst and Blackelt, London, 1904.

ANOTHER JUNGLE BOOK.*

MR. A. MERVYN SMITH has recently produced a book dealing with various phases of sport and existence in our Indian jungles. As far as the turn-out of the volume is concerned we can have nothing but praise; it is well printed, and the illustrations are good in most cases, especially in respect of the photograph reproductions; but we cannot regard *Sport and Adventure in the Indian Jungle* as a serious contribution to the literature of Indian "Shikar" nor do we suppose the author's intention is to be taken save *cum grano sa is*.

Mr Smith was, and perhaps still is, a mining engineer whose burrowings underground and alignments on the surface necessitate protracted sojourns in the wilds. He is a tolerable observer and not slow to catch on incidents and situations likely to furnish copy, and when these are not ready to hand, he has evidently a lively imagination on which to indent. No amount of salt will help some of us to swallow certain chapters in his book. But we are by no means sure that the author intends us to do violence to our common sense and sporting experience by making the attempt; for we cannot always expect (nor do we need) entertainment from bald yet strictly accurate narrations, these, unrelieved by a spice of fiction or the introduction of, shall we say, "controversial matter" would be dull reading unless treated by sportsmen of more than average literary ability as one of which Mr. Mervyn Smith does not wish to pose. His stories are interesting and readable at any rate. They appeared years ago in the columns of *The Statesman* in which

there ran concurrently, if our memory serves us, with a warm discussion of how the tiger seizes his prey, and to which controversy Mr. Smith contributed several letters. We have said the author is not a master of style; but, while we are ready to be indulgent on this score, we are not prepared for such slipshod writing as in the chapter "After Bison in Chota Nagpore," page 251, in which we are told that "one of the shots took effect and broke its *hind leg below the knee*." Our italics. We should much like to come across these curious Nagpore bison (gaur) which are provided with *hind knees!*

Sport and Adventure in the Indian Jungle. By A. Mervyn Smith. London Hurst and Blackett, Ld.

Shikar.

THE DEATH OF THE BANIKOLA MAN-EATER.

SOME years ago, when I was stationed at Morelgunge, a notorious man-eating tiger had taken up his quarters in an island of one of the estuaries of the Megna. It roamed about a good deal levying toll from among the Molongie salt-makers. As I was then practically my own master, and with nothing particular on hand, I decided to see if I could not put an end to the dreaded man-eater's depredations. Wishing good-bye to my hospitable friends, I got on board my houseboat, or *pansee*, after dinner, and was soon dropping down the broad Megna. Towards the afternoon of the following day, we found ourselves at the mouth of a small creek and where we were met by a deputation of villagers, who informed us that the man-eater's main haunts were in some hurtal cover to the east of a village called Bisenpore, but as the monster roamed about a good deal there was no knowing exactly where to look for him. There was one thing in favour of the brute being brought to bag, that was that, with the exception of some three or four pools, which contained fresh water, all the rest were dry. All the streams and creeks about this part of the country contained nothing but brackish or salt water, so the man-eater had to resort to these pools containing sweet water to quench his thirst. The house-boat was accordingly taken as near to Bisenpore as practicable. Nothing noticeable occurred during the first night of our arrival. The following morning, I waited till 10 o'clock for news, but having received none, I got out of my boat and had a stroll along the bank of the small stream we lay in; after going for a short distance I came across the pugs of what appeared to be a fairly big tiger and noticed that one of the front paw's impressions had only three toe marks, so if these pugs were those of the man-eater he must be either deformed or crippled.

The third day after my arrival news was brought, late in the afternoon, that a man had been carried off the day previous from the outskirt of a village called Banikola. The unfortunate victim was one of a half dozen or so who were returning from the neighbouring *hât*. Early the following morning, I made a move towards the village where this last tragedy had been enacted. As the boat could only travel a short distance, I had to trudge on foot the remaining distance. On getting near Banikola village, I was met by a crowd of the inhabitants, who pointed out to me, from a distance, the place where the unfortunate man had been struck down. After a good deal of persuasion I managed to induce a score or so to accompany me towards the spot, the main landmark of which was a fairly big *peepul* tree rising well above the surrounding vegetation. We made our way forward, I with gun in hand acting as the leader, followed by a couple of stalwart boatmen with the spare guns, while the villagers brought up the rear. As the country was bare for the first part of the journey, not much precaution was necessary; as we got nearer the spot, I noticed that a few crows were perched on the topmost branches of the *peepul* tree, while a couple more rose suddenly cawing loudly and after circling once or twice settled alongside the other ones. This looked rather suspicious, and as we moved forward, it was with every sense on the alert. We were, however, soon relieved on seeing a couple of jackals trot out from the identical patch of grass whence the crows had flown out. We soon came upon the remains of the man-eater's last victim; the tiger had only eaten some of the stomach, and had sucked the blood by severing the jugular arteries. The crows had been picking at the eyes, so that the orbits were now empty, but the jackals had not yet begun their feast.

Close under the *peepul* was a pool of fresh water, about a couple of hundred feet or so in diameter, with fairly raised banks on all sides, and though the cover was patchy there was still a fair amount of it round the place. I soon made up my mind that the best way to get a shot at the tiger was to take my seat for the night on a *machan* built on the *peepul* tree. It was now only 10 o'clock, so I made my way back to the boat, telling the men that I would be back at 3 o'clock. At the appointed time, I was back at the place of *rendezvous* and found that a *machan* had been duly rigged up some fifteen feet above ground. By means of a ladder, I was soon up in my perch and comfortably settled down for my vigil, my faithful henchman, Ebrahim, taking his seat alongside of me. I waited till 10 o'clock without seeing anything but a couple of otters that soon ran into the pool and were lost sight of among the rushes that fringed the pool's edge. I was now beginning to feel very sleepy and had perhaps just dozed off, when I was suddenly awakened by my man digging me in the ribs, and I next saw him pointing to the opposite side of the pool, I could not see anything; the only thing that seemed to strike me appeared to be a log of wood lying along the ground. I had not noticed this before, but this might have been an oversight on my part and it might after all have been but a ridge on which the moon's rays did not properly strike. The man alongside of me swore that the thing I saw lying was the tiger, as he had seen it move. As the distance was much too far for a safe shot, especially in the uncertain light, I had nothing else to do but to watch and wait for fully twenty minutes, and while I watched the "thing" did not budge. I had, however, occasion to turn round for a few seconds to speak to my man, when on turning round I found that, the apparition had disappeared. I knew now that the man was right, and that which I had been watching for some time was nothing else but the arch offender and slayer of nearly forty human beings. I watched till 2 A.M. when seeing no signs of the tiger, I again began to doze off and must have gone off to sleep, for it was nearly 3 o'clock when I was rudely shaken up by my man saying that a tiger was under the tree. In my excitement to look round towards where the man was pointing, I very nearly slipped off my *machan*. I could not see anything at first and just as I got hold of my rifle, the tiger, from a distance of some sixteen paces charged with a murderous growl. I instantly blazed off both barrels in his direction. I do not know if the shots took effect, but in any case it scared away the brute, for we did not see anything of him again.

For the next three days I got no further news about the doings of the man-eater, and was almost thinking of giving it up as a bad job and returning to my place, when early on the morning of the fourth day a man rushed in greatly excited with the news that a woman had been carried off from a village some six miles distant, and on making further enquiries, I found that the victim was coming back from a pool where she had gone to bathe when she was pounced upon. I at once made a start and at 11 o'clock found myself at the spot. The village in question, lay some two miles inland and close alongside of it was a narrow creek fringed with tall *hogla* reeds, a very likely haunt for a tiger. A score or so of villagers soon took me over the ground and showed me the place where the woman had been struck down. Close to it was a very big tamarind tree, on which they told me the tiger used to jump and watch for people either returning from the pool or going along the path. On going up to the tree, I found the trunk a good-deal scarified, as if by claw marks, and some twelve feet or so from the ground was a thick lateral branch on which a tiger could easily have found a seat. There was, too, a good deal of undergrowth and a certain amount of *jungle* about the place.

I decided to sit up in a *machan* on the tamarind tree and to tie a buffalo calf as a bait. As this tamarind tree was far from the village and in a rather lonely part, I thought there was a good chance of the tiger putting in an appearance before sundown. Having made all the necessary arrangements, I made my way back to the boat. The afternoon was very sultry and I expected a storm, but luckily it kept off and enabled me to get safely to my *machan*. This was some fifteen feet from the ground, and I must say was very comfortable, as the main foundation of it was a *nawar* bed I had sent out. The bait, a buffalo calf, was tied some twenty feet from the tree, and I could distinctly see on all sides of it. The *hogla jungle* was some four hundred feet away right in front of me. It was now about four o'clock, so I had still a couple of hours, sunlight. As usual Ebrahim sat by my side. I knew that the tiger, if anywhere near, must be among the *hogla*, so I carefully watched the cover. After fully an hour had elapsed, I suddenly saw a huge round yellow head looking straight towards the tree. After looking round for about a couple of minutes or so the head vanished, but not for long, for it was soon out again about fifty yards or so nearer; the slanting rays of the sun falling on the tiger's head showed all his features distinctly. The brute was now looking no more towards me but at something else to the right that had attracted his attention. At one time both ears were pricked forward, while at another they were laid flat against the head; the lower jaw also at times seemed to droop. By the expression of the tiger's face I knew at once that something else beside the buffalo calf had taken up his attention. I was not long in finding out what it was, for on looking in the direction of the brute's gaze, I saw to my horror some half a dozen men coming along the village path and following each other in Indian file. They were still a good way off and as they came nearer, I could hear them talking loudly among themselves as if to frighten away the tiger, if anywhere about. They were now about four hundred yards or so away, when the tiger suddenly disappeared in the *jungle*.

What would be his next move was what I eagerly looked forward to now. I could not possibly allow another human being to be sacrificed, and the only way I could do so was to warn off the men or frighten away the tiger by firing. A man-eater is not, however, an ordinary tiger, and I wondered if the sound of firearms would scare him away. I was just making up my mind what to do, when all of a sudden the tiger glided out of the cover and lay almost flat along the ground. Having had a look round he now hurriedly made his way to a small *nullah* or dry watercourse, and having got there began at once to move forward. I could only see the top of his head and the tip of his shoulders as he moved in a very snake-like and undulating motion. I saw at once what the brute was about, for the *nullah* passed under the tree and he was making his way along it and probably intended jumping into the tamarind tree to have a better view. The position was getting now intensely exciting and interesting. The tiger got up to within a couple of hundred yards of the tree when I brought up the eight bore to my shoulder and I carefully followed every movement of the monster. Ebrahim, who was now all in excitement, eagerly whispered to me, "Fire, sir, fire! for the tiger is sure to jump into the tree, for have we not taken possession of his seat of observation." A hundred yards now intervened between the tiger and the tree; he might now rush up and jump into it, so I decided to fire as soon as the distance had been a little more reduced. Suddenly the tiger stopped and raised himself and placing his two front paws on the edge of the *nullah* looked in the direction whence the talking came. This was my chance, taking a long breath and carefully aiming at the shoulder I pressed the trigger. My shot was answered by a deafening roar. Owing to the smoke—for it was in the days of black powder—I could not see anything for the first few seconds; but bending low, I managed to catch sight of the monster pawing the air, as if fighting with the imaginary foe. I at once let him have two more barrels, on receiving which he fell back in the *nullah*, but soon recovering himself made for the tree, in a half-bounding, half-rolling sort of gait, and every now and then falling forward. Though the smoke had divulged my position, I knew the brute could not possibly get to where I was seated, so I waited till he was under the tree, when I let him have a shot in his head, at a distance of 10 paces, on receiving which he pitched forward on his head, a few gasps and all was over.

The villagers, who were coming along, on first hearing the shots followed by the tiger's tremendous roaring had all bolted towards the village. But curiosity having got the better of them, they had pulled up and climbed among the topmost branches of the nearest trees, from where they had seen everything that had taken place. On seeing us get down from our tree, and standing alongside of the tiger, some of the boldest got down from their perches and came running towards us. When about a hundred yards or so away they stopped and hailed us to know if the tiger was still alive. On being assured that it was quite dead, they came nearer. The people in the village had also heard the shots, for we were soon surrounded on every side by crowds of delighted villagers, who eagerly volunteered to carry the body of the defunct tiger to the boat. A stout pole was soon cut and with the aid of some creepers the dead tiger was slung on it, and twelve men, six on each side, carried it between them. The tiger measured 9 feet 1 inch as he lay and was past his prime, one of his front paws was deformed, probably the effect of an old bullet wound.

SIGOL.

GAME LAWS IN CHITRAL.

THE following game laws have been issued for Chitral:—

(1) Certain districts and *nullahs*, which will be notified from time to time, are reserved for British officials, civil and military, on duty in Chitral.

(2) In all other districts than those mentioned, shooting is free under whatever arrangements the military may make

(3) Persons wishing to shoot big or small game in the reserved tracts and *nullahs* must obtain a license from the Assistant Political Agent for the purpose. The fund so raised will be administered by the Assistant Political Agent for the preservation of game.

(4) Licenses will be of two sorts:—(*a*). License costing Rs. 30 will permit the holder to shoot the following animals: Markhor, 5; ibex, 6; oorial, 6; panthers, unlimited; snow leopards, 1; bears, black, 1; bears, brown, 1. (*b*). License costing Rs 15 will permit the holder to shoot the following animals: Markhor, 2; ibex, 3; oorial, 3; panthers, unlimited.

The period embraced by the above licenses will be from the 15th October of one year to the 17th October of the next. License-holders will also be permitted to shoot game birds between the 15th September and the 15th March.

(5) The use of magazine rifles in the reserved *nullahs* is prohibited.

(6) The Chitral *nullah* and the *nullahs* between it and the Awriet *nullah* on the right bank of the Lutko river is reserved for the military.

(7) Except in the above district reserved for the military, driving with men and dogs is prohibited.

(8) The Jingoret *nullah* is considered a sanctuary. No shooting of any kind is allowed in this *nullah*.

(9) The Assistant Political Agent will make proper arrangements every year for the destruction of as many females of game animals as may be desirable in the reserved tracts and *nullahs*.

(10) The distribution of shooting *nullahs* among license-holders may be arranged by themselves in whatever way is most convenient.

Shooting.

CALCUTTA REVOLVER CLUB.

THE fourth monthly prize meeting was held at the Club Range on Saturday morning, the shooting was with the left hand at 20 yards range. The first prize was won by Mr. J. K. Chase with a score of 38.

An American preacher at the conclusion of his sermon said "Let all in the house who are paying their debts stand up." Instantly every man, woman, and child, with one exception, rose quickly to their feet. "Then," said the preacher, after they had seated themselves again, "let every man not paying his debts stand up." The exception noted, a careworn, hungry, cadaverous individual, dressed in his last summer's suit, slowly rose. "How is it my friend," asked the preacher "that you are the only man not to meet his obligation?" "I run a newspaper, he meekly answered, "and the brethren, here who stood up a moment ago are my subscribers, and—" "Let us pray" exclaimed the preacher hastily.

Correspondence.

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Correspondents whose questions remain unanswered, will please understand that we are unable to give them the information asked for.

TIBETAN MASTIFFS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—You lately had a note suggesting the securing of a few stock mares and stallions of the true Tibetan breed, and it is to be hoped some non-official member of the "Mission" will act upon it. There is, however, another rare and splendid friend of man that could be had from the "roof of the world," the Tibetan mastiff to wit. Outside their own country these magnificent dogs are seldom seen, and it is difficult to define the genuine breed. Two were presented to Dr. Campbell, of Darjeeling, in 1852, and one of their descendants was bought by a Mr. Humphrey of the C. S. six years later. This was a splendid creature—a dog—in form not unlike the St. Bernard that Albert Smith used to introduce to his audience in London, but with a thick coat of rather fine hair not at all resembling the animal figured in Wood's Nautral History. The Bhutea dog bears no resemblance to his big congenor to the north, and what few animals come through the Shipka are but big editions of the Mongolian poodle, the Akas of Assam aver that Tibetan traders are now and again accompanied by wolves (*sic*) when visiting the trading marts on the upper Dirung, which may reasonably be said to be big dogs, but they refuse to part with them. Judging from Mr. Humphrey's specimen, the mastiff would hardly survive one hot weather in the plains, for that animal had to be sent up to Cherrapunji from Sylhet. Mr. Sarat Chandra might afford some information on the subject, for if one could get even a pup home he'd carry all before him at the dog shows in the old country. Some of our non combatants with the mission should be able to secure specimens when the looting of Lhassa takes place.

CANIS MAJOR.

A MOTORIST'S MOAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Can you or any of your readers give me their experiences of motor bicycles in Bengal or any other part of India?

My chief trouble, and it seems inevitable that there must be trouble with motors, is caused by the accumulators. I am some hundreds of miles from the nearest dynamo, and on the last three occasions on which I sent an accumulator to be recharged, it returned without any acid and with the terminals damaged. A gleam of hope relieved my despair when I saw the advertisement of a Calcutta firm announcing that all troubles arising from accumulators were at an end, as they were selling a motor bicycle by a well-known English firm, fitted with a magnetic igniter. I at once wrote asking for particulars of what was, I hoped, to be my salvation. After a dignified delay, my hopes were blasted by the reply that "we regret we have no particulars of the magnetic igniter, but the bicycle is the best made, etc., etc., price, Rs. 1,000." I have already had the fullest replies, particulars, and prices from two firms in America about their magnetic igniters, but with a patriotism which is but ill-rewarded, I prefer a British-made article. The British "magnetic igniter" merchant won't help me by advertising, at least I never see his advertisements (nor do you, Mr. Editor!) and when the Calcutta middleman does so for him, the latter doesn't know what he is advertising about. Can any of your gentle, intelligent, and suffering readers (I refer to accumulators!) stretch out a hand to save me from this pit of despair into which I am sliding?

MOTOR.

[We regret we cannot help our friend. We believe these "Magnetic Igniters" for motor cycles are not kept separately in Calcutta. He might, however, try the Simms Manufacturing Co., Welbeck Works, Willesden Lane, London; they are considered the best makers of this sort of thing, and they probably make for the firm referred to by our Correspondent ED.]

FOOTBALL QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I shall feel extremely obliged if you will kindly inform me, as to where, amongst the undermentioned places, the best Football is to be seen :—

Bombay, Calcutta, Simla, Lucknow and Madras

ARGUMENT.

[Probably in Calcutta. ED.]

THE CALCUTTA SYCE PEST.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—*Apropos* of the letter which recently appeared in the *Pioneer*, referring to the case in which a *khansamah* recommended by an enterprising firm in Bombay, who appear, to judge from what one hears, to accumulate an astonishing number of *budmashes* on their registers, was awarded the praiseworthy sentence of two months' rigorous imprisonment, may I be permitted to offer a suggestion, which may be of service to a few of your readers in regard to obtaining at any rate one class of servants? The servant question is rapidly becoming more and more vexed, chiefly owing to the utter supineness of the powers that be, and I venture to predict that it will not be many years before Chinese servants will be imported for service in the presidency towns where, needless to say, the servant class is seen at its worst. I do not propose to occupy your valuable space by alluding to what appears to me the simple and obvious solution of the difficulty, namely, a properly managed system of police registration of all domestic servants. This system—which I am informed is carried on with most excellent results in Colombo—is too obvious a remedy to need comment, beyond the remark that our police have a natural objection to any innovation which would increase their work, and the local authorities are too inert and too babu-ridden to insist upon any such innovation.

My suggestion, and it is, I admit, "only a very little one," as the servant girl said in Midshipman Easy, has reference to syces.

My experience, and I have employed several score of syces in various parts of India, is that, take him by and large, the Calcutta syce is the absolute worst obtainable. He is lazy, ignorant, and impertinent, and the worst point about him is that, owing to the ease with which he can obtain employment, he is independent in the extreme. As to where he comes from I do not know nor care; as to where he will go to when he dies I can only have a sincere and trustful hope.

I am not writing this for the benefit of the owner of a single office gharry hack, a sort of equine motor car, nor for those criminals who give a "contract" to their syces for the feed and keep of their animals, and who thereby not only ensure their unfortunate slaves being fed on refuse, but render it almost impossible for sane persons to obtain syces on any other terms. These people, I know, do not feel the need of good syces or efficient stable management, but for the Calcutta sportsman, more especially the owner of half a dozen horses or so, who is obliged to be away from home the greater part of the day on business, I would point out the advantage of getting a good native orderly, a pensioner from a cavalry regiment, and *allowing him to import his own syces from up-country*. I will not dwell upon the good that would be done in this way by providing employment for ex-cavalry soldiers, but will put the matter in a manner more likely to appeal to the general public—an appeal to their own pockets. An old cavalry trooper can be easily procured at about Rs. 15 per mensem, and provided he is a good one—as most of them are, though there are ex-sowars of all sorts—he will more than save the cost of his wages to his employer. He will, for instance, if allowed a free hand, obtain syces from his own country, who will be willing to work in Calcutta at about Rs. 8 per mensem, he is also, provided he is properly treated—and if he is not he will not remain long—absolutely loyal to his employer, and can be trusted to see that the syces do not rob either the horses or the master, and to carry out orders implicitly in the absence of the latter. I write with a considerable experience of cavalry orderlies and know whereof I speak. Of course there are black sheep in every fold, and I do not recommend the employment of any ex-sowar who turns up in Calcutta on the chance of employment, but I am sure that any Commanding Officer of a Native Cavalry Regiment would willingly recommend a trustworthy pensioner on application being made to him.

There is one point I would add, that to ensure satisfactory results, it is essential to procure, or to allow the orderly to procure, all the syces that may be necessary from up-country. This he will have no difficulty in doing provided that their rail fare is paid, and their return fare, in case of dismissal, guaranteed. To merely instal an orderly in charge of Calcutta syces is useless, as the free and independent Calcutta coolie, who has the impertinence to allude to himself as a syce, will not put up with the *zubberdasti* of an orderly, and if the latter is any use it will merely result in the syces leaving *en masse*.

I should apologise for trespassing upon so much of your space, but I write in the hope that my experience may be of service to some few lovers of horseflesh who, like myself, have suffered from the tyranny of the Calcutta syce, aggravated as it is by the ignorance and callousness of a large proportion of Calcutta horse owners.

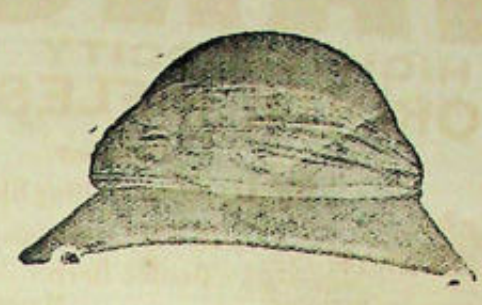
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NAME OF RACES.		Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Tollygunge Club Second Gymkhana	..	July	16	
Secunderabad	..	,,	23, 26, 27	507
Colombo August	..	August	9, 11 & 13	
Poona First Extra	—	July	30	
,, Second ,,	—	August	6	
,, Third ,,	—	,,	13	
,, Fourth ,,	—	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,,	—	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,,	—	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,,	—	,,	3	
,, Eighth ,,	—	Sept.	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases	..	,,	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Calcutta Monsoon First	—	August	6	
,, ,, Second	..	,,	13	
,, ,, Third	—	,,	20	
,, ,, Fourth	..	Sept.	10	
,, ,, Fifth	..	,,	17	
Simla Autumn	..	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Lucknow Autumn Sky	..	,,	25 & 27	82
Umballa Autumn	..	Nov.	8, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky	..	,,	15, 17, & 19	626
Lucknow Autumn	..	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup)	..	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra	..	,,	10	
,, Second ,,	..	,,	17	
,, First Meeting	..	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	—	,,	27	
Lahore Xmas	..	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	..	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	..	,,	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	..	,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting	..	,,	14 & 21	
,, Third Extra	..	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,,	..	Feb	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Poona Races	..	First	2nd August.
		Second	23rd ,,
		Final	6th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon	—	—	2nd August.
,, 2nd ,,	—	—	9th August.
,, 3rd ,,	—	—	16th August.
,, 4th ,,	—	—	6th September.
,, 5th ,,	—	—	13th September.
Army Cup —	—	Third	1st October.
		Final	15th Novembe
Civil Service Cup	—	Third	15th September.
		Fourth	1st December.
		Final	20th January.
Umballa Autumn	—	First	13th August.
		Second	17th September.
		Third	22th October.
Calcutta First Extra	—	—	6th December.
Second Extra	..	..	13th ,,
,, First Meeting	—	First	1st November.
		Second	30th ,,
,, Second Meeting	..	First	30th November.
		Second	7th January.
Lahore Xmas	..	Second	1st November.
		Third	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky	..	First	1st August.
		Second	15th September
		Third	8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day		First	1st November.
		Second	30th ,,
,, ,, 2nd Day		First	1st November.
		Second	2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	..	..	Begins 29th August.
Bangalore Tournament	—	—	15th, 18th and 20th July
Poona Junior Tournament	..	..	Begins 14th August.
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Ditto	The Power Cup	—	October.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla)	—	—	14th to 27th September.
Calcutta Football League	..	..	Now on.
Trades Cup (Calcutta)	...	..	Now on.

RACQUETS.

South Indian Amateur Tournament		..	Now on.

HOCKEY.

Madras Tournament	—	..	Begins 25th July.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	..	..	Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Cleek Competition		—	16th, to 22nd July.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency *vs.* Parsees (Bombay)		—	23rd, 24th and 25th August.
,, ,, (Poona)		..	13th, 14th and 15th September

SHOWS.

Bangalore Horse	—	..	21st, 22nd and 23rd July

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Final Four Lengths Handicap	..	—	15th July.
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ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Eclipse Stakes (1½ miles)	..	—	Friday, 15th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	..	..	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs)		—	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	..	..	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	..	..	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1¼ miles)	..	..	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)		..	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	..	..	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles)	..	..	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	..	..	Thurday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)		..	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	..	..	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	—	..	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)		..	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	..	—	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles)	..	..	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	..	..	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ miles)	.	—	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)		..	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	..	..	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)		..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	..	..	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1¼ miles)	..	—	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)		..	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1¼ miles)		..	Saturday, 26th November

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	—	..	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	—	..	1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Rugby *vs.* Marlborough (Lords)		..	27th July.
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First Day, Saturday, 9th July.

THE attendance was very large at the opening day of the big Bangalore meeting and the enclosure presented a very animated appearance. The racing was unequal, and on the whole a day which was expected to have been real good goods for backers must have panned out badly for them. There was a temporary difficulty as to the fees to be paid by the bookmakers, and for a short time there seemed to be some danger of a repetition of the Rangoon trouble, but eventually matters were amicably arranged by the guarantee of Rs. 1,000 per day to the race fund. A red hot favourite in Cocos went down in the first race, three to one being laid on him, and Lancer probably did Major Dougall, of the Carabiniers, a good turn. If so, no one will rejoice more than deponent in the luck of a good sportsman. Again a three to one on chance lost his backers their money in the next race, Gallant being considered to be the only thing in the Arab Plate. Rubric would probably have been better backed, but he looked decidedly on the big side. In a real good finish he just held his own and won by a short head, long faces being once more prevalent. The next three races may be dismissed as exercise canters for the winners, but Bundook ran extraordinarily badly in the Horse Trials. It was stated afterwards in some quarters that he had cut himself and pulled up lame. Certainly he was in a bandage after the race, and it seems doubtful as I write whether he will run on Tuesday. The magnificent finish in the last race has already been alluded to and the mail is going! One thing struck one as peculiar. Though there were too splendid finishes during the afternoon, no one seemed able to work up much excitement, and the horses went by with scarcely a sound from the stand or enclosure. Query—*why?* Was there no money on, or are people in India more self-contained than at home? Details:—

THE PADDOCK PLATE, Rs. 750.—Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 150. For English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 200 or over once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners of races of the value of Rs. 1,000 or over 5lbs. additional for each such race won. Cumulative. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Entrances—1st June, Rs. 15; 15th June, Rs. 15; 1st July, Rs. 35 (when the race will close), with Rs. 15 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Thursday, 7th July 1904. 5 furlongs.

Major W Dougall's ch aus g Lancer, 9st 8lbs	Penton 1
H H Aga Khan and Aga S Shah's ch aus g Cocos, 10st 7lbs	Robinson 2
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' br aus m Mamao, 10st 8lbs	Lansdowne 3
Capt Darley and Neilson's b aus m Felicity, 9st 11lbs	Elliott 0
Major Smyth's b a g Lowrier Rose, 9st 8lbs	Koops 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Cocos, 3 to 1 agst. Mamao, 4 to 1 Lancer 5 to 1 Lawrier Rose, and 6 to 1 Felicity.

From a fairly good start of which Felicity got the worst and Lancer and Cocos the best; the former made running to the half-mile post, where the favourite and Mamao, were racing together second. At the distance Cocos came through, but Lancer always held him safe, and won fairly comfortably by half a length, two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 8secs.

THE ARAB PLATE, Rs. 1 000.—Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200. For Arab horses. W. A reduced 7lbs.; Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 200 or over once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs.; Ponies 14 hands and under allowed 7lbs. Cumulative' Entrances—1st June, Rs. 20; 15th June, Rs. 30; 1st July. Rs. 40 (when the race will close), with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Thursday, 7th July 1904. 1 mile.

Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ch a h Rubric, 9st 3lbs	Melsom 1
Mr Mahomed Hajee Ibrahim's ch a h Gallant, 8st 13lbs	Heroo 2
Mr S W Webster's b a g Dersion, 8st ...	Hoyt 3
Capt Darley and Mrs Stewart's ch a h Selpme, 7st 11lbs	Elliott 0
Col A Sprot's ch a h Harefoot, 9st ...	Burns 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Gallant, 5 to 1 agst. Rubric, 8 to 1 Derision, and 10 to 1 each Harefoot and Selpme.

Rubric got away from a good start and led practically the whole way from the seven furlong post to the finish.

Gallant and Derision ran in the order named behind him until a furlong from home. Here Gallant made up ground on the leader, and at the second enclosure joined issue. A terrific finish followed, the favourite being just beaten by the shortest of heads with Derision four lengths away third. Time—1min. 55⅘secs.

THE HORSE TRIAL, Rs. 1,200.—Of which the second hores will receive Rs. 200, and the third Rs. 100. For Horses. W. A and C. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Penalties—Winnear of a race value Rs. 200 or over once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners of races of the value of Rs. 500, and upwards amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 5,000 or over 5lbs. extra. Entrances—1st June, Rs. 25; 15th June, Rs. 35; 1st July, Rs. 45 (when the race will close), with Rs. 25 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Thursday, 7th July 1904. 1¼ miles.

Mr A W Grosser's b aus g Wallgrove, 10st 11lb	O'Neil 1
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' ch aus g Courara 9st 4lbs	Melsom 2
Mr J McJohn's b e g Bundook, 9st 8lbs ...	Koops 3
Major F C Logan-Home's bk aus g Pope, 9st	Capt Randall 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Wallgrove, 3 to 1 agst. Bundook, and 10 to 1 each Courara and Pope.

Wallgrove got away from Courara with Bundook next. In the dip Bundook dropped back last and a long way last at that Wallgrove was never approached, and won in a canter by three lengths, Courara being six lengths in front of Bundook who had passed the pulling up Pope. Time—2mins. 14⅘secs.

THE HIGH GROUND PLATE, Rs. 750.—Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 150. A steeplechase for horses. Weight—W. A. C raised 2st. Penalties—Winners of a steeplechase value Rs. 200 or over once, 7lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs Winners of steeplechases value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 4,000 7lbs in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs Entrances—1st June, Rs. 15; 15th June, Rs. 25; 1st July, Rs. 35 (when the race will close), with Rs. 15 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Thursday, 7th July 1904. About 2½ miles S. C.

H H the Sultan of Johore's b aus g Gaulme, 11st 7lbs	Koops 1
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ch aus g Senator, 10st 7lbs	Burns 2
Major W Dougall's b aus g Quandong, 10st	Hoyt 3

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Gaulme, 5 to 1 agst. Senator, and 6 to 1 Quandong.

An exercise canter of the commonest kind for Gaulme, who won pulling by five lengths, which might have been fifteen or probably fifty for that matter. Quandong had had enough half-a-mile from home and was pulled up. He may, however, prove a useful horse in his class. Time—5mins. 31⅘secs.

THE PONY TRIALS, Rs. 600.—Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. For Arab ponies 14 1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 200 or over once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners of race value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 2,000, 3lbs. of Rs. 5,000 7lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Entrances—1st June, Rs. 15; 15th June, Rs. 25; 1st July, Rs. 35 (when the race will close), with Rs. 15 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Thursday, 7th July 1904. 5 furlongs.

Lt-Col J Desaraj Urs' g a h Ptarmigan, 7st 10lbs	Melsom 1
Capt A S Toogood's g a g St Gris, 7st 2lbs	O'Neil 2
Aga Mahomed Jaffer's b a h Nippon, 7st 7lbs	Gooloo 3
Mr Reuben's g a h Bisthan, 8st 2lbs ...	Kamad 0

BETTING: 6 to 1 on Ptarmigan, 5 to 1 agst. St. Gris, 10 to 1 Bisthan, and 20 to 1 Nippon.

Bisthan and Nipnon were first away, but Ptarmigan went past without an effort, and made the remainder of the running, winning in the easiest fashion. St. Gris was permitted on sufferance to get within three-quarters of a length, but the other two were tailed off. Time—1min. 10⅘secs.

THE SUBSTITUTION MACINTYRE PLATE, Rs. 350.—Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100, and the third Rs. 50. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr N R Chowdry's ch aus g Tecoota, 8st 9lbs	Lansdowne 1
The Hon H Thelluson's b nth am m Madeira, 8st	Hoyt 2
H H Aga Khan's br aus g Beadsman, 9st 8lbs	Robinson 3
Mr A Stewart's b e g Carburton, 9st 6lbs ..	Capt Randall 0
The Hon A A Apcar's br aus m Sister, 8st 11b	Bennett 0
Major A C Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 7st 8lbs	Melsom 0
Capt Unthank's ch aus m Firecat, 7st 2lbs	Kamad 0

BETTING: Evens Beadsman, 3 to 1 Carburton, 5 to 1 Tecoota, 6 to 1 Sister, 10 to 1 each Madeira and Scissorman, and 20 to 1 Firecat.

Tecoota rushed to the front of a good start—good, that is to say, with the exception that Sister was badly left owing to her own fault. Mr. Chowdry's horse held the lead throughout, but it was the finest finish of the day. Old Beadsman challenged at the distance and at one time looked as though he would win, but he died away under the weight, and Madeira coming with a terrific rush at the finish, passed Beadsman and all but snatched the race on the post. Time—1min. 18secs.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

Second Day, Tuesday, 12th July.

The second day was to a great extent spoilt by torrential rain. Only three races were decided and the other two races will take place to-morrow at noon. Details:—

SUBSTITUTION LEONIDAS PURSE.—Rs. 350, second to get Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies. 6 furlongs.

Mr Kindersley's br e m Freda, 7st 5lbs ...	Hoyt 1
Mr West's ch aus m Firebrand, 7st 8lbs ...	Elliott 2
Mr Symond's bk aus m Cleopatra II, 10st	Heroo 3
Mr Webster's br aus m Flight, 6st 8lbs ...	Kamad 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Freda, 2 to 1 agst. Cleopatra, 5 to 1 Firebrand and 6 to 1 Flight.

Freda made all the running. Firebrand and Cleopatra joined issue at the distance and a fine race was won by a short head; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

THE EASTERN PLATE, Rs. 350.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 4lbs.; ponies which have not won a race of the value of Rs. 150, or over 3lbs. extra. Entrances—1st June, Rs. 10; 15th June, Rs 15; 1st July, Rs. 20. ½ mile.

Mr Moss-King's b a h King Cobweb, 9st 2lbs	Hoyt 1
Mr Webster's b a g Derision, 9st 12lbs ...	Penton 2
Lt-Col Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 9st 5lbs	Melsom 3
Mr Reuben's g a h Bisthan, 9st 2lbs ...	Heroo 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on King Cobweb, 4 to 1 agst. Derision and 5 to 1 Delight.

Derision made the running from King Cobweb: at the turn for home the latter dropped back and the cry was that he was beaten, but he came again on the outside and won easily by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

H. H. THE MYSORE MAHARAJA'S CUP, Rs. 4,000.—Of which second horse will receive Rs. 500 and the third Rs. 300. A handi cap for horses. Entrances—1st June, Rs. 100; 15th June, Rs. 150 1st July, Rs. 200; (when the race will close). with Rs. 50 more i not struck out before 8 P. M., on Saturday, 9th July 1904. R. C and 200 yards.

Aga Khan's br e g Ayrdale, 8st 3lbs ...	Robinson 1
Mr Chowdhury's br aus g Wild Raven, 8st	Elliott 2
Mr Grosser's b aus g Wallgrove, 10st 3lbs	O'Neil 3
Mr Apcar's b aus g Goldsmith, 10st 7lbs...	Penton 0
Mr MacJohn's b e g Bundook, 9st 8lbs (car 9st 10lbs)	Capt Randall 0
Sultan of Johore's b aus g Rapid Pilgrim, 9st 2lbs	Koops 0
Lt-Col Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton, 8st 9lbs	Melsom 0
Capt Wilson's bk e h Misty, 8st 11b ...	Heroo 0
Lt-Col Desaraj Urs' ch aus g Leonidas, 8st 7lbs	Lansdowne 0
Major Logan-Home's b aus g Corrie Roy, 7st 4lbs	Kamad 0
Mr Thelluson's br n am m Madeira, 7st ½lb	Hoyt 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Misty and Wild Raven, 4 to 1 each Wallgrove, Trenton and Ayrdale, 5 to 1 Leonidas, 6 to 1 each Bundook, Rapid Pilgrim, Corrie Roy and Madeira and 10 to 1 Goldsmith.

The race was run in a furious storm of rain. Half a mile from home Trenton was leading. from Ayrdale, but Trenton died away and Ayrdale won from Wild Raven by three-quarters of a length; about three lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 29⅘secs.

The two races left over on the second day were decided on the 13th with the following results:—

SUBSTITUTION HEBBAL PLATE.—Rs. 350 to the first Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. Half mile.

Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's—Cocos, 9st 13lbs	Robinson 1
Lt-Col Armstrong's br e h Referee, 8st 9lbs	Heeroo 2
Maj Smyth's b e g Laurier Rose, 7st 6lbs	Bennett 3
Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs's ch aus m Queen Cole, 9st 10lbs	Thomson 0
Maj Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 8st 9lbs	Lansdown 0
Mr Graham's ch aus m Shot Silk, 8st 3lbs	Hoyt 0
Mr Anketell-Jones's——Tight Rope, 7st 11lbs	Eliot 0
Aga Khan's b aus m Doris II, 7st 5lbs	Gooloo 0
——Swiveller, 9st	0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Cocos, 5 to 1 each agst. Shot Silk and Dandeenong, 6 to 1 Queen Cole, 8 to 1 Referee, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; a length and a-half between second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

THE HORSE SCURRY—Rs. 900, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr Kelso's b aus g Harpist, 9st 12lbs ...	Heeroo 1
Hon Mr A A Apcar's br aus m Sister, 6st 7lbs	Bennett 2
Aga Khan's br aus g Beadsman, 8st 12lbs...	Robinson 3
Sultan of Johore's b aus m Minerva II., 9st 9lb	Koops 0
Mr Chowdhury's b e f Nightingale, 9st 7lbs	Lansdown 0
Sultan of Johore's b aus g Peppercorn 7st 11lbs	O'Neil 0
Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs's b aus g Gum 7st 12lbs	Eliot 0
Mr A C Tate's gr aus g Wadhurst, 6st ...	King 0

BETTING: Evens Beadsman, 2 to 1 agst Peppercorn, 3 to 1 Wadhurst, 4 to 1 Nightingale, 5 to 1 Harpist, longer odds the rest.

Won by half a length; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 6⅘secs.

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

AGAIN things are beginning to shape up for the coming Monsoon races in August, and considering how near we are to the first meeting, the horses generally want a good deal of work yet. The past week being all against any quick work; but this morning (Tuesday) most of the charges were slipped along a bit, and, weather permitting, this will be the order of things three days a week, for the remainder of the month.

Mr. Galstaun—who is personally looking after his little lot—and his ponies will take all the beating but I do not think punters will want to look much outside this trio for their money's worth. The first-named is well filled out, and with a little fast spurting, she will be cherry ripe on race day. Then there's Rosalea to be kept in view.

Howe, had out Mr. Bert Allen's string, Nataliant Pat C, and Coal Queen putting in a bit of fast work. I, will be interesting to see how the Cape Pony, Pat C, foots it when the colors are up. I'm told he will be all there.

Four of Smallman's then moved at quick time, Hello leading at the finish. Spillain went two flights of the Horse hurdles, with Bell Brand, shaping well. This

same hard riding Jack put in a bit of real graft on a brute, who cleared his first hurdles if he were at Flemington, and then did a circus dance, right on the course rails, but Spillain was not to be denied, and his mount was got back, and made to negotiate the other hurdle.

Beazley was out on a chestnut, doing slow work. Also Mr. Evers on May B., whilst Bloss on a grey, "Hash," and Mr. Wilmot on another started on the far side over the hurdles, the grey taking charge, and only being steadied at the hurdles in the run in. This grey has a great turn of speed and I must give him a little more attention in my further notes.

Later on Mr. Dudley did some schooling; and then put Bellmeah over the hurdles—a few flights. These are a good looking pair, and fit like a glove. The horse is a well-bred one, and has gained no little fame in the ould country, so look to it Wales, when the jump races are on.

Q.

Entries for Races.

TOLLYGUNGE CLUB SECOND GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 16th July, 1904.

THE "ALL-COMERS' STAKES."

Euryalus ...	...	Thunder Queen
Morris ...	...	Lall
Planet ...	...	Road Metal
Shooting Star	...	Reinzette
Nicotine ...	...	Pierette

THE "JULY STAKES."

Planet ...	...	Golden Syrup
Topsail ...	...	Sylvia
Pierette ...	...	Myrene
Wisher ...	...	Maid of Kent
May B. ...	...	Winterlea
Winklet ...	...	Mascot
Daffodil ...	—	Topsail
Gauntlet ...	...	Bocephalus

THE "LADIES' BRACELET."

Energy ...	...	Mystery II
Hard Up ...	...	First Guide
Liquorice ...	...	Tom
Lightning ...	...	Snapshot

Little Glencoe.

THE "TUM-TUM STAKES."

Tom ...	...	Skylark
Cyclone —	...	Little Glencoe
Piggy ...	...	Lightning

Flush.

"STEEPLECHASE."

Gauntlet ...	...	Sylvia
Cossack ...	...	Chummy
True Blue ...	...	Myrene

"PONY FLAT RACE."

Good Chat...	...	First Guide
Energy ...	...	Lone Hand

The Owl.

MATCH.

Ginger ...	..	Hailstorm

Sport in England.

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LONDON, *Friday, 24th June, 1904.*

THE TURF.

ROYAL WINDSOR MEETING.

A TWELVEMONTH ago the Windsor June Meeting had to be postponed owing to the course being under water, and, as the proprietors experienced the hostility of the elements on several other occasions, it was only in the correct order of things that they should be favoured on the 18th instant. The weather was delightful, and seldom has a larger attendance paid for admission to the enclosures, a leavening of Guardsmen from the adjoining barracks adding colour to the scene.

THE ROYAL JUNE HANDICAP.—Of 437sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr A Taylor's ch h Gascony, by Kendal—Gas, 5yrs, 7st 4lbs	O Madden	1
Mr W H Schwind's br c Kilteel, 5yrs, 8st 3lbs	Watts	2
Mr C Hibbert's b c Scotch Cherry, 4yrs, 7st 3lbs	Trigg	3
Sir W Ingram's Cottager, 6yrs, 8st 12lbs, (inc 10lbs ex)	M Cannon	0
Mr H Sleath Skelton's Happy Slave, 5yrs, 8st*	Rollason	0
Mr J F Hallick's Sun Bonnet, aged, 8st 4lbs	Halsey	0
Mr de Wend-Fenton's Pan Michael, 4yrs, 8st 11b	G McCall	0
Mr F W Phillip's Swooper, 6yrs, 7st 6lbs	Saxby	0
Mr B Ellam's Pitch Battle, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs ...	Griggs	0
Mr E H Holehampton's Cuildwickbury, aged, 7st 5lbs*	Butchers	0
Mr J Gubbins's Isalian Beauty, 3yrs, 7st 11b	Stokes	0
Mr T Clyde's Colcu, 5yrs, 6st 8lbs* ...	Pike	0
Mr J Hammond's Astolat, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs...	Jarvis	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 each agst. Gascony and Scotch Cherry, 6 to 1 Colcu, 7 to 1 each Cottager and Astolat, 100 to 12 Pitch Battle, 10 to 1 each Sun Bonnet, Kilteel, and Pan Michael and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a short head; three-quarters of a length between the second and third. Colcu was fourth, Sun Bonnet fifth, Swooper sixth, Happy Slave seventh, Cottager eighth, Astolat next, and Pan Michael last throughout.

THE THAMES HANDICAP of 184sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr J Craig's b m Winnipeg, by Colorado—Pet One, aged, 7st 13lbs ...	Randall	1
Major J D Edwards's br g Robino, aged, 7st 11lbs*	Saxby	2
Mr W Bass's b f, by Carbine—Stream of Gold, 3yrs, 7st	Griggs	3
Mr W H Schwind's Castlewise, aged, 8st 8lbs	Watts	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Altnabreac, 6yrs, 8st	Miller	0
Mr G Thursby's Eastern Prize, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs	Trigg	0
Mr J W Horsman's Goldrush, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs	East	0
Lord Carnarvon's Haut en Bas, 6yrs, 7st 7lbs (car 7st 9lbs)	W Lane	0
Mr H I Higham's Tickets, 4yrs, 7st 11b*	Russell	0
Mr Solomon's Richmond, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs (car 7st 11b*)	Butchers	0
Mr T Worton's Epping Green, 4yrs, 6st 12lbs	Jarvis	0
Mr W T Drake's Centurion, 5yrs, 7st ...	Plant	0
Lord Derby's f, by Ladas—Lock and Key, 3 yrs, 6st 2lbs*	Rollason	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Robson.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Robino, 7 to 1 each Castlewise, Eastern Prize and Richmond, 8 to 1 each Goldrush and Stream of Gold filly, 10 to 1 each Winnipeg and Haut en Bas, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by three-parts of a length; a neck between the second and third. Altnabreac was fourth, Eastern Prize fifth, Castlewise sixth, Tickets seventh, and Haut en Bas last, except Epping Green and Goldrush, who were left at the post.

NEWCASTLE MEETING.

When the Newcastle and Tyneside electric trams are properly linked together that magnificent racing venue, High Gosforth Park, will become much more easily accessible, and, great as is its present popularity, it ought to have even brighter days in store for it. The chief of its fixtures is the Summer Meeting, and as this always fills in a holiday week it receives an amount of patronage which warrants the management in asking that it may be extended to four days. Should the extra date be granted by the Stewards of the Jockey Club it is proposed to promote a big handicap on the Friday, and, by making a complete week's racing in the North, it is hoped to obtain additional support from the South-country stables and also from the professional element, whose presence, of course, always livens up matters from a speculative point of view.

THE NORTH DERBY of 1,275sovs. for three-year-olds. One mile and a half.

Mr F Alexander's br c Andover, by Rightaway—Sister Lumley, 9st 7lbs ...	W Lane	1
Mr J H Houldsworth's ch c Lochryan, by Enthusiast—Spring Ray, 8st 7lbs ...	D Maher	2
Mr C Perkins's ch c Inverkeithing, 8st 7lbs	Randall	3
Mr Vyner's Killigrew, 9st 11b... ...	J McCall	0
Dude of Portland's Bolsover, 8st 7lbs ...	G McCall	0
Mr John Osborne's Flamston Pin, 8st 4lbs	F Osborne	0

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Andover, 8 to 1 each agst. Lochryan and Bolsover, and 10 to 1 any other.

Andover caught Lochryan on the post and made a dead-heat of it; a length and a half away Inverkeithing was third, whilst Bolsover was close up, fourth, and Killigrew last. A division of the stakes was not agreed upon, and it was arranged to run of the dead-heat after the last race

DECIDER BETTING:—5 to 1 on Andover The pair raced in close company throughout Andover winning a good race by a head.

THE FIRST YEAR OF THE TWENTY-THIRD GOSFORTH PARK BIENNIAL STAKES of 227sovs. for two-year-olds. Five furlongs.

Mr C Perkins's b c Tarquinius Superbus, by Pride—Natalia, 8st 4lbs ...	Randall	1
Mr G G Tod's br c Tuning Fork, 9st 7lbs	J McCall	2
Mr J Wood's b f Vexation, 8st 4lbs ..	E Wheatley	3
Mr F Alexander's Chuckaway, 9st 11b ...	W Lane	0
Mr R Dalgliesh's The Laird, 8st 7lbs ...	G McCall	0
Rear-Admiral Lambton's Pelopidas, 8st 7lbs	Maher	0

(*Winner trained by W. Pavson.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Tarquinius Superbus, 5 to 2 Chuckaway, 3 to 1 Pelopidas, 7 to 1 The Laird, 8 to 1 Tuning Fork, and 10 to 1 Vexation.

Won easily by four lengths; a head divided the second and third. Chuckaway was fourth and Pelopidas last.

For the Plate, or, as it is more commonly called, the "Pitmen's Derby," the field was in accordance with overnight anticipations, Nestor, although on the spot, not competing through a fear of his breaking down. This left the field exactly ten strong. Of these the Southern stables were responsible for no fewer than seven, and when one of the Northern trio, Palmy Days, gained an easy victory in the popular livery of Mr. J. G. Baird Hay; there was a burst of cheering which recalled the scenes of unbounded enthusiasm which greeted the triumph of Cliftonhall last year, and that of Osbeck the year before. Palmy Days, a fine, long, raking mare, was turned out in far better fettle than when she gained third place in the Manchester Cup, and she was most decidedly the belle of the paddock. The narrow Merry Andrew was as light as ever; Servitor and Seahorse II. had a sour, ill-tempered appearance, and Roseburn was so heavily bandaged in front as to create an impression that he was liable to break down. The ungainly Sandboy looked trained to the hour, and Pradella carried such a fine polish that at the last moment she ousted Palmy Days from pride of place in the quotations, the Middleham mare suddenly going out from 2 to 1 taken freely to 3 to 1 offered. Third in request was the bantam-weight, Pieria, but the parties connected with Merry Andrew, Sandboy and Cock of the Roost took a sanguine view of the situation, whilst the local public, displaying an infatuated allegiance to the colours of Mr. C. Perkins, would not be stalled off Roseburn.

THE NORTHUMBERLAND PLATE (HANICAP)—Of 925sovs. Two miles.

Mr J G Baird Hay's bl or br f Palmy Days, by Trenton—Pallanza, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs	Heppell	1
Mr W Hall Walker's b c Sandboy, by Ravensbury—Sandblast, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs	G McCall	2
Mr G Miller's ch g Merry Andrew, by Xury —Merryfoot, 5yrs, 8st 6lbs (inc 12lbs ex)	Rollason	3
Mr W M G Singer's Pradella, by Tarporley —Poppy, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs	O Madden	0
Mr C S Newton's Servitor, by Forager—La Niche, 6yrs, 7st 13lbs*	Maidment	0
Mr Spencer Gollan's Seahorse II., by Nelson—Moonga, aged, 1st ...	Randall	0
Mr C Perkins's Roseburn, by Petros—Harton Rose, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs*	Sharples	0
Mr F Langstaff's Catty Crag, by Wolf's Crag—Nobody's Child, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs...	Finlay	0
Mr H J Newman's Cock of the Roost, by Best Man—Galinne, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs ...	E Wheatley	0
Mr Leopold de Rothschild's Pieria, by St Frusquin—Pie Powder, 3yrs, 6st* ...	Hunter	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Peacock.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Pradella, 3 to 1 Palmy Days, 7 to 1 Pieria, 10 to 1 Sandboy, 10 to 1 Merry Andrew, 10 to 1 Roseburn, 10 to 1 Cock of the Roost, 20 to 1 Servitor, 20 to 1 Seahorse II., 50 to 1 Catty Crag.

Cock of the Roost emerged from the paddock a long way before the remainder of the field, but he was brought back, and led the parade from Sandboy, Pieria, Catty Crag and Servitor, with Seahorse II. next, and Palmy Days last. The canter was taken in the same order, and after a slight delay the barrier ascended to a good start, although Servitor half whipped round and thereby lost at least a couple of lengths. Catty Crag jumped off in front of Cock of the Roost, Palmy Days, Pieria and Pradella, but on fairly settling down Catty Crag was followed by Palmy Days, Pieria, Cock of the Roost, Pradella, Merry Andrew and Seahorse II. At the first turn Palmy Days was taken to the front, but going along the back stretch Seahorse II. drew out with a three-length lead of Palmy Days, Cock of the Roost, Pieria and Merry Andrew, Servitor still whipping in. At the half-way Pieria became second, with Palmy Days third, Cock of the Roost fourth, Sandboy fifth, and Merry Andrew sixth, and in this order they went along the lake side. Upon reappearing in view six furlongs from home, Palmy Days was leading, being just clear of Pieria, Merry Andrew, Sandboy, Servitor and Cock of the Roost, whilst Roseburn had now dropped into the rear behind the hopelessly beaten Seahorse II. Entering the straight, Palmy Days slipped away with a long lead of Merry Andrew and Sandboy, with Pieria next, in front of Pradella, and although Sandboy took second place below the distance, Palmy Days remained virtually unchallenged, and, amidst tremendous cheering, she passed the post four lengths in advance of Sandboy; half a length away Merry Andrew was third. Pradella was fourth, Servitor fifth, Pieria sixth, Cock of the Roost seventh, Roseburn eighth, and Seahorse II. last. Time by Benson's chronograph.—3mins. 25⅘secs.

THE TWENTY-SECOND GOSFORTH PARK BIENNIAL STAKES.—Of 187sovs., for three-years-olds; colts 8st. 12lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs., with penalties and allowances. One mile and a quarter.

Mr C Perkins's b c Causey Park, by St Simonmimi—Crossing the Bar, 8st 2lbs	Randall	1
Mr Vyner's b c Apelles, 8st 12lbs ...	J. McCall	2

(*Winner trained by C. Lund.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Apelles.

Causey Park waited on Apelles to the distance, when he drew out and won easily by four lengths.

THE GIBSIDE ALL-AGED SELLING PLATE.—Of 246sovs.; weight for age, etc. Five furlongs.

Mr J S Jackson's ch g Hand in Hand, by Tanzmeister, dam by Despair—Star of the Evening, 4yrs, 8st 11lbs* ...	Sharples	1
Mr W E Elsey's ch h Mont de Piete, aged, 9st 2lbs	E Wheatley	2
Mr J F Hallick's b f Cherry Park, 4yrs, 9st 2lbs	W Lane	3
Mr Ned Clark's Ringburn, 4yrs, 9st 2lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mr J Mackay's Fair Meddler, 5yrs, 9st 2lbs	Priestman	0
Mr E C Clayton's Wily, 3yrs, 8st 10lbs ...	Weldon	0
Mr M D Peacock's f, by Xury—Lady Salisbury, 2 yrs, 6st 9lbs	Heppell	0
Mr J T Whipp's Polly Jones, 2 yrs, 6st 4lbs*	Hunter	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Armstrong.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Hand in Hand, 3 to 1 Cherry Park, 5 to 1 Mont de Piete, 6 to 1 Ringburn, 7 to 1 Lady Salisbury filly, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won easily by three lengths; two lengths divided the second and third. Polly Jones was fourth, Ringburn fifth, Fair Meddler sixth, and Lady Salisbury filly last. The winner was bought in for 380 guineas.

Contrary to the usual practice, the Newcastle management does not study economy on the last day of its Summer Meeting, and yesterday's card was an exceptionally strong one, embracing as it did the Seaton Delaval Plate of 1,200sovs., the Gosforth Park Cup of 500sovs., and the Newcastle Handicap of 300sovs. To complete the attractiveness of the programme it was known that the Royal colours would be sported for the first time in the history of the Gosforth Park racecourse, and, as His Majesty's Rosemarket was to be opposed in the Seaton Delaval Plate by Coldstream, Livingstone, and other highly-tried youngsters, it was not surprising to find the attendance, as on the two previous days, greatly exceeding the average of recent years. As a matter of fact, the receipts on the "Pitmen's Derby" afternoon were not so large as last year, but the cheaper rings were crowded to excess, and 3,000 more people passed through the turnstiles than when Cliftonhall won for Mr. C. Perkins twelve months ago. The course were well to the end of the meeting, and although the weather was dull and threatening it fortunately held fine to the close of the proceedings.

THE SEATON DELAVAL PLATE.—Of 1,080sovs., for two-year-olds. Five furlongs.

Mr W B Purefoy's ch f Cyanean, by Cyllene—Nenemoosha, 8st 7lbs ...	B Dillon	1
Mr H J King's b c Comedian, 8st 10lbs ...	E Wheatley	2
Mr B Hanbury's ch f Sauterelle, 8st 7lbs ...	D Maher	3
Mr F R Fry's Livingstone, 8st 10lbs ...	W Lane	0
Mr David Cooper's Cautious, 8st 10lbs ...	Finlay	0
Mr C Perkin's Coldstream, 8st 10lbs ...	Randall	0
His Majesty's Rosemarket, 9st 6lbs ...	H Jones	0

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Coldstream, 9 to 4 Rosemarket, 4 to 1 Cyanean, 6 to 1 each Livingstone and Comedian, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won in a canter by eight lengths; four lengths away Sauterelle was third, Coldstream was fourth, Rosemarket fifth, and Cautious last throughout.

THE GOSFORTH PARK CUP (A HANDICAP).—Of 460sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr F Stroud's br f Sweet Katie, by St Simonmimi—Katie Dougal, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs*	Rollason	1
Mr F Alexander's ch f Part Malt, 4yrs, 8st 5lbs	W Lane	2
Mr Ned Clark's b c Rising Falcon, 4yrs, 9st 5lbs	Yarnell	3
Mr Allerton's Kearsage, 5yrs, 8st 7lbs* ...	Sharples	0
Mr R Craig's King's Birthday, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs	J McCall	0
Mr J Wood's Separation, 6yrs, 8st 5lbs (inc 4lbs ex) ...	E Wheatley	0
Mr. H. J. Newman's Milleray, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs	D Maher	0
Mr S B Joel's Week End, 3yrs, 8st 4lbs ...	Dalton	0
Mr A H Ruston's Early Bird, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs	G McCall	0
Mr Ned Clark's Ringburn, 4 yrs, 6st 10lbs*	Readman	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Peacock.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Part Malt, 6 to 1 Sweet Katie, 8 to 1 each Rising Falcon, Kearsage, Milleray, Week End and Early Bird, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won easily by five lengths; three parts of a length separated the second and third. Separation was fourth, Week End fifth, Kearsage sixth, Ringburn seventh, King's Birthday eight and Early Bird last.

GATWICK MEETING.

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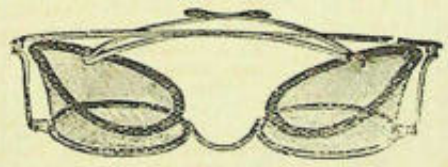
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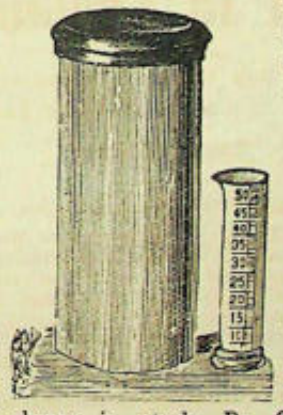
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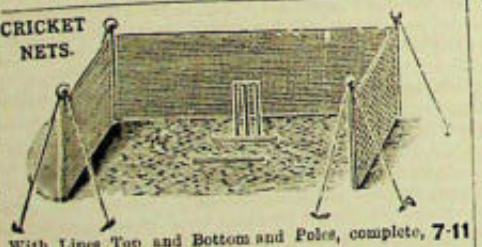
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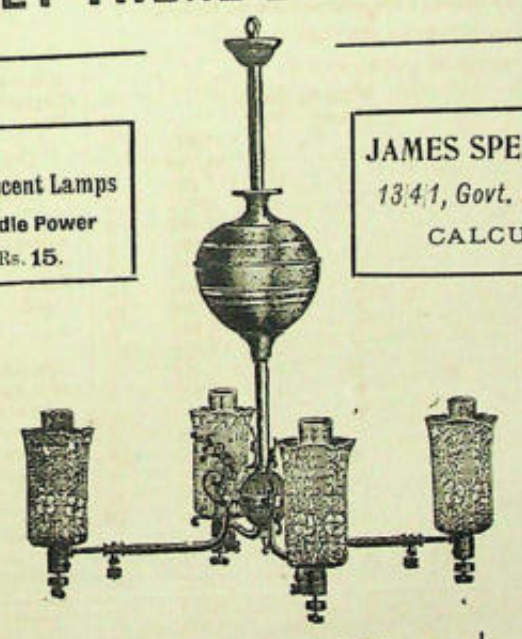
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sures testified to the satisfactory dimensions of the attendance. Of premier interest was the Gatwick Selling Handicap, which was omitted from the card a twelvemonth ago and was previously of the value of a "monkey." On the 22nd instant it was raised to 1,000sovs., and brought a cosmopolitan party to the post. Such equine aristocrats as Achaicus, Sweet Duchess filly, and Marozzo, who were making their first plunge into questionable society, were included amongst the combatants, together with such seasoned platers as Cerillo and Energetic. This pair stand out as forcible illustrations of the old adage, *facilis descensus Averni*, and it is not a little curious that each started his downward career at the same time, *viz.*, on the Tuesday of the December Sales in 1902, when Energetic was drafted out of Mr. Houldsworth's select establishment for 330 guineas to Mr. Southall, and Cerillo was purchased out of Mr. Frank Gardner's lot for 650 guineas by Mr. Parrott, since which they have experienced divers vicissitudes. Energetic was genuinely fancied, but made an indifferent show, whilst Cerillo (wearing blinkers) was the last to pass the post.

THE DIAMOND WELTER PLATE—Of 387 sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile and a half.

Mr E A Wigan's b g Lapsang, by Blair-finde—Lapsa, 4yrs, 9st 11lbs ...	B Dillon	1
Mr R C Thompson's ch c Whipsnade, 3yrs, 8st...	Trigg	2
Mr Edmund Lamb's C by Hackler—Erin, 3yrs, 8st	R Jones	3
Mr J C Sullivan's Winkfield's Fortune, 4yrs, 9st ... — ...	Higgs	0
Mr Arthur James's Jupiter Pluvius, 3yrs, 8st 7lbs	H Jones	0
Mr L Homan's Comet, 3yrs, 8st ...	Hasey	0
Mr J H Locke's Bohemian, 3yrs, 8st ...	Aylin	0
Mr W Bass's f by Juggler—Red Agnes, 3yrs, 7st 11lbs	Griggs	0

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Lapsang, 9 to 4 Jupiter Pluvius, 9 to 2 Winkfield's Fortune, 7 to 1 Bohemian, 10 to 1 Comet, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won a good race by a neck; three lengths between the second and third. Jupiter Pluvius was fourth, Winkfield's Fortune fifth, Red Agnes filly next, and Comet last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 42⅘secs.

THE GATWICK SELLING HANDICAP—Of 902sovs.: winner to be sold for 500sovs. One mile.

Mr W B Purefoy's b m Orphrey, by Amphion—Orlet, 5yrs, 7st 9lbs ...	B Dillon	1
Mr W M G Singer's b h Hopetoun, 5yrs, 7st 5lbs (inc 4lbs ex)	Trigg	2
Mr R H Hennings's b f Camphor, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs ... ... —	Jarvis	3
Mr A James's Achaicus, 5yrs, 8st 4lbs ...	H Jones	0
Capt Bewicke's Wild Lad, 4yrs, 8st 11lb ..	Halsey	0
Mr Hanover's Imperial II., 4yrs, 7st 8lbs*	Butchers	0
Mr C Levy's St Rollox, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs ...	R Jones	0
Mr Horatio Bottomley's Cerillo, 5yrs, 7st 4lbs*	Allcorn	0
Mr B S Straus's Edicius, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs ...	East	0
Mr W Parish's Energetic, 6yrs, 6st 13lbs*	Walkden	0
Mr J C Sullivan's Atrocious, 5yrs, 7st 11lb (car 7st 3lbs)	Higgs	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Marozzo, 3yrs, 7st 11lb	Miller	0
Sir R Waldie Griffiths's f by Isinglass—Sweet Duchess, 3yrs, 6st 11lbs ...	Griggs	0
Mr H Passmore's Graziella, 3yrs, 6st 4lbs*	Saxby	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Orphrey, 6 to 1 each Hopetoun and Energetic, 7 to 1 Wild Lad, 100 to 12 each Achaicus and Camphor, 10 to 1 each Imperial II., Edicius, Sweet Duchess filly, 100 to 8 St. Rollox, and 20 to 1 any other.

Won by three parts of a length; a head divided the second and third. Edicius was placed fourth, Wild Lad was fifth, Energetic sixth, Imperial II. seventh, Sweet Duchess filly next, and Cerillo last. The winner was sold to Lord Howard de Walden for 550 guineas. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 41⅕secs.

PRINCIPAL WINNING OWNERS IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 20th June.*)

	Winning Horses.	Races Won.	£	s.
Mr L de Rothschild ...	3	5	12,829	0
Major E Loder ...	1	3	11,750	0
Sir J Miller ...	9	14	7,294	0
Mr F Alexander ...	5	5	5,674	0
Mr A P Cunliffe ...	1	5	4,107	0
Duke of Westminster ...	4	6	4,209	0
Lord Rosebery ...	3	6	4,175	0
Lord Carnarvon ...	6	7	4,098	10
Mr L Neumann ...	3	3	3,908	10
Sir E Cassel ...	7	9	3,708	0
Mr J Musker ...	5	7	3,692	15
Lord H de Walden ...	2	3	3,210	0
Mr P P Gilpin ...	3	4	3,177	0
Mr A James ...	6	8	2,923	0
Mr Keswick ...	1	2	2,720	0
Mr de Wend-Fenton ...	1	4	2,596	10
Mr W Hall Walker ...	3	3	2,571	0
Mr H E Randall ...	11	20	2,536	0
Capt Orr Ewing ...	6	8	2,191	0
Mr S Darling ...	1	1	2,150	0
Mr J Buchanan ...	4	5	2,132	0
Mr L Brassey ...	5	5	1,908	0
Major J D Edwards ...	6	7	1,863	10
Mr G Edwardes ...	5	7	1,830	0
Mr E Dresden ...	3	3	1,567	0
Mr J Sloncombe ...	1	2	1,510	0

PRINCIPAL WINNING TRAINERS IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 20th June.*)

	Winning Horses.	Races Won.	£	s.
Mr P P Gilpin ...	9	12	19,207	10
A Hayhoe ...	1	2	11,750	0
G Blackwell ...	13	18	8,846	0
W T Robinson ...	7	12	7,643	10
J Fallon ...	6	12	7,161	0
Major Edwards ...	15	19	6,918	0
H Braime ...	6	6	5,774	6
J Porter ...	8	10	5,750	0
S Darling ...	8	9	5,287	0
P Greusil ...	9	10	4,952	10
P Peck ...	5	10	4,850	0
R Marsh ...	12	15	4,811	0
Mr F Lambton ...	7	9	3,708	0
A J Gilbert ...	5	7	3,692	15
A Sadler, Jun ...	15	26	3,641	10
Major Beatty ...	2	3	3,210	0
W A Jarvis ...	6	9	3,018	0

PRINCIPAL WINNING HORSES IN 1904.

Compiled to 20th June.

	Races Won.	£	s.
St Amant (8yrs), b c by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule	2	11,750	0
Pretty Polly (3yrs), ch f, by Gallinule—Admiration	3	11,750	0
Ypsilanti (6yrs), b h, by Galore—Stefanette	5	4,407	0
Throwaway (5yrs), b h, by Rightaway—Theale	1	3,260	0
Cicero (2yrs), ch c, by Cyllene—Gas ...	3	3,224	0
Zinfandel (4yrs), ch c, by Persimmon—Medora	2	3,015	0
Csardas (5yrs), b h, by Ladas—Polka ...	2	2,720	0
Vedas (2yrs), b or br c, by Florizel II—Agnostic	4	2,598	10
Challenger (3yrs), b c by Isinglass—Meddlesome	2	2,337	0
Henry the First (3yrs), br c, by Melton—Simona	2	2,257	15
Sandboy (4yrs), b c, by Ravensbury—Sandblast	1	2,030	0
Llangibby (2yrs), ch c, by Wildfowler—Concussion	1	1,942	0
Rydal Head (3yrs), b c, by St Frusquin—Rydal	1	1,875	0
Robert Le Diable, br h, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay	2	1,849	0
Thrush (2yrs), b c, by Missel Thrush—Chemistry	3	1,547	0
Delaunay (3yrs), ch c, by Fortunio—Pet ...	2	1,535	0

CRICKET.

M. C. C. AND GROUND *vs.* LEICESTERSHIRE.—Played at Lord's on 16th and 17th June. Leicestershire won by an innings and 153 runs. Against a weak M. C. C. eleven the greatly improved Leicestershire team gave a splendid account of themselves. On the first day of the match they scored 418 for the loss of five wickets, and although on the next day they only increased their total by 43, they twice dismissed their opponents for a small score on a wicket which was showing signs of wear. The chief features of the first day's cricket was the batting of Knight and King who, during a partnership which lasted for three hours and three-quarters, increased the total by 291 runs. Knight was batting for about five hours for his splendid innings of 203, which comprised an 8 (4 for an overthrow), a 5, and twenty-seven 4's. Tarrant, who made 84 not out in two hours and a half, was the only man who did himself justice in the first innings of the M. C. C., although J. T. Hearne kept up his wicket for nearly an hour. In the follow-on, Tarrant again did well, and Board played a very useful innings. Score.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

C E de Trafford, b Trott...	26	Coe, c and b Hearne ...	52
C J B Wood, run out ...	5	Gill (G), run out ...	0
Knight, b Hearne ...	203	W W Odell, c Doll, b Hearne ...	14
King (J H), c Wynyard, b Hearne	128	Allsopp, st Board, b Trott ...	6
V F S Crawford, c Board, b Hearne	8	Whiteside, not out ...	0
Whitehead (H), c Board, b Trott	13	B 3, lb 2, w 1 ...	6
		Total ...	461

M. C. C. AND GROUND.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Capt E G Wynyard, c Crawford, b Allsopp ...	0	c Allsopp, b Gill ...	18
Wrathall, b Allsopp ...	8	b Allsopp	19
F H Bohren, b Allsopp ...	15	c Whiteside, b Gill ...	7
Tarrant, not out ...	84	b Gill	27
Board, c Crawford, b Gill	0	b Allsopp	32
M M Carlisle, run out ..	12	b Gill	0
Trott (A E), c de Trafford, b Odell	7	l-b-w, b Odell	8
H Duncan-Stratton, c Crawford, b Allsopp ...	11	c Whitehead, b Odell ...	1
C C T Doll, b Allsopp ...	5	c Crawford, b Odell ...	7
Hearne (J T), c Allsopp, b Odell	28	c and b Odell	4
Mead, c de Trafford, b Odell	0	not out	5
B 1, nb 2 ...	3	Leg-byes	7
Total	173	Total	135

LEICESTERSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne ...	41·5	6	119	5	Wynyard ...	9	0	26	0
Tarrant ...	21	4	84	0	Mead ...	19	4	67	0
Trott ...	40	5	133	3	Carlisle ...	8	1	26	0

Carlisle bowled one wide.

M. C. C. AND GROUND.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Allsopp ...	18	2	54	5		12	3	40	2
Gill ...	16	3	52	1		9	2	33	4
King ...	13	0	36	0					
Odell ...	11·2	2	28	3		11·2	1	30	4
Coe						9	3	25	0

Gill delivered two no-balls.

SOMERSET *vs.* WORCESTERSHIRE.—Played at Worcester on 20th and 21st June. Somerset won by an innings and 114 runs. A remarkable innings by L. C. H. Palairet, and fine bowling by Braund were the chief features of this match. Braund found his length, and kept it, and in the first Worcestershire innings took eight wickets for 81. In addition to this he helped Palairet to put up 117 for the first wicket in a little more than three-quarters of an hour. At the end of the first day's play, Palairet was not out 197, a wonderful innings. The total was 314 for seven wickets, and Somerset were 140 runs on. Palairet was dismissed on Tuesday morning soon after he passed his second hundred. He had batted for three hours without making a mistake, and among his hits were thirty 4's. No other Somersetshire man did much, but when Worcestershire went in again they had to face a deficit of 178. Cranfield and Braund bowled so well that six wickets fell for 37, and seven for 50, and Somerset gained a victory much more easily than they could have anticipated. Score.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Bowley, l-b-w, b Braund ...	16	b Cranfield	5
Pearson, c Martyn, b Braund	47	l-b-w, b Braund —	1
W B Burns, b Braund ...	31	c and b Braund ...	19
H K Foster, b Braund ...	8	b Cranfield... ...	10
Arnold, b Cranfield ...	15	b Cranfield... ...	2
Wheldon, c Lee, b Braund ...	12	b Cranfield... ...	0
G B Bromley-Martin, c Hardy, b Cranfield	3	b Braund	7
A W Isaac, b Braund ...	17	not out	10
Bird, c Cranfield, b Braund	8	c and b Braund ...	1
Burrows, b Braund ...	0	c Herbert, b Braund ...	4
Wilson, not out	13	c Hardy, b Cranfield ...	4
B 3, lb 1 — ...	4	Bye	1
Total	174	Total	64

SOMERSET.

L C H Palairet, c Wilson, b Burrows ...	203	S M J Woods, b Burrows	4
Braund, c B-Martin, b Bird	36	F M Lee, c B-Martin, b Burrows	17
Lewis, c Bowley, b Bird	33	A E Newton, c Arnold, b Bird	13
Hon M Herbert, b Bird...	1	Cranfield, not out ...	0
Hardy, b Wilson ...	1	B 23, lb 2 ...	25
Robson, b Bird ...	16	Total ...	352
H Martyn, b Burrows ...	3		

WORCESTERSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	26	6	76	2		11·4	4	47	5
Braund ...	29·2	7	81	8		11	3	16	5
Robson ..	5	1	13	0					
Palairet ...	1	1	0	0					

SOMERSET.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Arnold ...	12	1	69	0	Bird ...	24·3	0	72	5
Wilson ...	16	1	62	1	Pearson ...	3	0	17	0
Burrows ...	17	1	107	4					

LANCASHIRE *vs.* KENT.—Played at Tonbridge on 20th, 21st and 22nd June. Lancashire won by 107 runs. Although Maclaren and Poidevin made only two runs between them, while R. H. Spooner and Tyldesley made only moderate scores, Lancashire did fairly well in their first innings, thanks chiefly to fine play by Garnett, Sharp, Hallows and Cuttell. Kent made 58 without loss before stumps were drawn. Hearne scoring 13, and Humphreys 33. On Tuesday, E. W. Dillon played a good innings, but the chief feature of the Kent batting was the play of C. H. B. Marsham, who missed his hundred by five runs. The tail did well, and when the innings came to an end Kent were only five runs behind. When stumps were drawn Lancashire, with six wickets in hand, were 148 runs ahead, Tyldesley being not out 79. The next day, last six wickets fell for 79 runs, and Kent had to make 233 runs to win on a wicket which was beginning to wear. They began badly, and although Dillon, Seymour, Blaker and Fairservice did their best to save their side, Lancashire always seemed to have the game in hand. Score.—

LANCASHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A C Maclaren, b Fielder ..	2	b Blythe	14
R H Spooner, c and b Fairservice	23	c Dillon, b Fairservice ...	14
Tyldesley, c Dillon, b Fielder	44	b Fielder	82
L O S Poidevin, b Fielder	0	c Seymour, b Blythe ...	20
H G Garnett, b Fielder ...	54	b Hearne ... —	0
Sharp, c Blaker, b Fairservice	34	b Fairservice	25
A H Hornby, c Fairservice, b Blythe	1	b Humphreys ...	8
Hallows, c Seymour, b Humphreys ...	42	b Fairservice... ...	0
Cuttell, not out ...	47	b Fairservice... ...	36
W Brearley, b Humphreys	0	c Blythe, b Humphreys ...	0
Worsley, c Seymour, b Humphreys ...	3	not out	4
B 16, lb 2, w 4, nb 3 ...	25	Extras	24
Total ...	335	Total ...	227

KENT.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hearne, b Brearley ...	13	c Poidevin, b Cuttell ...	4
Humphreys, c Cuttell, b Hallows	37	c Maclaren, b Brearley ...	0
Seymour, b Brearley ...	18	c Worsley, b Brearley ...	23
E W Dillon, c Hornby, b Cuttell	53	c Worsley, b Hallows ...	30
W P Harrison, b Cuttell ...	11	l-b-w, b Hallows ...	3
R N R Blaker, c Spooner, b Brearley	5	c Spooner, b Cuttell ...	26
C H B Marsham, c Worsley, b Cuttell	95	b Hallows	0
Huish, c Poidevin, b Hallows	10	l-b-w, b Cuttel... ...	8
Fairservice, c Maclaren, b Brearley	35	b Brearley	23
Blythe, not out... ...	8	not out	4
Fielder, c Hallows, b Brearley	21	b Brearley	1
Extras	24	Extras	3
Total ...	330	Total ...	125

LANCASHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Fielder ...	34	2	158	4	19	3	71	1
Blythe ...	24	3	62	1	25	4	73	2
Fairservice ...	20	3	59	2	13	2	29	1
Humphreys ...	7·5	1	26	3	8·5	1	30	2
Hearne ...	3	1	5	0	1	1	0	1

Fielder delivered three wides and three no-balls, and Blythe one wide.

KENT.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Brearley ...	39	9	119	5	13·1	2	46	4
Hallows ...	44	16	80	2	11	2	39	3
Cuttell ...	27	9	49	3	17	6	37	3
Poidevin ..	7	0	17	0				
Sharp ...	13	3	41	0				

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* SUSSEX.—Played at Brighton on 20th, 21st and 22nd June. Sussex won by an innings and 93 runs. The University bowlers could make very little impression on Sussex in the first innings, and when stumps were drawn on Monday Sussex had scored 452 for eight wickets. C. B. Fry made his sixth hundred of the season by beautiful cricket, his 150 being put together in two hours and a half; his hits included twenty-two 4's. The first wicket partnership between Fry and Vine produced 217 runs in two hours and ten minutes. Killick returned to form and played a splendid innings of 60, while E. G. Read, a Worthing amateur, made a successful *début*. At the end of the day Newham was not out 35 and Leach not out 27. On Tuesday these two men remained together until the total reached 551, the partnership producing 108 runs in a little over an hour. Tired with their long outing most of the University team failed to distinguish themselves in the first innings, but Wilson hit finely, making his 55 runs in a little more than three-quarters of an hour, while Mann also played well. Cambridge had to follow on with 346 to make before they drew level. When the day's play ended they had lost half their wickets and were still 208 runs behind. Fry and Hopley played well, on the following day but the University never seemed likely to avoid defeat by an innings

SUSSEX.

C B Fry, c May, b Keigwin	150	E G Read, b Keigwin ...	44
Vine, b Keigwin ...	82	Dwyer, c Eyre, b Keigwin...	9
C L A Smith, b Keigwin...	14	W Newham, b May ...	63
Killick, b May ...	60	Leach, c Fry, b Eyre ...	86
Relf c Payne, b Mann ...	2	Cox, not out	17
R E Lambert, c Eyre, b Keigwin	17	B 8, lb 5, nb 1 —	14
		Total ...	558

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J F Marsh, c Relf, b Cox ...	4	b Dwyer	4
R P Keigwin, c Cox, b Dwyer ...	10	c Read, b Dwyer ...	9
E W Mann, b Dwyer —	55	c Leach, b Smith ...	46
C H Eyre c Relf, b Dwyer ...	5	lbw b Dwyer ...	7
E S Phillips, c and b Vine ...	25	b Leach	15
K R B Fry, b Dwyer ...	16	c Cox, b Relf ...	66
F B Wilson, b Leach ...	55	not out	6
J G Hirsch, c Leach, b Vine ...	0	c and b Killick ...	4
M W Payne, not out ...	26	c Cox, b Dwyer ...	4
F J V Hopley, c Cox, b Vine ...	2	c Lambert, b Killick ...	36
P R May, b Leach	4	c Read, b Killick ...	13
B 16, lb 4	20	Extras ...	33
Total	221	Total —	24

SUSSEX.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Mann ...	21	2	80	1	Hirsch ...	4	0	18	0
Hopley ...	31	3	139	0	Wilson ...	2	0	10	0
Keigwin	41	6	144	6	Eyre ...	2	0	9	1
May ...	39	1	144	2					

Hopley bowled one no-ball.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cox ...	13	4	44	1		7	3	23	0
Dwyer ...	23	3	70	4		14	5	56	4
Vine ...	10	1	29	3		11	4	28	0
Leach ...	10	1	37	2		17	4	51	1
Relf ...	12	5	22	0					
					Smith	7	1	22	1
					Killick ..	8·3	2	30	4

THE SOUTH AFRICAN'S TOUR.

MATCH *v.* MIDDLESEX.—Played at Lord's on 20th, 21st, and 22nd June. Drawn. A not very strong Middlesex team did only moderately well on the first day of this match, no one except Bosanquet ever being at all comfortable against Kotze's bowling. At the beginning of the match Middlesex lost two men before a run had been scored, both caught by Halliwell, who was standing back to Kotze. Tarrant was missed before he had scored, and very shortly afterwards Bosanquet was caught at slip, but fortunately for his side he was given not out on appeal. He then proceeded to hit with great power, and in the course of a stay at the wicket of an hour and twenty-five minutes, he hit sixteen 4's in a total of 110. Headlam played a good game at the end of the innings. The South Africans made 170 for four wickets before stumps were drawn, Shalders playing very well indeed. Mitchell was not out 26, and Llewellyn not out 9. On Tuesday Llewellyn and Mitchell increased the total by 61 before they were parted, but the tail did badly. Nevertheless, the total exceeded that of Middlesex by 15. In their second innings Middlesex found Schwarz too good for them, and half the side were out for 71, Schwarz having taken four wickets for 8 runs. The tail played up finely, and the South Africans had the task of making 211 to win. It may be mentioned that K. I. Nicholl was out first ball in each innings. At the close of the day the South Africans had scored 52 for the loss of two wickets. Yesterday, Llewellyn and Tancred both played very fine cricket but, except Halliwell and Schwarz, no one else did much, and when the last man went in nine runs were required to win. Amid the greatest excitement the game was brought to a tie when Kotze was bowled by Trott.

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
F F Warner, c Sinclair, b Llewellyn ...	34	l-b-w, b Schwarz ...	38
K I Nicholl, c Halliwell, b Kotze	0	b Schwarz	0
R W Nicholls, c Halliwell, b Kotze	0	run out	30
Tarrant, b Kotze ...	31	c Shalders, b Kotze ...	11
B J T Bosanquet, b White	110	c Mitchell, b Sinclair ...	44
C P Foley, b Kotze ...	0	b Schwarz	3
Trott (A E), c Llewellyn, b Kotze	16	c Halliwell, b Sinclair ...	38
J A Berners, b Llewellyn	5	b Schwarz	0
Rawlin, c Sinclair, b Llewellyn	7	not out ...	— 21
C Headlam, c Tancred, b Sinclair ...	44	b Snooke	14
Hearne (J T), not out ...	20	l-b-w, b Schwarz ...	16
B 4, lb 1	5	B 5, lb 4, nb 1 ...	10
Total ...	272	Total ...	225

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L J Tancred, b Bosanquet	29	st Headlam, b Trott ...	75
W A Shalders, b Hearne ...	56	c Headlam, b Rawlin ...	8
M Hathorn, c Trott, b Rawlin	32	c Trott, b Rawlin ...	2
F Mitchell, b Hearne ...	66	c Foley, b Hearne ...	10
J H Sinclair, b Bosanquet	0	c Warner, b Trott ...	1
Llewellyn, b Trott ...	43	b Hearne	60
R O Schwarz, st Headlam, b Trott	0	c Headlam, b Trott ...	19
G C White, l-b-w, b Hearne	1	not out	5
S J Snooke, b Trott ...	19	l-b-w, b Trott ...	3
E A Halliwell, c Headlam, b Trott	5	c and b Trott	17
J J Kotze, not out ...	7	b Trott	0
B 26, lb 3	29	Extras	10
Total ...	287	Total ...	210

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	21	2	94	5		16	2	69	1
Sinclair ...	17·4	3	68	1		15	4	44	2
Llewellyn ...	10	0	64	3		6	2	26	0
Schwarz ...	1	0	1	0		11·5	1	48	5
White ...	5	0	40	1		2	0	7	0
					Snooke ...	3	0	21	1

Kotze delivered a no-ball.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne ...	30	9	67	3		29	8	77	2
Rawlin ...	10	1	17	1		17	4	27	2
Trott ...	27·2	6	80	4		22·3	3	75	6
Bosanquet ...	14	1	64	2		3	0	15	0
Tarrant ...	8	1	30	0		1	0	6	0

MATCH *v.* WARWICKSHIRE.—Played at Edgbaston on 16th and 17th June. South Africans won by ten wickets. On the first day of this match the South African team scored 200 for the loss of six wickets against a total of 237 by Warwickshire and thus had decidedly the best of the game, although no one could have anticipated that they would win by such a large margin as ten wickets. At the commencement of the Warwickshire innings Fishwick and Kinneir batted so well that 76 went up for the first wicket, but from this time the bowlers always held their own, Sinclair and Llewellyn both being in fine form. When the South Africans went in Tancred played a great game for a couple of hours and was still undefeated when stumps were drawn; his score was then 95. Sinclair made 29 in about ten minutes, and Llewellyn and Schwarz both played well. On Friday Tancred was out soon after reaching his hundred, but Snooke and White made such a fine stand for an hour and ten minutes that when the innings came to an end their side had a lead of 106. As there was nothing the matter with the wicket it was only reasonable to suppose that Warwickshire would have no difficulty in wiping off the deficiency, but although the first two wickets produced 69 runs, the batting afterwards broke down so badly that the South Africans only had to make 42 to win. Glover played a fine not out innings of 73 for Warwickshire, but Willie Quaife failed to score in either innings. Score.—

WARWICKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
T S Fishwick, c Sinclair, b Llewellyn ...	44	b Kotze	0
Kinneir, c Llewellyn, b Sinclair	58	b Kotze	29
A C S Glover, c Tancred, b Llewellyn ...	19	not out	73
Quaife, c Mitchell, b Llewellyn	0	b Kotze	0
J F Byrne, c and b Sinclair	34	l-b-w, b Schwarz ..	6
Lilly, c Tancred, b Llewellyn	15	b Schwarz	0
Charlesworth, st Halliwell, b Sinclair	20	b Kotze	3
Whittle, b Sinclair ...	6	b Kotze	5
Moorhouse, b Kotze ...	15	b Schwarz	1
Hargreave, c Shalders, b Sinclair	17	c Halliwell, b Schwarze ...	5
Smith, not out ...	0	b Kotze	8
B 5, lb 3, w 1 ...	9	B 9, lb 2, nb 4, w 2 ...	17
Total ...	237	Total ...	147

SOUTH AFRICANS.

W A Shalders, c Fishwick, b Hargreave ...	4	R O Schwarz, c Fishwick, b Moorhouse ...	27
Tancred, c Fishwick, b Moorhouse ...	106	G C White, b Byrne ...	52
M Hathorn, c Fishwick, b Moorhouse	3	S J Sooke, c Hargreave, b Byrne	58
F Mitchell, b Hargreave ...	5	E A Halliwell, c Smith, b Quaife	7
J H Sinclair, c Fishwick, b Hargreave ..	29	J J Kotze, not out ...	9
Llewellyn, c Whittle, b Hargreave	37	B 4, lb 1, w 1 ...	6
		Total ...	...343

Second Innings: Shalders, not out, 29; Tancred, not out, 13. Total (no wicket), 42.

WARWICKSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	9	1	30	1		25·2	5	58	6
Sinclair ...	23·1	2	99	5		10	3	26	0
White ...	9	1	35	0		1	0	5	0
Llewellyn	20	4	64	4		5	2	12	0
					Schwarz	9	0	29	4

Sinclair bowled two wides, and Kotze one wide and four no-balls.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hargreave ...	26	9	108	4		6	1	15	0
Moorhouse ...	20	1	84	3		6 2	3	27	0
Whittle ...	13	1	58	0					
Byrne ...	6·1	0	41	2					
Quaife ...	11	0	46	1					

Moorhouse delivered one wide.

OTHER MATCHES.

The following are other important results during the week.—On the 16th, 17th and 18th June Derbyshire beat Essex at Leyton by 39 runs; Surrey beat Cambridge at the Oval by five wickets. On the 20th, 21st and 22nd June Yorkshire beat Essex by nine wickets at Leyton; Derbyshire beat Warwickshire at Glossop by an innings and 24 runs.

The following matches were drawn—Sussex *vs.* Lancashire, at Manchester on 16th, 17th and 18th June: Yorkshire *vs.* Worcestershire, at Worcester on the same dates: Notts *vs.* Kent, at Nottingham on the same dates; Surrey *vs.* Oxford University at the Oval on the 20th, 21st and 22nd June.

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES—(9 innings).

	Inns.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an inn.	Aver.
Fry, C B ...	17	2	1,248	226	83·20
Spooner, R H ...	13	2	835	126	76·90
Tyldesley ...	12	2	701	210	70·10
Iremonger ...	14	1	872	272	67·07
Ranjitsinhji, K S ...	10	2	466	148	58·25
Jackson, Hon F S ...	9	1	439	158	54·87
Knight ...	19	3	825	203	51·56
Rhodes ...	15	2	655	196	50·38
Raphael, J E ...	10	0	488	201	48·80
Sharp (J) ...	9	3	291	101*	48·50
Tancred, L J ...	9	1	381	106	47·62
Quaife (W G) ...	13	2	520	200*	47·27
Carpenter ...	13	0	589	199	45·30
Hirst ...	15	0	661	153	44·06
Jones, A O ...	15	1	601	113	42·92
Kinneir ...	12	1	467	152	42·45
Foster, H K ...	15	0	611	118	40·73
Palairet, L C H ...	10	0	401	166	40·10
Mitchell, F ...	13	2	441	102*	40·09
Bowley (F) ...	15	1	561	153	40·07
Coe (S) ...	13	3	400	103	40·00
Wright, L G ...	14	0	529	139	37·78
Perrin, P A ...	14	1	491	190	37·76
Poidevin, L O S ...	15	1	526	103	37·57
Denton ...	17	0	634	87	37·29
Gunn (J) ...	15	1	519	95	37·07
Sewell (E H D) ...	18	1	630	181	37·05
Beldam, G W ...	12	0	440	140	36·66
McGahey, C H ...	16	1	547	173	36·46
Cuttell ...	10	2	291	128	36·37
Seymour (Jas) (Kent) ...	16	1	533	136*	35·53
Hayward ...	23	2	744	128	35·42
Wilson, F B ...	11	1	353	75	35·30
Wynyard, Capt E G ...	15	0	504	147	33·60
Humphreys (Kent) ...	16	1	504	131	33·60
Lilley ...	13	0	434	88	33·38
Phillips, E S ...	9	0	299	107	33·22
Whittle ...	10	1	294	104	32·66
Fry, K R B ...	11	0	356	129	32·36
Warner, P F ...	16	1	283	54	31·44
Ashcroft, Dr E M ...	12	0	375	111	31·25
Pearson ...	10	1	280	69	31·11
Llewellyn ...	9	2	217	68*	31·00
King (J H) ...	18	2	485	128	30·31
Tarrant ...	13	2	331	81*	30·09
Wood, C J B ...	19	2	509	110	29·94
Keigwin, R P ...	13	2	328	85	29·81
Hawke, Lord ...	14	4	297	100*	29·70
Moon, L J ...	12	0	352	162	29·33
Wheldon ...	15	3	348	63	29·00

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES (18 wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Hearne (J T) ...	412·5	108	963	71	13·56
Cuttell ...	380·4	128	766	51	15·01
Hesketh-Prichard, H ...	245·1	65	739	45	16·42
Blythe ...	338·5	93	886	53	16·69
Hallows ...	294	91	707	42	16·83
Fielder ...	263·3	62	714	42	17·00
Cranfield (Somerset) ...	136·5	28	443	26	17·03
Douglas, J H W T ...	139·2	30	395	23	17·17
Kotze, J J ...	289·5	69	825	48	17·18
Bosanquet, B J T ...	107	28	546	31	17·61
Napier, G G ...	270·5	70	758	43	17·62
Allsopp ...	205·1	54	577	32	18·03
Gill (G) ...	125	26	365	20	18·25
Odell, W W ...	409·3	124	1,034	56	18·46
Wass ...	479	117	1,210	65	18·61
Smith (W C) (Surrey) ...	303·5	74	835	44	18·97
Haigh ...	249·1	62	675	35	19·28
Tate (F W) ...	251	57	715	37	19·32
Reeves ...	270	51	817	42	19·45
Duggins ...	299·4	77	837	43	19·46
Brearley, W ...	313	44	997	51	19·54
McDonell, H C ...	261·2	56	692	35	19·77
Hirst ...	370·2	78	974	48	20·29
Arnold ...	351	82	918	45	20·40
Gunn (J) ...	469·4	153	1,068	52	20·53
Bird (Worcestershire) ...	206·4	46	559	27	20·70
Sinclair, J H ...	251·2	51	854	41	20·82
Lees ...	512·4	138	1,257	60	20·95
Dennett ...	310 3	68	914	41	22·29
Moorhouse ...	228·5	59	672	30	22·40
Fairservice ...	156·2	39	480	21	22·85
Cox (Sussex) ...	541·3	138	1,310	57	22·98
Buckenham ...	220·2	44	602	26	23·15
Bestwick ...	317 5	70	998	43	23·20
Relf ...	418·2	121	959	41	23·39
Hallam ...	318·3	133	543	23	23·60
Lockwood ...	212·5	30	724	30	24·03
King (J H) ...	475·1	124	1,233	51	24·17
Warren ...	270	36	958	39	24·56
Wilson (G A) (Worcstr) ...	164·3	23	513	20	25·66
Hayes ...	173·1	30	464	18	25·77
Ringrose ...	237	59	629	24	26·20
Braund ...	349·5	48	1,298	49	26·48
Rhodes ...	368·5	106	866	31	26·96
Trott (A E) ...	294·3	40	1,057	37	28·56
Hargreave ...	391·5	101	1,015	35	29·00
Hopley, F J V ...	207·1	25	709	24	29·54

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ATHLETICS

L. A. C. SUMMER MEETING.

Many of those who assembled at the Stamford Bridge Grounds, Fulham, on Saturday the 18th instant, did so for the reason that it was imagined that this would be the last meeting of the L. A. C. on the ground which they have held for more than a quarter of a century. It was in the spring of 1877 that they removed from "old Lillie" to an enclosure of their own a little further away, the Lady Mayoress performing, if we remember aright, the opening ceremony, and since that time many remarkable records have been accomplished. Space will not admit of allusion in detail here, nor is it necessary, for the welcome news was forthcoming during the afternoon that the new purchaser had consented to the club remaining in possession until Michaelmas, thus enabling their autumn meeting to be brought off at Walham Green—an occasion for which we trust an especially attractive programme will be arranged. There was plenty of variety in that presented on Saturday, though the field event naturally made things drag a trifle, and with favourable weather, there was a capital muster. The "old brigade" were there in goodly numbers, for was there not a Veterans' Handicap to be decided? The result of this plainly showed, however, that the weight for age allowance is not altogether an equitable one. One yard was allowed for each year over thirty-five, but David Basan, who has evidently been at work, literally romped home, though the next three were close together. There was a good deal of harmless chaff over the contest, in which the limit man, the veteran J. E. Fowler-Dixon tried his hand—at his time of life—at sprinting, but broke down badly and was lame for the rest of the day.

100 YARDS RACE (for Challenge Cup presented by Mr. W. Waddell, 1870).—L. F. Tremeer (holder), 1; C. H. Jupp, 2. The latter, who took some time to get really going, was beaten, after a good race, by about half a yard. Time—10⅖secs.

100 YARDS HANDICAP (first in each heat to start in the final)

Final Heat.

A B Horner, 9 yards start	1
E C Kenny, 6½	2
F J C Shepherd, 7	3
H P Phillips, 8	0
L F Tremeer, 1	0

A fine finish, inches only separating Horner and Kenny and also the second and third. Time—10secs.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—E. Barrett, Polytechnic H, 37ft. 8in., 1; E. E. B. May, 37ft. 2in., 2; A. J. McHutchon, London Highland A. C, 36ft. 8in., 3; W. E. B. Henderson, L. A. C. 0; A. E. Flaxman, L. A. C., 0; P. G. Masters, L. A. C. 0. May was ahead till the very finish when Barrett created a surprise.

880 YARDS RACE (for Challenge Cup presented by the late Mr. Jas. Waddell, 1870).—H. W. Workman, 1; H. Elliott, 2; E. S. Ward (holder), 3. Workman at once made the running, Ward lying last for a time, but subsequently taking second place. At the orchard end in the last lap Elliott regained that position, but was beaten by the Cantab by eight yards; five between second and third. Time—1min. 57⅖secs.—a decidedly fine performance.

150 YARDS BOYS' HANDICAP (members' sons and brothers).—R. Minton (5 years 5 months), 72 yards start, 1; W. E. Pelling (3 years 8 months), 100, 2; L. M., Shepherd (10 years 9 months), 20, 3; H. Venn, junior. (13 years 9 months), was at scratch, Ivor Lotinga (1 year) on the limit, 140 yards, but this infant prodigy did not turn out, and an elder brother (aged 4 years 1 month) declined to take up his position on the track—which was measured on the grass.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (for Challenge Cup presented by Reginald Hanson, Bart., 1883).—J. B. Densham, 1; J. H. Jarvis, 0; A. Trafford, the holder, did not compete, Jarvis came to grief at the eighth obstacle, but Densham then had the race in hand and finished alone in 18secs.

HALF-MILE RELAY RACE (L A C *vs.* South London H); teams of four; each man to run 220 yards.

L A C: L F Tremeer, H Watson, C W Fox and C H Jupp 1

S L H: E H Clube, H O Whibley, E H Montague, and J B Densham 2

Tremeer left off with an advantage of about a yard (time 24½secs.), which Watson had at the completion of the second furlong (48½secs.), increased to five yards. Montague, however, got the better of Fox, who was only just in front (time 72½secs.) when Jupp took up the running. The last-named, however, ran in fine fashion, and, with the wind favouring, covered the furlong in even time reaching the "worsted" about nine yards in front of Densham, the time for the full journey being thus 1min. 34½secs.

120 YARDS HURDLE HANDICAP (first two in each heat to start in the final).

Final Heat.

T F Cox, owed 6 yards	1
J H Jarvis, owed 5	2
H P Phillips, owed 16	3
D W Walters, owed 14	0

Another excellent race, a yard dividing each of the placed men. Walters came to grief. Time—18⅘secs.

150 YARDS VETERANS' HANDICAP (members) (one yard per year over 35).—D. Basan, 2¼ yards start, 1; H. H. Minton, pen. 2 yards, 5¼, 2; E. H. Pelling, 3¼, 3; B. C. Green, 3, 4; E. F Vowles, 1, 0; W. C. Kirby, 1¼ 0; R. W. Turner, 1¼, 0; W. Lotinga 1¼ 0; J. P. Shuter, 2¼, 0; J. M. K. Lupton, 4¼, 0; A. J. Fowden 11, 0; H. H. Griffin, 11¼, 0; J. E. Fowler-Dixon, 18¾, 0. Basan gave an astonishing show, and, having the race in hand thirty

yards from home, won easily by four yards; the next trio were close together. Time—16secs.

440 YARDS HANDICAP (first three in each heat to start in final).

Final Heat.

E F Goodale, 30 yards start	...	...	...	1
T W Blott, 27	...	...	...	2
C J Limpenny, 11	...	...	...	3
C D Rees, 21	...	...	...	4
E H Montague, 5	...	...	...	0

Workman did not start. Another exciting struggle was won by the limit man by rather more than a yard ; three yards between second and third, with Rees less than a yard away. Time—50⅘secs.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—E. E. B. May, L. A. C., 131ft. 2in 1 ; A. E. Flaxman, L. A. C , 112ft., 2; W. E. B. Henderson, L. A C., 111ft. 9in., 3; P. G. Masters, L.A.C , 0; E. Barrett, Polytechnic H., 0.

200 YARDS RACE (for Challenge Cup presented by Mr. S. K. Holman, 1888).—C. H. Jupp (holder), 1 ; L. F. Tremeer, 2 ; J. B. Densham, 3. This time Jupp made no mistake, and, taking the lead, won the greatest ease by seven yards, Densham about four yards further behind. Time—22⅘secs.

HIGH JUMP.—W. E. B. Henderson, L. A C , 5ft 7⅛ins., 1 ; E. S. Ward, L. A C , 0. Only two competed, and the latter, after his previous exertions, was at once out of it, failing thrice at the first leap set.

ONE MILE HANDICAP.—A. Grossman, Liverpool University, 100 yards start, 1 ; F. B. Thompson, L. A. C., 127, 2 ; F. S. Thomson, Civil Service A. C., 105, 3 ; E. S. Ward, L. A. C., 60, 4 ; P. A. Casserly, L. A. C., 63, 0 ; E. F. Judson, Blackheath H., 80-0 ; S. W. Fowler Dixon, L. A. C., 112, 0 ; H. E. M Martin, S. L. H., 122, 0 ; E. R. Small, L. A. C., 172, 0 ; H. F. Pash, L. A. C., 125, 0 ; H. D. Montague, Malden H., 132, 0 ; G. L. Hosking, Blackheath H., 135 0 ; H. G. Sydes, L. A. C., 142, 0 ; E. F. Vowles, L. A. C., 145, 0 ; H Templeton, Kent A. C., 165, 0 ; C. H. Spendlove, Ranelagh H., 275 0. Spendlove still led at the half-distance, with the field closing up. Thompson figuring to advantage, whilst Ward was going well. The limit man was just in front when the bell rang, but Grossman then assumed the lead, and though Thompson made a big effort down the far stretch, it was seen on entering the stretch that Grossman held the race safe, and he eventually won by eighteen yards. Thompson a few yards from the tape seemed likely to collapse, but by a great effort recovered himself, and just gained second honours by a yard, about the same distance separating Thomson and the virtual backmarker, Ward. Time—4mins. 16⅘secs.

AUTOMOBILISM.

THE GORDON-BENNETT CUP.

The fifth International motor race for the Gordon-Bennett Cup took place on the 17th instant, in the presence of a large gathering of spectators and the leading motor experts of Europe. The weather was fine, and the whole of the proceedings passed off most successfully. Among the Royal and distinguished spectators present were the Emperor William, Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia, Princess Frederick Charles of Hesse, the Grand Duchess Anastasie of Mecklenburg-Schwerin and her sister the Duchess of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, Mr. Charlemagne Tower (the United States Ambassador to Germany), Prince and Princess Solms, Colonel Holden (president of the British Automobile Club), Mr. Orde (the secretary of the Club), Mr A. Armour (the American millionaire), and many others.

The race was run over a course 87 miles long, and each competitor had to cover the course four times. There were seven controls, at each of which, as well as at the start and finish, officials of the German Automobile Club were stationed. The course throughout its entire length was well sprinkled with westrumite for the purpose of laying the dust, and this it succeeded in doing most thoroughly, to the great satisfaction of both contestants and spectators.

The Emperor William arrived at the starting point at twenty minutes to seven o'clock from Homburg, and precisely at seven o'clock the first competitor was sent on his way. This was Jenatzy, one of the representatives of Germany, who, as the winner of last year's race, was entitled to this position of honour by the regulations

At the end of the first circuit, the order of the leaders was : Jenatzy (Germany), Thery (France), Edge (England), and Girling (England) fourth. By the time the second circuit was completed Thery had passed to the front, the aggregated times at this stage being : Thery, 4hrs. 46mins. ; Jenatzy, 4hrs. 47mins. ; Edge, 4hrs. 51mins. Soon afterwards Edge had to halt owing to one of his tyres going wrong, and finally Thery won the race amid much enthusiasm, Jenatzy being second.

S. F. Edge, the British champion, was started seven minutes later, the other competitors following as under : Werner (Austria) at 7-14 ; Lancia (Italy), 7-21 ; Thery (France), 7-28 ; Hautvast (Belgium), 7-35 ; Girling (England), 7-48 ; De Caters (Germany), 7-55 ; Braun (Austria) ; 7-55 ; Cagno (Italy), 8-2 ; Salleron (France), 8-9 ; Augieres (Belgium), 8-17 ; Opel (Germany), 8-24 ; Jarrott (England), 8-31 ; Warden (Austria), 8-38 ; Storeco (Italy), 8-45 ; Rougier (France), 8-52 ; and De Crawberg (Belgium), 8 59. The only serious hitch in starting the eighteen competitors occurred in the case of De Caters, whose car obstinately refused for a time to get into motion, with the result that he lost fully a quarter of an hour. The trouble, it seems, was in the ignition apparatus. It was certainly unfortunate for the gallant German, as when he finally got under way he had company in the person of Braun, the pair starting at the same moment. Soon after the completion of the start the Kaiser, who had been gaily chatting with Ambassador Tower and others near him, returned to Homburg, but he was back in the grand stand in the ample time to witness the finish.

The course was admittedly a difficult one and in more than one part actually dangerous, and the majority of the competitors displayed more caution than is ordinarily shown on these occasion. Jenatzy was undoubtedly the favourite from the commencement, and he justified the popular confidence by finishing first in the first round, but when it was seen that he was cheek by jowl with Théry, who had started 21 minutes after him, there was considerable commotion amongst the expert onlookers, more particularly as the Frenchman was riding a comparatively unknown car, the 'Richard Brasier,' while the champion, of course, was on a German-made Mercedes The leading men finished the first round as follows :—

Jenafry, 1hr 26mins 56secs	...	...	1
Théry, 1hr 26mins 57secs	...	...	2
Edge, 1hr 31mins 44secs	...	...	3
Girling, 1hr 32mins 55secs	...	...	4
Jarrott, 1hr 35mins 18secs	...	...	5

On the second round Edge had the misfortune to get into trouble near Limburg with his brake, and was unable to resume until after considerable delay. He had been riding well, and his mishap aroused considerable sympathy. Several others came completely to grief. Opel broke down, as did the Italian Storeco, while Salleron and Decrawberg came into violent collision. The former was driven into a ditch, but fortunately escaped with no more harm than a severe shaking, and he re-started with his machine undamaged. At the end of the second round Théry, who had been riding superbly without a hitch, had secured first place. His time from the start, excluding as before, the time spent on the various controls, was officially stated at 2hrs. 53mins. 43secs. with Jenatzy (2hrs. 55mins. 29secs.) second, Girling 3hrs. 7mins. 21secs. third, Decrawberg (3hrs. 31mins. 11secs.) fourth, Decaters 3hrs. 32mins. 52secs. fifth, and Edge 4hrs. 4mins. 54secs. sixth.

In the third round the competitors began palpably to tail off and it became evident that the race lay between the leading Frenchman and German representative. At the end of the third round Théry was first in 4hrs 23mins. 40secs. and Jenatzy second (4hrs. 33mins 15secs.), both times being net. There were more mishaps in the concluding round, but the two leaders rushed along without a hitch of any kind, and finally the Cup was won by Théry, whose time for the whole distance (net) was 5hrs. 50mins. 3secs. Jenatzy being second (6hrs. 1min. 28secs.) Decaters was placed third, his time being 6hrs. 46min. 31secs. ; Braun, 6hrs. 79mins. 49secs. fourth ; Werner, 7hrs. 32mins. 11secs. fifth ; Lancia, 5hrs. 17mins. 54secs. sixth, Salleron, 7hrs. 15mins. 3secs. seventh.

POLO.

At Roehampton, in the final of the Public Schools Tournament, the Old Harrovians beat the Old Rugbians by three to two. In the preliminary of the Regimental Tournament, the 1st Life Guards defeated the 1st Lancers by three to two. In the semi final of the Open Cup, Roehampton defeated Rugby by four to three, Hurlingham by five to three The House of Lords consisting of Lord Wicklow, Marquis of Waterford, Duke of Westminster, and Lord Harrington, defeated the House of Commons, consisting of Messrs. Raymond Greene, F. S. Mildmay, Lord Willoughby, DeEresby and Mr. Winston Churchill. At Ranelagh for the Open Cup, Rugby, by six to three defeated Roehampton, and by seven to three defeated Handley Cross. Twelve teams competed. On Aldershot day, Tuesday, the preliminary ties consisted of four periods of eight minutes each, the semi-final lay between the Aldershot Staff and a team of the 8th Hussars, 21st Lancers and the 13th Hussars. Off these teams the Aldershot Staff and the 21st Lancers won their matches and met in the finals. The Aldershot Staff had considerably the better of the game and won by six to one.

SWIMMING AND WATER POLO.

OXFORD *vs.* CAMBRIDGE.

At the Bath Club, on the 23rd instant, the Inter-'Varsity swimming matches ended very much as expected, Cambridge winning for the fourth successive year. However, the Oxonians made a much bolder show than had been expected for tieing in two of the three swimming races that decide the contest they were only beaten in the odd events. However in both the team and waterpolo event which have no bearing on the actual match, the Light Blues were superior in every way. During the evening Misses Ada Lewin, Amy Daly and Mabel Andrews gave a nice exhibition of fancy swimming. The officials were : Messrs. W. H. M. Marx, H. E. Webster, G. H. Roke, W. F. Hill and H. L. Beale, all of the Otter S. C. Mr. W. H. Grenfell presided. Details :—

50 YARDS RACE.

W R V Webb (Trinity Hall, Cambridge)	...	...	1
H H Sutton (Jesus Oxford)	...	...	2
H R Sanders (Trinity Hall, Cambridge)	...	...	3
E Scott (St John's Oxford)	...	...	4

Webb at once took the lead, and won by a yard ; same between second and third. Time—3 ⅗secs.

The race was won by Cambridge by 4 points to 6.

QUARTER-MILE RACE.

B T Verry (Pembroke, Cambridge)	...	...	1
E G Morris (Hertford, Oxford)	...	...	2
G S Fleming (Trinity, Oxford)	...	...	3
K J A Davis (King's Cambridge)	...	...	4

Verry had matters all his own way from start to finish, and in the end was content to win by a length of the bath from Morris. A very fine race took place between Fleming and Davis for third place, which, had it been secured by Cambridge, would have won them the match. In turn both led, but, staying better, Fleming got home first by three yards. Verry's time was 6mins. 56⅘secs.

This race ended in a tie, both scoring 5 points.

100 YARDS RACE.

W R V Webb (Trinity Hall, Cambridge)	...	...	1
H H Sutton (Jesus Oxford)	...	...	2
K Oliphant (Trinity, Oxford)	...	...	3
K L Bennett (Clare Cambridge)	...	...	4

Webb showed excellent form, and won by three yards ; a yard between second and third. Time—68⅘secs.

The race ended in a tie—5 points each.

Cambridge, who won the first race—the other two being drawn—thus won the match by 1 event to 0.

TEAM RACE.

For this event the teams were exactly the same as those that took part in the polo match. Cambridge led from start to finish, and in the end won very easily by twenty-four yards. Time—3mins. 50secs.

WATER POLO.

Cambridge won by six goals to three.

Oxford defended the deep end in the first half, and within a minute had scored, Sutton, who had been allowed to get clear, scoring easily. However, the Cantabs then completely outplayed their opponents and scored goal after goal, Verry scoring no less than four, and Gibson, Craig, and Webb one each. Afterwards Oxford showed a decided improvement in their play, and throughout the second half, notwithstanding the fact that two of their men suffered from cramp, were doing better. They scored goals through Fry and Morris, and in the end were beaten by six goals to three.

Oxford : P. W. Low (Worcester) (goal), E. S. Morris (Hertford), and J. E. Raphael (St. John's, (backs), G. S. Hemming (Trinity), (half-backs), H. Fry (St. John's) H. W. Verney (Balliol), and H. Sutton (Jesus), (forwards).

Cambridge : E. P Canston (Pembroke) (goal), T. Kingdom (King's), and C. F. Loram (King's), (backs), H. R. Sanders (Trinity Hall), (half backs), A. C. Gibson Craig (Trinity), B. T. Verry (Pembroke), and W. R. V. Webb (Trinity Hall), (forwards).

RESULTS OF PREVIOUS CONTESTS.

WATER POLO.

1891 Oxford won by four goals to one.
1892 Oxford won by five goals to one.
1893 Cambridge won by two goals to one.
1894 Oxford won by four goals to two.
1895 Oxford won by three goals to one.
1896 Oxford won by three goals to one.
1897 Oxford won by five goals to two.
1898 Cambridge won by five goals to one.
1899 Cambridge won by seven goals to two.
1900 Cambridge won by three goals to two.
1901 Drawn (one goal each).
1902 Oxford won by two goals to one.
1903 Drawn(one goal each).

SWIMMING RACES.

1892 Cambridge won by one event to nil (two events drawn.)
1893 Cambridge won by two events to nil (one event drawn.)
1894 Cambridge won by three events to nil.
1895 Cambridge won by three events to nil.
1896 Oxford won by two events to nil (one event drawn.)
1897 Oxford won by three events to nil.
1898 Drawn.
1899 Cambridge won by one event to nil (two events drawn.)
1900 Oxford won by two events to one.
1901 Cambridge won by two events to nil (one event drawn.)
1902 Cambridge won by three events to nil.
1903 Cambridge won by three events to nil.

TEAM RACE (Seven a-side.)

1897 Oxford won by 6 seconds.
1898 Oxford won by 3 seconds.
1899 Oxford won by 11 seconds.
1900 Cambridge won by half a yard.
1901 Cambridge won by three-quarters of a length.
1902 Cambridge won by a length.
1903 Cambridge won by a length and three-quarters.

ROWING

OXFORD UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE SCULLS.

The final heat of the Challenge Sculls was rowed on Saturday, the 10th instant Fine weather prevailed, but there was a strong south-westerly wind, which for the most part was dead against the competitors. Having drawn a bye, C. G. Kay Monat, University, had to oppose A. Roberts, Christ Church, but as was in the case of the previous heats the final produced a very poor race, and throughout the series the form displayed has been of a very mediocre character. Kay Monat had second station and rowing a long-tailing stroke, at once began to draw up, so that at the Weirs Bridge he was about a length and a half to the good. Roberts held his own pretty well until coming out of the Gut, where he took a course too close to the Oxfordshire shore and got right up against the bank. In the meantime Kay Monat had got in a line for home, although coming out of the Gut he went somewhat wide. From this point, however, under the guidance of Ned Bowles, he kept a splendid course, while his opponent, on the other hand, now came right across the river. The University sculler gained further ground along the wall and, although Roberts spurted, he was beaten after passing the Cherwell, twice he nearly brought his boat over, and finally Kay Monat passed the post an easy winner by about five lengths. The winner was admirably steered by the veteran sculelr, Net Bowles, who had also superintended his work during practice.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

ANOTHER season with this distinguished pack is now upon us, and everything points to success. An old and trusted Master—probably the greatest expert in his own particular line, in India—a brace of "Whips," who have already come successfully out of their apprenticeship (and Colonel Sheringham looks for the high standard of efficiency he himself so ably sets); a pack of hounds that even at this early period have given us a taste of their quality. These be the ingredients—the whiskey, the sugar, and the lemon—that go to make a mighty pleasing brew. All that remains to complete the delightful concoction is the harmless, though necessary, water of a generous subscription and one need, I feel confident, have no doubt that the Poona public will fare in this respect, more especially since, I believe, His Excellency Lord Lamington General Sir Archibald Hunter, General Richardson, and many others have already promised their support.

Hunting! What a thrill the very thought of it causes? How it sends the blood coursing through the veins even of those of us who for one reason or another, be it lack of faith or loss of nerve, lack of wealth or loss of health, find ourselves unable to follow the pursuit we loved so well. Naturally hunting out here lacks much of the wondrous charm of the genuine article at home. It would be folly to argue otherwise. The climate, the country, with its ever pleasing variety of fences and "going." The green fields and the yellow-flowered gorse. The beautifully turned-out horses—the pick of the world. The faultlessly turned-out men and women—also the pick of the world All these make for an incomparable sport. Here in the arid East the ginger bread is scraped of part of its gilt. The sheet-rock and boulders of the Deccan are more sporting than beautiful, and it is, I was surprised to find last year, the fashion for sportsmen to adopt a costume as *en grande tenue* for the Indian hunting field that one would be ashamed to put on for the hunting of any self-respecting English rat. But even shorn of the outward splendour the innate glory of the sport still remains. "You many break, you may shatter the vase as you will, but the scent of the roses will hang round it still." But I have sadly overrun the line—as an old hound will at times from over zest. To leave generalizing and return to stern reality I have been wonderfully fortunate in having enlisted the sympathy of more than one good sportsman whose knowledge, perception and discretion I am sure I can trust and whose kindness in promising to keep one acquainted with the season's sport I most gratefully acknowledge in advance.

Yerowda Jail is ever a popular meet for those who are lucky enough to be without its grim portals, and a field of about thirty accepted the Master's invitation to a bye day on the 3rd of July, and must have blessed their stars that they did. It was an ideal hunting morning, cloudy and cool—pleasant enough to put any M. F. H. on good terms with himself, his hounds and the world at large. True to time the Master moved off in the direction and almost up to the Kalas Road, drawing some very likely looking wild ground, any one of the hillocks or

The King

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hollows of which might well have held the ever-longed-for varmint, but it was not till a tight handed sweep of a mile or more had been made that a trace of sprightly little foxen were viewed away, making in the direction of the Jail. Of these, over freshly ploughed land, exuding the pent up vapours of an Indian soil, hounds could make nothing and, after making an unsuccessful cast in the large Yerowda *nullah*, Colonel Sheringham wheeled left-handed towards the sister hills. Out of a clump of rocks and cactus in the distance no less than a brace of jacks were viewed stealing away, heading, naturally enough, for the distant hills, and with commendable promptitude Colonel Sheringham clapped hounds on the line and with a great burst of music they streaked away to a breast high scent—such a scent as makes horses gallop all they knew to keep with hounds, and gives no chance to any hapless mortals who fail to secure a favourable start, and I hear there were a few thrusters who found themselves unexpectedly at the wrong end of the hunt to their chagrin and disgust. The going after the first half-mile was, I hear, wonderfully good, as after struggling through boulders and *nullahs* which required a bit of doing, excellent grass land and plough, not too holding, gave the gallopers a chance. Straight as the crow flies the jack, on which hounds got away, made his point for Temple Hill, the rocky fastnesses of which afforded him sanctuary with but little time to spare. Time from view to finish has been given to me as 12 minutes and "very fast without the semblance of a check" the verdict. In addition to the Master and his whips, who are ever where they ought to be, those bang up in the flight included Mrs. Arthur Lucas on a good looking bay waler, Mrs. Charles Beatty on her multiprize winning country-bred Vigilance, Major Elliot, R. A. M. C., on a fine weight-carrying chestnut, a Sergeant Major from Kirkee (who showed his appreciation of the good thing he had just enjoyed by taking an almighty crumpler right at the end of it), Mr. Hore on an Arab pony that seemed very much at home from all accounts over the rocks and stones, and doubtless there were others whose names or deeds of valour may have escaped the memory or observation of my kindly informants, in which case I can only express my regret at the unintentional omission of their claims to immortality in this chronicle. After a short breather which was earnestly needed by men, women, horses, and hounds, the Master drew back towards Yerowda and hounds soon hit on what seemed to be a stale line and while working it out patiently up jumped a frolicsome chinkara in full view. Hounds would have to have come straight from Paradise to spurn such temptation as this and before the whips could stop them they twist in merry cry till Mr. Armstrong and a native whip were able to gallop round them and administer justice. After this back to the jail where many people had wheels to take them back to Poona. Everyone seems to have been delighted with what was evidently a most sporting morning.

The opening meet of the season proper was appropriately a Lawn Meet in the grounds of Government House where Lord and Lady Lamington provided early morning refreshment for all. The meet was naturally of the Bank Holiday order, the dual attraction of gubernatorial realms and the prospect of being photographed proving baits to lure many that the "mere sport" would not have brought so far in the grey of the morning. Among others "too numerous to mention" in the fashionable throng were Their Excellencies, staff and a house party specially imported from Bombay hunting grounds, Sir Archibald Hunter, General and Mrs. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lucas, Mrs. Crowe, Major and Mrs. Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beatty, Colonel Channer, Major England, Colonel Henderson, Colonel Bull, Miss. Fulton, Miss Anderson, Mrs. Eaton Evans, and everyone was glad to welcome Mr. Lord, the Master of the Bombay Hounds, and Mr. Harter, his first whip. There was in all a field of close on a hundred which must have been a source of great gratification to Colonel Sheringham.

The actual venue was the Clock Tower and about 6-15 the Master made a move through Government House grounds in the direction of Aundh, drawing some fields of mixed crops, then wheeling right drew the Botanical Gardens which frequently holds a jack, but was on this occasion drawn blank much to everyone's disappointment. Entering the demesne again by the north gate the Master put hounds into some lucerne fields where no less than three jack broke away without delay, feeling that the succulent grass was not calculated to afford them very satisfactory cover. Of these a brace broke away in company towards Bamburder Hill with three or four couple of hounds in pursuit, and Major Elliott and Captain Bayford in attendance, presumably with the object of whipping them off. The main body of the pack settled down to a big dog jack and ran him at a good pace parallel with the Moota river till he found safety in an extensive mass of the abominable eastern growth yclept prickly pear in Bopari village. Hounds hunted him out of this hideous form of cover with great tenacity, eventually driving him out on a line almost identical with the one he came till eventually he went to ground in a drain close to the Government House stables. I have had so many and such varying accounts of the time of this little hunt that I can only give the "mean time" as 20 minutes.

Colonel Sheringham then jogged down the Aundh Road till he reached some *pan* gardens into which hounds threw themselves and it was speedily apparent that a jack was on foot. Pashan was evidently the point of this varmint, but hounds were dying for blood after their recent disappointment, and getting quickly on to the line raced after their quarry at a great pace till they eventually got a view after which they never gave him any real chance of escape and bowled him over near the foot of the range of hills—a smart burst of about seven minutes over good but heavy going Such a day of tumbling about and disasters has, I believe, seldom been known in Poona. The canal that runs through Ganeshkhind grounds coupled with a slippery take off and landing was responsible for most of the destruction, no less than four floundering in the mud at one moment. Among those who had the destruction of 'coming it' were Sir Archibald Hunter, Miss Fulton, Captain Laing, all of whom however chose soft falling. For more serious was this case of Captain Parry's good horse the Dane who slipped badly on taking off and broke its neck. Much sympathy was felt for the popular gunner on his loss. A photograph of the Field was taken and so ended a very enjoyable day.

SCARAMOUCH.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

THE weather lately has been very wet and stormy and only very small fields have turned out at the meets during the past few weeks. Now, however, we are enjoying a break in the monsoon and a great many people are hunting again. Monday's (4th) meet was very wet and the many days of unceasing rain had soaked the country, but scent appeared fairly good except where water was standing on the ground. The meet was at Brooklands, and in the Covert near by hounds opened on a line, hunting it slowly across the road above Black Bridge. As it seemed to be bad the master took them back to the covert and drew it again without finding. On calling them out on the Sandy Nullah side they hit it off again and hunted over the brow of the hill above the Toll Bar, where scent improved. Swinging to the right they ran smartly down to the Demon Valley stream, which was in heavy flood and the jack changed his mind about crossing. Turning down stream towards the Toll Bar he took us up the hill again and then ran back into Brooklands. Another jack must have come into the covert while we were away for there were now two on foot. Hounds divided, a few couple forcing their jack out on the Demon Valley side, across the stream and up to Rocky. Not knowing that this was a fresh jack the master followed them and unfortunately parted company in the stream. The master swam out at one side only to find that his horse had gone back at the other. He followed the hounds on foot however, until a second horseman brought the horse back by the Black Bridge Guessing that the jack's point was Waterfall Shola he went there and found that hounds had run him to ground in the rocks. Meanwhile the rest of the pack had rattled the first jack round and round Brooklands until they killed him in covert. As everybody was wet to the skin and the field had gone home the master took hounds back to kennels.

Between this day and Thursday (7th) there was the break in the rains I have spoken of above and quite a large field was at Kandal Cross Roads that morning. We first drew Mills' Covert and a dog and a jack both went away. Hounds settled to the jack very quickly and gave him no chance, coursing him as far as Pearl crossing, where they pulled him down. We then moved towards Newmarket and when crossing below Rallywood picked up another line. Hounds hunted this through the bottom of Rallywood and then up to the Krummund Road where they checked. The master cast them forward and they hit off the line again and carried it into Monkey Shola. From this the jack declined to break and after hunting him up and down the covert for a few minutes we lost him. He probably got to ground.

We then drew down Rawling's Nullah and along the west side of Newmarket towards the Gold Mine Crossing, up stream again down Lawley's Course without finding. In Briar Shola we found at once and after running a ring in covert the jack broke across the road, ran through the upper part of the covert and came out above Herbert Plantation. He kept along the ridge, as if for Staircase, but, turning to the right, went down into the Yemakal Valley and then, swinging again to the left, entered Yemakal Shola. Hounds took him straight through and were away on the other side long before any of us could get there. He now crossed the valley, and the steep hill behind Karumuda Shola left us still further behind hounds. Past Tugurmund, however, we found the jack had entered an underground water-course and been killed there. This was a fast and severe run.

BLUE GUM.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

LONDON, *24th June 1904.*

THE Polytechnic Cycling Club have for some time now held the reputation of being the best cycle race meeting organizers in London and the first meeting of the year held by them last Saturday at the Crystal Palace track was in every way up to the average. It was a fine afternoon even if the wind was a bit troublesome to the competitors and a fair gathering of spectators put in an appearance. The event on the programme that proved the tit-bit of the meeting was the team race between four riders representing London and four representing the Rest of England. Both teams were evenly matched, London consisting of R. Janson, A. E. Wills, Leon Meredith and H. D. Buck, and the Rest by J. S. Benyon, E. Payne, C. E. Baker and A. Gell. Four heats over a mile decided the contest which resulted in a victory for the Londoners by 5 points the Rest of England have 21 points against them, to 17 against the London men. Next in importance was the five miles scratch race for the 50 guinea "Sportsman" Cup put up for the first time this year. Three heats were necessary and these were decided over a distance of two miles, leaving for the final heat over the full distance, as nice a body of speedy amateurs as any one might wish to see, who covered the five miles in 11mins. 437/5secs. The finish was of an exciting character E. Payne just snatching a victory from A. E. Wills by inches with R. Janson a good third. A one lap scratch race was won by George Calder with F. S. Wills second and A. J. Cherry, an old time racing man, third. J. S. Benyon lodged a protest against A. E. Wills for boring in the 5 miles event but the protest was overruled.

With a large proportion of the public a motor car is looked upon as a noisy ungainly vehicle that gives forth an unpleasant smell of burning oil similar to a badly trimmed domestic lamp. With the occupants of the car however, neither of these objections carry any weight, for in practice the noise is less than that of horses' hoofs and the iron tyred wheels of an ordinary carriage, and the smell does not communicate itself to the occupants of the car but is left behind. Not only so, but if the car is driven properly, and is kept clean there is no necessity whatever for any smell. The cause of smell is through oil being allowed to get on the working parts of the engine and so becoming scorched, but if all parts are systematically kept clean and free from oil there would be no unpleasant odour.

Considerable interest has been shown in a case that has been before the Lord Chief Justice in Dublin wherein a notorious cycle thief was charged with cycle stealing and ultimately sentenced to five years' penal servitude. This conviction provides a record punishment for such an offence, but, when the full circumstances are known it must be admitted that it amply fits the crime. The prisoner was one named Fern, and for years he had carried on a systematic trade, which consisted of stealing machines and selling them at a low price, lately to members of the police force. Since his arrest over a hundred machines have been traced to his nimble figures. He has served twelve months' imprisonment before for a similar offence, and yet, on his release, immediately returned to his old ways. One feels, however, that the police are greatly to blame, and purchasing these cycles at a low figure reflect gravely on their reputations.

As recently mentioned in this column, the time has arrived when the conditions governing the race for the Gordon-Bennett Cup should be revised. When the first race was held away back in 1900, no one ever anticipated that such keen rivalry would be shown by the different nations as is to-day the case, and in the wildest dreams, it was never once contemplated that to stand a chance of winning the trophy would mean the expenditure of many thousands of pounds. But such is the case to-day, and as an instance we will take the race just run in Germany and won by M. Théry, the Frenchman. The total cost of the race is estimated at no less a sum than one hundred thousand pounds. This figure is the estimate given by Mr. C. Jarrott, one of the English representatives who puts down the cost of each car to the makers as £5 000. Eighteen cars were entered in the race so the cost to the makers amounted to the enormous sum of £90,000 whilst making arrangements for the race and preparing and keeping the course, ran away with another £10,000, in all £100,000. It is not surprising, therefore, to hear, that a conference has been held between representatives of the various Automobile Clubs, where the suoject of revising the rules of the Gordon-Bennett race was discussed. So far we have not heard the result of the conference nor do we expect any drastic changes to be made. The English Automobile Club are in favour of the competition for the Cup being decided more on the lines of a reliability trial but this proposal is bound to receive a large amount of opposition from the French and German delegates.

The Automobile Club have decided to extend its fostering care to the small car of the voiturette class which may be purchased for any figure below £200, and from 29th August to 3rd September will be holding a six hundred miles reliability trial. The trials will consist of twelve non-stop runs of fifty miles each—two runs a day; all starting from the same centre and on consecutive days. There will be four classes: Class A. for cars not exceeding £125, Class B. for cars over £125 and not exceeding £150, Class C. from £150 to £175, and Class D. from £175 to £200. Hill climbing competition will also be included. Particular interest will be taken in these trials as they will bring into prominence cars that will appeal to those of moderate means. It is generally acknowledged that there is a large field open to the manufacturer who places on the market a small reliable car at a figure of about £150, for there are hundreds of people who would take up motoring if the prices were brought down to suit their pockets but who cannot afford the more expensive car nor wish to be troubled with the unreliable vehicles now on the market at £150 and under.

A cyclist proceeding along the Brighton Road last Sunday, paced by a motor bicycle had the misfortune to touch the back wheel of the pacing machine. Beyond having a nasty fall he was unhurt, but a motor car with three passengers aboard, following in the rear was upset. The driver of the car to avoid running over the fallen cyclist turned into the hedge and two of the passengers were injured, one sustaining concussion of the brain and several fractured ribs.

The National Cyclists' Union when allotting the races for the championships to the various centres have always been in the habit of including the two short events—the one mile and quarter mile—in one afternoon's riding. The question has now arisen whether it is a wise decision, for since the two distances are suitable for the same rider it means that a man must either give up his chance of winning both events or else put in herculean work by competing in both. A. L. Reed, found this out to his cost at Manchester last Saturday week. The mile championship was decided in three heats, each of which he won, and he then competed in the quarter-mile championship which likewise was divided up into heats. He won the first heat and dead-heated with Payne in the second, won the re-run by inches and then got up in the final hopelessly done up. He practically won six scratch races in one afternoon, and when whacked in the final of the quarter-mile event, the public seemed surprise. It is more than any man can do. If the Union arranged to run the mile event on the same afternoon as the twenty-five miles championship and the quarter-mile on the afternoon of the fifty miles championship it would be better for all concerned. The programme would in this way cater for the sprinters and middle distance riders, thus collecting together an array of speedmen that would be bound to attract a good attendance of spectators and so swell the coffer of the Union which, by the way, has been none too weighty of late years.

"COTTER PIN."

Cricket.

CRICKET IN POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* NIZAM'S C. C.—This match was played on the 2nd instant and resulted in an easy win for the Gymkhana. The Nizam's C. C. made but 38, while the Gymkhana put up 220 Mr. Thew (63) and Captain Greig (63) being top scorers. Captain Umfreville was in good form with the ball, taking five wickets for 10 runs. Score:—

NIZAM'S C. C.

J Pais, c Thew, b Umfreville	1
Mahomed Yussuff, c Noake, b Umfreville	7
Sh Nizamudin, b Greig	1
G Abdul Kader, b Umfreville	1
M Abdul Kader, b Umfreville	5
Sh Ibrahim, b Greig	3
A R Shaik, c and b Greig	4
Abdul Rahim, b Umfreville	1
Sh Cassim, b Kearsey	5
Umer Patel, run out	4
Lalu Mahomed, not out	2
Extras	4
Total ...	38

POONA GYMKHANA.

Mr H B Hartley, b M Kader	3
Capt Greig, st Yussuff, b Lalu Mahomed	63
Mr A S Noake, b Lalu Mahomed	0
Mr A D Wilkins, b Lalu Mahomed	11
Mr T H French, b A R Shaik	27
Mr N V Thew, c Yussuff, b Shaik	63
Mr A H Kearsey, b A R Shaik	5
Mr G Thornton, c Ibrahim, b L Mahomed	8
Mr S Ussher, c Pais, b Shaik	18
Capt Umfreville, b Yussuff	5
Capt Davidson, not out	5
Extras	12
Total ...	220

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

POONA GYMKHANA.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Mr Umfreville	9	10	5	5
Capt Greig	7	15	0	3
Mr Kearsey	1·2	7	0	1

NIZAM'S C. C.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
M Abdul Kader	25	90	1	1
Lalu Mahomed	14	40	2	4
Mahomed Yussuff	14·3	64	1	1
A R Shaik	7	14	1	4

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

HINDU GYMKHANA *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—Played on the 2nd instant, resulting in a draw. Score:—

Y. M. C. A. C. C.

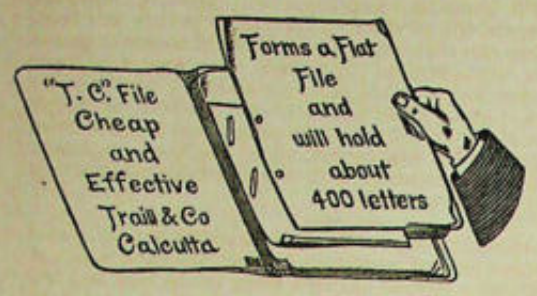
Mr F J Clarke, b Gotasker	52
Mr H Middleton, b C V Mehta	22
Mr C Horne, b Talpade	1
Mr E S Lynn, b C V Mehta	10
Mr W B George, c G E Khote, b Talpade	28
Mr E Grenan, c Gotasker, b C V Mehta	10
Mr A S Alcock, b Talpade	5
Mr R J Lee, c Telang, b C V Mehta	0
Mr A N Wash, not out	12
Mr S Alcock, c and b C V Mehta	5
Mr Deo (substitute), c Masurker, b Talpade	6
Extras	12
Total ...	163

HINDU GYMKHNA.

Masurker, c George, b Grenan	32
P K Telang, st b Grenan	77
Parshotam, not out	17
Talpade, c Lynn, b Grenan	13
W G Shete, c Horne, b Clarke	0
G E Khote, not out	10
D N Telang ... }	
T E Khote ... }	
Gotasker ... } did not bat.	
Khandeker ... }	
C V Mehta ... }	
Extras	10
Total (for 4 wkts.) ...	159

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BOMBAY GYMKHANA RESERVES *vs.* GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH C. C.—These teams met on the Telegraph ground on the 2nd instant, the game ending in a draw after an exciting finish. Score :—

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH.

Mr A D'Silva, c and b McDonald	6
Mr G Edwards, c Hamilton, b Marsh	12
Mr Netscher, c Schafer, b Dawson	11
Mr Cassels, c Fischer, b McDonald	0
Mr Leslie, b Dawson	2
Mr D'Souza b Gratwicke	4
Mr Lawrence, c Selby, c Stiffe, b Dawson	2
Mr Speechley, c Stiff, b Dawson	8
Mr Smith, b Gratwicke	6
Mr Rozario, b Gratwicke	10
Mr Desai not out	1
Extras	13
Total	75

GYMKHANA RESERVES.

Mr S M McCausland, b Rozario	13
Mr Dawson, c Lawrence, b Rozario	8
Capt McDonald, c D'Silva b Rozario	4
Mr F St Geo Gratwicke, c Cassels, b Netscher	6
Capt Stiffe b Netscher	0
Lieut Hamilton, b Rozario	0
Lieut Vibart, c Netscher, b Rozario	7
Lieut Marsh, b Netscher	6
Lieut Selby, not out	17
Lieut Schafer c D'Silva b D'Souza	5
Mr P F Fischer, c Speechley, b Netscher	0
Extras	9
Total	75

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt McDonald	8	1	18	2
Lieut Marsh	6	1	14	1
Mr Dawson	6	1	18	4
Mr Gratwicke	5·4	1	15	3
Lieut Selby	1	0	2	0

GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr Netscher	13	1	28	4
Mr Rozario	10	1	37	5
Mr D'Souza	2	0	1	1

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY.—Playing on the Gymkhana ground on the 2nd instant, the Railway men beat the home team by 66 runs. Score :—

GYMKHANA.

Mr Aston, c Walcott, b Baloo	2
Lieut Philbrick, b Bhanda	0
Mr Powell, b Baloo	18
Lieut Langhorne, b Baloo	1
Mr J S Milne, b Baloo	0
Major Carnegy, l-b-w, b Baloo	8
Capt Langhorne, not out	0
Major Baynes, run out	0
Mr J Ainsworth, c Byramjee, b Bhanda	3
Mr C G Stileman, retired (hurt)	7
Mr E E Coombs, b Baloo	12
Extras	2
Total	53

B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY.

Mr W Smith, l-b-w, b Ainsworth	4
Colabawalla, b Coombs	3
Patel, b Coombs	29
Bhanda, b Powell	47
Date c Aston, b Ainsworth	0
Baloo, c Milne, b Coombs	6
Mr Peyton, l b w, b Coombs	0
Mr Walcott, c Baynes, b Coombs	6
Byramjee not out	4
Mr Ives, l-b-w, b Coombs	3
Mr Radcliffe, b Powell	0
Extras	23
Total	125

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Bhanda	19	19	4	2
Baloo	14	21	6	6
Date*	24	11	0	0

* Bowled two no-balls.

GYMKHANA.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Mr Coombs†	19	40	6	6
Mr Ainsworth*	15	33	4	2
Mr Milne*	4	6	2	0
Mr Powell	8	22	1	2

* Each bowled a no-ball.
† Bowled a wide.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* COLABA GARRISON.—Played on the 9th instant at Colaba, the visitors winning by 84 runs. Score :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr Aston, c Price, b Cheshire	39
Mr Powell, b Price	0
Lt J Philbrick, c and b Jones	32
Mr Carnegy, b Jones	25
Mr J S Milne, b Taylor	12
Major Baynes, b Jones	0
Mr R Burney, l-b-w, b Price	19
Mr Ainsworth, c Bond, b Taylor	7
Mr E E Coombs, c Gulley, b Price	3
Capt MacDonald, not out	2
Mr Richardson, hit wicket, b Price	0
Extras	5
Total	144

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Capt Price	96	30	5	4
Gr Jones	48	33	2	2
Lt Taylor	54	33	2	2
Pte Gulley	36	6	3	0
Sergt Cheshire	36	18	1	1
Lt Jones	36	24	1	1

COLABA GARRISON.

Sergt Langley, c and b Ainsworth	6
Sergt Cheshire, b Coombs	13
Corpl Price, c Burney, b Ainsworth	0
Pte Gulley c Carnegy, b Ainsworth	22
Capt Langhorne, b Coombs	6
Capt Bond, c Philbrick, b Ainsworth	3
Mr Birkley, b Coombs	0
Mr Jones, c Carnegy, b Ainsworth	2
Mr Taylor b Coombs	5
Gr Jones, not out	6
Pte Hanman, b Coombs	2
Extras	1
Total	60

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Mr Coombs	67	35	3	5
Mr Ainsworth	66	84	2	5

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

INDIAN SERVICES *vs.* THE REST.—Played on the 7th instant, the Services having an easy win. General Nixon trundled with great success, capturing 7 wickets for 21 runs, while the batting of Messrs. Hanson, Moss-King and Captain Copeland was a feature of the match. Score :—

THE REST.

H R Bowen, b Manson	4
H G Young, c Hanson, b Harris	0
R F Copper, c and b Nixon	38
H Wagstaffe, c and b Nixon	0
D Raymond, b Nixon	22
G H Raleigh, b Nixon	5
R L Galloway, b Manson	9
Lieut Bell, b Nixon	7
Major Marsh, b Nixon	1
Lieut, Browne, b Nixon	5
Lieut Massie not out	1
Extras	8
Total	100

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Harris	36	18	1	1
Manson	60	45	0	2
Nixon	48	21	1	7
Copeland	12	8	0	0

INDIAN SERVICES.

General Nixon, b Raymond	7
Capt Copeland, c Massie, b Bowen	49
Mr Hanson, c Cooper, b Bowen	29
Mr Manson, c Bowen, b Cooper	91
Mr Moore, c and b Wagstaffe	24
Mr Moss-King, b Bowen	53
Mr Harris, c and b Cooper	0
Capt Firth, c Raleigh, b Cooper	10
Mr Wilkieson, b Cooper	7
Capt Dredge, not out	14
Major Jollie, not out	20
Mr Ruck, did not bat	0
Extras	48
Total (for 9 wickets)	352

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Raymond	30	28	0	1
Cooper	108	83	1	4
Bowen	96	114	0	3
Marsh	30	32	0	0
Wagstaffe	30	37	0	1
Young	12	10	0	0

CRICKET CHAT.

THE Karachi Gymkhana have to be congratulated on two most creditable victories over the Borahs and the Parsees, and if any doubt existed before as to the team being the strongest the Gymkhana have been able to place in the field since 1898 when A. P. Douglas skippered the side, it has been removed by their recent performances. Against the Borahs in a low scoring match the Gymkhana with a total of 107 was able to claim a victory by 21 runs, a result largely due to the batting of G. T. Lucas and G. W. Wilson who scored 37 and 26 respectively and were responsible for more than half the total. Lucas' all round play was the chief feature of the match for in addition to his fine innings he captured six wickets for 28

runs. Strange to say although successful with the bat against the Parsees he could hardly do anything with the ball. the only wicket he took costing 35 runs. The match against the Parsees was a very exciting one and was won by the Gymkhana by 16 runs. Captain Price who scored 41 out of the total of 110 and Lieutenant Merriman who captured four wickets for 19 runs had the chief hand in the victory, but O. M. Barnes who took two wickets for 7 runs and E. B. Newton who took two for 27 including that of N. M. Dinshaw, the Parsee crack, whom he bowled for a duck, also deserved well of their side. F. L. Sprott for once in a way did not do much, scoring only 4. while Wilson who performed so well against the Borahs was dismissed for the same figure. None of the Parsee bowlers came out with particularly good analysis, N J. Mobed's three wickets costing 40 runs. I should mention that Captain Price in the slips brought off no less than five catches and his form in the match so delighted a Parsee admirer that he presented him with a bat at the end of the match. S. B. Contractor, a Bombay player, with 20 was top scorer for the Parsees. A second innings was commenced in which they scored 94 for six wickets. G. M. Dinshaw (37) and N. M. Dinshaw (33), doing well. F. L. Sprott, I hear on good authority, will be unable to get up to Bombay for the Presidency Match next month. He will be a distinct loss.

The Ahmedabad season should be a busy and interesting one judging from the pretentious list of fixtures arranged. Nearly all last season's players have left the station, but their places have been filled by several very promising players. The opening match, which was against Guzerat College, resulted in an easy win for the Station who reached a total of 269 against their opponents' 78. The foundation of this big total was laid by Major Clifford who compiled exactly 100 and J. C. Jukes who contributed 81.

An interesting match was played at Bellary recently between the Garrison and the School of Musketry resulting in an easy win for the latter by 164 runs. The Garrison team was far from being representative, C. W Watney, the old Sherbornian, H. J. H. Davson, and E Dickson, three of the best players being absent. The feature of the match was the bowling of V. de Hoghton of the Lincolnshire Regiment, who took eight Garrison wickets for 30 runs, seven of them clean bowled. Most of the School reached double figures, Lieutenant Watson (46) and Captain Matthews (46) being the largest contributors to the total of 235, while Lieutenant Mitford (34), Lieutenant Rolls (22), Lieutenant Homan (21), Lieutenant S. L. Wace (17) and Lieutenant Horn (16) all shaped well.

The Poona Gymkhana placed a team in the field against the local Mahomedan Club last week which on paper was strong enough to have given the Parsees a good game. The side consisted of Captain J. G. Greig, Captain H. K. Umfreville, the old Brightonian, A. D. Wilkins, the old Bedfordshire county player H. B. Hartley, a very promising new player, who has just joined the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, A. S. Noake, N. V. Thew, G. Thornton, S. Ussher, T. H. French, A. H. C. Kearsey and Captain Davidson. The result was an easy win for the Gymkhana by 185 runs, Greig and Thew each making 63 Umfreville who was making his *début* in Poona cricket bowled very well, taking five wickets for 16 runs. If he can keep up this form he will be a great acquisition to the Gymkhana in the department of the game that it is weakest. Of the new players in Poona this season the most promising are H. B. Hartley, S. Langton, Captain Umfreville, G Thornton, and N. V. Thew.

Two players whom I would bring to the notice of the Presidency Selection Committee are W. R. C. Laverton, of the Seaforth Highlanders stationed at Nusseerabad, who played for Harrow in several matches in 1899, and R. H. Montgomery, of the 1900 Tonbridge XI. The first-named is a good all-round player and when he can get a wicket to suit him is a very dangerous bowler. The latter is a hard-hitting bat and has made some runs at Quetta during the past season. The last match of the Simla season, between Visitors and Residents, which resulted in a win for the Residents by four wickets and 13 runs was hardly as interesting as the other matches that have been played at Annandale this season. For the Visitors whose team included General J. Spens, the old Hampshire county. A. G. G. Pullan payer, the well-known United Provinces player, Captain H. C. Laverton, of the Black Watch, Major Stainforth, the old Tonbridgian, Captain M. E. McConaghey, the old Cliftonian, and S. W. Coxon, the Calcutta player, General Spens (39) and J. C. Tritton (36) were the principal contributors to the total of 145. Lieutenant V A. Keighley (22), Captain Laverton (17), and Major Tod (12 not out) also reached double figures. S. N. Robinson and O. F. Lumsden the two well-known Lahore cricketers divided the wickets. For the Residents Captain F. G. Smallwood (36). Captain C. C. Onslow (31) Captain W. A. Stokes (25). and H. C. Sparke (26) made nearly all the runs. The principal batting averages in four matches are as follows:—E. L. French 31·1, Captain Smallwood 30·3, Captain McConaghey 25, Sergeant Mitchell 24, S. M. Robinson 17·3, and General Spens 16·4. H. Hensman has taken 18 wickets, S. M. Robinson 17, Laverton 11, and Lumsden 9.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

FOOTBALL IN CALCUTTA.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—This match, arranged by the Calcutta League in the cause of charity, was brought off on the C. F. C. ground last Saturday. There was a huge gathering of spectators, and with pleasant weather conditions and an exciting game, the afternoon's sport was altogether a great success. The Military kicked off, took the ball down and Street was called upon to save. The Civilians worked the ball back and fast and even play followed. Rosser and H. Sherman being conspicuous. Each team forced a corner, but without further success, and the interval arrived with a blank sheet. On resuming, the game continued fast, and both goals were besieged, but the forwards failed to score. At last a foul against Reeves gave the Civilians their chance and Margrett sent in a high shot, which Roberts just saved, and Rosser being handy put through. The Soldiers played hard and Woodings equalised with a fine shot. Play ruled fast and exciting and each custodian was kept busy. From a centre by Kerr just before time Bonar beat Roberts, the Civilians thus winning by two goals to one. Teams:—

CIVIL.—Street (*Dalhousie*), *goal;* Margrett (*Rangers*), and Stimson (*Dalhousie*), *backs;* Phelps (*Dalhousie*), Lees (*Rangers*), and Fooler (*Y. M. C. A.*), *half-backs;* H. Sherman (*Calcutta*), Bonar (*Dalhousie*), Rosser (*Rangers*), V. Sherman (*Calcutta*), and Kerr (*Hesketh*), *forwards.*

MILITARY.—Roberts (*Ridings*), *goal;* Evans (*Ridings*), and Mellor (*King's*), *backs;* Quinn (*King's*), Turner and Reeves (*Ridings*), *half-backs;* Wittingham (*King's*), Carman (*King's*), Wilson (*Ridings*), Woodings (*Ridings*), and Jones (*King's*), *forwards.*

Referee.—Mr. J. F. Greig.

Linesmen.—Messrs. V. Cooper and Colour-Sergeant Morrell.

Goal Judges.—Messrs. C. L. Hodgson and P. J. McInnes.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

KING'S OWN *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—These teams met on the Calcutta ground on the 6th instant The match was an uninteresting one the Regiment being victorious by three goals to *nil.* Owing to the heavy rain during the day the ground was in a wretched state, and the wet and greasy ball hard to control. Carman scored for the King's Own in the first half and Quinn and Carman in the second. Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Sinker, *goal*: Standish and Mellor, *backs*; Leonard, Ennis and Quinn, *half-backs*; Jones, Diggle, Ashworth, Carman and Wittingham, *forwards.*

Y. M. C. A.—Stokes, *goal*; Glover and Scully, *backs*; Schaumberg, Pooler and Collingwood, *half-backs*; Mitchell Redmond, Lamb, Gordon and Critchley, *forwards.*

Referee.—Colour-Sergeant Morrell.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE West Ridings' team won their last League match against Howrah by two goals to love and thereby secured their position as third in the Competition with a total of 16 points to their credit and a score of 21 goals against 11; a most excellent performance. Howrah have escaped being last in the table merely by having a better goal average than the Y. M. C. A., so the struggle for the wooden spoon has been as close as that for the leading position.

On Wednesday the King's Own and Y. M. C. A. met on the Calcutta ground, the regimental ground being quite unfit for play. The soldier members of the Y. M. team turned out to a man, but did not seem to put much spirit into their play, the forwards being especially slow on the ball and missing several chances. The best man on the field was Stokes, who kept goal for the Y. M. Considering the state of the goal areas and the ball the exhibition he gave has not been equalled in Calcutta this season. Besides other brilliant play he stopped a penalty kick and of the three goals scored against him one was put in by one of his own side and another was from a penalty. The King's Own eleven made a very medium display, and on the whole the game was not very interesting to watch. The Y. M. C. A. thus finish their season at the bottom of the League table in spite of the support received from the military. The King's Own have a total of 19 points to their credit and a goal average of 3·3, and unless the premier Civilian Club have a run of luck against the Rangers, the Locke Cup will once more pass into the possession of a military team.

There can be no two opinions on the success of the League Charity Match on Saturday last, and it is to be hoped it will be made an annual fixture. The day was fine, the crowd was enormous (almost a record one *outside* the enclosures) and in good humour, and the whole show went with a swing from start to finish. Contrary to expectations the game was a most exciting one and so closely contested that the winners were not discovered till just one minute before time was called. Considering that most of the players had little knowledge of each other's game the combination displayed, was very good and there was very little selfish play. Street, whose right to the post of goalkeeper had been freely criticised, came out of the ordeal with flying colors and gave a tip-top exhibition. Margrett was also strong at back, though, of course, not up to poor Todd, and Bonar, who stepped into the forward line in the absence of H. Cooper, acquitted himself very creditably. The Shermans were as usual very prominent in the forward line, and though the halves were a bit shaky at times, the whole of the Civil XI worked well together and well upheld the honor of local football. For the military Roberts justified his selection as goalkeeper, and in the back division the three halves and Mellor were the recipients of a large amount of applause for the excellent defence they put up against a fast line of forwards. In the forward line the King's Own representatives were the pick. and Street had several stiff shots to tackle from the left wing, but the whole line gave an excellent display. A fitting end to the proceedings was the presentation of medals to the winning team by Mrs. E. F. Carter, and the League Committee are to be congratulated on the success which crowned their efforts on behalf of charity. The sum to be divided between the Hospital Nursing Institution, the Little Sisters of the Poor and a military charity is, I understand, well over a thousand rupees

The ties in the Trades' Cup Competition are being played off gradually, the Medicals, National Association and Mohun Bagan being still in the running. The most keenly contested game so far was that between the National Association and St. Joseph's, the former just managing to win by one goal after a draw. There have been the usual number of protests from the junior native clubs, but provided the weather keeps propitious, the competition will, no doubt, be conducted to a successful issue within the specified time.

"C" Company of the King's Own had no difficulty in disposing of the Calcutta "B" Team in the finals for the Sarma Cup which came off on Monday. Had the Medicals not been disqualified there would, no doubt, have been a different tale to tell and the chances are that the Cup would not have gone into the Fort. "C" Company are to be congratulated. They play a good game, and will most probably annex some more "pots" before the season closes.

The entries for the Shield this year are very disappointing. The 79th R. G. A. and West Ridings are not among the number so the only military representatives are the King's Own and the Royal Irish Rifles. Local sportsmen are particularly disappointed at the non-entry of the Dum-Dum teams as they have played such a good game throughout the League and seem to have a good chance of getting into the Shield finals. The Royal Irish are, of course, an unknown quantity and a lot depends on the draw, but with a little luck one of the Civilian clubs should annex the Shield The entries are:—Calcutta, Dalhousie, Rangers, Howrah, Y. M. C. A, King's Own, Royal Irish, Hare Sporting, Chinsurah, Caledonians, Hornets and Sova Bazar.

The League teams stand as below at present (Tuesday evening) and Calcutta will have to play one of the hardest games of the season to alter their position from second to first. The odds, at any rate on paper, are in favour of the King's Own retaining their present position but whichever club annexes the Cup they will have thoroughly deserved it:—

Teams.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn	Points.	Goals. For	Goals. Against.
King's Own ...	12	9	2	1	19	30	9
Calcutta ...	11	8	2	1	17	21	7
West Ridings ...	12	8	4	0	16	21	11
Rangers ...	11	5	2	4	14	13	11
Dalhousie ...	12	2	8	2	6	6	13
Howrah ...	12	1	8	3	5	4	23
Y. M. C. A ...	12	1	8	3	5	2	23

"TOUCH."

The latest rat-trap is described by a contemporary as a mirror which "tempts the rodents to drown themselves in water." The rat apparently looks at himself in this glass, and then immediately rushes off to the sink, turns on the water-tap, fills a pail, and pops in. It is a miracle that the distorting mirrors at Earl's Court do not have the same effect on mortals.

Golf.

CALCUTTA LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

ALLIED PAIRS HANDICAP.—This competition which was brought off last week resulted in a win for Mrs. Arnold Jenkins and Mr. W. C. Beaumont. The following are the scores of those who returned cards:—

Mrs Jenkins ... / Mr Beaumont ...	90—	13	=77
Mrs Ormond ... / Mr Ormond ...	88—	8	=80
Mrs Warrington ... / Mr T D Wood ...	91—	11	=80
Mrs Haythorne ... / Mr Sidey ...	94—	11	=83
Mrs Firminger ... / Mr Geo Walker ...	84—	scr	=84
Mrs Cowan ... / Mr Cowan ...	99—	12	=87
Mrs Macpherson ... / Mr Justice Brett ...	94—	7	=87
Mrs Bruce ... / Mr Bruce ...	93—	4	=89
Mrs Brett ... / Mr Quin ...	104—	12	=92

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

16th June 1904.

PLACE aux dames! The Irish Ladies' Championship has been occupying the thoughts of all concerned or in any way connected with the event during the past week. Lahinch is a beautiful Links, well kept, well turfed, well bunkered, and well greened, an ideal spot for any trial of skill. The entry was not a very large one, but quite enough to enable the winner to feel that she had earned her victory, and deserved it thoroughly. Twenty competitors drew byes and passed unmolested into the second round; there was sorrow and disappointment when Miss Rhona Adair and Miss M. G. Stuarts cratched without playing at all, but Miss V. Hazlet got a w. o. from the former and passed straight away into the third heat, and Miss Gubbins disposed of Miss Exham, to whom Miss Stuart hads cratched. There were seven other w. o's. Miss Martin, Mrs. Sharman, Crawford, Miss McGaw, Mrs. H. L. Jackson, Miss Perry, Mrs. Maher, and Lady Aileen Wyndham-Quin, and it always seems a pity that it should be so "is there no remedy?" it's a vexed question, and one that will and can never be answered satisfactorily. In the second round all the three Misses Hezlet survived and all but the youngest had drawn byes at first, as also survived Miss Walker-Leigh, and these three went through the third and fourth rounds equally triumphantly, and with Miss Walker-Leigh entered the semi-final stage, when the Misses May and Violet, Hezlet were opposed to one another, whilst the youngest, Miss F., had as opponent last year's Open Runner-up—this match proved a close struggle, the latter winning on the 19th green. At the turn the players were all square, the next three went to Miss Hezlet, but missing her drive at the 15th, after halves at the 13th and 14th her lead was reduced to two, and she also lost the 16th which left her 1 up and 2 to go. Again missing her drive at the 17th her opponent took advantage and squared the match, and the home hole being halved, they went to the 19th, here Miss Hezlet found the bunker guarding the green and Miss Walker-Leigh getting down in a perfect four qualified for the final. Meanwhile Miss Mary Hezlet had also qualified by an easy victory of 8 up and 7 over Miss Violet, Miss Walker-Leigh in the final against Miss Hezlet secured the first hole in 4, Miss Hezlet, however, squared matters at the second by a perfect 4, and Miss Leigh did not again get the lead, she gained the third and by holing a long putt at the 4th was two up; Miss Walker-Leigh won the next hole, but Miss Hazlet took the following 4 and became 3 up at the turn. The 10th and 11th she lost, but took the 12th and eventually won the Irish Championship by 3 up and to 2 play. Whilst on the subject of this gifted lady, a word about the very excellent and most interesting book she has recently brought out, entitled "Lady's Golf" and which is published by Hutchinson and Company, Paternoster Row. The book has 33 illustrations, including pictures of a number of the best lady players in the act of making their strokes, is full of incident, most highly spoken of and reviewed, and is no cover most helpful and entertaining.

And now we must away to the little Cinque Ports Town, in the Corner of the "Garden of England" where Greek was meeting Greek. It was a difficult day for Golf at Sandwich on Saturday 4th June a strong wind blowing from the North-East when the Professionals International match took place This consisted of singles and foursomes and resulted in a tie of 8 matches each. Although two to the bad on the singles England was leading by 8 to 7 before the last four some couple came in with a win for Scotland which squared the great contest. The results of the singles were:

ENGLAND.		SCOTLAND.	
Harry Vardon ...	0	James Braid ...	0
J H Taylor ...	0	Alec Herd ...	0
Tom Vardon ...	0	Willie Park ...	1
E Ray ...	0	Jack White ...	1
A H Toogood ...	1	J Kinnell ...	0
Rowland Jones ...	0	B Sayers ...	1
J Sherlock ...	0	A Kircaldy ...	1
E Collins ...	0	R Thomson ...	1
T Renouf ...	1	G Coburn ...	0
G Pulford ...	1	Archie Simpson ...	0
T Williamson ...	1	Willie Fernie ...	0
E Gray ...	0	C Ralph Smith ...	1
	4		6

In the foursomes both Vardon and Gray, and Braid and Smith went round in about 79, and but for the fact that Vardon was putting badly the Englishman would have won the match. The results of the foursomes were:—

ENGLAND.		SCOTLAND.	
H Vardon and Gray ...	0	Braid and Smith ...	1
Taylor and Williamson	1	Herd and Fernie ...	0
T Vardon and Pulford	1	Park and Simpson ...	0
Ray and Renouf ...	1	White and Coburn ...	0
Toogood and Collins ...	1	Kinnell and Thomson ...	0
Jones and Sherlock ...	0	Sayers and Kircaldy ...	1
	4		2

On Monday 6th, on the Deal Links, at the invitation of the Cinque Ports Club a 36 holes Stroke Competition was held by the Professional Golfers Association. In addition to the two prizes given by the Club there was a large donation to the benevolent fund. In consequence of the imminence of the Open Championship several of the leading professionals did not enter, fearing the strain, among those were Harry and Tom Vardon, Sandy Herd and Jack White. The weather was awful, and low scoring quite impossible. The two rounds resulted in a tie for first place between H. Harris (Brough), W. Fernie (Troon), and J. Rowe (Ashdown Forest) in 161. The morning prize of 18 holes was tied for in 79 by Harris, Wynne and Taylor, the afternoon prize went to Fernie in an excellent 76. Thirty nine Professionals returned their two cards.

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The Open Championship! The entry of 144 for this event necessitated an extra day being set apart; the competition began on 7th June over the Royal St George's Links at Sandwich. Two rounds were given to the first two days and then a fresh draw took place, and those players who were 20 or more strokes behind the leading score were compelled to retire In the first round the best card returned was one of 75 by R. Thomson; (Braids successor at Romford). The weather was fine but a strong wind blew from the North-East the whole day. It was particularly bad in the afternoon, for it seemed to blow in strong gusts from every part of the compass at the same moment. The Amateur Champion, had a large following strange (or perhaps from a golfer's experience of 10 years I should say not strange) to say he was quite off his putting, and those of the spectators who had invested the previous week in a Norton's Schenektady Putter, now wanted to get rid of the mistakable tool!! Thomson's score of 75 was closely followed by Mr. Jack Graham's 76, heading the amateurs, and this was equalled by Harry Vardon, then came Tom Vardon, James Braid and J H. Taylor all with 77 and with an 80 some way down the list came the next amateur Mr. Maxwell. Again in the second round the early starters had all the best of the weather. R. Thomson playing consistently good golf somewhat surprised everybody by returning another low card of 76 which brought his qualifying aggregate to 151, but again the great point of his game lay in the putting, he was getting everything down on the green, and his figures were wonderful, considering that he three times missed his Tee shot going out. On this day those who were lucky enough to go round with J. Sherloch, the Oxford University Club Professional saw a feat hitherto unequalled in an open championship, that is, the return of a card totalling 71 made up as follows:—out 4, 6, 3, 4, 4, 3, 5, 3, 3=35. In 5, 4 3, 6, 5, 4, 3, 3, 3=36-71 he played two bad holes—a pulled Tee shot at the second and three putts on the 13th green otherwise his game was absolutely faultless. The Amateur Champion was again putting indifferently well, was off his driving, and his 88 compelled him to retire at the end of the day. It was left to the holder to establish a better standard for the compulsory retirement of those 20 or more strokes behind the best, which up to 6 o'clock was still R. Thomson's score of 151. Harry Vardon came in most opportunely or unopportunely with 73 which with his 76 the previous day made him 149. He played superb golf throughout the round; the gale had somewhat abated after 3 o'clock which materially assisted his long game. As on the preceding day the best return of an amateur was Mr. Jack Graham's repetition of 76—and curiously enough the second amateur's return Mr. R. Maxwell's showed also a repetition of his previous day's score 80!

All agog next day went out 52 players (of whom 29 were prosionals and only 6 amateurs namely, Messrs W. Graham, Maxwell, John Ball, Worthington, Mure Fergusson and Blackwell survived) to play in the final stages, of those 52 Willie Fernie, Amand Massey, and Pulford scratched, there had been much rain during the night and the greens were in consequence much less fiery, and there was an almost total absence of wind and sunshine which made the day perfect for golf. Braid seemed to be in a very comfortable position when his morning's card showed 69, by which he led the field at the end of the first round, but White followed up a morning round of 72 with a 69 and Braid was left to do another 69 to retain his lead on the third round aggregate. At the last Tee he had a 3 to tie with White; the excitement was intense, but after a magnificent drive within 40 yards of the bunker guarding the home green he overran the hole and failed to get down the 12 yards putt. Meanwhile Taylor, too, had arrived at the 18 Tee wanting a 3 to tie with White's aggregate, but the differences was that Taylor was 64 from 17 holes. In two fine shots he reached the green leaving himself a 10 yards putt to tie but the ball trickled along the edge of the hole and the four then brought his round to 68 and established a record for the Open Championship. Jack White is well worthy of the highest honours in the game, he was runner up on the same links five years ago, he now takes the Championship back over the Border to bonnie Scotland! As is well known to all by now the rounds of the first three heading the list were as follows:—

Jack White	... 80	75	72	69	296
James Braid	... 77	80	69	71	297
J H Taylor	... 77	78	74	68	297

Ten years ago when Taylor won the "Open" at Sandwich with 326 the score was considered a very fine one, five years later Harry Vardon won with 310 and now Jack White has brought it off with 296. These are remarkable facts and the rapid improvement in scoring is not to be accounted for by any equivalent change in the conditions. The Links are precisely the same length as ten years ago, and the Bunkers have undergone no change. Clubs too are much the same, and the only new factor is the rubber cored ball, but any advantage conferred by it was discounted this year by the extreme narrowess of the course which with the high winds blowing made the increased length gained by using the rubber cored balls a dangerous and doubtful blessing. The truth is the standard of golf is steadily improving in all the branches of the game. The old idea for stroke play was the "Safety" game, now all is changed it is neck or nothing. If a hole can be reached in 2 shots the attempt must be made whatever is betide and much practise has given players confidence to attempt and accomplish successfully the most daring strokes; and the whole game has thereby been elevated to a higher plane of achievement such is the condensed opinion of one who knows and understands and doubtless there is even more in it than meets the eye.

M. E. S.

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

Friday, 8th July, 1904.

FOUR LENGTHS HANDICAP.—Two heats in this competition were swum off this evening. In the first heat Mr. G. Brown won from scratch and in the second heat Mr. A B. Siddons won with 6secs. Start Results:—

FIRST HEAT.

G Brown (scratch; time, 1min 46secs) ...	... 1
L Prike (16secs start; time, 2mins 3secs) ...	... 2
H G Remfry (17secs start; time 2mins 8⅘secs)	... 3
R Jones (24secs start; time, 2mins 16secs) ...	... 4

SECOND HEAT.

A B Siddons (6secs start; time, 1min 53secs)	... 1
W Govan (12secs start; time, 2mins 1⅘secs)...	... 2
W S Willson (22secs start; time, 2mins 13⅘secs)	... 3
F B Prike (24secs) did not finish.	

The final heat will take place to morrow evening.

The Naturalist.

STRAY NOTES.

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MELANISM AMONGST PANTHERS.

I DO not know if the information is of any value beyond being corroborative, but on 20th March, some forest employés working in the forest near Hopin in the Bhamo District of Upper Burma came upon a black female leopard with cubs in a large hollow tree. They returned to camp and came out with an elephant, which scared the mother leopard and she bolted. The men were then able to secure the cubs, one of which was black, while the other was the ordinary spotted yellow kind. The latter died, but the black one is alive and doing well, and I propose to take him home next month for the London Zoo. This seems to make it perfectly clear that the black leopard is only a freak.

The cub I now have has a number of solitary white hairs all over the body and legs, and the whiskers are pure white In certain lights the ordinary leopard spots can be distinctly seen, being jet black on a muddy black fur. I hope to watch the development of colour.

T. A. HAUXWELL,
Conservator of Forests.

THE OCCURRENCE OF RARE BIRDS IN INDIA.

On the 7th instant a fine male specimen of the pink footed goose (*Anser brachyrhynchus*) was brought to me by a native *shikari*. The bird was one of a flock of about forty geese, probably not all of this species, and was shot on the banks of the Brahmaputra whilst working up stream preparatory to migration to North-East China. The colours of the soft parts were as follows:—Iris, red-brown; feet, brilliant crimson-pink; bill, brilliant crimson-pink; commissure of lower mandible, yellowish; nail, black, but the edges paler.

Mr. N. S. Mondy saw two birds, which he believed to be of this species, in a large gaggle of geese on a chur in the same river. He could not get near enough for a shot, but, even at the distance he was, the feet and bill were rendered conspicuous by their brilliant colour.

Mr More shot two female ducks (*Anas zonorhyncha*) on the Sissi bheel on the 6th March. The birds were two out of a flock of about forty. It would seem, therefore, that *zonorhyncha* and not *poecilorhyncha* is the typical form of spot-bill found in the extreme East of Assam. In Cachar, Manipore and Gowhatty the form is *poecilorhyncha*.

E. C STUART BAKER, F.Z.S.

DIBRUGARH, ASSAM, *22nd March, 1904.*

THE MEASUREMENTS OF THE LARGEST PAIR OF INDIAN BISON'S HORNS (*BOS GAURUS*) IN THE POSSESSION OF THE BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

Length of Right Horn, round the curve ...	... 39"
Do Left do do ...	... 39½"
Round the entire sweep of both horns	... 93½"
Circumference of Right Horn, at the base	... 20½"
Do Left do do ...	... 20¼"
Space between the tips, straight across	... 18½"
Inside span	... 35½"
Outside span	... 43½"

According to Mr. R. Lydiekker, the gaur's head in this Society's Museum, the measurements of which are given above, is the largest specimen on record. The animal is said to have been killed by wild dogs in Salwen in Burma, and was presented to us by Mr. A. J. A. Jardine in 1897.

LATE STAY OF SNIPE.

Last hot weather an orderly came to me one afternoon and brought news that in some paddy fields that had recently been flooded by Burmans a considerable quantity of snipe had congregated together. As I had thought to see no more of these birds that season, I was somewhat sceptical as to the truth of the report. The first time on which I paid these inundated fields a visit, I had ridden thirty miles in the morning; but as two friends were arriving on the following day, I made up my mind to prospect the swamp and see whether it would be worthwhile giving them an outing. The following three excerpts from my shooting diary may be of general interest, not on account of the average number of cartridges per bird, for the shooting was very indifferent, but by reason of the dates and the size of the bags:—

29th March, Kalemyo.—16 snipe, 1 redshank, 1 snippet (shot by mistake out of a whisp); self out. My gun did not arrive from Kalewa till 4 P.M., light very bad, and birds wild; lost two more. Out of the last six shots only one bird was hit, which eventually settled in very high grass, but darkness interrupted the search. Expended 49 cartridges.

30th March, Kalemyo.—M—B—and self out in afternoon. Total 14 couple. I was not shooting as straight as usual as guns walked too far apart and birds got up rather wild.

4th April Kalemyo.—Self out. Birds wild and day very hot. One of my boots fell to pieces. 19 snipe. 50 cartridges expended.

On the first day I could not have commenced shooting before 4-30 P. M., as the fields under water were a full mile from my bungalow. As the extract shews, the last few shots were fired in semi-darkness. This, coupled with the fact that I had just arrived from a 30-mile ride, was hardly conducive to straight shooting. The second effort on 30th March was rendered a failure by the other two guns constantly breaking the line in pursuit of flushed birds that had got up out of range and settled again at no great distance. 4th April was the best day of the three, and, had not the sole of my boot come off, the bag would have been larger.

The heat of the sun was terrific, and it was almost an impossibility to keep the hands on the barrels after firing a right and left.

I did not again venture out after them as on the 13th April I was after gaur

These snipe were evidently on their migratory trip northwards.

Whether the flooded piece of land received new recruits every night between the above dates I am unable to state Even in the heat of the day the birds were extremely wild, but there was no lack of numbers. I am positive they were not there for breeding purposes, as the area was far too much disturbed.

KALEMYO, UPPER CHINDWIN. W. H. LANE, CAPT., I. A.,
9th, February 1904. *Burma Military Police.*

In a recent number of the Journal (page 344) of this volume Captain Lester has a note on the occurrence of snipe at Anmod, near Castle Rock on the 7th, 12th and 20th of April. I recollect falling in with some on a later date and at a point further South namely, Honore (officially Honavar), in the North Canara District. On the 11th of April 1899, I found a number of snipe in a small path of rice in a sheltered valley, and shot four of them. Next day I got two in the same place. There were more, and I recollect that they seemed very tame; but I was shooting atrociously, and the area was so limited that they soon left it. Two years after, being in camp at Honore again, I went to the same spot on the 21st of April, but found only two birds. My impression at the time was that this was a place where seclusion and good fare tempted a few birds to defer their migration.

KARACHI, *2nd March 1904.* E. H. AITKEN.

THE BOLDNESS OF PANTHERS.

A short time ago I was camping at the village of B. J. near M., in Central India, when *khabar* was brought to me of two panthers which had killed and eaten a young buffalo belonging to another village about three miles away; so I determined to try and shoot one of them at least. I at once bought two goats and tied them up and sat over one in a *machhaan*; they were both placed in *nalas* not far from the village, but nothing came near my goat the whole night and I heard no sounds of anything; but in the morning my native *shikari* told me that the other goat had been killed about 4 A.M., and that one hind leg had been eaten; so the next night I sat over this kill, and had the other goat taken back to the village

The kill was lying in the dry stony bed of a stream which at this spot had low banks; there were a few big boulders about, but these were not in the way for shootting. About twenty yards away there was a very small pool of water, but this was just out of sight of the *machhaan*, which was placed about 20 yards from the goat in a tree about 15 feet from the ground.

I got into the *machhaan* at 5-15, but nothing appeared, except mongoose and birds to drink, till 8-30, when a panther suddenly rushed up the *nala*, making a good deal of noise and seized the goat by the remaining hind leg and tried to drag it off, but it was firmly tied to a bush stump He then rushed away to the pool to drink and at 8-40 P.M. again returned to the kill. It was then only just light enough to see the panther, as the moon had not risen. I had two shots and missed both barrels, the panther going away to my right in some thin bushy jungle broken up with small *nalas*.

At 9-45 p.m. I heard a panther growl almost directly underneath where I was sitting, but I could not see it, as the *machhaan* and tree were in the way.

At 11-20 a second panther came and I again missed with both barrels; this panther was only a half-grown cub judging from its size; as it was very small indeed. It went away to the right front into the same piece of jungle as the first panther had gone.

From midnight till 1-15 A.M. there was continuous growling about 30 to 50 yards away to the right front, where the two panthers had gone. At 1-20 A.M a third panther came to the

goat and began to eat, and this time I wounded it slightly, as in the morning we discovered a few drops of blood about 20 yards from the goat in the direction where it had gone, to the left front, but the ground was too hard for tracking, and we never found it.

At 3 40 a.m. a fourth panther started eating, but this time I had better luck and shot it dead first shot, the bullet entering the right side of the nose and breaking away two inches of the lower left jaw bone; he evidently died practically at once, as I never saw or heard him move again and we found him with his head lying in the middle of the goat's body.

At 4-3 A.M. there was a good deal of growling close to the goat but inside the line of bushes, and I could see nothing; but at 4-7 A.M. I saw a panther walking round the goat in a circle of about 5 yards radius, looking at the dead panther (a male—this, one the fifth, was a female). This time again I killed it first shot, the bullet breaking the back-bone, and I found her in the morning in the exact place where she was when I fired; she answered the shot with a deep growl, but I never saw or heard her move again, and she must have also died almost at once.

At 4-30 A.M. the moon went behind a big hill and it got very dark; however nothing more came and at 5-30 A.M. I got down and inspected the results.

The following are the measurements I took almost immediately afterwards:—

	1st, male.	2nd, female.
	Inches.	Inches.
Length from tip of nose to tip of tail, straight	78	68
Length following the curves of back, &c. ...	83	70
Length of tail	29¾	27¼
" " head from tip of nose to tip of nape	11¼	9
Girth of upper forearm	10	7¾
" " body	32½	25¼
Height at shoulder, standing position ...	26	22½
" " paw stretched out ...	29	24¼
Length of hind leg from stifle joint to tip of paw	10	8¾

You will notice that in the male the girth of the forearm and length of hind leg are the same, 10"; but in the female the girth of the forearm is one inch less than the length of the hind leg.

The next night I sat up again over the same kill, but as this was my third night up I was very sleepy indeed. I had been unable to sleep during the day on account of the heat; consequently at 9-30 P.M. I fell asleep and did not wake till exactly midnight. I then discovered the second hind leg of the goat had been eaten and that it had also been moved about 4 yards; I managed to keep awake after this, and at 12-58 a panther came and started to eat, but I missed both barrels, and he never came again, and at 5-45 A.M. I got down from the *machhaan*.

This, I think, accounts for five panthers at one kill in one night.

There were the two I shot; and the half-grown cub and the wounded one (4) which cannot have been either of those I shot later, as both of them had only one wound; also there was the one that came first of all at 8-3 P.M. Now this may possibly have been the one I wounded later, or one of those I shot, but if either of these be the case, how can the one that came the second night be accounted, as it was much too big to be the half-grown cub? If it had anything to do with the killing of the goat it would in all probability have come the first night, or else it shows that panthers will eat carrion. It may possibly have been the wounded one, but as it was only evidently slightly wounded it would be quite able to kill food for itself. On the second night it did not appear to have anything the matter with it, and did not walk at all lame. Of course it is well known that panthers will return to a kill after having been shot at from a *machhaan*, but I did not know that a wounded beast would do so.

M. YOUNG,
York and Lancashire Regiment.

MHOW (C. I.), *May 1904.*

The Story Teller.

A PARK RANGER.

IT was rather early in the morning, and the lady on the next seat to mine, having performed her toilet, dropped the comb with which she had been preening her tresses into her handbag, and, taking a small flat bottle and a paper parcel containing food from the same receptacle, prepared to enjoy her breakfast. Partly from feelings of delicacy at disturbing a lady engaged in such intimate domesticities, and partly because I fancied I recognised in her one who had demanded alms (with menaces on being ignored) the previous evening, I turned my back and opened my newspaper. By mistake my newsagent had handed me the eccentric journal which strains at a race meeting and swallows the Stock Exchange, and it was while I was innocently searching it for the absent abomination that the sound of footsteps on the gravel, followed by the sigh of a tired man seating himself, caused me to glance at the opposite corner seat.

The occupant, a greyish-haired man, with beaming eyes and fresh coloured face, appeared to be absorbed in the beauties of nature. He cocked his head a little on one side, the better to appreciate the carol of an amorous thrush on a branch on the opposite side of the road, and took off his hat to permit the morning air to caress his perspiring brow. And such a brow!—so lofty, so shiny, so unwrinkled! A noble feature! He seemed to be aware of its beauty. He placed his hat on the seat beside him and turned his head in my direction His eyes encountered mine, and he nodded.

"These parks guv'nor"—I omitted to say that we were in Hyde Park—"these parks remind a man of the country just now, don't they? I'm a country-bred man myself.'

He paused to allow the revelation to sink in, and continued—

"That there skylark, now"—he jerked his thumb in the direction of the tuneful thrush—"he takes me back to my boy-'ood's days. I'm a plasterer by trade," he added, inconsequently; "been over to "Ounslow this morning." He lifted a dusty boot to attest the fact, and resumed.

"No, no—not plastering, guv'nor. After a job, though. But, Lord bless yer! you've no idea 'ow quick they're snapped up. Trade bad? You're right there. Fourteen of us after one job. What d'yer think of that?"

I expressed surprise at the statement, and to avoid further conversation opened my newspaper. My companion, however, was not to be rebuffed.

"You won't take it as a liberty if I asked you to let me 'ave a look at the outside sheet? You know—the advertisements. Per'aps I'll run across somethink suitable. I can turn my 'and to anythink almost."

Glad of an opportunity to shake him off, I handed him the portion of the paper he had asked for.

"Nothink to suit me there," he decided, after a perfunctory cruti iny of the columns.

I gave him the other half of the paper, but the result was equally disappointing. He thanked me and returned it.

"No racing news," I observed, as though I had hit upon the cause of his want of success.

"Good luck to 'em, I say, for not publishing it," returned my companion, fervently. "It is a 'orrible curse, racing is!"

He waited for my approval of the sentiment, but I adopted a non-committal attitude, and, taking my condemnation for granted, he went on—

"My old father's last words to me were, 'Don't back 'orses, and I'm proud to say I've never broke my promise. Why, where should I be if I 'ad?" cried my companion, as though his present position were the summit of earthly felicity. "Ah! I've seen some things appen through backin'' orses," he added, with a shake of the head—"things that'd make your 'air stand on end, guv'nor."

"Such as?" I suggested.

"Such as what 'appened to a mate of mine, Bill Tremlett by name. 'E was a 'appy man before 'e took to it, drawing 'is thirty-five bob a week regular, and living in a little 'ouse of 'is own down Leyton way, with a bay window and electric bells. 'E started with shillings in the usual way, same as they all do; but, Lord bless yer! 'e wasn't satisfied with that for long. 'E backed winners with shillings, and, thinks 'e, 'Why shouldn't I be doing this for quids?' Well, before long, sure enough, he was baving his sovereign or what not on a 'orse like any toff. Not satisfied with that, he started laying out 'is money on double events and treble events, so as to pull off somethink big. One day he'd got a sovereign on a treble, and the first two horses had come off. I don't exactly remember the amount Bill stood to win if the third horse came home, but anyhow, it was between fifty and sixty pounds. Well, Bill was a very excitable man, with a short neck, and he'd worked himself up into such a state when he knew his first two horses had won that his friends were afraid of his having a fit—apoplexy, ye now. Some of 'em were afraid 'e'd 'ave it if his horse won, and the others thought it more likely to 'appen if it lost, so between them they 'ardly knew what way to break it. As it turned out, Bill's third horse *did* win, and it was settled by those who knew it first that Bill should learn 'is good luck by degrees, for fear of the consequences.

"'Let's 'ear the worst,' said Bill, in a very chokey voice, when they came to where he was waiting; 'I can bear it.'

"'Sure?' asked one of 'em, patting Bill on the back to keep 'is blood in circulation. 'Well, your 'orse wasn't last, old man.'

"Bill swore a bit at that, because he thought they were getting at him; and then another one chipped in. 'There's no doubt about 'is trying, or 'e wouldn't have finished where 'e did.'

"'For Heaven's sake,' says poor Bill, going purple, 'let's know what happened! You're driving me silly between you.'

"'Well, old man,' said the one who'd spoke first, thinking it safe tourry things up a bit, 'you've saved yourself, I should fancy. You're 'orse was in the first three.'

"At that Bill gave a kind of a screech and a gargle. 'I guessed it!' he gasped. 'My blessed luck! Pipped by a head, I'll bet!' and down he went on the floor."

"Dead?" I said, as my companion stopped

He tapped his expansive forehead expressively.

"Clot on the brain," he replied. "Balmy to this day, and fancies 'e's first favourite for the Derby. Won't take 'is grub, except out of a manger—nor 'is drink, only from a bucket. Neighs at 'is missus and—"

I thought it time to cut my companion short. "Eleven o'clock," I said, looking at my watch.

"My word!" he exclaimed, briskly; "this won't do. I've got to go down to Woolwich. There is a chance of a job there, they tell me." He fumbled in his pocket, and found a crumpled something that turned out to be the return half of a railway ticket. He shook his head at it despondently.

"The fare's eightpence," he murmured, absent-mindedly "It seems a pity, doesn't it?" he continued, after waiting vainly for my comment on his former statement. "Mine's a workman's ticket, and I'm afraid they won't let me travel without paying the excess, and that's sixpence. What would you advise guv'nor?"

I advised walking, and with a look in which contempt and reproach were equally blended he left me without a "good-morning." Certainly, he went in the direction of Woolwich.

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About a week later I found myself, somewhat later in the day, not very far from the spot on which I had encountered the anti-gambling plasterer. The fact that I was reading a sporting newspaper probably led me to think of him and his dramatic story of Bill Tremlett's downfall. As I placed the paper beside me and smiled at the recollection, a remembered voice fell on my ear. "Good morning, sir!" I started at the sound, thinking he had recognised me. Evidently, however, such was not the case. A moment's reflection reminded me that he would scarcely waste a salutation on one so unremunerative.

"I'm a countryman, mister,' such was the familiar preamble; and I was on the point of saying he had told me so before, when he continued: "Always been used to 'orses and such-like, and can't live without 'em. I shall be driving a pair"—he simulated the attitude of an omnibus driver pulling up suddenly—'come Monday. That ain't long, is it? Three days? Just so. I got the crib this very morning.'

"Ever drove a 'bus before?" he cried, in reply to my inquiry "Well, I should say so! I've drove 'orses, and I've owned 'orses, and I've backed 'orses pretty nigh all my life. What's going to win the Derby? This French 'orse, d'yer think? Backed anythink? No, not yet; but as soon as I get my first week's money I shall lay out a bit. Go for something, that's my maxim; and I never eld with a bob on this and a bob on that, winning 'alf-a-crown one day and dropping twice as much the next. Doubles an' trebles is *my* mark, and always was. Well, of course, you can't expect to pull 'em off every week, but once in a while they 'op up, and there you are. You've made somethink that'll take the missus and the kids to the seaside for a week or two, and such-like. My missus is like all the wimmen: as long as things go all right, never a word from 'er; but once yer luck's out, and may be you're a bit behind with the rent and what not, there's no 'olding 'er. About three months ago that's what appened. I 'adn't touched lucky for some time, and, says she one morning when I 'anded 'er arf a sovereign to lay out on a treble that I'd marked down 'What about the landlord?' 'E can wait a bit,' I said; 'we'll pay 'im 'is blooming rent a quarter in 'and if this comes 'ome.' Well, away I goes to my work, and during the afternoon I 'ear that my first 'orse 'as copped. An hour or so afterwards 'ome comes the second. Fours was the price of number one, and seven to two the other. The third 'orse was in the last race of the day, and you can fancy 'ow I felt when he romped 'ome at two's. Thirty-three pounds, fifteen shillings was my little lot, guv'nor, if you figure it out; and, what with meeting one and another of my pals on the way, and standing a round here and a round there, and lending a bob to this one and a bob to that, I was pretty full of beer and empty of everything else by the time I got 'ome. The missus was in bed and asleep, but I roused her out. 'Bill,' she says, looking at me with a sort of a tremble, 'you've been drinking!'

"'I have,' I said. 'And why not? I've won thirty-three pounds fifteen, and—'

"'The landlord!' gasped my missus, with a sort of a ketch and a gurgle in 'er throat. She's a stout woman with a thick neck, and, thinking she was going off with the thought of being able to pay the rent, I gave her a slap on the back to pull 'er together.

"'Never mind 'im,' I said, encouragingly; 'e'll 'ave his money to-morrer.'

"'Bill,' she says, going red in the face, ''e's got it! I paid 'im instead of puttin' the money on yer treble.'

"Lucky for 'er," said my companion, gloomily, 'she *did* go off this time. Down she went like a stone. It was a sort of a fit, a—er—"

"Clot on the brain?" I suggested.

"That's what the doctor said," asserted the man, unsuspiciously. "She was ill for a month—kind of light-'eaded; fancied she was a race'orse, wanted a bucket to drink out of—"

"And neighed instead of talking," I put in. "I've heard of such a case."

"That's what comes of not backing 'orses, ye see," said the man, scratching his head and looking dubiously at me.

"This job I've got now," he said, harking back to surer ground, "it's all right, of course, safe as the Bank of England, if I can manage to get through the next three days. That's the point."

I put my hand in my pocket—for my handkerchief.

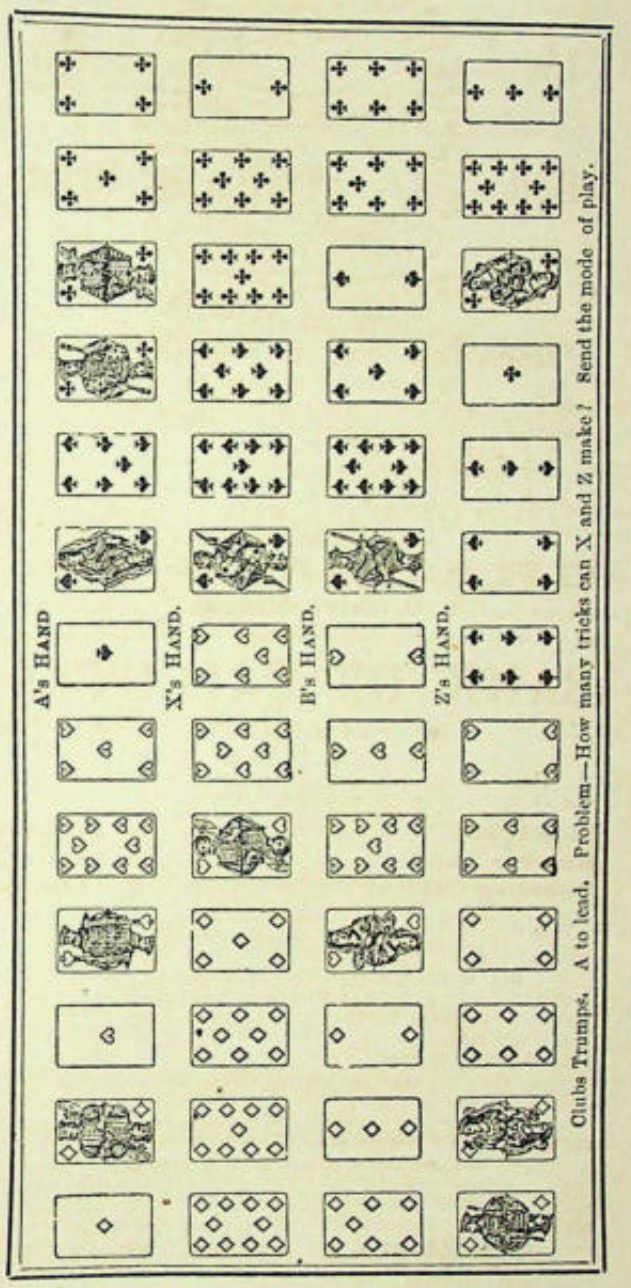
"Three or four bob, now," he continued, observing the movement, 'or say a dollar, would just do it. Not as a gift, mind yer—I m an independent chap, mister, and wouldn't ask it—but a loan, to be paid back when I draw my first week's money. Come to that, you could call for me at the company's office. Everybody knows Bill—"

"Tremlett!" I said, softly.

I think he remembered me then. He rose from the seat with a rather sickly grin, and walked away briskly. I have not yet seen him on the box seat.

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DOUBLE DUMMY PROBLEM No. 18.



In an interesting article on the snakes in the New York Zoological Gardens, our American contemporary, *Forest and Stream*, gives some of the most peculiar characteristics of these reptiles. We gather from the article that snakes are extremely fastidious in the matter of food, and, should the meat be the least bit tainted, they reject it at once. Most snakes are fond of very young birds, and a plucked chicken is always offered to invalids, because it resembles a bird just out of the egg. In a snake's delicate tongue seem to reside all his sensory organs except that of sight. The snake whips out his tongue with lightning rapidity, and ascertains whether or not his food is fresh. If his preliminary investigation proves satisfactory, he goes ahead with his meal in a very leisurely fashion. The chicken is swallowed whole, as snakes do not masticate their food. The powers of accommodation possessed by their jaws, however, is something marvellous. A snake can easily swallow an animal four times its own diameter. In fact, boa constrictors manage to get into their throats even fair-sized deer and other large animals. In killing the prey in their native state they constrict it tightly in their folds until all movement on the part of the doomed animal ceases. The popular idea that they first crush the bones before beginning the swallowing process is erroneous. It seems that the gastric juices of snake's stomachs are so powerful that they dissolve even the bones and teeth of the animals they have swallowed. A peculiar fact is that on occasions, when the snake has accidentally swallowed one of its own teeth, the tooth will be found undigested; whereas the teeth of its prey always disappear in the snake's digestive process. The bite of the python, anaconda, and others of his class is not poisonous, but it is very painful. These snakes have well-developed teeth and powerful jaws. There are four rows of teeth in the upper jaw, and two in the lower. The teeth are very sharp. When a boa constrictor bites he shuts his mouth tightly, and pulls back with his strong neck muscles. This tears the flesh and makes a frightful wound.

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FLAT-RACING IN ENGLAND DURING 1904.

I. LINCOLN TO GOODWOOD.

BY the end of January the acceptances for the Spring Handicaps are published, and those who, during the previous two months, have given racing and all connected with it a much needed rest begin to "take wings of fancy" if not of foresight in trying to anticipate the judges' verdict for the first great race of the year, the Lincolnshire Handicap; the over-speculative ones going even further in their almost invariably vain attempt to "pick the double" about that race and the Grand National Steeplechase. Contrary to the general expectation, the entries and acceptances for the earlier races were well up to, and in some cases exceeded, the average of recent years, some of the longer races doing particularly well, which was indeed welcome to those whose chief pleasure is in contests over a distance of ground where any disadvantage at the start or in the draw for places can be made good before the winning post is reached.

One of the earliest fancies for the Lincolnshire was Barbette, the three-year-old daughter of Avington and Breach, who had won the Gimcrack Stakes in good style, and this filly, trained at Middleham by I'Anson, was expected to redeem the disappointment of the stable caused by the unlucky defeat by Fulmen of the three-year-old Bread-Knife some twenty years back. Others about whom there was considerable speculation, were Sir James Miller's Cossack, though it was feared a mile was further than he would care to go; Mr. Joel's Wolfshall, whose sire Wolf's Crag had as a three-year-old won the race in 1892, and who had come successfully out of a trial with His Lordship and other smart horses; Mr. B. Ellam's Switchcap, who had won the Manchester November Handicap of the previous season; and lastly, Uninsured. This gelding, a son of Laveno and Surety, was bred in 1900 and was in charge of the astute Fallon at Netheravon; he had shown high-class ability as a juvenile, but as a three-year-old appeared to have entirely lost his form, for he had run four times without a win and, it will be remembered, was scratched for the City and Suburban Handicap of 1903 owing to some accident almost on the eve of the race, when he was generally recognised as one of "Fallon's good things." A field of twenty-three faced the starter, and there being no obstreperous Master Willie to make things generally unpleasant by his antics, they were got off on equitable terms and ran in excellent order to the distance, when Uninsured (who at flag-fall was favourite) drew to the front and won comfortably if not easily by a length from Wolfshall, with the 100 to 1 chance Stoic third.

In trying to find the winner of the Grand National Steeplechase it is, of course, generally the safest plan to regard only the chances of thoses horses which have previously acquitted themselves with credit over the course, and to ignore almost entirely all other "form," for the nature of the country that has to be traversed is so totally different to all other courses that horses which at Manchester, or even at Sandown, are "smashers," find themselves absolutely unable to negotiate the fences at Aintree, and down they come one after another before half the journey is over. Thus the grand old Manifesto will always secure a certain follow-

ing whatever his age may be, and horses which have won there before or have completed the course satisfactorily are also invariably at shorter prices than strangers to the country, whatever their performances elsewhere may have been. But there are years when a recruit appears who is equal to the terrible 4½ miles with its 36 jumps, as when Shannon Lass won in 1902, and this year the race again fell to an outsider and stranger. A field of twenty-six put in an appearance, among them being Manifesto (now 16 years old, but as keen and festive as a juvenile—how he must know every ditch and fence!); the King's champion, Ambush II., whom the public were bent on backing till he started at the absurd odds of 7 to 2 when it is more than that about any horse getting round without mishap; Detail, who was second last year, and Kirkland, who was fourth; and Patlander and Inquisitor, both good winners during the preceding weeks; but as soon as they were despatched the sifting of the wheat from the chaff began and increased rapidly, Ambush II. coming down at the first fence, and before the last was cleared the field was reduced to but eight. The number of casualties, and the early stages in the race at which they occurred, were, no doubt, due to the fences and ditches being made higher and wider than ever before, but this seemed to make no difference to Moifaa, a New Zealand-bred son of Natator and a half-bred mare, who literally flew the obstacles as if they were not there and sailed home an easy winner at 25 to 1 from Kirkland, with The Gunner, an Irish horse of some little merit, third. The winner, who is an eighty-year-old (it is noteworthy that only once before in over forty years has a horse of that age won the Grand National, which is peculiar at least considering that chasers are generally supposed then to be at their prime) is a huge strapping horse, to whom weight would seem to be of as little account as were the fences, so that it is quite likely his owner, Mr. Spencer Gollan, may see him win again next year.

At last a Brocklesby winner from the provinces, after seven or eight consecutive years of the race falling to a Newmarket trained horse! How averages do tend even in such, as in all other matters, to adjust themselves! Vedas, the winner this year, is a son of Florizel II. and Agnostic, his dam belonging to the celebrated Agnes family, and was bred by Lady Meux; he is now the property of Mr. De Wend-Fenton and is trained by Robinson at Foxhill, and there seemed little doubt that he was something out of the ordinary, for his Brocklesby win was followed up by another victory a couple of days later at Liverpool, and the Sandown Park Stud Produce Stakes of nearly £1,500 fell an easy prey to him though he was conceding a good deal of weight to most of his competitors. At Ascot, however, in the valuable Coventry Stakes, the Brocklesby winner was beaten by two lengths at level weights by Lord Rosebery's Cicero, a son of Cyllene and Gas, who had previously won the Fitzwilliam Stakes at Newmarket and the Woodcote Stakes at Epsom, and is undoubtedly the best of his age so far. The second to Vedas at Lincoln, a Rightaway colt named Captain Jack, is thought by many to have the makings of a high-class performer about him, but he doubtless was by no means at his best in March and has not been seen out since.

If the charm of racing is its glorious uncertainty, then truly it is many years since there was such a delightful race as the City and Suburban Handicap at the Epsom Spring Meeting; there were wild stories going about with regard to several candidates, and for each the race was declared to be an absolute "gift." There was Cerisier, a four-year-old with a featherweight and one of the Derby field of 1903, who could not lose; there was Achaicus by Persimmon trained by R. Marsh, who, it was said, could fall down twice and win with his ears pricked; there was a supposed "good thing" from Netheravon in the shape of the Cambridgeshire winner Hackler's Pride, who was generally believed to have done something wonderful at home; and lastly, there was the Australian-bred Niphetos from Beckhampton, who was backed at the eleventh hour and came in a day from 33 to 1 to favouritism at 3 to 1. All these were "certainties," but the public, and indeed everyone, forgot that in the field there was Ayrshire's son Robert le Diable, the hot but disappointing favourite of a year before, and he now seemed to resent the ignoring of his chance, and being allowed to start at "forties offered," after holding a handy place from the start, he came out on the rails a quarter of a mile from home and won from his twenty opponents in a canter by three lengths, to the consternation of every spectator, with Dean Swift (3 years), second. Cerisier, who was third, has indeed climbed the *Gradus ad Parnassum*, if one may use such an expression in affairs of racing, for he ran fourth in Lincolnshire, then third in the City and Suburban, then second in the Jubilee, and on his next attempt he was "first at last" in the Haydock Park Handicap of 1,000sovs.

The great Metropolitan Stakes on the first day of the Epsom Spring Meeting afforded one of the best races of the season. The thirteen competitors included Mr. Bass's Grey Tick (the Cesarewitch winner), Elba, who ran third in the Oaks of her year and had defeated Sceptre on one of her "off" days in the Park Hill Stakes at Doncaster, and Mark Time, the happily named son of Marco and Semitone. The latter, who was a recruit from the jumping season, had shown such wonderful speed and stamina over hurdles, and had won over 1½ miles on the flat in the Hainton Plate at Lincoln by a dozen or more lengths and with such consumate ease that the long Epsom race was regarded as a good thing for him, and his backers had to be content with offers of even money. Weighted at 8st. 7lbs. (including a penalty) Mark Time carried the same impost as Elba, who, however, had the advantage of a year with him, and the race resolved itself into a match between the two. After a capital start, Mark Time quickly established a lead of some four or five lengths so that it looked as if he were "coming home on his own," but half a mile from the post he was challenged by Elba and a splendid struggle ensued, the mare at the distance heading the colt, who then came again only to be finally overhauled and beaten by half a length after a tremendous and exciting race during the last 100 yards. The race unhappily was not without accident, for Grey Tick was brought down by some mishap or other, and so badly injured that the aged son of Father Confessor had to be destroyed immediately.

The great Jubilee Handicap is one of the most popular of races, and deservedly so, for a good class field invariably goes to the post, and being run on a Saturday the metropolitan racegoers are able to make a real holiday of it at the beautiful Kempton Park. One of the first favourites for the race during such ante-post betting as there is now-a-days and the actual favourite on the course was L'Aiglon, a four-year-old son of St. Simon and Self Sacrifice, who will live in the memory of many as one of the bitter disappointments of the Turf; although he had been a great tip for the 1903 Derby he had not run as a two-year old, and in fact could not be properly trained at all during 1903; he had, however, this year evidently come to hand satisfactorily, for he had won the Esher Stakes at Sandown over 1 mile and 5 furlongs. The three-year-old Dean Swift, belonging to Mr. Joel, the second in the City and Suburban, was also strongly fancied, but perhaps the public were on the day of the race as keen on Ypsilanti as on anything else, in spite of a 10lb. penalty bringing his weight up to 9st. 5lbs.; his supporters, however, recollected that as a youngster he had captured a valuable stake at Kempton, that the Jubilee of 1903 had been won by him with 8st. odd, and that only a few weeks before he had with ease beaten a fairly good field over the same course in the Queen's Plate when carrying 9st., and they remembered how Bendigo, Victor Wild, and others had proved successful in Jubilees of the past with welter weights; and right soundly did they argue. There was not a large field, only sixteen being found at the post; they were got off on equitable terms by Mr. Coventry, and the public, who dearly like to see a good horse with a heavy weight holding his own, had pleasure in observing that as they came round the bend the top weight held a good place, and when at the distance Ypsilanti was leading, and, resisting the challenge of Cerisier, to whom he was giving over 3st., won with something in hand, their excitement and delight could only find vent in prolonged cheering. Not a big horse, but a splendid weight carrier, is Ypsilanti, and one with a courage and spirit of quite the highest standard, and so for the second time was the Jubilee won by the same horse in consecutive years.

There was more than usual interest attaching to the Classic Races so far as the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby were concerned, though it must be admitted that the "Ladies' Races" were completely spoilt owing to the vast superiority of Pretty Polly to all of her age and sex, and perhaps too of the other sex, as to which, however, we must wait for the St. Leger running to show whether she is or is not such a wonder against all comers as some of her admirers claim to be the case. In the first place, St. Amant, Mr. L. de Rothschild's champion, and Henry the First, who belongs to Mr. Musker, were both thoroughly well beaten at the Craven Meeting in the Biennial Stakes and the Craven Stakes respectively, but then it was known that neither was thoroughly fit so early in the year, and the races named are proverbial for the undoing of the cracks. In the Guineas, however, they both ran, and with them John o' Gaunt, Santry, Airlie, Rydal Head, and others making up a field of fourteen runners. John o' Gaunt (Isinglass—La Flèche) who was ridden by Mr. G. Thursby, the brother of his owner, got very badly off at the start, or the story of the race might have been different, although he was thoroughly well beaten by St. Amant, with Henry the First some two lengths behind him third. The cracks next met in the Newmarket Stakes, and a paddock inspection satisfied most critics that Henry had made the most improvement of them all in the intervening fortnight. For this race St. Amant, on the strength of his easy victory in the Two Thousand, started an odds on chance, but here John o' Gaunt, again ridden by Mr. Thursby, got a good start and was coming along an apparently sure winner when his rider unhappily eased him, thinking the race was safe, and Otto Madden (splendid artist as he is) on Henry the First, who started at 14 to 1 in a field of five runners, took full advantage of the error, and making a supreme effort landed Mr Musker's colt a head in front of the other, and St. Amant, who appeared to put no heart into his work, had to be content with the third place four lengths behind the son of Isinglass. It was the old story of a good professional being ever better than a good amateur.

Obviously these happenings at Newmarket gave the Derby a far more open appearance as it was evident that St. Amant was a colt of moods and that Mr. Thursby would profit by his experience in the two races, while Henry the First had made considerable improvement which might further be enhanced by the 1st of June.

The ignominious display in the Guineas of Rydal Head, who was the best of the Kingsclere lot, led to J. Porter letting it be known he would not be represented in the Great Epsom race and, therefore, a small number of runners was anticipated though it was a general idea that the field would amount to quite a dozen, for there was Beckhampton to reckon with and possible eleventh hour forlorn hopes would put in an appearance. Meanwhile reports and rumours from France left it doubtful whether both or if not which one of M. Blanc's Flying Fox colts, Gouvernant and Ajax would be sent over to try and repeat the achievement of Gladiateur in 1865, and it was not until a couple of days before the Race that doubts were set at rest by the sending over of Gouvernant and the scratching of Ajax. There were the usual tall tales of the prowess of the French representative, and they really seemed to be well-founded, moreover the amount of French money invested on the colt, which made him an easy favourite at 9 to 4, 2 to 1, and finally 7 to 4, proved that his owner and trainer had the most unbounded confidence in his ability to win; and yet again the phenomenal Turf achievements of his sire were fresh in the minds of racing men, and the splendid family to which he belonged, Doncaster, Bend Or, Ormonde, Orme, Flying Fox, led many to believe that he would prove as invincible as his ancestors. There was, however, a feeling in some quarters that it was quite on the cards that a sire was not likely in his first season as a four-year old to get a son of anything like equal merit to himself, and that there was much to be criticised and disliked in his breeding on his dam's side, coming as she did of the outside No. 25 family. Scratchings at the last moment of Mousqueton and one or two others reduced the actual competitors to but eight and just at the preliminary parade commenced a thunderstorm with torrents of rain came on, which increased with great severity while the horses were being marshalled at the starting post. St. Amant, in blinkers and a hood, jumped off quickest, and before a quarter of a mile was run he had established a lead of 3 or 4 lengths and never being headed won with the greatest of ease, with the luckless John o' Gaunt (Mr. Thursby again riding him) second, and St. Denis, a colt belonging to Mr. S. Joel, and who had started at 50 to 1 a fair third, while Henry the First and the French Gouvernant were tailed off. It may, no doubt, be that St. Amant, with his hood and blinkers, did not feel the same inconvenience from the rain as did the others, or it may be that he was in the same generous mood as on the Guineas day, but his victory was as popular a one as could be imagined, Mr. L. de Rothschild being such a genuine sportsman and such a pillar of the Turf and this was his first Derby. Mr. Henry Chaplin, standing on the Club steps watching the stirring scene being enacted before him in such terrible weather, must have had his mind carried back to that eventful Derby of 1867 when in a snowstorm his colt Hermit won such a sensational victory. The third horse, St. Denis, by St. Simon out of Brooch, and therefore closely related to Sceptre, had not appeared in public before and the excellent show made by him leads one to anticipate a distinguished career for him later in the present season or during the next.

Pretty Polly has continued her brilliant achievements throughout the present season, winning the One Thousand Guineas, the Oaks, and later on the Coronation Stakes at Ascot, in her own inimitable style without the semblance of an effort, and all lovers of the race-horse are looking forward to the great Doncaster contest where she will be pitted against the best of her year.

The Ascot Meeting was a brilliant success in every way, being favoured with delightful weather during the day-time, and refreshing

showers at night which prevented the heath from drying up, and secured excellent going throughout. The Royal Hunt Cup brought out the usual large field to the number of 28, and was won by the five-year-old Csardas (Ladas—Polka) who had run second to The Solicitor in 1902, and was the first Newmarket trained horse to win one of the big handicaps of the year outright, the nearest approach being the dead-heat of Roe O'Neill with Scullion for the Manchester Cup. Csardas had had an unlucky career hitherto, having run second four times as a two-year, and in his last race in that year being beaten a head by Minstead for the Middle Park Plate, and during the next two years he could never be properly trained, so that infinite credit is due to his trainer, J. Cannon, for his painstaking perseverance which resulted in the winning of such an important and valuable race. The Gold Cup afforded a most astounding result, the runners comprising Sceptre, Zinfandel, Maximum II.(the French horse who had won last year when he had nothing to beat better than Rising Glass and he "pig fat") and lastly, Throwayway, that unlucky horse who was always second last year and who had run third in the Chester Cup of the present season. Zinfandel having beaten Sceptre in the Coronation Cup at Epsom was favourite, a slight shade of odds being betted on him, then came Sceptre at 7 to 4, Maxium II. at 10 to 1, and Throwaway almost friendless at 20 to 1. The riders of the two favourites regarded the race as merely a match between them and were pleased enough to see W. Lane on Throwaway at once take up the running and so make the pace, and they allowed him to remain in front for nearly a couple of miles; but both quite forgot that he was a horse who could stay for ever and one of indomitable courage, so that when first Sceptre and then Zinfandel was asked to come out and win, it was found that the outsider had any amount in hand, and, answering gamely to his jockey's call, the latter won a clever race with Zinfandel second and Mr. Bass's mare third. There is no doubt that M. Cannon on Zinfandel and O. Madden who rode Sceptre were to blame for allowing such a turn up, but nevertheless Throwaway deserved, after all his ill-luck, to win a good race, and to be numbered among the Ascot Gold Cup winners is indeed a full and unexpected compensation. It is to be feared that Sceptre (dear Sceptre, as she is to so many of us) has temporarily fallen from her high estate, whatever the cause may be, for she was beaten by Zinfandel with some ease at Epsom in Derby week, then came her poor show in the Gold Cup, without any of the dash and fire of her former days, and lastly, in the Hardwicke Stakes on the fourth day at Ascot she was actually beaten by Rock Sand when in receipt of weight from him; Rock Sand to whom at Newmarket in the Jockey Club Stakes she had given over a stone and the most thorough and easy beating. It is indeed sad and painful to have to record these events, but her lovers cherish the hope she may yet come to her best again and before retiring to the stud treat them to at least one more of those brilliant and electric achievements which were so often associated with her in the past. May it be the writer's happiness in the next part of this Review to record the fulfilment of this wish; it would be too cruel to feel obliged to write of the deterioration of one's idol, without hope.

Special Telegrams.

THE ECLIPSE STAKES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

THE SEVENTEENTH RENEWAL OF THE ECLIPSE STAKES of 10,000sovs.; the owner of the second horse to receive 500sovs., of the third 100sovs., and the nominator of the winner 500sovs. out of the stakes; for then three and four year olds; three year old to carry 8st. 8lbs., four 9st. 6lbs.; mares and geldings allowed 3lbs.; any winner of a weight for age or sex race value 500sovs. to carry 4lbs., of 1,000sovs., 7lbs., of the Derby, Oaks, St. Leger, Grand Prix de Paris, Eclipse Stakes or any weight for age or sex race value 4,000sovs., 10lbs. extra. Eclipse Stakes course (about 1 mile and a quarter).—209subs., 29 of whom declared forfeit on 5th October 1902, and 34 on 25th March 1903. Closed 30th July 1901.

London, *Friday*, 15*th July* 1904.

Duke of Portland's b c DARLEY DALE, by St Simon—Ismay, 3yrs, D Maher ... 1
Duke of Westminster's br c RYDAL HEAD, by St Frusquin—Rydal, 3yrs, M Cannon ... 2
Mr J Musker's br c HENRY THE FIRST, by Melton—Simena, 3yrs, Madden ... 3
Mr J Musker's ch c WILLIAM RUFUS, by Melton—Simena, 4yrs 0
Lord Clonmell's ch c FLOWER SELLER, by Florizel II—Curbstone, 3yrs ... 0
Mr J H Houldsworth's br c CASTELLO, by Florizel II—Caserta, 3yrs 0
Lord Roseberry's ch c ADMIRAL BREEZE, by Velasquez—Seabreeze, 3yrs ... 0

(*Winner trained by J. Porter.*)

Betting: 6 to 4 agst Henry the First, 6 to 1 Darley Dale, 7 to 1 Rydal Head.

Won by a length and a half; a head between second and third.

Previous Winners.

1886 Bendigo 6y 9st 7lb (12)
1887 No race.
1888 Orbit 3y 8st 12lbs (13)
1889 Ayrshire 4y 10st 2lb (6)
1890 No race.
1891 Surefoot 4y 10st 2lb (9)
1892 Orme 3y 9st 11b (7)
1893 Orme 4y 10st 2lb (6)
1894 Isinglass 4y 10st 2lb (7)
1895 Le Justicier 3y 9st 11b (8)
1896 St Frusquin 3y 9st 4lb (4)
1897 Persimmon 4y 10st 2lb (5)
1898 Velasquez 4y 10st 2lb (9)
1899 Flying Fox 3y 9st 4lb (5)
1900 Diamond Jubilee 3y 9st 4lb (9)
1901 Epsom Lad 4y 9st 13lb (13)
1902 Cheers 3y 8st 8lb (12)
1903 Ard Patrick 4y 10st 2lb (5)

Sporting Notes.

THE Tollygunge Gymkhana on the 16th was a vast improvement on the former one, and some really good sport was witnessed. The rain fortunately held off, though more than once a heavy downpour seemed to be imminent, but the going was terribly sticky. This, however, did not interfere with the results, as in all but two events the popular fancy got home. The fields were highly satisfactory, ten in the July Stakes being the largest, and four for the steeplechase being the smallest of the day.

Proceedings opened with a race for harness ponies in which seven went to the post. Little Glencoe made all the running, but was just caught on the post by the favourite Flush, ridden by Mr. Turner, the judge being unable to separate them, with Tom a length and a-half away third. The owners decided not to run it off, a wise decision, considering the heat, the state of the going, and the weights to be carried.

The biggest field of the day turned out for the July Stakes, and considerable delay occurred before the flag fell to a very ragged start, in fact the starts throughout the card, if we except the match and the chase, were of the raggedest possible description. Winklet, steered by Mr. Holmes, was the popular selection, May B. and Planet being most fancied for places. There was no mistake, as Winklet coming to the front at the turn for home won nicely from Planet by half a length, with May B, a length away, third. Out of the field of five for the Pony Plate, Energy was made favourite, though many fancied First Guide, and the latter, we think, would have just about won, had not the flag dropped at a moment when he was facing the wrong way. As it was he took no part in the race and Lone Hand getting well away led to the distance where he was passed by Energy and Good Chat, the latter coming with a run on the post and landing the verdict by half a length from the top-weight.

The All-Comers' Plate provided a fair field of five and a real good race. Reinzette, Road Metal and Euryalus were all fancied, the first named slightly having the call. Euryalus was first away from an indifferent start, Road Metal coming to the front at the turn, but soon dropped back and Reinzette assumed the lead, and after a clinking good race home secured the verdict by a neck. An objection—has there ever been a Gymkhana without at least one?—was laid against the winner, on account of the rider, Mr. Galstaun having dropped a stirrup after passing the post, and the owner having picked it up and handed it to him as he was returning to scale. The Stewards, however, did not uphold the objection and the race was awarded to Reinzette. The chase proved a runaway race for Gauntlet, who neatly handled by Mr. Rees and fencing admirably, won by ten lengths, pulling double. Eight went to the post for the Ladies' Bracelet, and Energy getting well away led throughout and won comfortably by half a length. First Guide second and Mystery II. third.

The match proved a good race, the two keeping together the whole way and Ginger landing it by a neck, though had he not lost so much ground at the turn at the seven furlongs he would have won easily by several lengths.

Some of our readers may be interested in the Sievier perjury proceedings. They will find details of the opening and the case for the prosecution in the following extract from a Home exchange.

Mr. Bodkin (instructed by Mr. Frayling, of the Treasury), prosecuted; Mr. Horace Avory, K.C., and Mr. George Elliott (instructed by Messrs. Wontner and Sons) defended. Chief Inspector Arrow of Scotland Yard represented the Police.

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Mr. Bodkin opened the case. He explained that the proceedings were taken by the Director of Public Prosecutions, in consequence of certain misstatements made by the defendant when he was being privately examined in bankruptcy. The defendant was made a bankrupt on May 24, 1892, and was an undischarged bankrupt until June, 1896. During the period under which his discharge was suspended—on December 20, 1894—a receiving order was made against him under a second bankruptcy, which resulted in January, 1895, in an adjudication. That adjudication was followed by a statement of affairs which disclosed debts amounting to £2,335 8s. 2d., and assets nil. The petitioning creditor in the second bankruptcy was a concern known as the London Universal Bank, with which a Mr. Cochrane was connected and the bankruptcy arose in consequence of the defendant having become liable, with his wife, Lady Mabel Sievier, with respect to a bill of exchange for about £2,300, which was not met. The defendant was described in that bankruptcy as lately of 28, Lowndes Square, and also as a Turf commission agent connected with a concern known as "Punch," of 8, Bennett Street, St. James's. An effort was made to expunge that description, but it was not successful. In July, 1897, an application was made by the defendant for his discharge in bankruptcy. The Registrar ordered his discharge, however, to be suspended until after October 26, 1899. What took place during the intervening period between October of 1897 and October, 1899, would be of great importance in this case. On October 26, 1899, Mr. Philip Samuels made an application for the private examination of the defendant in bankruptcy. The defendant owed him £2,350 on a promissory note or bill of exchange. The application was granted, and the sitting was adjourned until December 6, 1899.

While the defendant was an undischarged bankrupt, he lived in good style, and enormous sums of money passed through his hands. No doubt this attracted the attention of Mr. Philip Samuels, whom the defendant had not included in his list of creditors, as, of course, he should have done. In the petition for the defendant's further examination, it was alleged that while he was an undischarged bankrupt he acquired considerable property which he failed to disclose to the Official Receiver, including Park House, near Dunstable, where he had horses and carriages and was erecting additional buildings. It was also alleged that he had, during his suspension, purchased certain racehorses. There could be no doubt, said Counsel, that the defendant was connected with horse racing and other forms of sport, including cricket. He lived in as good a style as any man could wish to live. In 1898, while still an undischarged bankrupt, he took Park House, near Dunstable, already referred to. His solicitor was supposed to have taken it, but the defendant himself was the real tenant, although he had sworn to the contrary. He took the place on lease for fourteen years at £475 a year, which included the shooting rights, and proceeded to enjoy himself during his suspended animation. His solicitor took all liability, but he was a mere nominee. The place belonged to Mr Anthony Cumberland, the lord of the manor, and one year's rent had to be paid in advance. There was a peculiar circumstance connected with this arrangement. The defendant was connected with Mr. R. Sawyer, a commission agent, who in 1898 had an account at a bank in Shaftesbury Avenue. The defendant was authorised to draw on Mr. Sawyer's account, and make out cheques in his (Sawyer's) name. Mr. R. Sawyer and the defendant wrote so much alike that by request of the Bank authorities one signed "Robert Sawyer" and the other "R. Sawyer." Two cheques signed "R. Sawyer" were drawn in June, 1898. One was for £200 and the other for £175. Both those cheques were paid in respect of the first year's rent of Park House. An account was afterwards opened at Messrs Barclay's Bank, Dunstable, in the name of Sievier, and the defendant also had an account at Lloyd's Bank in the Strand. The defendant continued to live at Park House, took a great interest in the shooting, employed gamekeepers and gardeners, kept horses and carriages, and entertained teams of cricketers who played there. His mother, a very elderly lady, sometimes visited there. A Mrs. Masters was a frequent visitor, and Mr. Masters went there occasionally but not often. The defendant greatly improved Park House, and added a bungalow and a dairy at a total cost of £2,500, the work being carried out by a firm of builders at Luton. Twelve hundred pounds of this money was paid by the defendant while he was an undischarged bankrupt. The remainder—with the exception of £300—was paid by him after his discharge. The £300 was paid by a cheque drawn by "E. Masters" on a bank now defunct. "E. Masters" was probably Mrs. Masters. There were transfers between her account and that of the defendant, and within a comparatively short time £50,000 passed through. The account of Mrs. Masters was a small one. The cheque for £300 was paid a few days after the defendant was examined in bankruptcy, in December, 1899, and it looked as though the questions then put to him had had some influence upon him.

Counsel went on to say that the lease of Park House was afterwards assigned to the defendant by the solicitor who had taken it for him. Subsequently there was a dispute as to some shooting rights, and the defendant surrendered the lease on the payment of £650 and £350 for the improvements he had made to the property. There could be no doubt that the defendant was the real tenant; but when he was examined in bankruptcy on December 6, 1899, he said he lived at Park House with Mrs. and Mr. Masters, and paid no rent. He paid the taxes, he said, in order to get a vote, but the money was supplied by Mr. Masters. There was a bungalow, he went on to state, but it was paid for by Mrs. Masters.

There was shooting connected with Upton House, and he had been invited to shoot there. He denied having a banking account at Barclay's at Dunstable, and described the house party at Park House as a happy family. According to his account he lived there entirely on the generosity of Mrs. and Mr. Masters, and there was no agreement in writing. He added that he had not got a lease, and might be turned out of the house at any moment. Counsel went on to say the defendant stated that he had power to draw on his mother's banking account at Dunstable. It was, said counsel, remarkable to find how great an interest Mrs. Sievier took in horse racing if her son's statement as to the banking account was to be believed. In a very short time £34,922 was paid in by cheques chiefly drawn by betting men. The defendant sent cheques to well known men on the Turf, and there were occasional cheques for £50 each in favour of someone named Masters. The defendant himself gave £100 to the Bedford County Cricket Club, although he had sworn that he did not do so.

Mr. Avory pressed for something more definite as to the acts of perjury alleged to have been committed by the defendant, but Mr. Bodkin declined to say anthing more at present.

The hearing was adjourned.

Mr. M. Laurie, the Rangoon Municipal President, got a fall while out with the hunt on the 13th instant and broke his collar bone.

A correspondent asks why we contented ourselves with merely announcing the arrival of the steamer *Fortunatus* and suggests that we might have "spread" ourselves a bit over descriptions of the various shippers' lots brought up in her.

The days have passed when we pursued the gentle shipper with pocket book and pencil and gave our readers the resultant columns of minute detail and encomium. It didn't pay as a matter of fact. We are always pleased to respond to an invitation to cast an eye over any particular lot; but we have discontinued the practice of giving yards of free advertisement in this connection, considering our advertisement columns the proper place for such matter.

A skittle race meeting will be held by the Madras Gymkhana on the Island on the 23rd instant, when an attractive programme of five events will be discussed.

In California they have a method of destroying lost dogs by means of electricity. A small collar is attached to the dog's neck, and the batteries are connected with the collar. When the switch is turned on, a current of 2,300 volts is given the dog, whose life is so quickly snuffed out that he has no time to utter a groan or sound.

The annual meeting of the members of the Bombay Hunt was held at the Gymkhana on Friday for the purpose of making arrangements for next season's hunting and was largely attended. The finances of the Hunt were reported to be in a satisfactory condition and everything promises well for next season's hunting. A vote of thanks was proposed to Mr. J.A. Lord, M. F.H., for the excellent sport shown last season, and to Mr. Allan L. S. Roberts for having audited the Hunt accounts. A new huntsman has been engaged to take the place of the late W. G. Stacey, whose death midway through last season caused great regret. A committee consisting of the following gentlemen was formed for the coming season:—Messrs G. K. Remington, J. L. Symons, F. C. Macrae, H. E. E. Procter, J. A. Lord, M. F. H., D. N. Graham, and J. H. Symington with Mr. R. W. L. Dunlop re-elected as Honorary Secretary. With the exception of Messrs Lord and Graham all the above mentioned members have been connected with the Bombay Hunt for over twenty years. A curious proposal was made at the meeting to the effect that the Hunt should take over the management of the annual Point to Point Races which are held at the end of the hunting season. I say curious because the management of these Point to Point Races is in the hands of the Bombay Light Horse and has nothing whatsoever to do with the Bombay Hunt. The proposal evidently emanated from some members of the Hunt who are also Light Horseman, but as the Santa Cruz meeting is essentially a Light Horse event any interference on the part of the Hunt would have been unjustifiable, and this I am glad to say was the view taken by the majority of the members present, so the proposal was negatived. It is quite open to the Hunt to hold annual point to point races if they care to without poaching on the Light Horse preserves.

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Our Bangalore Correspondent writes:—Tom Ferguson has just been to Madras to receive five horses lately purchased in Australia by Mr. Spooner-Hart, the Calcutta livery stablekeeper. These include Bassina, Fitzgrafton, Watchfire, Mick Power and Sauce, and all have landed and proceeded to Bangalore where they are now fit and well. I shall hope to say something more about them shortly, so far all I know is that they are all flat-racers.

Full particulars will appear elsewhere in your columns of the progress of the racing and polo in Bangalore. Bundook's campaign has been most disappointing, and he had to be scratched on a veterinary certificate for his engagement on the third day of the race-meeting. His owner, I know, thinks that the handicapper considerably over-rated Bundook's powers and that the weights he has carried here have had a good deal to do with his present lameness. Carburton is another well-bred one which has not performed well. Showing quality all over and having a great look of his dam—Mrs. Butterwick—he has only run one decent race since landing in the country, and that was on the 14th instant when he ran Harpist to a neck in the All-Horse Handicap. And then he was in receipt of two stone.

The owners, jockeys, trainers and bookmakers are making the place so lively that we scarcely know ourselves. Two race balls have already taken place at the Bowring Institute, and both have been great successes. Each was characterised by lavish hospitality and a champagne supper, and Bangalore residents as well as visitors were present in large numbers. On both occasions the room was prettily decorated, and at the second function the caps and jackets of the various owners were arranged on the pillars of the room giving a very successfully characteristic touch to the decoration. By the way I am sorry to note that Kamad got a hasty fall from Corrie Roy during the storm of rain which occurred during the running for the cup. He was unable to walk after the fall and did not, I noticed, do any riding on the third day's racing. Carrara broke down very badly after carrying 12st. 12lbs. to the front for a mile and a half in the jump event on the 14th instant, and it is, I hear, hardly likely that he will ever race again.

The Sonepore Gymkhana meeting has been fixed for the 23rd, 25th and 27th November.

Among recent purchases of horses for India are Hidalgo, Charleston, Banker and Jap, the two former by D. Norton and the latter by W. Moran who will shortly return to Calcutta.

F. Sheldrake, an Australian jockey, will arrive in Calcutta next month.

We regret to hear of a serious carriage accident which occurred at Poona on the 12th instant, the victims of which were Mrs. Charles Goldspink, her infant and nurse. While returning from the Empress Gardens, the horse attached to her gig bolted and dashed into a tree. The carriage was smashed and its occupants thrown out. Mrs. Goldspink fortunately escaped with only some bruises, but her nurse and child were not so lucky. The nurse had her shoulder fractured and the child its face cut. They were picked up and taken to the hospital by a native who was passing.

The steamer *Wardha*, which is due to arrive in Calcutta about the 24th instant, is bringing up a fine lot of thoroughbred horses and ponies, selected and imported for sale by Messrs O. M. D. Bell & Co., and these will be on view at the Race Course stables near the Kidderpore Bridge later on. We hear that Col. Mackay, who has recently joined the firm, will attend to the Australian side of the business, while Mr. O. M. D. Bell, who comes up to Calcutta next October with a further big shipment, will remain here.

Our Poona Correspondent writes.—A very unfortunate accident happened to the jockey, Stonehill, who is riding work for Mr. A. W. P's stable. From what I gather it seems that Stonehill on Fireup was going to do a gallop with the mare Miss Windsor (who is in the same stable a most troublesome mare whose malicious eccentricities in a race gave rise, if I remember rightly, to official enquiries last year. In the present instance the native boy on the mare was unable to keep her straight and "barging" into Stonehill broke his leg while in the saddle. Unable to stick on with his helpless limb, Stonehill wisely elected to roll off on the soft lest by "sticking to the ship" worse might befall him. There were, I hear, luckily a few people still on the course who went to the helpless lad's assistance and took him to the Sassoon Hospital where from all accounts he is doing well.

A most sporting cross-country competition took place this week between selected champions of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and the East Lancashires. Nine men from each regiment over five miles of good sporting country starting from a point on the Sholapur Road, towards Gibbet Hill and performing a right handed semi-circular course over some very broken ground and eventually finishing on the parade ground inside the race-course. Piper Wright, of the Highlanders, was first man in, winning with ease. Private Farrat, of the East Lancashire, was runner up with Private Marsden of the same regiment "placed." But in the "tottle up" the Highland men had the better of the count and won a most sporting competition which did credit to all concerned, and it is to the hoped is but the first of many similar friendly contests.

I regret to have to announce the death of the jockey, Allardice, at his residence at Wanowrie of appendicitis. His death at so early an age as twenty-three is all the more sad in that it was apparently due to injudiciousness on the poor boy's own part—an excessive dose of salts, followed by an injudiciously solid meal and neglect to call in competent medical advice till his case was past hope. He had recently arrived from South Africa, and came with the reputation of being a well behaved capable lad.

There is assuredly an excellent opening for a few really capable, light, or even medium weight boys just at present. A really brilliant one should make a fortune for the fingers of one hand must nearly suffice to account for those whom owners can put up with confidence of having every reasonable effort towards success provided by the steersman.

Taking advantage of a prolonged break in the rains (which must be most unwelcome to all, save cricketers) a friendly contest was arranged between the Poona Gymkhana and the 93rd Highlanders. The Gymkhana altogether under estimated the fighting quality of the Scotchmen and paid the due penalty by suffering an ignominious defeat, securing in their first effort a meagre 69. The regiment totalled the respectable sum of 149, their successful bowlers, Hartley and Langton, also shining in the batting department with 39 and 22 respectively, and Kennedy helped to swell the total with 30.

In their second attempt the Gymkhana, though too late, did a trifle better, getting 94 for 6 wickets.

On the same day a mixed XI of the men of the Lancashire Regiment and the lads of the Bishop's High School tackled the officers of the Regiment and failing to show the respect due to gazetted rank won by the useful total of 230 as against 139. The Lancashires have shown an excellently sporting example in this respect and the encouragement extended to the boys must do them an immensity of good in every way.

Andrew Clarke, the trainer, has apparently even yet not come to the end of his bad luck. Only the other day he lost the English filly Dorade, under the strangely unfortunate circumstances I have already recorded, and now he has suffered a further serious loss in the death of the English mare Ivy, from hydrophobia, so it is believed. Certain it is that the mare went raging mad, but there is no history of her having been bitten by a rabid dog or jackal. But it makes the luck none the less hard, and one can only hope that this sterling, honest old trainer will have a bumper season to recompense him for his recent adversities of Fate.

Sweet are the uses of advertisement. It has apparently been left to a laundry firm—and German at that—to achieve the acme of ingenuity in the catch penny line. "We provide our customers with new shirts. You only pay for the washing" these enterprising Teutons of the soapsuds and starch proclaim. After this we may with confidence look forward to being allured with such blandishments as "Please take your choice of one of our motor-cars. You only pay for the petrol," or "We earnestly entreat each of our constituents to accept one of our best Cee-spring Landaus, you only pay for greasing the wheels."

Rangoon has decided to have a Race Club of its own, and with that view a Committee are now busy over rules to be submitted at an early date to a general meeting of those interested in racing.

Lieutenant Ross met with a serious accident while playing Polo at Poona on the 16th instant. His pony coming down, rolled over him, and he was carried to hospital unconscious, in which condition he was when we went to press.

One of those bestial, yet miserably stupid exhibitions, a fight between a forest-bred lion and a bull is to be provided for the people of San Sebastian.

The encounter is to take place in the new bull circus, which accommodates 75,000 people, and extraordinary preparations are being made.

Herr Karl Hagenbeck, of Hamburg, is supplying the lion, which, we are told, will be a magnificent specimen of his kind. To ensure a spectacle that will be gory enough for even the bullfighting Spaniard, the lion is to be specially trained.

He will be starved for a few days, poor brute, after which a young bull will be driven into his cage. This will be repeated several times, a larger and stronger bull being chosen as victim on each occasion, until the animals are considered to be fairly matched for a fight. For the final contest, when it is expected the circus will be packed to its limits, a six year old bull, with magnificent horns will be driven into a specially constructed iron cage, having an area of 400 square yards. Here bull and lion will settle accounts in full view of the debased spectators.

The discovery of a guinea fowl's leg-bone in the ruins of Silchester shows that the bird was kept in Britain by the Romans. The bone is question was still surrounded by a copper ring, which looks as if the bird may have been a pet, or, at any rate, was regarded as somewhat rare. But there is reason to think that this form of poultry was very well known to the ancients. They were called "Numidian birds" by the Romans and "Meleagris" by the Greeks, who had a legend that the sisters of Meleager were turned into guinea fowls, and always wore mourning for their brother, the white spots representing tears on the black ground! They must have been brought from Africa to Greece very early. They were reintroduced after the Renaissance, but were brought to England very late. The name "guinea fowl," like that of "guinea pig," dates from the arrival of the Guinea fleet in London, just as the "Turkeys" were so called after the "Turkey" fleet trading with the Levant. Probably both turkeys and guinea fowls were imported by the Genoese into Italy, and thence exported, for it is on record that Genoese traders took great numbers of guinea fowls to South America in the year 1508.

There has been a good deal of mystification, largely deliberate, on the subject of the so-called "artificial" variety of the so-called "ospreys," but a writer in *Knowledge* has now conclusively exposed the falsity of the pretence that the plumes called artificial are not birds' feathers at all, and the wearing of them consequently unobjectionable. The plume, which is confessedly natural comes from the egret, and the "artificial" one from the rhea, and the only point which makes the use of the substitute less revolting is that it does not appear to be necessary for the purposes of fashion to kill the rheas, as is the case with the egrets, at the period of the year when in most instances their death involves the slow starvation of the unfledged young. Ladies who do not permit themselves to feel any distaste for wearing upon their heads fragments of song-birds or seagulls will not, of course, have any greater objection to the feathers of the rhea. But they can no longer shelter themselves behind the notions that these "artificial ospreys" of their milliner have not directly necessitated the widespread slaughter of bird life.

It was urged in excuse for a murder lately committed that the perpetrator had been bitten by a viper many years before, and that on every anniversary of the bite he became mad! The belief is a revival of an old myth which associated the snake with certain signs of the zodiac in which madness was supposed to be prevalent. The effect of the bite is, however, sometimes very lasting. A dog bitten by a viper completely lost its power of smell, and another its hearing. On the other hand, adders' fat was, and still is in some places, held to be a sovereign balm against various forms of blood poisoning and rheumatism. The old adder catcher in the New Forest has a whole list of ailments and injuries curable by it, and could always sell some to the

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men in charge of the New Forest hounds, who may have believed (quite rightly) that "extracts of adder" were a prophylactic against the bite. The pain of a snake-bite does not begin at once, as does the pain caused by the sting of a wasp or of a hornet. This is because the latter owes its venom to formic acid, while snake poison is of a different constituency.

It is commonly asserted, and apparently with truth, that woodcocks use their bills to assist them to rise from the ground, writes "Ardaros" in the English *Field*:—At first I thought this was due to the fact that the bird naturally bent its head when rising, but on one occasion when a cock was shot at and both legs broken the bird was marked down, and it rose again when approached, which it could not have done had it not got some assistance from the use of the bill. These birds nest occasionally in the north of England, and when sitting they invariably rest the bill on the ground. Another peculiarity is that, when observed, the sitting bird, with head drawn back and bill resting on the ground, also has its eyes closed. Is this due to the fact that in the woodcock the eye is very prominent, and is more easily seen than the sober-coloured plumage. Birds would frequently escape observation entirely were it not for the gleam of the eye. Time after time when a woodcock has been sitting she has allowed a near approach, but in no case has she been seen with the eyes open. It would be interesting to know if she shuts the eyes merely on the approach of an intruder or if it is her habit to sit with them closed, trusting solely to the ear for safety. It is so seldom that one has the opportunity for close observation of a nesting woodcock that any information as to the manner in which incubation is carried out is of interest.

Rumours of the death of that archfiend the Dongargarh maneater reached us some time ago and certain details connected therewith were placed at our disposal. But he had so often been reported as having been bagged that we hesitated to publish our information until sufficient time had elapsed to prove conclusively that he had at last ceased from troubling. Last April Captain Goring-Jones, the Adjutant of the Bengal-Nagpur Railway Volunteers, determined to get the brute, and succeeded under rather peculiar circumstances. During one of the beats the half eaten carcase of a tigress was discovered, and, judging from the appearance thereof, it was suspected that a tiger had been dining off her. Captain Goring-Jones sat up for what might come along, and to his astonishment a huge tiger soon made his appearance, and was about to resume his repast when he was accounted for. The beaters, shikarees and villagers from miles around agreed that at last the scourge of the district had been removed, for the beast was quite well known to many who were prepared to swear to his identity; and as no further additions have been made to the long list of the Dongargarh maneater's victims for the last three months, it seems now pretty certain that we have heard the last of him.

Two young men named Otto, sons of a railway employé at Munmar, had a most uncomfortable experience the other day while out shooting in the Ankar Hills, close to the station. From the details given us it appears that while ascending a hill, they came across four men who had long guns, a hatchet and a sword. Supposing them to be Bhils out shikaring they entered into conversation, asking about their guns and where they obtained powder, and answered queries about their own rifles. The whole party moved off down a steep hill, when the natives suddenly attacked the young men, knocked them down, seized their rifles and beat them most severely, breaking the rifles over them. One received a severe wound over one eye, and the other eye being filled with blood he was unable to defend himself. The other man had his left forearm broken and was covered with wounds and bruises. Both were left unconscious on the ground. After a time they recovered sufficiently to crawl to a village a mile off, where the natives assisted them and drove them home in a country cart, where they arrived minus hats, rifles and some jewellery, and bleeding profusely. The District Magistrate of Vipchur was communicated with and the police telegraphed for. The latter arrived the following day from Nasik and instituted enquiries. At the scene of outrage they found the men's hats, stocks of the rifles, and some cartridges. The barrels had been carried off. The injured persons were able to give a complete description of their assailants, which was found to tally with that of four outlaws who have been wanted by the police for some time past. The police traced their movements some distance, and it is believed they have escaped into the Nizam's Dominions.

A telegram which appeared in *The Englishman* yesterday says that in the course of an expression of its views on the Game and Fish Preservation Bill which it approves generally the Madras Chamber of Commerce desires to protest emphatically against one proposal which is that the whole European community, not in Government service, should be required to pay higher rates and fees than the natives of the country and Government servants. The Chamber remarks that the Government of India does not attempt to justify this extraordinary discrimination against non-officials, and it submits that it is both unjustifiable and iniquitous. The Chamber can see no reason for the discrimination between any section of the residents in India, and it therefore strongly urges that sportsmen in India should be divided into two classes, *viz.*, (1) natives of the country and all residents in India, and (2) visitors, which latter, considering they come to this country chiefly or solely for sport and are usually wealthy, may appropriately enough be charged higher fees than the former.

The Calcutta Light Horse held their first tent pegging competition on Tuesday. Fourteen competed Captain Pugh and Sergeant-Major Winkworth tieing for first place with 16 points each.

In the Bangalore Polo Tournament, which ended on the 18th instant, the Carabiniers beat the combined team of the R. A. and R. E. in the finals by four goals to two goals and four subsidiaries, *vide* details in our Polo Columns.

Owing to the heavy rain there was little or nothing doing on the Calcutta course last week. The track has not been opened yet, and as a consequence fast work has been restricted to short spurts across the centre of the course by the tank, a certain amount of galloping being also indulged in on the Ellenborough. All this is well enough in its way, but unless we get a spell of dry weather between this and the first meeting, there will be very few horses really fit to go.

Nothing of any interest took place on Saturday or Monday, but on Tuesday most of the strings were putting in a few spurts, and some jumping was also witnessed.

Hello and Harold were the first out and put in a smart spin across by the tank. They were followed by Bell Brand, Flash and Parole, who were sent along nearly top pace, the last named being out of it.

Rosalea and Not Yet from Mr. Galstaun's lot put in a couple of bursts and Western Queen also went three furlongs twice.

Daffodil and Blue Bell, both Mr. Deakin's, were schooled over four flights, the former clouting the timber in his usual light-hearted fashion. He does not seem to have acquired any additional respect for the hurdles from the rapping he gave his shins at the last extra meeting, when he gave his jockey such a rough ride. Norman (Howie up) went over a couple of flights. He was not fencing in his usual faultless style, but it looked rather as if that was due to undue economy in the matter of cinders on the take off side of the flights. Kittylea, steered by a native, put in a good school, lepping like a book.

Rezia, in Mr. Dudley's hands, also put in a school. She was jumping very much on the "safe" side, a fault in the right direction it is true, but one which, especially in the monsoon mud, is apt to result in a horse, as the saying is, beating himself jumping. However with these new hurdles it is just as well to make sure of getting the other side right way up. This was practically all the fast work, though All Fours (Mr. Gerald's), Fusilier (Mr. Myers's), Naiades (Mr. Raban's), Sunshine (Mr. Evers'), all were doing half speed galloping. Granted that the rain will see fit to hold off sufficiently for the opening of the training tract, there should be something worth reporting next week.

A policeman on duty in the Rue Saint Anne, Paris, last month was surprised to see a well-dressed man destroying a poster which advertised a cure for baldness. The policeman made a few observations to the man, and then made his way into another street.

Here he came across the same individual in the act of destroying with his stick another poster, which set forth the virtues of the same remedy for baldness. This time he arrested the man, and, says the "Advertiser" took him to the police commissary's office.

When questioned this destroyer of posters, who is a man of independent means, aged 45, took off his hat, and revealed a shining bald pate without a hair upon it.

'This is the result of a year's treatment," he said to the police commissary. "Not only did my hair not sprout but by applying this remedy I lost all the hair I had. Then I swore to be revenged, and my revenge took the form of destroying every poster I saw which boasted of the wonderful result from using this cure for baldness. I have already been arrested eleven times, but I shall continue my work of destruction."

A summons was issued against the man. But he was not in the least affected by this procedure. He simply continued destroying more posters.

Athletic Notes.

A NAMELESS correspondent has addressed the following lines to our esteemed contemporary of Chowringhee:—

"In to-day's issue of *The Indian Field* a correspondent asked where amongst the following towns the best football is to be seen:—Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Simla, and Lucknow. The editor replies, 'probably in Calcutta.' This reply is, I consider, absurd in the extreme. It is evident that the editor has never witnessed good football outside of Calcutta or he would never dream of making such a statement. If he were to see the Punjab Army Football Championship Tournament, which is played at Umballa, the Durand, Murray, and Rovers' Cups, played for at Simla, Lucknow, and Bombay respectively, he would probably get a shock. These are tournaments for which some twenty to thirty crack regimental teams enter. Calcutta football will not compare with what one sees at the above places. The only really good team that has played down here is the R. I. Rifles eleven."

This correspondent has our heartfelt sympathy: he confesses himself in the above communication to be entirely devoid of a sense of humour. We published this precious query as a specimen of what editors sometimes have to put up with; the *Statesman's* correspondent failed to recognise the pure inanity thereof or the utter futility of attempting to reply thereto, as delicately conveyed in our editorial footnote.

The final in the Lahore and Mian Mir Hockey Tournament was played in the Lawrence Gardens, Lahore, on the 9th instant. The contesting teams were the 1st P. V. Rifles and the North-Western Railway, a good match resulting in a win for the Volunteers by 2 goals to one.

The following are results in English county cricket matches last week:—Yorkshire beat Hampshire by an innings and 18 runs; Lancashire beat Worcester by nine wickets. The matches between Kent and Sussex, Middlesex and Essex, Notts and Leicester, and Warwickshire and Sussex were drawn.

The Madras Boat Club held a long distance tub sailing race on the Adyar on the 9th instant. The start was near the Elphinstone Bridge and the winning post the mound in the Adyar Club compound. Seven crews competed, and after a close and exciting race Mrs. Molesworth's crew won, Mrs. Alexander second, and Mrs. Thornton third. The following were the crews:—Mrs. Molesworth, Messrs. H. K. Warren and C. Babington, 1; Mrs. Alexander, Mr. R. F. Stoney, and Captain Alexander, 2; Mrs. Thornton, Messrs. F. H. Thornton, and R. Sharpley, 3; Miss Malden, Messrs. C. H. Chessall and W. B. Stephens, 4; Miss Spencer, Messrs. E. A. and F. H. Wilson, 0; Mrs. Josselyn, Messrs. J. Josselyn and W. W. Paul, 0; Mrs. Smythe and Mr. F. J. E. Spring, 0.

The drawings for the I. F. A. Tournament will be found in our Football columns.

We gather from the report of the seventy-eighth general meeting of the Standard Life Assurance Co., a copy of which has been sent us by the local manager, that the aggregate of new sums assured placed on the books during the year again exceeds the total for the previous year, and is the largest amount recorded in the history of the office. The claims by death, on the other hand, notwithstanding the increased business, are lower than in 1902. During the same period the Company's Funds have been increased by the very considerable amount of £371,000, and now exceed eleven millions sterling. The supervision of the investments in which these Funds are placed receives the anxious care of the Directors, and they are glad to state that throughout the year they have found favourable opportunities of making new investments for such monies as were available for that purpose. The ratio of the interest yielded by the whole of the Company's Funds, including balances in the hands of agents or otherwise unproductive, has increased during the year from £4 1s. to £4 2s. 7d. per cent., which will, doubtless, be recognised as a very satisfactory return on so large a sum.

The Board continues to devote much attention to the development of the various branches at home and abroad, and in the case of the great majority of these the progress during the year has been satisfactory. In South Africa, and in India more especially, the increase of the business, which had been temporarily checked by the Boer War, has been very marked, aided also in the case of India by the reduction in the rates of premium.

Those interested in life assurance will find something to interest them in the following figures which we extract from the report :—

Amount proposed for assurance during the year 1903 (6,454 proposals): £3,179,306 ; amount of assurances accepted during the year 1,903, and for which 5,408 policies were issued £2,407,916 ; premiums on new policies issued £98,495 ; purchase price of 171 new annuities £129,074 ; claims by death under 1,028 policies, during the year 1903, inclusive of bonus additions £695,579 ; claims under matured endowments and endowment assurances during the year 1903, 157 policies, inclusive of bonus additions £74,471 ; subsisting assurances as at 15th November 1903, amounted to £27,649,322, the number of existing policies being 57,371. Revenue £1,390,196 ; accumulated funds £11,014,317 ; being an increase during the year of £371,689.

The Calcutta Rowing Club Regatta fixed for the 30th instant (which date by the way has been appropriated for the football charity match) promises well, judging by the activity which prevails every evening at Kidderpore. So far there are four crews in the Class Fours and at present they are arranged as follows :—*Services*, Dr. W. C. Hossack, Captain R. C. Wilson, Lieutenant H. E. Szczepanski and Captain H. W. Gardiner. *Banks*, Messrs. C. V. Green, L. R. Carter, H. Longford, and A. J. M. Carroll. *Peepulpatty Dug Ups*, Messrs. F. R. S. Charles, J. Graves, G. Peddie, and G. Watson. *Merchants*, Messrs. H. W. Hales, H. S. Bull, C. S. Wilson, and J. M. LeCocq.

The following are certain entrants for the Junior Sculls :—Messrs. C. S. Wilson, H. S. Bull, and W. C. Burke and among the "possibles" are Messrs. J. A. Tassie, A. M. Grose, and G. Watson.

Practice for the Ladies' Race, which will be rowed in single sculling dinghies with coxswains, is very interesting : there will be at least six entrants we hear, and, from what the critics on the bank say, there should be a good race.

The preliminary heats will be decided on Thursday and Friday, the 28th and 29th instant, and entries close next Saturday.

A letter from the Honorary Secretary of the Calcutta Football League, published among our correspondence, tells us that a sum of Rs. 1,111 was handed over to local charities as the net proceeds of the booking at the late Charity Match. This is a large and satisfactory result and one on which we congratulate all concerned.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes :—Two fairly fast games of polo have been played this week in which I was glad to notice a general improvement in the form of individual players. This may have been due to the state of the ground which was in better order for polo than it has been since the rains set in, but I am inclined to think that practice has had as much to do with the improved form shown as anything else. Practice games are all very well in their way, but one would like to see those Tuesday and Thursday games vested with more interest than they are at present. In the absence, however, of military interest in local polo it is not possible to get up even a Civil *vs.* Military game.

Votaries of the "royal and ancient game" are girding up their loins in preparation for the Royal Western Indian Golf Club Tournament at Nasik in September and all the regular attendants at the links may be seen in the mornings getting themselves into their handicap form. Local golfers expect great things of W. P. Pechey this year.

The mounted sports on Wednesday were held in delightful weather and attracted a large and fashionable crowd. The entries were larger than they have been hitherto this season, a fact which afforded considerable satisfaction to the honorary secretaries, Messrs. Crum and Hill, who have left no stone unturned to make these meetings a success and who have frequently been obliged to work under the most disheartening conditions. The programme opened with the usual tent pegging competition in half sections and for this seven half sections competed, a great improvement on previous entries. The winners, Messrs. D. Graham and W. E. Crum had very good points while Messrs. Reddie and Hill and Symons and P. F. Fischer who were bracketed second were only one point behind. The jumping competition, which was second on the programme, did not fill so well and was an easy win for Mr. Greig with Mr. Fischer second.

The ladies tilting, always one of the most popular events, drew five fair entrants all of whom showed considerable skill. The first prize was carried off by Mrs. McCausland and the second by Miss Crommelin. The Lloyd-Lindsay competition, in half sections, also brought out a large number of entries and after a keen contest was won by Messrs. Graham and Crum with Messrs. Rutherford and Greig second. A new feature was introduced in the shape of a Dog Derby for which a dozen representatives of the canine species competed. Some of the doggies entered into the spirit of the thing and responded nobly to the cries of encouragement from their owners stationed away down the other end of the course, but others of pugilistic tendencies seemed more inclined to have a scrap than win fame for themselves and their proud proprietors. After a close and exciting race between some half dozen of the competitors the verdict was obtained by Mr. Roberts' dog with Mrs. Halliday's only a head behind. The Pony Scurry drew five starters and resulted in a win for Mr. Fischer's "Hira," (scratch) ridden by owner, by two lengths. Mr. McCausland's Sybarite (scratch) also ridden by owner and Mr. Spence's "Pepper" (50 yards) ridden by Mr. M. Gray were second and third respectively. The Horse Scurry attracted four entries Mr. S. Graham's. "Grey Leg" (30 yards) ridden by owner winning by two lengths with Mr. Fischer's "Dart" ridden by owner and Mr. Symons' "Surprise" ridden by Mr. Cook second and third respectively.

Turning to Soccer doings, two of the best games played in the Harwood League so far were witnessed on Tuesday and Wednesday evening and were so evenly and closely contested that no score was recorded in either of them. In the first game, which was between the Rovers and the *Perseus* team, play was of a most even nature both goals being attacked in turn, but brilliant saving on the part of the goalkeepers prevented any score. In both attack and defence there was absolutely nothing to choose between the two teams and for the second time in succession they played a drawn game, their first game ending in a draw of one goal all. A great crowd turned out on Wednesday to witness the game between the Royal Garrison Artillery (cupholders) and the Cheshires "A" team who are at the top of the league table. Both sides were very evenly balanced and the result was quite the finest display under the Association code seen this season. There was nothing to choose between the back divisions, with perhaps the exception that the Gunners' goal-keeper seemed the safer of the two, but the Cheshire's forward line showed slightly the best combination. The Gunners, played under a slight disadvantage in the first half having to face a strong breeze. The Cheshires did most of the attacking, but could not break through the impregnable defence of the Gunners' backs who played a grand game. Just before crossing over the Gunners asserted themselves and a lively time ensued in front of the Cheshires' goal. The latter were however, equal to the occasion and kept their goal intact. The principal feature in the second half was the good passing indulged in. The result of the game, a pointless draw, afforded much satisfaction to the partizans of the two teams.

On Thursday evening the Cheshire "B" team inflicted a crushing defeat on the Telegraph team by six goals to *nil*, which, curiously enough, was the margin by which they won their first league match against the same team.

An interesting Rugger match was played on Monday evening between a combined military and naval team and the Bombay Gymkhana which was won by the latter by a goal and a try to a goal. Montgomery Phillips, Kendall and Brand were most in evidence for the Gymkhana while the brothers Langhorne, Taylor, and Sneyd played a good game for the combined team.

A letter has been received by the Cricket Secretary of the Bombay Gymkhana stating that the Kathiawar cricket team will be unable to go on tour this year in consequence of the low state of finances owing to the failure of Messrs. William Watson and Company.

Far and away the best innings played by a Gymkhana batsman this season was that by A. H. S. Aston for the Gymkhana *vs.* Cheshire Regiment on Saturday. The old Harrovian has been displaying very consistent form this season and up to last Saturday was able to point to a batting average of 39·2. His highest innings had been 86 made against the United Services, but on Saturday he had the satisfaction of making his first century in India, playing a faultless innings of 114. At one time he was able to claim 100 out of a total of 144, but the last man, Coombs, hitting with great power managed to score 30 in ten minutes including six fours. Aston's century should make his selection for the Presidency team practically certain, and there seems every hope that he will make runs against the Parsees. His average is now 54·2 for five matches. The Cheshire Regiment managed to make a draw of the match.

News was received in Bombay by cable on Saturday morning of the death of Major H. B. Stanford, of the Royal Garrison Artillery in the Gulf of Aden. The deceased officer, who had been stationed in Bombay during the past eighteen months, left for England on Saturday, the 9th, on short leave, and although a bit seedy was not in a state to cause his friends any anxiety. His sudden death is much regretted by local sportsmen for, although not able to take any active part in games, he was always ready and willing to support any sporting movement.

The Madras Boat Club hold their hot weather regatta on Saturday, 3rd September, the following events figuring on the programme :—Club Challenge fours, half mile ; Junior Sculls, half mile ; Junior Pairs (with cox), half mile, Tub Mixed Pairs and Tub Sailing race.

The Automobile Association of Bengal is moving into the rooms below the Asiatic Society's Museum till recently occupied by the Photographic Society of India. Owing to the generosity of a member of the Committee of the Association, the room has already been fitted up with electric lights and a fan, and the furnishing of the premises is now being pushed on, with a view to providing members with a convenient and comfortable place of meeting. An inauguration dinner has been suggested, but this may perhaps be deferred till the cold weather, when a large accession to the ranks of motorists is confidently predicted by those who keep their eyes open to the signs of the times. About 50 cars have now been registered in Calcutta by the Commissioner of Police and this number does not include motor bicycles, which have a separate register. By the rules of the Association no entrance fee is payable by members until a certain number have been enrolled, but this number is likely to be reached shortly, so it is in the interest of all who possess motor-cars or bicycles, or intend shortly to do so, and who have not already joined the Association to lose no time in getting their election put in hand. Dr. Nield Cook, the Health Officer to the Corporation, is Chairman ; Mr. Oakley, Vice-Chairman ; and Mr. J. H. H. Rolfe, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Association.

The revival of lawn tennis is shown by the keen interest taken in the championship meeting at Wimbledon, a full report of the concluding day of which will be found in "The Weasel's" letter. The fight in the singles between Greville and Riseley went to the latter owing to his splendid placing down the side line to Greville's back hand. The match between the Belgian champion and Hall Green, the champion of Homburg, was also highly exciting to the onlookers. It is rather difficult to say why lawn tennis ever went out of fashion. It was far the best game ever invented for garden sport, for it gave the maximum of exercise with the least real fatigue. Its temporary eclipse was possibly due to the fact that it is essentially a local game, and in every locality, after a certain time, the "form" of each player, and his relation to other players, became too well known. The results of the games, even doubles, were more or less a foregone conclusion.

First Motorist : "Coming for a motor trip ?"

Second Motorist : "Motoring, eh ! I call it bloatering."

First Motorist : "How's that ?"

Second Motorist : "Because if you don't 'kipper' sharp look-out you 'bloater' blazes !"

Among important county cricket results last week are the following : On the 15th Lancashire beat Derbyshire by an innings and 120 runs ; on the 16th the South Africans beat an England eleven at Lords by 189 runs. Drawn matches.—Surrey *vs.* Worcestershire, Kent *vs.* Yorkshire, London County *vs.* Warwickshire.

Our Bangalore Correspondent writes :—Amongst the many sporting functions which are now taking place in Bangalore, the noble art of self-defence was represented by a regimental boxing competition which was brought off at the theatre of the 6th Dragoon Guards on the evenings of the 13th and 14th instant. Most of the events were for novices and the science shown was therefore naturally not of a very high order. But there were some good bouts, and the competition was carried through with excellent temper and spirit. In the final for light weight novices, Sergeant Haig gave weight away and defeated Private Barker. The latter depended almost entirely on rushing and windmill hitting, but Haig shaped decidedly well, and having his man blown in the last round walked round him literally like the proverbial cooper round a cask.

The heavy weight novices' final, between Privates Lambert and Raymond produced a fairly good fight, but it was only the unflinching pluck of the latter boxer which kept him going for three rounds, for

Lambert was the aggressor from start to finish. In the middle-weight novices' final bout an unfortunate occurrence took place, Private Stevenson, who was rapidly pulling up a majority of points, scored by Private Graham in the first two rounds, striking his man when down, and losing on the foul. It was apparently only the result of excitement, and not a deliberate foul blow.

Turning to competitions open to the regiment, Sergeant Haig was as successful in the light-weights as he had been in the novices' event. He had a real good bout with Private Costin in the final, and there was very little to choose between the men at the end. Haig, however, got the verdict on points. The final for the regimental middle-weights cannot be said to have been so good, Private Beeston hammering Private Foster from pillar to post throughout, and having him practically beaten early in the second round. But the two who faced one another in the final bout for the regimental heavy-weights put up a fine fight. Their style was very different, and Thorp had a tremendous advantage over Tye in height and reach. He swung the right with good effect on several occasions, and though Tye kept going gamely, the Judges' verdict in favour of Thorp was the only one possible. Major Hamilton refereed throughout, and announced after the tournament that this would be the first of other similar competitions. Several hundred rupees were given away in prizes.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday*, 1*st July* 1904.

THE King had an imposing reception, marred only by the rainy and tempestuous weather, when he made his entry into Kiel harbour on Saturday afternoon, after an excellent voyage. The display which his nephew had devised in his honour, and for his edification was characteristic of the place, as although Kiel is given up to sport during the yacht race week it is for the remaining 51 weeks of the year simply and solely a great naval station. In the evening the Emperor gave a State banquet on board the *Hohenzollern* and, having buried the mailed fist for the nonce, made an eminently pacific speech in proposing King Edward's health. The King's speech in reply, is admitted, on all hands, to have been even more tactful and happy—if that be possible—than his public utterances invariably are, and it should do much towards calming the agitated nerves of some of our friends at home, and removing their fears lest Teutonic guile should use the occasion to wrest untoward concessions from us.

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Though the King in his speech laid emphasis on the fact that his well-known interest in yacht racing was the chief reason for his visit to Kiel, as a matter of fact only on the last day was any considerable time devoted to the racing. On Monday the King was shown over the dockyard, and witnessed some racing by the boats of the German fleet, but the great naval review, which we were told, was arranged, and which was to exhibit to an admiring and envious world the spectacle of "the renewal in strength of the Sea power of the German Empire," for some reason did not come off. This is the first opportunity our naval officers have had of inspecting a number of German men-of-war, and from all I can gather, the result is they do not covet their neighbour's ships. Our Blue Jackets altogether declined to take the boat races seriously.

On Tuesday the yacht racing was of more interest, but the King spent the day at Hamburg, where all accounts agree he had a most magnificent reception, and with characteristic German hospitality was entertained by his magnificence, the Burgomaster, and the civil authorities at a luncheon which lasted two hours. The officers and men of the British men-of-war have had hospitable entertainment, and much cordial good fellowship has been evinced. Americans seem to have been much to the fore in all the social gatherings ; the largest yachts in the harbour were owned by Americans, and several of our correspondents note the courtesies lavished on American yachtsmen by both the Kaiser and Prince Henry. It is much to be regretted that many of those who had the best opportunity of seeing the Emperor at close quarters do not consider his health to be as good as might be wished.

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The Seductive proposal by Sir John Leng that the Government should withdraw all contentious Bills at present before Parliament, and wind up the Session rapidly "in order to submit the policy of the Ministers to the judgment of the country," has not been accepted by the Prime Minister with the gratitude it no doubt deserved, but he seized the opportunity it gave to administer a much-needed warning to his "supporters" (*N.B.*—This is "writ sarcastic") as to the course the Government would take if "they fail to secure that 'day to day' support which is necessary in order effectively to carry on Parliamentary business." All sorts of reasons are given for this laxity in the attendance of Unionist Members. The Free-Fooders blame the Whole-Hoggers, and Whole-Hoggers the Free-Fooders, but a reason can be more easily, if not more creditably, found in the extreme dreariness, and the aid of unreality, of the debates. The Radical orator, though no doubt interesting enough to himself, is not as a rule inspirating. The most flinty hearted amongst us would not condemn an unlucky fellow creature to remain constantly within hearing of the "dreary drips" of House of Commons debate, but it is the duty of that fellow creature, if he be a Unionist M. P., to remain within hearing of the division bell. And if he does not, it is devoutly to be hoped his constituents will remember it when the long-threatened General Election takes place. "From information received" Mr. Balfour's warning has produced some effect.

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The inaugural meeting of the International Congress of the Salvation Army at the Albert Hall seems to have been a model of skilful stage management, and a gathering which under less admirable organisation might easily have become a latter day Babel was a really impressive spectacle. However much some of its methods may offend our taste, it is admitted on all hands that the Salvation Army has done good social work, and probably its religious works has been on the whole, beneficial. The fact may, at least, be placed to its credit that, unlike many other religious bodies, its powerful organisation has never been used by its Commander-in-Chief in a spirit of political partizanships, but has remained true to its original purpose. Forty-nine countries in which the Army labours, were represented at the Congress. For some reason, not easy to determine, the Dutch contingent was given the place of honour, but the few Japanese representatives present undoubtedly received the most cordial welcome of the evening, and the programme informed all whom it might concern that this contingent included "The Saved Editor." The Australasian Delegates included a "converted footballer," and among the German was the "Drunkard's Brigade" with their ambulance in which they were wont to carry off their inebriated comrades to seclusion—and it is to be hoped—repentance. The women of the Foreign contingents were mostly garbed in the costume of their respective countries, and the familiar poke bonnet so inexpressibly hideous, evidently finds no favour in their eyes. General Booth made an excellent and effective speech alluding, with evident gratification to the interview the King accorded him. By the way the "General's" designation, in the Court Circular of that date, reads oddly. "The Rev. William Booth, Commander-in-Chief of the Salvation Army."

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The Royal Agricultural show has again had good luck in the weather for its annual show. Last year it had the one fine week in the wettest and most dreary of summers. And this year the weather was almost perfect. The military display by the Royal Horse Guards was enjoyable, and would have been more so for many of us had the spur been more moderately used. The opinion was freely expressed by competent judges that it was frequently used without the slightest necessity on provocation. The Committee would be well advised to devote some attention to the rough and uneven surface of the ground before the next show is held. The attendance was more than disappointing. It was bad last year : this year it was even worse being the smallest that has been known for 29 years. With the exception of the show at Taunton in 1875—a very wet week—the 1904 show registers the smallest attendance since 1860. The loss on last year's show at Park Royal was over £9,000, and the loss this year must inevitably exceed that amount.

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Of matters theatrical there is not much to chronicle. The French Company at the Avenue Theatre last week produced Yvette, a five act play of portentous length by M. Pierre Barton, founded on a story by Guy de Maupassant. The plot is of the slightest, and spun out to attenuation. Mlle. Marthe Régnier plays the title part with much charm, but the preternatural innocence and ignorance of Yvette make too heavy a demand on one's credulity, and the character thereby loses in interest. The Marquise Obardi of Mlle. Dorziat is a fine piece of acting, and M. Tarride as Jean de Servigny is good. On Monday night the same company produced "La Bourse ou la Vie" (a comedy in four acts and five scenes) by Alfred Capus, which promises to be one of their successes. The piece is witty, and is most admirably played. Mlle. Dorziat in particular, showing herself to be a brilliant comedy actress, and winning what is perhaps, up to the present, her most brilliant success this season. The plot can hardly be described as original. Jacques Herbaut finds himself too poor to keep up his position in Parisian Society and determines to retire with his wife to the country. His wife (Hélène), however, prefers Paris and means to stay there. Her old school fellow Pervenche introduces to them Brassac, a financier, under whose protection she is living. Brassac hoping that Herbaut will float him in society takes him into partnership. Brassac's business is rotten and speedily comes to grief. Brassac disappears and Herbaut is arrested. Le Houssel, a wealthy man of fashion, in love with Hélène suggests a transaction by which her husband's honour may be saved at the expense of her own. In a very brilliantly played scene he makes his proposal ; she indignantly dismisses him ; he is repentant, apologises, and is forgiven ; and she accepts the cheque which will give her husband freedom. All ends happily. Herbaut refuses the cheque, but Brassac who has returned to Paris in search of a rich lady with whom he has fallen in love, is arrested. The rich lady, touched by the risk he has run for her sake, marries him, and her millions set everything right. M. Bertrand admirably supported Mlle. Dorziat in the great scene between Hélène and Le Houssel, and M. Tarride scored another success as Brassac.

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On Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon Mr. Tree gave a special performance of "Julius Cæsar" in which he, of course, plays Marcus Antonius ; Mr. Oscar Asche representing Brutus. This revival of the play is a remarkably fine one. Miss Margaret Halston is beautiful as Calpurnia, the acting all round is excellent, and the splendour of the scenery and the wonderful stage management fully sustain the reputation of His Majesty's. Mr. Tree brings his season to a close on Thursday next, with a programme consisting an Act from that (to me) most depressing of plays. "The Darling of the Gods," the Westminster Hall scene from "Richard II ; two scenes from "Twelfth Night" with Miss Tree as Viola, and "The Man Who Was." Truly a full and a varied programme.

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There is something pathetic in the death of Clement Scott, following so closely upon the performance given on his behalf at His Majesty's Theatre. Though he himself was not destined to benefit from the exertions of his friends it must have been a satisfaction to him to know with what wholehearted zeal and devotion his friends came forward. The son of a clergyman, educated at Marlborough College, he was appointed to a War Office clerkship in 1860, but his chief interest even in these early years, was the theatre. In 1872 he reached the summit of his ambition by becoming the dramatic critic of the *Daily Telegraph*, and by means of his articles in that paper held for a time a unique position. But his temperament was too emotional for a critic, and he was often led by the impulse of the moment to pronounce verdicts which he must afterwards have regretted. It is needless now to recall his reasons for resigning his post on the staff of the *Daily Telegraph* and it is pleasant to know that before his death his relations with the leading members of the dramatic profession had been restored to their former friendly footing.

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Yet another Ladies' Club ! This latest addition to the number opened its doors to members only last week. In point of position it is the most ambitious venture of the kind that has yet been made, being, I believe, the first Ladies' Club to invade the sacred precincts of Piccadilly. The new club, the Lyceum, has taken over the premises, 128, Piccadilly, lately occupied by the Imperial Service Club, together with many of the fixtures, and some of the equipment. The club is intended for ladies who are engaged in the professions, or are connected with literature, journalism, art, science, or medicine. The chair-woman of the committee is Lady Frances Balfour, and the subscriptions are extremely moderate. The entrance fee is only one guinea, the subscription for town members being three, and for country members two guineas a year. There are thirty-five bed-rooms which will be an immense convenience to country members, and for the catering a varied scale of charges has been arranged. There is a fine billiard-room, and a capital library, well supplied with books of reference. Altogether the "Lyceum" promises to be a notable addition to the number of Ladies' clubs.

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From the *World* I cull the following paragraph :—"Some of the London correspondents have been commenting upon Mr. Winston Churchill's restless inability to sit still in his place in the House of Commons—a peculiarity which, it has been suggested, is

the result of overstrain." Now I candidly confess that for some time past, when I have been in the House, the performances of Mr. Winston Churchill have had a fascination for me quite out of proportion to their importance. One of his favourite amusements, when not engaged in "going for" Joe, is to take a sheet of the Order of the Day, roll it up into a long, thin, stiff spill, twist that, with the utmost nicety and precision, into a triangle and throw it under his seat, then take up another sheet of paper, go through the same performance, and fling the completed triangle under the seat to keep company with its fellows. Occasionally the spill would be twisted into a knot, or a figure of 8 instead of the triangle. The whole thing seemed to be mechanical—almost unconscious—the consequence of "restless inability to sit still." And in my opinion the symptom of very serious nervous overstrain.

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The second trial of Sophia Annie Watson on a charge of perjury in connection with her unsuccessful action against Major-General Fitz Hugh for alleged breach of promise, resulted in a verdict of guilty, and thereby what at one time threatened to be gross miscarriage of justice, was prevented. Watson had been under the notice of the police since 1889; there were four previous convictions against her, one of them a term of three years' penal servitude for fraud; and it was during her imprisonment in Lewes' Goal that she made the acquaintance of the unlucky General who was one of the visiting justice of the Gaol. To the average mind it appears unlikely that an acquaintance made under such unpropitious conditions should result in marriage—or even in a proposal of marriage—there was not, so far as the average mind can gather, a tittle of evidence to support Miss Sophia Annie Watson's statement, and the result of her action for breach was a verdict in favour of the defendant. The second act of the interesting drama showed Miss Watson in the dock on a charge of perjury. That the jury should leave their box for consultation seemed a mere form, and the announcement by the foreman, after two hours' consultation, that the twelve good men and true were unable to agree led one to ponder upon many things—chiefly as to whether trial by jury is the altogether unmixed blessing we are assured it is. The Recorder mildly inquired whether the twelve good men and true grasped the fact that by their failing to agree they were imputing perjury, not only to General Fitz Hugh but also to Colonel Isaacson, the governor of Lewes' Goal; but as after another hour's reflection they still found themselves unable to agree, they were perforce, dismissed.

At the second trial yesterday a new jury found the woman guilty without hesitation, adding a strong expression of their sympathy with Major-General Fitz Hugh; and the Judge sentenced her to four years' penal servitude, remarking that she had been convicted on the clearest possible evidence. The Judge's concluding remarks on the dangers to which Magistrates are exposed in dealing with designing convicts, strike me as rather wide of the mark. The risk of a convict bringing an action for breach of promise against one of the visiting justices is infinitesimal compared with the danger of having one's reputation at the mercy of an addle-pated Judge.

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Various items: The sale of the art collection of the late Mr. C. H. T. Hawkins was concluded at Christie's yesterday. The collection, which consisted chiefly of snuff boxes and miniatures, realised over £186,000; the highest sum realised by an art sale for many years past. At a pawnbroker's at Brixton, there is on sale at the price of £50, a solid silver casket which the Edinburgh City Fathers did honour to themselves by presenting to "Charles Stewart Parnell, Esquire, M. P., on 20th July 1889." Along with the Burgess Ticket conferring the Freedom of their City on that gentleman. The casket was pledged about three years ago. A testimonial consisting of a cheque for £2,150, and a silver salver has been presented to Mr. Albert E. Southall, Secretary to the National Union of Conservative, and Constitutional Associations, in recognition of nearly twenty years indefatigable labours for the conservative cause. The preliminary inquiry in the Pollard Case, the Hooley and Lawson Case, and the Sievier Case, has in each instance resulted in the committal for trial of the accused. A committee has been formed to set on foot a fund for the support of the monthly journal founded by Miss Frances Power Cobbe, in which she advocated kind treatment of animals. Mrs. Roscoe, Poston House, Peter Church, Herefordshire, is the Honorary Treasurer. On the Annual Speech day at Rugby last Saturday, Dr. Jex-Blake, Dean of Wells, unveiled a window in memory of old Rugbeians who fell in the South African War. It is from a design left by the late Sir E. Burne-Jones, and has been executed by Messrs. Morris. On the same day Lord Methuen unveiled, at Clifton College, the memorial to the 43 old Cliftonians who fell in South Africa. The memorial consists of a pedestal of portland stone, bearing a bronze tablet on each side, and surmounted by a bronze statue of St. George.

ONLOOKER.

Shikar.

LIONS *VS.* TIGERS.

AS your East African correspondent R. E. D., in your issue of 23rd June, has asked your readers to swop tiger yarns with him against his lion ones, I take him on declaring them "not good." I having four aces AND the "Joker."

By way of an "ante" I may mention that about 1871 there was a lion and tiger fight in Madras A few animals used to be kept caged in the "People's park," and a lion and tiger lived there on the "semi detached villa" principle with only a sliding partition between them. This was opened by mistake one day and I was told that the lion never had a show. He was laid out a "stiffy" inside of ten minutes. Not content with the mere victory "stripes" began to eat him beginning with his tail.

Of course there may be individual lions that can polish off individual tigers, that proves nothing. I knew a girl so good with the gloves (or without them for that matter) that she made most men who stood up to her look foolish. That does not prove that women are stronger than men. "R. E. D." must remember that the average lion measures only between eight and nine feet in length (the size of the average tigress) whereas stripes averages a foot longer, Leo, therefore, is outclassed. Stripes again has a longer forearm, which most people forget on account of his less erect carriage. So far, then, as power goes stripes takes the cake. Leo, however, has one very great protection in his mane. It not only forms a pad between Leo's flesh, and stripes' claws; but it baffles "stripes" who strikes or grabs at it instead of at solid flesh, besides getting in his eyes when at close grips. Notwithstanding all this there can be no doubt that tigers would win eighty out of every hundred fights.

In most tea districts the garden coolies are encouraged to keep cattle, the cowherds being paid by the management. And on all gardens there is a strong enclosure to keep the cattle secure in at night. In a certain garden this enclosure was formed by a massive seven foot high palisade. I know for I helped to build it myself. Six to nine inch diameter logs stuck on end in a three feet deep trench as close as possible, and cross braced with heavy timber. Nothing could get under or through or over, unless it had wings, and yet the big Hansi bull the agents had sent up to improve the breed of cattle was killed in it and carried out of it one night. At least he was locked up with the rest of the cattle one night and next morning, was found dead and partly eaten by a tiger, quarter of a mile or so off. I was away at the time but Truthful Jeames on my return assured me that not a post had been pushed aside, and the only way the bull could have been taken out was OVER that palisade. Stripes must have jumped in seized the bull and jumped back *with the bull in his mouth*. Truthful was a careful man, and whatever his own private opinions were never let them interfere with business, so he swore to the head cowherd that he must have forgotten to fasten the gate of the enclosure. It was always secured with a massive chain and a huge but primitive padlock. So he fined the cowherd a month's pay. It was no use the man protesting, that if such had been the case, the rest of the cattle would have been found straying all over the garden. When Truthful could save money he never neglected the chance.

The man, therefore, hoping that in a day or two stripes would return for another animal, borrowed an old "Brown Bess" with the intention of recouping the fine by the Government reward for killing the tiger. A few mornings after the man turned up at the bungalow with a tiger claw, and the following story. On the fourth night of his watch in a tree. Soon after the moon had risen, he saw a tiger step out from the jungle; and proceed with a quick slouching run straight for the cattle enclosure gate. It was full moon and almost as bright as day, and the man from his perch in the tree could see both inside and outside of the enclosure.

Arrived at the gate 'stripes" reared himself on his hind legs against it. Steadied the big padlock with one forepaw while he inserted a claw of the other into the key hole; and deliberately proceeded to pick the lock with his claw. This accomplished he pushed the gate partly open sidled through and closed the gate. Carefully selecting the fattest cow he chased her round to the gate, nosed the door open, thrust her through in front of him, closed the gate: and again reared up and was twisting his claw into the padlock to RE-LOCK IT, when the man fired. Whether he was wounded, or only just startled, the watcher could not say; but "stripes" gave a mighty leap, wrenching off his claw which remained in the padlock. "Then," said Truthful, the man showed me a tiger claw apparently but recently torn off a tiger as the muscle at its base was quite fresh. Truthful further remarked that he examined the claw and found rust on it; and on going to the cattle enclosure gate, he found the chain and padlock considerably scratched, and with slight blood stains. Tiger pug marks were seen leading to and from it. A longer search discovered the cow in question killed and half eaten by a tiger. Well, there's the story, and it must have been true for I saw the claw afterwards myself and, Truthful Jeames was a gentleman of some standing and well-known in his district, and is surely more reliable than the native who saw the lion FLING the donkey over the "Boma." That reminds me of a story told me by a dear old Scotch doctor. He's dead and gone this many a long year, let us hope he needs no punkas now. He had but one failing —whiskey.

"Indeed, it's the bad thing it is whatever," the old man would remark. "And that is why I like to put it out of the reach of you laddies." He did it pretty effectively for unless we had cared to tap him there was no chance of seeing it again. I shall be grieved if any of your readers doubt the veracity of my old friend.

"De mortuis" you know, and so on. I am free to admit though that there perhaps is a wee, wee drappie too much whiskey in the story and here it is as told to me.

He was making a short cut, on foot, from one tea garden to another; and had lost his way in the jungle. Coming to a stream some twenty yards wide which was in full spate from recent rains, he climbed a tree on its banks to see if he could spot a boat. Nary a boat could be seen, and he was about to descend when he saw a tigress and two cubs come down the opposite bank to the water's edge. Several times the mother tried to get the cubs to cross; but they funked the furious current, so the tigress swam across by herself. Naturally enough the doctor thought he had better remain where he was. Mrs. Stripes crossed but it was as much as she could manage and she lay in a small patch of grass recovering her wind. Presently, all unsuspecting of danger a wild sow, and pretty big at that, came by, whom Mrs. Stripes speedily converted into pork. Now the question was, How to get the meat to her progeny, who stood wailing on the farther side. What was the doctor's surprise to see her come to the water's edge; and scrape up a circular mound of mud about a foot high. Very carefully she firmed it down and trimmed its sides nearly perpendicular till its top was about two feet in diameter. She then went and brought the pig balancing the body with great nicety of adjustment on the top of the mound. "Then man," exclaimed the old doctor, "Ah saw as gran' a' St. Andrew's swing as ah iver wush tae see. The beastie just steppit back a step or twa, eyed the carcase then, wi a wee bit prancie forrard, she swung her huge left paw (I mind weel it was the left) catching the body, plump, and hiking it clean o'er the stream with a roar that wud ah frighted a Glascae crowd."

"Gosh man what a smack it struck the mud on the opposite bank just atween the cubs."

Here the o'd man generally concluded with—

"Ah'm just thinking laddie ye've had as much wheeskey as is guid for ye, so ah'll pit ye out the o' the way o' temptation"; and he'd promtly empty the bottle into his own tumbler.

J. JARRO

Fishing.

FISHING IN KASHMIR.

MOST contributors of articles on fishing confine themselves to accounts of the sport they themselves have obtained in good localities and the thanks of all anglers are clearly due to them for the hints and information they provide.

But occasionally it may not be altogether out of place to describe places to be avoided. In this latter category Kashmir may not unjustly be classified.

To those primarily in search of a good climate and who would like the opportunity of a little desultory fishing thrown in, Kashmir will certainly commend itself. But I would never advise any man whose first aim was sport to go there.

I am speaking of localities on the Jhelum river ordinarily accessible by boat. On some of the routes *into* Kashmir, notably the Poonch and Bhimber routes, excellent sport is assured at the right time of year. But I have no faith in the fishing in Kashmir proper.

To anyone going up on two or even three months' leave no certainty of sport is offered.

That monster fish exist is not open to doubt as monsters have been caught and the fact has been crystallised into a hopeful tradition to stimulate flagging zeal.

Seasons, no doubt, vary considerably, but the first three months of the leave season, when fellows stationed in the plains are generally glad of a change, are practically blank months in Kashmir so far as Mahseer are concerned.

This year two Mahseer of 12 and 4 pounds respectively were caught at Sopor in May and during June upwards of a dozen were caught, but none I believe over 13½lbs. in weight, which, with respect to the number of anglers engaged works out to a fractional figure per rod per month.

In August, September, and the beginning of October, the prospects of Mahseer improve, but they are always uncertain and attended by mosquitos of large size. Men do say that roughly speaking, very roughly speaking, they attain the dimensions of a snipe, but I do not hold myself responsible for the truth of this.

So the case is as follows. In May, June, and July, there is practically no fishing. I speak of Mahseer only at present, and in August, September, and part of October,

a few big fish are occasionally taken to an accompaniment of mosquitos.

I am not moved to write by the bitterness of disappointment, but simply in the hope that anyone who proposes to go to Kashmir during the first three months of the leave season mainly in search of Mahseer may have some warning of what to expect.

As a rule it is not easy to obtain reliable fishing information. Many people will recommend certain places where they know so and so killed goodness knows how many fish. On being further questioned as to dates they "cannot swear to the exact month, but it was somewhere about now." And so the misguided fisherman strains his banking account to reach some distant paradise only to find that fish are not shewing and is probably unable to incur the expense of immediately transferring his activity to some more promising locality.

Too much stress can hardly be laid on stating the dates on which fish were caught if an article on fishing is to be of any practical value.

Many fellows even disguise localities—*e. g.*, "M. and I fished with great success in the River P. 4 miles from Z."—which can be of no earthly use to help struggling anglers to share the success they boast of.

Compared with the size of the country, anglers in India are by far too small a minority and too widely diffused to make the concealment of good localities in any way necessary, and it is difficult to perceive what other motive there may be. I imagine that most fellows in the plains would ordinarily endeavour to take leave at the beginning of the leave season and it is on this hypothesis that I am writing.

For good fishing therefore come not to Kashmir proper. From August to 15th October Mahseer may be caught, if you can stand the mosquitos. The only fish that I know of in Kashmir are four in number, Mahseer, Chiroo, Chuss and Roptoo or Hij. The latter I have not caught, but have seen it in the sacred fish tanks at Islamabad, which by the way are well worth a visit. The fish in them are perfectly tame and will eat from one's hand. They run from a few ounces to 9 or 10lbs. in weight and are all Chiroo, Chuss, and Roptoo, so far as I could judge.

English trout have been introduced into certain waters as an experiment, but their acclimatisation is still in process of development.

Working up the river from Murree I have fished at the following places during May and June with the poorest results: Kohalla, Domel, Hatti, or Hattian. Kitsahama 6 miles down from Baramula), every likely place between Kitsahama and Baramula. Sopor Dourak (on western shore of Wular Lake and about 10 miles north of Sopor). Banair (where the Jhelum flows into the Wular Lake). Soombal, Shadipore, Ningal, Pampoor, Bijwara, Kanbal (the highest point that boats can ascend the Jhelum and one mile from Islamabad), and in the Liddar River. I have also tried many intermediate likely looking spots on the river.

My experiences, of course, may have been unfortunate, but I don't think any man will produce good results from the river during these months. With regard to Mahseer at the most accessible places I will start with Baramula. A favourite place is just below the bridge where the water is very deep and very strong. Heavy sinkers are required, sufficient to strain an ordinary Salmon rod, so a short stout rod is necessary. Sopor is much the same, but with slightly lesser current. Spinning from an anchored boat is generally practised at both these places.

Dourak is still water and usually fished by trolling a long line. Ningal is also still water and later in the year Mahseer may be taken with a frog.

At Shadipore spinning is commonly practised either from the bank or from a boat.

Native fishermen occasionally capture, or get broken by, big fish by adopting a method more suited to Oriental patience than to European ideas of sport. They use a weighted line with a treble hook embedded in a big lump of *atta*. They drop this in a likely spot and await eventualities.

Chiroo and Chuss are nearly similar fish, leather mouthed and barbed and with small scales. The Chiroo has the larger mouth of the two and is adorned with spots, to which he owes his honorary title of 'trout.' But the similitude ends with his spots. Both are bottom feeders and may be taken spinning or with live bait, with mulberry, with *atta* or meat, and with the fly. As regards the fly I don't think they have any particular bias. The one I happened to use chiefly was a small "Thunder and Lightning" with which I caught Chiroo of a pound or so at Dourak and Sopor.

I do not remember having caught Chuss on a fly, but I believe they take it.

Chiroo, however, give no sport, but since they take a fly afford a certain amount of practice in casting.

The Chuss, if possible, is more of a "Swine-fish" than the Chiroo.

On a mulberry I have taken these fish in plenty up to 4lbs. or so. I use a tail hook and dropper and have frequently caught two at a strike. In still water they require a light float and quick striking. In fast water they hook themselves.

At Bijwara and at the junction of the Liddar and Jhelum rivers at Kanbal I have taken two and three dozen in a day of varying sizes. In August and September, when the river is low, these fish may be taken at the latter place particularly up to 16lbs., but not commonly over 6 or 7lbs.

They are, however, "swine-fish" and simply hang on the line till one has reeled up sufficiently to put a net under them.

During the first week in July I went to Baramula to try for Mahseer and also to do a little fly fishing for Chiroo. I found, however, that both Chiroo and Chuss were much off the feed, and a two pound specimen of the latter that I caught, I found to be in poor condition and much inflamed at the base of the fins and with sores or wounds on the tail and head.

Even small specimens of three inches long were similarly affected. I made enquiries from the native fishermen who told me that occasionally, not every year, a kind of sickness breaks out amongst them, which they attributed to heat, and that whilst in this state they would not feed. They did not seem to consider them unfit for food, if caught, but personally I should be very sorry to try one.

They also told me that Mahseer caught later in the year, particularly at Mingal, will generally be found to have the ventral fin much worn, in some cases almost worn away, which they attributed to the Mahseer having to hug the stony bottom of the Jhelum during their journey up from India, owing to the strength of the current.

I do not think that skill operates very much in Kashmir provided one spins deep enough, as fishing is mostly carried on from a boat where questions of concealment have no place.

In a big river like the Jhelum it is to a great extent guess work. A place is selected and heavy baits slung out and pulled in and slung out again, which may be good exercise, but is little else.

A man who goes to Kashmir chiefly for the climate and who takes up a rod and rifle with the intention of using them in a desultory fashion will probably be happy enough. But a man who wants fishing chiefly and who regards a temperate climate as an agreeable but non-essential adjunct will be better advised if he keeps away.

"T."

Correspondence.

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WHIST QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Will you kindly let us have your decision in this point that arose at whist the other day.

A
D B
C

Two cards left in hand, B to lead. B leads a club, both C and D follow suit, but A trumps with the king of diamonds, having the nine of clubs in his hand.

This trick is left lying face up on the table.

A exposes his last card (the club) not playing it on the table, but holding it out in his hand in the act of leading, so that it was visible to all the players, and on an exclamation from one of his opponents, not from his partner, he attempts to rectify the error by placing his club in the previous trick.

Is he at liberty to recover his revoke on the plea that his next card not having left his hand is no lead but an exposed card?

T. S. P.

[A not having parted with his last card can substitute the club for the diamond. In the present case the penalty for an exposed card is of no use, and as a revoke has not been established no penalty can be exacted. ED.]

THE CHARITY MATCH.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—After meeting all expenses I have been able to forward a cheque for Rs. 370-8-6 to each of the following, as the profits of the recent Civil *vs.* Military Charity Match:—1. The Calcutta Hospital Nurses' Institution; 2. The Little Sisters of the Poor; 3. The Garrison Quartermaster for Military charities. The thanks of the League Committee are due to the players and those of the general public who supported the match by their presence *inside* the enclosures. Yours, etc.,

EDWARD E. ROPE,
Honorary Secretary, C. F. League.

15th July.

FISHING AT KODAIKANAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I should feel much obliged if any of your readers could give me information as to the fish and fishing at Kodaikanal. I recently came across the following in Thomas' "Rod in India" and it sounds rather promising:—"On the Pulney Hills, in the Madura District, is a sanatorium, about 6,000 feet above the sea, called Kodaikanal, and in it is a lake.....The best time seems to be May and June.....In January 1886, I put in 8 Carnatic Carp, and in May 1886, 20 Megalops Cyprinoides.

In the first week in June 1887, I sent up the young of Mahseer and of Carnatic Carp, and the gentleman on the spot to whom I consigned them wrote to me that he turned into the lake 19 out of the 20 Mahseer sent, alive and well, and the whole of the 60 Carnatic Carp sent, all vigorous but one, which however recovered. I have heard no news of them, though they ought to have made a show by this time and to improve the fishing in the lake."

He also says that before introducing these fish the lake swarmed with lesser Barils (Barilius gatensis), so there should have been no lack of food.

"T."

WHERE IS THE BEST FOOTBALL PLAYED?

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I have read your reply to the query of "Argument" in your issue of 14th July with surprise. As I happen to know, Mr. Editor, you have both played and seen a good deal of football in Bombay and Calcutta, and possibly in the other centres mentioned, I conclude that you were indulging in the mild diversion of pulling your correspondent's leg. Or do I detect in this an attempt, pardonable at this dull season, to start a controversy?

OLD FOSSIL.

[We have seen a fair amount of football in all three Presidencies, and we have experience of all sorts and conditions of queries—some sensible, some otherwise. We should say there ought not to be much doubt in which category to place that of "Argument." "Old Fossil" will find this subject referred to in a paragraph among our Athletic Notes.—ED.]

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I shouldn't have thought it of you? An old hand like yourself ought not to have fallen in with both feet over the idiotic question regarding "the best football" which you published in yesterday's issue of your esteemed paper which I read regularly, but do not pay for. My *burra saheb* is an advertiser. Verb Sap! Somewhere in Proverbs you will find old Solomon saying "Answer not a fool according to his folly, less thou be likened unto him"—by other fools,—*vide* paragraph in a local daily paper this morning! Surely the writer stands in need of the surgical operation considered necessary when certain Northerners are confronted with a joke?

JIGGINS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I do not endorse your opinion that the *best* football is probably played in Calcutta. I *have* seen splendid play there and old Internationals who were engaged playing almost up to their best form; and I *have* seen some terribly bad exhibitions there also. For that matter such has been my experience in Bombay and Simla. That's it—good, bad and indifferent play may be seen at each of the places mentioned by "Argument." Who can decide where the best is to be seen? I notice you, Mr. Editor, do not commit yourself to an emphatic opinion. But while the Presidency towns Simla and Lucknow are mentioned what price Allahabad, Secunderabad, or, say, Rangoon where I've seen some magnificent exhibitions of soccer, why have they been left out?

TRAVELLER.

[For the same reason, we presume, that found Kanchrapara and Krishnaghur neglected.—ED.]

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In reference to the enquiry of your correspondent "Argument," which appeared in your issue of 14th instant, I think the best football to be seen in India is at Simla, where most of the expert military teams come forward to win that much coveted trophy the "Durand Cup" which is always played before an enormous crowd and in the presence of the highest officials of India.

The Calcutta public will, I think, side with me in saying that Calcutta is getting played out so far as the competition for the I. F. A. Shield is concerned, for if you will kindly review the tournaments of the last few seasons you will see that the best and most exciting matches were played in the year 1901 when the redoubtable Royal Irish Rifles, who were the champions of India at that time, were in Calcutta and since then (although the League matches are somewhat interesting) the Shield Tournament has not been as interesting or of as high class as might have been expected.

Take this year for the Shield for instance, what a poor entry! Only one up-country team in—the Royal Irish Rifles, who will take all the trouble to come down all that way from Fyzabad.

I take this opportunity to ask the military teams within our Bengal Presidency or the whole of India, why they do not care to take more interest and come down to compete for the I. F. A. Shield. Let them answer, and after they have done so, I would ask the Secretary of the I. F. A. to do his best to remove the obstacles lying in their way so that we may be treated to better displays of football than we have had since 1901.

NON-FOOTBALLER.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I see a correspondent of one of your contemporaries has been taking you to task for expressing the opinion that one probably sees the best football played in Calcutta. Every one to his own opinion of course; so, while I think you do not express the general verdict on this point [Oh! these good, literal people.—ED.] I am not at all prepared to endorse the opinion of the *Statesman's* correspondent, albeit made with such assurance, that tournaments such as the Durand, Murray, Punjab, and Bengal Army, show us the best football. I grant you military teams frequently show rare good form: but ofttimes spectators are prone to mistake mere pace and rush, coupled with a seasoning of gallery play, for skill and science, which, as we all know, sometimes has to knuckle under to other factors. Throughout the country there are good civilian teams, especially in the Presidency town. Some years they are especially strong, some years they are weak; and as the members thereof are subject to constant transfer, or frequently go home on leave just about the football season, they seldom have the same opportunities of playing together for lengthy periods, or getting up really effective combination as their soldier opponents. Nevertheless civilians very often show us some splendid games, even though they may not struggle through to the end in tournaments.

have times and again seen civilian teams beaten by "Tommy" teams, of far less skill, but with much more of the *condition* which plays such an important part in their successes. I by no means accept the dictum that we see the "best" football in our big military tournaments. I have often seen better *football*, from the science, skill, knowledge of the game and true sporting spirit points of view, between two rival civilian teams in a practice game, than in the finals of some of the tournaments the *Statesman's* correspondent drags to the front.

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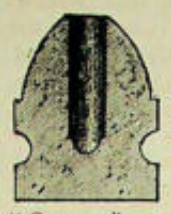
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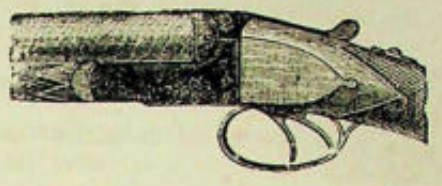
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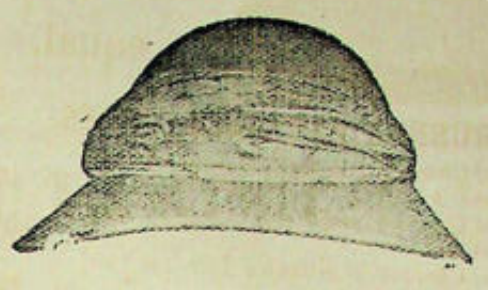
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,, ,, Fifth – ..	,,	29 & Oct. 1	
Masoorie Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Simla Autumn – ..	,,	25 & 27	82
Lucknow Autumn Sky – ..	Nov.	5, 8 & 10	
Umballa Autumn	,,	15, 17, & 19	626
Meerut Autumn Sky .. .	,,	23, 25 & 27	
Sonepore	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn	Dec.	1	
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup) ..	,,	10	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	17	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
,, First Meeting .. .	,,	27	
Viceroy's Cup .. – ..	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Lahore Xmas	Jan.	2 & 7	
Tollygunge steeplechase	,,	5, 7, 10	
Rawalpindi Sky .. .. –	,,	21, 23, 25	
Dibrugarh	,,	14 & 21	
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	28	
,, Third Extra	Feb	4	
,, Fourth ,, .. –			

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Poona Races	First ..	2nd August.
	Second ..	23rd ,,
	Final ..	6th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon .. –	–	2nd August.
,, 2nd ,, .. –	–	9th August.
,, 3rd ,, .. –	..	16th August.
,, 4th ,, – –	–	6th September.
,, 5th ,, – ..	–	13th September.
Army Cup – .. –	Third –	1st October.
	Final ..	15th November.
Civil Service Cup .. –	Third ..	15th September.
	Fourth –	1st December.
	Final ..	20th January.
Umballa Autumn .. –	First –	13th August.
	Second ..	17th September.
	Third –	25th October.
Calcutta First Extra – ..	..	6th December.
,, Second Extra ..	..	13th ,,
,, First Meeting ..	First ..	1st November.
	Second ..	30th ,,
,, Second Meeting ..	First ..	30th November.
	Second ..	7th January.
Masoorie Autumn ..	First –	12th September
	Second –	19th ,,
	Third ..	26th ,,
Lahore Xmas	Second ..	1st November.
	Third –	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	First ..	1st August.
	Second –	15th September
	Third ..	8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechase, First Day	First ..	1st November.
	Second ..	30th ,,
,, ,, Second Day	First ..	1st November
	Second ..	2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament .. .. Begins 29th August.
Poona Junior Tournament .. .. Begins 15th August.
Poona Open Tournament .. .. Begins 30th September

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club.
Second Rapid Fire Competition – .. 23rd July.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta .. 30th July.
Ditto 3rd Regatta .. .. September.
Ditto The Power Cup – October.
Madras B. C. Regatta .. .. .. 3rd September.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla) – – 14th to 27th September.
Trades Cup (Calcutta) .. .. Now on.
J. F. A. Tournament .. – .. Now on.

RACQUETS.

South Indian Amateur Tournament .. Now on.

HOCKEY.

Madras Tournament – .. .. Begins 25th July.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament .. .. Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Cleek Competition – Now on.
R. W. I. C. C. Tournament (at Nassik) .. In September.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay) .. 23rd, 24th and 25th August.
,, ,, (Poona) .. 13th, 14th and 15th September

SHOWS.

Bangalore Horse Show – .. .. 21st, 22nd and 23rd July
Poona Horse Show .. .. .. 29th & 30th September.

SWIMMING.

Calcutta S. C.
Two Lengths Handle Handicap .. .. 29th July.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furs.)	Friday, 22nd July.
Stewards Cup, Goodwood (6 furlongs) –	Tuesday 26th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 27th July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles) .. –	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1¼ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate .. –	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1¾ miles) ..	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs) ..	Thurday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes .. –	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap – ..	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) ..	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¾ miles) ..	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ miles) ..	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles) .	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) ..	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) ..	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup .. – .. 22nd October.
Melbourne Cup – .. .. 1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Rugby vs. Marlborough (Lords) .. .. 27th July.
Dublin Horse Show – .. .. 23rd August.
Birmingham Dog Show .. .. .. 28th November.

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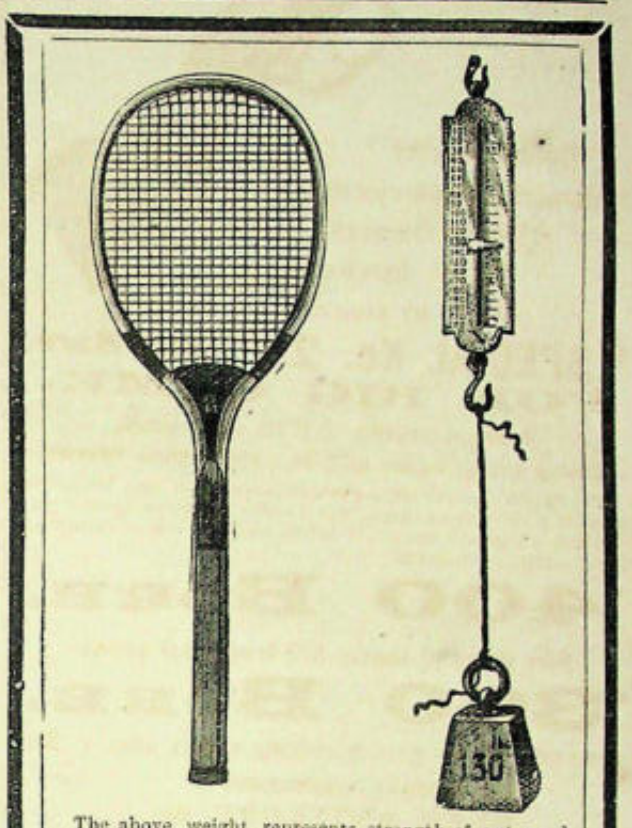
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Third Day, Thursday, 14th July 1904.

A very long card was issued for the third day's racing in Bangalore, and although there was only one really close finish, there was some fairly good racing. Surprises were the order of the day almost throughout, and backers fared badly odds on favourites going down time after time. Carrara broke down badly in the steeplechase and certain sagacious persons, who had backed Senator for a place in view of this possibility drew their money. But everybody was sorry to see the old horse pull up dead lame, for he ran well, and led Madeira, to whom he was giving 25lbs. for quite a mile and a half. The other races are treated of in their places and need not be described here The bookmakers sportingly subscribed for four races on Saturday, so we were made practically sure of an extra day. From a social point of view, the third day's racing was a great success, although the early hour at which a start was made—2 P.M., kept the ladies away at first. Eventually the stand and the enclosure were well filled, and with four refreshment tents on the ground, (the Carabiniers, the Essex Regiment, and the 28th Light Cavalry were all "At Home") the most excellent of good fellowship prevailed. The early start was due to the uncertainty of the weather in Bangalore at present, and it certainly was a thousand pities that we were drowned out on the first day, especially during the race for the Cup. Everyone was glad to see Jimmy Robinson win the big race of the meeting on that honest little horse Ayrdale, but had the jockeys of Ayrdale and Wild Raven been changed, it is more than possible that the latter would have won. Details :—

THE YELLANDUR PURSE.—1 s. 750, Rs. 500 presented by Sir P. N. Krishna Murti, K.C.I.E., Dewan of Mysore, and Rs. 250 added from the fund, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 150. A handicap for C.-B. horses. ¾ mile.

Col J P Grant's b cb h Prime, 6st 10lbs ...	Melsom	1
Mr Jaffer Mahomed Mystry's b ch g Upstart, 10st 7lbs	Heroo	2
Capt J Randall's b cb m Miss Ascot, 8st 2lbs	Hoyt	3

BETTING :—2 to 1 on Miss Ascot, 3 to 1 agst Upstart, and 4 to 1 Prime.

Prime got away from Upstart with the mare last. The same order was maintained throughout, Prime having the race won at the distance. He made all his own running and won without being pressed by a length ; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min 23secs.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.—Rs. 350, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100; and the third Rs. 50. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. ½ mile.

Mr S W Webster's b a h Syndic, 9st 7½lbs	Capt Randall	1
Aga Mahomed Jaffer's b a h Nippon, 7st 11lb...	Geoloo	2
Capt A S Teogood's g a g St Gris, 9st 6lbs	Hoyt	3
Lieut-Col. J Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 8st 11lbs	Melsom	0
Mr Reuben's g a h Bisthan, 8st 5lbs ...	Heroo	0

BETTING :—Evens St Gris, 6 to 4 agst Bisthan, 4 to 1 Delight, 5 to 1 Syndic and 8 to 1 Nippon.

Bisthan made running from Syndic and St. Gris, but at the turn for home Syndic assumed the command, and quickly having the race in hand he won in a canter by a length ; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—56½ secs.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Rs. 750, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 150. A steeplechase for horses. Weight—Handicap. About 2¼ miles, S. C.

The Hon H E Thellusson's b nth am m Madeira, 11st 11b	Hoyt	1
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ch aus g Senator, 9st 6lbs	Burns	2
H H the Sultan of Johore's bk aus g Carrara, 12st 12lbs	Koops	3

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Madeira, 5 to 4 agst. Carrara, and 6 to 1 Senator.

Carrara pulling hard made the running at a strong pace and led by a length passing the stand for the second time. Senator meanwhile had tailed about 50 yards and seemed out of the race. Six furlongs from home, however, Madeira went to the front as she liked, and Senator having made up a lot of leeway also passed Carrara who was shortly afterwards eased. Madeira won in a canter by two lengths, whilst Carrara, who pulled up hardly able to hobble, was a distance behind the second horse. Time—5mins. 29⅗secs.

THE ALL-HORSE HANDICAP.—Rs. 900, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr Kelso's b aus g Harpist, 10st 3lbs ...	Heroo	1
Mr A Stewart's b e g Carburton, 8st 3lbs...	Hoyt	2
Mr N R Chowdhury's ch aus g Tecoota, 8st 7lbs	Melsom	3
Mr N R Chowdhury's b e m Nightingale, 9st 7lbs	Lansdowne	0
Mr M Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum, 7st 6lbs	O'Neill	0
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's br aus m Sister, 6st 12lbs	Bennett	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Nightingale, 5 to 1 each agst Harpist, Tecoota and Carburton, and 6 to 1 each Sister and Gum.

There was the usual performance by Sister at the post, which delayed the start and resulted in her getting practically hopelessly left. Tecoota also got off badly, but the other four raced almost level to the turn into the straight. Here the favourite fell back and Harpist assumed a commanding lead. He appeared to be winning easily, but a hundred yards from home Carburton made up a lot of ground, and got to the leader's girths. He rather chucked it, however, when Hoyt sat down to ride him, and Harpist retaining his advantage, won by a neck; Tecoota, three lengths away, was third. Time—1min. 6⅕secs.

THE EXCELSIOR PLATE.—Rs. 600, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. A handicap for C-B ponies 14-2 and others 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' b aus m Mamao, 9st 8lbs	Lansdowne	1
H H Aga Khan and Aga S Shah's ch aus g Cocos, 10st	Robinson	2
Major W Dougall's ch aus g Lancer, 9st 8lbs	Penton	3
Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 7st 12lbs	Heroo	0
Mr C P Graham' ch aus m Shot Silk, 7st 8lbs	Hoyt	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Cocos, 3 to 1 each agst Lancer and Mamao, and 6 to 1 each Shot Silk and Dandenong.

Cocos made the running, but in the straight Mamao came up and won by a length ; two lengths dividing second and third, Shot Silk was badly left and never in the race, which was a pity, as there was a good deal of money invested on her for a place. Time—1min. 8secs.

THE JULY PLATE.—Rs 1,200, of which the second horse will receive Rs 200. A handicap for horses. 1¼miles.

Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral. 6st 13lbs	Melsom	1
Mr N R Chowdhury's br e m Bouquet, 7st 6½lbs	Elliott	2
Capt Wilson's, 3 bk e h Misty, 7st 12lbs ...	Heroo	3
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's b aus g Goldsmith, 10st	Penton	0
Mr A W Grosser's b aus g Waligrove, 9st 11lbs	O'Neill	0
H H Aga Khan's br e g Ayrdale, 9st 2lbs	Robinson	0
Mr N R Chowdhury's br aus g Wild Raven, 8st 6lbs	Lansdowne	0
Lieut Col J Desaraj Urs' ch aus g Leonidas, 8st 3lbs	Hoyt	0
H H The Sultan of Johore's b aus g Peppercorn, 7st 3lbs...	Bennett	0

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst Waligrove, 3 to 1 Red Coral, 4 to 1 each Misty, Bouquet and Ayrdale, 5 to 1 each Goldsmith and Wild Raven, 6 to 1 Peppercorn, and 8 to 1 Leonidas.

Red Coral was at once sent to the front and led at a strong pace from Goldsmith and Ayrdale, with Leonidas whipping in. The lot kept well together until half-a-mile from home, where Red Coral increased his lead, and Bouquet and Misty came through. All the heavy-weights were done with at the distance, and Red Coral striding away won as he liked by two and a-half lengths; a length dividing Bouquet from the third horse. Time—2mins. 11⅕secs.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,000, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200. A handicap for Arab horses. 1¼ miles.

Mr Mahomed Haji Ebrahim's ch a h Gallant, 9st 9lbs	Heroo	1
Major A C Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 7st	Melsom	2
Capt Darley and Neilson's ch a g Selpme, 7st 8lbs	O'Neill	3
H H Aga Khan's ch a h Sandow, 8st 10lbs	Robinson	0
Mr S W Webster's b a g Derision, 6st 7lbs	Bennett	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Sandow, 2 to 1 agst. Gallant, 3 to 1 Jack Horner, and 5 to 1 each Selpme and Derision.

Jack Horner made the pace very hot, with Derision next and Gallant a long way last.

At the five furlong post, however, the last named had caught his field, and gradually going through he challenged Jack Horner at the distance. For a few strides the latter struggled gamely, but then he died away, and Gallant won all out by four lengths. Selpme being the same distance behind the second pony. Time—2mins. 29⅗secs.

Extra Day, Saturday, 16th July 1904.

The attendance at the extra day's racing was distinctly poor, a fact which it is difficult to account for, as there was, so far as deponent knoweth, no counter attraction. Otherwise the day's sport was successful enough, although there was only one exciting finish, and that was a really fine struggle between Madeira and Bouquet in the fourth races on the card. Old Wadhurst astounded every one by winning the first race, but the twenty minutes of irritation at the post may well have had less effect upon him that on the others. He also got well away. For the rest the day was almost give and take between fielders and punters, but the latter must have had a bit the best of it, and on the whole the meeting should have done really well. They have been most sporting, however, in giving extra races and in subscribing to race balls, and the little difficulty which occurred on the first with regard to the course fees may well be forgotten. The Bangalore race week has been a decided success, marred only by the unfortunate storm of rain which ruined the race for the Cup, and cut short the second and principal day's sport. With regard to weather, however, it is distinctly not in mortals to command success, and the Bangalore Stewards and their energetic Secretary, Mr. H. Donne, are to be warmly congratulated. Details :—

THE SUBSTITUTION PENCILLER'S PLATE.—Rs. 350, of which Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third horse. A selling race for horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr A C Tate's g aus g Wadhurst, Rs. 600, 8st 8lbs	Hoyt	1
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's ch aus g Senator, Rs. 1,000, 9st 6lbs	Penton	2
Major F Jollie's b aus g Best Shot, Rs. 1,000, 9st 6lbs	Robinson	3
Mr A C Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, Rs 1,000, 9st 6lbs	Lansdowne	0
Mr Jacob Sait's b aus g Medowra, Rs. 900, 9st 3lbs	Heroo	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Scissorman, 2 to 1 agst Best Shot, 4 to 1 Medowra, 6 to 1 Senator and 8 to 1 Wadhurst.

About twenty minutes delay occurred at the post, Medowra persistently refusing to join her horses, and Wadhurst also giving trouble. When they did get away the favourite and Medowra were badly left and Wadhurst made strong running Scissorman came up into third place, but died away again, and Wadhurst won without being challanged by two lengths; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅕secs.

THE BOOKMAKERS' PLATE.—Rs. 350, of which Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third pony. A handicap for ponies. ½ mile.

Lieut-Col Armstrong's b e g Referee, 8st 7lbs	Heeroo	1
Mr M Lakshmi Kantaraj Urs' ch aus m Queen Cole, 9st 2lbs	Thompson	2
Mr L S Kindersley's br e m Freda, 7st 10lbs	Hoyt	3
Mr R Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 7st 3lbs	O'Neill	0
Mr Aga Jan's b aus m Doris II., 6st 13lbs	Melsom	0

BETTING : Evens each Queen Cole and Referee, 3 to 1 agst Freda, 10 to 1 Doris II., and 20 to 1 Tight Rope.

Doris II and Freda, got away with Referee third. At the home turn the latter came round his horses, and quickly assuming the command won in a common canter by two lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—53⅕ secs.

THE ARAB PONY HANDICAP.—Rs. 350, of which Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A handicap for Arab ponies. 5 furlongs.

Major A C Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 8st 11lbs	Lansdowne	1
Mr S W Webster's b a g Derison, 8st ...	Heroo	2
Major M N Smyth's g a h Diamond Rose, 8st 6lbs	O'Neill	3
Mr K Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 9st 4lbs	Hoyt	0
Capt E. G. R. Peel's b a h Bayleaf, 7st 12lbs	Melsom	0

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Jack Horner, 5 to 4 agst King Cobweb, 4 to 1 Derison, 6 to 1 Bayleaf, and 10 to 1 Diamond Rose.

The lot got away well together, but Bayleaf streaked along at a tremendous pace and was soon three lengths in front. The length of a polo ground, however, is about far enough for this wonderful little galloping polo pony and he died away altogether in the straight where Jack Horner went to the head of affairs and won easily by 2½ lengths, Derision beating Diamond Rose a length for second place whilst the latter was a neck in front of King Cobweb.

Time—1min 11⅗secs.

THE GOLDSPINK PLATE.—Rs. 350, of which Rs. 100 to second and Rs. 50 to third horse. A handicap for horses. 9 furlongs.

The Hon H Thellusson's b nth am m Madeira, 9st 11b	Hoyt	1
Mr N R Chowdhury's b e m Bonquet, 9st 11lbs	Lansdowne	2
Major H C V Harrison's ch aus g De Wet, 6st 10lbs	O'Neill	3
Mr M Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum, 8st 9lbs	Thompson	0
Major F C Logan-Homes's bk aus g Pope, 8st 5lbs	Robinson	0
The Hon Mr A A Apcar's br aus m Sister, 8st 11b	Bennett	0

BETTING :—6 to 4 agst Bouquet, 3 to 1 De Wet, 4 to 1 each Madeira and Pope, and 5 to 1 each Sister and Gum.

A good start from which Sister rushed away—by the way she was run in a hood—and was leading at the five furlongs post by a couple of lengths. Half-a-mile from home Bouquet, Gum and Sister were practically level, but coming into the straight Madeira went to the front, and at the distance looking like having the race in hand. Bouquet, however, challenged and a good race resulted in a victory for Madeira by a neck ; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins 1⅘secs.

THE SALAMAT PLATE.—Rs 350, of which Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A handicap for ponies. 1 mile.

Mr S W Webster's b aus m Flight, 6st ...	Bennett	1
Mr A West's ch aus m Firebrand, 8st ...	O'Neill	2
Mr C P Graham's ch aus m Shot Silk, 7st	Melsom	3
Mr A P Symond's bk aus m Cleopatra II., 10st 4lbs	Heroo	0
Major W Dougall's ch aus g Lancer, 9st 10lbs	Penton	0

BETTING : Evens Cleopatra II., 2 to 1 agst Firebrand, 3 to Lancer and 4 to 1 each Shot Silk and Flight.

Shot Silk cut out the work from Firebrand, and Cleopatra II. with Flight left four or five lengths. She caught her field, however, at the five furlong post and gradually came through, assuming the lead at the distance and winning by a length from Firebrand with Shot Silk about the same distance away third. Time—1min. 51⅘secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 200, of which the second pony will receeive Rs. 50. 2¼ furlongs.

Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' b aus g Swiveller, 12st	Lansdowne	1
Major F C Logan-Homes's ch aus m Mary Jane, 12st	Capt Randall	3
Major A C Hamilton's ch e h Astrologer, 12st	Capt Watson	3
Mr Howley's bk aus g Assegai, 12st ...	Capt. Clarke	0
Major M N Smyth's b e g Laurier Rose, 12st	Owner	0
Major M N Smyth's b aus m Cossack, 12st,	Major Dougall	0
Mr Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 12st	Mr Queripel	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst Mary Jane and Swiveller, 4 to 1 each Laurier Rose and Cossack, 5 to 1 Assegai, 8 to 1 Astrologer, and 10 to 1 Tight Rope.

Swiveller had the race in hand throughout, and won as he liked by three lengths ; half-a-length dividing second and third. Time—35secs.

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Second Meeting, Saturday, 16th July.

ALTHOUGH it looked as if it were going to be a wet afternoon, the rain held of and the executive were enabled to bring off a successful meeting. The attendance was fair and the racing good, in spite of the sticky going some exciting finishes being witnessed. Comments on the sport will be found among our Sporting Notes. Details:—

TUM-TUM STAKES.—A flat race for ponies 14-1 and under that have been regularly driven up to date, and that have never own a race of any description, value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Allowances.—Arabs 28lbs., C.-B.'s 14lbs. Previous Gymkhana winners to carry a penalty of 7lbs.

Mrs Bowring's gr aus m Flash, 12st 11b ...	Mr Turner	Dead
Mr C Ismay's ch aus g Little Glencoe, 10st 7lbs	Owner	Heat
Mr R G Bates' b aus g Tom, 11st 8lbs ...	Mr Holmes	3
Mr G Smallwood's b aus m Piggy, 12st ...	Owner	0
Mr A Carter's b aus g Cyclone, 11st 8lbs ...	Owner	0
Mr E Jones's b arab h Skylark, 9st 8lbs ...	Owner	0

A desperate finish resulted in a dead heat between Flash and Little Glencoe. Owners divided.

THE JULY STAKES.—A flat race for maiden horses. C. W. 10-7. Five furlongs.

Mr E J Marshall's b e g Winklet, 10st 7lbs	Mr Holmes	1
Mr Dudley's b aus g Planet, 10st 7lbs ...	Mr M Turner	2
Mr T G Evers' b aus m May 8, 10st 7lbs	Owner	3
Mr K M Hamilton's b e m Pierette, 10st 7lbs	Owner	0
Mrs Morgan's b aus g Mascot, 10st 7lbs...	Mr Rees	0
Mr P A Scaramanga's b aus g Nicotine, 10st 7lbs ... — ...	Owner	0
Mr Price's ch aus g Golden Syrup, 10st ...	Dr Hossack	0
Mr T Curtis-Hayward's b aus m Sylvia, 10st 7lbs	Mr Westmacott	0
Mr G A Wilmot's b aus m Maid of Kent, 10st 7lbs —	Mr Marshall	0
Mr N Winkworth's b aus g Winterlea, 10st 7lbs	Mr Wilmot	0
Mr E A Antram's br aus m Myrene, 10st 7lbs	Owner	0

Won by a neck.

PONY FLAT RACE.—A flat race for maiden ponies 14-1 and under. W.I. 14-1 to carry 11-7. Allowances.—Arabs 28lbs., C.-B.'s 14lbs. Previous Gymkhana winners to carry a penalty of once 7lbs., oftener 14lbs. Five furlongs.

Mr K M Hamilton's b aus g Good Chat, 10st 6lbs	Owner	1
Mr Price's b aus m Energy, 12st 11b ...	Mr Holmes	2
Mr R Harwar Gill's b aus m Lone-hand, 9st 8lbs ... ... --	Owner	3
Mr T H Wheeler's ch aus h First Guide, 11st 7lbs	Owner	0
Mr J D Marshall's br aus m The Owl, 11st 5lbs	Owner	0

Won by half a length. First Guide was left at the post.

THE ALL-COMERS STAKES.—An open flat race for horses that have never won a race of any description, value Rs. 50 or over. C. W. 10-7. G.R.'s Five furlongs.

Mr K G Bannerjee's ch e m Reinzette, 10st 7lbs	Mr Galstaun	1
Mr A N Das's b aus g Euraylus, 10st 7lbs	Mr Dudley	2
Mr J E Adams' blk aus g Road Metal, 10st 7lbs	Mr Holmes	3
Capt Paterson's ch aus m Thunder Queen, 10st 7lbs	Mr Wilmot	0
J C Galstaun's br aus h Shooting Star, 10st 7lbs	Mr Wheeler	0

Won by half a length. Mr. Galstaun, the pilot of the winner, dropped a stirrup soon after passing the post, owing to which an objection was lodged, but this was overruled.

THE TOLLYGUNGE STAKES.—A steeplechase for Paperchase horses and other horses that have never won a race of any description, value Rs. 50 or over. C. W. 11st. About 1¼miles,

Mr A Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet, 11st	Mr W Rees	1
Mr E L Ralli's b aus g True Blue, 11st ...	Owner	2
Mr E A Antram's b aus m Myrene, 11st	Owner	3
Mr R Westmacott's r c b g Cossack, 10st	Owner	0

Won easily,

THE LADIES' BRACELET.—A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description, value Rs. 50 or over. Ladies' nomination.—Three furlongs.

Miss Cruickshank nominates Mr Price's b aus m Energy, 12st 11b	Mr Holmes	1
Mrs Jamieson nominates Mr T H Wheeler's ch aus h First Guide, 12st 4lbs --	Owner	2

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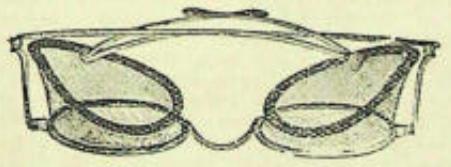
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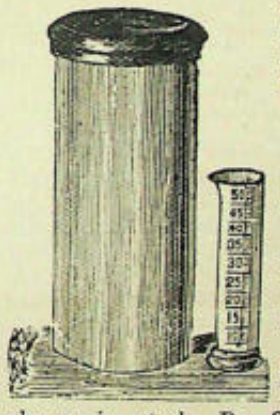
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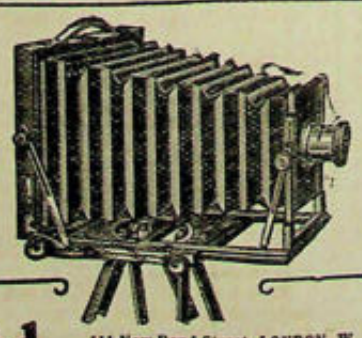
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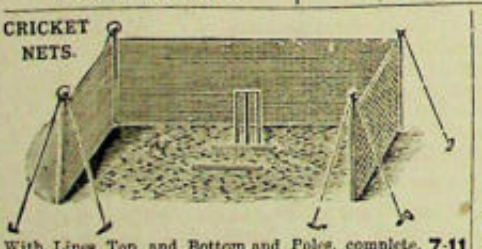
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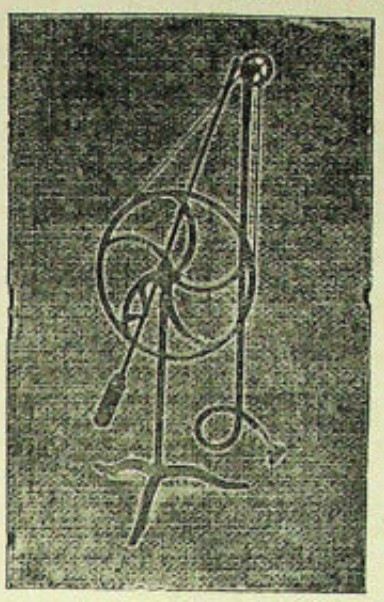
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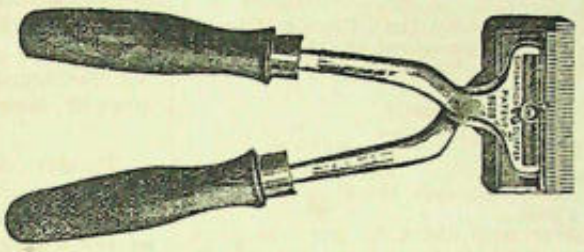
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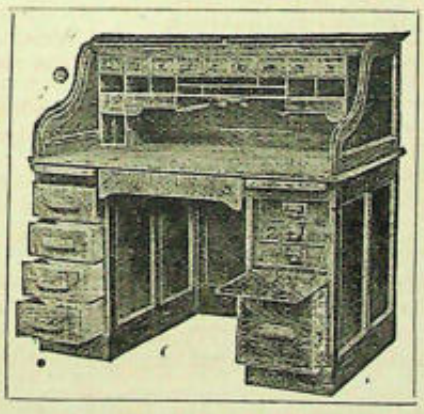
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Mrs Bates nominates Mr R G Bates' b aus g Tom, 11st ... ... Mr Wilmot 0
Mrs Sellett nominates Mr C Ismay's ch aus g Little Glencoe, 11st ... ... Owner 0
Miss Leitch nominates Mr C F Payne's gr cb m Lightning, 10st 9lbs ... Mr Dudley 0
Mrs Bowring nominates Mr E V Jones' b arab g Hard Up, 9st ... ... Owner 0
Mrs Collins nominates Mr Holmes' blk arab g Liquorice, 8st 11lbs ... Mr Evers 0
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Mr T H Wheeler's gr aus g Hailstorm, 10st Owner 0
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Second Meeting, 7th July 1904.

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Capt Hislop's Motion, 11st ... ... Owner 1
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Also ran: Welfare, 10st 6lbs; and Nameless, 10st 12lbs.

POLO SCURRY.—For all ponies that have never won Rs. 50 Two furlongs.
Mr Dickinson's Ali Abdoola, 11st ... Mr Beatty 1
Capt Deverell's Bridge, 11st ... .. Owner 2
Capt Gray's The Nun, 11st ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Wee Man, 11st; Monday, 11st; Conceit, 11st.
Won by 1½ lengths, a neck between second and third.

AUSTRALASIA STAKES.—For Welter Ponies 14-1 and under. R. C.
Maj-Genl Smith-Dorrien's Muskerry, 10st 7lbs ... ... Owner 1
Capt Greer's Auric, 10st 11lbs ... Mr O' Hara 2
Mr Haggard's Idolator, 12st 11b ... Maj Patterson 3
Also ran: Grace, 10st 5lbs; Alchemix, 10st 11lbs.
Won comfortably by a head.

DEALERS' STAKES.—For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and others 14-0 and under that have never been sold for more than Rs. 600 and that have never won a race value Rs. 50. Five furlongs.
Mr Allen's Unis, 9st 9lbs ... ... Owner 1
Capt Deverell's Bridge, 10st 13lbs ... Owner 2
Mr Gretton's Othello, 10st 11b ... Mr Fell 3
Also ran: Pan Michael, 11st 11lbs.
Won by two lengths.

MAIDEN STAKES.—A handicap for all maiden ponies 14-2 and under. Six furlongs.
Lieut-Col Dickinson's Toofan, 10st 7lbs ... Mr Beatty 1
Mr Haggard's Heathen, 9st 2lbs ... Mr Woodhouse 2
Maj Genl Smith-Dorrien's Belfast, 11st 4lbs ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Ewe Lamb, 11st 8lbs; Vampire 10st 7lbs; Roburite, 9st 7lbs; Placid Joe, 9st; Faras, 9st 7lbs.
Won by two lengths; four lengths between the second and third.

SUBALTERNS' STAKES.—For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and others 14-0 and under, the property of subalterns. To be ridden by subalterns. Three furlongs.
Mr Haggard's Mousme, 10st ... ... Owner 1
Mr Goldingham's Makere, 11st ... Owner 2
Mr Allen's Unis, 11st ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Ali Abdoola, 11st; Chicot, 11st; and Tommy, 11st.
Won by three lengths; a head between second and third.

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

THURSDAY I drew a dead blank, as far as training was concerned, as after Mr. Bert Allen's Young Rake, Pat C., and one or two others had had a spin, Jupiter Pluvius took up the running (raining), and beat us all.

I had, however, the pleasure of making the acquaintance of "Stella," Mr. Barney Allen's new purchase.

She's a nice classy pony, shewing plenty of quality, and has been landed wonderfully fit and good looking from the S. S. *Fortunatus*.

Stella will go under the 14-1 standard, and Mr. Bert Allen, who has her with his string, will be racing her in the cold weather.

The grey referred to in my notes of last week, I now find is Mr. Pugh's March, doing its work, with its stable companion Odin from the far side of the course, and is generally at starting a handful for Bloss, but by the time he gets to the hurdles in front of the stand is fairly quiet, though going strong.

This horse races at his jumps, but makes no mistakes, and will take the field along a merry dance when at the real game; but there's a paddy, with a Meath connection, that will be having a hand or a foot in in the jig, and the lepping will be moighty diverting.

I had pointed out to me on the course a daughter of the famous hurdler—Stepaside, Mr. Gregory's good mare of years ago. I think the name is Mame, and I shall watch her doings with some interest, as there is an old time glamour about the dam, who is now comfortably quartered at St. Albans, England, the home of a genial Calcutta sportsman, a good fellow.

Saturday was a fairly lively morning, Mr. Bert Allen's string being the first to show out, Pat C and Coal Queen doing an attractive school, followed later by Young Rake and Natalina, Howie and Regan doing the piloting in each instance. The latter pair of horses were quickened up fairly fast at the finish.

Then Smallman took the floor with a couple from his stable who, being joined on the far side by two more, put up a bit of smart travelling of which Hello had the best, so some thought.

Mr. Dass is doing his own training this year and Mr. Galstaun is very obligingly riding Clynder for him. Any close observer could see the English mare had the foot of those sprinting with her; and in the July Stakes on the 6th proximo will be very near doing the trick. Some say Mr. Paris's Kilnerrin, others Bell This and Bell That; *Credat Judæus*, I say.

Mr. Mackellar did a bit on old Amalgam, to their mutual satisfaction; not so Jack Wall who, apparently, was unable to induce Mr. Atkinson's new purchase to go the straight course, an admittedly difficult matter under nearly all circumstances, but more so in the present as the horse, when shaped up for a start, would cut it at once for the rails. Probably he believes only in the regular game, and will have none of your schooling.

Harold and Flash put in a smart sprint. Mr. Galstaun's ponies were then slipped along. Mr. Chater being on Not Yet, and directly she got her head a bit towards the end of a couple to three furlongs sprint, she was really going by Western Queen and Rosalea. Repeating the same thing as they came round a second time for a further spurt. She's a rare bit of stuff, and the way these three, with Vanguard, have summered here, makes a humble scribe wonder why all the big guns have to go so far a field, during our dreadful hot months! They may have found the much-sought after "mare's nest," being of the gentler sex, which would make all the difference in the world of course.

Mr. Dudley had out Belmeath, and sprinted a few furlongs, with a couple of others, going with a wet sail. Mr. Cooper did a pound by the ancient Hailstorm, in view of the match in the afternoon. This might be accounted solid work. Mr. Evers on May B. was out, and a couple of Mr. Dass' unnamed ones went a breather. The morning was wound up as far as I saw, by Shooting Star, going by, minus the native walloping of last Tuesday.

Tuesday morning broke none too propitious, being ushered in with heavily laden rain clouds, and having rained throughout the night. There was a goodish bit of lepping to be got on with, and this sort of work always commends itself to the onlookers, especially those who have never been at the game, and are expectant of something turning up—a turtle mayhap.

Mr. Bert Allen's were the first out, Coal Queen (Howie), Pat C. (Regan), trotting twice past on the inside course, quickening up each time as they fronted the gallery consisting of a couple of men with dogs.

Hello (Howie), Harold (Regan), from Smallman's string, were moved a couple of times round to the evident satisfaction of their trainer.

Natalina and Young Rake put in a bit of sprinting across the open. Then came Bell Brand (Howie), Flash and Parole. This trio footed it pretty smartly, Bell Brand being most of the time in command till the finish, when it appeared as if Flash,—or was it Parole! just headed him. This was a smart spin.

Norman did a few flights of the pony hurdles by himself. He had a rider up of course; but otherwise, like Pat with his sweatheart, he was all alone.

Fusilier did a bustle past, followed by Mr. Chater on Western Queen, the mare going nicely.

Rosalea (Mr. Chater) and Not Yet (native) were sent twice round the inner going, coming home 12 annas, the former with the lead.

Blue Bell (should it not have been Grey Bell?) and Daffodil did a few flights of the horse hurdles, the latter jumping a bit ragged, and clouting the second hurdle heavily.

Mr. Raban exercised his own over the Ellenborough course, getting a wet jacket in the doing.

Bloss had out a number of Wishart's on the same course, but they are too far off to make any note of.

Cheer Up was taken out by little Regan, accompanied by Odin, with Mr. Deaken on Maid of Kent, but somewhat at a distance. So that the prospective mentor's advice was lost, or retained for a future day when within hearing.

Jack Wall did a longish school on Mr. Atkinson's new one, kidding his mount there was a run on, and so got a bit of pace up.

Florrie, the newly imported pony, was under the 14-2 standard on Tuesday morning. Her Australian performances stamp her quite of the first flight, and 'tis said, one, if not more of our pony racing magnates are already on the nibble. Florrie is quartered at "Tattersalls."

And yet another clinking pony is Mr. Dick Bence's Settle, but she appears to have been picked up like hot cakes, as I hear a binder of Rs. 5,000 is already down, from a well-known Ballygunge sportsman, the price being £800. This pony can't be stopped with a ton of potatoes up I understand.

Belmeath may elect to go on the flat at the first meeting. He is pretty sure to appear as a double entry, in which case he'll take his chance.

Merry Xmas, I hear, has quite recovered from his old complaint and Mr. Dass intends applying for leave to run him again, if he stands his next test.

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TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

MR. BERT ALLEN.
Coal Queen
Pat C
Natalina
Young Rake
Stella

MR. A. N. DASS.
Clynder
Trollop
Merry X'mas
Euryalus
Rezia

MR. DEAKIN.
Cheer Up
Maid of Kent

MR. DUDLEY.
Planet
Euryalus
Snapshot
Stepma
Lone Hand
Belmeath

MR. EVERS
Sunshine
Flamingo
May B
Blair Athol

MR. GALSTAUN.
Western Queen
Not Yet
Vanguard
Rosalea
Cissy J (prospective)
Shooting Star
The Griffin
The Captain

MR. HAMILTON.
Pierette
Good Chat

MR. MCCALL.
Moss Rose (probably)

D. NORTON.
Kittylea
Perfect
Shylock
Black Patch
Sweet Talk
Daffodil
Blue Bell
Invincible

M. RABAN.
Niaides
Autocrat
And a Brown

F. SMALLMAN.
Morris
Hello
Harold
Pylara
Bell Brand
Norman
Parole
Fusilier
Mademoiselle
Thundercloud

WALKER (training at Ballygunge).
Second Thought
Revellie
Reinzette

J. WALL.
Mr Atkinson's unnamed

MR. WHEELER.
Yuletide
First Guide
Mocassin

MR. REES.
Oom Paul

H. WISHART.
Footlight
Road metal
(Housemaid II)
Actress
East Fry
Irish
Corick
Blue Bell (Pony)
Rathcoon
Twilight
Kilnerrin
Marsh
Odin
Futheringay

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT).

LONDON, *Friday, 1st July* 1904.

THE TURF.

SANDOWN PARK MEETING.

THE Sandown management have ventured upon a radical alteration since the last fixture. This is no other than the abolition of the ten-shilling ring, the space which it formerly occupied being divided between Tattersall's and the five-shilling enclosure—a bold experiment, but one which seems likely to be attended with success. A new electric number board attached to the grand stand is a welcome innovation, and a novel electric apparatus for releasing the tapes of one of the starting-gates worked satisfactorily. An ideal summer's day attracted a fair number of pleasure-seekers to the Esher slopes, but the muster did not exceed the average. Some capital sport was witnessed, though there was nothing in the nature of a close finish.

THE SANDRINGHAM STAKES of 909sovs; weight for age, etc. One mile and a quarter.
Mr F Alexander's br f Bitters, by St Serf—Mara, 3yrs, 7st 12lbs ... W Lane 1
Lord Howard de Walden's b c Kilglass, 4yrs, 7st 9lbs ... ... O Madden 2
Mr L Brassey's b c Wild Oats, 4yrs, 9st 7lbs Halsey 3
(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Kilglass, 5 to 2 each Bitters and Wild Oats.
Won easily by two lengths; a head between second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins 13⅘secs.

THE NEW STAND HANDICAP of 271sovs. One mile.
Mr P Southall's b c Saint William, by St Serf—Wee Agnes, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs (inc 7lbs ex) ... ... Walkden 1
Lord Carnarvon's ch m Valenza, 6yrs, 9st Pike 2
Mr Heineman's b c Lucid, 3yrs, 6st 2lbs Squire 3
Lord Dunraven's Salute, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs ... Keeley 0
Mr A Knowles's Stoic, 4yrs, 7st 9lbs ... Allen 0
Mr A P Cunliffe's Caper, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs ... Kerridge 0
Mr J Best's Flower Girl, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs ... Barker 0
Mr J Wallises Logan Rock, 4yrs, 6st 7lbs W Chapman 0
Mr Murray Griffith's Clonque, 5yrs, 6st 2lbs Pacquet 0
(*Winner trained by Rooney.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst Valenza, 9 to 2 Saint William, 5 to 1 each Stoic and Logan Rock, 7 to 1 Lucid, 10 to 1 Salute, and 100 to 6 any other (offered).
Won by two lengths from Valenza, who took second place at the distance; six lengths divided the second and third. Clonque was fourth, Stoic fifth, Caper next, and Salute last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 45⅕secs.

Friday night's rain came most opportunely for Sandown, as, though a longer spell was wanted to soften the soil it wonderfully freshened up the course and made the track of an emerald green in contradistinction to the bare places, whence a rather heavy crop of hay of good quality had been already carted, and after the afternoon's sun had dried the standing grass the mowing machine was busily at work again. Fighting against a somewhat arid soil, the executive, by judicious top dressing, largely of peat moss, have coaxed Nature into a good crop, which science can improve each year.

'Twas a pity that the prospect of a wet afternoon should have thinned what might have been a record attendance, and two specials, full of visitors, had to make halt under cover of the station about one o'clock, while a sky full of rain was helped by a south-west wind to rattle down pretty heavily, but the worst was then over, and only a subsequent shower or two gave an April character to a bright afternoon.

A SELLING HANDICAP of 300sovs; winner to be sold for £100; second receives 5sovs. Seven furlongs.
Mr C Levy's b or br h Fireman, by Janissary—Bonnie Mary, 5yrs, 7st 8lbs ... Butchers 1
Duke of Westminster's b c Smara, 3yrs, 7st ... ... Molloy 2
Mr F Pennard's b c Puck, 3yrs, 7st 3lbs ... Trigg 3
Mr Ferns' Balsarroch, 6yrs, 9st ... W Lane 0
Mr H G Johnson's Reservist, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs ... ... Halsey 0
Mr H Heasman's Broadway, 5yrs, 8st 8lbs ... ... Maher 0
Mr J F Hallick's The Awakening, 4yrs, 8st 5lbs ... ... Madden 0

Mr P Gleeson's Kitty Tar, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs ...	Higgs	0
Mr J Hare's filly by Orme—Santa Barbara, 4yrs, 7st 13lbs	Griggs	0
Mr Horatio Bottomley's Lady Voter, 4yrs, 7st 6lbs	A Sharples	0
Mr C D Barrow's Devoniensis, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs	Toon	0
Mr C Wood's Lady Anchester, 3yrs, 7st 11b	Slade	0
Mr H Bate's Glenhurst 3yrs, 7st 3lbs ...	Jarvis	0
Mr H Braime's Donorina 3yrs, 6st 6lbs ...	Hunter	0
Mr H Wilde's Donovard, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs ...	Plant	0

(*Winner trained by Burbridge.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. The Awakening, 7 to 1 Glenhurst, 8 to 1 Broadway, 100 to 12 Puck, 10 to 1 each Fireman and Santa Barbara filly, 100 to 8 Smara, and 100 to 7 the others (offered).

Won by two lengths; a length and a half divided second and third. Lady Voter was fourth, Kitty Tar fifth, Balsarroch sixth, Santa Barbara filly seventh, Glenhurst eighth, The Awakening ninth, and Donovard last. The winner was bought in for 105 guineas and Mr F Pennard claimed Smara. Time—1min. 35⅘secs.

THE ROBERT DE WITVILLE HANDICAP of 300sovs., second receives 25sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr J Musker's ch c Gilbert Handley, by Melton—Dunover, 4yrs, 8st 3lbs ...	Madden	1
Lord Dunraven's br c Tamasha, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs	Griggs	2
Mr H J King's b g Orchid, 6yrs, 8st 12lbs...	H Jones	3
Mr G Beit's Hercules, 6yrs, 7st 10lbs ...	Higgs	0
Mr T Pilkington's Venus, 5yrs, 7st 9lbs ...	Trigg	0
Mr J H A Marshall's Poppits, 6yrs, 7st 2lbs	Butchers	0
Mr D E Higham's Addlestone, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs (car 7st 9lbs)	W Lane	0
Mr Ernest Dresden's Nahlband, 6yrs, 6st 13lbs	Jarvis	0
Sir S M Lockhart's Donnetta, 4yrs, 6st 11lbs	Plant	0
Sir T R Dewar's St George's Lass, 3yrs, 5st 13lbs	Squire	0
Mr F Hardy's The Cingalee, 3yrs, 5st 10lbs	E Piatt	0
Mr H J Hunt's Kate Angelo, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs	Hunter	0

(*Winner trained by Gilbert.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 each agst. Poppits and Kate Angelo, 5 to 1 Addlestone, 8 to 1 Verus, 10 to 1 each Gilbert Handley, Orchid and Gonnetta, 100 to 8 Nahlband, and 100 to 7 others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a head divided second and third. Donnetta was fourth, Nahlband fifth, The Cingalee, sixth, Verus seventh, Kate Angelo eighth, Poppits next and Hercules last. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

THE WELLINGTON HANDICAP of 500sovs.; second to receive 50sovs., and the third 25sovs. About one mile and five furlongs.

Mr W M G Singer's b or br c Torpoint, by Trenton—Doncaster Beauty, 4yrs, 7st 9lbs	Madden	1
Mr J C Sullivan's b h War Wolf, 5yrs, 8st 2lbs	Higgs	2
Mr D J Pullinger's Pure Gold, 5yrs, 7st 5lbs	Butchers	3
Mr W H Brice's Eminent, 4yrs, 8st 7lbs	Toon	0
Mr T Corne's Rightful, 5yrs, 8st 11b ...	Halsey	0
Mr W Nightingall's Wild Alarm, 4yrs, 8st	J Dillon	0

(*Winner trained by A. Taylor.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Pure Gold, 7 to 2 Wild Alarm, 9 to 2 Torpoint, 6 to 1 Rightful, and 10 to 1 each Eminent and War Wolf.

Won easily by a length and a half; four lengths separated second and third. Wild Alarm was fourth; and Rightful last. Time—3mins. 0⅖sec.

THE COOMBE JUNE PLATE of 300sovs. for three-year-olds and upwards; second to receive 25sovs. One mile.

Mr C Trimmer's b c Laurier, by Bentworth—Filepa, 3yrs, 7st	Griggs	1
Lord Carnarvon's ch c Vril, 3yrs, 8st 11b ...	W Lane	2
Mr T E Liddiard's br c Chicory, 3yrs, 7st 10lbs	Higgs	3
Capt Freville Cookson's Vernham, 3yrs, 7st 5lbs	Trigg	0
Mr R McCreery's Seymour, 3yrs, 7st ...	Pipe	0
Mr W Raphael's Zampieri, 3yrs, 7st ...	Butchers	0

(*Winner trained by Walters, jun.*)

BETTING: Evens Laurier, 9 to 4 agst, Vril, 8 to 1 Vernham and 10 to 1 others.

Won by three lengths; six lengths divided second and third. Vernham was fourth and Zampieri last throughout. Time,—1min. 44⅘secs.

NEWMARKET MEETING.

The Newmarket July Meetings have never caught on with the Metropolitan division of racegoers, being beyond their beat, and hence, perhaps, their popularity with the old school of Turfites who prefer the national pastime when it is conducted "far from the madding crowd." The enforced absence of the King cannot but detract from the social lustre of the gathering, but the Prince of Wales was present on the 28th ultimo and amongst those who are entertaining parties for the reunion are the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Sir Ernest Cassel, Lord Howard de Walden, Mr. and Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild, Lord Durham, Sir R. and Lady Waldie Griffith, Mr and Lady Violet Brassey, and Sir Maurice FitzGerald, who is acting as host to the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. The weather was quite in keeping with the traditions of the fixture. The sun blazed down unceasingly from an azure sky, and the shade of the Plantation was eagerly sought, especially by the ladies, of whom there was a sprinkling. The general attendance—always thin—was attenuated to a degree in the public enclosures, but they were treated to some very fair sport.

THE JULY STAKES of 1,010 sovs., for two year olds; colts 9st, fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs. New T Y C (five furlongs and 140 yards).

Lord Rosebery's ch c Cicero, by Cyllene—Gas, 9st	D Maher	1
Mr A Belmont's b or br c Lord Hasting, 9st ...	M Cannon	2
Mr L Brassey's b f Joyous, 8st 11lbs ...	K Cannon	3
Mr A James's Strathavon, 9st ...	H Jones	0
Sir E Cassel's Horticulturist, 9st ...	Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by P. Peck.*)

BETTING: 20 to 1 on Cicero and 25 to 1 agst any other (offered).

Won pulling up by four lengths; two lengths separated the second and third. Strathavon was fourth.

THE HARE PARK HANDICAP of 435 sovs. One mile and a half.

Lord Penrhyn's b c Peroration, by Persimmon—Pennonia, 3yrs, 7st 11b*	Hunter	1
Mr H J King's b c Whistling Crow, 4yrs, 8st 3lbs	H Jones	2
Mr J Musker's b h McYardley, 6yrs, 8st 8lbs	O Madden	3
Major E Loder's Hammerkop, 4yrs, 9st ...	W Lane	0
Mr C S Newton's Servitor, 6yrs, 8st 4lbs	D Maher	0
Mr H E Beddington's D'Orsay, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs	W Griggs	0
Mr W M G Singer's Papola, aged, 7st 3lbs*	Saxby	0
Mr H J Newman's Cock of the Roost, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs	J H Martin	0
Capt Laing's Padlock II, 6yrs, 7st 11b* ...	Butchers	0
Mr Heinemann's Falcon, 4yrs, 7st 4lbs ...	Trigg	0

Mr B Gottschalks Emily Melton, aged, 6st 13lbs*	Brown	0
Mr W A Jarvis's Goring Heath, 3yrs, 6st 10lbs	J Jarvis	0
Mr H E Randall's Love Game, 3yrs, 6st 4lbs*	Hughes	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Enoch.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst Hammerkop, 4 to 1 Peroration, 100 to 12 each Papola and Whistling Crow, 10 to 1 each D'Orsay, Falcon, and Goring Heath, 100 to 8 Servitor, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won cleverly by three-parts of a length; four lengths between second and third. Hammerkop was fourth, Goring Heath fifth Falcon sixth, Servitor seventh, Emily Melton eighth, Padlock II next, and Love Game last.

All that is left of the stand at the top of the town is a small heap of débris, which the housebreakers will remove in the course of a few days, and the demolition of the obsolete little structure marks another step in the march towards the modernisation of racing at Newmarket. A moiety of the folk who trudged past the ruined site on their way to the vantage ground on the 29th seemed unaware of the transition, and the other half bore the loss with fortitude, if not with downright satisfaction. The Prince of Wales was out on horseback betimes this morning, and visited the race side, where the work was not of a very momentous character, however, His Royal Highness was present on the course this afternoon, and Prince Christian and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught were also prominent amongst a select and aristocratic assemblage. The conditions were characteristic of midsummer, and it was only a refreshing breeze from the east that prevented the heat from being excessive. Fields ruled very large for the time of year, and Mr Owen had his hands full, the large troops of combatants giving infinite trouble at the post, as a result of which it was impossible to keep the racing up to schedule time.

THE STUD PRODUCE STAKES of 1,072 sovs, for two year olds; colts 9st, fillies and geldings 8st 11lbs; with penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Mr P P Gilpin's b or br f Desiree, by Velasquez—Darkie, 8st 8lbs ...	W Lane	1
Lord Carnarvon's b f Grandiflora, 7st 13lbs	J H Martin	2
Sir J Miller's b f Amitie, 8st 6lbs ...	D Maher	3
Mr W M G Singer's Kuroki, 8st 11lbs ...	H Jones	0
Lord Cadogan's Custos, 8st 7lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Sir J Kelk's Bay Lad, 8st 7lbs ...	Watts	0
Mr L Brassey's f by Bay Ronald—Falisandre, 8st 4lbs	K Cannon	0
Lord Derby's Brilliancy, 8st 4lbs ...	H Aylin	0
Rear Admiral Lambton's Eurotas, 8st 4lbs	Rollason	0
Capt Laing's Padrone, 8st 2lbs ...	Halsey	0
Mr W Brodrick-Cloete's f by Merry Tree—Last Love, 7st 13lbs	W Griggs	0
Mr J Musker's Fondling, 7st 13lbs ...	O Madden	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: Evens Grandiflora, 9 to 2 agst Amitie, 5 to 1 Desiree, 10 to 1 each Custos and Brilliancy, 100 to 8 Padrone, and 33 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by half a length; six lengths divided the second and third. Koroki was fourth, Brilliancy fifth, Padrone sixth, Bay Lad seventh, Fondling next, and Custos last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 4⅘secs.

THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE'S HANDICAP of 880sovs. One mile.

Lord Dunraven's b c Morgendale, by Kendal—Molly Morgan, 4yrs, 7st 6lbs	W Griggs	1
Mr W A Jarvis's b c Cades, 3yrs, 7st 11b ...	J Jarvis	2
Mr W M G Singer's ch h Gascony, 5yrs, 7st 6lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	O Madden	3
Mr H Keswick's Csardas, 5yrs, 8st 13lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr E C Irish's Over Norton, aged, 8st 7lbs	W Lane	0
Sir E Vincent's Countermark, 4yrs, 7st 9lbs*	Butchers	0
Mr J S Crawford's Captain Kettle, aged, 7st 13lbs	B Dillon	0
Mr A L Duncan's Extradition, 3yrs, 7st 7lbs	J H Martin	0
Mr Croet's Killeevan, 3yrs, 7st* ...	Saxby	0
Mr J Buchanan's St Kilda, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs...	Trigg	0
Duke of Devonshire's Alp, 4yrs, 6st 13lbs	Plant	0
Mr Jersey's Vergia, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs* ...	Hunter	0
Lord Derby's Altcar, 3yrs, 6st 4lbs* ...	Rollason	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by R. Sherwood.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst Csardas, 11 to 2 St. Kilda, 6 to 1 each Captain Kettle and Extradition, 7 to 1 Altcar, 100 to 12 Over Norton, 10 to 1 Cades, 100 to 8 each Countermark, Gascony, and Vergia, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Cades and Csardas gave trouble at the post and the race started twenty-two minutes late. Vergia, on the right, made play from Countermark, in the centre, Morgendale, wide on the left, Csardas Captain Kettle. Killeevan, St. Kilda, and Cades, till about a quarter of a mile from home, when Vergia had shot her bolt and Morgendale drew out well clear of Cades, Gascony and Captain Kettle, and making the remainder of the running won by four lengths; two lengths divided the second and third, Captain Kettle was fourth, Vergia fifth, Extradition sixth, St. Kilda seventh, Countermark eighth, Csardas ninth, Over Norton next, and Killeevan last. Speculator, who was weighed for by Halsey, fell lame on his way to the post and did not come under the starter's orders. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min 46⅘secs.

A certain amount of glamour must necessarily attach to a ten-thousand-pound race, but the first of the mammoth stakes of the current season engendered less interest, perhaps, than any of its predecessors by reason of the one-sided complexion of the contest. The Princess of Wales's Stakes was only established as lately as 1894, and five of the first seven winners were three year olds; but horses of that age were barred from competing after 1900, it being contended that there were already sufficient temptations for owners to run their "classic" candidates off their legs, whilst the inducements to keep older thoroughbreds of the first-class in training were wholly insufficient. From the moment that it transpired that neither Sceptre nor Duke of Westminster was eligible to compete on the present anniversary (owing to the fact that their nominator had come under the ban of the Jockey Club), interest in the rich prize languished almost to vanishing point, and such a foregone conclusion did Rock Sand's victory appear that the presence of Sir James Miller's crack virtually paralysed speculation. The little that took place resolved itself into desultory attempts to place the first two, and, needless to say, very few could have selected Saltpetre to fill the second berth. Never since its inauguration has this event attracted such a meagre field to the post, the six who tried conclusions in Veles's year being the smallest party of combatants hitherto.

THE PRINCESS OF WALES'S STAKES of 10,000sovs., the second received 1,500sovs., the third 1,000sovs., the nominator of the winner 400sovs., and the nominator of the second 200 sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile and a half.

Sir J Miller's br c Rock Sand, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, 4yrs, 9st 2lbs ...	D Maher	1
Mr L Brassey's br c Saltpetre, by St Simon—Billow, 4yrs, 8st 3lbs	K Cannon	2
Mr J Musker's ch c William Rufus, by Milton—Sirmena, 4yrs, 9st 2lbs ...	O Madden	3
Sir E Cassel's br c Exchequer by Florizel II—Ways and Means, 4yrs, 8st 10lbs	Halsey	0
Duke of Devonshire's b or br c Cheers, by Persimmon—Applause II, 5yrs, 8st 7lbs	M Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 100 to 6 on Rock Sand, 20 to 1 agst Exchequer 25 to 1 Cheers, 33 to 1 William Rufus, 100 to 1 Saltpetre.

Saltpetre was the first to leave the paddock, and cantered straight to the post, followed at long intervals by Cheers and Exchequer, William Rufus bringing up the rear. There was very little delay before Mr. Willoughby despatched the select party. Rock Sand being the first to show in front of Cheers and Exchequer, with Saltpetre whipping-in, this order being maintained until half a mile from home, where Saltpetre began to improve his position and William Rufus became slightly last. A quarter of a mile from the chair Cheers broke down and dropped into the rear, and Saltpetre took second place, with William Rufus and Exchequer in close attendance, but Mr Brassey's colt utterly failed to get on terms with the favourite, who made every yard of the running and won in gallant style by two lengths; three quarters of a length between second and third. Exchequer was placed fourth, only about a head behind. Value of the stakes, £7,185.

THE EXETER STAKES of 581sovs. for two year olds; colts 8st 12lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 9lbs; winners extra. Six furlongs.

Mr L Newmann's ch c Llangibby, by Wilfowler.		
Concussion, 9st 6lbs	W Lane	1
Lord Ellesmere's b or br f Koorhaan, 8st 9lbs	Halsey	2
Sir J. Miller's br f Munera, 8st 9lbs ...	D Maher	3

(*Winner trained by Mr. Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 8 to 1 on Llangibby, 8 to 1 agst Koorhaan, and 20 to 8 Munera (offered.)

Llangibby, in the centre, jumped off in front of Koorhaan, on the right and making every yard of the running, won by a length and a half; six lengths divided the second and third.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(COMPILED FROM 21ST MARCH TO 24TH JUNE.)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unplaced	Percentage.
Lane, W ...	294	66	51	42	135	22 41
Madden, O ...	324	58	48	40	178	17 90
Maher, D ...	164	46	27	23	68	21·95
Halsey, W ...	251	41	30	41	139	16 33
Wheatley, E ...	188	31	27	23	102	16·93
Trigg, C ...	262	29	26	36	171	11·07
Dillon, B ...	154	28	20	12	94	18 18
Griggs, W ..	252	22	33	22	175	8·73
Randall, H ...	109	21	14	19	55	18 33
Cannon, M ...	166	19	23	27	97	11 44
Jones, H ...	126	18	19	16	73	14 28
Jarvis, J ...	118	17	6	10	85	15 27
Sharples, A ...	93	15	19	8	51	16·12
Butchers, G F ...	123	14	11	19	79	11·21
Cannon, K ...	138	14	15	11	98	10·14
Lynham, B ...	89	13	6	8	62	14·06
McCall, G ...	93	13	15	6	59	13·97
East, J ...	134	13	12	12	97	9·70

CRICKET.

YORKSHIRE *vs.* SOMERSET.—Played at Hull on 23rd, 24th and 25th June. Yorkshire won by seven wickets. The Yorkshire team has so often found Somerset a hard nut to crack that when at the end of the first day of this match two wickets were down for 80 against a Somerset total of 302, Yorkshiremen must have wondered whether their county would not have to submit to another defeat. Hirst was lame, and only bowled a few overs at a medium pace, but he managed to get rid of a dangerous man in Braund. L. C. H. Palairet played another beautiful innings, making the Yorkshire bowling look very simple while he was at the wickets for an hour and twenty minutes, during which he scored 70 runs; he made 50 out of the first 57 runs at the rate of a run a minute. Johnson, Lee, Robson, Woods, Martyn, and Hardy all made very useful scores. Myers bowled with great success for Yorkshire, disposing of Lee and Robson in his first two overs, and when after a rest he was again put on he at once dismissed two more men. When Yorkshire went in Jackson played a fine game and was not out 42 when stumps were drawn. On the next day Tunnicliffe and Jackson, the two not outs, raised the total to 177 before they were separated, the partnership producing 118 runs in an hour and a half. Jackson, who had been batting for three hours, did not make a bad stroke during his innings. Hirst was in great form, and although he was very lame, he made 90 runs in a couple of hours. Fortunately for Somerset the tail did nothing of importance, but Yorkshire were 26 runs on when the innings came to an end. When rain stopped play at about twenty minutes to six Somerset had scored 107 for four wickets, and were thus 81 runs on. It was not possible to resume the game on Saturday until two o'clock, and then the last six Somerset wickets fell for an additional 69 runs, Haigh dismissing five men on a soft wicket for 31 runs. Yorkshire now had to make 151 runs to win, and, thanks to fine cricket by Jackson, Denton, Tunnicliffe and Hirst, they own with great ease. In the course of the match Hirst scored 120 runs without being out.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L C H Palairet, c Hunter, b Haigh	70	c Wainwright, b Myers	25
Braund, b Hirst	10	c and b Rhodes ...	21
Lewis c Wainwright, b Haigh	3	c Myers, b Whitehead	8
P R Johnson, c Hunter, b Haigh ...	42	l-b w, b Rhodes ...	24
F M Lee, c Wainwright, b Myers	31	c Hunter, b Haigh ...	26
Robson, c Jackson, b Myers ...	36	b Haigh	12
S M J Woods, c Tunnicliffe, b Jackson	23	c Tunnicliffe, b Haigh	5
H H Martyn, st Hunter, b Myers	49	c Wilkinson, b Haigh	15
Hardy, b Myers	21	b Myers	19
A E Newton, b Haigh ..	7	b Haigh	0
Cranfield, not out ...	0	not out	8
B 6, lb 4 ...	10	B 11, lb 2 ...	13
Total ...	302	Total ...	176

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hon F S Jackson, c Robson, b Cranfield	84	c Braund, b Lewis ...	20
H Wilkinson, b Braund ...	6	c Braund, b Lewis ...	10
Denton, c Cranfield, b Robson	23	not out	37
Tunnicliffe, c Martyn, b Robson	73	st Martyn, b Braund ...	50
Hirst, not out	90	not out	30
Rhodes, b Lewis ...	15		
Myers, c Martyn, b Cranfield ..	0		
Haigh, c Martyn, b Braund ...	12		
Wainwright, c Johnson, b Cranfield	13		
Whitehead, c Pallaret, b Cranfield	5		
Hunter, b Braund ...	—		
Byes	4	B 4, w 1	5
Total	328	Total (3 wkts) ...	152

SOMERSET.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst	11	2	33	1	4	0	15	0
Rhodes	30	8	71	0	17	9	26	2
Haigh	27	6	83	4	24	6	64	5
Jackson	14	0	59	1	3	1	11	0
Myers	9·2	1	29	4	17·1	3	45	2
Wainwright	4	0	17	0				
Whitehead					2	1	2	1

YORKSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield	44	6	110	4	8	0	27	0
Braund	40·2	10	110	3	7	0	23	1
Rob on	20	5	40	2	7	0	17	0
Pallaret	4	0	21	0				
Lewis	6	3	13	1	12	3	41	2
Woods					3	0	33	0
Johnson					0·5	0	6	0

Lewis delivered a wide.

LANCASHIRE *vs.* SOMERSETSHIRE.—Played at Old Trafford on 27th, 28th, and 29th June. Lancashire won by an innings and 136 runs. Although on winning the toss S. M. J. Woods decided that Somerset should bat first, his side reaped no advantage from this, for the wicket improved later in the day. The first four wickets fell for 45 runs, and although Woods kept up his end for nearly two hours, and played his best innings of the year, the total was small. Kermode made his first appearance in the county championship, and, took five wickets. When Lancashire went in R. H. Spooner was dispcsed of before he became very dangerous, but Maclaren and Tyldesley then kept together for an hour and three-quarters, during which the score was increased by 187. Both men played brilliant cricket. When stumps were drawn Maclaren was not out 108, and the total 240 for two wickets. The Somersetshire bowling was completely mastered on Tuesday, and after Maclaren was caught at the wicket for a splendid 151, made in three hours and a quarter, Hornby and Cuttell hit the bowling all over the field, each making over a hundred. Somerset had to make 414 in their second innings before they drew level, but the task proved too hard for them, although Palairet played a splendid innings. Score.—

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L C H Palairet, c Hornby, b Cuttell	24	b Kermode	81
Braund, c Kermode, b Cuttel	18	b Hallows	25
Lewis, c Maclaren, b Kermode	0	c Huddleston, b Cuttell	0
Robson, c Worsley, b Cuttell	0	b Sharp	24
S M J Woods, b Kermode	54	b Hallows	3
H Martyn, c Maclaren, b Kermode	34	c Hornby, b Huddleston	24
F M Lee, b Cuttell	0	c Cuttell, b Poidevin	6
Hardy, b Kermode	5	b Sharp	1
Hon M Herbert, b Cuttell	8	c Poidevin, b Cuttell	45
A E Newton, c Worsley, b Kermode	8	c Huddleston, b Spooner	36
Cranfield, not out	0	not out	16
B 9, lb 6	15	Extras	17
Total	166	Total	278

LANCASHIRE.

A C Maclaren, c Braund, b Robson	151	A H Hornby, c Woods b Robson	114
R H Spooner, c Lewis, b Braund	22	Cuttell, c Hardy, b Robson	101
Tyldesley, c Wood, b Lee	103	Huddleston, b Braund	3
L O S Poidevin, b Lewis	21	Kermode, not out	15
Sharp, c Newton, b Lewis	0	Worsley, b Braund	18
Hallows, c Newton, b Woods	10	B 14, lb 7 w 1	22
		Total	580

SOMERSET.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Cuttell	24	11	45	5	9·5	3	20	2
Hallows	14	2	32	0	15	3	44	2
Kermode	21·1	5	63	5	18	5	68	1
Huddleston	3	0	11	0	3	0	16	1
Sharp					14	1	44	2
Poidevin					5	0	22	1
Spooner					6	1	27	1
Hornby					3	1	20	0

Sharp bowled one no-ball and Hornby a wide.

LANCASHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield	22	1	107	0	Palairet	22	6	65	0
Lewis	13	4	23	2	Lee	6	0	31	1
Braund	37·2	6	148	3	Woods	13	2	68	1
Robson	26	8	88	3	Hardy	4	0	25	0

Cranfield bowled a wide.

SURREY *vs.* MIDDLESEX.—Played at Oval on 27th, 28th, and 29th June. Middlesex won by seven wickets.

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hayward, c Hunt, b Hearne	17	st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	148
Baker, b Trott	2	c and b Trott	43
Hayes, l-b-w, b Trott	11	b Hearne	50
H H Burton, c Bosanquet, b Trott	1	c MacGregor, b Trott	0
D H Butcher, b Heanre	71	l-b-w, b Bosanquet	1
L V Harper, c Trott, b Hearne	11	b Trott	25
Lees, c E A Beldam, b Hearne	14	st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	3
D L A Jephson, b Trott	40	c MacGregor, b Bosanquet	0
Gooder, c Nicholls, b G W Beldam	2	st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	26
Smith, b Hearne	0	not out	10
Strudwick, not out	3	b Hunt	17
B 20, lb 2, nb 1	23	B 11, lb 5, w1	17
Total	195	Total	340

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
P F Warner, b Gooder	106	not out	68
E A Beldam, c Lees, b Jephson	82	c Hayward, b Gooder	0
G W Beldam, c Strudwick, b Gooder	9	b Lees	4
C P Foley, b Gooder	4	c Hayes, b Lees	5
B J T Bosanquet, st Strudwick, b Jephson	126	not out	40
J H Hunt, st Strudwick, b Smith	24		
Trott, b Smith	42		
K I Nicholl, b Jephson	0		
G MacGregor, b Jephson	0		
R W Nicholls, not out	8		
Hearne (J T), b Smith	0		
B 17, lb 1, w 2	20	B 2, w 1	3
Total	421	Total (3 wkts)	115

SURREY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne	38·3	17	51	5		20	3	46	1
Trott	33	9	63	4		32·4	11	76	3
Bosanquet	6	1	21	0		35	3	139	5
Hunt	2	1	6	0		17	3	38	1
G Beldam	9	1	31	1		10	2	24	0

Hearne delivered one no-ball and Trott one wide.

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Less	33	7	105	0		9	1	41	2
Smith	22	6	98	3		2	0	8	0
Gooder	41	13	106	3		11	3	34	1
Hayes	1	0	4	0					
Hayward	7	1	31	0					
Jephson	12	0	57	4		4	0	29	0

Gooder bowled three wides.

ETON *vs.* WINCHESTER.—Played at Winchester on 24th and 25th June. Winchester won by eight wickets. The Etonians had the good fortune to bat first, but although Chinnery, Farmer and Balls played good cricket, seven wickets were down for 148 runs before lunch. Afterwards, the Eton captain, G. C. Campbell, hit so well that the total was reasonably large when the innings came to an end. When stumps were drawn Winchester had made 176 for six wickets, so that it was anybody's game. The best and highest innings of the day was played by Gordon. On Saturday, Teesdale, who was not out 24 overnight, played a great game, and although the tail gave him very little assistance, he was able to make enough runs to give his side a small lead on the first innings When Eton went in again Chinnery was bowled first ball. Three wickets were down for 35 and six for 69, but J. J. Astor played a brilliant game and saved his side from disaster. Winchester required 130 runs to win, and these were made in an hour and a half, Wright, the Winchester captain, playing a beautiful not out innnings of 53, while Gordon again distinguished himself. Score :—

ETON.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J J Astor, c Morris, b Sergent	18	not out	81
R F Chinnery, run out	24	b Evans	0
C G E Farmer, l-b-w, b Evans	26	b Younger	5
D C Boles, c Bruse, b Younger	49	b Evans	5
B J Blackett, c Parker, b Sergent	6	c Parker, b Fawcus	18
W N Tod, c Evans, b Younger	11	l-b-w, b Sergent	0
G C Campbell, not out	62	c Younger, b Evans	9
J N Horlick, c Evans, b Younger	2	c and b Younger	3
N C Tufnell, l-b-w, b Evans	12	c Morris, b Younger	0
C E Severne, c Evans, b Younger	13	b Sergent	9
C E Hatfield, c Bruce, b Younger	7	l-b-w, b Evans	3
Extras	5	Extras	8
Total	225	Total	141

WINCHESTER.

D M Evans, c Campbell, b Tod	23	G E Fawcus, c Tod, b Horlick	0
C N Bruce, l-b-w, b Hatfield	14	H G Moore-Gwyn, c Campbell, b Horlick	5
E L Wright, b Boles	29	C F Younger, b Severne	1
J H Gordon, c Boles, b Severne	69	V L B Sergent, c Tufnell, b Severne	16
H Teesdale, not out	71	Extras	3
A V Morris, b Tod	12	Total	247
W N Parker, l-b-w, b Boles	4		

Second Innings: D. M. Evans, c Tufnell, b Boles, 21 ; C. N. Bruce, l-b-w, b Tod, 32 ; E. L Wright, not out, 53 ; J H Gordon, not out, 24 ; extra, 1.— Total (two wickets) 131.

ETON.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Younger	29·5	11	62	5		26	12	35	3
Evans	22	5	75	2		28·3	12	54	4
Sergent	18	5	73	2		13	3	35	2
Fawcus	4	2	10	0		4	9	9	1
Wright	4	2	10	0					

WINCHESTER.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Hatfield	22	8	64	1		2	0	3	0
Severne	15·4	4	43	3		10	2	28	0
Tod	27	6	68	2		6	1	28	1
Horlick	21	8	35	2		18	3	56	0
Boles	17	10	34	2		3	1	15	1

THE SOUTH AFRICAN'S TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* LONDON COUNTY.—Played at the Crystal Palace on 23rd and 24th June. South Africans won by ten wickets. On the first day of this match the South Africans, or rather three of the team, greatly distinguished themselves. Sinclair and Hathorn put on 174 runs for the fourth wicket in an hour and a quarter. The former was in brilliant form, his drives being exceedingly powerful ; he was only at the wickets for an hour and a quarter for his 103, which included twenty 4's Hathorn's fine innings of 130, which by contrast with that of Sinclair seemed almost slow, was nevertheless put together in the short time of two hours and a quarter, and was an excellent performance in every way. Halliwell also played good cricket, but on the whole the batting of the team was not remarkable. When London County went in Kotze met with such success with the ball that when stumps were drawn six wickets were down for 130. The only stand of importance made was 79 by Walker and Nicholson who were together for fifty minutes, the latter being not out 48. On Saturday the remaining four wickets only produced 38 runs, and London County had to follow on with 164 runs to make before they were level. As in the first innings Dr. Grace and W. L. Murdoch both failed, and with the exception of S. S. Harris' the Cambridge University cricketer, who played a splendid game, the batsman distinguished themselves so little that the South Africans had the easiest of victories.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

L J Tancred, l-b-w, b Douglas	4	G C White, b Mead	21
W A Shalders, l-b-w, b Grace	21	S J Snooke, l-b-w, b Mead	1
M Hathorn, run out	130	S C Horwood, b Douglas	0
R O Schwarz, c Bale, b Grace	0	J J Kotze, b Mead	7
J H Sinclair, c Mead, b Grace	103	Middleton, not out	0
E A Halliwell, c Bale, b Douglas	37	B 7, lb 1	8
		Total	332

Second Innings : Snooke, not out, 1 ; Horwood, not out, 5 Total (no wicket), 6.

LONDON COUNTY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
W G Grace, c Hathorn, b Kotze	0	c Shalders, b Kotze	1
W L Murdoch, b Schwarz	8	c Schwarz, b Kotze	5
S S Harris, c Halliwell, b Kotze	1	run not	76
B Jaya Ram, b Kotze	14	c Halliwell, b Kotze	4
T B Nicholson, b Middleton	68	c Tancred, b Schwarz	11
J W H T Douglas, c Halliwell, b Kotze	0	c Tancred, b Middleton	20
L Walker, c and b Kotze	45	b Middleton	22
Murch, run out	13	c Kotze, b White	2
Bale, b Middleton	1	c & b Middleton	6
Richardson, c Middleton, b Kotze	12	not out	0
Mead, not out	1	c Snooke, b Middleton	7
B 3 lb 1, w 1	5	B 5 lb 4, w 1, nb 3	13
Total	168	Total	167

SOUTH AFRICAN.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Murdoch	3	1	5	0				
Meah	12·5	1	57	3	1	0	2	0
Graces	20	1	123	3				
Douglass	15	2	73	3	1·2	1	4	0
Richardson	12	1	53	0				
Harris	1	0	13	0				

LONDON COUNTY.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze	18·3	1	67	6	19	4	46	3
Schwarz	8	0	39	1	9	1	32	1
White	4	0	26	0	5	0	17	1
Middleton	9	1	31	2	15·4	4	59	4

Kotze bowled a wide and three no-balls, and Middleton a wide.

OTHER MATCHES.

The Match between M. C. C. and Ground and Cambridge University, played at Lords on the 23rd and 24th June resulted in a win for the M. C. C. by nine wickets. At the Oval, on the 23rd, 24th and 25th June, Lancashire beat Surrey by 70 runs ; Sussex beat Oxford University at Brighton on the same dates by six wickets ; Leicestershire beat Hampshire at Leicester by 219 runs on the same dates : Kent beat Gloucester at Tonbridge on the 23rd and 24th June by nine wickets. Yorkshire beat Hampshire at Leeds on the 27th and 28th instant by 370 runs ; on the same dates the match between M. C. C. and Ground *vs.* Oxford University ended in a draw. On the 27th, 28th and 29th June Notts beat Derbyshire at Chesterfield by 330 runs, Leicestershire beat Worcestershire at Leicester by five wickets and the South Africans beat Dublin University by an innings and 290 runs.

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING.

	Innings.	Runs	Most in an innings	Times not out.	Aver.
C B Fry	20	1,438	226	2	79·88
K S Ranjitsinhji	12	691	166*	3	76·77
Iremonger	14	872	272	1	67·07
Tyldesley	16	928	210	2	66·28
R H Spooner	17	890	126	2	59·33
Hon F S Jackson	11	543	158	1	54·30
Knight	21	977	203	3	54·27
L C H Palairet	15	699	203	0	53·76
J E Raphael	14	733	201	0	52·35
Hirst	18	835	153	2	51·18
Quaife	15	605	200*	2	46·53
Carpenter	13	589	199	0	45·30
Rhodes	17	676	196	2	45·00
L J Tancred	12	489	106	1	44·45
Hayward	27	1,045	128	3	43·54
A O Jones	15	601	113	1	42·92
Sharp	13	417	103*	3	41·70
Cuttell	12	371	128	3	41·55
Kinneir	14	530	152	1	40·76
Denton	21	764	87	2	40·21
F Mitchell	15	517	102*	2	39·76
F B Wilson	14	435	75	3	39·54
L G Wright	15	591	139	0	39·40
J Gunn	15	519	95	1	37·07
H K Foster	17	620	118	0	37
G W Beldam	12	440	140	0	36·66
Bowley	17	582	153	1	36·37
Sewell	20	630	181	1	35·78
Coe	15	425	103	3	35·41
L O S Poidevin	19	631	103	1	35·05
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C McGahey	18	562	173	1	33·05
Llewellyn	13	363	68*	2	33
C J B Wood	21	613	110	2	32·52
Humphreys	20	615	131	1	32·36
P F Warner	12	358	54	1	32·27
E M Ashcroft	13	406	114	0	31·23
M Hathorn	17	526	130	0	30·94
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J E Marsh	12	339	118	1	30·81
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THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

RELATIVE POSITIONS TO 30TH JUNE.

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	12	9	0	3	9	100·00
Yorkshire ...	12	5	1	6	4	66·66
Leicestershire ...	9	5	1	3	4	66·66
Notts	10	6	2	2	4	50·00
Sussex ...	10	3	2	5	1	20·00
Middlesex ...	7	3	2	2	1	20·00
Kent	9	4	3	2	1	14·28
Derbyshire ...	8	3	3	2	0	—
Surrey... ...	12	3	7	2	—1	— 10·00
Essex	9	2	5	2	—3	— 42·85
Somerset ...	8	2	6	0	—4	— 50·00
Warwickshire ...	6	1	3	2	—2	— 50·00
Worcestershire ...	8	1	4	3	—3	— 60·00
Gloucestershire ...	8	1	4	3	—3	— 60·00
Hampshire ...	6	0	5	1	—5	—100·00

According to the rule laid down by the M.C.C., "One point shall be reckoned for each win; one deducted for each lose; unfinished games shall not be reckoned, The county which during the season shall have, in finished matches, obtained the greatest proportionate number of points shall be reckoned champion county."

ATHLETICS.

THE SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The twenty-second annual championship meeting of the Scottish Amateur Athletic Association was held on Saturday afternoon at Powderhall Grounds, Edinburgh. The programme included the usual championship events, with the addition of a three miles walking competition. After a dull forenoon the latter part of the day was favoured with fair weather, and when the heats of the 100 yards were started there were about 3,000 spectators present. Results:—

100 YARDS FLAT RACE.—*Heat 1*: J. A. Campbell, Watson's College, 1; R L. Watson, West of Scotland Harriers, 2. Won by about half a yard. Time—10⅗ secs. *Heat 2*: J. P. Stark, West of Scotland Harriers, 1; R. Kitson, Bellahouston Harriers, 2. Won easily. Time—10⅖secs. *Final*: Stark 1; Watson 2. The men got away to a good start, but Stark easily forged ahead and won all the way. Campbell failed to reproduce his form in the first heat, and Watson was quite unequal to the task of pulling in the Glasgow man Time—10⅖secs.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—T.R Nicholson, Kyles Athletic Club, 42ft. 6in., 1; H. Walsh, Govan, 35ft. 5in., 2. Although the opposition was not serious, Nicholson did the best distance he has yet recorded in a championship throw.

HALF-MILE FLAT RACE.—J. McGough, Bellahouston Harriers, 1; W. D. Anderson, Glasgow Olympic, 2. M'Gough made his effort in the home straight, and drew away from Roxburgh, and although Anderson made a plucky effort to overhaul the leader, he failed to get on terms, and easing up near the tape, M'Gough won by two and a half yards; with Anderson second, and Roxburgh third. Time—2min 1⅖secs.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE.—R.S. Stronach, Glasgow Academical, 1; R. S. Stewart, Edinburgh University, 2. This event was noticeable only for the jumping and running of the ex-champion who drew away from his men at the second flight and taking the hurdles in beautiful style, ran in an easy winner. His time, 16⅖secs., tied with the all-comers' Scottish record which had stood unchallenged at the credit of N. A. M'Leod (now in Calcutta) since 1892.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE.—R. L. Watson, West of Scotland H. 1; J. P. Stark, West of Scotland H., 2. Watson took the lead sixty yards from home, and although he never quite shook off Stark he held the 100 yards champion pretty safe, and finally won a splendid race by three-quarters of a yard. Time—22⅖secs.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—T. R. Nicholson, Kyles A. C. (distance, 154ft. 1⅘ inch), 1; R. M. Hardy, Glasgow Y. M. C. A (106ft.), 2. Nicholson with three of his six throws, beat his own Scottish all-comers' record of 153ft., made at Glasgow in August last, and a roar of enthusiasm went up as he wound up with a monster throw of 154ft. 1⅘in., which now stands as a Scottish record.

ONE MILE FLAT RACE.—J. M. Gough, Bellahouston Harriers, 1; S. Kennedy, Garscube Harriers, 2. Won by fifty yards. Kennedy get second place from M'Guffie by about a foot. Time,—4mins. 36⅖secs.

HIGH JUMP.—Milne failing at 5ft. 6⅘in., R. G. Murray, West of Scotland Harriers, cleared the height, and had the bar raised an inch, and succeeded here also. Amid some excitement, the bar was put up another inch, and Murray, clearing, did the best performance in the whole championship series, and beat J. W. Parsons' home record of 6ft. which has stood since 1884.

THREE MILES WALKING COMPETITION.—R. Quinn, Motherwell, 1; J. M. Wells, Edingburgh, 2. Won, amid much excitement, by three yards; twenty yards separating second and third. Time—2f mins. 33⅖secs.

QUARTER-MILE FLAT RACE.—R. L. Watson, West of Scotland H., 1; W. H. Welsh, Edinburgh University, 2. Welsh went off with a bolt and led in fine style until at the end he was challenged by Watson, who crept up until he was four wards in front of the old Scottish International Rugby three-quarter, and won by that distance.—Time—51⅖secs.

LAWN TENNIS.

ALL-ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Lawn Tennis Championships were concluded at Wimbledon on the 29th ultimo under the most favourable condition, the weather being beautifully fine and the attendance large, and it is satisfactory, as showing the hold the game has acquired, to note the fact that the meeting just over is the most successful ever held upon the grounds of the All-England Club. The challenge round of the Doubles Championship was the great attraction, but, like the other final and championship rounds, turned out very one-sided, the brothers Doherty having little difficulty in retaining their title. R. F. Doherty is seen so little in English tournaments now that one expects some loss of form, but yesterday he displayed all his old reliability. He volleyed finely and, helped by his reach, played the overhead strokes with remarkable judgment. H. L. Doherty, too, was at his best, and when the pair were together at the net it seemed impossible to pass them except by tossing and lobbing. Here, too, the holders excelled, both waiting with exemplary patience for the proper ball to kill, but their opponents were at times over-anxious to bring off their favourite strokes, and Smith's drive and Riseley's smash too frequently found the net. Smith appears to have gone off considerably. The hard drive from the ball at the top of the bounce which made the Stroud player such a formidable opponent was yesterday only occasionally effective while Riseley's form was very in-and-out. In the third set the latter made a grand effort to stem the tide of defeat, and mainly off the old Cliftonians own racquet the Western pair gained three successive games. At all other times the supremacy of the old Cantabs was so pronounced as to be almost monotonous. The first three games of the match went to the holders, the first at 15, the second at love and the third after "deuce" was called Smith and Riseley then won a love game, but with scores of "game 15," "deuce," and "vantage" five times, and a love game to finish with, the champions took the set at 6—1. The brothers started the second set with a love game, and taking the second at 30 and the third after "deuce" was called, were well on their way to victory. Smith and Riseley gained the next at 15, but with the two following the Dohertys went to 5—1 and, after a game to each, were two sets up. The third set was the best contested In the first game "deuce" was called four times before the holders won, but in the second West countrymen failed to score an ace. Smith playing in very erratic fashion. The challengers took the next at 30, but the brothers, after "deuce" was called n the fourth game five times, established a lead of 3—1. It was here that Riseley was seen to such advantage. Cross driving and smashing in unreturnable manner, he and his partner gained the lead in a set for the first time in the match, the scores being called 4—3 in their favour. A love game to the Dohertys equalised the scores and then, with game—30 and game—15, the holders gained the rubber and retained their title. The remainder of the programme consisted of the final rounds of the All-England Plate, the Mixed Doubles, and the Ladies' Doubles and the result of the latter was quite contrary to anticipation. On paper, Miss Douglass and Mrs. Sterry are a pair which would require a lot of beating, combining as they do the best base line lady player of the day in the lady champion and the foremost one at the net in the lady ex-champion. Still they succumbed to Miss Thomson and Miss "Hurst" after as good an exposition of the ladies' four-handed game as one could wish to witness. To cut a somewhat long story short, Miss Thomson and Miss "Hurst" won the first set and Mrs. Sterry and Miss Douglass the second, so everything depended upon the third. Two games each were registered, and then a couple to Miss Thomson and Miss "Hurst" gave the latter pair a good lead. One game to each, and the following two to Miss Douglass and Mrs Sterry, made the score "five all" and interest began to rule high. Although the two concluding games went to Miss Thomson and Miss "Hurst," and, consequently, gave them the match, they were grandly contested, the rest being long and magnificently played. Miss Douglass drove finely from the back of the court and Mrs. Sterry smashed with some certainty, still, their opponents returned the ball in remakable fashion, the drives and cross-strokes being half-volleyed and the smashes lobbed back. The fine consistent play of the winners was immensely appreciated by the big crowd, and the ladies received quite an ovation at the finish, to be repeated when they left the court:—Details.

DOUBLE CHAMPIONSHIP.—Challenge round: R. F. and H. L. Doherty (All-England L.T.C.) (holders) beat S H Smith (Stroud) and F. L. Riseley (Clifton) (winners of the All- Comers Competition) (6—1, 6—2, 6—4).

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Ladies' Doubles—Final round: Miss E W Thomson and Miss "Hurst" beat Miss D K Douglass and Mrs Sterry (6—4, 3—6, 7—5).

Ladies and Gentlemen's Doubles.—Final round: S H Smith and Miss E W Thomsen beat W V Eaves and Mrs Winch (7—5, 12—10).

All-England Plate.—Final round: G Greville beat B Hillyard (6—3, 6—0).

POLO.

ROEHAMPTON CLUB.

It would be difficult to imagine a couple of more interesting matches than those which were witnessed in the semi-final round of the Junior Championship Tournament at Roehampton on the 30th ultimo. Tiverton first took the field against the Roehampton Wanderers. The latter managed to score two goals during the first ten minutes, but Tiverton drew level in the succeeding stage, and half-way through the engagement the board denoted three all. It was not until nearing the close that the Wanderers gained a further point, and they were therefore returned the winners by four to three. Sides:—Roehampton Wanderers.—Mr W. F. Beatty, Mr. H. Schwind, Mr. F. C. G. Menzies, and the Duke of Roxburghe, (back); Tiverton:—M. M. de Las Casas, Mr. J. C. de Las Casas, Mr. A. de Las Casas, and Captain Phipps Hornby, (back). After another stubborn contest Captain Hobson's team were defeated by four goals to three after they had been a point to the good at 3—2 at half-time. Of the play, however, the losers had much the better. The sides were:—Ranelagh Wanderers:—Mr. R. Grenfell, Major A. M. Pirie, Mr. Nigel Baring, and Captain H. R Lee (back); Captain Hobsons—Mr E.H. Brassey, Mr. W. R. Court, Captain G.W. Hobson and Mr. F. W. Barrett (back). For the final to-morrow the Ranelagh Wanderers and the Roehampton Wanderers have qualified. An ordinary match followed, the quartettes being: Roehampton—Mr. P. Bucknell, Colonel W.Gordon Renton, Captain E. D. Miller, and Mr P. W. Nickalls, (back); Soldiers.—Captain R. Carden, Major W. A. Tilney, Mr A. F. Fletcher and Colonel to. Portal (back); Roehampton proved successful by five goals B one.

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THE HURLINGHAM CLUB, FULHAM.

More than ordinary interest attached to the match at Hurlingham on the 30th ultimo, for on each side were two players who will represent their respective countries in the match for the International Challenge Cup between England and Ireland, at the same enclosure, to-morrow. The teams were:—Houghton—Mr. C. T. Garland, Mr. F. Jay Mackay, Mr. A Rawlinson, and Mr. W.S. Buckmaster (back); Hurlingham.—Mr. Walter McCreery, Captain H. Wilson, Captain Hardross Lloyd, and Mr. John Watson (back). Captain F. Blacker umpired. Hurlingham had the better of the exchanges for a time, but were at length forced back, and just before the remount Mr. Garland gave Houghton the opening goal. It was not until the third instalment that the home quartette equalised. Mr. McCreery cleverly riding off the back and Captain Wilson sending the ball to its intended destination. Directly after the change of ends, Mr. Garland registered a second point for his side, who led at interval by two to one. From thence to the end Hurlingham did not experience the best of luck, and were only enabled to hit another goal, which was secured by Captain Wilson to the three put on for Houghton by Mr. Rawlinson (2) and Mr Mackay The result was, therefore, a win for the last-named contingent by five to two.

LONDON P. C. vs. 18th. HUSSARS.

This game was played on the Crystal Palace ground yesterday afternoon. After some spirited play the Hussars won by five goals to three. The teams were:—London P. C. (mauve): Mr. M. Burge, Mr R. Fleming, Hon. L. Bruce, and Lord Wodehouse (back). 18th Hussars: (White) Mr Grigg, Captain Stewart, Captain Wood, and Captain Gosselin (back) Umpire: Major Peters.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

WHEN the Executive of the Hunt issued a correct card of the Meets for no less than twenty-nine hunting days ahead, the general verdict, almost unanimously, was that it had been singularly ill-advised by whoever was responsible for the suggestion. For it certainly seems that such important considerations as excessive rain—or continued lack of it, or a series of prolonged runs must be seriously considered week by week in the arranging of subsequent meets. It was also considered indiscreet fixing on so eminently unpopular a trysting place as Lakri Pul for the second meet of the year, and it was deemed inconsiderate giving the Master so thankless a task at the beginning of the season when every reasonable effort should ordinarily be made to allure subscriptions by successful morning's sport. The hunting public clearly showed their lack of appreciation of the place selected by turning out in very sparse numbers, and as events turned out their anticipations were all too truly verified. I regret to have to record that, unless one were gifted with a greater sense of imagination than I, your humble scribe possess, it is impossible to veraciously manufacture an exciting account of the morning's doings. I believe that a meet at Lakri Pul means one of two things, either a tedious drawing of very extensive sugarcane swamps where hounds are lost to sight for an extended period and horses up to their hocks in slush, the covers being of such great expanse that getting a jack away is more or less hopeless. Or as an alternative the ascent of a steep range of hills so covered with hidden or semi grass hidden stones as to make galloping more hard on horses than the majority of humane owners care to submit their good steeds to. On this occasion the Master chose the latter alternative and ascended the range, drawing along the tops. Hounds got on a line, but could make nothing definite of it. Working along towards Pashun, Colonel Sheringham sunk the hill and drew some sugarcanes, but nothing more exciting than a red currant jelly adjunct rewarded the field. Failing to secure sport on the level, the Master then re-ascended Bamburda heights, whither only a faithful few I believe of the field followed him, and even their virtue was not rewarded as the Highlands also were drawn blank, and here ended what I am compelled to describe as an uninteresting morning. It is devoutly to be hoped that Lakri Pul will be eliminated in future from the meets of the Poona and Kirkee Hunt.

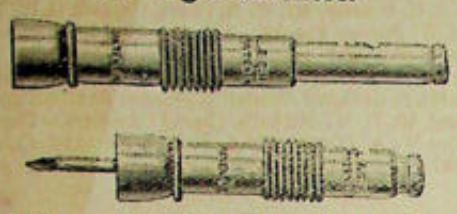
The continued scarcity of rain—a complete drought indeed for several days past naturally enough augured ill for brilliant sport on the following Thursday, but Verowda is as popular as the helpless Lakri Pul is unpopular, and a very large field assembled to do honour to the Master, hoping against hope for some sport, but feeling assured at any rate of excellent sporting going and an interesting part of the country. I hear there must have been nearly eighty people out. Everyone was glad to see His Excellency Lord Lamington out, and he is evidently very keen on the great game. Sad suspense was not prolonged, for in the first stoney nullah hounds opened on a line, and a stout jack was seen breaking away on the further side and hounds ran at a good pace for a mile and hope ran high. At this period when crossing a second nullah, a tantalizing little fox jumped up right under hounds noses and jinked away to the right, tempting hounds for the nonce from their legitimate quarry. How serious an interruption this was, was readily seen, when with very little delay Colonel Sheringham got hounds on to the line again, for it was at once apparent how evanescent scent was that morning for only with the utmost striving could hounds make anything at all of it. With admirable industry and patience hounds worked out the line, here at a walk—there with a little burst which must have made men hope the weariness was past and a run in store, only to have their ardour damped by a further prolonged check. Hares were plentiful to an irritating degree, and once a village pariah did it's utmost to tempt hounds astray. So the line was brought in a large right handed *chukker*, across the Ahmednagar road and towards the Mullah-Moota River till about a mile from the Palace of His Highness the Aga Khan, the jack was viewed crossing a bit of ploughland in the distance. The Master promptly, I hear, lifted hounds and they, fully appreciating the encouragingly fresh scent after that, rendered stale by even a few minutes delay on the parched earth, ran him to view, and racing into him bowled him over close to the road, and the little final gallop sent people home rejoicing.

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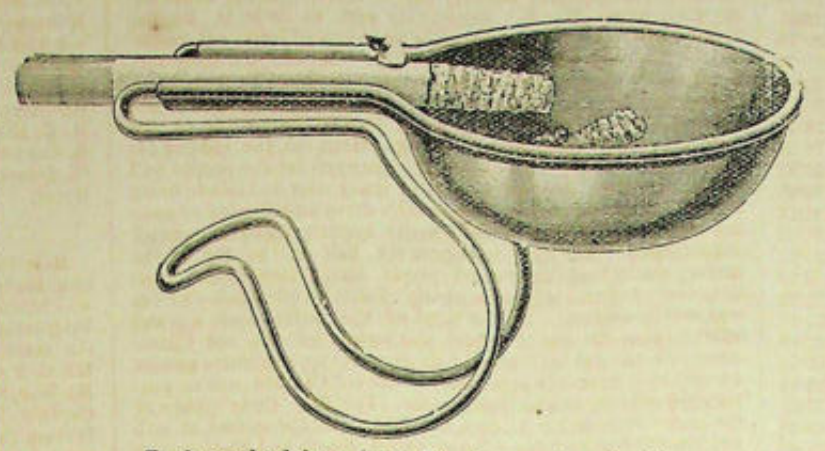
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THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

THERE was a bye day on Saturday (9th instant) and a fairly large field was out at the Rifle Butts. It was a cloudy, damp morning, with little wind and promised a good day's sport. The nullah between Rockwood and hanging shola was first drawn blank and after an equally unsuccessful draw on Hanging shola hounds hunted a cold scent from near the bottom of the shola towards the Segur Ghaut, at the top of which the Master stopped them.

We then moved on, drawing Toda Cathedral blank and then on along the top of the ghauts, the Master intending to turn his back on them and draw towards Rocky. Unfortunately, however, there were several puppies out and a hare jumped up in the middle of them on the edge of a shola. They broke away down the ghaut and there, in a few moments, changed on to a jack. It took some time to collect them, a gale having in the meantime sprung up. We drew Rocky blank and then crossed the stream at Sandy Nullah, drawing up the Gold Mine stream to Rawling's Nullah, up that and over Newmarket without finding. When turning down Blackmoor Vale Miss Hay viewed a jack on the south side of Bagwan and the Master laid hounds on. They ran up to Jackal Shola through it and across the Kummund Road to Monkey Shola then back over the road to Rallywood, through it, and over to Bluegums, where they changed on to a fresh jack. This jack took us back to the top of Rallywood where we lost him.

On Monday (11th instant) we met at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar in beautiful weather. They were nearly fifty people out. We first drew up the swamp above Pamela's Crossing and over into Dartmoor Vale, then on to Briar Shola which was drawn, but hounds never touched a line.

In the swamp below Wapshare's Hare Shola hounds spoke to a line and Mr. Haunzulsr viewed the jack stealing away round the hill. The Master laid hounds on and they ran the jack into Wenlock Wood. Here they were at fault for a few minutes, but got on him again and he broke at the top with hounds close behind him. He ran past Chemmund and then turned to the right, skirting the lower part of the covert, swinging to the left below the Toda Mund towards the valley. It looked like a good thing, but he went to ground almost immediately. Another jack was on foot here and a few couple of hounds who had overrun the earth got away on his line. As soon as the rest of the pack could be got away from the earth the Master took them along the line, the others had gone and found that they had crossed the Yemakal stream close to the Pykara River and away straight up the valley An attempt to nick in was unsuccessful and soon after we crossed the line of a travelling jack As there seemed no chance of overtaking the other hounds he let his lot settle down to this line and a very pretty run followed, the jack running an almost complete circle. Hounds pressed him very hard and at the end of about a quarter of an hour he tried to get to ground in a nullah and was killed there. Hounds were then taken home. The others had an extremely fine run, right across the Yemakal Valley parallel with the Pykara River, and had run their jack to ground close to the Krummund stream, a short distance from its junction with the river.

On Thursday morning (14th instant) there was again a fairly large field out at the meet at Golf Corner. It was a nice hunting morning and in the first draw, which was through Jackal Shola, hounds spoke to a line. They hunted this from the bottom of the shola up to the top, but were then at fault. They puzzled it out down to the bottom again and then went away across the swamp above Pearl Crossing and over into Blackmoor Vale. Slow hunting followed across the stream below Point-to-Point Tree, and then over to the spur above Double Crossing, where there was a check. The Master cast hounds to the left over the end of Newmarket to the nullah which runs down to the Gold Mine stream and the jack was viewed going over the hill towards Rawling's Nullah. The Master lifted hounds and they went away at a great place down into Rawling's Nullah and then as if for Governor's Shola Swinging to the right the jack now made for Staircase and actually entered it half way up on the south side, but turned back and made for Round Shola He ran through this and on to Monkey Shola, then back to Round Shola, where hounds killed him.

Thinking that hounds would run through Staircase the Master followed the ride through the middle and emerged above Herbert Plantation in thick cloud, to find that hounds had turned back. He then lost them for half an hour but they were at last brought back to Windy Gap.

We then drew from Khed Shola past Toda Coffee Shop Shola and found to the north of the Pykara Falls Road. From here we ran over a very severe line of country for about an hour, hounds being bothered a great deal by fresh jacks jumping up. At one time there were two in front of hounds, running almost parallel and a few hundred yards apart. One of them went to ground and then bolted while hounds were marking the earth only to run another by ring and return to the same earth where he was left. Hounds did not get back to kennels until 2-30 P.M. very tired. Scent was good all the morning.

BLUE GUM.

An Australian paper has the following announcement :—"Insolvency : The estate of Mary Anne O'Brien, of Yarrawonga, nurse, has been sequestrated. Liabilities, £74 10*s.* 7*d.*; assets, £15; deficiency, £59 10*s.* 7*d.*; cause of deficiency, decline in the birth-rate."

Polo.

THE BANGALORE TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, 15*th July* 1904.

ONLY six teams entered for the Bangalore polo tournament, and these include two combinations of Carabiniers, the Essex Regiment, the Imperial Service Lancers, the 4th Hussars, and a combined team of R. A. and R. E The first ties were decided on the 13th July, when two good games were played. But by far the best of the two was that between the Essex Regiment and the 4th Hussars, which (*mirabile dictu*) the infantry men won, and won fairly on their merits. They were certainly not so well mounted as the Hussars, but they were nevertheless the better side, more accurate in their hitting, better together, and no whit behind in the riding off department. Every one on the ground, probably including their opponents, was taken by surprise at the pace and dash they went off with, and they were a couple of goals to the good before the Hussars realised what a tough nut they had to crack. Then they played up for all they were worth, and perhaps had the best of the later phases of the game, but the Essex four defended stoutly, and most thoroughly deserved their win by the bare majority of a subsidiary. In the other game the Lancers were fairly with the R. A. and R. E. for the first three chuckers, but seemed to die away towards the end of the game. Details of the play :—

R. A. and R. E. *vs.* IMPERIAL SERVICE LANCERS.

First Chucker.—The Lancers came down, but Marshall pulled them up and took play to midfield, where the ball went out. The combined team then began to press, and Queripel taking a well judged pass from Wagstaffe, put the ball between the Lancers' posts. Even play characterised the remainder of the chucker, but nothing more was scored.

Score :—R. A. and R. E :—1 goal.
Imperial Service Lancers :—*Nil.*

Second Chucker.—After the ball had gone out of play a couple of times, the Lancers began to have the best of the game, and Murad Beg scored a subsidiary which went very near the posts. Queripel then got away with a fine run, the ball getting into a hole when he was nearing the Lancers' goal Marshall and Wagstaff also missed it, but Evans, with an accurate stroke, finished it out and scored a goal for the R. A. and R. E. The Lancers than had their turn, and after a foul had been given against their opponents, Murad Beg scored a goal.

Score :—R. A. and R. E. :—2 goals.
Imperial Service Lancers :—1 goal 1 subsidiary.

Third Chucker.—The Lancers pressed, and the ball went behind the combined team's line. They continued to have the best of matters, and Anandji Kadam scored a goal for them putting them ahead. Murad Beg followed suit and the Lancers' chances began to look bright, but just before the chucker closed, Wagstaffe hit a good goal for his side and the teams were again almost level.

Score :—The Imperial Service Lancers :—3 goals 1 subsidiary.
R. A. and R. E. :—3 goals.

Fourth Chucker.—From the start Queripel got possession, and coming away with a fine run he placed the combined team ahead with a pretty shot. Murad Beg retaliated and only a grand save by Evans prevented him from scoring. From the rest of the chucker the Lancers were mostly on the defensive, and Marshall scored another goal for the R. A. and R. E. before the bugle sounded.

Score :—R. A. and R. E. :—5 goals.
Imerial Service Lancers :—3 goals 1 subsidiary.

Fifth (and last) Chucker.—Three minutes and 49 seconds were left for play, and a scuffling goal quickly accrued to the R. A and R. E., but who actually scored it deponent knoweth not. Some good combined play between Wagstaffe and Queripel, which resulted in each scoring a subsidiary, was the only other noticeable feature of the game before the chucker closed, and the R. A. and R. E. retired comfortable winners.

Final Score :—R. A. and R. E :—6 goals 2 subsidiaries.
Imperial Service Lancers :—3 goals 1 subsidiary.

Teams :—

R. A. AND R. E.	IMPERIAL SERVICE LANCERS
1 Mr Queripel	1 Ressaldar Murad Beg
2 Captain Marshall	2 Ressaldar Anandji Kadam
3 Mr Wagstaffe	3 Ressaldar Chamaraja Urs
Major Evans (*back*)	Ressaldar Chandra Row (*back*)

Umpires :—General Nixon and Captain Oakes.

THE ESSEX REGIMENT *vs* THE 4TH (Q. O.) HUSSARS.

First Chucker :—Playing well together, the infantry team had all the best of the opening exchanges, and Bowen quickly scored a goal for them amidst applause. Still keeping up the pace they temporarily penned their adversaries and after Raleigh has a shot a subsidiary, Raymond scored a second goal, all four of the Essex team having a hand in the move which produced this point.

Score :—Essex Regiment :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.
The 4th Hussars :—*Nil.*

Second Chucker.—The Hussars attacked and only the sound defence of their opponents prevented them from scoring. Returning again, Neilson broke through and scored a neat goal for the cavalry men, the only point registered during the chucker, although the Hussars continued to have the best of matters.

Score :—The Essex Regiment :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.
The 4th Hussars :—1 goal.

Third Chucker.—The Hussars hit out, but the Essex men brought the ball back to the line and notched a subsidiary. Give and take play of a fast and exciting nature followed, and the Hussars were twice penalised for fouls, but nothing more was scored, although the chucker was a very long one.

Score :—The Essex Regiment :—2 goals 2 subsidiaries.
The 4th Hussars :—1 goal.

Fourth Chucker.—Play started in midfield, from which some nice combined work by the Hussars transferred it to the Essex line. Here the play became fast and furious, but for some minutes the Hussars failed to score At last Bell got past Raleigh, and with a good shot put his side on an equal footing so far as major points were concerned. The ball then travelled all over the field and the pace became very fast, both teams playing for all they were worth. The Hussars scored a subsidiary, and the game was becoming very exciting as the chucker closed.

Score :—The Essex Regiment :—2 goals 2 subsidiaries.
The 4th Hussars :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Fifth (and last) Chucker.—For a time the Essex men pressed but the Hussars then broke away, and the next few minutes were anxious ones for the infantry, one shot of the Hussars actually striking the goal post. Nothing tangible however, resulted, and Bowen was looking very dangerous near the Hussars' goal when the bugle sounded, and one of the best fought games of polo ever seen in Bangalore ended.

Final Score :—The Essex Regiment :—2 goals 2 subsidiaries.
Teams :— The 4th (Q. O.) Hussars :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.

THE ESSEX REGIMENT.	THE 4TH (Q. O.) HUSSARS.
1. Mr. Bowen	1. Mr. Stokes
2. Mr. Raymond	2. Mr. Neilson
3. Mr. Neave	3. Mr. Bell
Mr. Raleigh (*back.*)	Mr. Lewin (*back.*)

Umpires :—General Nixon and Major Logan-Home.

THE SEMI-FINALS.

The Semi-finals were played on H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore's beautiful ground on Friday, the 15th instant, when Major Hamilton and the officers of the Carabiniers were "At Home." The Essex Regiment were rather unexpectedly beaten by the R. A. and R. E., but the winners were too clever for their youthful opponents in the sticky work. It was a good game, and both sides had bad luck in not scoring on several occasions, but on the whole the combined team deserved their win.

The 'A" Team of the "Carbs" was too good for the "B" Team, but it was rather a pity that they drew together.

Details of the play :—

R. A and R. E. *vs.* THE ESSEX REGIMENT.

First Chucker.—The combined team pressed, and from a scrimmage near their opponent's goal seemed as though they must score. Bowen, however, cleared, and play continued in midfield. Again the Essex goal was besieged and the infantry four were certainly not hitting with their usual accuracy. Raymond and Bowen at last took play to their opponent's end where the ball went behind as the chucker ended.

No score to either side.

Second Chucker.—"Off-side" against the Essex placed their goal in jeopardy, but Neave cleared finely. Bowen took the ball down and tried a long shot, but the ball would have gone wide had not Raymond picked it up very quickly and put it through with a neat back-handed stroke. Changing ends, Evans scored a subsidiary for the R. A. and R E.

Score :—Essex Regiment :—1 goal.
R. A. and R. E.:—1 subsidiary.

Third Chucker.—Queripel was prominent for the combined team and scored a subsidiary. They still pressed, and Wagstaffe taking a pass from Wagstaffe, scored a goal. The Essex men added a subsidiary as the chucker closed.

Score :—Essex Regiment :—1 goal 1 subsidiary.
R. A. and R. E.:—1 goal 2 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chucker.—This was quite the infantry men's chucker. For a few moments the R. A. and R. E. pressed, but Raleigh relieved most brilliantly, and was loudly applauded for an effort which took the ball from the mouth of his own goal to midfield. From now the Essex men had the best of the chucker, Raymond scoring a good goal; and Bowen adding a subsidiary which should have been another goal and was moreover the culminating point of a good run.

Score :—Essex Regiment :—2 goals 2 subsidiaries.
R. E. and R. A. :—1 goal 2 subsidiaries.

Fifth Chucker.—The Essex side should now have won, but the combined team pressed hard, and Evans, following up a subsidiary with a goal, were ahead. Nothing more was scored, and the R. A. and R. E. had the best of the chucker on the general play, although the Essex were dangerously near their opponent's goal when time arrived.

Final Score :—R. E. and R. A. :—2 goal 3 subsidiaries.
The Essex Regiment :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Teams :—(As in the first ties.)

THE CARABINIERS "A" TEAM *vs* THE CARABINIERS "B" TEAM.

First Chucker.—"A" Team at once manifested their superiority, and Swifte scored a goal in the first minute. The other side, however, played up and Cole hit a subsidiary. A period of give-and-take play was followed by Watson scoring for "A" Team, but the side did not appear to be hurrying themselves greatly.

Score :—"A" Team :—2 goals.
"B" Team :—1 subsidiary.

Second Chucker.—Although only two subsidiaries were scored by the first team of the Carabiniers, they had the best of the

play throughout the chucker, and were palpably taking matters easily.

Score :—"A" Team :—2 goals 2 subsidiaries.
"B" Team :—1 subsidiary.

Third Chucker.—The second team woke up considerably, and for a time made their comrades gallop. Cole scored a goal for them, but this woke the "A" Team up and Watson retaliated with another. Swifte followed suit with another major point, but Dormer then became very conspicuous for "B" Team and a really fine long shot from his stick scored.

Score :—"A" Team :—4 goals 2 subsidiaries.
"B" Team :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chucker.—Two subsidiaries and a goal went to the premier representatives of the Dragoons who were pressing almost throughout the chucker.

Score :—"A" Team :—5 goals 4 subsidiaries.
"B" Team :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Fifth and Sixth Chuckers :—From now until the "halt" sounded, "A" Team had all the best of the play, and Watson scored a fine goal, an additional subsidiary also accruing to the premier side. The only salient feature of the other team's play were some fine efforts by Dormer, who played a good game for the losing side throughout.

Final Score :—"A" Team The Carabiniers :—6 goals 5 subsidiaries.
"B" Team The Carabiniers :—2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Teams :—

"A" Team—Carabiniers.	"B" Team—Carabiniers.
1 Mr Rasch	1 Capt Cole
2 Capt Watson	2 Mr Dormer
3 Mr Swifte	3 Capt Moncrieff
Mr Gwyer (*back.*)	Capt Francis (*back.*)

Umpires :—General Nixon and Major Marsh.

THE FINAL.

CARABINIERS "A" *vs.* R. E. & R. A.

The final was played on the Maharaja's ground on the 8th instant. The Gunner and Sapper Officers were "At Home," and there was a large and fashionable assembly in addition to a huge gathering of the general public. The Carabiniers beat the combined team of Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers by four goals to two goals and four subsidiaries after a good game. Watson for the winners was most brilliant and scored all the four goals. The Carabiniers were leading all through the match, but the Sappers and Gunners were doing most of the pressing towards the end, and had bad luck in their shooting, several subsidiaries going near. Marshall scored both their goals.

Teams :—

Carabiniers—Rasch, Swifte, Captain Watson and Gwyer.

Gunners and Sappers—Queripel, Captain Marshall, Wagstaffe, and Major Evans.

Umpires:—General Nixon and Captain Tufnell.

After the match General Nixon made a short speech, congratulating the winners and making special reference to the plucky games played by the Essex Regiment in the tournament. Mrs. Nixon presented the Challenge Cup to Captain Watson, captain of the Carabinies team and small cups to the individual members of the team.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, *Friday, 1st July 1904.*

THE race for the "Surrey" Cup was once the most important event of the London racing season, but then race meetings were not so numerous as they are now and challenge cups were few and far between. But the race still carries sufficient importance to attract a representative entry and a goodly assembly of spectators; some 5,000 people putting in an appearance at the Ravensbourne Club Ground Lee Green, on June 25th, when the 48th race for this trophy was decided. The present cup is the seventh of its kind, the six previous cups having been won outright by six riders each of whom secured three wins. Last year's winner Ernest Fayne, of Worcester, was a hot favourite for last Saturday's event, nor did he disappoint his supporters who had the satisfaction of seeing him win a well judged race by two lengths from A. E. Wills. This being his second win he has only to repeat the performance to make the cup his own property.

Under the Motor Car Act now in force in this country, local authorities on obtaining the sanction of the local Government Board may impose speed limits for cars travelling over certain roads in their district, the idea of the promoters of the Bill being to restrict the speed of cars in admittedly dangerous zones. Unfortunately many of the local councils are composed of a body of men who hate any innovation, and motoring particularly, and these have applied to L. G. B. for power to introduce a ten mile limit on all roads in their districts. Naturally the applications have been refused on the ground that a speed limit was unnecessary. This has raised a great outcry amongst the anti-motorists who abuse the Board for not allowing local authorities to be masters of their own streets. One man writing to an evening paper even goes so far as to suggest that the dastardly act committed on the Bath Road recently, when a wire was pulled across the road in order to upset motor cars was a reasonable reprisal for not allowing the local authorities to exercise this discretion in fixing speed limits. However, it is well as it is, as a motor papers says. "If the local authorities were masters of their own localities, England would probably be without railways to-day.

For the first time for some years the Woodford Meet of Cyclists which was held last Saturday, took place in fine weather. Clouds hovered about during the greater part of the afternoon, but no rain fell, and the fixtures proved the most successful ever held. This meet is organized by local cyclists who in fancy costumes parade the streets on their cycles whilst a large number on foot rush here and there amongst the public collecting alms in aid of local charities. It has been held annually since 1898 and during that time nearly £2,000 have been handed over to the hospitals, each year seeing an increase in the sum collected. Last year a record collection of £ 400 was made and it is anticipated that this year's total will exceed £500. The exact amount will not be known for some little time as there are a number of collecting cards not yet sent in.

G. P. Mills, who some fifteen years ago was one of the finest long distance road riders of the time, and who as a cyclist is always associated with the long record side from Land's End to John O Groats, since it was over this course or 886 miles that he pushed his solid tyred ordinary, pneumatic tyred safety, tricycle and tandem to record time, bringing the time for the distance down from 5 days, 1 hour, 45 minutes to 3 days, 4 hours. No other man has ever made the journey so frequently and with such success and so long as the road remains between the most Southern and Northern points of Great Britain so long will Mills' name be associated with it. And now Mills has covered the long stretch of road again only this time the push bike has been discarded and a motor bicycle utilized. The ride was undertaken with the view of improving upon the previous best on record which stood to the credit of T. Silver at 64 hours 29 mins., and so well did Mills progress that he beat this time by nearly 14 hours, the 886 miles being completed in 50 hours, 46 mins, 30 secs.

A doctor was recently driving a horse and trap near Blackburn when the horse taking fright at something in the road bolted, and ran into a party of cyclists who were more or less seriously hurt, one poor fellow in particular, who was run over and kicked about by the horse. Not satisfied with the damage it had done the animal continued its wild stampede until checked by colliding with a wall. Such an accident as this never finds its way into the daily London press, but had a motor car run amock and done half the amount of damage a report of the catastrophe would have occupied a leading position in the news columns.

Cycling records both on the road and path have been receiving attention at the hands of our amateur riders, both Leon Meredith and H B. Howard having improved on the previous best on the path and W. de Creux-Hutchinson on the road. The records attacked by Meredith were from the two to ten miles the shorter distance being covered in 5 secs. faster time than the old record made by Bothiat, and the ten miles in 29 secs. faster time than that standing to the credict of Hill made in 1901 at Canning Town. Howard had a try at the standing quarter and took 2-5 secs. off the previous best standing to the credit of C. F. Barden, the present time being 30 4-5 secs.

Personally, I always look upon road records as being the most credible performance of the two, especially when achieved without the assistance of pace-makers. The rider under these circumstances has not the slightest artificial assistance the result of the ride resting entirely on his own ability. Such a ride was that made by W. de Creux-Hutchinson, a member of the Vegetarian Cycling Club, who, unpaced, covered on Southern roads no less a distance than 305 miles in twenty-four hours the last six of which were ridden over roads made heavy and treacherous by a heavy thunderstorm. To achieve such a ride requires a large amount of pluck and dogged perseverance, for it is one thing to ride for twenty-four hours with pacemakers but quite another thing to continue riding for this space of time in glorious isolation, for in unpaced rides no cyclist is allowed to ride nearer the record breaker than ten yards, and must always keep in the rear.

A motorist has brought trouble upon his own head and upon the owner of the car he was driving, by exhibiting a fictitious registration number whilst driving through London. The car was numbered L.L. 421 and the suspicions of a policeman were aroused, because the index letters L. L. stood for Leeds and nothing like 421 cars had been registered in that town. He questioned the driver who endeavoured to bribe him with a sovereign to allow the matter to slip by, a bribe which the policeman did not accept. No doubt offering the sovereign to the policeman told against the motorist when he was brought up at the Old Bailey for a heavy fine of £ 50 was imposed and a smaller one on the actual owner of the car. The driver was the manager of a large motor emporium in the City.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT DHARWAR.

DHARWAR *vs.* HUBLI.—Played on the 9th instant, the home team winning easily by 74 runs. For Dharwar Mr. J. Monteath played a fine innings of 153 while for the visitors Mr. W. Bird put up 114. Score :—

DHARWAR.

Mr C Sinclair, b R Power	8
Mr M C Gibb, run out	4
Mr J Monteath, c Bird, b P Power	153
Mr G McC Harrison, c West, b Power	8
Mr E G Oliver, c Coen, b Sweeney	17
Mr L C Crump, b Browne	0
Mr D Bhaskar, c R Power, b P Power	13
Mr Reuben, b P Power	4
Mr J W Bailey, retired	4
Mr C W A Turner, Mr Sungar ... did not at	
Extras	36
Total	247

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
R Power	10	36	2	3
C B Sweeney	19·5	70	5	2
P Power	15	33	6	2
W Bird	8	18	2	—
C Curtis	2	6	—	—
D Browne	7	33	1	1
J Netto	3	15	1	—

HUBLI.

Mr C B Sweeney, b Crump	2
Mr W Bird, c Sungar, b Crump	114
Mr W Coen, b Sungar	2
Mr T J Binny, c Harrison, b Sungar	32
Mr L McLaren, c and b Crump	0
Mr P Power, b Sungar	0
Mr D Browne, c Harrison, b Sungar	0
Mr L C West, not out	10
Mr R Power, b Bhaskar	0
Mr C Curtis, b Crump	1
Mr J Netto, b Crump	1
Extras	11
Total	173

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
L C Crump	20	51	5	4
D Bhaskar	13	34	3	1
Sungar	9	51	—	4
M C Gibb	2	25	—	—
L C Crump	1	1	—	1

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* CHESHIRE REGIMENT.—This match was played at Colaba on the 16th instant and resulted in a draw. Mr. H. S. Aston played a faultless innings of 114 for the Gymkhana. The Regiment made 110 for nine wickets. Score :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr H S Aston, c and b Price	114
Mr S N Powell, c Price, b Walden	0
Major Carnegy, b Smith	18
Capt Langhorne, b Smith	8
Mr F J Clarke, b Smith	3
Mr J S Milne, b Tully	3
Major Baynes, c Hanman, b Smith	0
Mr Burney, c and b Cheshire	4
Capt Stiffe, c and b Price	4
Mr Ainsworth, c and b Price	0
Mr E E Coombs, not out	30
Extras	14
Total	198

ROWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Capt Price	60	49	1	3
Lce.-Corpl Walden	18	13	1	1
Pte Smith	102	72	1	4
Lieut Laylor	18	14	0	0*
Pte Tully	48	30	1	1
Sergt Cheshire	14	6	0	1

*Bowled 2 wides balls.

CHESHIRES REGIMENT.

Pte Tully, c Carnegy, b Coombs	0
Sergt Cheshire, b Ainsworth	3
Corpl Price, c Burney, b Coombs	9
Lce-Corpl Scates, b Coombs	10
Lieut Jones, c Powell, b Coombs	6
Maj Grove, c Coombs, b Ainsworth	0
Mr Birkley, b Coombs	29
Lieut Taylore, b Coombs	12
Pte Smith, b Milne	1
Pte Hanman, not out	1
Lce-Corpl Walden, not out	0
Extras	39
Total	110

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Mr Coombs	90	32	6	6
Mr Ainsworth	78	24	6	2
Mr F J Clarke	30	14	2	0
Mr Milne	12	1	1	1

CRICKET AT BHUSAWAL.

DHULIA *vs.* BHUSAWAL.—Played on the 8th and 9th instant resulting in a win for the visitors. Score :—

DHULIA.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr T M Kirwan, b Pettingale	8	c and b Pettingale	4
Mr D R Kotwal, b Pettingale	12	c and b Pettingale	19
Mr H Pogson, l-b-w, b Redman	6	b Bhandara	8
Mr Abdul, b Redman	10	b Bhandara	7
Mr W C Shepherd, b Pettingale	0	c and b Campbell	0
Mr G S Curtis, c and b Pettingale	2	not out	10
Mr R E H Elliott, b Pettingale	19	b Bhandara	3
Mr M V Joshi, b Pettingale	0	c and b O'Leary	10
Mr E M Pratt, b Pettingale	1	run out	6
Mr S D Smith, c and b Redman	0	c and b Campbell	0
Mr M S Kulkarni, not out	8	b Campbell	3
Extras	9	Extras	7
Total	75	Total	74

BHUSAWAL.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr Gasting, b Kulkarni	5		
Mr L S Bhandara, c and b Joshi	6	b Kotwal	8
Mr Mayhew, run out	3		
Mr Boward, c and b Pogson	10	run out	3
Mr Pettingale, b Pogson	0	not out	11
Mr C S Campbell, b Kotwal	3	not out	11
Mr Cleary, b Kotwal	0		
Mr Redmond, b Kotwal	1		
Mr Davis, b Fogson	1		
Mr Burrell, not out	0		
Mr O'Malley, b Pogson	0		
Extras	6	Extra	1
Total	35	Total	40

CRICKET IN POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* 93rd HIGHLANDERS.—These teams met on the 14th instant, the 93rd being victorious. Score:—

First Innings		Second Innings.	
Capt Bruce, st Hartley	3	l-b-w, b Langton	8
Lieut Dickson, b Langton	2	c and b Hartley	0
Lieut Cowell, c Mahoney, b Hartley	1	c Marky, b Hartley	23
Lieut Noake, c and b Langton	13		
Col Stevens, c Kennedy, b Langton	1		
Capt Umfreville, c Mahoney b Hartley	14		
Lieut Thew, b Hartley	0	not out	4
Lieut Thornton, c and b Langton	0	not out	18
Capt Douglas, b Langton	0	c Marky, b Langton	3
Lieut Cousens, run out	4	b Hartley	2
Capt Hooper, not out	4	run out	26
		Best did not bat	
Extras	17	Extras	10
Total	59	Total	94

A. AND S. HIGHLANDERS.

First Innings.

Mr Herbert, b Stevens	15
Mr Cheape, b Carroll	0
Sergt Marky b Carroll	0
Mr Hartley, b Stevens	39
Mr Kennedy, b Stevens	30
Maj Mackenzie, b Stevens	3
Mr Langton, b Carroll	22
Dr Stevenson, b Carroll	11
Sergt Mahoney, b Wake	11
Pte Steadman, c Bruce, b Noake	0
Pte Turnbull, not out	2
Extras	16
Total	149

EAST LANCASHIRES *vs.* BISHOP'S HIGH SCHOOL.—A match between the above teams was played on the 14th instants, the School winning by 91 runs. Score :—

BISHOP'S HIGH SCHOOL.

First Innings.

Dubois, b Traill	10
Mackenzie, c Webb, b Preston	43
Brewin, b Jerrard	36
Cody, c Hill, b Webb	13
Dunne, b Webb	31
Mackenzie, c Maclean, b Jerrard	13
Brewin, b Webb	0
Carvalho, c Russell, b Traill	0
Faulds, b Tuynam	31
Simmons, c Tuynam, b Traill	28
Stewart, not out	3
Extras	22
Total	230

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First Innings.

Capt Trail, b Mackenzie	...	...	32
Capt Richardson, b Brewin	...	...	1
Lieut Jerrard, b Mackenzie	...	...	41
Lieut Boss, b Mackenzie	..	...	13
Lieut Hill, b Mackenzie	...	...	0
Major Taynam, b Mackenzie	...	...	12
Capt Russell, b Carvalho	...	...	16
Lieut Preston, b Mackenzie	...	...	0
Major Webb, not out	..	...	12
Lieut Maclean b. Carvalho	...	...	0
Lieut Hardcastle, b Carvalho	...	...	5
		Extras ...	7
		Total ...	139

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

LAHORE *vs.* MIAN MIR.—Played at Lahore on the 11th and 12th instant, the visitors winning by 4 runs. Mr. Humphreys bowled well for Mian Mir, taking seven wickets for 24 runs, while Captain Frizelle for the homesters took five wickets for 9 runs in three overs. Score :—

MAIN MIR.

F H Humphreys b Fisher	...	...	30
A Freemantle, c Fink, b Coley	...	...	4
A Crocker, b Gamble	...	...	14
H Elgee, c Fisher, b Gamble	...	...	0
A G Hutchinson, c Rundle, b Frizelle	...	...	15
D Russell c Mackenzie, b Frizelle	...	...	31
R Rennick not out ...	..	..	0
Capt Daniell, c Coley, b Frizelle	...	...	2
F Heron, c Rundle, b Frizelle	...	...	10
F Raikes, c Gamble, b Frizelle	...	...	11
Extras		...	0
	Total	...	117

LAHORE.

D Coley, c Russell, b Humphreys	...	...	3
C C Fink, b Russell ...	...	...	12
F A Mackenzie, b Humphreys	...	...	0
C F Scott, b Humphreys	...	...	0
R A Gamble, b Humphreys	...	...	4
V H Wilson, c Freemantle, b Humphreys		...	39
Capt. Frizelle, run out	...	...	1
T C Fisher, b Crocker	...	...	22
A Fothergill-Cooke, c Elgee, b Humphreys		...	12
G A Rundle, c Elgee, b Humphreys	...	...	4
F C Clough, not out...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	16
	Total	...	113

CRICKET CHAT.

B Jayaram, the well-known Mysore cricketer who remained in England this season to play for the Indian cricket team, has been making some runs for London County, in recent minor matches in which, however, the bowling is not always to be despised. Last season Jayaram made two centuries for London County in minor matches, but when tried in first-class matches was not a success.

T. B. Nicholson, a well-known Madras player of the later nineties, who went out to South Africa with Lumsden's Horse, was helping London County in the match *vs* South Africans and did as well as any one else on the side with scores of 51 and 11. Among other Anglo-Indian and Indian players who have been taking part in club cricket at home, I notice the name of Captain A. M. Tringham, of the Queen's Regiment, who left his mark in Northern India cricket. Playing for Mr. F. L. Crabtree's XI *vs.* Charter-house Maniacs, he compiled 53 and took three wickets for 19 runs. E. B. T. Studd, the crack Behar Wanderer, who is at home on leave, playing for Harrow Blues *vs* Southgate on 18th June, had to be content with a modest score of 10. Sewell, the old Madras cricketer, continues to show fine form for Essex. Against Derbyshire he made 22 in the first innings and 53 in the second, the latter being top score. Against Yorkshire he did not get going, but reached double figures in both innings, his contributions being 21 and 29.

L. C. P. Milman, of the Gunners, a player who represented the Presidency against the Parsees in 1901, and who afterwards did well against the Authentics for Secunderabad, accomplished a fine all-round performance for Woolwich Garrison *vs.* Incogniti on 8th June capturing seven wickets (six clean bowled) for 39 runs and scoring 101. Two other well-known Anglo-Indian players participated in this match, *viz*, Captain S.F. Gosling, who played for Madras Presidency and for Mysore Province against the Authentics, and Captain H. Strong, of the Indian Army. Captain J. A. D. Pinney, of the Imperial Cadet Corps, Dehra, playing for East Gloucestershire *vs.* Incogniti, compiled 59. Captain Airey, another well-known Anglo-Indian player, made 42 for the Incogs. The last named also scored 51 and 37 for Incogniti *vs.* Sherborne School, 58 *vs.* Cirencester, and 43 and 13 *vs.* Cheltenham College.

The first match of the Bangalore season, Indian Services *vs.* The Rest, played on the 7th instant, has opened visions of an unusually successful season. The game was remarkable for several performances above the average, and of these the bowling of General Nixon deserves special mention. He captured seven wickets for 21 runs, five clean bowled and the other two caught and bowled. This performance for a veteran is one of the finest I have had the pleasure of recording for some years. The Indian Services who compiled 352 for nine wickets scored at a tremendous rate indeed I cannot recall any instance in Indian cricket where runs were ever faster. The first hundred runs were made in half an hour, in itself a notable achievement, and the next 150 runs in fifty minutes, so that 250 were made in one hour and 20 minutes, a truely marvellous rate of scoring. From this it may be inferred that the bowling was weak. B. E. A Manson, who played for the Presidency against the Parsees at Poona last year, was the principal contributor to this big total, his share being 91. Moss King and Captain Copeland with 53 and 49 were also greatly in evidence, while Hanson, Moore and Major Jollie all started the season well. It would be interesting to know if the rate of run getting in this match has ever been exceeded in a match in India.

The Simla season, which concluded with the match between the Visitors and the Residents, has not been a very eventful one despite the number of well-known cricketers who participated in the various matches. Totals of 200 and upwards were rare, and only on two occasions had the opposing sides a long outing in the field. Two individual scores of three figures were compiled, *viz*., 101 not out by the old Reptonion, Captain F. G. Smallwood, and 102 not out by the old Marlburian, E. L. French. The half century was exceeded on but four occasions, twice by Sergeant Mitchell with 62 and 57, and twice by the old Cliftonian, Captain M. E. McConaghey, with 52 and 78. E. L French comes out at the head of the batting averages with 31·1 with Captain Smallwood, 30·3, a good second. Captain McConaghey was third with 25·0, Sergeant Mitchell fourth with 21·4, and S. M. Robinson 17·3, and General Spens 16·4, next in order. The brunt of the bowling was borne by H. Hensman (18 wickets) and S. M. Robinson (17 wickets), but Captain H. C. Laverton (11 wickets), and O. F. Lumsden (9 wickets) occasionally did well.

Cricketers in Khandish district are having a particularly good time this season, and the principal stations in the district, Dhulia and Bhusawal are able to place very fair teams in the field. Last week a Dhulia team visited Bhusawal and won a low scoring match by 40 runs on the first innings. Although Dhulia got through two innings and Bhusawal had lost two wickets in their second inning, the highest scores in the match was D. H. Kotwal's 19 in the second innings for Dhulia, and R. E. A. Elliott's 19 in the first innings for the same side C. S. Campbell, I. C. S., who scored 3 and 17 not out for Bhusawal also bowled well, but in the latter department R. Pettingale, who captured nine wickets did best. The I C. S. was well represented in this match, G. S Curtis, E M. Pratt, W. C. Shepherd, R. E. A. Elliott, C. S. Campbell, and T. Maitland Kirwan all donning flannels.

The match between the Poona Gymkhana and Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders on the 14th instant has revealed a few fresh things about the strength of Poona cricket. Greig was not playing for the Gymkhana, neither were Colonel Hazelton, A. D. Wilkins, or A. H. C. Kearsey, but the team was for all that a strong batting side with B. M. Carroll, A S. Noake, G. Thornton, Captain J. M. Bruce, A. V. Thew, Captain H. K. Umfreville, Colonel Stevens, and Captain Hooper available. While Poona has been lamenting the want of a couple of really good bowlers, these have been available at any time in the persons of Lieutenants H. B. Hartley and S. Langton, of the Highlanders. They have each only donned flannels once this season previous to the match under notice, and then impressed the Poona critics with their all round form On Thursday they bowled unchanged against the Gymkhana and dismissed that strong batting side for 60 runs, of which no less than 17 were extras. Of the 43 runs made from the bat, Captain Umfreville and A. S. Noake made 27 between them. Langton took five wickets for 18 runs and Hartley four for 25. To show that their performance was no fluke, the same bowlers dismissed six batsmen for 94 runs in the second innings. The Highlanders totalled 149, Langton (22) and Hartley (39) showing good form, while J. Kennedy (30) played perhaps the best innings in the match. Langton has just been granted 90 days leave in India, so I fear will not be seen in Poona cricket any more this season. This is a thousand pities, as he is undeniably the best bowler in the station, now that Captain Deas has left for Quetta. With Hartley and Umfreville, to say nothing of Colonels Stevens and Hazelton, and of course Greig, the Poona attack will not be quite so week as it perhaps looks on paper. The form with bat and ball of all the players is now pretty well known, and the following side would be thoroughly representative of Poona cricket :—Captain J. G. Greig, B. M Carroll, J. Kennedy, H. B. Hartley, S. Langton, Captain H K. Umfreville, A. H. C. Kearsey, G. Thornton, A. S. Noake, Colonel Stevens, and Colonel Hazelton. If Major Leslie, of the Sappers, was playing this year he would be sure of a place in a representative Poona team, as when in form he is one of the finest bats in the Presidency.

Rajkot Gymkhana is not able to place a particularly strong team in the field this year, and last Saturday suffered a five wickets defeat at the hands of the Rajkumar College. The Gymkhana total was 97, of which C. A. Kincaid, of the I C. S., contributed 50, Captain Searle 10, and Colonel Kennedy 15 so that the other eight batsmen between them were only responsible for 14 runs, there being 8 extras in the total. K. S. Bhojrajji (36) and R. S. Lakhaji (25) were the principal rungetters for the College, and these two players also captured four wickets a piece for 30 and 39 runs respectively.

J Monteath, the old Cliftonian and Dharwar player, who represented the Presidency against the Parsees in the Bombay match last year, is in very fine form with the bat this season. A few weeks ago he played a fine inning, of 79 against Bellary, and in his next match took a century Against Hubli, a week later, he played another fine inning for 153, when no one else on the side could make more than 17. This match was also remarkable for another fine innings played by W. Bird, who contributed 114 to the Hubli total of 173. L. C. Crump again bowled well for Dharwar, taking five wickets for 51 runs.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

FOOTBALL IN CALCUTTA.

I. F. A. SHIELD TOURNAMENT.

The following are the drawings in this competition :—

First Round

1 King's Own *vs.* Howrah United.
2 Dalhousie *vs.* Hornets.
3 Hare Sporting *vs.* Calcutta.
4 Rangers *vs.* Y. M. C. A.
5 Caledonians } Byes.
6 Sova Bazaar }
7 Chinsurah }
8 Royal Irish Rifles }

Second Round.

A Winners of No 1 play No. 7.
B Winners of No. 6 play No. 5.
C Winners of No. 2 play No. 8.
D Winners of No 4 play No. 3.

Semi-finals.

E Winners of D play Winners of C.
F Winners of A play Winners of B.

Finals.

Winners of E play Winners of F.

Second round by Saturday, 23rd instant, semi-finals by 27th instant, and final on the 30th instant.

THE CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

CALCUTTA *vs* RANGERS.—The above match, which had been postponed, was played on the Calcutta ground on the 13th instant, and concluded the League fixtures. The home team were without H Cooper, Binning making a poor substitute. Calcutta had the best of the first moiety, but just before half time Vears scored for the Rangers. After the interval Calcutta still attacked but missed several chances through erratic shooting : The game ended in a win for the Rangers by a goal to *nil*. The result of the match gave the shield to the King's Own Regiment, Mrs. Carter presenting the trophy to the team at the conclusion of the game. Teams :—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal;* Margrett and Anderson, *backs ;* Mulholland, Lees and Afflick, *half-back;* Pollock, McCready, Rosser, Maclay and Vears, forwards

CALCUTTA.—Dodds, *goal ;* V. Cooper and Gahan, *backs;* H. Sherman, Binning, MacDonald, V. Sherman and Stuart, *forwards.*

Referee.—Mr. J. Greig.

I. F. A. CHALLENGE SHIELD.

1ST ROUND.

KING'S OWN REGT. *vs.*, HOWRAH —The tie between these teams was decided on the soldiers' ground on the 19th instant. The visitors, in spite of the inclusion in their team, of Woodings and Morris from the West Ridings, were unable to give much account of themselves against the superior play of their opponents, who did most of the attacking and won by three goals to *nil*. Jones (2) and Standish being responsible for the scoring. Teams :—

KING'S OWN.—Sinker *goal ;* Mellor and Stokes, *backs ;* Walton, Standish and Leonard, *half-backs ;* Jones, Golden, Quinn and Wittingham, *forwards.*

HOWRAH —Powell, *goal ;* Curtis and Annett, *backs ;* Hart, Morrow and Morris, *half-backs ;* Echlin, Woodings, Jackson, Smith and Linton, *forwards.*

Referee :—Mr. D. Walker.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* HORNETS —A large crowd witnessed the above match on the Dalhousie ground on Tuesday. The opening exchanges were very even and, after Dalhousie had obtained a corner and the Hornets missed from a "free," Crow got away and scored for the visitors. But the home team were not long in drawing level, Watts scoring from a pass by Bonar. After the interval play was very exciting, but neither side scored and the game ended in a draw of a goal each.

Teams :—

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal;* Stimson and Templeton, *backs ;* Phelps, Butler and Wallace, *half-backs;* Prike, Bonar, Watts, Stewart and Holly, *forwards.*

HORNETS —Gomes, *goal;* Pool and Anderson, *backs;* A. Rosser, L. Rosser, and Hollow, *half-backs;* G. Russell, Apcar, Simmons, Crow and Tankcred, *forwards.*

Referee :—Mr. G. Cook.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE much-looked-forward-to match between Calcutta and the Rangers, which was to make the winning of the League Cup a question of goal average only, came off on the C F. C. ground on Wednesday last, but contrary to the hopes of civilian supporters the Rangers won by one goal to love. and thus put Calcutta out of the running for the cup. The game was fairly evenly contested, the Rangers having rather the better of the first and Calcutta of the second half, but although Dodds in goal for Calcutta had a lot to do, Behrend had hardly any work owing to the poor shooting of the Calcutta forwards H. Cooper was absent and no one seemed inclined to take the initiative when shooting was required. On the whole it was an interesting match, but after Vears had scored for the visitors in the first half the excitement of the crowd abated considerably, as Calcutta had then no chance of winning the League Cup. For Calcutta the back division was in good form, Maunder and Ansell at half and Dodds in goal being prominent, but the forwards were quite off color. For the Rangers, Vears, Macready and MacClay showed up well in the forward line and Margrett and Anderson at back, though the latter was inclined to play foul at times.

The Rangers were enthusiastically supported throughout by the Fort contingent, and received three hearty cheers for their share in enabling the King's Own to carry off the Locke Cup, which Mrs. Carter presented after the match.

Thus ended the League season of 1904 and apart from one or two little incidents, which it is not necessary to re-open at this stage, a very successful season it has been. The final positions of the first two teams are not so close, as was anticipated during the last few weeks, but the difference of only three points between the first and fourth is an excellent guide to the keenness of the fight for the Locke Cup. Those interested in the League will, no doubt, like to compare this year's results with those of former seasons, and I therefore append the records of the winners and runners up since this now popular competition was inaugurated

1898.

Teams.	Matches played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.	Goals. For	Goals. Against.
Gloster Regiment	14	11	1	2	24	23	5
Calcutta Rangers	13	8	2	3	19	21	12
1899.							
Calcutta F. C. ...	12	7	2	3	17	27	10
King's Royal Rifles	12	7	3	2	16	17	11
1900.							
Royal Irish Rifles ...	14	12	0	2	26	36	4
Calcutta F. C. ...	14	11	2	1	23	50	10
1901.							
Royal Irish Rifles ...	14	14	0	0	28	45	0
Calcutta F. C. ...	14	7	3	4	18	23	10
1902.							
K. O. S. Borderers ...	16	12	2	2	26	54	13
93rd Highlanders ...	16	11	2	3	25	37	10
1903.							
93rd Highlanders ...	16	15	0	1	31	47	6
Calcutta F. C. ...	16	12	2	2	26	36	10
1904.							
King's Own Regt. ...	12	9	2	1	19	30	9
Calcutta F. C. ...	12	8	3	1	17	21	8
W. Ridings ...	12	8	4	0	16	21	11
Rangers	12	6	2	4	16	15	11
Dalhousie ...	12	2	8	2	6	6	13
Howrah ...	12	1	8	3	5	4	23
Y. M. C. A. ...	12	1	8	3	5	2	23

From the above tables it will be seen that of the Civilian clubs Calcutta has performed most consistently throughout, having taken first place once and second four times out of seven competitions: the general opinion will no doubt be that they deserved better luck than to take only second place this season.

A few comments on the players. For the King's Own Jones has been brilliant at times and Carman and Whittingham have worked well together throughout the season and played most consistently. Quinn is the best of the halves, but inclined to display temper at times. Neither of the backs are brilliant, but Mellor plays a very fair game. Sinker, the present goalkeeper, has not been passed, but has been seldom troubled.

For Calcutta H. Cooper has shown himself to be, as in previous years, the best centre-forward or inside right in Calcutta. V. Sherman is excellent on his day, a deadly shot and a hard worker, but has lately been off color. H. Sherman is a good outside right, one of the best the Calcutta team has had, and will improve, but should not be moved from his place. Mounder has come on wonderfully and is twice the player he was last year. Crawford is a sterling player, seldom brilliant, but always reliable, and Ansell is a decided acquisition to the team and a hard worker. V. Cooper is improving at back, and is really good on a wet day. Dodds is good in goal, but takes lots of chances with running kicks.

For the West Ridings Woodings, Wilson, Grady, and Hullyer are all good forwards, and Turner and Reeves make excellent halves. The backs are rather weak, but Roberts in goal has saved his team time after time and is a brilliant, if somewhat, risky player.

For the Rangers Macready has proved himself to be a useful little forward and Vears is a smart winger; Rosser is a good shot and a dangerous man to have as an opponent, but is apparently a difficult man for his other forwards to work with. Lees is one of the hardest working halves in the League, and Margrett and Anderson are both safe backs, though inclined to use more force than necessary when "taking the man." Behrend is a very fair goalkeeper. The team as a whole have received a deal of help this season from three men from the 93rd Highlanders.

Dalhousie have a useful man in Dalling, who can play in any place on the field, and Bonar and Stewart are both hard working forwards and valuable members of the team. Prike also has proved a good left winger, though he has rather fallen off since the beginning of the season. In the half line Butler has improved wonderfully and Phelps and Evans both play hard. Stimson still plays a good game at back, but has had his day, and Templeton is good but erratic. Street has proved a great acquisition, and is the best man the Dals. have had in goal since Peake played for them.

In Wood, Howrah had one of the best forwards and centre-halves in Calcutta, and as captain he was invaluable to the team. It is a pity he had to leave Calcutta before the end of the season—Kerr is a good left winger and Curtis at back is sound though inclined to play a bit roughly. Powell has done well in goal.

The Y. M. C. A have a good centre-half in Pooler and a fair back in Scully Lamb was their best man, but he unfortunately will not be able to play again this season. Stokes in goal gave the finest display of the season against the King's Own, and the Y. M. C. A. are no doubt sorry they did not discover his powers earlier in the season. The Y. M. have an indifferent team as a whole, but there are some very good units.

If, as is rumoured, the Rangers are losing several of their best men, Calcutta should manage to get into the semi-finals of the Shield tournament, but whether they will get further or not seems to depend on the presence or absence of H. Cooper in the forward line. The winners of Dalhousie and the Hornets will put up a good game against the Royal Irish, and this match should be the best in the second round. Bar accidents, the King's Own should get into the finals, as they have had the luck to get into the weak half of the competition, but I do not think they will carry off the Cup. At any rate two good teams should be in the finals Shield, and the Charity Match on the 30th should therefore draw a good gate.

"TOUCH."

Golf.

GOLF AT GULMARG.

The season is now in full swing and the links attract big crowds. Appended are weekly competitions began on Saturday, 25th June:—

GENTLEMEN.

MEDAL PLAY.

	25th June.
L Vanrenen, Esq	107—24=83
Capt John Hill	87— 1=86
S R Wybrants, Esq	88— 1=87
A Falconar-Stewart, Esq	88— 1=87
W Mitchell, Esq	91— 4=87
Maj E A Carruthers	100— 4=96

No return from one player.

BOGEY COMPETITION.

	2nd July.
Capt John Hill, handicap 1 ...	—all square
D Vanrenen, Esq " 4 ..	—1 down
S R Wybrants, Esq " 1 ...	—1 down
Capt A E Panet " 16 ...	—5 down
Maj R A Carruthers " 5 ...	—6 down

No return from four players.

MEDAL PLAY.

	9th July.
Sir David Masson	87—16=71
Col Littledale	101—20=81
D Vanrenen, Esq	88— 4=84
Maj R A Carruthers	89— 4=85
W Mitchell	89— 4=85
Capt A E Panet	103—16=87
" H L Fleming	94— 4=90

No return from twelve players.

LADIES.

MIDAL PLAY.

	9th July.
Miss Crew	74—26=43
Mrs Mullins	77—26=51
Mrs Kennedy	68— 6=62
Miss Johnstone ... ... —	75—13=62
Miss Mansfield	86—13=73
Miss Masson	101—26=75
Miss Stevenson	102—26=76
Mrs C Davies	82— 4=78

No returns from two players.

Hockey.

THE MADRAS TOURNAMENT.

The following are the drawings in the above tournament:—

Madras C C "B" Team / Bangalore Gymkhana	Mon 25th July, M C C Ground	Wed, 27th July
Madras C C "A" Team ...	bye	M C C Ground
1st Batt Durham L I ...	"	Tues, 26th July
1st Batt Lincoln Regt ...	"	Engr Col Ground
1st Batt. Middlesex Regt	"	Tues 26th July
52nd Coy, R G A ...	"	M C C Ground
St Thomas's Mt Hockey Club ...		Wed, 27th July
1st Batt. Leicester Regt / 1st Batt Essex Regt	Mon, 25th July, Engr Coll Gd	Engr Col Ground

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

Friday, 15th July, 1904.

Starter and Timekeeper—MR. H. G. REMFRY.

Honorary Secretary—MR. W. GOVAN.

FOUR LENGTHS HANDICAP.—The final heat of this competition was swum off this evening. The first and second in the preliminary heats contested the final. Result:—

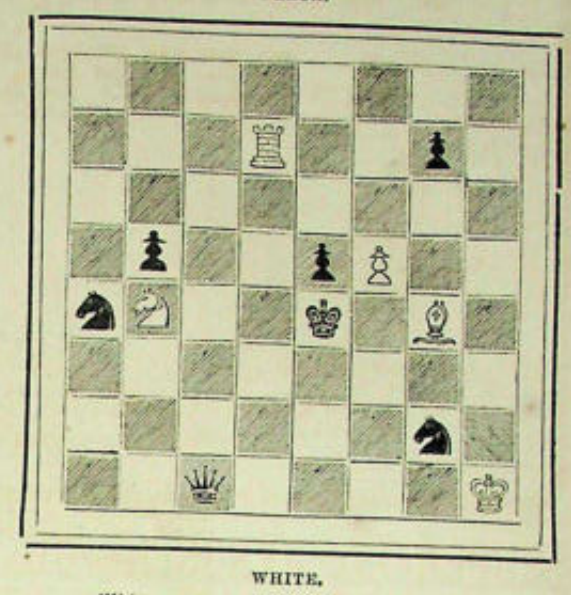
W. Govan (12secs start time 1min 54½secs) 1
A. E. B. Siddons (6secs " " 1 " 51¾ ") 2
G. Brown (scratch " " 1 " 46¼ ") 3
L. Prike (16secs. start " 2 " 2¼ ") 4

Mr. G. W. F. Buckland gave away the two prizes.

Chess.

PROBLEM XXXV.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME No. 34.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P to K 4	1. P to K 4
2. Kt to K B 3	2. Kt to Q B 3
3. B to Q Kt 5	3. Kt to K B 3
4. Castles	4. B to K 2
5. P to Q 4	5. P takes P
6. P to K 5	6. Kt to K 5
7. R to K	7. Kt to Q B 4
8. Kt takes P	8. Castles
9. Kt to Q B 3	9. Kt to K 3
10. Kt to K B 5	10. P to K Kt 3
11. Q to K Kt 4	11. P to Q 4
12. Kt takes Q P	12. B to Q Kt 5
13. Kt to K B 6 ch	13. Q takes Kt
14. P takes Q	14. B takes R
15. B takes Kt	15. P takes B
16. Kt to K 7 ch	16. K to R
17. B to K R 6	17. R to K
18. Q takes Kt (a)	18. P takes Q
19. B mates	

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2. B leads Club 7; Z puts on Ace; won by Z.
3. Z leads Diamond Kg; A put on the Ace; won by A.
4. A leads Spade Ace; won by A.
5. A leads Spade Queen; won by A.
6. A leads Spade 7; B puts on Kg; won by B.
7. B leads Club 6; Z plays the 3; A the Kv; won by A.
8. A leads Club Kg; won by A.
9. A leads Heart Ace; won by A.
10. A leads Heart Kg; Z trumps with the 10; won by Z.
11. Z leads Diamond Queen; won by Z.
12. Z leads small Diamond; A trumps; won by A.
13. A leads Heart 10; won by A.

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"SIXTY YEARS ON THE TURF."

THERE are few more delightful books to lovers of racing than Mr. George Hodgman's "Sixty Years on the Turf." "Hodgy," as he was called by his many friends from the late Admiral Rous and Sir John Astley down to his comrades in the Ring, is still hale and hearty and, though in his eighbtieth year, is to be seen at most Meetings at home with his characteristic silk hat, blue serge reefer suit, and the invariable twig of trefoil in the corner of his mouth; and truly none other than he with his long and unique experience could have got together such a book of reminiscences and anecdotes of the sport he loves so well. One of his stories of a handicap certainty which came undone is of his own horse John Davis (the son of the ever famous Voltigeur) in the Cesarewitch of 1869, for which race, though eight years of age he was handicapped at 6st. 12lbs. John Davis was tried for the race twice, and for the first time with Wildflower who had been an easy winner over the Cesarewitch course shortly before; "I put her in (writes Mr. Hodgman) with 2st. less than the old horse who simply played with her. Indeed he won with such a deal to spare that I did not see how under 6st. 12lbs. he could possibly be beaten in the Cesarewitch. The trial in fact seemed almost too good to be true." The second trial with Sir John Astley's Provider who meanwhile had won another race over the Cesarewitch course, and Wildflower again, confirmed the first, for again John Davis "cantered home from Wildflower with Provider beaten 150 yards," and so good was the form deemed that Fordham begged to be allowed to ride at a stone overweight. This Hodgman would not hear of; "George, how can I, for the Admiral's sake, do such a thing? Put up a stone overweight? No, the Admiral would never forgive me"; and, therefore, the mount was given to Sam Mordan, who seemed to lose his head completely and "instead of allowing his mount to stride out, as directed, he pulled and sawed him about singing, 'Mittith Thammy Mordan's husband will win the Thetherwitch to-day. Mittith Thammy Mordan will have her thewing machine to-night,'" and threw away by a length and a half a race which ought to have been won by 100 yards. It is owing to such unforeseen events that handicappers ever seem to be saved by some especial Providence from the consequence of mistakes or carelessness on their part.

The Derby of 1857, no doubt, belongs to the past generation of race-goers entirely, but it must have indeed been an exciting one from an account which "Hodgy" gives us of it. It was Blink Bonny's year and Mr. Drinkald who was at that time a prominent man in the racing world had a colt running which rejoiced in the most unclassical name of Black Tommy, and he started at 200 to 1. The colt's owner, however, must have had but a contemptuous opinion of his chance, for though he had backed him, it was a bet of £10,000 to a suit of clothes! Mr. Hodgman was "at the moment of the finish of the race standing with Mr. Drinkald in Tattersall's enclosure, when his Black Tommy flashed past looking all over a winner. In truth it seemed any odds on him. Thinking the stake safe in his pocket, Mr. Drinkald shouted out, 'Thank God, I've won the Derby, and not a soul is on but myself,'" for he was a man of a secretive

and somewhat cross-grained temperament. His joy, however, was but momentary, for Blink Bonny's number was put up first, and Black Tommy's second.

Another Derby of which we are told is that won by Daniel O'Rourke in 1852. Hodgman had backed Stockwell, the sterling son of the Baron and Pocahontas and whose name is to be found in half the pedigrees of to-day, for the Two Thousand Guineas at 25 to 1 to win him £3,000 and for the Derby he had taken £10,000 to £200, so that when the colt won the Guineas he "stood on velvet." "Unluckily, however, Stockwell was afflicted with a bad gumboil, which had to be lanced. None the less, in spite of whatever he lacked in condition, he would, with plain sailing, have won the Derby"; but his jockey got closed in and Stockwell himself had his stifle severly cut. "The upshot was a victory for Daniel O'Rourke, whom Stockwell had thrashed in the Two Thousand, and whom he trounced afresh in the Leger." The Winner's owner was Mr. Bowes who next year was the fortunate owner of the Triple Crown Hero, West Australian, What a wonderful family is that of Stockwell: his sire The Baron won the Leger, his son Doncaster the Derby, his grandson Bend Or the Derby, and his great-grandson, Ormonde, all three classics; the latter's son Orme would undoubtedly have won the Derby at any rate if not all the three races but for the dastardly attempt to destroy him by poison, though he has compensated for this at the stud by siring Flying Fox, who, like his grandsire was a Triple Crown hero, and no doubt before many years are past a Derby winner will spring from the blood of the son of Orme and Vampire.

The reminiscences are not only of racing, however, and there is one capital tale of a shooting episode in which the author took a painfully prominent part when the guest of Mr. Carew of Epsom. A careless shot by Hodgman resulted in his missing the game but killing a fox, a crime for which he, of course, expressed contrition to his host, who naturally recognised that Reynard's death was due solely to accident; but the affair was quickly noised abroad, and when a few days later Hodgman strolled into Tattersall's was greeted by one of his friends with the query whether he had had any shooting lately. "Yes, Harry," replied Hodgman, "I had some on Saturday. Capital! I shot a d—d old pal of yours.—A fox!" and so turned the laugh against his would-be tormentor.

Mr. Hodgman writes much that is of the greatest interest on the subject of American jockeys, the death of first-class light-weights and other matters relating to racing, and he concludes his Book of Memoirs with an amusing account of his being mistaken for Mr. Gladstone at a small railway station, and of his being called upon for a "Speech! Speech!" to which he responded by calling out of the carriage window as the train moved off, "Thank you, gentlemen! So-and-so will win the Cesarewitch!"

May the delightful old gentleman retain his marvellous vitality and vigour for many years yet, for the pages of his "Sixty Years on the Turf" are full of evidences of his character as a high-minded, generous, and charitable sportsman.

Special Telegrams.

THE LIVERPOOL CUP.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

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London, *Monday, 25th July 1904.*

Mr. S. B. Joel's ch h BACHELOR'S BUTTON, by Winkfield—Milady, 5yrs., 9st. Maher 1
Mr. P. H. Henning's br c FOUNDLING, by Trenton—Lady Charity, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs., Saxby 2
Mr. H. J. King's b c WHISTLING CROW, by Crowberry—Sedge Warbler, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs., Jones 3
Sir E. Cassel's b c LOVE CHARM, by Love Wisely—Omaha, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ... 0
Mr. J. C. Sullivan's br h LIKELY BIRD, by Winkfield—Like a Bird, aged, 7st. 9lbs. ... 0
Mr. Reid Walker's br m BELTENEBROSA, by St. Florian—Gipsy Queen, 6yrs., 7st. 2lbs. 0
Mr. W. A. Jarvis's b c CADES, by Cyllene—Lorette, 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs. 0
Mr. W. Dunne's b g COURT SCANDAL, by Sweetheart—Royal Lady, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs. 0
Mr. M. D. Peacocke's b c WILLIAM'S HILL, by Bonnet Rouge—Viscountess, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs 0
Lord Stanley's b f FLAMMA, by Florizel II.—Hand Grenade, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs. ... 0

(Winner trained by C. Peck.)

Betting: 5 to 1 Court Scandal, 6 to 1 Bachelor's Button, 10 to 1 Foundling, 100 to 9 Whistling Crow.

Won by five lengths; a head between second and third.

Winners Since 1883.

1884 John Jones 4y 6st 7lb (4)
1885 Sandiway 4y 7st 10lb (5)
1886 Middlethorpe 6y 8st 8lb (14)
Perdita II 5y 7st 8lb ran a dead heat.
1887 Castor 4y 7st 8lb (7)
1888 Satiety 3y 8st 7lb (8)
1889 Viracity 5y 8st (14)
1890 Father Confessor 5y 8st 8lb (8)
1891 Rathbeal 4y 8st 10lb (8)
1892 Nunthorpe 6y 8st 11lb(9)
1893 Simonian 5y 7st 9lb (7)
1894 Son of a Gun 4y 7st 3lb (9)
1895 Bushey Park 6y 7st 13lb (8)
1896 Canterbury Pilgrim 3y 7st 5lb (8)
1897 Brayhead 3y 6st 6lb (6)
1898 Dinna Forget 6y 8st 7lb (6)
1899 Easthorpe 6y 6st 4lb (11)
1900 Skopos 4y 8st (9)
1901 Mount Prospect aged 8st 10lb (11)
1902 Glasalt 4y 8st (6)
1903 Captain Kettle 6y 7st 5lb (10)

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London, *Tuesday, 26th July 1904.*

Mr J M Kerne's ch c MELAYR, by Ayrshire—Melton Queen, 3yrs, Griggs ... 1
Mr Creets' br f KILLEEVAN, by St Aidan—Killarney, 3yrs, Saxby ... 2
Mr J L Dugdales' br g HELTER SKELTER, by Cyllene—Dart, 3yrs, Trigg .. 3
Mr J B Joel's ch h SUNDRIDGE, by Amphion—Sierra, 6yrs 0
Mr J Sloncombe's b c OUT O' SIGHT, by Rightaway—Hazel Hen, 5yrs... ... 0
Sir E Cassell's g c NABOT, by Le Sancy—Nighean, 5yrs 0
Mr G A Prentice's b c DUMBARTON CASTLE, by Wolf's Crag—Chemistry, 4yrs 0
Mr A Cohen's bh MASTER WILLIE, by St David—Fraulein, aged 0
Mr R Croker's bc AMERICAN BOY, by Americus—Saucy Lass, 5yrs 0
Lord Carnarvon's bc SANTRY, by Gallinule—E P, 3yrs 0
Mr J Buchanan's bf BACHELOR'S FANCY, by Winkfield—Finessa, 5yrs 0
Sir J Miller's ch c CINQUEFOIL, by Sainfoin—Contess Maccaroni, 3yrs 0
Lord Wolverton's br f MONTEM, by Ladas—Kermesse, 3yrs 0
Mr R H Henning's br c XENY, by Pattisson—Conchita, 3yrs 0
Mr Hanover's br c IMPERIAL II, by Clarion—Imortelle, 4yrs 0
Mr W H Schwind's b c HACKENSCHMIDT, by Bushey Park or Hackler—Vici, 3yrs ... 0
Mr H E Randall's b g BEGONE, by Ammonite—Go Away, 4yrs 0
Duke of Devonshire's b f ASTERISK, by Cherry Tree—Nota Bene, 4yrs ... 0
Mr. G Faher's b h MANDELAY, by Martagon—Carcluie, 6yrs 0

(Winner trained by Robinson.)

Betting: 40 to 1 agst. Melayr, 100 to 6 Killeevan, 8 to 1 each Helter Shelter and Out o' Sight, 100 to 8 Sundridge, 11 to 2 Nabot.

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third.

Winners Since 1883.

1884 Sweetbread 5y 9st 8lb (23)
1885 Dalmeny 5y 6st 13lb (18)
1886 Crafton 4y 7st 11lb (25)
1887 Upset 4y 6st 3lb (23)
1888 Tib 5y 6st 7lb (21)
1889 Dog Rose 6y 7st 12lb (18)
1890 Marvel 3y 7st 4lb (22)
1891 Unicorn 3y 6st 2lb (24)
1892 Marvel 5y 8st 8lb (30)
1893 Medora 3y 6st 12lb (19)
1894 Gangway 4y 8st 7lb (21)
1895 Wise Virgin 3y 6st 6lb (22)
1895 Chasseur 4y 8st 5lb (24)
1897 Amphora 4y 8st 8lb (23)
1898 Altesse 4y 8st 4lb (15)
1899 Northern Farmer 5y 7st 6lb (19)
1900 Royal Flush aged 7st 13lb (19)
1901 O'Donovan Rossa 4y 7st (20)
1902 Mauvezin 6y 8st 2lb (23)
1903 Dumbarton Castle 3y 7st 4lb (21)

"I read the other day," said A, 'of a dog which was daily given a penny to buy a bun with. One day the baker gave him one 'red-hot from the oven, and burnt his mouth. Next day he came with his penny, showed it to the baker, and then went over the road to the opposition shop and gave them his custom in future." "That does not beat my sister's dog," said B.; "he was given a penny a day to buy a bun, but he saved them up to the end of the week, and then had a blow-out on sausages."

Sporting Notes.

THE date selected for the Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show is Monday, 26th December.

We sincerely trust, writes *The Indian Kennel Gazette*, that the Executive of the Simla Show will take to heart the lesson taught them by the utter failure of this year's show. Five classes only filled out of thirteen, and there was scarcely a show dog among the exhibits. Not a single fox-terrier of any kind was entered. Owners of really good dogs will not send them or even enter them as long as the show is carried on in its prehistoric fashion, with its rotten system of judging. The Simla Committee has steadily refused to accept the rules of the N. I. K. A. and run a proper show, so this is the result.

The charge of perjury brought against Sievier has been dismissed.

At a meeting of the Rangoon Stewards held on Wednesday the 20th instant, it was decided not to hold a Sky Meeting on the 6th of August, owing to the swampy state of the course, but that a programme of future racing should be published as soon as possible. It was also decided that the Autumn Meeting should be held in the first week in December, and to have a one-day race meeting at the end of October; one day in the middle of November; one day during X'mas week; one day at the end of January, and hold the Spring Meeting at the end of February. The actual dates will be fixed later on.

Mr. Self, who returned to Calcutta a few days ago, will bet for Messrs. Champion and Co., at the Calcutta Monsoon Meetings and Mr. Brittain will make a new departure this year by coming out earlier in the season and starting operations at the Lucknow Autumn Meeting, which begins at the end of November.

The circulation of the Government letter regarding the proposed Game and Fish Preservation Bill has evoked some letters, among them the following to a Madras paper:—

"A Mysore Planter" writes:—Kindly allow me to issue a note of warning to all European sportsmen in India. The Government of India are circulating a Notification about preserving Game throughout India. This is a most excellent object. *But*, are the Government prepared to see that Game Laws are enforced? Are they prepared to spend a considerable amount of money on a special staff of Game Watchers, etc.? Or, are they going to leave it to the Police and other petty officials to enforce the Law? If the latter, it is foredoomed to failure, as it is in Mysore, where the Government have framed excellent rules but fail totally to see they are enforced, with the result that the Europeans are the only persons who take out shooting licenses, while the native is allowed to roam about the country with a gun as he likes. This gun is covered by a four-anna license, but there is nothing to prevent him shooting game, there being no Game Watchers or officials to take an interest in game preservation. Game Laws to be effective must prohibit a man using his gun on other than his own land without a shooting license. It, therefore, behoves sportsmen to have a distinct understanding with Government before accepting any Game Laws.

"W. W. M." writes:—I have read with great interest the letter from Mr. H. H. Risley, Secretary to the Government of India, anent the above Bill, and all sportsmen and naturalists will, doubtless, be much gratified at the evident earnestness of Government to solve this difficult problem. To the non-sportsmen, it may appear a very simple task to dole out measures for the preservation of Game in British India, but those sportsmen who know something about it will see that the real trouble lies in the fact that what might suit the requirements of one District would be wholly inapplicable to the neighbouring District. Government are evidently well aware of this, and their intention to a point a Special Officer to move about the country and report on the special requirements of each District is a splendid idea. I cannot, however, agree with their idea that this Special Officer should be a naturalist rather than a sportsman—and that for very obvious reasons—but if they can find a man who is a bit of both, and who knows the languages, and is endowed with an average amount of *tact* and *commonsense*, we need have no anxiety *re* the final rules and regulations. The proposed alternative suggestion, that Government should provide guns gratis for the shooting of any specially dangerous or destructive animal, will not, in my opinion, be of any service whatever. As an illustration, I may inform you that some years ago a Gowda used to bring me most heartrending tales of the destruction

of his paddy by sambhur. I always, on such occasions, lent him a rifle, and, being a decent shot, he generally accounted for the animal. The curious part of it was, however, that the beasts used to travel three and a half miles from the Gowda's paddy field and die inside the boundary of my estate. I found him out at last, and also found out that sambhur never came near his fields, and that he had accounted for every sambhur within the boundry of my estate!

Re the visitor to India, in your leading article you say that it would be a very simple matter for him to say he intended remaining in the country and to make up his mind that India did not suit him after he had satisfied his craving for slaughter. This, I think, could be easily guarded against by Government refusing to grant shooting licenses to any one who failed to prove a residence of one year (more or less) in the country. In that event, the visitor would be compelled to admit that he had only come for a certain number of months shooting and Government could fleece him accordingly, and, I trust, substantially. If a man can afford to travel from Great Britain or Australia for a three months' sporting trip in India, he can also afford to pay Rs. 100 for a permit to do so, plus Rs. 50 for every bull bison he kills. I think it would be a mistake to charge him anything on tigers or panthers, but at the same time there is no doubt that he would ungrudgingly pay a good sum for the privilege. If the visitor, however, shoots any immature stags, fine him Rs. 100 for each one of them, and if he dares to shoot a cow or a young bull bison from sheer love of killing, fine him Rs. 200. The Rules *re* fines ought to be exceedingly drastic, as this is really the only way to prevent the destruction of growing game, and a substantial fine will be a useful lesson to the slayer "not to do it again."

With reference to small game, it is an indisputable fact that the country has been absolutely cleaned out and Government would be well advised in adopting stringent measures by absolutely prohibiting the use of nets. If any person, European or native, wishes to procure hare, partridge, or quail, let him do so by legitimate means, and give the animal a fair chance of its life. Only last month I was offered seven brace of partridge for Re. 1, but refused to purchase them on principle, and told the vendor, in no uncertain terms not to dare to bring any game to me. From subsequent enquiries I learned that this man is not a shikari by caste, but the representative of a gang of village loafers who net hare and partridge, for "sport" and spend the proceeds on liquor. Now, it would cost me about Rs. 2, more or less, to shoot seven brace of partridge, whereas it cost this gang nothing, as the proposed Regulations make no distinction between European and native. They must absolutely forbid the use of nets in any shape or form.

In my "griffin" days I have watched natives net fish during the low water season, and half a dozen men could easily catch more in an afternoon with a net than I could with rod in a month, even though I be an expert with the rod. What must the feelings of the members of a Game Association be after spending thousands of rupees to stock its streams with sporting fish, and after lashing the waters, probably unsuccessfully, for days with every well-known fly, to find, one morning, that the famous pools had been emptied during the night by a few men with a net? The very thought is nauseous. Again, I say, put the European and native on the same footing and let the latter angle *with a rod* only. If they choose to bear the expense of joining such Associations and bearing their due share in its extraordinary expenses for ova, etc., I have no doubt the Associations would welcome any number of them.

To turn to the figure of Rs. 1,50,000 paid as Customs duty from the destruction of our feathered friends, it is enough to make either sportsman or naturalist weep. This alone ought to be conclusive proof that regulations are urgently required. Rs. 1,50,000 revenue from the slaughter of our songsters! In very truth Government ought to be heartily ashamed of publishing such statistics; but, as they now, with evident good intent, inform us that the proposed Regulations are *not* to obtain revenue, we can well understand they have not accepted this enormous revenue without certain misgivings, and as the wheels of Government grind exceeding slow, may we now hope that, as they have begun to grind they will grind exceeding small, and put an effectual stop to this iniquity.

The only weak point in the letter under notice is, in my opinion, the references made to the Game Laws of Mysore. I know for a fact that these same laws, though no doubt good on paper, are absolutely a dead letter in practice, and though several enterprising individuals have instituted a few prosecutions successfully against infringements of the Game Laws, the fact remains that Brahmins in their private capacity do not, and cannot be expected to, take much interest in game, though they cannot be excused for bringing their private prejudices forward as an excuse for their utter disregard of Government Game Regulations. The Game Laws of Mysore have *not* been brought home to the Mysoreans—but we will see what Mr. G. E. Ricketts can do.

Mr. Risley's letter points to the appointment of *one* Special Officer only for the whole of British India, but this would be both impolitic and impossible. There are great opportunities in the scheme to combine the protection of game with sufficient revenue to pay the salaries of a dozen officers and their staffs. But neither 12, 120, nor 1,200 special officers will have the slightest effect in producing any lasting results unless they have the hearty co-operation of *every* Government servant and every sportsman.

Distemper is a disease which dog-breeders dread more than any other, and a remedy which always proves effective will, we are sure, be gladly welcomed. A correspondent of our contemporary, *The American Field*, who has had great experience in the rearing of dogs of all kinds, writes: "As a cure for distemper I have had great success with the most simple remedy. I have never lost a dog from distemper since using same, and have cured any number of dogs. This is the remedy: A teaspoonful of table salt every other day; usually two doses are sufficient if taken when first symptoms show themselves. I do not think this remedy will always cure if the case is allowed to run on too long before used, but I do know positively that it has always effected a complete cure if taken in time; that is, in cases I have treated. Every one familiar with dogs can easily detect the first symptoms of distemper by the little hacking cough and running water from eyes. That's the time to begin treatment. One tea-spoonful table salt should be put well back of the tongue, and the dog's mouth held shut until he swallows. The dog will vomit, and in some cases purge. This vomiting will relieve the dog's stomach of a green and yellowish bile, which seems to be prevalent in cases of distemper. This simple remedy is within reach of all, and well worth the trial."

Hunting a school of whales sounds uncommonly lively work to the uninitiated, but a whale-hunt on this large scale is no rare occurrence in the Shetlands, and is one of the most familiar elements of excitement in the islanders' lives. The whales are mostly of small size; but even so, it is a difficult and exciting business to hem them in for days and nights together, as in the latest case, which has just been reported, and to despatch them one by one till scores of the big bodies are lying floating and stranded all about. This latest school which has fallen the Shetlanders' way was to a great extent secured with the aid of girls. The fishermen's daughters of the neighbourhood, in the absence of their fathers and brothers, manned their boats (if the phrase still holds good) and kept the whales from making for the open sea by throwing stones at them!

There are some big pike in Rydal Lake. A good fish of 24lb. weight was captured a few days ago, and stowed away in his "little Mary" were found a wild duck, a water-rat, and a small jack weighing 2½lb. It will be seen that the "menoo" was substantial and varied.

Strange verdicts are often recorded, but the following one delivered by a coroner's jury down West would require something very unique to displace it from its prominent position in the ranks of strange findings:—They were local farmers, and the case was one of a keeper who had been found shot, and all the circumstances indicated self-destruction. The coroner outlined the case, and pointed out it was clearly felo-de-se. Then the good men and true got their heads together, and, in order to settle the matter quickly, one of their number said: "Well, it's like this. The coroner he's a doctor, and a well-educated chap, and says it's plain the deceased fell in the sea, and we can't go against that." So they agreed, and when the question was put: "Well, gentlemen, and what is the verdict?" the astounding reply came: "Found drowned."

In China the legend is cherished by the people that the invention of gunpowder is due to a Chinaman who lived in the mists of that antiquity for which they possess such a deep veneration. But no Chinese writer seriously claims that the invention is the work of any of his countrymen; it is regarded as having come to them from the "outer barbarians." There is, in truth, nothing in the military history of China during the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries to lead us to believe that the Chinese then possessed an explosive, though there is little doubt that they used various kinds of combustibles which did damage to their enemies. Only in the fifteenth century do we hear of the use of gunpowder and cannon by the Chinese. It is ex-

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tremely improbable that these were invented in China; but there are a number of facts now known which lead to the conclusion that the Chinese obtained their first gunpowder and fire-arms from Europe by land or water at the end of the fourteenth century, and that the invention was wrongly adopted as a national discovery before the arrival in China of the Portuguese in the sixteenth century. These are very clearly shown by Lieutenant-Colonel Henry W. L. Hime in his work recently published on the origin of gunpowder, which, though written more for military than sporting readers, gives the results of much research into the origin and progress of explosives from the earliest days, leading us inevitably to the conclusion that whatever the Chinese knew of gunpowder they acquired it indirectly from its real inventor, Roger Bacon.

Bacon was born at Ilchester, in Somersetshire, in 1214, and died about 1294. It is incontestably proved that he was the discoverer of the first recipe for the making of gunpowder, which he concealed in his writings by putting it into the form of an anagram. The proportions and ingredients he thus recommended were 29·4 per cent. of sulphur, 29·4 per cent. of charcoal, and 41·2 per cent. of saltpetre. The next complete recipe is that given in the MSS. of Dr. John Arderne, of Newark, a practising surgeon in 1350, who gives 66·6 per cent. of saltpetre, 22·2 per cent. of charcoal, and 11·1 per cent. of sulphur. But the invention and discovery was undeniably due to the researches of Friar Bacon, who not only made, but also fired, the first gunpowder. This is made quite plain by the author of the work referred to, who, at great pains in marshalling his facts, and the deductions drawn from them, extracts the secret of gunpowder manufacture from the writings of Bacon himself. To an English monk, therefore, must be given the credit of the invention of the first gunpowder, just as six hundred years later the world became indebted to Forsyth, a Scottish clergyman, for the percussion-cap, the real basis of all our many improvements in fire-arms during last century. Friar Bacon sought to conceal his discovery from the crowd in the opinion that scientific information was bad for the people "unable to digest scientific facts, which it scorns and misuses to its own detriment." His experience was embodied in the declaration by him that "the mob scoff at philosophers and despise scientific truth." Like most inventors, Bacon did not profit by his discovery, no more than did his successor Forsyth. By great research into records in many languages, Lieutenant-Colonel Hime has clearly exploded all claims to the invention of gunpowder except that of Bacon, of whose knowledge of its properties and of its mode of manufacture he must satisfy every reader of his historical work, by his most able and convincing process of reasoning, founded on what has evidently been most painstaking research.

Our Poona correspondent writes:—It is with very sincere regret that I have to announce the death of Lieutenant-Colonel H. D. Minchin, Cantonment Magistrate of Poona, which occurred about midnight on Saturday from disease of the heart. The deceased officer joined the service in the Royal Fusiliers and his natural bent soon prompted him to join the Native Cavalry with whom he served with distinction in Afghanistan and Burma. Later on in life, taking to the more peaceful life of a Cantonment Magistrate he served in Ahmednagar, Belgaum, and Poona, making himself in each place beloved and respected for his unvarying courtesy, firmness, and tact. His funeral was a most impressive ceremony and was attended by practically the whole of Poona. The long stretch of road extending from the Sholapur Cross Roads to God's Acre was lined on either side by officers and troopers of that splendidly turned out Regiment, the 33rd Cavalry, while the weird wail of the pipes of the Highlanders added to the solemnity of the sad ceremony. So went a good and honest man to his long rest, and few men had fewer enemies and more friends.

Sorry, too, am I to have to chronicle what I fear is a very serious accident to Lieutenant Ross, attached last year to that fine sporting regiment, the Buffs, and this year to their successors at Ghorpuri, the East Lancashires. While playing polo on Saturday, Mr. Ross' pony slipped up with him, the unfortunate young officer getting stuck in his stirrups, the pony rolling backwards and forwards over him more than once before assistance could be rendered and it is feared must, in its struggles, have kicked him on the head. Mr. Ross was picked up in an unconscious state and has remained so for almost a week his condition of health remaining practically unaltered, and one can but pray earnestly for the lad's speedy recovery.

Poona indeed has been over full with gloomy incidents during the past week. While Major Morris, the popular Secretary of the far-famed Club of Western India, was sitting in the verandah of his house close to the Club an obviously mad dog came into his compound and severely bit one of his valuable fox-terriers. Seizing a stick Major Morris at once gave chase, the hapless brute rushing out into the road where it immediately bit a servant and at least three other dogs. From there it rushed into the Club compound biting in its hideous career a poor little child and one of the billiard markers and was eventually overtaken and done to death in a neighbouring compound. How many other people and animals it had bitten it is, of course, impossible to say. Major Morris who acted with admirable promptitude throughout had the wounds of those bitten attended to at once and the people despatched without delay to Kasauli where also the brain of the miserable brute was sent to make the gruesome assurance doubly sure. The dog question in India is a big one and difficult to tackle with discretion, but the existing entire neglect of all precautionary measures in so important a Cantonment as Poona seems wholly reprehensible and it is a thousand pities that some brave man does not take the burden on his shoulders. For it means the lives of many.

Poona has not indulged in any very serious cricket up to the present, and the contest between the Gymkhana Club and the Telegu Cricket Club was intended more *pour passer le temps* than as an exposition of the gentle game. If it did nothing else, however, it afforded that veteran player, Mr. A. D. Wilkins, a further opportunity of showing how wonderfully he has played himself into form again at a time of life when most men have laid the willow aside for the golf club. His play was of the charming order, beautifully neat and correct without being irritatingly academic and having for the second time even thus early in the season passed the magic three figures he obligingly retired. Captain Greig, too, was out for a little mild dissipation and annexed 84 in characteristic style before he succumbed. With the fall of three wickets the Gymkhana closed with the score at 243 to which the natives of the benighted Presidency could only respond with a wretched 94.

Nor did the East Lancashire Regiment make a much bolder bid for victory against the Gymkhana Club, for the latter without the valuable assistance of Captain Greig notched up 299 for eight wickets to which the East Lancashires could respond with but a poor 86. It was regrettable that the fielding on both sides was very indifferent; this slackness is the curse of English cricket and the despair of really earnest cricketers.

An enterprising sportsman rejoicing in the name of Ahmed Khan is certain to get on in this world. For to cool impudence he adds a praiseworthy determination and an earnest desire to enjoy life and have a little fun for his money. Going to a native *pagha* in the city of Poona he announced to the horse dealers that he was the trusted master of the stable of an opulent *sahib* who had entrusted him with the purchase of a prancing palfrey. Completely taken in the usually astute horsey brotherhood bridled and saddled the steed selected by the customer who expressed a wish to "throw a leg over." Having mounted the champing steed, this wild raider galloped away to the consternation of the dealers whose vocabulary must, I opine, have been a treat to the bystanders, nor was the steed recovered till three days afterwards when it was found in some village called Sirur nearly forty miles away where this bold Lochinvar had disposed of it for the munificent sum of twenty seven rupees (bridle and saddle presumably chucked in!) But the gallant raider himself is still a free man. Peradventure he *didn't* chuck the upholstery in and got a relay in a like fashion at Sirur. One would really believe we were on the Afghan Frontier.

Everything on the Poona course is getting very ship-shape under Mr. Cursetjee Dunjisha's tender care and he is certainly to be congratulated on carrying on so well during Mr. Cecil Grey's absence. The jockeys have all come back from Mysore and Bangalore where that capital light weight, A. Hoyt, did remarkably well, though that finished horseman and popular artist, J. Robinson had not the luck which his skill deserved. Little Melsom, Mr. Bass' importation last year, also caught the judge's eye in his turn. There is a lot of fast work going on "putting the polish on" for the 30th when large entries (which close on the 25th) are expected. Mr. Galstaun has a couple of new English horses. A very useful looking pair and Tom Scott a good looking one from France, though whether she will recompense the Kour Sahib for the ill-fated Record Reign has yet to be seen. I will have more to say about matters racing next week when the great sport begins in earnest.

The "Salvitis Annual" alluded to in an advertisement among our casual notices is a little book on the horse, its ailments and treatment which we have no hesitation in commending to the attention of horse owners. Incidentally we may mention that The Australian Fodder Company, who issue the book, have for some time been in the Indian market with food and patent preparations which in other parts of the world, as well as in India, have earned for them and their specialities an enviable reputation.

Athletic Notes.

THE Athletic Meeting of representatives from Yale and Harvard and Oxford and Cambridge held at Queen's Club, on the 23rd instant, resulted in a win for the Americans by six events to three.

Among important home cricket fixtures last week are the following:—Kent beat Somerset by eight wickets; Lancashire beat Essex by ten wickets; Warwickshire beat Hampshire by an innings and 154 runs; Sussex and Surrey drew; the matches Yorkshire *vs.* Gloucester, and Notts *vs.* Leicestershire were abandoned owing to rain.

It would be extremely interesting if a census could be taken some fine Sunday morning during the summer at the various exits from London—including the Thames Bridges. Cyclists simply form a procession over Putney and Hammersmith Bridge. Recently a Mr. John Silver spent two golden hours counting the cyclists and motorists who passed the "Red Deer," Croydon, on a Sunday morning between 10 and 12 noon. Here is the result of his count:—

125 motors (cars and cycles), with 178 men and 50 ladies.
125 lady cyclists.
1,797 men and boy (push) cyclists.

2,047 in 120 minutes—say 17 per minute, average.

Nearly all of these were going into the country. It would be pretty safe to say 50,000 cyclists are awheel—if anything the number is under estimated—in London, on a fine Sunday.

In our London Sporting Letter this week will be found full details of the A. A. A. Championship Meeting and the finals at Henley Regatta, the results of which were telegraphed to us earlier in the month.

Those who went to the A. A. A. Championship Meeting had no reason to complain on the score of sport, for there were any number of exciting finishes, the climax being reached in the steeplechase, when Russell and Daly, after negotiating the water jump, both fell, and at the finish could scarcely stagger past the post. The honours were fairly divided between the countries which form Great Britain, Scotland carrying off three of the events and Ireland a couple, while between them they furnished the three dead-heaters for the High Jump, P. O'Connor—who easily retained his title in the Long—R. G. Murray, and J. B. Milne each failing to get beyond 5 ft. 9½ in. Only a couple of Frenchmen put in an appearance, but they did not go away empty-handed, Puissegur winning the Pole Jump, an event which in all probability will shortly disappear from the programme.

Perhaps the most noteworthy victory of the afternoon was that of J. W. Morton in the Hundred Yards. That the South London Harrier was a much improved sprinter everyone was aware, but few imagined he would beat Duffy until he had proved his ability to do so at Wolverhampton the week previous. Even as it was the American's friends were sanguine he would retain his title, and it was only Morton's exceptionally strong finish which gained him the award by a matter of inches, C. H. Jupp, who also came with a rush, in the last fifty yards, being only a foot behind the American. Shrubb, who now holds three championships, won both the Mile and the Four Miles, but in the former event he got a rare "tying-up," his old opponent, J. McGough, hunting him past the post with such persistency that the Horsham man fell on the track, utterly exhausted. Workman, as everyone expected, won the Half, while Jupp received consolation for his defeat in the "sprint" by carrying off the 220 Yards, in which his old opponent, L. F. Tremeer, ran remarkably well. That popular athlete, Dennis Horgan, regained his title to the championship in the Weight, but had no chance with T. R. Nicholson when throwing the Hammer, capital performances being achieved in each event.

The Queen's Own Hussars held their anniversary sports on the polo ground at Bolaram on the 21st instant. Major Agnew and the officers were "At Home" but the attendance was not large owing to the threatening weather. A lengthy programme was successfully carried through with the exception of the best Man-at-Arms competition which was not decided. The Scout competition was won by "C" Squadron, 4th Hussars, and the three prizes in the

Skill-at-Arms competition, open to the Garrison, went to "A," "D," and "C" Squadrons of the 4th Hussars. The quarter-mile flat race open to the Garrison was won by Private Reardon, 1st Middlesex Regiment.

C. C. St. Clair, the champion heavy-weight pugilist, issues a challenge to Jack McAuliffe, says the *Straits Times*, any time or place within three months, and backs himself to knock him out in ten rounds, for any stake from $1,000 to $5,000, proper deposits to be made with a responsible party or paper. St. Clair also expresses his willingness even to box McAuliffe for gate receipts, if McAuliffe cannot get the backing.

By the English Mail this week we learn that in a match for Essex Club and Ground *vs.* Forest School E. H. D. Sewell scored 232; he also took nine wickets for 41 runs.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes :—A Meeting of the Bombay Gymkhana Cricket Committee was held on Monday, the 17th instant, to make the preliminary arrangements for the first of the two annual fixtures between the Presidency and the Parsees which is set down for the 23rd, 24th, and 25th August. The proceedings were purely informal, but in a discussion that took place regarding the present form of available players, the names of the following were mentioned :—Major Hon'ble T. W. Brand, Captain Hon'ble G. W. S. Cadogan, Captain H. K. Calston, and H. P. Chaplin (Mhow), Captain E. Campion and R. W. C. Laverton (Nusseerabad), J. Monteath (Dharwar), F. L. Sprott (Karachi), Captain M. D. Wood and Captain L. M. R. Deas (Quetta), Major H. E. Lowis (Baroda), Captain J. G. Greig, B. M. Carroll, A. D. Wilkins, Captain H. K. Umfreville, Colonel Stevens, J. Kennedy, H. B. Hartley, S. Langton, and A. H. C. Kearsey (Poona), J. E. C. Jukes (Ahmedabad), and A. H. S. Aston, J. L. Ainsworth, and E. E. Coombs (Bombay).

I learn on what I consider to be reliable authority that in the absence of a visit from the Kathiawar team this year an attempt will be made to get together a Guzerat team for a tour to Bombay and Poona. The idea is a capital one and could very easily be carried out during the last week in September. There are several very fair cricketers in Ahmedabad, Baroda, Broach, and Surat, and a team quite strong enough to give the Bombay Gymkhana a good game should be raised. Any way the nucleus of such a team could be found in J. E. C. Jukes, Major Clifford, F. W. Allison, Captain Lincoln, and H. R. Hume.

A Bombay golfer who has just returned from a week's holiday at Nasik is loud in praise of the new golf chambers recently built by the Royal Western India Golf Club. The chambers which are on the dâk bungalow principle remove all obstacles to repeated short visits by Bombay and other golfers to the famous Nasik links, and as a result the number of Bombay golfers who have taken a short run up to Nasik this year has been phenomenal.

The fifteenth annual Association Football Tournament, of the Bombay Rovers Football Club, which has now come to be regarded as one of the best tournaments held in India, will commence on the 9th September. Entries for the tournament close on the 5th and the ties will be drawn on the 7th September. The tournament, your readers will hardly need to be reminded, is open to all teams from India, Burma, and Ceylon. The present holders of the Cup are the Cheshire Regiment stationed in Bombay. The entries this year should be very good and it is hoped that several regiments that arrived in India last cold weather will enter teams.

I had not the space to make any remarks on the Harwood League game played last Saturday between the Cheshire, "B" team the *Perseus* eleven and the game deserved passing mention. The first fixture between these two clubs resulted in a win for the military combination by four goals to *nil*, and although the same eleven won the return game they were extended far more by their opponents than on the first occasion and were somewhat lucky to win by as much as three goals to *nil*. The first-half was stubbornly contested and was pointless. In the second-half, however, the military team gave evidence of better training and succeeded in scoring three goals. On Wednesday afternoon the *Perseus* eleven met the Telegraph Club and after a good game the naval team was able to claim a victory by three goals to one. The Telegraph Club have now lost every one of the eight games they have played.

A Rugger game on Monday afternoon between the Gymkhana and the Casuals resulted in a win for the former by a goal and three tries to *nil*, and proved somewhat uninteresting, the Casuals being quite out-classed. The play of A. M. Forrest, one of the Gymkhana three-quarters, was quite a feature of the game; he crossed the line twice after two fine sprints.

The usual weekly mounted sports were held on Wednesday afternoon and the entries were again large. The Maharaja of Dhar who is on a short visit to Bombay took part in the tent-pegging with swords and gave a fine display of skill which easily placed him first. The jumping competition was awarded to Mr. D. Graham, and the tilting and tent-pegging to Mr. Barraclough and Mrs. Dyson. The Postillion Race which was run off in three heats was one of the best events of the afternoon. The heat winners were Messrs. H. Symons, Ash, and D. Graham, the final being won by the latter. The Messenger Stakes was a new event. Gentlemen had to ride a certain distance and hand a letter to a lady, the latter had to work out a puzzle and hand the missive back to the gentleman, the latter then returning. Mr. Saunders with Mrs. Carnegy were the winners. The Pony and Horse Scurry Handicaps were won by Mr. Spence's Pepper ridden by Mr. McCausland with Mr. Fischer's Hira (scratch) ridden by owner second and Mr. Mathew's Blake (25 yards), and Mr. Fischer's Dart second (both ridden by owners) respectively.

The League match between the Royal Garrison Artillery (the Cupholders) and the Rovers played on Thursday afternoon ended in a pointless draw after one of the most exciting games played this season. While the Gunners are by no means the same reliable side that they were last year, defective shooting in front of goal being, perhaps, their worst fault, the Rovers have on the other hand shown distinct improvement during the past three weeks, and the successful way in which they defended their goal against the repeated attacks of the Gunners evoked the admiration of soldiers and and civilians alike. I hardly ever remember another game in which one side did so much of the attacking. From start to finish play was practically confined to the Rovers' territory, while shot after shot, particularly in the second half, was sent in for goal all of which were negotiated successfully by the Rovers' goal-keeper who played in the most cool and collected manner.

A Rugger game on Friday evening, between a mixed military and civilian team and a fifteen of the newly-formed Casuals Club resulted in a victory for the latter by two goals and two tries to two tries.

Major Hon. T. W. Brand, of the 10th Hussars, the old Etonian and Mhow cricketer left Bombay on Saturday for England on short leave and will consequently not be available to play for the Presidency.

H. Reynolds who is well-known to Madras and Calcutta cricketers, and who, in 1893, Lord Hawke's team considered to be one of the best batsmen they had met in India has been transferred to the Bombay Branch of the Commercial Bank from Northern India and will be available to assist the Gymkhana for the remainder of the season. This is a splendid piece of luck for the Gymkhana as Reynolds, who, I believe, some years ago played for Middlesex occasionally, is a very fine all-round cricketer. The Gymkhana have had a double stroke of luck this week as besides Reynolds another very promising player in the person of F. D. H. Joy who made his *debut* in the match against the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday, will be available for the rest of the season. Joy is an old Wykehamist and was in the Winchester XI. in 1898 and 1899.

All the cricket matches in Bombay on Saturday were played under conditions which favoured the bowlers and in only one match was a total of three figures recorded. The B.B. and C.I. Railway Club were defeated by the Parsee Gymkhana on Saturday by 41 runs, and on Thursday were badly beaten by the Cheshire Regiment.

The Cheshire "A" team met the Gymkhana in a League match on Saturday evening and had much the best of exchanges winning by five goals to one. The "A" team have established themselves warm favourites for the League Cup which, barring accidents, they should have no trouble in annexing this season.

The Charity Match organised by the I. F. A. will come off on the Calcutta Football Club ground on Saturday. Details will be found in an advertisement among our special notifications. Another advertisement which will interest our Football readers is that which refers to the Rugby Union Challenge Cup.

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London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 8th July* 1904.

WHEN, on opening my newspaper on Monday morning, I read in letters of the deepest dye, and nearly an inch long, the portentous announcement that it was "The Last Day," I sighed a sigh of heartfelt relief and thanksgiving. No more would my eyes be vexed with the warning that there were only four—three, two and then one—more day in which to repent, see the error of my way, and fill up that order form—not forgetting the necessary cheque—for my *Times* delivered free. In the (alas! long past) days of a tender and impressionable childhood I imbibed a touching reverence for the (at that remote period) all-powerful "organ," which its little weaknesses and mistakes of later years had not materially impaired. The name of Pigott had unpleasant associations, it is true, and there were one or two other little indiscretions which were best forgot, but when the *Times*, the *Jupiter*, took to advertising its wares, like unto any medicine-man, then indeed its glory had departed. One learns to be grateful for small mercies, and the managers at least refrained from heading the advertisement with "Alarming Sacrifice." "Frantic Reductions." "No genuine offers refused" in orthodox cheap-jack style. I am told that an immense number of orders for the paper on its new terms were received during the last few days the offer was open—over 2,000 are said to have been sent in on Monday, and as only a small proportion are believed to have come from old readers of the *Times*, its managers consider its circulation has been increased about 50 per cent.; a fact which it is to be presumed will console them for its undoubtedly reduced dignity.

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By the death of Mr. G. F. Watts, R. A., which took place just after I closed my letter last week, the last of the giants of the artistic world is removed from amongst us. In an age of blatant self-advertisement, greed of notoriety, and worship of wealth, his life—one of the most dignified of any age—stands out, an object lesson. No artist of any time has been less influenced by personal ambition, or the desire of personal reward. From all such feelings he was absolutely free. In 1867 the Royal Academy did itself the honour of electing Mr. Watts, first an associate, and later a full member of their body, without requiring him to go through the form of entering his name as a candidate for election. Between the years 1870 and 1880 Mr. Watts devoted himself mainly to portrait painting, and during those ten years he produced a series of wonderful portraits, among which those of E. Burne-Jones, T. E. Millais, R. A., F. Leighton, R. A. Miss Alice Prinsep, Sir Edward Sabine, Miss Dorothy Tennant, Dr. Temple (then Bishop of Exeter), Matthew Arnold, Lieutenant Colonel Lindsay, Herr Joachim, Lady Constance Lawley, and Earl Cadogan, are a few of the names that occcur to me. In 1880 he also exhibited the portrait of himself which he had painted by invitation for the collection of portraits of artists painted by themselves in the Uffizi Gallery at Florence.

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Among his portraits of a later date were those of Mr. Nassau Senior, the late Sir Andrew Clark, Lady Katherine Thynne, the Marquis of Ripon, and Alfred Gilbert. Besides these, which were exhibited at Burlington House, he contributed to the Grosvenor Gallery shows pictures of Mr. Gladstone, Mr. William Morris, Cardinal Manning, the Hon'ble Miss Baring, and the Earl of Lytton. He also painted several portraits which have never been exhibited. In the winter of 1881-82, a special exhibition of his work was held at the Grosvenor Gallery. No artist has been more generous in lending his pictures for exhibition, and he showed a special interest in the annual loan exhibition held in Whitechapel. Mr. Watts had already presented to the nation a large number of his finest works, and by the terms of his will most of the paintings in Little Holland House, at the time of his death, pass to the nation.

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The ceremony of the installation of the "Constable of Dover Castle, Lord Warden, Admiral and Chancellor of the Five Ports, of the 'Antient Towns' Winchelsea and Rye, and of the Limbs: Ramsgate, Margate, Deal, Folkestone," etc., etc., is always picturesque and interesting; but a quite unusual amount of interest was evoked by the installation of Lord Curzon of Kedleston last week. In his speech at the luncheon, following the installation, Lord Curzon effectually disposed of the rumour that he is not to return to India, alluding with a maked emphasis to "the duties which I shall continue for some time longer to discharge in another part of the Empire." It is to be supposed that Lord Curzon does not consider a change of Government imminent.

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The performance of Madame Sarah Bernhardt and Mrs. Patrick Campbell in Maurice Maeterlinck's poetic drama, "Pélléas et Melisande" at the Vaudeville, is in many respects a remarkable one. Madame Bernhardt's exploits in male attire do not interest me as a rule, but her Pélléas was exceedingly clever; and Mrs. Campbell, charming throughout, rose to greatnees in the parting scene by the well.

Dion Boucicault's old play "The Shaughraun" was well received by a large audience on its revival at the Coronet on Monday evening. One of the best and most popular of melodramas it deserves more respectful treatment than is meted out to it by the management of the Coronet, and the interpolation of would-be comic songs is to be regretted.

The chief theatrical event of the week has been the performance at His Majesty's, organised by the order of St. John of Jerusalem in England, for the benefit of the Ophthalmic Hospital in Jerusalem. The King and Queen, and many other Royalties were present, the house was crowded, prices ruled high—the pit was a guinea—so a substantial addition to the funds of the Hospital should result. The programme was a lengthy and varied one, concluding with a series of tableaux vivants representing the history of the order of St. John of Jerusalem from A. D. 1000 to A. D. 1557 arranged by Mr. J. J. Shannon, A. R. A., Mr. F. Dicksee, R. A., and other well-known artists in which many men and women of the "smart" world appeared. The run of "Mice and Men" at the Duke of York's ends tomorrow. At the St. James's "Saturday to Monday" has held on as Mr. Alexander could hardly have expected after the very tepid approval with which it was received when he produced it, and it will keeps its place in the bills until the close of Mr. Alexander's summer season next Friday. I hear that the Court Theatre is to be re-decorated, and its stage accommodation increased, and that Mr. J. H. Leigh intends to let it for a short season, and also for occasional performances of amateurs, dramatic clubs, etc. A well-equipped theatre in a fairly central position is much needed for occasional performances.

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Last night Mr. Tree brought his season to a close, with "a review of the season" to quote his own words. He gave the fourth act of "The Darling of the Gods"—that most depressing of plays—the Westminster Hall scene from King Richard II., the second of the three acts into which he has divided "Twelfth Night"; and "The Man Who Was." At the conclusion Mr. Tree made a speech in which he announced that his pupils will give a public performance in the autumn, and that he will re-open with "The Tempest," in which Ariel well be played by Miss Viola Tree. Mr. Tree also expressed his confidence in Shakespeare as a paying investment, and his determination to resist the threatened conversion of the theatre into a Music-hall.

At the Imperial last night a new curtain-raiser preceded "Miss Elizabeth's Prisoner." The plot of the new piece "The Password" runs on time-honoured and familiar lines. Most of us have made the acquaintance both in fiction and on the stage, with the beautiful and fascinating Russian spy, the Conspirator on whom she is expected to spy, but with whom she is in love; and the villain, in whose power she is, more or less—generally more. All these old friends we meet again at the Imperial. Mr. Sugden makes a properly villainous villain, and Mrs. Charles Sugden was excellent as the beautiful Russian spy. The piece which is of the slightest, was fairly well received.

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For this relief, much thanks, Mr. Balfour. The clear and emphatic statement made by the Prime Minister as to the intentions of the Government with regard to the dissolution, so ardently longed for by the Radicals, was much needed and will undoubtedly do good. We have been told so often by the opposition that this worst of all possible Government could not possibly stave off a dissolution much longer, that even those who are little given to placing faith in Radical statements began to think vaguely that there must be something in it. It is satisfactory to note that Mr. Balfour rates at their true value the result of the recent bye-elections which have been fought almost altogether on the Chinese Labour Question, and at which the stock Radical mis-statements—to put it mildly—have been more than usually numerous.

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A strong feeling of indignation has been aroused among Unionists generally by the destruction of the Alien's Bill, and the triumph of Radical obstruction. During the seven days on which the committee sat three lines of one clause were passed, and two hundred and twelve amendments remained on the paper. The Attorney-General computed that at that rate the Bill would take five hundred and sixteen days in committee. After the opposition members of the committee had gone through the farce of lamenting the withdrawal of the Bill the committee agreed to report to the House that "having regard to the number of Amendments still to be proposed, and the late period of the session, it was impossible to conclude the proceedings on the Bill." A strongly worded resolution is being signed by metropolitan Unionist members, impressing upon the Government the importance of introducing the Bill again early next session. It is to be hoped that the working class electors will not forget the part the opposition has played.

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Henley Regatta opened on Tuesday in the dullest of dull weather, and with an attendance which is laid by many who have attended for more years than they care to count, to be the smallest they remember. The knowledge that the race for the Grand Challenge Cup was practically a walk-over for the Leander Club, and the absence of foreign competition resulted in a natural lack of interest in the proceedings, and the only show of real enthusiasm during the afternoon was evoked by the performance of the Eton eight in the race for the Ladies' Challenge Plate. The Etonians rowing beautifully together simply walked away from New College the Oxford head boat. The result was a foregone conclusion from the start, and the "boys" won easily by two and a half lengths, in 7mins. 35secs. the fastest time of the day. Eton's victory was as popular as ever, and it is a long time since it sent as good a crew to Henley. Some little interest was created by the newly formed Granta Club of Cambridge, composed of men who have yet to gain the "blue," but although at one time they looked like winning they failed to hold Caius in the fourth heat of the Thames Challenge Cup. In the third heat First Trinity Cambridge was most admirably steered to victory by the Crown Prince of Siam. On Wednesday matters improved all round—both weather and racing being of a superior quality, which naturally led to a larger attendance. By far the most exciting incident of the day was the eighth heat for the Diamonds in which Scholes, of the Toronto Rowing Club, finished alone; Kelly, the Amateur Champion Sculler, being so exhausted that he was unable to finish, and had to be helped into the Thames Conservancy launch. In the Ladies' Plate the Eton boys gained another popular victory. On the whole the Regatta of 1904 seem to be considered an uninteresting one, and though the crowd on the tow path was as thick as usual, there was a falling off in the number of boats.

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The result of the Chertsey election is satisfactory in more ways than one. Not only have the Unionists kept the seat, but it is a distinct gain to the morals of electioneering, and shows that the discreditable methods employed at Chertsey do not win the votes of the working men in an average constitueney. The *Westminster Gazette*, in a note in its last evening's issue, disavows Mr. Allen Upward and all his works. Radical candidates in future will be somewhat shy of invoking the aid of the poet of the Eighty Club.

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Various items: Sir H. M. Stanley proved to be a richer man than was generally imagined. He left estate of the value of £145,000, the bulk of which goes to his widow and his adopted son; and among minor bequests is one of £500, to Mr. Arthur Jephson, one of his companions on the Emin Relief Expedition.

The attentions lavished on the American yacht owners at Kiel, by the German Emperor and Prince Henry, were the subject of general remark. Now we hear that His Imperial Majesty is so much annoyed at the manner in which the American yachts were sailed, that he absented himself from the prize distribution, and took no part in Sunday's racing. The announcement that the cab strike is ended is not of overwhelming public interest, as, but for the newspapers most of us would have remained serenely unconscious of the existence of said strike. That the number of cabs is greatly in excess of those required was amply proven by the fact that although the Derby week was astutely chosen for the experiment, practically no inconvenience resulted. By the new agreement between cab owners and drivers the men get a reduction of 1s. a day on the average price for hansom cabs under the Asquith award. Lord Strathcona has forwarded to the Lord Mayor, by request of the Canadian Minister of Finance, the £30,000 voted by the Dominion Parliament as its contribution to the Queen Victoria Memorial Fund. The record of Beaumont College, with regard to the South African war, is a remarkable one. At the unveiling, by Sir Evelyn Wood, of a memorial to five old

Beaumont boys—officers, the Secretary of the Memorial Fund said, that with only 180 scholars the College was represented in South Africa by 115 officers and men. This is surely a much larger proportion than any other school can claim. Truly the patience of the British ratepayer is wonderful—and much to be lamented—when exercised upon that amazing product of the nineteenth century, our London County Council. Most of us have to pay, and dearly too, for our fads and fancies—not so the L. C. C. *It* pays out of the pocket of the confiding British ratepayer. The Report of the L. C. C. Tramways Committee presented on Tuesday shows a deficiency of over £8,000 on its operations during the year ended March 31st last.

The announcement "Projected invasion of England" effectually diverted my attention from breakfast, when it caught my eye on looking through my morning paper the other day, but my wonted calm returned when I found the invader is none other than the Prophet Dowie who fled so ignominiously from our shores quite lately. He, and his "Restoration Host," it is said, have decided to visit England in a fleet of gospel ships. It is significantly added that no date has as yet been fixed for the "invasion of England." The Prophet I doubt not, tempers discretion with his valour.

The construction of a motor torpedo boat has been decided upon by the powers that be at the Admiralty. She will be 130 feet long, with a tube on her deck that can be trained all round. The motors will be under a protective deck, below the water line.

Dr. Alexander Barton, the well-known inventor, has been severely injured at the Alexandra Palace, by an explosion which occurred during the filling of the retort which supplies the gas for his airship.

From the evidence given at the inquest on Sir William Rattigan, M. P., it appears that his motor car was in an unfit condition for use, and that a firm of repairers had given his driver a warning to that effect—which warning was not reported to Sir William.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

THE SPORTSMAN'S BOOK FOR INDIA.

THE Sportsman newly arrived in India may, if he is posted to a place where books are at his disposal, find ready to hand scores and scores of volumes by writers of repute whose theme has been Indian Sport in all its branches; quite a respectable sporting library in fact. He may be able to consult the best authorities on the particular sports that most appeal to his taste, and he may thus obtain much valuable information. But it has been left for Mr. F. G. Aflalo to place in the hands of Indian sportsmen a single volume, which deals with every sport and game carried on throughout this huge peninsular and contains what is practically the essence of the writings of those who have made their mark in the literature of Indian field sports, and many of them by the way we are proud to reckon among the contributors to this journal. He has gathered round him writers whose claim to be considered authorities are universally allowed, and their writings in this instance not only teem with the very information which sportsmen require, and give in a concise and succinct manner the result of the experience of many years, but in the book itself a just proportion has been preserved in respect of the importance of the various sections thereof, which reflects the highest credit on the editor and those who have colaborated with him in the production of this most excellent book. Further than this a special word of praise has been earned by the publishers; the style and arrangement of the matter, the reproduction of the illustrations and the excellent coloured map are features which contribute largely to the volume which we consider in every way a valuable addition to our library.

Part I. deals with Shooting, and looking down the contents list one is reminded of that delightful old book by Major-General William Rice in that we have tiger and quail at top and bottom. Lieutenant-General Sir Montague Gilbert Gerard tells the tyro all he need know about the methods of circumventing our carnivora and how he should go about such matters as supplies, camp equipment and transport, while the few pages he devotes to rifles and ammunition, we specially commend to the careful attention of all young shikaris. Our Indian pachyderms are dealt with by General A. A. A. Kinloch whose *Large Game Shooting in, Tibet, the Hymalayas and Northern India*, is a sporting classic and it is superfluous to add that what he says concerning the rhinoceros and the gaur commands our respectful attention. To our mind the chapters on Himalayan and Kashmir Shooting, contributed by Captain A. G. Arbuthnot (R. F. A.), are most thorough and of the greatest utility. The big game is exhaustively dealt with, the surroundings and incidents of shikar in these regions most pleasantly described the various routes carefully followed out, and the game laws the small vocabulary, the extracts from diaries and other details connected with hill shooting, which are incorporated therein we have perused with the greatest interest. Nor must we forget to mention the photographs which, first class in themselves, will be found helpful to the text. The deer and antelope of the Indian plains and our small game have been taken in hand by Lieutenant-Colonel P. R. Bairnsfather. We think this section is rather weak: it is too sketchy, there is not nearly enough of it, a remark which applies more especially to the game birds. The giving of but one vernacular name for each species is of little assistance, seeing that not only in each presidency but in many districts such birds have different names.

Part II. is devoted to fishing and a most excellent part it is, Here Col. Bairnsfather has let himself go and the result is a really masterly dissertation on this important sport. The chapter on the mahseer is all good reading, but that on "Where to go for fishing in India" will be read and re-read by all Indian fisherman with particular pleasure and profit. Here we have set before us much that for some unaccountable reason has hitherto not been set down in print, and the special charm about it is the obvious fact that the work is not only that of a practical fisherman, but of an amiable enthusiast. Further value is lent to this section by the republished communications from correspondents from various parts of the country. The chapter on sea fishing by our old brother officer F. O. Gadsden (late R. I. M. may his shadow never grow less!) is all too brief, but what there is of it is practical and reliable and represents the experience of an angler who has dropped a hook in every water lying between the Persian Gulf and the Irrawaddy. Pigsticking, Polo and Hunting have been entrusted to the able pen of Major Neville-Taylor and insterspersed with the letterpress we have some really good photographs of types of hunters and chasers. Our friend Harry Stokes, whose steady progress up the ladder of current sporting literature, many friends in Calcutta are watching with kindly interest, has had a good deal to do with the production of this book. His notes on Racing, Steeplechasing and Paperchasing, are of the *Multum in parvo* sort and very useful withal, while the information he gives on no less than fifteen minor sports and games shows that he has a pronounced faculty for condensation. His chapter on Gymkhanas will be found useful to all who bear a hand in the running of such sporting gatherings. Rowing and boating have been dealt with by the editor of this paper, and a brief chapter on Cheetah Hunting by Major C. H. Clay winds up a book which may help us to profitably employ a spare hour, the while it will always occupy a prominent place among our books of reference.

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Shikar.

A MORNING WITH A CHEETAH.

ONE DAY, when lunching with the British Resident at Baroda, I chanced to say that I should like to see one of the cheetah hunts for which Baroda is celebrated. The Resident most courteously said he would arrange for one the next day. Accordingly, about 5 A.M. the following morning two mounted orderlies appeared with a superb Arab horse from H. H. the Gaekwar's stable for me to ride After a cup of tea and some toast, we started for the scene of action, some six or seven miles out of the town. We soon came up to the hunters, and our steeds being exchanged for bullock carts, a procession was formed. First came a cart with a platform, on which squatted the head "shikarry" or huntsman, holding by a chain a beautiful cheetah, a sort of leopard. This animal was hooded and his eyes bandaged and the object of the hunt was to see him course and slay a black buck. Then I came, sitting in a similar cart with a shikarry, and two or three carts with native swells brought up the rear. After going about a mile over a broad open plain, a large herd of black buck were seen. The procession at once stopped, and only the cart with the cheetah moved on. I got on the platform not without some misgivings at being in such close proximity to the cheetah, but the keeper explained that it was quite tame and would not notice me. However, I kept as far away from him as possible. Now the driver began to stalk the herd of deer by driving round and round them in wide circles, gradually getting near, until when we were within some eighty yards of a fine black buck, which he had skilfully separated from the herd by his manœuvres with the cart. We then stopped, and the shikarry pulled the hood off the cheetah's face and slipped him. The moment the cheetah saw the buck he sprang off the cart, on the side away from the deer, and commenced stalking him.

It was a pretty and interesting sight to see the great cat-like creature crawling along on his belly and taking advantage of every bush or piece of jungle to hide behind and peep at his unsuspecting victim. When within about forty yards of him, the buck suddenly scented danger, and, throwing up his head, dashed off at a great pace. The cheetah at once dashed off in pursuit, covering the ground with immense bounds, and fast as the buck went the cheetah went faster, and in less than a couple of hundred yards had caught him up, and with one terrific spring gave him a smack on the hind quarters which brought him to the ground. The cheetah and buck rolled over in a struggling mass. We at once jumped off the cart, from which we had had a splendid view of the chase, and ran up to the struggling animals. By this time the cheetah had got the buck down, and was holding him by the neck. He snarled at us as we approached, and I kept a respectful distance, but the shikarry at once went up and cut the buck's throat. He then filled a wooden bowl with the blood and held it towards the cheetah, who at once let go the buck and plunged his head in the bowl, and greedily lapped up the blood. When he had had a drink the keeper had no difficulty in securing and hooding him again, and after a short rest we again went forth, this time with a fresh cheetah, as they had brought two out with them. A mile or so brought us up to another herd, and the same scene was enacted. Then came the turn of the first cheetah, as we decided to have another hunt; and now ensued a comical episode, at which I can laugh now, but at the time I thought it anything but a joke.

As we approached the herd, the keeper accidently unhooded the cheetah, but since we were too far off he tried to hood him again. The animal, however, had seen the buck, and got frantically excited, and his tail, waving rapidly from side to side kept hitting me like a whip, for remember I was on a small, narrow platform with him. "Let him go," I called out, but the keeper said, "*koochparuani*, Shaib." Meanwhile the cheetah was waltzing round and round the platform, trying to get away from the man. I crouched down and made myself as small as possible, but the great brute got his fore paws on my shoulder and stood up, gazing at the deer, which had begun to move off. I felt his hot breath on my cheek, and this was too much for me. "D—n you, let him go!" I roared, and so they had to, and giving me a parting flick in the face with his tail, the brute jumped off the cart.

And now ensued a splendid run, for the deer were alarmed at the noise, and were off like a shot. The shikarry wrung his hands in dismay, and said: "They have got too long a start and he will never catch them and then he will sulk, and I shall be unable to catch him for a long time." However, the cheetah stuck to his work, and in about 800 or 900 yards caught up and knocked the buck over. We had had enough excitement for that day, so one of the bucks was cut up and a big piece given to each cheetah, who greedily devoured it, growling and snarling when any one went near him. It was now getting hot, so we rested under a tree, and chatted over the events of the day. The head shikarry told me that when the Prince of Wales was at Baroda he conducted him to a cheetah hunt. "All had good sport," said he, "but nothing like that last run," and he added, the Prince gave him two hundred rupees; not being a Prince, I gave him twenty and twenty for the beaters, with which they all seemed pleased. Thus ended my day's sport with the Baroda cheetahs. It was a thing to see once in a lifetime, and was very interesting, but I should never care to see a cheetah hunt again. A good gallop on a clever Arab over rough ground after a gallant boar is worth all the cheetah hunts in India.

BAWARCHI.

AN AMERICAN TURKEY HUNT.

WE had been told by the farmer with whom we were stopping that we should keep a sharp lookout for turkeys when we happened, in our search for squirrels, to pass along certain paths which wound their way between the forest and the fields. A little vigilance was observed at first; then we became remiss, and although we often saw in the dusty trails the footprints of turkeys, our success in finding squirrels perhaps cloyed the desire for nobler game, and it might have been partly due to our desire to linger at the breakfast table in the early morning; or to sit at the same board when the lamps were lighted in the twilight of evening. The attractions were strong indeed. It would have been difficult to find a place where the inner man was provided for in such perfect manner, but it was our host's inflexible rule to break his fast and dine at those hours when the noble turkey was either leaving or seeking his perch in the lower branches of the forest trees.

So it happened that while riding along one of the trails one evening we heard a mighty clatter ahead, and got fleeting glimpses of wings and tail feathers as the big birds half ran, half flew to the rugged hills above. The undergrowth quickly swallowed them, and we rode on, knowing it was useless to follow over the hills, where the dry leaves were strewn so thickly.

Our routine was at once changed, and next day, before it was fairly light, we crept around the edges of a little group of low trees standing alone in a field which had been abandoned because it was often overflowed when the river was high. Beneath the trees was a tangle of briars and alders and sandburrs and weeds, and there it was we found the brown rabbits in winter; and there, also, the turkeys were said to be seen. At night the trees furnished a roosting place, from where the big birds could see any enemies that might seek to disturb their slumbers; in the day it was a close cover for them, and a little brook that flowed under the tangle of vines and weeds furnished them with water when they were going to or returning from the wheat fields in search of grain and grasshoppers.

We made little noise in our progress through this place, and often sat down to watch and listen. Scanning the trees resulted in seeing nothing, and it seemed we were misinformed as to the place, but on working through the grass a little further we heard sounds which caused us to rejoice. There was no mistaking the nature of the noise; it was repeated for some time, too, and then all was quiet.

Then began in earnest a still hunt, and it was only after we had crawled through the wet grass for some time that we saw heads now and then as the birds snapped up the grasshoppers. My friend was behind me, and we wanted to get into a position where we could deliberately select each a turkey and shoot at the same time.

At last we reached some low oak bushes, and from them we could see some distance beyond in the direction in which our game was moving, and after waiting with rifles ready for an age, as it seemed, a young gobbler hove in sight, chasing a gandy butterfly which soared just beyond his reach. Then two hens emerged from the tangles of tall grass and weeds, and we only waited to see the patriarchal old gobbler that followed. I whispered to my companion to take that gobbler—and we fired almost together.

The gobbler went down, but the hen at which I shot made a wild break for the forest. I took a snap shot at her as she scooted along, running, but trying to utilize her broken wing in flight.

The others scattered, and my companion wisely made sure of his gobbler before trying other shots. It was only after running at a killing pace across the open that I had a fair shot presented me. The hen had almost reached a high rail fence, and evidently she doubted her strength to cross it. It was nearly a straightaway shot, and holding high I fired, only to see the bird fall, get up, and, with a burst of speed, all but cross the fence. It was her expiring effort, and I found her dead.

Under a shady tree near the fence we sat and examined our prizes—for the sun was then warm—and discussed the few but exciting minutes just passed. Thoughts of breakfast sent us along, however, and after going up into the woods to a spring to slake our thirst, we walked briskly homeward without stopping to trouble several squirrels we saw on the way.

It was a cheery welcome that greeted us as we trudged up to the farmhouse with our burdens, and there was feasting at noon when our hostess served turkey and other good things to eat.

MOREAU.

SPORT SEVENTY YEARS AGO.

OUR readers may be interested to read the following shikar yarns which we cull from *The Oriental Sporting Magazine* of May 1833.

THE BEAR AND THE ALLIGATOR.

On a scorching day in the middle of June, 1830, whilst I was seated under a venerable live oak, on the evergreen banks of the Teche, waiting for the fish to bite, I was startled by the roaring of some animal in the cane brake, a short distance below me, apparently getting ready for action. These notes of preparation were quickly succeeded by the sound of feet trampling down the cane, and scattering the shells. As soon as I recovered from my surprise, I resolved to take a view of what I supposed to be two prairie bulls mixing impetuously in battle, an occurrence so common in this country and season, when, as Thompson says,

"———through all his lusty veins
The bull, deep scorched, the raging passion feels."

When I reached the scene of action, how great was my astonishment instead of bulls to behold a *large black bear* reared upon his hind legs, with his fore paws raised aloft, as if to make a plunge. His face was besmeared with white foam, sprinkled with red, which, dropping from his mouth, rolled down his shaggy breast. Frantic from the smarting of his wounds, he stood gnashing his teeth and growling at his enemy. A few paces in his rear was the cane brake, from which he had issued. On a bank of snow-white shells, spotted with blood, in battle array, stood Bruin's foe, in shape an *alligator*, fifteen feet long. He looked as if he had just been dipped in the Teche, and had emerged like Achilles from the Styx, with an invulnerable coat of mail. He was standing on tiptoe, his back curved upwards, and his tongueless mouth thrown open displayed in his wide jaws two large tusks and rows of teeth. His tail, six feet long, raised from the ground, was constantly waving, like a boxer's arm, to gather force.

The combatants were a few paces apart when I stole upon them, the "first round" being over. They remained in the attitudes described about a minute, swelling themselves as large as possible, but marking the slightest motions with attention and caution, as if each felt confident he had met his match. During this pause I was concealed behind a tree, watching their manœuvres in silence. I could scarcely believe my eyesight. What, thought I, can these two beasts have to fight about? Some readers may doubt the tale on this account, but if it had been a bull fight, no one would have doubted it, because everyone knows what they are fighting for.

The same reasoning will not always apply to a man fight. Men frequently fight when they are sober, for no purpose, except to ascertain which is the better man. We must then believe that beasts will do the same, unless we admit that the instinct of beasts is superior to the boasted reason of man. Whether they did fight upon the present occasion with cause I cannot say, as I was not present when the fray began. A bear and a ram have been known to fight, and so did the bear and alligator, whilst I prudently kept in the background, preserving the strictest neutrality betwixt the belligerents. And now, if the reader is satisfied that such a battle as this might have taken place, in the absence of any known cause, I will go on to tell what I saw of it as a witness.

Bruin, though evidently baffled, had a firm look, which showed he had not lost confidence in himself. If the difficulty of the undertaking had once deceived him, he was prepared to go it again. Accordingly letting himself down upon all fours, he ran furiously at the alligator. The alligator was ready for him, and thowing his head and body partly round to avoid the onset, met Bruin half-way, with a blow of his tail, which rolled him on the shells. Old Bruin was not to be put off by one hit; three times in rapid succession he rushed on the alligator and was as often repulsed in the same manner, being knocked back by each blow just far enough to give the alligator time to recover the swing of his tail before he returned. The tail of the alligator sounded like a flail against the coat of hair on Bruin's head and shoulders, but he bore it without flinching, still pushing on to come close to his scaly foe. He made his fourth charge with a degree of dexterity, which those who have never seen this clumsy animal exercising would suppose him incapable of. This time he got so close to the alligator before his tail struck him, that the blow came with half its usual effect. The alligator was upset by the charge, and before he could recover his feet Bruin grasped him round the body below the fore legs, and holding him down on his back, seized one of his legs in his mouth. The alligator was now in a desperate situation, notwithstanding his coat of mail, which is softer on his belly than back, from which,

"The darted steel with idle shiver flies."

As a Kentuck would say, 'he was getting up fast." Here, if I dared to speak, and had supposed he could understand English, I should have uttered the encouraging exhortation of the poet—

"Now, gallant knight, now hold thy own,
"No maiden's arms are round thee thrown."

The alligator attempted in vain to bite; pressed down as he was, he could not open his mouth, the upper jaw of which only moved, and his neck was so stiff he could not turn his head short round. The amphibious beast screamed in despair; but being a warrior "by flood and by field," he was not yet entirely overcome. Wreathing his tail in agony, he happened to strike it against a small tree that stood next the bayou; aided by the purchase, he made a convulsive flounder, which precipitated himself and Bruin, locked together, into the river.

The bank from which they fell was four feet high and the water below seven feet deep. The tranquil stream received the combatants with a loud splash, then closed over them in silence. A volley of ascending bubbles announced their arrival at the bottom, where the battle ended. Presently Bruin rose again, scrambled up the bank, cast a hasty glance back to the river, and made off dripping to the cane brake. I never saw the alligator afterwards to know him; no doubt he escaped in the water, which he certainly would not have done if he had remained a few minutes longer on land. Bruin was forced by nature to let go his grip under water to save his own life. I therefore think he is entitled to the credit of the victory; besides, by *implied* consent, the parties were bound to finish the fight on land, where it began, and so Bruin understood it.

Z.

LION HUNTING IN GUZERAT.

"May 11th.—At Wansa, Mega came in and said there were two lions and some cubs in a small patch of grass, about two miles from the tents. We went out on the Nawab's elephant, and had hardly entered the patch, when H. descried a lioness under a bush. He fired, and the first ball hit her, while the second, as she was slowly walking off knocked her down; she laid lashing her tail for some time, but at length got up and walked into the bushes. Immediately on this I perceived a lion about twenty yards in front, walking quietly through the bushes, and when we went on we found him sitting under a grass clump. We fired, and he fell, but afterwards got slowly away round some bushes. I kept my eye on him, and saw a few paces in front of him another lion walking quietly on. We found the lion again, and fired, when he rushed violently across the elephant's path, bleeding at the mouth and distressed; I fired a second time and broke his hind leg, which rolled him over into some grass, from which he afterwards crawled into a bush. After a short time we again found him, lying well exposed; we fired and he came at the elephant in front, though he was so terribly wounded. At the same instant I saw from the howdah a lioness coming on from behind, at full speed, and roaring furiously. H. knocked over the lion, and he retired; but the lioness came on with such rapidity, that I had not time to fire at her, and she sprang upon the elephant's hind quarters It was all the work of a moment, I brought my gun up at her when I first saw her, but could not lower the muzzle quick enough, as she came on like lightning. This, I believe, is a singular instance of an elephant being charged by two at once. The elephant ran on towards the lion and passed him, as we thought, in a dying state. We again found the lioness, and she sat down close to us and crouched; when we fired, she came on, and the elephant ran off I reserved both my barrels, and gave her the second when she was springing up, which hit her through the head and sent her under the elephant's hind legs; he then ran straight home. E returned in the evening, and found the lion dying; one or two shots finished him The lioness went into the thicket, and as it was getting dark we came home. Next morning I went on the elephant with Sooltan, and saw her lying under the same green bush where she and the lion had both been the day before. She was in the act of springing when I fired, and fortunately, striking her in the forehead, killed her."

"I told you in my last of our killing the lion and lioness at Wansa, and of the elephant running off more than five miles to the tents. On the 14th, K. came out to us, and when I arrived at the tents, E. asked me what I had seen. I told him six bustard but that my hand shook so from my not having slept all night, that I could not hit them, so I left them and in riding put up a sounder of about thirty hog, and rode and killed the largest, which was a sow. I then asked what he had seen. He said, in coming home he saw a large looking deer in a field, on his way to the Banass, and going up to take a shot, discovered that it was a lioness staring at him. We got Mega, and went out, but did not find her. We borrowed one elephant from the Nawab and took the other out, but he always turned when we pushed him into the thicket Mega then followed up the foot steps, and came in yesterday morning, informing us that she was very small, but that there was a lion about four miles from the tents lying near a bullock that he had killed the night before—a garee bullock, worth a hundred rupees—what a scoundrel! H. and K. would not go, as they could not trust the elephant, so E. mounted the new elephant, and I our old friend. We soon found the dead bullock, and immediately afterwards the lion, and I got a shot as he was going through the bastard cypress in the bed of the river (like Kandeish), but I don't think that tickled him up. He turned round and looked at us for a second or two; and though he was full of dinner, went off very fast into a thick place. My beast of an elephant kept turning round every now and then and trying to run home, but we always got him back. At last we put the lion up, and walked him twice up and down a strip of cypress, without being able to get a clear enough and near enough sight for a shot. E. fired at him, and he turned short round, passing him within ten yards, at the outside of the bushes, when he fired a ball into his side which made him give a tremendous roar, and sent me and my friend out of the place in double quick time. On going up, he was found lying on his belly, with his head on his fore paws, as in the act of springing, and stone dead. He was a most magnificent fellow, measured 11 feet three inches, and his mane was very shaggy and of a reddish brown.

COLLECTOR.

It takes a lot to disconcert some of the advertising tipsters, and in this connection an American paper mentions that on one occasion Dan Smith, a well-known New York "turf adviser," complained that people were pirating his "tips" and so, in order to dodge the offenders, sent out a bogus tip covering the first race with the horse he thought least likely to win, his genuine wire being issued later with a notice to the effect that the earlier one was a catch wire. The unlikely horse was Turnpike, 40 to 1, and it won by a street. Next day Dan claimed it as his "special good thing" in his advertising.

Shooting.

THE SPORTING "FLIRT."

A LITTLE while ago, I was sitting smoking with a rural medical friend in his surgery, says a writer in the *Shooting Times*, when the conversation drifted round to the subject of modern improvements in sporting weapons, and the doctor unburdened himself thus:—

"I'll tell you what it is. 'Modern improvements' have spoilt many a fellow who'd have made a rattling good sportsman without them. Of course, I don't say that in a general way, we haven't progressed in the right direction—don't advocate, say, a return to single-barrelled muzzle-loaders or, going still further back, to the original instinctive method of attempting to pot your game by heaving half a brick at it—but more than half the so-called 'modern improvements' are mere fancy fads that have made many a man into a restless flirt—never happy unless he's coquetting with this latest invention or t'other original discovery, instead of quietly forming a steady attachment to the tools that have proved decently useful to him. There's a growing tendency among the rising generation of sportsman to attach too much importance to the weapon and too little to the man who handles it. But it isn't the angler with the five-guinea split-cane rod, with improved lockfast joints and fitted with fancy patents from butt to point, who always brings in the biggest basket of trout; and I know farmers with old hammer-guns that belonged to their fathers who could wipe the eyes of half the owners of the latest single-trigger, hammerless ejectors in the kingdom Let the new-fangled sportsman—the sporting flirt, I call him—make five clean misses in succession and he's off to the gunsmith to improve his gun; but let the old-fashioned sportsman do the same thing, and he's off home to improve his shooting with a little quiet practice. It's a sort of new brain disease, this craze for the latest novelty, and the germs of it are largely spread and fed by the advertisements in the sporting Press. There was young Saplash, who used to rent the fishing and shooting here. He had it bad. He was about the worst case I ever came across. Gosh! if that man had made a clean right and left with an ordinary hammerless gun he'd have been fit to cry with vexation, because he was certain if he'd only had one of the latest Bunkum's patent six-shell repeating 12-bores he'd seen advertised in the *Puff and Powder* that morning he'd have been able to bring down his three birds just as comfortably. If he saw a new improved collapsible knuckle-jointed landing-net announced—one of those things, you know, that are specially adapted to double up and lose you your best fish of the day just as you are lifting it out of the water, and then spring out straight and hit you in the eye when you cuss it—he'd have it. If there was a new game-carrier came out, he'd have it; and if he'd as much as heard of a patent double complex spring gaff, his life would have been a perfect misery until he'd got one of the infernal machines, and was accidentally jabbing the point of it into the calves of everybody's legs he came across while showing them the tremendous advantages of the new arrangement. I've seen that man, when the rise was fairly on, and he might have been basketing his score of trout comfortably, wasting the golden opportunity in wrestling with a patent automatic reel that jerked in the line like a spring tape measure just as the fly was coming over the snout of a feeding fish, and shot it out like a coastguard rocket-line whenever he attempted to give the butt—seen him wrestling with the patent cussedness till the sweat ran off his face in double handfuls, and all the time he had a good serviceable ordinary check reel in his pocket that would have been equal to the occasion every time. And it was only last spring that I had him under my hands—and had a pretty tough job of it, too, to pull him through—with a bad bout of compound pneumonia, got through idiotically fooling [illegible] out when he hadn't the least occasion in a suit of new-fangled sportsman's waterproofs that had evident by been constructed on the entirely novel and original principle of rigidly excluding all air, while they let in all the water. A man of that sort is amusing at first, but his chronic yearning for the latest novelty gets to be a bore to his friends, and I got pretty sick of Saplash's everlasting practical encouragement of the inventive cranks. But I scored off him at the finish, and I believe I did him some good at the same time. You see, like most forms of mental affliction, young Saplash's mania usually broke out strongest in a certain direction, and that was in the direction of new powders. As soon as a new powder was on the market he simply went mad on it till another novelty was announced, and I positively believe that it gave him more feverish joy to be missing game with the latest explosive than it would have done to be hitting hard and clean with the farmer's friend—the old black powder. Of course, he'd run up the whole gamut of 'Amberite,' and 'Ballistite,' and 'Thunderite,' and 'Bellamite,' and goodness only knows what fancy brands besides; and whenever he'd temporarily exhausted the list he'd be mooning about, as miserable as Alexander yearning for new worlds to conquer, waiting for the next 'ite' to be invented, so that he could give it a trial. It was during one of these intervals, when there actually hadn't been a new patent sporting explosive put on the market for more than a fortnight, that he dropped in to see and worry me about things generally. Soon he jerked the conversation round to powders, and asked me:

"'Say, from your own experience, doctor, which powder do you think gives the best all-round results in actual practice?'

So I gave it a name off-hand.

"'Great Cæsar!' he gasped; 'I never heard of that powder before.'

"'What! you haven't!' I exclaimed; in surprise. 'Why I thought everybody knew of it! I've used it for years, and hope to use it for years to come. It's absolutely reliable.'

"I tell you, it was something pathetic to witness his mortification at the discovery that there had been one the market for years a powder he'd never even heard of

"'—I—I must get some at once, and give it a trial. I'll write up to town for some to-day,' he stammered, feverishly.

"'No need to do that. I've a good stock in, and I'll send you a pound or so up this afternoon,' I suggested, and he grasped my hand in fervent thankfulness at the thought that he could try the powder at once, and save the tormenting agony of waiting until he could procure a supply from town.

"So I sent him up a parcel of the powder, and I understand he spent the evening in loading cartridges with it. The next morning he was out betimes boiling with enthusiasm to blaze away his new fancy at the first mark that turned up, from a partridge to a ploughboy. By-and-bye a rabbit scudded across the ride. Up went the gun like a flash. First barrel missed fire; second barrel missed fire; and Bunny went home in the ordinary way to his friends and relations. Of course, Saplash was astonished. He slapped in a couple of fresh cartridges, and took aim at a rook that came flapping overhead, when both barrels missed fire as before, and the rook went sailing away, cawing derisively. Then Saplash got thoroughly mad, started snapping cartridges that wouldn't go off as fast as he could jerk them into the breech, and finally burst into my room like a volcano in an active state just as I was sitting down to breakfast. Name of a pipe! I reckon if his cartridges had been half as explosive as his temper he'd have had no particular trouble about 'em not going off.

"'Here, I say! Hang it all, that confounded powder you sent me, doctor—it's rotten—useless—isn't worth a rap!' he spluttered.

"'That's most extraordinary. I've always found it most reliable, and it's got a world-wide reputation,' I said.

"'Well, it's no good, anyhow. I loaded the whole blamed lot you sent into cartridges, and not a single one of 'em would go off. I've unloaded half a dozen, and in every case the caps exploded, and the powder's failed to ignite It's the rottenest sporting powder.

"'Sporting powder? Good gracious, man, you never said anything about sporting powder when you were here yesterday!' I put in mildly. 'You merely asked me which I considered from personal experience the best powder in actual practice, and I told you "Gregory's Powder," which, as I hinted, I've used for years in my practice; only, somehow, you seem to have fallen into the trifling error of attempting to administer the dose with a cartridge instead of with a spoon, in the usual way.'

"'Dose? Spoon? Then—then it's medicine!' he roared. 'And—and I'm fairly physicked this time!' he yelled, as he stuck his tail between his legs and bolted.

"I rather fancy that dose of Gregory's Powder did young Saplash a lot of good."

Correspondence.

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TOMMY BROOME.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—I shall be happy to know through your columns the career of Tommy Broome, the little English Jockey, who left W. Robinson's stable at Foxhill about three half years ago for Belgium when he had a retainer for three years, the little fellow being a personal friend of mine I am anxious to hear of his welfare. Hoping you will be able to give me some information.

KILCOCK.

BOMBAY, *21st July 1904.*

[Can any of our readers oblige? We confess ourselves unable to give this information.—ED.]

COUNTRY-BREDS AND THE VICEROY'S CUP.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Will you be good enough to clear up the following points for me:—

Can country-bred horses run in the Viceroy's Cup,—what weight allowance do they get, if any? There has been an argument about this here, someone saying, a country bred would carry about 7 stone. Is this correct?

J. B.

Country-breds or any other class can run in the Viceroy's Cup which is W. F. A. and class for *all* horses. The scale for 1¼ mile in December is

	3 yrs	4 yrs	5 yrs	6 and aged.
C.-B.'s	5-5	6-8	7-2	7-3.

A three-year-old would, of course, have to carry 6st—the minimum for any flat race. ED.

JUNGLE FOWL IN BURMA.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—The following bags were made by a friend and myself last February in Upper Burma.

JUNGLE FOWL.

Feb.	7	27	Feb.	20	4
"	8	46	"	21	2
"	9	16	"	22	5
"	10	29	"	23	17
"	11	54	"	24	19
"	12	15	"	25	11
"	15	18	"	27	14
"	16	45	"	28	3
"	19	19	"	29	16
"					
			Total		360

The total bag for the 18 days was 360 jungle fowl.
5 Barking Deer, 3 Hares.
8 Imperial pigeon.
5 Green pigeon.
2 Partridges.

We were on duty and moved camp 10 or 12 miles a day, shooting on the march. As some of these days our work took us into the jungle the bags were small as will be seen.

Have you any records of jungle-fowl shooting in Burma and is our best day anywhere near a record for either two guns or ½ of it for one gun.

B. B. C.

GANGAW, U. BURMA, *7th July 1904.*

"THIBETAN MASTIFFS."

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—In reply to "Canis Major's" note, on Thibetan Mastiffs, which appeared in your issue of 14th instant, may I be permitted to make a few remarks? The mastiff, though a far finer dog in every way than his cousin the "Bhootea" or sheep dog of Thibet, has always struck me as being much more delicate and unable to stand the heat nearly as well as the Bhootea.

I succeeded in bringing down two pups in 1896 from Poolamsundar, the border land between Thibet and Tehri-Gurhwal. Before I bought them, the Thibetans assured me that if I took them beyond the border and kept them in India, they would die, unless I left them for a year or so, with shepherds, on the higher hills near the source of the Ganges, for at least one year to acclimatise them.

I did not heed the warning and brought them into Mussoorie in November, together with a couple of Bhooteas, and though I spent the winter in Mussoorie, I noticed the pups preferred sleeping outside, in spite of rain and snow to coming even into the verandah. However, before March, both were dead in spite of all I could do for them, whereas, the Bhooteas flourished for some years after.

With the mastiffs, I also bought two yaks, but with regard to them I took their late owner's advice and left them for a whole year at Hursil and had them brought down the following year. They stood the long journey to Bombay and the subsequent vogage to England admirably. Another "sahib" also tried the experiment of bringing down four yaks, the same year from the same place, but without "acclimatising" them as I had done. Two of his died before reaching Tehri (8 marches from Hursil) and the remaining two died just outside Mussoorie.

This experiment led me to believe that there was a lot in what the Thibetans said and to be successful in importing the mastiff into India, it will be necessary to acclimatise him on the border first. Pups born in India, of acclimatised parents will, I have no doubt, do well in our hill stations and "walk off" many a good prize at the shows.

I daresay others have also tried and been more successful than I was, whose experiences in print will prove much more interesting and valuable to would-be importers of the Thibetan Mastiff than mine can ever hope to be, but as "every mickle maks a muckle" I send you mine for what they are worth.

EXILE.

VIZIANAGRAM, *20th July 1904.*

HUNTING DOGS FOR INDIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Periodically the question of breeding an all round hound for work in the plains of this country crops up, yet no one seems to reflect we have in the dhole or wild dog the nucleus of a breed that by selection and crossing, to tone down his non-amenability to discipline, would furnish us with an ideal animal. Many of the wild tribes do breed from dhole dogs, tethering out selected pariah sluts to be lined, and there are a goodly number of the progeny of these to be picked up in such places as the Nepaul terai, the Central Provinces, and similar jungly tracts where wild dogs roam. Even here in Calcutta the strain may be seen by a close observer acquainted with the dhole; though it may have come down through several generations.

For chasing jack in such open ground as on the Ooty Downs the plains of Behar or Bengal proper, the imported English fox-hound is suitable enough but for operating in scrub or forest jungle he's entirely out of place; his color is against him in bounding through bushes or over boulders, while both he and his congener the beagle with their lop ears are at great disadvantage compared either to the wild or domesticated pie, for these appendages suffer from thorns, the sharp cutting eka blades and harbour such vermin as ticks and leeches. The Rampur with his nearly naked hide and prick ear that all of the genuine cross exhibit runs scathless through any jungle while his dark slate colour is all in his favor in sombre places. He may not be up to the mark in pluck and tackling unless in packs, but training and careful *entering* from puppyhood as with other hounds works wonders in this respect, but I pin my faith more on the cross between a thoroughbred pie and the dhole, speaking from experience of one or two I have owned of the cross and the numbers I have seen in frontier and transfrontier villages. Even the *kussied* Kuki and Naga doggy destined for the spit when the time arrives, is trained for the chase and though feeding in the slack season is not of the character that would commend itself to our methods, when meat is available it is never given cooked as the people aver that with the blood in it rouses the taste for that inherent in all carnivorous animals when put to the chase. In breeding dogs for work, as distinct from doing so for pets, we have a good deal to learn from the less civilised hunters who follow the dictates of nature. Vegetable food either cooked or uncooked is never given in the hunting season, but when the animal's own instinct tells him it is needed he'll pick it up for himself. The cooked meal given in ig kennels at home has become a necessity for economy's ake and perhaps in the long off season is excusable, but it certainly is unnatural, though sanctioned by long usage. The original hound whether stag, fox, boar, or otter never had it.

If imported dogs are used, there is no doubt that to keep them up to the European standard fresh blood is requisite every third generation, but why we should import when we have such undeniable first class stock to indent upon either for using intact or crossing Savours of the ridiculous? What we want are working animals not something attractive to look it and though the comparison may be far fetched, there is as much difference as far as actual usefulness goes between the rough shod, cord clad game-keeper and the sporting masher just turned out of a Regent Street emporium, as between the white and black, red or livered-colored British fox hound, and the red wolf-like cross presented by the half-pie, half-dhole, or dull-colored Rampur.

O. K.

From Hungary, which seems to be a lively place, always something going on, comes the story that a priest in Lorincze refused to marry a pair who had been already civilly married at the Registrar's. The parties interested began to argue the thing out. Finally the priest, wearying of verbal strife, got home with a left hook on the bridegroom's ear in the style made fashionable by Mr. James J. Corbett. The wedding guests thereupon rushed into the ring, and put in such a spirited rally that the priest "went down and took the count." The bridegroom put the whole thing rather neatly as the party left the church. "I see now" said he, "why the distinction is drawn between a marriage before a registrar and one before a priest. The latter is not civil."

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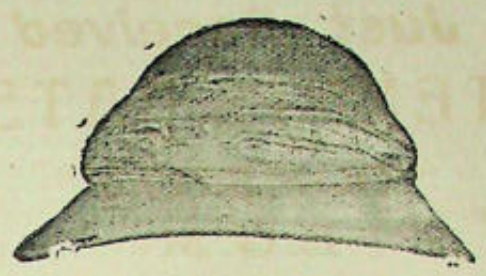
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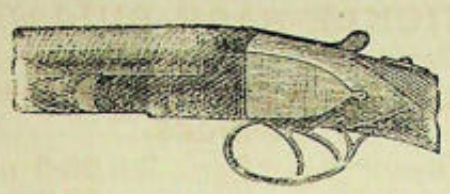
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NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Colombo August	August	9, 11 & 13	
Poona First Extra	July	3	
,, Second ,, ...	August	6	
,, Third ,, ...	,,	13	
,, Fourth ,, ...	,,	20	
,, Fifth ,, ...	,,	25	
,, Sixth ,, ...	,,	27	
,, Seventh ,, ...	,,	3	
,, Eighth ,, ...	Sept.	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	,,	21, 24, 26, 28	506
		Oct. 1, 3 and 5	
Quetta Autumn Meeting	,,	20, 22, 24	
Calcutta Monsoon First	August	6	
,, ,, Second	,,	13	
,, ,, Third	,,	20	
,, ,, Fourth	Sept.	0	
,, ,, Fifth	,,	17	
Mussoorie Autumn	,,	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Lucknow Autumn Sky	,,	25 & 27	82
Umballa Autumn	Nov.	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky	,,	15, 17, & 19	626
Sonepore	,,	23, 25 & 27	
Lucknow Autumn	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	10	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	17	
,, First Meeting	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	27	
Lahore Xmas	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	,,	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	14 & 21	
,, Third Extra	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,, ...	Feb	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Poona Races	First ..	.. 2nd August.
	Second ..	.. 23rd ,,
	Final ..	.. 6th September.
Calcutta 1st Monsoon	..	.. 2nd August.
,, 2nd ,, ...	..	.. 9th August.
,, 3rd ,, ...	..	.. 16th August.
,, 4th ,, ...	..	.. 6th September.
,, 5th ,, ...	..	.. 13th September.
Army Cup	Third ..	.. 1st October.
	Final ..	.. 15th Novembe.
Civil Service Cup	Third ..	.. 15th September
	Fourth ..	.. 1st December.
	Final ..	.. 20th January.
Umballa Autumn	First ..	.. 13th August.
	Second ..	.. 17th September.
	Third ..	.. 28th October.
Calcutta First Extra	..	.. 6th December.
,, Second Extra	..	.. 13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	.. 30th ,,
,, Second Meeting	First ..	.. 30th November
	Second ..	.. 7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn	First ..	.. 12th September
	Second ..	.. 19th ,,
	Third ..	.. 26th ,,
Lahore Xmas	Second ..	.. 1st November
	Third ..	.. 1st December
Meerut Autumn Sky	First ..	.. 1st August.
	Second ..	.. 15th September
	Third ..	.. 8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	.. 30th ,,
,, ,, Second Day	First ..	.. 1st November
	Second ..	.. 2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August.
Poona Junior Tournament	Begins 15th August.
Poona Open Tournament	Begins 30th September.

SHOOTING.

Calcutta Revolver Club.

Fifth Monthly Meeting	6th August.
Second 50 Yards ,, ...	20th ,,

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 2nd Regatta ..	30th July.
Ditto 3rd Regatta	September.
Ditto The Power Cup ..	October.
Madras B. C. Regatta	3rd September.

FOOTBALL.

Bombay Rovers Tournament	Begins 9th September.
Durand Tournament (Sim'a)	14th to 27th September.
I. F. A. Tournament	Now on.

RACQUETS.

South Indian Amateur Tournament ..	Now on.

HOCKEY.

Madras Tournament	Now on.

GOLF

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	Begins 22nd August.
Calcutta G. C. Clock Competition ..	Now on.
R. W. I. G. C. Tournament (at Nasik) ..	In September.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency vs. Parsees (Bombay) ..	22rd, 24th and 25th August.
,, ,, (Poona) ..	13th, 14th and 15th September

SHOWS.

Bangalore Horse Show	21st, 22nd and 23rd July
Poona Horse Show	29th & 30th September.
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show	26th December.

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Two Lengths Hurdle Handicap	29th July.
Three Lengths Hadicap	5th August.
Final ,, ...	12th ,,
Two Lengths Handicap	19th ,,
Plunge Handicap	26th ,,

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 28th July.
Brighton Cup (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 3rd August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate	Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs) ..	Thurday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.) ..	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles) ..	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th Septemer.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong) ..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1¼ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 2furlongs) ..	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles) ..	Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

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First Day, Saturday, 23rd July 1904.

THE races which were looked forward to with great interest commenced to-day in delightful weather. There was a brilliant assemblage of local society, among those present being Sir David and Lady Barr, General Sir James Willcocks, Commanding the Secunderabad District, all the Commanding Officers of the Garrison, and the leading Hyderabad Officers. Sir Kishen Pershad, Prime Minister of Hyderabad, was "at home" and the fine garrison band was also in attendance. There were good all-round fields and it may be said to have a been bookies' day. Captain Darley, the well-known owner and gentleman rider was very successful and came in for abundance of applause. Details.—

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Mr Keble's ch aus m Susie, 5st 6lbs ...	Mr Griffiths	1
Mr Walker's ch aus m Impolita, 5st 6lbs ...	Owner	2
Captain Thompson's br e g Victor, 6st 4lbs	Capt Darley	3

Won by a length; streets between second and third. Time—1min. 24⅘secs.

Impolita made play with Susie lying close up behind till the two furlongs when Susie led down the straight and getting well away won handsomely.

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Impolita, 7 to 1 the others.

THE MINISTER'S PURSE.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st., Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st 7lbs. W. I Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, 5lbs. N.'s C.-B.'s, 7lbs Penalties—Winners, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. 4 furlongs.

Mr Nazir Beg's g a p Saood, 7st 11lbs ...	King	1
Capt Darley's g a p Hailstorm, 9st 10lbs ...	Owner	2
Mr Shah Thirza Beg's ch cb g Torpedo, 9st 10lbs	Mr Fallon	3

Also ran: Farewell, Quer Michael, and Broncho.

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

Farewell was very restive at the post and delayed the start. At flag fall Saood getting away, retained the lead throughout with Hailstorm II. and Torpedo in attendance finishing as placed.

BETTING: Evens Hailstorm II., 3 to 1 each Saood and Torpedo, 10 to 1 the others.

THE MAIDEN PONY PLATE.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For maiden ponies 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. Allowances—Arabs 2st.; C.-B.'s 1st 7lbs. Ponies that have never won a flat race value. Rs. 50 or more, 5lbs. Penalties—Winners, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. extra. 4 furlongs.

Capt Darley's and Mr Neilson's b aus g Felicity, 10st 3lbs	Capt Darley	1
Mr Nazir Beg's blk aus m Investment, 10st 9lbs	Mirza	2
Capt Barr's b aus g Mana, 9st 11lbs ...	Mr Stewart	0

Also ran: Rob Roy and Donald.

Won by four lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

Felicity and Investment made the running for three furlongs; Investment then challenged, but could make no impression on the leader who won in a canter.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Felicity, 3 to 1 Investment, 4 to 1 each. Mana and Donald, 15 to 1 Rob Roy.

H. H. THE NIZAM'S PURSE.—Rs. 600, of which the second will receive Rs. 100, and the third Rs. 50. For Arabs. W. A. raised 1st. Allowances—Maidens 7lbs. Ponies 14 hands and under 5lbs. Horses that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, 5lbs extra. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 140 or more, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. extra. Winners of a flat race value Rs. 450 or more, 5lbs. extra. Cumulative. 1¼ miles

Capt. Darley and Mr Stewart's ch ag Selpme, 10st 12lbs	Capt Darley	1
Mr Black Hawkin's ch a m The Clown, 10st	Mirza	2
Mr Wormald's b a g Baby Boy, 10st 9lbs ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Thansidan, Treader, and Billy.

Won by a neck; ten lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 32secs.

All got off to a good start. Baby Boy making the running with Thansidan and The Clown whipping in. Baby Boy was still leading at the 6 furlongs, but in the straight Selpme took the lead which he mantained till the finish, winning, amidst much excitment, by a neck.

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Selpme and The Clown, 3 to 1 Baby Boy, and 10 to 1 the others.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For maiden horses. W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. Allowances—Horses that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, 3lbs. Penalties—Winners, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs; oftener, 10lbs. Winners of a race value Rs. 140 or more, 5lbs. extra. Cumulative. 5 furlongs.

Capt Plunketts' br aus g Gun Metal, 10st 4lbs	Mr Stewart	1
Mr A Walker's ch aus m Impolita, 10st 13lbs	Owner	2
Dr Ahmed Mirza's b aus g Sultan, 10st 7lbs	Mirza	3

Won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 10⅘secs.

Impolita made the running with the other two in close company, Sultan closed up near home, but Gun Metal challenged and taking the lead kept it, Impolita failing to make any impression.

BETTING: 2 to 1 Impolita, 6 to 1 Sultan, 6 to 4 Gun Metal.

Second Day, Tuesday, 26th July 1904.

(By Special Telegram.)

The second day's racing opened in favourable weather; but there are signs of a break. There was again a splendid attendance in both enclosures. The racing was not so good as on the first day; but fields were fair. Details:—

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 150, and Rs 50 to the second. For ponies 14-2 and under. 14-2 to carry 12st. 7lbs W. I. Allowances—Arabs, 18lbs.; C.-B.'s 1st.; Maidens 7lbs. Ponies that have never won a hurdle race value Rs. 50 or more, 5lbs. Penalties—Winners of a hurdle race value Rs. 140 or more, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs 1 mile over 6 flights

Mr Brett's b aus m Marjory, 9st 10lbs ...	Mr Stewart	1
Mr A Walker's br aus g Rob Roy, 10st 2lbs	Owner	2
Mr Rajah Khan's g a p Sultan III. 8st 5lbs	King	3

Also ran: Mr. D. F. Stewart's g a g Wait A Wee.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—2mins. 14⅘ secs.

To a good start Marjory led over the first hurdle; then at the five furlongs Wait A Wee took up the running, but Rob Roy was leading at the next jump and at the three furlongs post was still leading. All were level over the next two hurdles when Marjory came away and won easily

BETTING: 6 to 1 agst Rob Roy, 6 to 4 Marjory, 40 to 1 the other two.

THE SHAMSUL UL-MULK PLATE.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For ponies 14 hands and under. 14 hands to carry 11st. W. I. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs.; Arabs, 28lbs.; C.-B.'s, 18lbs. Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, 5lbs. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 140 or more, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs extra. 5 furlongs.

Mr Nazir Beg's blk aus m Investment, 11st 2lbs	Mirza	1
Mr Walker's gr aus g Richard 8st 11lbs ...	Capt Harding	2

Won by half a length. Time—1min. 16secs.

A very tame race; both ran together for two furlongs when Investment came away and won in a hack canter.

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Investment, and 5 to 1 agst. Richard.

THE GOUGH MEMORIAL PLATE.—Rs. 600, of which the second will receive Rs. 100, and the third Rs 50. For horses. W. A. and C. raised 1st Allowances—Maidens, 7lbs. Horses that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, 5lbs. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 140 or more, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. extra. Winners of a race value Rs. 450 or more, 3lbs. extra. Cumulative. 6 furlongs.

Major Logan-Home's b aus g Corrie Roy, 10st 7lbs	Meah Jan	1
Capt Plunkett's br aus g Gun Metal, 9st 8lbs	Mr A Stewart	2
Dr Ahmed Mirza's b aus g Sultan, 9st 7lbs	Mirza	3

Also ran: Impolita.

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

A good start. Gun Metal was leading with Impolita and Sultan next Corrie Roy last. At the first furlong Gun Metal was a length in front with the other three in a cluster till the three furlongs where Corrie Roy got up to Gun Metal and coming away down the straight won in a canter.

BETTING: 10 to 1 on Corrie Roy, 6 to 1 against the others.

THE GARRISON CUP.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For Arabs *bonâ-fide* chargers regularly ridden on parade. W. A. raised 2st. Allowances—Horses that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, allowed 7lbs. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs; oftener, 10lbs. Winners of a flat race value Rs. 140 or more, 5lbs., for each such race won. Cumulative. 1 mile.

Mr Black Hawkins' ch a h The Clown, 11st 9lbs	Owner	1
Mr Wormald's b a h Baby Boy, 11st 9lbs...	Owner	2
Mr Stokes' ch as g Billy, 10st 4lbs ...	Owner	3

Won by two lengths; twenty lengths between second and third. Time—2min. 6secs.

The Clown led at the start with Billy second, Baby Boy last. The same order was maintained for four furlongs when Baby Boy went to the front and kept the lead till the distance when The Clown challenged and won in a canter.

BETTING: Evens Baby Boy, 5 to 4 on The Clown 6 to 1 Billy.

THE FAKR-UL-MULK PURSE.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For *bonâ-fide* polo ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Allowances—Arabs, 28lbs.; C.-B.'s 1st. Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, 4lbs. Penalties—Winner of a flat race value Rs. 50 or more, once, 5lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. 3 furlongs.

Capt Barr's g aus g Mana, 10st 12lbs ...	Mr A Stewart	1
Major Hayes' g aus m Dorothy, 11st 4lbs...	Major Oliver	dead heat
Mr Wormald's gr aus g Ivan, 11st 7lbs ...	Owner	
Mr Shah Mirza Beg's o g Torpedo, 10st ...	Mr Fallon	0

Also ran: Michael and Welcome
Won by two lengths. Time—42⅕secs.
Mana gave a lot of trouble, but at last to an excellent start he came right away and leading throughout won in a canter.

SUBSTITUTION RACE.—Rs. 150 and Rs. 50 to the second. For Maiden Arab ponies. 5 furlongs.

Mr Nazir Beg's g a p Saood, 8st 6lbs ...	Meah Jan	1
Capt Darley's g a p Hailstorm II, 10st 5lbs	Owner	2
Mr Bett's b a p Rustom, 8st 9lbs ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Quex
Won by a head; bad third. Time—1min. 14⅕secs
Hailstorm II made the running at the start, attended by Rustom with Saood third. Rustom took up the running in the straight, but Saood and Hailstorm II challenged at the distance and Saood just managed to stay on longest, winning by a short neck.
BETTING: 2 to 1 on Hailstorm II 6 to 4 agst. Saood, 4 to 1 Ruston, 10 to 1 Qeux.

MEERUT THIRD OPEN GYMKHANA.
Thursday, 21st July 1904.

THE Gymkhana this afternoon was very successful, with a fair attendance and perfect arrangements in addition to good sport and close finishes. Captain Gaussen rode three winners. Details:—

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 32, and Rs 10 to the second. A handicap for all *bonâ-fide* Polo ponies the property of residents in Meerut 3 furlongs.

Mr H K Sadler's br aus m Blackberry, 10st	Capt Gaussen	1
Mr Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 10st ...	Moonir	2
Mr R P Wells's g a g Blue Ruin, 10st ...	Owner	3
Mr Pollock's b aus g Cavalier, 12st ...	Mr Coaker	0
Capt Fail's b cb m Mona, 11st 11b ...	Owner	0
Mr Lewin's, b a g Magic, 11st ...	Mr Anstey	0
Major O'Donnell's br a h Mashuk, 9st 11lbs.	Major Kennard	0

Won by a length; six lengths between second and third.

N.-C. OFFICERS' STAKES.—Rs. 32, and Rs. 10 to the second. A handicap for all ponies the property of N.-C. Officers and men of the Meerut Division. ¼ mile

Pte Pope's b a g Hercules, 11st ...	Pte Bott	1
Sergt Hauper's g a g The Dame, 10st 10lbs	Corpl Banks	2
Sergt Hauper's, ch cb g Shatra, 9st ...	Pte Morris	3
Gr Harris' b cb g Dhariwal, 9st 4lbs ...	Gr Newnham,	0
Corpl Bank's d cb g Baronet 9st ...	Corpl Strahan	0

Won by a length; ten lengths between second and third.

KADIR STAKES.—Rs. 32 and Rs. 10 to the second. For all horses, chargers, or pigstickers the property of Officer or Civil Service quartered in Meerut District Catch weights 11st. 4 furlongs.

Capt Rickman's b aus g Wildfire, 11st ...	Capt Gaussen	1
Mr R P Wells's b aus m Industry, 11st ...	Owner	2
Mr E O Anstey's b aus g Sir Archie, 11st ...	Owner	3
Major William's b aus g The Bishop, 11st	Mr Coaker	0

Won by a head; six lengths between second and third.

JUNIOR ARMY CUP.—Rs. 32 and Rs. 10 to the second. For all Arab ponies who have not won a race or Gymkhana. (G. R.'s only.) 14-1 to carry 12-7. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr Barry's gr a h Syria, 11st 5lbs ...	Major Kennard	1
Col. Beavers, g a g Faisal, 9st 10lbs ...	Mr. Wells	2
Major Luther's br a g Wee Magregor 10st 7lbs	Mr Coaker	3

Won by five lengths; length between second and third.

MAIDEN CUP.—Rs. 32 and Rs. 10 to second. For Maiden ponies 14-1 and under, Arabs 14-1 to carry 11st. C-B's 14-1 to carry 11st. 9lbs.; others 14-0 to carry 12st., 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. extra. 3 furlongs.

N Baker Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 11st 9lbs	Capt Gaussen	1
Mr Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 9st 10lbs	Major Kennard	2
Major Luther's b a h Sirus, 8st 3lbs ...	Baichan	3
Mr Sadler's br aus m Blackberry, 12st 7lbs	Mr Lewin	0
Mr J N Capoor's b cb h Lavender, 11st 6lbs	Capt Fail	0
Pte Pope's b a g Hercules, 11st ...	Pte Bott	0
Mr R P Wells's b a g Boskie, 10st 2lbs ...	Native	0
Mr Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labirynth, 9st 5lbs	Mr Wells	0

Won by a short head; a neck between second and third.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 32 and Rs. 10 to the second. For ponies 14-1 and under that have no won a race Value Rs. 50 or over. Arab 14-1 to carry 10st 7lbs.; C.-B's 14-1 to carry 11st, others 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. 3¼ furlongs.

Mr Steel's b cb m Hottentot Lass, 11st ...	Mr Coaker	1
Capt Fail's b aus g John J P. 12st ...	Owner	2
Ikbal Shah's rn cb m Almas, 10st 5lbs ...	Capt Gaussen	3
Mr Nicolson's g cb g Kubra, 10st 11lbs ...	Moonir	0
N Bahaudden Shah's g a g Magnus, 10st 7lbs	Major Kennard	0
M Fazel Ahmed's g cb m Khurshed, 9st 10lbs	Native	0
Gunner Harris' b cb g Dhariwal, 8st 12lbs...	Native	0

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

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

THE heavy rain at midnight did not portend anything too good for last Thursday morning's gallops, but fortunately the morning broke with but a slight drizzle, that did not, however, interfere with the work though it was very close and stuffy; and the going, a quagmire. Keeping on the uplands, near the trees a few wise ones picked out a little better going.

The first out were Norman (Regan) and Coal Queen (Howie). They put in a smartish gallop, the 14-2 being away from the mare towards the finish. The latter is not yet near fit for real extension, of course this must be taken into consideration, as she's a nice stylish mover, and was taking on a much larger pony. Young Rake was then sent a quick piece by Regan, and acquitted himself well. He was followed by Natalina, and Pat C. putting in a working gallop, or a working wade across.

Bell Brand (Howie), and nother of Smallman's string, got away over to the Ellenborough, out of the view of the curious, and did what might be characterised as a sound bit of going, confirming the opinion of many that the first-named will have the foot of Clynder, Belmeath, Oom Paul, Hello; in fact, all and sundry that oppose him.

Not Yet (Mr. Galstaun), and Rosalea (Mr. Chater), had a ripping spin on the bit of dry going and Mr. Galstaun's old favourite, kitten-like, was drawing well away towards the finish. She is daily getting more symmetrical, and by the 6th proximo ought to be quite what her sporting owner could desire. Rosalea appears to be getting a bit too much of it.

Beazley on Parole, accompanied by one from Milton's, next essayed the pony hurdles, that is, the first one did, and went the course jumping in irreproachable style, albeit the take offs (and landing for the matter of that) was very soft. The exhibition was a good one, but no wonder the horse was doing a tiring finish, considering the state of the course. The one from Milton's was taking none at first, and cut it to the rails, eventually being got round a few jumps in indifferent style.

Howie was out on Flash, from Smallman's, and put in a bit of fast sprinting, followed by Pierette and Good Chat, who went slogging along and making way for Mr. Dudley on Clynder, W. White, on Belmeath, and natives on Planet, and Trollop. After a trot round on the Ellenborough, they were slipped across the open, all hard held, except Trollop, who just saw the others through and no more.

Jack Wall went his usual performance this morning, and Little Regan had out Mr. Deakin's Cheer Up for a gallop to quick time.

Saturday was a right enough morning, but the course was the course of Thursday, if not more so as regards going, which combined with the official measuring that was on at the big stand enclosure deprived this usually busy morning of much of its bustle.

The first out was, I believe, the pony Norman from Smallman's lot, but as the work was done by about candle light, we were in the dark as to result. This appears a bit paradoxical, but in matters racing it is thus.

Mr. Paris' Rathcoon, and Road Metal from Wishart's, put in an early bit of work, though in view of previous remarks, I hope may not be accused of making light of the gallop, by saying nothing electrifying was noticeable.

Little Tommy Regan took the big Harold out a breather, followed by Flash, Bell Brand, and Fusilier. Then Lynch's unnamed mare was slipped along a few furlongs smartly. She's a very nice cut of a horse, and one would imagine this astute trainer would know just what to send to India to nobble the oof.

Blue Bell from Mr. Maurice Turner's string, with Daffodil, went a long jumping school, the grey operating perfectly, but seems to be lacking in dash of foot, while with Daffodil the foot is there, but the jumping isn't. This horse appears to want catching hold of as he lands, and a few admonishings given not to be so ready to treck off to the left, by which so much ground is lost, to say no thing of the possibility of the jump being shirked altogether when racing.

After Mr. Dudley had put in Thursday's gallop on Clynder, I was not prepared to run across Mr. Galstaun hacking her half way round the Ellenborough this morning, and afterwards sending her along a gallop of about 3 furlongs to half a mile, with Mr. Dass's two new ones; so I am in doubt who is actually going to ride with the colours.

I also caught a glimpse of Belmeath (native), Planet (W. White), and Euryalus (Mr. Dudley), going slowly round the same course, after which the latter pair went very fast in the open on the high ground. There was nothing much separating them as they finished.

I noticed later, Mr. Dudley doing a much improved school on Rezia, the pony negotiating three flights in certainly improved form. I had an idea Rezia would have been more forward last year than turned out, but then jumping was a new game; now in such able hands, I think, I, as also Mr. Dass or was it Mr. Roy, will be recompensed for our disappointment.

I am sorry to hear "Mr. B.B," the owner of Second Thought, Rienzette, and Revelle, has met with a nasty accident, having been thrown from his horse and broken a leg. It's bad enough to get a leg crocked up, but to add to Mr. B.B's trouble, he will perforce be debarred from seeing any of his ponies racing for some time.

The course was opened for the first time on the 25th instant when the ponies Yuletide (Mr. Cowper), Good Chat (Mr. Evers), accompanied by Mr. Mackellar's horse Orphan Boy went a nice working gallop, over the pony hurdle course, leaving out the last two flights, and finish ing along the top. All jumped well, Yuletide in particular. This pony is in wonderfully good fettle just now.
Immediately afterwards, Odin (Mr. Wilmot) and Cheer Up (Bloss) started on the far side, and jumped the last three flights of the pony hurdles, afterwards being taken back and ridden over the last flight of the horse hurdles. Odin as usual, jumped perfectly and Cheer Up showed an improvement on his last display; but still wants a lot of schooling.

That fast improving mare Pierrette, belonging to Mr. K. Hamilton, came a half speed gallop of four furlongs; and later, March (Bloss) and Maid of Kent (Regan) ran along for three furlongs, the former gave a very poor display, the "Maid" holding her own comfortably all the way. March, who has the reputation of being very smart over a short distance, has been doing all her work in a trap; she will certainly have to show a vast improvement on this performance, to do any good in the maiden race at the first meeting, for which she is intended.

The usual contingent were out as usual from the other stables; but on this particular morning, I was paying all my attention to the amateur establishments.

T. Regan who came up with Mr. Bert Allen, and is working with Smallman, is a promising boy, he is only 14, and can go to scale a pound or two over 6 stone; he has ridden plenty of winners all over South Africa, and any one getting in horses at bottom weights, in the handicaps, will do well to secure his services.

Tuesday morning, the course was again open, and there was a bustle about things. Gallops were put in at a rate, following close on each other's heels, that in one particular smart scurry just consisting of three at the commencement, the two gentlemen in the stewards stand must have been exercised in mind to account for the four horses that finished nearly abreast. The extra one had been putting in a bit on his own, but took so long over the doing, that he was chased in a winner, by the other three. The ponies, Miss Beryl (O'Neil) and Blue Bell (native), from Wishart's went a smart five furlongs, the deal going to the first. Then another pair from the same stable, Morris (Bloss) and Pylara (native), went the same distance.

Mr. Galstaun next tried conclusions on Clynder with one of Mr. Dass's new ones ridden by W. White or was it Belmeath; and must have been satisfied that he is on a mare that will give him a big chance of figuring pleasantly prominent in a finish he will be riding on the 6th proximo.

Mr. Rodacanachi's Kittylea (Sheldrick) with Mr. Deakin's Invincible (native) next put in a bit of good going, the evergreen Kitty footing it as if time had no residential qualification down her street.

Daffodil (Sheldrick) and Blue Bell went five furlongs about 1-15, followed by Not Yet (Mr. Galstaun), Western Queen (Mr. Chater); but as the timing was considerably in advance of the above, 'tis quite clear they were only at pipe openers.

Kilnerrin (Bloss) and Rathcoon (O'Neil) put in a five furlong bout, the last half mile ticking out about 59secs.
Mr Evers gave May B a rattle along three furlongs, also Sunshine. Then W. White on Second Thought, and Walker on Reinzette, put up the smartest gallop of the morning cutting out the five furlongs at 1-14

Wall was on Macedon as also on "All Fours" a bit later. I have not heard of any disastrous results, though a climb down was evidently on. Profit (O'Neil) and Shylock (native) went a fast sprint from the five furlong post; the former jockey a little later, coming along a good 12 annas on Daphney. Little Regan on Cheer Up had the legs of Odin (Mr. Wilmot) Mascot (Mr. Maurice Turner), in their little set to from the four furlong post.
Bell Brand and Flash from Smallman's, put in their usual work, as also Harold Hello, Fusilier, and Norman. Howie, Johnson, and Regan having a busy morning in the saddle.

Mr. Bert Allen's ponies did their gallops in the cool of the morning before the break of day, so 'twas said, though I think I did see that nice mare Natalina outside the enclosure on exercise bent. During the morning I also noticed a couple of nags careering about on their own evidently having shifted their cargoes. One pulled up near Mr. Dudley's lot.
Beazley trotted Cerise twice round and Sid White put in a gallop on an unknown.

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TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

BEAZLEY.
Parole
Cerise

MR. BERT ALLEN.
Coal Queen
Pat C
Natalina
Young Rake
Stella
Go-Bang

MR. A. N. DASS.
Clynder
Trollop
Merry X'mas
Euryalus
Rezia

MR. DUDLEY.
Planet
Snapshot
Stepma
Lone Hand
Belmeath

MR. EVERS.
Sunshine
Flamingo
May B
Blair Athol

MR. GALSTAUN.
Western Queen
Not Yet
Vanguard
Rosalea
Shooting Star
The Griffin
The Captain

MR. MCCALL.
Moss Rose (probably)

D. NORTON.
Kittylea
Perfect
Shylock
Black Patch
Sweet Talk
Daffodil
Blue Bell
Invincible
Golden Tip
Whiff

M. RABAN.
Naiades
Autocrat

F SMALLMAN.
Hello
Harold
Pylara
Bell Brand
Norman
Fusilier
Mademoiselle
Thundercloud

WALKER (training at Ballygunge).
Second Thought
Revellie
Reinzette

J. WALL.
Macedon
All Fours

MR COWPER.
Yuletide
First Guide
Whisper
Mocassin

MR. REES.
Oom Paul

H. WISHART.
Road Metal
Actress
East Ferry
Irish
Corick
Blue Bell
Rathcoon
Twilight
Kelnerrin
Fotheringay
Morris
Footlight
Thunder Queen
Winklet

MR. TURNER.
Maid of Kent
Good Chat
Winterlea
Mascot
Marsh
Cheer Up
Odin
Cardigan Boy
Pierrette

Races to Come.

PROGRAMME OF POONA RACES AND STEEPLECHASES, 1904.

STEWARDS:

THE STEWARDS W. I. T. C.

POONA RACES.

First day	...	... Wednesday,	21st Sept. 1904.
Second day	...	... Saturday,	24th " "
Third day	...	... Monday,	26th " "
Fourth day	...	... Wednesday,	28th " "
Fifth day	...	... Saturday,	1st October "
Sixth day	...	... Monday,	3rd " "
Extra day	...	... Saturday,	8th " "

NOTICE.

Programme for Extra Day, Saturday, 8th October 1904, will be published hereafter.

LENGTH OF COURSE.—1¼ miles and 10¼ yards.
First Entries close ... Tuesday, 2nd August 1904.
Second Entries close ... Tuesday, 23rd August 1904.
Third and Final Entries close Tuesday, 6th September 1904.

First Day, Wednesday, 21st September 1904.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 3,000, out of which second receives Rs. 600 and the third Rs. 400. For Horses. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, race value Rs. 2,000, 4lbs.; value Rs. 4,000, 7lbs.; value Rs. 10,000 or over, 12lbs. Allowances—Horses which have not won race value Rs. 1,000 or over, 5lbs.; Maidens, 12lbs. (not accumulative) Horses which have not won race, 1 mile or upwards, 5lbs. additional. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 40; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 60; Tuesday, 27th September (when race will close), Rs. 80, with Rs 20 in addition for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

H. H. THE FIRST AGA KHAN'S COMMEMORATION PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Arabs. W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of race value Rs. 900 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000, 4lbs.; of Rs. 7,000 or over, 7lbs., in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs.; Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 25; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 35; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 50, with Rs. 15 in addition for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, which have not won race value Rs. 900 or over previous to 1st January 1904. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st December 1903, of a race value Rs. 700 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 25; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 35; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 50, with Rs. 15 in addition for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE NEW PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. For ponies 14-2 and under, new measurement, which have not won a flat race (Handicap excepted) value Rs. 1,000 or over since 31st December 1903. 14-2 to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 600 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or over 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. For ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, which have not won a flat race (Handicap excepted) value Rs. 1,000 or over, since 31st December 1903. 14 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 600 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs; oftener 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or over, 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. Distance—½ mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE LILLIPUTS.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. For Arab ponies 13-3 and under, new measurement. 13-3 to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 900 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above, of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or over, 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. Distance—½ mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

Second Day, Saturday 24th September 1904

THE WESTERN INDIA STAKES.—Rs. 10,000, out of which second receives Rs. 2,000 and the third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Horses. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 22nd September 1904. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 70; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 100; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 140, with Rs. 40 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 21st September; and Rs. 40 in addition for horses not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 22nd September 1904.

THE CRITERION.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over, since 31st March 1902. W. A. and C. reduced 10lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 500; once, 4lbs.; twice of race value Rs. 500, or of race value Rs. 900, 7lbs.; three times of race value Rs. 500, or of race value Rs. 1,400, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 25; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 35; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 50, with Rs. 15 more for horses not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 22nd September 1904.

THE POONA DERBY.—Rs. 3,500, out of which second receives Rs. 700 and the third Rs. 300. For Arab Horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 900 or over previous to 1st January 1904. W. A. reduced 5lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st December 1903, of a race value Rs. 700 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies, 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 45; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 60; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 90, with Rs. 30 in addition for horses not struck out by 6 P.M., on Thursday, 22nd September 1904.

THE DEALERS' PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement. 14 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 900 or over; once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or more, 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 45; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 in addition for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE BOMBAY GRAND NATIONAL.—Rs. 3,000, out of which second receives Rs. 600 and the third Rs. 400. A steeplechase for horses. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a steeplechase value Rs. 500 or over; once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Winners since the above date of a steeplechase value Rs. 3,000 or over 10lbs., in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 10lbs. Distance—About 2 miles 1 furlong. Entrance—Tuesday 2nd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs 45; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 in addition for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE KIRKEE CHASE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A steeplechase for A. and C.-B. Ponies, 14-2 and under, new measurement, and other classes, 14-1 and under, new measurement. Weight—Above heights to carry 11st. 10lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner since 31st March 1902, of a steeplechase value Rs. 500 or over: once 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs; oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens, 7lbs., Arabs, 16lbs, C.-B's 8lbs. Distance—About 1 mile 7 furlongs, over the Pony steeplechase course. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 50, with Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE INTERNATIONAL PLATE.—Rs. 2,500, out of which second receives Rs. 500 and the third Rs. 300. A Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 22nd September 1904. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 25; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 35; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 50, with Rs. 15 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 21st September, and Rs. 15 in addition for ponies not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 22nd September 1904.

Third Day, Monday, 26th September 1904.

THE POONA GRAND NATIONAL.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A steeplechase for horses. W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a steeplechase value Rs. 500 or over; once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Winners since the above date of a steeplechase value Rs. 3,000 or over 10lbs., in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 10lbs. Distance—About 2 miles 1 furlong. Entrance—Tuesday 2nd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs 45; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close). Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 in addition for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE KIRKEE CHASE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A steeplechase for A. and C.-B. Ponies, 14-2 and under, new measurement, and other classes, 14-1 and under, new measurement. Weight—Above heights to carry 11st. 10lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner since 31st March 1902, of a steeplechase value Rs. 500 or over: once 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs; oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens, 7lbs., Arabs, 16lbs, C.-B's 8lbs. Distance—About 1 mile 7 furlongs, over the Pony steeplechase course. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 50, with Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE SEPTEMBER PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1902. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., 25th September. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 24th September, and Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 10 A.M., 25th September 1904.

THE BREEDERS' PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for country-bred horses. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., 25th September 1904. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 30, with Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 24th September, and Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 1 A.M., on 26th September 1904.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arabs. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on 25th September. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40 with Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 24th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 10 A.M., on 25th September 1904.

THE WANOWRIE PLATE.—Rs. 3,000, out of which second receives Rs. 600 and the third Rs. 400. For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement. 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 900 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000, or over, 4lbs., in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 40; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 60; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 80, with Rs. 20 in addition for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 24th September 1904.

Fourth Day, Wednesday, 28th September 1904.

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.—Rs. 4,000 (Rs 1,000 presented by H. E. the Right Hon'ble Lord Lamington, G.C.I.E., G.C.M.G., and the balance from the Fund), the second to receive Rs. 700 and the third Rs. 300, out of the entire stake. A handicap for Arabs. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904. Distance—R. C. and distance. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 35; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 50; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close). Rs. 70, with Rs. 25 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Monday, 26th September, and Rs. 25 in addition for horses not struck out before 10 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904.

THE GANESHKIND PLATE.—Rs. 4,000, out of which second receives Rs. 700 and third Rs. 300. A handicap for horses. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 35; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 50; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close). Rs. 70, with Rs. 25 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Monday, 26th September, and Rs. 25 in addition for horses not struck out before 10 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Rs. 2,000 out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1902. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Tuesday 27th September. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Monday, 26th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 10 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904.

THE CORONATION PLATE.—Rs. 3,500, out of which second receives Rs. 600 and the third Rs. 300. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 35; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 50, Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 70, with Rs. 20 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Monday, 26th September, and Rs. 20 in addition for ponies not struck out before 10 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for ponies 14 hands and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 30, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Monday, 26th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 10 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904.

THE LAWN PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close). Rs 40, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Monday, 26th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 10 A.M., on Tuesday, 27th September 1904.

Fifth Day, Saturday, 1st October 1904.

THE AGA KHAN'S CUP.—A Cup value £100 sterling presented by H. H. the Aga Sir Sultan Muhammad Shah Aga Khan, G.C.I.E., and Rs. 4,000 from the Fund), out of which second receives Rs. 800, and the third Rs. 400. A handicap for horses. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—1¼ miles, Entrance—Tuesday 2nd August, Rs. 40; Tuesday, 23rd August Rs. 60; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close). Rs. 80, with Rs. 25 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 28th September, and Rs. 25 in addition for horses not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 29th September 1904.

THE OCTOBER PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1902. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August. Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 5th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 28th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 29th September 1904.

THE WINNERS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 2,000 out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arabs. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 28th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 29th September 1904.

THE TURF CLUB CUP.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for country-bred horses. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs 30, with Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 28th September and Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 29th September 1904.

THE COMMISSIONESS' PURSE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 28th September and Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 29th September 1904.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arab ponies 14 hands and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August Rs 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close). Rs. 30, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M. on Wednesday 28th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 6 P.M. on Thursday, 29th September 1904.

THE LILLIPUT HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arab ponies 13-3 and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close). Rs. 30, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Wednesday, 28th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 6 P.M., on Thursday, 29th September 1904.

Sixth Day, Monday, 3rd October 1904.

THE POONA GRAND ANNUAL.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs 200. A handicap steeplechase for horses. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—About 2 miles 1 furlong. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs 40, with Rs. 10 more for horses not struck out before 6 P.M., on Friday, 30th September, and Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 10 A.M., on 2nd October 1904.

THE GANESHKHIND CHASE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs 200. A handicap steeplechase for ponies 14-2 and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on Thursday, 29th September. Distance—About 1 mile 7 furlongs over Pony Steeplechase Course. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 30, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 6 P.M., on Friday, 30th September, and Rs 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 10 A.M. on 2nd October 1904.

THE POONA HANDICAP.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for horses. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on 2nd October. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 40, with Rs. 15 more for horses not struck out before 7 A.M., on Saturday, 1st October, and Rs. 10 in addition for horses not struck out before 10 A.M., on 2nd October 1904.

THE ALL-PONY PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on 2nd October Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 20 Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 30; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close) Rs. 40, with Rs. 15 more for horses not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday 1st October and Rs. 10

THE KIRKEE PLATE.—Rs 1,500, out of which second receives, Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arab ponies 14 hands and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on 2nd October. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 30, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M., on Saturday, 1st October, and Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 10 A.M., on 2nd October 1904.

THE GHORPURI PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200 A handicap for Arab ponies 13-3 and under. Handicap to be published by 8 A.M., on 2nd October. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—Tuesday, 2nd August, Rs. 15; Tuesday, 23rd August, Rs. 20; Tuesday, 6th September (when the race will close), Rs. 30, with Rs. 10 more for ponies not struck out before 7 P.M. on Saturday, 1st October, and Rs. 10 in addition for ponies not struck out before 10 A.M., on 2nd October 1904.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. W. I. T. C. Rules.
2. Course and stable fees will be charged according to Poona Course Regulations, 1904.
3. Entrance money goes to the Fund.

4. The full advertised money will be given in every case except in the case of a "walk over," when only half the advertised money will be given, and according to Rule 140.

5. No entries will be accepted unless accompanied by a remittance for the full amount of such entries. Cheques and drafts must be made payable in Poona, in favour of the Secretary, W. I. T. C.

In W. I. Races the height, and whether Old or New measurement, and in W. A. Races the age must be stated.

New measurement means ponies measured since 31st March 1899.

Entries must be made on forms which will be supplied by the Secretary, W. I. T. C., on application.

With less than six entries on *bona-fide* separate interests the Stewards reserve the right to declare any race or steeplechase void.

6. Mares and Geldings allowed 3lbs., in all races, except selling races and handicaps.

7. In all races, other than selling races and handicaps, landing allowance will be given to all horses and ponies landing in India direct from country of foaling or from United Kingdom. To Arabs landed after 1st July 1903, 6lbs. To other cases if landed on or after 1st January 1904, 3lbs; if landed after 1st June 1904, 6lbs. (not accumulative). The allowance to be reduced by 3lbs, on a horse or pony winning one race value Rs. 200 and upwards, and to cease on his winning two races of that value and upwards after arrival in India.

8. Unless otherwise specified starting declarations for each race must be in the declaration box for that race, not later than half an hour before the time advertised for such race. The declaration must be in writing on an official form, which will be supplied by the Secretary, and must state the name of the race the name of the horse and weight to be carried, and the name of the Jockey, and must be accompanied by the amount due for Starting Sweepstakes (if any), for extra money for horses not struck out, for any fees due and for the Jockey's fee for a losing mount if not already paid.

Omissions or errors in the Starting Declaration will render the owner or person making it subject to a fine at the discretion of the Stewards.

9. Every person running a horse in colours or in colours other than those registered in his own or assumed name without submitting not later than two days before the race a written declaration of the colours which will be used will be fined Rs. 20 in respect of each horse so run. A declaration may be made of colours which will be used by the person making it throughout the meeting, in which case no further declaration will be required.

10. All telegrams to be confirmed by letter.

11. All communications to be addressed to the Secretary, Western India Turf Club, Poona.

CECIL GRAY.
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

POONA, *1st March 1904.*

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT).

LONDON, *Friday, 8th July* 1904.

THE TURF.

ALEXANDRA PARK.

A GOODLY company congregated under the shadow of Muswell Hill on Saturday afternoon to witness the race for the sixth London Cup, but the attendance, though well up to the average, did not reach record proportions. The more momentous struggle between the rival Blues at Lord's doubtless enticed many of the half-holiday folk from their steadfast allegiance to the sport of kings, and it may have been that the unsettled weather deterred a few from visiting the northern suburb. A succession of sharp showers fell during the day, but it was bright and cool in the intervals between them, and on the whole, the conditions were enjoyable. The big race attracted a capital field to the post, and both from a spectacular and speculative point of view proved an unqualified success.

THE LONDON CUP (HANDICAP).—Of 927sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr R H Henning's br c Foundling, by Trenton—Lady Charity, 3yrs, 7st 2lbs	Jarvis	1
Mr J Buchanan's b c Hands Down, by Meddler—Handspun, 3yrs, 8st 8lbs ...	W Lane	2
Mr J S Crawford's b h Captain Kettle, by Buccaneer—Comette, aged, 8st 4lbs ...	B Dillon	3
Mr H Keswick's Csardas, by Ladas—Polka, 5yrs, 9st 5lbs (inc 14lbs ex) ...	M Cannon	0
Mr G A Prentice's General Cronje, by Gallinule—Moira, 4yrs, 9st	O Madden	0
Mr J C Sullivan's Likely Bird, by Winkfield—Like a Bird, aged, 8st 13lbs ...	W A Higgs	0
Lord Carnarvon's St Emilion, by St Frusquin—La Rose, 4yrs, 8st 12lbs ...	J H Martin	0
Mr W H Schwind's Kiltcel, by Kilwarlin—Bright Star, 5yrs, 8st 8lbs... ...	J Watts	0
Mr G Cottrill's Debutante, by Queen's Birthday—Belle Demoiselle, 4yrs, 7st 12lbs*	Butchers	0
Mr W H Brice's Eminent, by Amphion—Nestling, 4yrs, 8st 11lb	H Toon	0
Mr C H Hannam's Raven's Flight, by Ravensbury—Flying Colours, 5yrs, 7st 4lbs*	Sharples	0
Mr J L Dugdale's Priam, by Oberon—Hecuba, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs	Trigg	0
Mr H Bottomley's Cerillo, by Orvieto—Cereza 5yrs, 7st 6lbs	Finlay	0
Mr J Corlett's Lord of the Level, by Macheath—Mome d' Amour, 4yrs, 6st 11lbs	W Griggs	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Brewer.*)

BETTING: 9 to 2 agst. St. Emilion, 9 to 2 Foundling, 7 to 1 Hands Down, 7 to 1 Priam, 8 to 1 Kilteel, 10 to 1 General Cronje, 10 to 1 Csardas, 10 to 1 Captain Kettle, 100 to 8 Raven's Flight, 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Csardas was the first to leave the paddock, and he was followed in the parade by General Cronje, Likely Bird, St. Emilion, Hands Down, and Kilteel, the last pair being Foundling and Lord of the Level. They turned and cantered in the same order, and a slight delay was caused by Csardas. When the signal was given Cerillo was left at the post and Likely Bird hung fire, St. Emilion being the first to show in front of Priam, Csardas, Eminent, Hands Down, Lord of the Level, Captain Kettle, and Debutante, with Likely Bird whipping in, to the turn out of the straight, where Priam took a slight lead of St Emilion, with Hands Down, Csardas, Eminent, Lord of the Level, and Captain Kettle next, and Kilteel dropping into the rear. On emerging into view about half a mile from home Hands Down held a slight lead of St. Emilion, Likely Bird, Eminent, Csardas, and Priam, but opposite the stands Foundling began to improve his position, and, getting on terms with Hands Down a few strides from the post, won an exciting race by a neck; three-parts of a length divided the second and third. Likely Bird was placed fourth, Raven's Flight was fifth, Eminent sixth, St. Emilion seventh, Debutante eighth, Csardas ninth, Priam next, and General Cronje last.

THE OAKLEY PLATE.—Of 272sovs., for two-years-olds; winner to be sold for 100sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr W B Purefoy's ch f Egyptian Beauty, by Buckingham or Islington—Isis Belle, 8st 7lbs	B Dillon	1
Mr J Barrow's b c More Trouble, 8st 9lbs	Trigg	2
Mr F Luscombe's ch f Anabell, 8st 6lbs ...	W Lane	3
Sir R Waldie Griffith's St Hilary, 8st 11lbs	Martin	0
Mr T Jennings's Montelimar, 8st 9lbs ..	Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING: 8 to 1 on Egyptian Beauty, 100 to 8 agst. St. Hilary, and 100 to 6 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by four lengths; three lengths divided second and third. St. Hilary was fourth. The winner was bought in for 210 guineas.

BIBURY CLUB (SALISBURY.)

Just as a tree that is transplanted undergoes a period of inanition before it begins to thrive in new soil, so the Bibury Club, transferred from its home at Stockbridge, passed through an acute and severe crisis extending over a couple of seasons. Happily the time-honoured institution is now fully acclimatised amidst the congenial surroundings of Salisbury, and it seems to be flourishing exceedingly and to have entered upon another lease of prosperity. The reunion is essentially a picnic gathering, and the sport is conducted on enjoyable lines. The entertainment on the 5th instant was of the usual varied description, and worked out fairly well, but the weather was just a little disappointing, the air being quite chilly at times, whilst the sun was obscured behind turbulent banks of clouds.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Of 437sovs., for three-year-olds; colts 8st. 7lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 4lbs.; penalties, etc. One mile.

Mr J Musker's b r c The Warrior, by Orion—Vaurienne, 8st	O Madden	1
Capt Freville Cookson's bre Vernham, 8st 7lbs	Watts	2
Lord Carnarvon's ch c Vril, 9st 3lbs ...	J H Martin	3
Mr F Alexander's Bitters, 8st ...	M Cannon	0
Mr A Sergeaunt's Flare, 7st 11lbs ...	Plant	0

(*Winner trained by Gilbert.*)

BETTING: Evens Bitters, 3 to 1 agst. the Warrior, 100 to 30 Vril, and 20 to 1 each Vernham, and Flare (offered).

Won easily by two lengths from Vernham, who took second place; four lengths separated the second and third. Bitters was fourth.

THE WILTON HANDICAP.—Of 263sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr W Johnston's b h Silent Friend, by Hazlehatch—Myrtledine, 6yrs, 8st ...	J H Martin	1
Mr G A Prentice's b g Zanoni, aged, 7st 12lbs	O Madden	2
Mr J L Dugdale's ch c Extravagance, 3yrs, 6st 10lbs*	F Foulds	3
Mr H Howard Vyse's Gun Club, 4yrs, 8st 7lbs	M Cannon	0
Mr J Buchanan's Bachelor's Fancy, 4yrs, 9st	B Lynham	0
Mr G Edwardes's Country Boy, 4yrs, 7st 10lbs*	J Page	0
Mr P P Peebles's Mary Belle, 3yrs, 7st 5lbs	Plant	0
Mr F R Hunt's Bridle Road, 3yrs, 6st 11lbs*	Kerridge	0
Mr W Bass's f, by Carbine—Stream of Gold, 3yrs, 6st 9lbs*	Rollason	0
Mr T W Pratt's The Kid II., 3yrs, 6st 8lbs*	E Pratt	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Silent Friend, 9 to 2 each Zanoni and Bridle Road, 5 to 1 the Stream of Gold filly, 8 to 1 each Gun Club and Country Boy, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a length; four lengths divided the second and third Stream of Gold filly was fourth, Bridle Road fifth, The Kid II., sixth, Bachelor's Fancy next, and Gun Club last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min 3⅘secs

A stroll in the Cathedral Close is the usual preliminary to a day's racing at Salisbury, and Turnites of all denominations are generally to be seen enjoying the cool morning air in the precincts of the venerable edifice prior to setting forth for the steep uplands The drive would be pleasanter and less of an ordeal if the local authorities paid more attention to the watering of the roads, which, in spite of an absence of sunshine, were inches thick with chalky dust. The solar rays asserted themselves as soon as the racecourse was reached on the 6th instant, and the afternoon was bright if somewhat close. The attendance was in excess of that of the last anniversary, and runners were numerous, but the proceedings were tame and featureless.

THE HURSTBOURNE STAKES.—Of 495sovs., for two-year-olds; colts 9st, fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; penalties, etc. Five furlongs.

Sir J Thursby's ch c Standen, by St Angelo—Gravity, 9st	Mr G Thursby	1
Mr T Simpson Jay's ch c Ormazd, 8st 11lbs	D Maher	2
Mr W B Purefoy's ch g Michet, 8st 3lbs ...	Kerridge	3

(*Winner trained by G. Edwards.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Standen, 3 to 1 agst. Ormazd, and 100 to 8 Michet (offered).

Won by two lengths; six lengths separated the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 4⅘secs.

THE PEMBROKE HANDICAP.—Of 269sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr E H Polehampton's br c Thunderbolt, by St Angelo—Chimera, 4yrs, 8st 6lbs	Randall	1
Mr Sleath Skelton's b g Happy Slave, 5yrs, 8st 13lbs	M Cannon	2
Mr M J Hunt's bf St Joie, 3yrs, 7st 7lbs ...	Trigg	3
Mr G Feber's Bobrinski, 3yrs, 8st 4lbs* ...	B Darling	0
Capt Bewicke's Wild Lad, 4yrs, 8st 5lbs ...	O Madden	0
Mr C Levy's St Rollox, 4yrs, 7st 13lbs ...	J H Martin	0
Mr L J Shirley's Yab, 5yrs, 7st ...	Plant	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowances deducted.

(*Winner trained by H. Bates.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Thunderbolt, 3 to 1 Wild Lad, 7 to 1 Happy Slave, 8 to 1 each St. Joie and St. Rollox, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by five lengths; a length and a half between second and third. Wild Lad was fourth, St. Rollox fifth, and Yab last.

A potent factor in the success of the Bibury Club Meeting is the up-to-date management. It is highly satisfactory to owners and the public alike to have the first day's programme published in its complete form, with the order of running, some days in advance, and the abolition of over-night entries for selling races is universally commended. Situate as the present venue is in the heart of the Wiltshire training quarters, there has been no lack of competitors for the various events decided during the present fixture, and in the open contests, at any rate, the sport fulfilled expectations. Those confined to amateur riders did not pan out so satisfactorily, but Mr. Thursby, who steered four winners to victory during the two-day gathering in 1902 and two last July, again carried off the honours for amateur horsemanship with a quartette of triumphs, and he is *facile princeps* amongst the amateur jockeys of the present day. His efforts were not rewarded with success yesterday, however, and his handling of Fighting Furley in the Members' Welter Plate could not but give rise to a lverse comment.

THE CHAMPAGNE STAKES.—Of 397sovs., for two-year-olds; colts 8st. 12lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs.; winners extra. Five furlongs.

Mr W B Purefoy's ch f Cyanean, by Cyllene—Nenemoosha, 9st 5lbs	O Madden	1
Mr A James's br f Chain Stitch, 9st 5lbs	H Jones	2
Sir J Thursby's b c Stand Off, 8st 12lbs ...	Foulds	3
Mr S Darling's Bishopscourt, 8st 12lbs ...	Pearce	0
Mr J L Dugdale's Kama, 8st 12lbs ...	Trigg	0
Mr R C Garton's c, by Matchmaker—Hairdress, 8st 12lbs	Watts	0
Mr L Robinson's Costly Lady, 8st 9lbs ...	M Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Cyanean, 3 to 1 Chain Stitch, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by four lengths from Chain Stitch, who took second place a quarter of a mile from home; five lengths between second and third. Hairdress colt was fourth, Bishopscourt fifth, and Costly Lady last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 3⅘secs.

THE TISBURY SELLING PLATE.—Of 194sovs., for two-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; winner to be sold for 50sovs. Five furlongs.

Capt J Orr-Ewing's b f, by Wolf's Crag—Catchword, 8st 11lbs	Randall	1
Lord Carnarvon's ch f, by Loved One—Golden Web, 8st 11lbs	J H Martin	2
Mr A Stedall's ch C, by Knight of Malta—Pratie, 9st	M Cannon	3
Mr S Peebles's Australasia, 8st 11lbs ...	Trigg	0
Mr Thursby's Yankee Toy, 8st 9lbs* ...	Maddocks	0
Mr Lewis Waller's Beaucaire, 9st ...	Watts	0
Mr J Buchanan's Gay Fairy, 8st 6lbs* ...	Saxby	0
Mr T Cannon's Horatius, 8st 11lbs ...	C Cannan	0
Mr H H Collins's f, by Louis XIII, dam by Merry Hampton—Queen Rose, 8st 11lbs	H Jones	0
Mr G Cottrill's Dahlia, 8st 6lbs* ...	Butchers	0
Mr R W Cox's Fair Stranger, 8st 11lbs ...	East	0
Mr W H Moore's Mariella, 8st 11lbs ...	E Driscoll	0
Mr H Nickall's Irritate, 8st 11lbs ...	B Lynham	0
Mr G A Prentice's Ice Bird, 8st 11lbs ...	O Madden	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Robson.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Catchword filly, 5 to 1 each Pratie colt, Ice Bird, and Dahlia, 8 to 1 each Mariella and Irritate, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; four lengths divided the second and third. Ice Bird was fourth, Dahlia fifth, Irritate sixth, Horatius seventh, Gay Fairy next, and Australasia last. The winner was bought in for 210 guineas.

PRINCIPAL WINNING OWNERS IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 8th July.*)

	Winning Horses.	Races Won.	£	s.
Sir J Miller	9	15	14,479	0
Mr L de Rothschild ...	3	5	12,829	0
Major E Loder	1	3	11,750	0
Mr F Alexander	5	7	7,858	0
Lord Rosebery	3	7	5,185	0
Mr A P Cunliffe	2	7	4,845	0
Lord Carnarvon	7	9	4,642	10
Mr P P Gilpin	4	6	4,461	0
Mr L Neumann	3	4	4,353	15
Duke of Westminster ...	4	6	4,209	0
Sir E Cassel	7	11	4,089	5
Mr J Musker	5	8	3,960	10
Mr Lionel Robinson ...	3	4	3,404	0
Lord H de Walden ...	3	4	3,310	0
Mr W B Purefoy	4	8	3,148	0
Lord Durham	4	8	3,085	0
Mr A James	6	8	2,923	0
Mr H E Randall	11	22	2,780	0
Mr Keswick	1	2	2,720	0
Mr G Miller	3	5	2,704	0
Mr R H Henning	5	10	2,599	0
Mr de Wend Fenton ...	1	4	2,596	10
Mr W Hall Walker	3	3	2,571	0
Capt Orr Ewing	6	8	2,191	0
Duke of Portland	3	3	2,164	0
Mr J Buchanan	4	5	2,132	0
Mr L Brassey	5	5	1,908	0
Major J D Edwards ...	6	7	1,863	10
Mr E Dresden	4	4	1,842	0
Mr G Edwardes	5	7	1,830	0
Mr S B Joel	4	5	1,544	10
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell ...	2	3	1,540	0
Capt Forester	2	2	1,520	0
Mr J Sloucombe	1	2	1,510	0

PRINCIPAL WINNING TRAINERS IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 8th July.*)

	Winning Horses.	Races Won.	£	s.
Mr P P Gilpin	11	15	20,626	15
G Blackwell	13	19	16,661	0
A Hayhoe	1	2	11,750	0
J Fallon	12	21	10,540	0
H Braime	7	0	8,150	0
P Peck	6	13	7,699	0
W T Robinson	7	12	7,643	10
J Porter	9	11	6,664	0
Major Edwards	15	19	5,918	0
P Greusil	10	12	5,396	10
S Darling	8	9	5,287	0
R Marsh	12	15	4,811	0
A Sadler, Jun	16	29	4,315	10
Mr F Lambton	7	11	4,089	0
A J Gilbert	5	8	3,913	10
Major Beatty	4	5	3,457	0
W A Jarvis	6	9	3,018	0
M D Peacock	9	13	3,014	0

PRINCIPAL WINNING HORSES IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 8th July.*)

	Races won.	£	s.
St Amant (3yrs), b c, by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule	2	11,750	0
Pretty Polly (3yrs), ch f, by Gallinule—Admiration	3	11,750	0
Rock Sand (4yrs), b c, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune	2	9,589	0
Ypsilanty (6yrs), b h, by Galore—Stefanette ...	5	4,407	0
Cicero (2yrs), ch c, by Cyllene—Gas ...	4	4,234	0
Throwaway (5yrs), b h, by Rightaway—Theale...	1	3,260	0
Zinfandel (4yrs), ch c, by Persimmon—Medora ...	2	3,015	0
Csardas (5yrs), b h, by Ladas—Polka ...	2	2,720	0
Vedas (3yrs), b or br c, by Florizel II.—Agnostic	4	2,596	10
Andover (3yrs), br c, by Rightaway—Sister Lumley	2	2,498	0
Llangibby (2yrs), ch c, by Wildfowler—Concussion	2	2,377	5
Challenger (3yrs), b c, by Isinglass—Meddlesome	2	2,337	0
Henry the First (3yrs), br c, by Melton—Simena	2	2,210	10
Robert le Diable, br h, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay ...	3	2,129	0
Merry Andrew (5yrs), ch g, by Xury—Merry Foot	2	2,119	0

	Races won	£	s.
Sandboy (4yrs), b c, by Ravensbury—Sandblast	1	2,030	0
Grey Plume (3yrs), gr c, by Grey Leg—Gauntlet	3	1,952	0
Rydal Head (3yrs), b c, by St Frusquin—Rydal	1	1,875	0
Bitters (3yrs), b f, by St Serf—Mara ...	2	1,788	0
Orator (2yrs), ch c, by Orion—Melinda ...	1	1,575	0
Thrush (2yrs), b c, by Missel Thrush—Chemistry	3	1,547	0
Delaunay (3yrs), ch c, by Fortunio—Pet ...	2	1,535	0
Out o' Sight (5yrs), b h, by Rightaway—Hazleben	2	1,510	0

CRICKET.

GENTLEMEN *v.* PLAYERS.—Played at Lord's on 4th, 5th, and 6th July. The Gentlemen won by two wickets. The teams for this match were hardly as representative of the full strength of English cricket as usual, chiefly because of accidents to well-known men, but for all that the sides were exceedingly strong. The wicket turned out to be bumpy at one end, and the Players did exceedingly well to score 327 in their first innings. Hayward, the choice of the eleventh hour, was naturally selected as one of the men to go in first, and he and Iremonger seemed likely to make a big stand, when the latter ran himself out. Then for a time the bowlers carried everything before them, and four wickets were down for 62. Hayward, who had been playing admirable cricket, was now joined by J. Gunn, and the result was a partnership of 51 in forty minutes. This was followed by a long stand by Hayward and King who quite mastered the bowling. It was not until the total was 201 that Hayward was dismissed for a masterly innings of 88, which had taken him just over three hours to compile. He had certainly justified his inclusion in the team. Another long partnership followed when Rhodes joined King; it produced 83 runs in an hour and a quarter. King's splendid innings then came to an end; he had made 104 in two hours and a quarter. After this Rhodes hit very hard. It may be noted that the last five wickets added 214 runs to the total. Hesketh-Prichard bowled well and if it had been one of his lucky days he would have had a far better analysis. The Gentlemen had to bat for five minutes and lost H. K. Foster before stumps were drawn with the total at 4. The prospect of seeing Fry and Jessop bat proved very attractive to spectators on Tuesday, although the weather was most unpromising. The Gentlemen, however, played a disappointing game, and six of them fell victims to Braund for 50 runs. Fry played good cricket, but found Braund difficult to deal with, and was out after making 32 out of 46. Ranjitsinhji was never quite comfortable, and was bowled by Braund at 60. Before another run had been made Spooner, who had been playing excellent cricket, was run out, and from that time Jackson alone was able to make any prolonged resistance to the bowlers; in his usual determined way when things are going badly with his side, he played a great game, and held his own for an hour and fifty minutes. Most of his runs were made during the last wicket partnership, Hesketh-Prichard holding out bravely while Jackson hit; this wicket put on 59 runs in forty minutes. Although the Gentlemen were 156 runs behind, the Players decided to go in again themselves, since they had no desire to bat fourth on a wicket which was not only not improving, but likely to become worse. The ball kicked considerably, and Hesketh-Prichard was so difficult to deal with that wickets fell rapidly. Hayward was caught at the wicket at 38, and at 42 three wickets fell, Braund and Iremonger being finely caught in the slips, and Denton bowled. A further disaster happened at 49, when Knight, after twice being hurt by a bumping ball, had one of his fingers broken, and had to retire. King and Gunn then made a much needed stand, and afterwards Rhodes, as in the first innings, helped King considerably. King took his chances, and his hits might have occasionally been described as flukes, but the ball was bumping, and it was a splendid performance of his to score over a hundred for the second time in the match, more especially as nearly everybody else was in great difficulties with the bowling. When stumps were drawn he was not out 105, with the total at 247 for eight wickets, so that the Players were 403 runs on. The innings was soon over yesterday morning. King carried his bat for 109, for which he was batting for a little less than two hours and a half, never missing an opportunity of making a hit. The Gentlemen now required 412 to win, and few of the spectators can have thought that they had much chance of accomplishing their task. But the wicket rolled out well and the amateurs made the very most of their opportunity. Fry and Foster began the innings and in half an hour put 50 on the board; they were not parted until the total was 85, when Fry was caught and bowled after playing admirable cricket for an hour. But this good beginning was followed by disasters. Foster was caught at the wicket with the total at 100 after playing a beautiful innings for 52 runs; and at 106 Spooner was finely caught and bowled with one hand by Braund. There did not seem much likelihood that the runs could now be made, but when Ranjitsinhji and Jackson came together some magnificent cricket was seen. It was pre-eminently a time when, if their side was to win, batsmen were required to show that they possessed grit. Ranjitsinhji has often proved that he has plenty of pluck, while Jackson is noted as being one of the most dangerous bats in the world when the situation is desperate, and the two men laid themselves out to wear down the bowling. For some time Ranjitsinhji scored faster than his partner, but when both men got fully into their stride they both played with delightful ease. Ranjitsinhji made his 50 in an hour, and Jackson reached the same number in an hour and a half. The score mounted quickly, and at the tea interval the total was 262 for three wickets, Ranjitsinhji being not out 97, and Jackson not out 60. The Gentlemen now required only 150 to win, so that the fortunes of the game had very decidedly veered round in their favour. With the total at 300 the splendid partnership was at last broken, 192 runs having been put on in two hours and a half. Jackson was then caught at the wicket for a brilliant 80. When Jessop was dismissed for two and Ranjitsinhji's famous innings came to an end soon afterwards, it seemed quite probable that the Players would win, despite the great stand by Ranjitsinhji and Jackson. But there were good men to follow, and Jones, Bosanquet, Payne, and Hesketh-Prichard all deserved well of their side, with the result that the Gentlemen won a most exciting match by two wickets. Jones played a great game at a most critical time.

PLAYERS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hayward (Surrey), st Payne, b Bosanquet ...	88	c Payne, b Prichard ...	14
Iremonger (Notts), run out ...	10	c Foster, b Prichard ...	24
Denton (Yorkshire), c Jessop, b Prichard ...	4	b Prichard ...	0
Knight (Leicestershire), c Foster, b Prichard ...	7	retired hurt ...	2
Braund (Somerset), c Foster, b Prichard ...	0	c Bosanquet, b Jackson	2
J Gunn, (Notts), l-b-w, b Bosanquet ...	28	st Payne, b Bosanquet	17
King (Leicestershire), c McDonell, b Jessop ...	104	not out ...	109
Rhodes (Yorkshire), c Payne, b Bosanquet ...	50	b Jackson...	31
Arnold (Worcestershire), b Jessop ...	8	c Bosanquet, b Prichard	14
Lilley (Warwickshire), (capt), c Payne, b Jackson ...	4	b Jones ...	17
J T Hearne (Middlesex), not out ...	0	c Jackson, b Prichard	2
B 18, lb 3 w 3 ...	24	Extras ... —	23
Total ...	327	Total ...	255

GENTLEMEN.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H K Foster (Worcestershire), b Arnold	0	c Lilley, b Hearne ...	52
R H Spooner (Lancashire), run out	23	c and b Braund ...	6
C B Fry (Sussex), b Braund	32	c and b Hearne ...	41
K S Ranjitsinhji (Sussex), b Braund	5	c Lilley, b Arnold ...	121
Hon F S Jackson (Yorkshire), (capt), b Braund ...	58	c Lilley, b Arnold ...	80
A O Jones (Notts), c Lilley, b Braund	4	not out	56
G L Jessop (Gloucestershire), st Lilley, b Braund ...	12	c Denton, b Hearne ...	2
B J T Bosanquet (Middlesex), c Lilley, b Arnold ...	9	c Lilley, b Arnold ...	22
M W Payne (Cambridge University), c Lilley, b Arnold ...	1	run out	10
H C McDonell (Cambridge University), b Braund ...	1		
Hesketh-Prichard (Hampshire), not out — ...	10	not out	4
B 15, lb 1	16	B 14, lb 1, w 1, nb 2 ...	18
Total	171	Total ...	412

PLAYERS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
McDonell	21	5	58	0					
Prichard	39	12	102	3		24	4	80	5
Bosanquet	17	1	78	3		10	0	46	1
Jackson	15·5	4	31	1		24	5	67	2
Jessop	10	0	34	2		5	0	31	0
					Jones	2	0	8	1

McDonell bowled two wides and Jackson one, and Jessop delivered one no-ball.

GENTLEMEN.

First Innings.	O.	M	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne	10	1	32	0		37	10	97	3
Arnold	24	6	65	3		31·3	5	123	3
Braund	20·5	6	50	6		30	4	105	1
Rhodes	3	0	8	0		13	3	32	0
					Gunn	12	0	37	0

Arnold bowled a wide and a no ball.

OXFORD *vs.* CAMBRIDGE.—Played at Lord's on 30th June, 1st and 2nd July. Drawn. It is always so dangerous to prophesy as to the result of the University match, that although it was generally considered this season that Oxford were much stronger than Cambridge, very few cricketers ventured to say boldly that they would win. Oxford put seven Old Blues in the field, while Cambridge had only four. As the weather was all that could be desired and the wicket presumably perfect, it was regarded as a matter of great importance to win the toss, but the bowling always got up a little. On the first day Cambridge had somewhat the best of the game for, themselves scoring 253, they got rid of Raphael, Awdry, and Carlisle for 84 before stumps were drawn. At no time during the Cambridge innings was the batting very attractive, and the players seemed rather to imitate the professionals of former days than old University batsmen who had a well-deserved reputation for playing a game which was anything but tedious to watch. Keigwin's innings, which lasted for three hours for 38 was of inestimable advantage to his side, but it got on the nerves of those spectators who had come with the deliberate intention of watching the game. But to the great majority of the crowd it did not much matter whether runs were made at the rate of a dozen an hour or a hundred, for the University match seems to be regarded more than ever as a social event. Mann's innings of 42 was lively, and Wilson as usual hit hard when he had a chance. But on the whole the batting was tame, and most of the men were evidently so much impressed by the importance of the occasion that they were afraid to let themselves go. Napier bowled for a long time, with much judgment, but Martin, whose fast bowling was short and a little bumpy, seemed to cause more inconvenience to his opponents than any other man on his side. The Oxford innings began at about five o'clock, and the batting was no more attractive than had been that of Cambridge. The left-hand catch at point by which McDonell disposed of Awdry was one of the chief features of the day's cricket. On Friday, things went fairly well with Oxford as long as Evans was in; but afterwards there was a breakdown in the batting which gladdened the hearts of Cambridge men. This was due to the bowling of McDonell, who in the course of six overs took five wickets for 25 runs; if he could bowl as well when fortune does not seem favourable to him as when everything comes off, he would be a great bowler. Evans played a splendid game, and the more desperate the situation looked, the more he rose to the occasion. He was out at last in trying to make runs while the opportunity remained, after being at the wickets for an hour and forty minutes. With a very useful lead of 104 runs Cambridge began their second innings by scoring 64 for two wickets before lunch, but afterwards things went so badly with them that half their wickets were down for 128. At this stage of the game K. R. B. Fry joined Marsh, who had been playing a very sound and careful game, and during the partnership, the score was increased to 225 in an hour and a quarter. Fry abundantly justified his inclusion in the team, but his innings could hardly be described as great or brilliant, useful as it was. When stumps were drawn, with the total at 242 for seven wickets, Marsh—who had gone in first—was not out 106, which had taken him three hours and three-quarters to put together. Cambridge were now 316 runs on. At four o'clock a heavy shower interrupted the game for about fifty minutes, and a little before six another shower put an end to the day's play. When the game was resumed on Saturday morning Cambridge had a great advantage which was soon considerably increased. For, when another wicket fell at 293, Hopley joined Marsh, and the bowling was collared. In three-quarters of an hour the two men added 97 runs to the total, their play being exceedingly attractive. For some time before the closure was applied it was evident that Oxford's chances of victory were gone, but it was not until Marsh had exceeded by one run R. E. Foster's record of 171 for the match that their turn came to go again. Marsh was batting for five hours and ten minutes and thoroughly deserved all the applause which he received. As the game was to be prolonged to seven o'clock if there seemed a prospect of a finish Oxford had nearly five hours and-a-half before them, with 495 runs to make to win. They naturally played for a draw, but when six wickets were down for 128 it seemed almost certain that they would not succeed in their object. But thanks to poor fielding by Cambridge and opportune showers which kept the ball wet, Evans and Bird then pluckily kept up their wickets until a quarter to seven, when stumps were drawn. The play of Evans in the first innings had been noticeable as that of a cricketer of a high class; in the second innings it was that of a great cricketer. Evans showed splendid tactics; he evidently thought nothing about his own average, or the distinction of being able to make a hundred, and he managed to get most of the bowling in the cleverest way. In the end, he and his partner, W. S. Bird, who, like him, is an old Malvernian, were unconquered, having increased the total by 93 in an hour and-a-half, and deprived Cambridge of what looked like a certain victory. Evans was twice missed at mid-off from a hard drive, but as the ball was very slippery at the time, the fieldsman can only be regarded as unfortunate. If either of these catches had come off, seven wickets would have been down with about an hour and ten minutes left to play, and three players to follow, whose reputation as batsmen could not be considered great.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J F Marsh (Amersham Hall and Jesus), c Raphael, b Evans	13	not out ...	172
R P Keigwin (Clifton and Peterhouse), c Bird, b Martin...	38	c Bird, b Ernsthausen ...	7
E W Mann (Harrow and Trinity), b Burn ...	42	b Ernsthausen ..	19
C H Eyre (Harrow and Pembroke), b Martin ...	16	b Martin	9
E S Phillips (Marlborough and Pembroke), b Burn ...	9	b Ernsthausen ...	12
H C McDonell (Winchester and Corpus), c Bird, b Martin	36	b Ernsthausen ...	7
F B Wilson (Harrow and Trinity), c Raphael, b Martin	46	b Ernsthausen ...	7
K R B Fry (Cheltenham and Clare), l-b-w, b Ernsthausen	28	c Evans, b Martin ...	57
M W Payne (Wellington and Trinity), l-b-w b Ernsthausen	6	c Evans, b Branston ...	21
F J V Hopley (Harrow and (Pembroke), c Evans, b Martin	2	not out	54
G G Napier (Marlborough and Pembroke), not out	1		
B 11, lb 4, nb 1 ...	16	B 19, lb 4, nb 2 ...	25
Total	253	*Total for (8 wkts) ...	390

* Innings declared closed.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J E Raphael (Merchant Taylors and St John's), c Eyre, b Napier ...	12	c Payne, b McDonell ...	25
R W Awdry (Winchester and New College), c McDonell, b Napier ...	22	c Payne, b Mann ...	36
K M Carlisle (Harrow and Magdalen), c Payne, b Hopley	9	c Mann, b McDonell ...	12
W H B Evans (Malvern and Oriel), c Keigwin, b Napier	65	not out	86
G T Branston (Charterhouse and Hertford), b McDonell	24	st Payne, b McDonell ...	7
L D Brownlee (Clifton and Oriel), l-b-w, b McDonell...	3	b Napier	9
C D McIver (Forest School and Hertford), l-b-w, b Napier	1	b McDonell ...	0
W S Bird (Malvern and New College), b McDonell ...	6	not out ...	23
A C von Ernsthausen (Uppingham and Balliol), b McDonell	0		
E G Martin (Eton and New College), b McDonell ...	0		
R C W Burn (Winchester and Oriel), not out ...	2		
Lb 1, nb 4 ...	5	B 8, lb 7, w 2, nb 6 ...	23
Total	149	Total for (6 wkts) ...	221

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O	M.	R.	W.
Burn	24	4	67	2	...	18	4	56	0
Evans	22	6	71	1	...	13	1	68	0
Martin	26·2	7	70	5	...	39	8	101	2
Ernsthausen	18	9	26	2	...	34	8	98	5
Branston	2	0	3	0	...	5	0	42	1

Martin delivered three no-balls.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Napier	23·1	3	55	4	...	32	14	66	1
McDonell	14	1	49	5	...	38	17	76	4
Hopley	7	0	22	1	...	18	7	35	0
Keigwin	3	0	18	0	...	3	1	4	0
					Mann	8	3	17	1

Hopley delivered six, and Napier four, no-balls.

SURREY *vs.* DERBYSHIRE.—Played at Derby on 30th June, 1st and 2nd July. Surrey won by an innings and 103 runs. There was several alterations in the Surrey team for this match, while Bestwick was absent from the Derbyshire side on account of a strain. Derbyshire were batting all through the first day on a perfect wicket, scoring 373 for nine wickets. They began so badly, losing three wickets for 34, that for a long time the batsmen who followed adopted the most cautious tactics and Storer was at the wickets for two hours and forty minutes for his very useful 58. Later Gurgenven played a very attractive game, and made the highest score of his career as a first-class cricketer; he was batting for about the same time as Storer. The weather was very hot and oppressive during the day, and there were ominous signs of rain; but, happily for Surrey, the rain did not make an appearance on the morrow. Morton carried his bat for 56, an innings of considerable merit. For the rest of the day Surrey held their own, and when stumps were drawn they had scored 417 and had only lost half their wickets. Hayward was again in splendid form. He and Baker put up 87 for the first wicket, and at lunch time the total had been taken to 100 without further loss. Hayward was out at 157 for a wonderfully good innings of 91, which had taken him two hours and a quarter to compile. After this Hayes and Holland scored 105 in an hour and twenty minutes, and Sheppard and Hayes 100 in an hour and-a-half. Sheppard played a faultless innings. When stumps were drawn Hayes was not out 175, for which he had been batting for four hours, showing a perfect command over the bowling. There did not seem much probability on Saturday that the match would be finished, but Hayes and Lees put on 101 runs in a little over three quarters of an hour, and although no one else helped him much, Hayes continued to hit so frequently and with such power that when the innings was closed at about a quarter past one Surrey had a lead of 225 runs. Hayes was missed several times, but his cricket was of the most brilliant kind. He made 273 not out, the highest individual score of the season. He was at the wickets for five hours and-a-half and his hits included a six, a five, and 39 fours. Derbyshire began badly enough by losing

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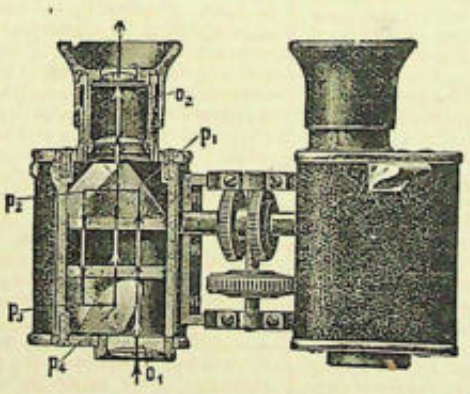
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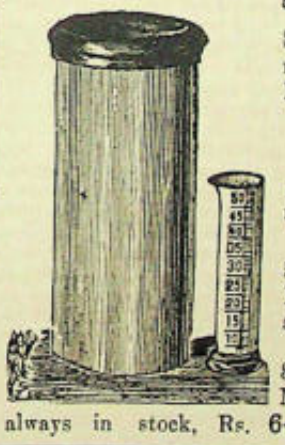
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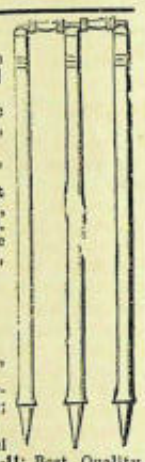
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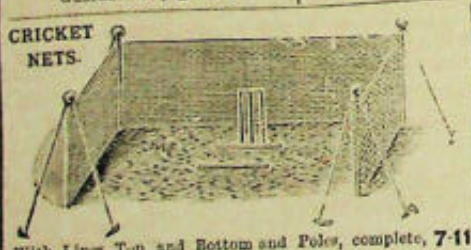
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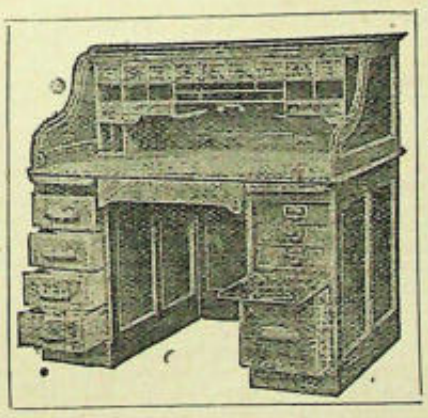
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L. G. Wright, and although the wicket still remained good Lees found a weak spot in it, and bowling with splendid judgment brought about a breakdown in the batting; he took eight wickets for 66.

DERBYSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L G Wright, c Holland, b Gooder	0	c Hayes, b Gooder ...	5
C A Ollivierre, c Holland, b Gooder	24	b Lees	23
Storer, c Gooder, b Hayward...	58	b Lees	16
E M Ashcroft, c Hayward, b Lees	2	b Lees ...	14
Warren, b Hayes	34	c and b Lees ...	14
G Curgenven, c Hayes, b Lees	124	b Lees	2
Cadman, b Hayes... ...	15	c Holland, b Gooder ...	4
A E Lawton, c Sheppard, b Lees	27	b Lees	2
Morton, not out	56	not out	16
Humphries, b Holland ...	34	1-b-w, b Lees ...	4
Green, c Hayes, b Lees ...	9	b Lees	29
Lb 2, w 1	3	W 1, nb 1 ...	2
Total	386	Total ...	122

SURREY.

Hayward, b Lawton ...	91	L V Harper, b Warren ...	9
Baker, c Cadman, b Warren	28	Lees, b Warren ...	42
Hayes, not out ...	273	Davis, b Warren ...	6
Holland, b Curgenven ...	48	Gooder, run out ...	4
R A Sheppard, b Ashcroft	82	Strudwick, not out ...	2
Moulder, st Humphries, b Ashcroft	6	B 7 lb 6, w 5, nb 2 ...	20
		* Total for (9 wkts) ...	611

* Innings declared closed.

DERBYSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees ...	36·3	2	134	4	... ...	24	5	66	8
Gooder ...	37	4	109	2	... ...	23	6	54	2
Sheppard ...	1	0	4	0					
Hayes ...	23	10	68	2					
Hayward ...	14	2	46	1					
Davis ...	7	1	15	0					
Holland ...	3	1	7	1					

Gooder bowled a wide and Lees a wide and a no-ball.

SURREY.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Warren ...	53	10	200	4	Curgenven ...	15	2	72	1
Cadman ...	32	6	90	0	Lawton ...	19	2	79	1
Storer ...	1	0	4	0	Ashcroft ...	17	5	53	2
Green ...	13	0	56	0	Morton ...	7	1	37	1

Warren bowled three wides and two no-balls and Cadman bowled two wides.

OTHER MATCHES.

Yorkshire beat Warwickshire on the 30th June and 1st and 2nd July at Edgbaston by an innings and 4 runs. On the same dates at Cork the Gentlemen of Ireland beat the South Africans by 93 runs, Sussex beat Leicestershire at Brighton by an innings and 92 runs, and Notts drew with Lancashire at Trent Bridge. At Sheffield on the 4th, 5th, and 6th Yorkshire beat Derbyshire by four wickets.

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	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	13	9	0	4	9	100·00
Yorkshire ...	14	7	1	6	6	87·50
Notts	11	6	2	3	4	50·00
Leicestershire ...	10	5	2	3	3	42·85
Sussex ...	11	4	2	5	2	33·33
Middlesex ...	7	3	2	2	1	20·00
Kent	9	4	3	2	1	14·28
Derbyshire ...	10	3	5	2	—2	— 25·00
Surrey... ...	13	4	7	2	—3	— 27·27
Essex	9	2	5	2	—3	— 42·85
Somerset ...	8	2	6	0	—4	— 50·00
Warwickshire ...	7	1	4	2	—3	— 60·00
Worcestershire ...	8	1	4	3	—3	— 60·00
Gloucestershire ...	8	1	4	3	—3	— 60·00
Hampshire ...	6	0	5	1	—5	—100·00

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BATTING. (11 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver
Fry, C B	21	2	1,629	226	85·73
Ranjitsinhji, K S ...	13	3	833	166*	83·30
Iremonger	17	1	1,200	272	78·75
Tyldesley	18	2	1,256	225	78·50
Evans, W H B	11	1	632	118	63·20
Spooner, R H	19	2	912	126	53·64
Palairet, L C H ...	15	0	804	203	53·60
Jackson, Hon F S ...	13	1	692	158	51·83
Jones, A O	19	2	854	119	50·23
Hirst	21	2	937	153	49·31
Knight	25	3	1,069	203	48·59
Hayward	30	3	1,301	148	48·18
Raphael, J E	18	0	818	201	46·00
Quaife, W G	17	2	681*	200	45·40
Carpenter	13	0	589	199	45·30
Tancred, L J	12	1	489	106	44·45
Warner, P F	14	2	524	106	43·66
Cuttell	14	3	480	128	43·63
Marsh, J F	14	2	516	172*	43·00
Glover, A C S	12	2	423	124	42·30
Rhodes	20	2	725	196	40·22
Mitchell, F	15	2	517	102*	39·76
Denton	24	2	851	87	38·68
Sharp, J	15	3	454	104*	37·83
Hayes	32	2	1,135	273*	37·83
Wilson, F B	16	3	488	75	37·53
Foster, H K	17	0	629	118	37·00
Kinneir	16	1	548	152	36·53
Wynyard, Capt E G ...	17	0	613	147	36·05
Maclaren, A C	19	2	613	166	36·05
Gunn, J	18	1	613	95	36·05
Sewell (E H D) ...	20	1	680	181	35·78
Bosanquet, B J P ...	19	2	603	126	35·47
Coe (S)	19	3	567	103	35·43
Bowley, F	19	1	634	153	35·22
Perrin, P A	16	1	525	190	35·00
Poidevin, L O S ...	21	1	690	103	34·50
Seymour, (Jas), (Kent) ...	20	2	609	136*	33·83
Wood, C J B	23	3	676	110	33·80
McGahey, C H	18	1	562	173	33·05
Humphreys, E, (Kent) ...	20	1	615	131	32·36
Beldam, G W	14	0	453	140	32·35
Tunnicliffe	23	0	741	119	32·21
Wright, L G	19	0	605	139	31·84
Fane, F L	16	0	500	89	31·25
King (J H)	24	3	654	128	31·14
Fry, K R B	17	0	528	129	31·05
Whitehead, H, (L'tershr) ...	21	3	558	77	31·00
Hathorn, M	17	0	526	130	30·94
Hawke, Lord	16	1	367	100*	30·58

*Signifies not out.

BOWLING. (32 wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Hearne (J T)	574·2	160	1,343	87	15·43
Cuttell	535·3	179	1,098	60	15·91
Haigh	398·3	100	1,061	63	16·84
Kotze, J J	361·2	78	1,101	63	17·47
Hesketh-Prichard, H ...	353·1	84	1,067	60	17·78
Blythe	424·5	110	1,128	62	18·19
Wass	526	126	1,404	74	18·97
Rhodes	549·2	171	1,286	65	19·01
Allsopp	311·2	77	897	47	19·08
McDonell, H C ...	347·2	80	918	48	19·12
Fielder	354·2	74	1,059	54	19·61
Napier, G G	354	92	992	50	19·84
Odell, W W	568·1	147	811	66	19·86
Tate (F W), (Sussex) ...	267	68	788	37	19·94
Smith, (W C), (Surrey) ...	327·5	80	911	47	20·02
Hallows	484·5	140	1,125	56	20·08
Reeves	300·4	58	915	45	20·33
Douglas, J W H T ...	179·4	37	550	27	20·37
Fairservice	205·2	47	614	30	20·46
Hirst	434·2	88	1,241	55	20·74
Brearley, W	412·3	63	1,291	62	20·82
Relf	509	147	1,167	56	20·83
Gunn (J)	536·4	166	1,319	63	20·93
Lees	641·3	159	1,697	81	20·95
Gill (G)	205·1	36	632	30	21·06
Arnold	410·5	92	1,160	55	21·09
Bird, (Worcestershire) ...	243·1	48	630	32	21·25
Dennett	360	83	1,021	48	21·27
Sinclair, J H	281	58	966	44	21·95
Bosanquet, B J T ...	259	34	936	42	22·28
Cranfield, (Somerset) ...	250·3	45	840	37	22·70
Huggins	351·1	97	979	43	22·76
Cox, (Sussex)... ...	668·4	181	1,580	68	23·23
Buckenham	270·2	56	746	32	23·31
Moorhouse	281·1	67	805	34	23·67
*Llewellyn	241·3	47	837	35	23·91
Lockwood	212·5	30	724	30	24·13
Braund	474·5	74	1,676	69	24·28
Warren (A R)... ...	411·2	69	1,399	57	24·54
Trott (A E)	419	78	1,351	54	25·01
King (J H)	535·4	132	1,403	56	25·05
Tarrant	202·3	45	596	23	25·81
Bestwick	418·5	101	1,269	50	25·38
Evans, W H B	183·5	43	607	23	26·39
Ringrose	244	63	645	24	26·87
Hallam	353·3	143	670	24	27·91
Hayes	563	47	752	25	28·08
Burn, R C W	267·2	64	732	25	29·28
Martin, E G	265·1	58	733	25	29·32
Gooder	322·3	66	995	33	30·01
Hargreave	499·5	136	1,251	40	31·27
Ernsthausen, A C von ...	223·4	54	700	22	31·81
Hopley, F J V ...	263·1	35	905	25	36·20

* Including first-class matches played for the South Africans.

ROWING.

HENLEY REGATTA.

I wired you on the 8th instant the results of the finals in this year's regatta. The attendance was the biggest of recent years and the weather remained fine to the end.

The Diamonds, of course, attracted intense interest, and when Scholes passed me at Fawley I believed he would either be beaten or have to break the record. He did the latter, and my only regret is that his father, one of the finest sportsmen Canada ever produced, was not here. As it was Lou had one or two Canadians around, and they gave him what he deserved—a right royal reception, a pleasing feature to him and his friends being the generous cheers given him *en route*. At the same time, too much credit cannot be given his fine trainer, Eddie Durnan. In leaving the Diamonds for 1904 I think I can only repeat that they produced some grand races and in saying this I am glad to bear testimony to Cloutte's fine part. The previous record 8mins. 29secs. was made, I may add, by Howell in 1898.

The finals for the Wyfold Challenge Cup will no doubt be interesting to your Calcutta readers in that Mr. Medd, who was once, I believe, a member of the Calcutta Rowing Club, rowed bow in the London R. C. crew which were beaten by Birmingham. I append details:—

GRAND CHALLENGE CUP (four entries).

Holders: Leander Club.

Final.

Bucks: Leander Club... 1
Berks: New College, Oxford 2

LEANDER CLUB.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
W H Chapman (Bow)	11	2	6 P H Thomas ...	12	9
2 F S Kelly ...	11	12	7 A K Graham ...	11	1
3 B C Johnstone ...	12	5	R H Nelson (Stroke)	11	1
4 C W H Taylor ...	12	12	G S Maclagan (Cox)	8	10
5 F J Escombe ...	13	3			

NEW COLLEGE, OXFORD.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
R H C Birt (Bow)	11	8	6 A B Howell ...	12	12
2 G A Hope ...	12	1	7 A H Arbuthnot ...	10	13
3 R M Gaskell ...	11	5	G M A Graham (Stroke) ...	10	11
4 R G Shedden ...	12	10	R C Parr (Cox) ...	8	0
5 P T Spencer Phillips	13	4			

Immediately after the start given by Mr. F. I. Pitman from the *Consuta*, ably handled by the popular owner, Mr. Clutton, Leander, dashed in front, rowing 11, 20, and 34 in the first minute, Graham putting in 10, 19, and 37 strokes. At the top of the Island the favourites were clear, and at the Quarter-mile they led by a length and a quarter, rowing 36-37 to New's 34 in a minute. Passing Fawley, two lengths in front, Nelson was putting in 34 strokes, and the time of the Leanders there was 3mins. 29secs. but they were rowing very easily indeed. Subsequently they slowed down a bit, and practically finished paddling, the verdict being a bare length. Time—7mins. 20secs.

DIAMOND CHALLENGE SCULLS (ten entries).

(Holder: F. S. Kelly, of Balliol College, Oxford.)
(Record time. 8mins. 23secs.)

Final.

Bucks: L F Scholes, Toronto R C. Canada, 12st 3lbs ... 1
Berks: A Hamilton Cloutte, London R C, 12st ... 2

Mr. Fletcher, on the *Hibernia*, had the men at their stations in good time, and both the aspirants for championship honours then looked in the very pink of condition, Cloutte especially so. They were both a bit nervous, naturally, but still there was no delay at the start, and when the word "Go" was given Cloutte went off at a rare pace. In the first minute he rowed 10, 18, and 35 strokes, while Scholes put in 9, 19 and 36. At the top of the Island Scholes led by a canvas, his time to the Temple being 51secs., four less than Kelly did yesterday—a wonderful piece of rowing. At the Quarter-mile Scholes led by three-quarters of a length, and was nearly clear at the Rectory. Meanwhile Cloutte had taken a poor course, having crossed over to the Bucks shore and been compelled to go back as the Canadian kept on at his best pace, 37 to the minute. Passing Fawley Court, Scholes was rowing his very hardest, and, though he led (in four minutes) by a length and a half, it was evident that he realised he had a "stiff contract" on hand. In the most dogged manner the Londoner in his best style also held on, rowing 34 to the minute and for a time it looked as if he would draw up. The Canuck, however, put in a fine sprint, and, amidst the loudest cheering, cut the record, winning by a length and a quarter. Time—8mins. 23⅘secs. Cloutte also beat record, his time being 8mins. 28secs.—a magnificent performance for both men, and one worthy in every sense of going on the records of Henley.

THAMES CHALLENGE CUP (eight entries).

(Holders: Trinity College, Dublin.)

Final.

Berks: Caius College, Cambridge 1
Bucks: St. John's College, Oxford 2

CAIUS COLLEGE.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
C C Brinton (Bow)...	9	10	6 E F Watermeyer ...	11	9
2 C B Heald ...	12	0	7 H D Gillies ...	10	6
3 C R P Cooper ...	10	12	C H S Taylor (Stroke)	10	3
4 E P W Wedd ...	13	0	J G Handles (Cox) ...	8	9
5 W S Cooke ...	12	5			

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
R M Nicholls (Bow)...	10	4	6 F J Seal	10	9
2 A W Keown Boyd ...	11	3	7 M Bates	9	9
3 R Sanderson ...	11	8	L G T Sedgwick (Stroke)... ...	12	0
4 C Harrison Jones ...	12	9	S C Hilliard (Cox) ...	8	8
5 W W Mumford ...	11	13			

There was nothing in the station when they started. In the first minute Caius rowed, 11, 20, and 39 strokes, St. John's doing 11, 21, and 40. At the top of the Island they were nearly level, but then Caius drew away, and at Remenham Farm led by a quarter of a length. Passing Fawley Caius led by three-quarters of a length, their time being 3mins. 38secs. From this home they had a clinking good race, St. John's sticking to their work in rare style. At the Mile, Caius still led, and though the Johnians spurted desperately they were unable to get up and the win in favour of Caius was a bare length. Time—7mins. 30secs.

STEWARDS' CHALLENGE CUP (three entries).

(Holders: Third Trinity, Cambridge).

Final.

Bucks: Third Trinity, Cambridge 1
Berks: Winnipeg R C, Canada 2

THIRD TRINITY, CAMBRIDGE.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
W H Chapman (Bow)	11	2	R H Nelson (Steers) (Stroke)... ...	11	1
C W H Taylor ...	12	12			
P H Thomas ...	12	6			

WINNIPEG R C.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
C S Riley (Steers) (Bow)	11	8	A H E Kent ...	12	12
J S Henderson ...	12	0	B W Hamber (Stroke)...	12	3

Starting, Third Trinity put in 11, 21, and 41 strokes, Winnipeg getting away none too well, doing 10, 20, and 40. They were level for half a mile, but at the top of the Island Third Trinity led by a couple of feet, and they increased this at the quarter to a quarter of a length. Both rowed 34 to the minute passing the Rectory, where the Canadians were making desperate efforts to keep up the pace grandly set by Nelson in Third. At Fawley Court, reached by the Collegians in 3mins. 31secs. the Winnipegs were a length behind, but Henderson stuck to his work in the gamest possible manner, and though the visitors steered a comparatively poor course, they plugged on in rare style. Approaching the enclosure, Nelson once more put in a useful dozen and definitely settled the issue, although the finish was magnificent by both. The decision was "one and a half lengths," and the time 7mins. 30secs., this equally the record made by Leander in 1897.

LADIES' CHALLENGE PLATE (five entries).

(Holders: Magdalen, Oxford.)

Final.

Berks: Eton College 1
Bucks: First Trinity, Cambridge 2

ETON COLLEGE.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
M C Allwright (Bow)	9	6	6 L R A Gatehouse ...	13	7
2 G Campbell ...	10	10	7 A G Kirby ...	12	9
3 G D Cochrane ...	10	1	H C Bucknall (Stroke)	10	9
4 D P Wormald ...	12	8	T Preston (Cox) ...	8	0
5 L E Jones ...	13	1			

FIRST TRINITY.

	st.	lbs.		st.	lbs.
J V Pixell (Bow) ...	10	4	6 D Spicer... ...	12	10
2 T L C Gregory ...	11	2	7 W D Barratt ...	11	6
3 E S Moore ...	11	11	G H Johnstone (Stroke)	11	6
4 J B Bowen ...	12	9	K Ohura (Cox) ...	8	4
5 H E Blackburn Daniell	12	6			

The stream was as smooth as possible when they were despatched on their journey. Eton got away nicely, and in the first minute rowed 10, 20, and 39 strokes, Johnstone putting in 11, 20, and 38. At the top of the Island they were level. Opposite the Rectory Eton had a slight advantage, but both crews rowing their best, 33 to the minute, were going grandly. At Fawley Eton only led by three feet, their time being 3mins. 31secs. After this they had a grand race, and it was nip and tuck to the Mile, where the Etonians led by a quarter of a length. They then drew away, but had to row up to the very finish to win by a bare length. Time—7mins. 20secs.

VISITORS' CHALLENGE (three entries).

(Holders: University College, Oxford.)

Final.

Bucks: Third Trinity, Cambridge 1
Berks: University College, Oxford 2

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THIRD TRINITY, CAMBRIDGE.

	st. lbs.		st. lbs.
W McL Garnett Botfield (Bow)	11 8	B R Winthrop-Smith	12 0
B C Johnstone	12 4	R V Powell (Steers)	
		(Stroke)	11 12

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

	st. lbs.		st. lbs.
G A H Robinson (Steers)	11 8	E P Evans	13 5
A R Balfour	12 2	E O H Whitby (Stroke)	10 10

University started at 10, 19, and 38, Third Trinity doing 10, 18, and 36. At the end of the first minute they were absolutely level, but at the Rectory Third led by a foot, then rowing 33-34 to the minute. At the half mile the Light Blues were still only quarter of a length to the good. At Fawley Court, reached in 3mins. 44secs., Third had an advantage of three-quarters of a length, and were then going well, but University rolled a bit and lost some ground by some erratic steering, not altogether Robinson's fault. When eventually they settled down they spurted and drew up, but the effort came too late, and they suffered defeat by barely half a length. Time—7mins. 46secs.

WYFOLD CHALLENGE CUP (seven entries).

(Holders : Kingston R. C.)

Final.

Bucks : Birmingham R C	... 1
Berks : London R C	... disq.

BIRMINGHAM R. C.

	st. lbs.		st. lbs.
S E Alldridge (Steers)	10 10	S H Johnson	12 4
J W Frame ...	12 6	F C Glover (Stroke)	12 4

LONDON R. C.

	st. lbs.		st. lbs.
F A G Medd (Steers)	10 7	J Compton	11 7
A H Cloutte ...	12 0	W W Field (Stroke)	12 0

They got away on perfectly level terms, and in the first minute they struck precisely the same strokes, 20 in the half and 37 in the full period. They were level at the top of the Island, and then Medd seemed to lose control, as the Londoners travelled erratically, whereas Birmingham kept on in good style, putting in 34 to the minute. At Fawley Court both crews were going for all they were worth, and they passed that landmark in 4mins. 50secs., the provincials being still slightly in front. Before the mile was reached, London, putting in 32 to the minute, drew up, but, boring over on the Bucks side, interfered with the "Brums," although they did not come together. Above the White House London took the lead, but hugging the Phyllis Court booms were unable to stall off a good and resolute challenge by Glover. Naturally they touched just before the finish, and London, being at fault, were disqualified by Mr. Pitman after passing the post in 8mins. 1sec.

THE SILVER GOBLETS (four entries).

(Holders : Victoria R. C., Berlin.)

Final.

Berks : Third Trinity, Cambridge	... 1
Bucks : Kensington and Vesta	... 2

THIRD TRINITY.

	st. lbs.		st. lbs.
C J D Goldie (Str)	12 3	C W H Taylor (Str)	12 12

KENSINGTON AND VESTA.

J Beresford ... 10st. 2lbs. | H T Blackstaffe ... 11st. 6lbs.

Immediately after the start Third Trinity dashed off, and in the first minute rowed 11, 22, and 39 strokes, Blackstaffe putting in 10, 20, and 39. Third cleared the island in 17secs. the same time as Kelly made yesterday, and were clear at the Temple. At the quarter-mile the Collegians were nearly two lengths in front, but the combined pair were going well at 32 to the minute, and drew up as the Farm was approached. Third shot by Fawley Court a length and a half to the good in 4mins. 3secs. and after this Taylor judiciously took matters easily, but at the same time kept well clear of Beresford and Blackstaffe, who eventually were beaten by two lengths and a half.—Time, 8mins. 33secs.

HENLEY RECORDS.

Event.	Club.	Time.	Date.
Grand ...	Leander New College, Oxford ...	6·51	... {1891 / 1897
Ladies' ...	Eton College ...	7·1	... 1897
Thames ...	London ...	7·5½	... 1886
Stewards'	Leander	7·30	... 1897
	Third Trinity, Cambridge ...	7·30	... 1904
Visitors' ...	New College, Oxford ...	7·37	... 1898
Wyfolds ...	Kingston	7·46	... 1890
Goblets ...	Lord Ampthill and Guy Nickalls	8· 6	... 1891
Diamonds	L F Scholes, Toronto, Canada...	8·23⅕	... 1904

ATHLETICS.

A. A. A. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Of the success of the championships on the Rochdale Athletic Ground on Saturday, results of which were duly telegraphed, there is no doubt. When a start was made at half-past two in the afternoon the attendance was not more than 5,000, but an hour later every place for looking on was occupied, and there could not have been less than 15,000 present. The afternoon was a triumph for English athletes in every way, for but one visitor was successful, Puisseger, of France, who won the pole jump. The absence of the 'Varsity men, who, in view of their match with the American colleges a few weeks hence, thought it best not to enter, was regretted, but this in no way spoilt what can only be described as one of the most successful meetings held by the A. A. A.

100 YARDS RACE.

Challenge Cup, presented by Prince Hassan British Amateur. Record—9⅘secs. by A. F. Duffey. American Amateur Record—9⅘secs. by A. F. Duffey Georgetown University ; 1902. Best Championship Performances—10secs. by A. Wharton, 1886 ; C A. Bradley, 1893 (up hill) ; B. W. Wadsley and F. W. Cooper, 1898 ; A. F. Duffey, 1900 1 ; D. Murray, 1901. New Zealand Amateur Record—9⅘secs. by T. McPherson, of Sydney, N. S. W. at Auckland, February 6th 1891 ; and by J. H. Hempton, at Canterbury. N. Z. February 6th 1892. World's Professional Record—Doubtful. Winners to run in the final.

Heat No. 1. A. F. Duffey (holder), Georgetown University, U. S. A., 1 ; E. Green, Sefton H., 2 ; L. F. Tremeer, London A. C.t 3 ; J. A. Miller, London A. C., 4. At the pistol shot they goy away to a splendid start. After twenty yards Duffey graduall., left his men, and, running in beautiful form, went ahead winning by a yard, inches only divided second and third. Time,—10secs.

Heat No. 2. J. W. Morton. South London H., 1; R. A. Thomas, Newcastle H., 2; L. Bridgett, Stoke A. C., 3. This was an easy thing for Morton, who had the race at the mercy and was content to win by a yard ; a yard and a half divided second and third. Time—10⅕secs.

Heat 3. C. H. Jupp, London A. C., 1 ; D. Murray, Co. Dublin H., 2. The Dublin man went away at the start, and at forty yards had a lead of nearly half a yard. Then Jupp made an effort and, overhauling his opponent, drew level twenty-five yards from the finish, winning by a yard. Time.—10secs.

Final Heat.

J W Morton, South London H... ...	... 1
A F Duffey, Georgetown University, U S A	... 2
C H Jupp, London A C.	... 3

A magnificent race was seen. Duffey was best off the mark, with Morton and Jupp following, the S. L. H. man losing half a yard by a bad start Duffey held his lead for quite three-parts of the distance, but then Morton came with a grand burst and getting up to the American, ran with him breast to breast in the last ten yards and managed to win by inches. Jupp, who was third, made up his ground towards the finish, when he was a foot away. Time—10secs

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.

(16lb.) from a 7ft square. Standard 36ft. British Amateur Record—48ft. 2ins., by D. Horgan, Queenstown, 9th October 1897. American Amateur Record—17ft., by G. R. Gray, Chicago, Ill., 16th September 1893. Best Championship Performance—46ft., ¼in. by D. Horgan, Irish A.A.A., at Wolverhampton, July 1899. World's Professional Record—44ft. 5¼in., by O. Duffey, at Edinburgh, 2nd June 1883.

Denis Horgan, Gaelic A.A., 45ft 2in ...	... 1
T R Nicolson (holder), West of Scotland H., 42ft 8in	... 2
T Kirkwood, Liverpool, 41ft 11in ...	... 3

Horgan improved as he went along, and in the end won handsomely, the exhibition put being less valuable than his best in the event.

HIGH JUMP.

Standard 5ft 7in. Challenge Cup, presented by Sir Claude Ch. de Crespigny, Bart. British Amateur Record—6ft. 4¾in. by P. Leahy, at Mill street, Ireland, 6th September 1898. American Amateur Record—6ft 5⅝in, by M. F. Sweeney, Xavier A.A., at New York, 21st September 1895. Best Championship Performance—6ft. 2¼in., by J. M. Ryan, at Northampton, 1st July 1893. World's Professional Record—6ft. 4in. by E. W. Johnston, at Boston, U. S. A., 1st October 1881.

P. O'Connor (holder), Waterford A. C., 5ft. 9¼in.	†
R. G. Murray, West of Scotland H., 5ft. 9¼in.	†
J. B. Milne, Dundee Gym. and A. C, 5ft. 9¼in.	†

This was a remarkable and protracted affair. They all cleared the bar at 5ft. 9¼in., but on trying 5ft. 10¼in., failed. Six trials they were given at this but none of them succeeded, and thus a tie between three resulted.

ONE MILE FLAT RACE.

Standard, 4mins. 30secs Challenge Cup, presented by Mr. C. B. Lawes. British Amateur Record—4mins. 16⅖secs. by J. Binks, Unity A. C., at Stamford Bridge, London, 5th July 1902. American Amateur Record—4mins. 15⅖secs. by T. P. Conneff, at Travers Island, Both August 1895 Best Championship Performance—Record as above. World's Professional Record 4mins. 12⅖secs., by W. G. George, at Lillie Bridge, London, 23rd August 1886.

A Shrubb (holder) South London H ...	... 1
J McGough, Bellahouston H ...	... 2
G Butterfield, Darlington H ...	... 3
J Binks, Highgate H ...	... 0
H Armstrong, Darlington H ...	... 0
J E Schofield, Loughborough C A F C ...	... 0
A E Barker, Leeds A C ...	... 0
J E Finnegan, Haddington H ...	... 0

At the pistol shot, Shrubb immediately made for the lead, but was shut in. He lay third for 150 yards, but then got round the field and went in front. Passing the stand the first time, he was a foot in front of Schofield, who retired immediately after the quarter-mile, Butterfield and Barker then lying second and third. At the half-mile Shrubb was a yard ahead of Butterfield, who was leading Barker and Binks, in the order named. In the third circuit, Butterfield was still second, but McGough had, in the meanwhile, run into third place. Half-way round the last lap, Butterfield made a dash, and taking Shrubb by surprise, headed the S.L.H. man for quite fifty yards. The holder went after him, and soon was in front again, but McGough then made an effort, and travelling at a fine pace pressed Shrubb so much that after winning by two yards, he fell down exhausted ; twenty yards divided second and third. Time—4mins. 22secs.

Shrubb's Times.

	M. S.		M. S.
Quarter Mile ...	0 58⅘	Three-quarters ...	3 9⅘
Half Mile ...	2 7	One Mile ...	4 22

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (10 flights).

Standard, 17secs. Challenge Cup, presented by Lord Southwell. English Amateur Record—15⅖secs., by A. C. Kraenzlein, 6th July 1901. American Amateur Record—15⅖secs., by A. C. Kraenzlein, Chicago, 18th June 1898, on cinders. Canadian Amateur Record—15⅖secs. by H. H. Morrell, New York A. C., at Montreal, 24th September 1902, on cinders. Best Championship Performance—15⅖secs., by A. C. Kraenzlein, at Stamford Bridge, 7th July 1900. Winners to run in the final

Heat No. 1. D. W. Walters, Cardiff University, W. O. Taking matters easily, Walters covered the course in 17⅖secs.

Heat No. 2. A. Trafford, Birmingham A. C., 1 ; H. P. Phillips, South London H., 0 They raced level until the fourth hurdle when Phillips fell, Trafford then finishing at his leisure. Time—21⅖secs.

Heat No. 3. R. S. Stronach, Glasgow Academicals, 1 ; G. Duncombe, Salford H., 2 ; J. Murray Co., Dublin H., 3. Stronach at once went in front and won easily by five yards ; half a yard between second and third. Time—16secs.

Final Heat.

R S Stronach, Glasgow Academicals ...	... 1
D W Walters, Cardiff University ...	... 2
A Trafford, Birmingham A C ...	... 3

A very fine race was seen between Trafford and Stronach, who were almost level throughout. Stronach went a yard in front, but then Trafford made up ground and had almost drawn level when he fell at the last hurdle, Stronach winning by four yards. Time—16secs.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE.

Challenge Cup, presented by Mr. G. V. A. Schofield. British Amateur Record—21⅖secs, by C. G. Wood, 25th June 1887. American Amateur Record—21⅖secs., by B. J. Wefers, 30th May 1896. World's Professional Record—21⅖secs. by H. Hutchins in 1885. First only in each heat to run in the final.

Heat No. 1. R. A. Thomes, Newcastle H., 1 ; D. C. Western, Liverpool H. and A. C., 2 ; S. Hurdsfield, Birchfield H., 3. They were level on entering the straight, Thomas then taking a slight lead, from Western who was beaten by half a yard ; same distance between second and third. Time—23⅖secs.

Heat No. 2. C. H. Jupp, London A.C., 1; A. G. Kennedy, Heaton H., 2 ; B. Heap, Manchester A.C., 3 Kennedy went away in fine style, but at the half distance Jupp crowded on the pace, and in the end won easily by four yards ; same distance between second and third. Time—23secs.

Heat No. 3. E. Green, Sefton H., 1; P. J. Walsh, New York A. C., 2. The American held the lead until entering the straight, when Green drew up, and, running in capital form, won by half a yard. Time—23⅕secs.

Heat No. 4. L. F. Tremeer, London A. C., 1; W. Hiles, Salford H. 2; B. Sagar, Rochdale A. C., 3; F. E. A. Rowell, Liverpool H. and A. C., 0. This was a very easy thing for the L. A. C. man, who won as he pleased by a yard and a half; same distance between second and third. Time—23⅕secs.

Final Heat.

C H Jupp, London A C	... 1
L F Tremeer, London A C	... 2
E Green, Sefton H	... 3
R A Thomas, Newcastle H	... 4

The race lay between the L. A. C. representatives. Owing to the men starting in strings and allowances made accordingly, it was impossible to tell, until entering the straight, how they were placed. Then it was seen that Jupp was well in front, and eventually won by five yards; a yard between second and third. Time—[illegible]secs.

THROWING THE HAMMER.

(16lbs. from a [illegible]ft. circle). Total length of hammer, not more than [illegible]ft. Standard, 110ft. British Amateur Record—163ft. 4in., by J. J. Flanagan, at Stamford Bridge, 7th July 1900. Best Championship Performances—Unlimited run : 120ft. by S. S. Brown, at Lillie Bridge, London, 30th March 1874; 7ft. circle : 110ft. 4in , by J. S. Mitchell, at Stamford Bridge, London, 3rd July 1886: 9ft. circle : 142ft. 5in., by T. F. Kiely, at Manchester, 3rd July 1897 : 9ft. circle : 163ft. 4in., by J. J. Flanagan, at Stamford Bridge. London, 7th July 1900.

T R Nicolson (holder). West of Scotland H., 157ft 5½in ...	1
T L Shevlin Yale University A C., 138ft 8¼in ...	2
D Horgan, Gaelic A A , 129ft 1¼in	3
A Riddock, Liverpool P A S., 105ft 9in	4

Nicolson was much superior to any of the others.

HALF MILE FLAT RACE.

Standard, 2mins. 1sec. Challenge Cup, presented by Mr. P. M. Thornton, M.P. British Amateur Record—1min. 54⅖secs., by F. J. K. Cross, Oxford U.A.C., at Oxford, 9th March 1888. American and World's Amateur Record—1min. 53⅗secs. by C. J. Kilpatrick, at New York, 21st September 1895. Best Championship Performance—1min. 55⅖secs., by E. C. Bredin, L.A.C., at Northampton, 1st July 1893. World's Professional Record—1min. 58¼secs., by F. Hewett, at Christchurch, New Zealand. 21st September 1871.

Rev H W Workman, R N, Cambridge U A C and L A C	1
B J Blunden (holder), Blackheath H	2
E S Ward, London A C	3
J Roberts, Sefton H	4
P B Dodd, South London H	5
E H Kenyon, M A C	0
J Binks, Highgate H	0
E H Montague, South London H	0
J E Schofield, Loughborough C A F C	0
A E Barker, Leeds A C	0
A Brierley, Buxton H	0
J Faulkner, Rochdale A C	0

Although momentarily in front, Blunden at once dropped back to fourth place, Workman taking first berth, followed by Ward and Roberts. This was the order the first time round, Workman being timed at 55⅖secs. After this they kept their positions until 200 yards from the finish when the holder challenged. He drew to within two yards of Workman, but failed to make any impression upon the Cantab, who won handsomely by six yards; four yards divided the second and third. Time—1min. 59⅗secs.

POLE JUMP.

Standard, 10ft. British Amateur Record—11ft. 9in. by R. D. Dickinson, at Kidderminster, 4th July 1891. American Amateur Record—11ft. 10¼in., by R. C. Clapp, Chicago, 18th June 1898. Best Championship Performance—11ft. 4in. by B. Johnson, N. Y. A. C., at Stamford Bridge, London. 7th July 1900. World's Professional Record—11ft. 2in., by R. D. Dickinson, at Morpeth Olympic Games, 1895.

Andre Puissegur, Racing Club de France, 10ft 6in ...	1
M H Dickinson, Windermere, 10ft 5in	2
S Morris (holder), German Gym Scy, 9ft 9in ...	3
A Flaxman, London A C, 8ft 11in	0

This took a long time to decide, a fine contest taking place between Puissegur and Dickinson. In the end the Racing Club man just tipped 10¼ft. and won.

FOUR MILES FLAT RACE.

Standard, 21mins. Challenge Cup presented by the Earl of Jersey. British Amateur Record—19mins. 31⅖secs., by A. Shrubb, South London H., at Brighton, on 25th October 1902. American Amateur Record—20mins. 15⅖secs., by W. D. Day, at Bergen Point, N. J., 16th November 1889 Best Championship Performance—19mins. 48⅖secs., by F. E. Bacon, at Huddersfield, 7th July 1894. World's Professional Record—19mins. 5⅖secs., by P. Cannon, at Glasgow, 8th November 1888.

A Shrubb (holder), South London H	1
J Smith, Salford H	2
G Butterfield, Darlington H	3
G W Wasnidge, Hallamshire H	4
J H Thompson, Salford H	0
H B Montague, Thames Valley H	0

In this Shrubb had matters very much his own way. He took the lead at the start from Butterfield and Thompson, and held it to the finish of the race. Nobody stood a chance with him. At the end of three miles he had lapped the Hallamshire representative and in the end won by 260 yards. For nearly three miles Butterfield led Smith, but the latter then went ahead and at the finish was fully 200 yards in front of the Darlington man. Shrubb finished full of swing and playfully took a flying kick at his coat as he stopped. The winner's time was 19mins. 56⅖secs., Smith's 20mins. 51secs., Butterfield's 21mins. 21secs., and Wasnidge's 21mins. 35⅘secs.

Shrubb's Times.

	M. S.		M. S.
One mile ...	4 33	Three miles ...	14 43⅖
Two miles ...	9 38¼	Four miles ...	19 56⅖

LONG JUMP.

Standard, 20ft. Challenge Cup, presented by the Right Hon. Lord Alverstone. British Amateur Record—24ft. 11¾in., by P. O'Conner, Dublin, 5th August 1901. American Amateur Record—24ft. 4¼in., by A. C. Kraenzlein, New York, 26th May 1899. Best Championship Performance—23ft. 8¼in., by P. O'Conner, Irish A.A.A., 6th July 1901. World's Professional Record—21ft. 10in., by W. Davison, at Morpeth Olympic Games, July, 1895.

P O'Conner (holder), Waterford A C, 23ft 2⅘in ...	1
H S Mellander, Salford H, 21ft 11in	2
D W Walters, Cardiff University, 20ft 3in... ...	3

This did not take long to decide, for the holder was always well ahead of his two opponents.

QUARTER-MILE FLAT RACE.

Standard, 52secs. Challenge Cup, presented by Mr. K. T. Digby, M.P. British Amateur Record—48¼secs., by H. C. L. Tindall, Cambridge U. A. C., at Stamford Bridge, London, 29th June 1889, and E. C. Bredin, 22nd June 1895. American Amateur Record—47secs., by M. W. Long, N. Y. A. C., 1900 (straight course). Best Championship Performance—Record by H. C. L. Tindall, as above. World's Professional Record—48¼secs., by R. Buttery, at Gateshead, 4th October 1873. Winners to run in the final.

Heat No. 1 : E. H. Kenyon, Manchester A. C , 1; B. du Coteau, Racing Club de France, 2 ; C. McLachlan (holder), Herne Hill H., 3. A very fine race between the Manchester and Racing Club men, Kenyon winning by half a yard ; two yards divided second and third. Time.—54secs.

Heat No. 2 : E. H. Montague, South London H., 1; J. W. Horne, Cambridge U. A. C., 2 ; W. Murray, County Dublin H., 0 ; R. G. Macpherson, Edinburgh H., 0. Montague was third for the better part of the time, when he went in front and drew clear of all others, winning by five yards from Horne, the others not finishing. Time—51⅕secs.

Heat No. 3 : F. E. A. Rowell, Liverpool H. and A.C., 1 ; A. G. Kennedy, Heaton H., 2. Two hundred yards from home they started racing, a fine race ending with Rowell winning by a yard. Time—57secs.

Heat No 4 : R. L. Watson, West of Scotland H., 1 ; J. B. Densham, South London H., 2 ; S. Hurdsfield, Birchfield H., 3 ; J. R. Pippin, Bridgewater A.F.C., 0. Hurdsfield led for the best part of the distance, but then was passed by both Densham and Watson, the latter going away in the straight and winning easily by a yard. Time—52⅖secs.

Final Heat.

R L Watson, West of Scotland H ...	... 1
E H Montague, South London H ...	... 2
E H Kenyon, Manchester A C	... 3
F E A Rowell, Liverpool H and A C ...	... 0

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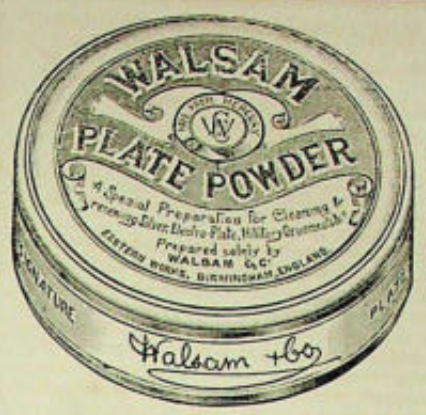
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They were sent away to a capital start, Rowell leading, with Kenyon, Watson, and Montague in that order. At the half-distance Montague, closely attended by Watson, made an effort, the pair taking second and third places. Prior to entering the straight, they had assumed premier berths, after which Watson went after Montague and beat him by a yard; the same between second and third. Time—5½secs.

TWO-MILE WALKING RACE.

Standard, 15mins. Challenge Cup, presented by Mr. J. E. Fowler Dixon. British Amateur Record—13mins. 24⅕secs., by W. J. Sturgess, Polytechnic H., July, 1897.

G E Larner, Brighton and County H	1
G Deyermond, Belfast	2
F T Carter, Queen's Park H, London	3
S S Winterbottom, Salford H	0
H Payne, West of Scotland H...	0
J McLachlan, Liverpool H and A C	0

At the start McLachlan assumed the lead, followed by Deyermond, Larner, Carter, Winterbottom, and Payne in the order their names are written. This state of affairs prevailed at the quarter and half-mile, when McLachlan was two yards in front. Going round a third time Deyermond and Larner passed McLachlan, who in an effort to get up to them was found guilty and pulled out. After this Larner passed Deyermond and at the mile was well in front, his time being 6mins. 50secs. To the end he had matters entirely his own way and won by eighty yards, Deyermond beating Carter for second position by twenty-five yards, with only Winterbottom of the others finishing. Time—13mins. 57⅖secs.

TWO-MILE STEEPLECHASE.

Challenge Cup, presented by Messrs. James and Wm. Waddell.

A Russel, Walsall H and A C	1
J J Daly, Galway City H	2
C J Straw, Warrington A C	3
W A Mercer, Widnes A C	0
G Still, Highgate H	0
J Roberts, Sefton H	0
J D Marsh, Salford H	0
H Barker, Salford H	0

A thoroughly interesting and very exciting race was seen. Daly and Roberts cut out the work at the start, but they were never much ahead of the others, a matter of eight yards covering the entire field at the end of the first mile. So matters progressed until the last mile, when, so warm had been the pace, but three were left on the track—Daly, Straw, and Russell. The second-named was soon out of the hunt, but a magnificent finish was seen between Russell and Daly. They took the last water-jump about thirty yards from the post together, immediately after which Daly, who was a trifle behind Russell, came down and brought the latter with him, Russell the smartest on his feet again, winning by three yards; ten yards between the second and third. Time—10mins. 55⅕secs.

WRESTLING.

GRÆCO-ROMAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Although it lacked the dramatic atmosphere and anti-climax of the big match at the Olympia in which Madrali was disabled and beaten in less than a minute by Hackenschmidt, Saturday night's contest at the Albert Hall was a far greater success as an entertainment in the genuine wrestling sense. In Jenkins, Hackenschmidt met a foeman worthy of his steel, and though in the end a combination of strength and science triumphed over almost purely scientific methods, lovers of Wrestling were perfectly ready to admit that two finer wrestling showmen had never been seen on the mat together. It was a case of East meeting West, with the representative of the older hemisphere triumphant.

When the men got to grips, Hackenschmidt attacked in decisive style, and twice just missed with the flying mare. In less than three minutes he fixed his rival in a cruel body grip and swung him over on to the stage. Jenkins endeavoured to spring forward on to his feet, but Hackenschmidt's arms shot out like lightning, and he pulled his man down with the greatest ease. The American defended very cleverly, and failing to find an opening for an arm-hold, the Russian picked his opponent up with the intention of pitching him over his back. Jenkins smartly eluded his grip, and after six minutes both were on their feet. Hackenschmidt was forming the pace at a terrific rate, and three times lifted his man up and brought him to the boards with a magnificent display of strength, but it availed nothing against the American's skilful defence. Again Hackenschmidt attempted the flying mare but his hand slipped on his opponent's neck, and like a flash Jenkins gripped the Russian by the waist and had him down. The wrestling was now more even, and each man attacked in turn. The strength and science which the challenger exhibited were a complete revelation, and he kept his opponent at bay without much difficulty. When a quarter of an hour had gone, Hackenschmidt rushed in and swung Jenkins bodily round the stage, describing three circles before he threw him to the boards, but the American once more eluded his grip like an eel. Then the Russian braced himself for a big effort. Twice he twisted Jenkins over on to the one shoulder, and just as promptly did Jenkins, with a mighty contraction of his neck and shoulder muscles, snap the holds. At this point Jenkins mysteriously weakened. Hackenschmidt bore down on him with the power of a Hercules, and with a pedal action similar to a man pushing a heavy roller up a hill, forced his man over on his back, and with an irresistible half-Nelson gained the first fall in 20mins. 37secs.

In the second bout Hackenschmidt did most of the attacking, but Jenkins again put up a wonderfully plucky and skilful defence. Once the latter forgot himself and the rules by employing the leg-hold, but Hackenschmidt appeared quite unruffled by an act which ought to have been penalised by disqualification. Minute after minute sped by, but Jenkins could put on nothing more dangerous than a back-of-the-neck hold in answer to the Russian's arm-hold. Then Hackenschmidt brought the half-Nelson into play, but when Jenkins seemed in hopeless plight he extricated himself by a magnificent feat of wrestling, subtlety that evoked a tremendous storm of cheering. It proved his last expiring effort, however, for before he had quite recovered from the exhaustion which the struggle had engendered, the Russian had cleverly slipped on a second half-Nelson, and Jenkins was placed squarely on his shoulders in 14mins. 27secs.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

SO far the season's hunting has been most successful. In 32 hunting days 11 brace of jacks have been killed and the large fields have shown that the sport is as popular as ever in the station. Monday (18th instant) was a splendid day, but the weather was rather wild and probably for this reason, the field was small. The meet was at Sheffield Corner and we first drew the covert beyond Audy plantation. Here, though a jack had evidently been about just before we arrived he was not viewed away. We got away on a good line, however, and crossing the swamp below the covert hounds swung left-handed and ran below Hearbe Cliff. From the top we could see the jack in front of them and had a good view of their work. Through the thick scrub and rocks they hunted him steadily and forced him out above Swamyar Bluegums.

He then ran through Tiger Shola and Sheffield and crossed the road at Sheffield Corner then going on into Governor's Shola. Hounds hunted him steadily through this nearly to the Toda School, above which he turned uphill and we reached the Krummund Bridge Road just as hounds crossed it, carrying a great head. The weather was now so thick that one could hardly see fifty yards ahead and hounds were running very fast. Just as we all thought it was a good thing down Parson's Valley they swung again to the right, and after running through several wooded *nullahs* re-crossed the Krummund Path and came back again to Governor's Shola. Here, after a few more minutes, they lost their jack near the Toda School, or rather the body of the pack did. Four and a half couple were reported to have gone into Shaw's Plantation. This run was 50 minutes hard going, and, considering the line the jack took, hounds stuck to him wonderfully.

After this we drew from below Bluegums over the hill towards Rallywood and at the bottom of this we found again. Hounds ran up the side of Rallywood which is nearest Jackal Shola and round the top to Bluegums. The jack was viewed away at the bottom and he then faced the open, pointing straight for Staircase. Turning a corner, however, he met a party of Todas, who headed him and he then ran round the Rawlings' *nullah* side of Bluegums, and, climbing the hill again, turned down to the bottom of Rallywood. Here a second jack jumped up in front of hounds and the two ran up through Rallywood, through Parloch Wood and Sheffield Corner, crossed the road and ran through the upper part of Monkey Shola. This looked as if Barkie were our destination, but, facing the open again, the two jacks ran round the top of one Tree Hill and made for the open Downs. At the head of the long swamp they swung to the left and went along the far side of Pearl Crossing to Brick Kiln Crossing entering Rallywood with hounds close behind them. Here they probably separated, but hounds hunted steadily over the saddle into Bluegums, when from their cry, they seemed to be close to their jack. Here they were completely lost, both by the Hunt officials and the field, and thinking they must have killed some time was spent looking for them in Bluegums. Nothing could be heard of them however, and after about two hours the search was given up. Just as the Master reached kennels, however, they began to come in from Aramby. They must have slipped away from the top of Bluegums and run straight down Blackmoor Vale and over the cream of the country to Aramby. Thus an exceptionally fine gallop was missed.

It was a nice hunting morning on Thursday (21st instant), and there was a fairly large field out at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar where we met at 7-45. We first drew from Pamela's Crossing up the swamp to Briar, in the lower part of which we found at once. The jack broke at the bottom and took us down Dartmoor Vale, hounds running very fast, across the Old Pykara Road, through Beadnell's Shola and over the Sholur Ghat, a short distance down which hounds killed him. The Master then drew the *nullahs* north of the Old Pykara Road and back from its junction with the new road; below Khed and Wenlock Sholas towards Wapshare's Hare Shola. In the covert on the side of the swamp below Wapshare's Hare Shola we found and had a fast short gallop through Wapshare's Hare Shola, across the Pykara Road at Windy Gap, down the long slope west of Bacon Wood, hounds pulling their jack down in the open half way between Bacon Wood and the big earths near Yemakal Shola. It is probable that we had a brace of jacks in front of us from Wapshare's Hare Shola, as from when we killed we had to gallop again, scent being too good for hounds to be denied. This jack took us below Yemakal Shola and for some miles up the valley before a check enabled the Master to have hounds stopped.

BLUE GUM.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

AFTER an unpleasantly prolonged scent-destroying drought a few nice gentle showers revivified fond hopes in the breasts of the hunting community in regard to the meet at Kalas, and Kalas is a very sporting and rightly popular portion of this hunting country. Consequently a field of some sixty ardent souls gathered "from left and from right" at the "village of the ford" and, determined not to trifle with the wayward goddess of scent; the Master gave not a moment's law, but on the tick of six moved off drawing the reeds along the riverside for half a mile or so. No jack, however, had delayed the performance of his morning ablutions to so late an hour and Colonel Sheringham next tried the big *nullah* north of the Lohogaum road and a whimper followed by the unanimous confirmation of the pack told the glad tale that the little ruddy rover was at home. With a commendable attention to urgent private affairs hound raced away in the direction of the twin sister hills—the well-known land marks of this part of the country. But the jack, for reasons best known to himself, changed his objective and ran parallel to the Lohogaum cart track, and after a brisk hunting gallop reached the babul cover close to the Octagonal tank where jinking right-handed he was viewed by the Master who rode up to his leading hounds and endeavoured to lift the main body of the pack. At this period of proceedings occurred apparently a "regrettable incident" which has been the topic of much discussion in hunting circles. Suffice it to say that one or two sportsmen, who assuredly ought to have known better, in a fit of temporary aberration imagined that they were foxhounds not human bipeds mounted on horses with the aggravating result of one hound being over-ridden and injured and a good jack headed and slaughtered when there seemed every reasonable prospect of this hitherto bright little gallop being continued. Nor was this the end of the tribulation for the local scribe in rating the rioter's indiscreetly let his own pen run riot and forgetting that a Master Huntsman—like the king—"can do no wrong" let slip a misleading expression or two which he very properly recognized called for amendment on the following day. We are all liable to err—even the youngest of us and apt to step in where angels fear to tread. Colonel Sheringham was possibly following hounds when some of his pseudo-critics were following their nurses. So ended unhappily what promised to be a most enjoyable run and a good jack met an undeserved fate. After a brief rest the Master jogged on past the jail in the direction of the Kalas ford. Yerowda Nullah was drawn blank but a subsequent one held a jack—a woefully faint-hearted one, too great a craven to run even for life and liberty and after a feeble spurt he succumbed and met a more noble ending than he deserved.

The Mess House of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders was the venue fixed upon for the 21st and a large field assembled and further mild showers augured well for a good scenting morning. After a brief delay for the refreshment provided by the 93rd, the Master moved on past the back of the Mess towards the Rifle Range pulling hounds into the Vale close by the Katruj Ghat road. After working patiently through different small patches of crop, hounds began to feather and near the bottom of the nearest hillock they made certain of their line and rose the hill in full cry. Away straight for Katruj over what I hear was a really ruggedy, rough country and apparently only those that took it as it came were really on terms with hounds for the pace was too good to let those who sought to pick their way have a look in with the front rank. After running at a rare hunting pace for thirteen minutes hounds had their first check in the garden lands surrounding Kondwa village. But though hounds worked the somewhat exclusive garden cover with great dash and keenness, the jack must have slipped through without a second's hesitation as by the time hounds picked up the line on the far side scent which had hitherto been excellent was with the increasing heat of the morning become weak and it was on a feeble scent that hounds worked out the task they had undertaken. The Master made a cast round a hill near by, but scent grew worse and hounds had eventually to admit inability to keep the line and a brave little jack lived to enjoy the honour of leading over half a hundred of the beauty and chivalry another day. Among those out were, I am told, Sir Archibald Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lucas, Colonel and Miss Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Beatty, Colonel Channer, Colonel Grantham, Colonel Bull, Mrs. Eaton Evans, Mrs. Morris, Captain Hopwood, Captain Hewlett, Colonel Lucas, and Mrs. Sheringham, the Master's wife. A very enjoyable morning it seems to have been.

SCARAMOUCH.

Polo.

SECUNDERABAD JUNIOR TOURNAMENT.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

MONDAY, *25th July 1904.*

This tournament commenced to-day at Bolaram on the 4th Hussars' ground. It was grand weather and the ground was in splendid condition. The first match was between the 4th Hussars and the Secunderabad Gymkhana and proved a game devoid of much interest, there being an abundance of missing and little excitement. In the first *chukker* play was mostly in the Gymkhana ground, the Hussars making repeated runs to their flags and once scoring a subsidiary. The second *chukker* was fast and there was much up and down play, the Gymkhana cleverly saving their goal twice. In the third *chukker* the Hussars were on the offensive till after two minutes play when they scored a goal. During the fourth *chukker* the Hussars confined the play all through to the Gymkhana end and scored two more subsidiaries. Play was mostly in the Gymkhana ground in the fifth *chukker*, the Hussars had many chances, but failed to increase their score which at the end of the game stood—1 goal and 3 subsidiaries to love. Teams :—

FOURTH HUSSARS.		GYMKHANA.	
Mr A R Steele... ...	1	Mr A Stokes	1
Mr E O Black Hawkins ..	2	Mr A F Stewart ...	2
Mr D Neilson	3	Capt J N Ollivant, D S O ...	3
Capt H G Watkin (*back*)		Major R Hayes (*back*)	

The next match was between the 26th Light Cavalry, "A" Team and the 1st Lincolnshire, and proved much more spirited and exciting till the very end. In the first *chukker* the Lincolns pressed and got much the best of the game, scoring 2 goals in quick succession. The second *chukker* found the Cavalry playing up pluckily and they were on the offensive all through, and getting in some spanking shots notched 3 goals and one subsidiary, the score at the end of this *chukker* being cavalry 3 goals and one subsidiary to 2 goals by the Lincolns. The third *chukker* was fast and there was plenty of up and down play, several dangerous shots being saved by both sides. It ended in no increase to the score. The fourth *chukker* was most exciting of all; the Lincolns putting in all they knew and managing to put up 2 goals, whilst the Cavalry notched one and the score stood—Cavalry 4 goals and one subsidiary to 4 goals.

The fifth and last *chukker* was intensely exciting, both sides playing a fast and furious game up to the last moment. It was neck and neck and anybody's game, both sides being dead equal. Each added a goal to their score and the bell rang leaving the Cavalry winners by 5 goals and one subsidiary to 5 goals :— Teams :—

CAVALRY.		LINCOLNSHIRE.	
Captain M H Henderson	1	Mr B L Butt	1
Mr R E Griffith	2	Mr F Greatword	2
Mr J A Kible	3	Captain F D Gibbs	3
Mr J H Moir (*back*)		Captain W G Harding (*back*)	

Rowing.

THE CALCUTTA ROWING CLUB REGATTA.

THE following are the heats to be rowed off, to day and to-morrow, the finals in the three events, plus the Scratch Fours, forming the programme for Saturday. On that day a beginning will be made at 4-30 P.M. and we may mention the fact that the Club will be "At Home."

CLASS FOURS.—Half mile.

FIRST HEAT.

THE SERVICES.			THE BANKS.	
Capt H W Gardiner	*Bow*		H Langford	*Bow*
Lieut H E Szczepanski...	2		A J M Carroll ...	2
Capt R C Wilson ...	3	*vs.*	L B Carter ...	3
Dr W C Hossack	*Stroke*		C V Green	*Stroke*
Mrs Szczepanski	*Cox*		D Carvill	*Cox*

To the rowed on Thursday.

SECOND HEAT.

THE MERCHANTS.			PEEPULPUTTY.	
H W Hales ...	*Bow*		G Watson	*Bow*
H S Bull ...	2		G Peddie ...	2
O S Wilson ...	3	*vs.*	J Graves ...	3
J M LeCocq	*Stroke*		F R S Charles	*Stroke*
J Massey-Dawson	*Cox*		Miss Maxwell	*Cox*

The merchants have a row over, their opponents having scratched.

JUNIOR SCULLS.—Half mile.

First Heat, A.—C. S. Wilson *vs.* H. S. Bull.
Second Heat, B.—H. W. Hales *vs.* G. Watson.
Third Heat, C.—W. C. Burke, a bye.
To be rowed on Thursday.
Fourth Heat, D.—W. C. Burke *vs.* Winner of A.
Fifth Heat, E.—Winner of B, a bye.
To be rowed on Friday.

LADIES' RACE.—300 yards.

First Heat, A.—Miss Norman *vs.* Mrs. Wilson.
Second Heat, B.—Miss Hingley *vs.* Mrs. Hume Spry.
Third Heat, C.—Miss Maxwell *vs.* Mrs. Scott. (Scratched)
Fourth Heat, D.—Mrs. Szczepanski, a bye.
To be rowed on Thursday.
Fifth Heat, E.—Winner of A *vs.* D.
Sixth Heat, F.—Winner of B *vs.* Winner of C.
To be rowed on Friday.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 8th July 1904.*

LAST summer manufacturers of motor cycles experienced difficulty in keeping pace with the orders that kept pouring in, and not a few had to reduce further instructions owing to their inability to execute them in anything like reasonable time Naturally, during the winter that followed such a successful season many houses made a large stock in anticipation of a similar demand this year, but to the surprise and not to mention loss of the trade, the demand never came. Motor cycles have been sold but in nothing like the same quantities as last year, and now the trade is wondering why this sudden change, and in some instances are only building motor bicycles against order devoting their attention more to the sociable forecarriage or quad. Personally we believe the motor bicycle will never be popular in its present form and if a brisk trade is to be raised some radical changes will have to be made.

Looking at a motor bicycle one is satisfied with its appearance, lifting it, one is disgusted, more than that horrified at its colossal weight. Here is the stumbling block. From whence is the army of motor cyclists to be recruited? Why, from the members of the push bike brigade who have been in the habit of riding machines scaling a matter of twenty-four pounds. One can imagine the impression lifting a hundred pounds motor bicycle would have on a cyclist used to his feather-weight. Is it likely he would be prevailed upon to become a purchaser of such a heavy-weight. Nor is it necessary that a motor cycle should be built so ponderous as there are many ways in which weight could be saved, principally in the engine. Engines now-a-days weight anything up to 60lbs.; reduce this by half for a 2 horse-power engine, cut down the weight of the accumulators, coils and tanks by like proportion—all possible reduction—and the result will be a motor cycle on rational lines Of course some people will say that a 2 horse-power engine would not be powerful enough to carry a rider up very steep hills. This we will grant but very steep hills are not numerous in this country and it would be a pity to fit a more powerful engine solely to mount a hill which might only be encountered once or twice in a year.

Last week I referred in this column to the grand ride achieved by G. P. Mills on a motor bicycle when he made a second journey from Land's End to John o' Groats, and now I have to report an equally meritorious performance over the same course by Dr. F. M. Wesley on an ordinary push bike. Dr. Wesley is a member of the North Road C. C. a club composed of some of the finest road riders of the day, whose annual twelve and twenty four hours' races on the road some fifteen years ago were two of the most exciting fixtures of the year. He is thirty-four years of age and an enthusiastic cyclist invariably taking long rides that many riders would not equal in a week. But still, his performance over the Land's End to John o' Groats' course is sufficient in itself to show what stamp of rider he is. Mounted on a full roadster machine fitted with two rim brakes-mudguards, gearcase, three speed gear, and free wheel, Dr. Wesley covered the 886 miles unpaced, in four days 7 hours 25 minutes beating the previous best for the distance standing to the credit of J. O. Mather, by no less than 21 hours 47 minutes. For the first 415 miles Dr. Wesley did not leave his saddle having ridden for thirty-eight hours without sleep.

The fourth race for the second Carwardine Cup was held at the Crystal Palace track last Saturday and was watched by a fair assembly of spectators who came to see the struggle between the two long distance cracks G. A. Olley who hold two shares in the Cup, and Leon Meredith who held but one. The conditions of the race stipulate that a rider must win three times before the Cup is handed over to him as his own property. So it will be seen that Olley had only to win last Saturday to win the cup outright. But such was not to be his luck. Meredith was riding exceptionally well and from the start established a lead which he held to the end of the hundred miles which he completed in the record time of 3 hours 37 minutes 46½ seconds. Olley retired soon after the fiftieth mile hopelessly beaten, partly because he was not in the best of condition, party because he experienced bad luck with his machine, and party because he cannot ride a losing race. I was speaking with one of the riders who assisted Olley in pacing and he told me that Olley lost the race because he had no heart; that is, when a rival competitor passes him he goes all to pieces, possesses no style and not the remotest chance of winning owing to the want of pluck and go.

The Motor Cycling Club held its third important event of the season last Saturday when the 100 miles reliability test for Motor Cycles for two passengers, for the special trophy presented by Mr. S. F. Edge, was decided over a twenty-five miles course starting from Godstone Village in Surrey. The combined weights of driver and passenger were not to be less than eighteen stones and the weight of the machine loaded with petrol lubricating oil, etc, sufficient for the whole journey of 100 miles, was not to be more than 4 cwt. At the finish of the first fifty miles the drivers were permitted to refil the petrol and oil tanks from supplies carried on their machines. The machines entered consisted of various types of forecarriages, side-cars, trailers, quads, and tandems to the number of seventeen and in striking contrast to last year when nearly all the competitors came through the first round only five completed the fifty miles. In the second run over the last fifty-four drivers came through and in order to decide the winner a further test was held on somewhat novel lines. An out and home course of about half a mile each way was marked out and at every 200 yards marshals were stationed. At each of these points and at the turn the four competitors had to come to a dead stop re-start their engine, and proceed to the next stop. The ultimate winner turned up in J van Hooydonk on a Phœnix Trimo to whom was awarded the twenty guinea trophy.

Limping and leaning on his cycle, a man entered the workshop of a cycle repairer, and to him unfolded a tale of how he had met with an accident and so badly injured his ankle as to prevent his ever riding again; would the cycle agent give him 36 for the machine? No! the agent would not, and so with difficulty the lame cyclist left the shop wheeling his machine with him. He had paid little attention to a customer who was in the shop when he offered the machine for sale, nor did he observe him leave and follow him down the street. Turning a corner had a miraculous effect on the cyclist for his lameness seemed suddenly to have left him and he was on the point of mounting the cycle to ride off when the customer put his hand on his shoulder and explained that he was an officer in plain clothes and that he arrested him for having a stolen cycle in his possession. It turned out afterwards that the man was an old offender having served six months imprisonment for a similar offence.

One's mind is carried back many a year when hearing the information that the old tricycle has been seen out again, and what's more moving to the tune of record. Age is added to the announcement by the time-keeper being no other than Mr. F. T. Bidlake, who in his day was the finest rider of the three-wheeler ever seen. The record to be broken last week was the 100 miles unpaced road record, and it was accomplished by Mr. R. Seymour Cobley, of the North Road C. C., in 5 hours 48 minutes 25 seconds. Mr. Seymour Cobley selected an unusual time for his record starting at 7 o'clock in the evening and consequently riding for more than half the distance in the dark. In this way he secured deserted roads and avoided the heat of the day.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT MOUNT ABU.

ABU HIGH SCHOOL *vs.* SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS' BAND :—The boys of the Abu High School played the band team of the Seaforth Highlanders, and for the second time won a decisive victory Score :—

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS' BAND TEAM.

Gordon, b A Loveday	0
Sullivan, b A Loveday	10
Keene, b A Loveday	0
Holdon, b A Loveday	7
Mundey, b A Loveday	14
Plimer, c James, b C Garton	0
Nairn, c Kennedy, b Hoefke	11
Neil, l-b-w, A Loveday	4
Anderson, b A Lovday	1
Addison, c Llewellyn, b A Loveday	2
Gergory, not out	1
Extras	10
Total	60

ABU HIGH SCHOOL.

A Loveday, b Sullivan	0
C Garton, run out	36
B Garton, c Gordon, b Mundey	8
James, b Mundey	1
Hoefke, b Sullivan	36
Llewellyn, b Sullivan	2
Kennedy, not out	19
Pooler, b Sullivan	0
Maseyk, not out	6
Hudson ... ... Did not bat	
Forrester ... ... Did not bat	
Extras	10
Total (for 7 wkts) ...	118

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

POMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* Y.M.C.A.—The match between these teams was played on the 23rd instant, resulting in a draw. The scoring was low, but the feature of the game was the bowling of Ainsworth, who took eight wickets for 21 runs—a fine performance. Scores :—

Y. M. C. A.

Mr Higgins l-b-w, b Ainsworth	7
Mr N George, c Powell, b Ainsworth ...	15
Mr F J Clark, b Ainsworth	7
Mr R Phillips, not out	32
Mr H Middleton, b Ainsworth	1
Mr W B George, b Ainsworth	1
Mr E Lynn, b Ainsworth	0
Mr Peyton, b Ainsworth	4
Mr E Smith, c Coombs, b Joy	1
Mr Nash, b Ainsworth	13
Mr Grennan, l-b-w, b Coombs	1
Extra ...	7
Total ...	89

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr Milne, c Phillips, b Lynn	6
Mr Aston, c Lynn, b Smith	3
Mr Philbrick c Nash, b Lynn	2
Major Carnegy, l-b-w, b Smith	5
M Powell, c N George b Smith ...	7
Capt Langhorne, not out	24
Major Baynes, c Lynn, b Smith ... —	0
Mr Joy, c Smith, b Clark	17
Mr Coombs, not out	2
Mr McCausland | Mr Ainsworth | Did not bat.	
Extras ...	4
Total ...	70

CRICKET IN POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* TELEGU C. C.—These teams met on the 16th instant, the match ended in a draw. The Gymkhana put up 243 and declared, their opponents playing out time and scoring 94 for seven wickets. Mr. A D. Wilkins made 101 and retired and Captain Greig 84 for the Gymkhana. Scores :—

POONA GYMKHANA.

Mr A D Wilkins, retired	101
Capt Greig, b Erekshaw	84
Mr Hartley, c Samel, b Erekshaw	15
Mr Langton, not out...	26
Mr Dickson, not out...	3
Mr French ... | Mr Thornton ... | Col Stevens ... | Vet-Col Hazelton ... | Capt Tregear ... | Capt Holbrooke — | Did not bat.	
Extras ...	14
* Total ...	243

* Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bandu	16	5	67	0
Erekshaw	25	5	67	2
Murree	16	2	62	0
Deshmukh	6	0	33	0

TELEGU C. C.

J Narsoo, c Col Stevens, b Greig	0
Bandu, l-b-w, b Langton	28
Deskmukh, b Grig	9
Samel, c Greig b Col Hazelton	9
S Narsoo, b Stevens	6
Hanmantoo, b Grieg	9
Erranna, not out	21
Rama, c French, b Stevens	3
Mulloo, not out	2
Rest to bat.	
Extras ...	4
Total (for 7 wkts.) ...	94

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Greig	17	5	24	3
Stevens	17	5	35	2
Langton	6	2	15	1
Hazelton	4	2	5	1
Hartley	2	0	11	0

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* EAST LANCASHIRE REGIMENT.—Played on the 21st instant, the Gymkhana winning easily. Mr. Hartley was top scorer with 71, and Captain Umfreville took 7 wickets for 67. Scores :—

POONA GYMKHANA.

Mr Langton, c Johnson, b Darey	37
Mr Dickson, c and b Johnson	8
Mr Hartley, b Johnson	71
Mr Carrell, c and b Johnson	27
Capt Umfreville, b Jarrad	45
Mr Noake, b Johnson...	5
Mr Davidson, b Cherry	36
Mr Yates, b Jarrad	35
Mr Thew, not out	6
Mr Herbert ... | Capt Hooper ... | Did not bat.	
Extras ...	30
Total ...	300

EAST LANCASHIRE REGIMENT.

Major Webb, b Umfreville	2
Capt Trail, b Umfreville	6
Capt Richardson, c Noake, b Umfreville	0
Mr Jarrad, b Langton	12
Major Twynam, c Yates, b Langton	1
Sergt Davey, b Umfreville	25
Capt Russell, b Umfreville	23
Pte Shutt, c Thew, b Umfreville	0
Sergt Johnson, c Langton, b Umfreville	0
Pte Cherry, c Noake, b Langton	12
Pte Reilly, not out	0
Extras ...	5
Total ...	86

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BOWLING ANALYSIS.

POONA GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr Jarrad	19	4	60	3
Sergt Johnson	15	0	61	4
Pte Shutt	3	0	31	0
Sergt Davey	6	0	37	1
Pte Cherry	9·2	0	43	1
Major Webb	1	0	6	0
Major Twynam	2	0	25	0
Capt Trail	1	0	11	0

EAST LANCASHIRE REGIMENT.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt Umfreville... ...	15·3	3	51	7
Mr Langton	15	3	30	3

CRICKET AT BELLARY.

SCHOOL OF MUSKETRY *vs.* THE REST.—Played on the 14th instant, the Musketry School winning by50 runs. The Rest put up 129 for eight wickets but two men failed to turn up, thus giving away the match. Score :—

MUSKETRY SCHOOL.

Capt. Ainslie, b Watney	57
Capt. Matthews, b Todd	12
Capt. Jeffreys, c Cowan, b Wheeler	17
Mr. De Hoghton, b Todd	23
Mr. Mitford, b Watney	8
Mr. Hare, b Watney	1
Mr. Strickland, run out	10
Mr. Homan, b Watney	21
Mr. Rollo, b Watney	5
Mr. Bagnall, b Palmer	1
Sergt. Edgehill, not out	7
Extras	17
Total ...	179

THE REST OF BELLARY.

Lieut. Watney, run out	33
Asst.-Surg. Passenha, run out	7
Mr. Sinclair, c and b Edgehill	60
Lieut. Cowan, run out	14
Maj Morphur, l-b-w, b Hare	2
Col. Schalch, c and b Rollo	0
Mr. Mullings, run out	0
Mr. Todd, c and b Hare	0
Mr. Davies, not out	1
Corpl. Weeler, Pte. Palmer } Did not bat.	
Extras	12
Total ...	129

CRICKET CHAT.

INDIAN cricketers who knew him in the "nineties" will be glad to see E. H. D. Sewell's name so high up in the first-class batting averages. The old Madras cricketer has at last fulfilled the promise of his Indian form and can, up to 30th June, point to an average of 35·78 for 19 completed innings. He has made three centuries and has on three other occasions scored between fifty and a hundred. It will probably surprise not a few Indian lovers of the game to learn that on June 30th K. S. Ranjitsinhji headed the first-class batting averages topping C. B. Fry's average of 82 44 by nearly a point, the Indian cricketer's average working out at 83·30.

A number of prominent Anglo-Indian cricketers were in evidence in home club cricket the week the mail of 30th June left. I have already alluded in last week's "Chat" to the share that T. B. Nicholson bore in the match between the South Africans and London County, but find that I made a mistake in giving his score for the first innings. The old Madras player did even better than I thought, scoring 68 out of a total of 168 and with the exception of L. Walker being the only batsman on the side who could make anything of the bowling of Kotze. In a match for the West India Regiment against Spencer, on 15th June the same player scored 52. Captain R. E. E. Krickenbeck, a well-known Bombay Presidency player, playing for Surbiton *versus* Upper Tooting scored 17 and took two wickets. J. D. Guise, the Calcutta cricketer, playing for Incogniti *versus* Northaw Place scored 24 and captured four wickets for 38 runs. For the same club against the Gentlemen of Herts he only made two and took two of the four Gentlemen of Herts' wickets that fell but was very expensive. He did better in a later match for Oatlands Park *versus* Upper Tooting making 44 (top score) and taking two wickets. Captain P. Whetham, who will be remembered in connection with Northern India cricket a few seasons ago playing for Shorncliffe Garrison *versus* Incogniti scored 32 and 21.

Cricket at Lahore in July can scarcely be pleasant but such is the enthusiasm of Lahore and Mian Mir cricketers that a game was arranged between the two stations for two evenings last week which after an exciting finish ended in a victory for Mian Mir by the narrow margin of four runs. The defeat of the Lahore team was brought about by one of their own players F. H Humphreys, the old Satopian and Oxford University cricketer to wit who for some reason although stationed at Lahore played for Mian Mir. Humphreys has a big reputation as a bowler in Northern India cricket and on this occasion certainly played up to it capturing seven Lahore wickets for 24 runs, a capital performance under such disadvantageous climatic conditions. He also did very well with the bat, scoring 80, the second highest score on the side. D. Russell, another cricketer who occasionally assisted Lahore last cold weather (made 31 top score) for Mian Mir, while A. G. Hutchinson, A. Crocker, F. Heron, and F. Raikes all contributed double figure scores. Captain Frizelle met with phenomenal success with the ball c-pturing five wickets in three overs for 9 runs. The Lahore team missed the services of several of their best men, notably S. M. Robinson, and L. C. Glascock, and but for two good displays by V. H. Wilson the old Radician and T. C. Fisher who scored 39 and 22 respectively, would have fared very badly. It is doubtful if the experiment of playing cricket in the hot weather at Lahore will be repeated.

Hardly anything has been heard this season of the doings of Mhow cricketers where there are at least half a dozen players quite above the average, but I see from the scores of a match played between the Gymkhana and the 10th Hussars that several of the best players in the station are in good form. The 10th Hussars can place a very strong team in the field including Major Hon. T. W. Brand and Captain Hon. G. W. S. Cadogan who both played for Eton, H P. Chaplin who was one of the best bats in the Sandhurst XI. a couple of years ago, Captain Hon. Anderson Pelham who played for the Bombay Presidency against the Authentics, and A. G. Davies-Cooke. Three of these players, Brand, Cadogan, and Chaplin, are candidates for places in this year's Presidency team and all three are fully deserving of the honour of being selected. Chaplin, in the match under notice, played a fine innings of 53 (retired) and captured four wickets. Brand did not get going properly with the bat but bowled well capturing four wickets for seven runs apiece. Cadogan, like Brand, only scored a few runs but is one of the best bats in Mhow. Captain H. K. Colston bowled extremely well for the Gymkhana capturing seven wickets. Besides Chaplin for the Hussars Davies-Cooke (31), Private Bart (24 not out), and Sergeant Mitchell (26), batted well, while of the Gymkhana batsmen I notice that Captain E. Sandlez, an old Presidency player, made 25, Captain Colston 25, Private Troupe 21, and H. G. Manson 15. I hope the Bombay Selection Committee will keep their eyes on these Mhow players.

Perhaps one of the most pleasant features of the Poona season is the success that has attended A. D. Wilkins' efforts with the bat up to date. The old Bedfordshire county cricketer is a veteran in the strict sense of the term eighteen years having passed since he made his great score of 218 for North *versus* South of the Presidency and over 25 years since he made his *debut* in Indian cricket. This season he has been to the wickets five times up to date and has taken two centuries his scores in the other three innings being insignificant. His aggregate of 234, however, gives him an average of 46 4, and his latest performance against the Telegu C C. when he scored 101 and retired entitles him to a Place among the first three batsman in Poona. The Telegu C. C. (local Hindus), who usually give the Poona Gymkhana a good game, were quite outplayed on this occasion and their bowlers came in for handsome punishment from Greig (besides Wilkins) who scored 84 in his best style. The Hindus lost seven wickets for 94 runs and time alone saved them from a severe defeat. The Gymkhana totaled 243 for three wickets (only) two wickets actually fell Wilkins retiring). Greig I am glad to see, can still bowl more than a bit and took three wickets for 24 runs.

The Karachi Gymkhana, fresh from their 16 runs' victory over the local Parsees, won their next game against the Sind Volunteers also by a narrow margin, in fact 10 runs.

A recent match between the British Service and the Indian Army at Bellary resulted in a win for the former by 69 runs. de Hoghton (59), Hove (42) and Watney (36), all batted well for the victors and Cowan (41) for the Indian Army.

Several very interesting games have been played at Rajkot this season where there are more European cricketers than are usually to be found in this small station. C. A. Kincaid is perhaps the best batsman, and his claims which should come up for consideration when the Presidency team is being selected. He has scored well in nearly every match he has played this season and has a very attractive style. Bombay cricketers may remember that he scored a century for Kathiawar against the Gymkhana in 1901. On 16th July Rajkot Gymkhana had the best of a drawn game with the Sanrastra High School scoring 132 for seven wickets against their opponents 149. Bad wicketing lost the Gymkhana the match extras amounting to no less than 39. The best innings of the match was Captain Savile's 45, while the second highest as well as second best was D. B. Redkar's 36 for the School. Captain Bennett who played all last season and the season before for Broach bowled better than he has done for some time taking six wickets for 31 runs.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

I. F. A. CHALLENGE SHIELD.

HARE SPORTING *vs.* CALCUTTA.—These teams met on the Calcutta ground, the homesters winning by two goals to *nil*. In spite of their win the Calcutta forwards gave a poor display, their shooting not being up to the usual standard. The scoring was done in the first half, Cooper and V. Sherman finding the net. In the second moiety the home team did all the attacking but were unable to score. Teams :—

CALCUTTA.—Dod's, *goal*; Gahan and Wickham, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford, and Ansell, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, MacDonald, V. Cooper, V. Sherman, and Cudlip, *forwards*.

HARE SPORTING :—Karmokar, *goal*; S. Sarbadhicary and J. Sarbadhicary, *backs*; Bose, Kauri, and Moni, *half-backs*; Mookerjee, Dey, S. Mookerjee, Hazra, and Bhattacherjee, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. E. E. Rope.

RANGERS *vs.* Y.M.C.A.—This was played on the Rangers' ground on the 20th instant, and the home team having the best of matters won by four goals to *nil*. They put on one goal in the opening half and three after the interval—O'Laughlin (2), Pollock and Mulholland being responsible. Teams :—

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal*; Margrett and Lees, *backs*; Mulholland, Affleck and Russell, *half-backs*; Maclay, Pollock, Hill, Johnstone and Gault, *forwards*.

Y.M.C.A.—Curtis, *goal*; Glover and Collingwood, *backs*; Young, Pooler and Trusler, *half backs*; Gordon, Watts, Schaumberg, Vanspal and Wilson, *forwards*.

Referee.—Sergeant Morrell.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* HORNETS.—The second meeting of these teams last Saturday, produced an exciting game, the Trades' Club winning by two goals to one. The Hornets were the first to attack and had the best of matters for a time. Then the Dals went away with the ball and forced a corner, which they failed to turn to account. The Hornets next obtained a corner, it was not converted but they continued to press and before half-time Rosser put through. The Dalhousie men showed greatly improved form in the second half and Bonar was not long in equalising. The play then became very interesting but in spite of great efforts by both sides the score was one all when the whistle was blown. Russell was ordered off just before time for foul play. Extra time was played and the Dals had the best of it, and Watts finding the net gave them the victory. Teams :—

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Templeton and Stimson, *backs*; Phelps, Butler and Wallace, *half-backs*; Holly, Stewart, Watts, Bonar, and Prike, *forwards*.

HORNETS.—Gomes, *goal*; Yakchee and Anderson *backs*; Hollow, Simmons and A. Rosser, *half-backs*; Tancred, Apear, L. Rosser, Cooper, and Russell, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. J. Grieg.

SECOND ROUND.

CALCUTTA *vs.* RANGERS.—Played last Saturday on the Rangers' ground before a large crowd, the visitors avenging their defeat in the League match. The opening exchanges were even, then Calcutta got going and rushing down found the net. Following on this the visitors continued to press for a spell. Then led by Hill the Rangers attacked and Dods was called upon to save which he did in good style. On resuming Calcutta kept the ball in the homesters' territory and the Rangers' backdivision were kept busy. They cleared, however, and the forwards got away. Pollock sending in a hot shot, which Dods fisted out. Gahan transferred to his forward line and Sherman getting possession, put in a brilliant run culminating in another goal. The remaining play was up and down but the Rangers were unable to score and Calcutta thus won by two goals to *nil*. Teams :—

CALCUTTA.—Dods, *goal*; Wickham and Gahan, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford, and Ansell, *half-backs*; H. Sherman, MacDonald, V. Cooper, V. Sherman, and Cudlip, *forwards*.

RANGERS.—Behrend, *goal*; Margrett and Lees, *backs*; Affleck, Mulholland and Cuthbert, *half-backs*; Pollock, McCready, Hill, Maclay and Vears, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. E. E. Rope.

KING'S OWN *vs.* CHINSURAH.—This match was played on the 23rd instant and needs no description, the military team running rings round their opponents, scoring at will. They put on twelve goals to love, Ennis (5), Ashworth (3), Whittingham (2), Standish and Quin being responsible for the goals.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.—A huge gathering witnessed the above match on the Dalhousie ground on the 25th instant. The Rifles went away at the start and gave a good exhibition of passing but were slow in front of goal. They had the best of the game during most of the initial stages, then the Dals had a spell, but were forced back again and had to concede four corners in succession—nothing came of them, however, and the teams crossed over with a blank sheet. In the second moiety Dalhousie worked hard and after some very even play began to keep the Irish men to their twenty-five. But neither side were able to score and time arrived with the game a pointless draw. The teams took the field again for extra play and shortly after resuming Watts put through for Dalhousie. The Rifles made great efforts but were unable to score, the Trades' Club thus winning by a goal to *nil*. Teams :—

DALHOUSIE.—Street, *goal*; Stimson and Templeton, *backs*; Dalling, Wallace and Phelps, *half-backs*; Holly, Stewart, Watts, Bonar, and Prike, *forwards*.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.—Kansley, *goal*; Hannah and Hagerty, *backs*; Creig, Morris, and Wallace, *half-backs*; Wilson, Crea, Lewis, Smith, and Ross, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. Cudlip, C.F.C.

CALEDONIANS *vs.* SOVA BAZAR.—The Caledonians drew with Sova Bazar on Saturday on the ground of the latter. The visitor's forwards missed several good opportunities while the goalkeeper had nothing to do. There was not much scientific play, but both teams kept the ball going at a good pace till time was called with no goals scored. With apologies to the I. F. Association the Caledonians confess to another pointless drawn game with the old native club on Monday. The football was of a very low standard, both sides failing to realize what is expected, in the premier Association. For the Caledonians and the Association Park's failure to score from a penalty kick was unfortunate. Tierny and Harrington played best for the European team while Mitter and Roy showed up very well for Sova Bazar.

The third encounter between the above teams brought the second round of the competition to an end. A well-contested game on the Rangers' ground resulted in a pointless draw. Extra time was played, however, during which Nicols scored for the Caledonians who thus won by a goal to *nil*.

Teams :—

CALEDONIANS.—Nicols, *goal*; Kelly and Wade, *backs*; Dewsbury, Park, and Harrington, *half-backs*; Ten Brücke, Tierny, Chandler, Williams, Sculthorpe, *forwards*.

SOVA BAZAR.—G. Mukerjee, *goal*; K. Mukerjee and Mitter, *backs*; Laha Sen Gupta, and L. Roy *half-backs*; Gupta, Roy, Bagchi, Saidhu, and Bhattacharjee, *forwards*.

Referee.—Corporal Stokes, K.O.R.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

ALL but one of the matches in the first round of the Shield Tournament went off very tamely. The Rangers walked round the Y.M.C.A. and the King's Own had no difficulty in disposing of Howrah. Calcutta, too, beat Hare Sporting as anticipated, though the latter were by no means overwhelmed. They put up a very good fight and proved themselves to be quite in the first flight of native football teams. From the score, two to love in favour of Calcutta, it will be deduced that the Calcutta men did not display any improvement in their shooting.

The most interesting match was that between Dalhousie and the Hornets, the issue of which was in doubt till the whistle went for time. The Hornets had out a powerful line of forwards and time after time it seemed certain they would score, but the home backs and Street managed to somehow save the situation. Both sides played all they knew and excitement among the spectators was intense. A goal was scored by each side, both rather soft ones, and the game eventually ended in a draw, the referee refusing to play extra time as the light was failing.

I understand that the Dalhousie F. C. protested against the playing by the Hornets in this match of two or three men, who were said to have only arrived in Calcutta that morning, and could not therefore have complied with the I.F.A. rule that they should have actually played in a match for that club in the current season, prior to the commencement of the Shield Competition. The Hornets, I understand, proved that the men had arrived the day before and had played in a practice match that evening, and the prostest therefore fell through. But there is no doubt that apart from the I.F.A. rules having been complied with to the letter, the men protested against were not what anyone who has the interests of amateur football at heart would call recognized playing members of the club. The opinion of the majority of local sportsmen with regard to players, who are imported by clubs to play for the Shield only, is that such are in no way *bonâ-fide* and recognized playing members of the club concerned, in the way that *bonâ fide* is meant to be translated. To take an imaginary (?) case. A man comes down from a station away in the mofussil, plays in perhaps three matches for a club in which he has absolutely no real interest, and then returns to the wilds and most probably does not see or hear anything of the club for another year. He may have paid his *subscription* right through and therefore be a member but is he a recognized playing member? I think not. This tendency of clubs to import outside help for the Shield matches only is one which, in whatever way it is looked at, can only lead to the deterioration of local football, even as it has already perverted the amateur spirit of the contest and provoked more enmity and bitter feeling among clubs and players than any amount of rough play or indifferent refereeing, and the sooner the I.F.A. takes steps to more fully define the meaning of 'recognized playing member" the better.

Now I am on "the stump" there is another matter which has caused a deal of ill-feeling this season and that is the playing of soldiers by nominally purely civilian clubs. No one has any grievance against such soldiers; they as a rule play a good game and do all they can for their side, but they are only imported that some "pot" or other may be secured with their assistance, and not in any way as *bonâ fide* members of the club. When a football match is on they are there and do their share but are not otherwise treated as members. They do not enter into the social life of the club nor care how it is conducted, etc., and though they are recognized playing members and no ruling can possibly be made to debar them from playing it would be more in keeping with the tenets of a *civilian* club if such outside help were not obtained. No one should blame "T. A." He wants a game and why should he not get one if he can. It is the clubs that are to blame if anyone; but after all it is not a question of *blame* at all, it's the sporting instinct which if not present cannot be instilled. These remarks are not meant to apply to any club in particular but to the leaning in general towards "outside help" which is going far towards ruining amateur football in Calcutta. As matters are trending now there is only one thing wanting to bring organised professionalism into Calcutta and that is an enclosed ground and a regular "gate," and much as one would like a *pucca* enclosed neutral ground for important matches, for this one reason, it is not advisable that such a ground should be established here.

To return to the progress of this year's Shield Tournament. Dalhousie and the Hornets met again on Saturday and the game was every bit as exciting as at their first meeting. The Hornets had the better of the first half and scored one goal but after the interval Dalhousie asserted themselves and equalised through Bonar. Time arrived with the score still one all but the referee decided to play an extra quarter and, amid great enthusiasm, Dalhousie put on another goal and thus won the match. The crowd was enormous and the excitement intense throughout and the win a most popular one.

On the Rangers' ground Calcutta defeated the homesters by two goals to love and well deserved their victory. The chances seemed all in favour of the Rangers, especially after the poor display of Calcutta against the Hare Sporting Club, but the visitors were never in better form and played a winning game throughout. There were several exciting moments; once Dodds was nearly charged through the goal when holding the ball, but the referee held that the ball was not over the line, and on another occasion a splendid shot of the elder Sherman's hit the post and the ball bounced on to the line but Behrend cleared in great style. Both goalkeepers were in excellent form throughout and saved marvellously but the honours of the evening were with the forwards and halves. For Calcutta H. Sherman was particularly conspicuous and the passing between him, Macdonald and Cooper was first class. Ansell, Maunder, and Crawford played their usual sound game and came in for a large share of the applause. For the Rangers McCready, Vears, and MacClay were in good form in the forward line and Mullholand, Lees and Margrett in the back division, and it was due to the excellent defence of the latter that Calcutta did not win by a larger margin.

The remaining matches on Saturday were anything but interesting. The King's Own walked over Chinsurah to the extent of 12 goals to *nil*, and a very tame game between the Caledonian A. C. and Sova Bazar resulted in a draw, neither side being able to score. In the Trades' Cup Seebpur managed at last to beat the Nationals by one goal to love and the Medicals disposed of Mohun Bagan with a similar score. Gaurangdi beat Calcutta United by two goals to *nil* and thus qualified for the final.

On Monday, Dalhousie met the Royal Irish Rifles and after a great game, came out winners by one goal to *nil*. The Irish had much the better of the first half but although they played a dashing game the home defence was more than they could tackle and no score resulted. In the second half the exchanges were slightly in favour of Dalhousie but they could not get the ball through the goal and "time" arrived with the score sheet blank. The referee decided there was sufficient light for an extra quarter's play and after about six minutes play Dalhousie scored, Watts netting the ball amidst great applause. After this the Irish fell off and Dalhousie ran out winners of one of the hardest fought games of the season. The Irish had several opportunities of scoring but were slow to shoot. They played an excellent game throughout but their forwards were too tricky with the ball and time and again indulged in short passing and clever displays of dribbling in front of goal when they should have shot and these tactics practically lost them the game. Dalhousie displayed the best form of the season and on the evening's play would have beaten any team in Calcutta.

I understand that the Nationals have put in a protest *re* their match against Seebpur on the grounds that the field of play was not the correct size and Seebpur should therefore not have selected it to play on. Should this protest be sustained by the I. F. A. Council the two teams will have to meet again and the competition for the Trades' Cup will be still further extended. With the number of drawn games there been in this competition, and the absurd disputes and protests the Secretary has had to deal with it is surprising anyone can be found to run it as an *Honorary* Secretary. It is a pity some teams cannot take a defeat in a sporting manner.

TOUCH.

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE GOLD MEDAL.—This competition, which consisted of two rounds of twelve holes on the Guindy links and two rounds of nine holes on the Island links, was played on the 2nd, 9th, and 16th instant. Heavy rain on the 16th instant made putting on the Island links very fluky and under the circumstances Mr. J. M. Brown's score of 80 for the 18 holes was a fine performance and enabled him to win the Medal for the third time. Scores :—

	Guindy		Island			
J M Brown ...	60	57	41	39	Scr	197*
A M Urquhart ...	63	62	46	45	—24	=192†
Col P H Benson, I M S ...	59	62	42	42	Scr.	‡
Major Thompson, R A M C ...	66	61	48	50	—20	=205
D Dewar	72	66	52	50	—34	=206
F E Hooper	61	60	47	45	— 4	=209
J M Robinson	72	72	42	44	—20	=210
C E Ross	69	71	52	49	—28	=213

Messrs. R. Meredith, E. P. Corlett, O. J. Sykes, and W. D. Macgregor retired.

* Wins Medal. † First Handicap Prize. ‡ Divide second and third Handicap Prizes.

GOLF IN POONA.

The following are the results of the monthly medals played for at Yerrowda on Saturday, 16th July.

LADIES.

	Gross score.	Handi. cap.	Nett.
Miss Anderson...	91	20	71
Mrs Bell	96	18	78
Miss V Forbes	102	18	84
Mrs Anderson	86	Scr	86
Mrs French	107	20	87
Miss Lee Harwood	114	24	90
Mrs Bagshawe	111	20	91
Mrs Stevens	109	18	91
Mrs Forbes	105	14	91
Miss Martin	110	18	92
Mrs F de B Young	114	20	94
Mrs Hopwood	122	24	98
Mrs Davison	131	24	107

Two members sent in no returns.

GENTLEMEN.

Capt Rutherford	87	10	77
D H Davison	92	14	78
N V Thew	85	5	80
Major Young	87	6	81
H L Harkness	88	7	81
T B Fry	82	Scr	82
H Bromley	96	12	84
J H Lee Harwood	103	17	86

Seven players sent in no returns.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

CLEEK MATCH.

The usual nine holes Cleek Competition which was concluded on Saturday last brought this Club's overlong annual season to a definite end. The heavy rain had played havoc with the course, and with so many hoof marks about accurate Cleek play was a sheer impossibility. Mr. Beaumont's winning score of 46 nett may therefore be regarded as distinctly creditable, but another year it would certainly be better to have the Cleek Competition before the close of the hot weather. The best cards sent in were as follows :—

W C Beaumont	52	6	46
A E Todd	51	3	48
Lieut.-Col. Renny Tailyour ...	51	4	49
E A Lyon	52	2½	49½
J H Hechle	52	2½	49½
C D H Dunlop	55	5	50
L T Carmichael	57	7	50
E A Wild	53	1½	51½
N Mitchell-Innes	52	Scr.	52
B Sinclair	52	Scr.	52
L Pym	53	Scr.	53
A H Nicoll	58	5	53
F H Stewart	54	Scr.	54
D A Cuthbert	56	1	55
O J Barnes	63	7	56

THE TOLLYGUNGE CLUB.

Here, too, the season closed with a Cleek Competition, in this instance over the fourteen holes which constitute the present club course. In spite of its being so late in the year the ground was in very good order, and Major Drury who won with 73 less 8=65 and Mr. N. A. Macleod put in very creditable rounds. The best scores returned were as follows :—

	Score.	Handicap.	Net.
Major Drury	73	8	65
N A Macleod	76	9	67
Hon E W Collin	82	14	68
G W Walker	70	scr	70
A F Bruce	81	11	70
E A Wild	74	3	71
D Youngson	72	scr	72
T W Ogilvey	74	2	72
Col G F A Harris ...	81	9	72
G A Wilmot	81	9	72
E A Lyon	78	5	73
H B Whitby	84	11	73
G P Symes Scutt ...	87	14	73

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

23rd June 1904.

THE contest for the Amateur Championship of Yorkshire commenced on Monday, 13th June. On the links of the Sheffield and District Club on Lindrick Common the meeting to decide the champion of both sexes and also of teams extends annually over a whole week. The gathering began with the Ladies' Championship which is decided partly by medal and partly by match play. The four ladies, having the requisite qualification for play in Yorkshire (birth in the county or two years' residence) who return the lowest gross scores in a Stroke Competition play each other in a tournament afterwards; the four who qualified this year were: Miss Bertha Thompson (Scarborough), 89. Miss K. G. Moeller (Ilkley), 93. Miss Evelyn Steele (holder Sheffield), 94, and Miss J. C. Robson (Cleveland), 94. In the semi-final Miss Steele beat Miss Robson by 6 up and 4, and Miss Thompson defeated Miss Moeller by 3 up and 2. The match between Miss Thompson and Miss Steele was very close throughout, the holder had the best of the luck and eventually won by 2 up and 1. Next on the programme were mixed foursomes in which 38 couples took part. The first prize were won by Miss Vickerman and Mr. G. Gosland with 88 – 9½ = 78½ and second place was tied for by 3 couples in 85 net. Next day (Wednesday, 15th) the Men's Team Championship was decided. No less than 22 teams of four players had entered and a keen struggle took place for the Ilkley Bowl with whom goes the title of champion club in the county. Already the Huddersfield Club had possessed this treasure six times out of the ten occasions on which it had been contested. The Competition being a 36-hole one there was great excitement at lunch when it was found that the Bradford Club led by 5 strokes, the holders being second. They were unable, however, to retain their lead and the holders again secured the coveted title by 8 strokes with an aggregate total of 664 as against Bradford's 672. The contest proper for the Individual Championship was played on Thursday, 16th, in delightful though rather wind weather. The surprise of the first round was the defeat of the Light Blue and Bradford player, Mr. Hoffmann, by Mr. Woodland, the Secretary of the Yorkshire Union, by 1 hole.

The finals were played in most beautiful weather on Saturday and resulted as follows:—Mr. Barker (Huddersfield) beat Dr. Morrison (Scarbrough) by 4 holes up and 2 to play in 36 holes. Mr. Barker drove a longer ball than his opponent, but the latter putted extremely well, and gave his antagonist a closer match than was anticipated.

At the Royal Norwich Ladies' Clubs Summer Meeting a somewhat novel system of handicapping in a Bogey Competition was adopted, namely, by "bisques:" we know or used to know those bisques at Tennis, and Croquet players are familiar with them, but it is an innovation at the Royal and ancient game, and one that could only be adopted in Tournament or Bogey play, but in these two games, certainly it seems very feasible and interesting. In the mixed foursome Competition *versus* Bogey with the aid of 1 bisque Miss Cozens-Hardy and Mr. M. Crick succeeded in defeating their Military foe by 7 up. A long space separated them from the second couples who tied for next place with 2 down, aided by 2 and 4 bisques respectively.

On 11th June an Open Amateur Meeting was held at Enfield n Middlesex when the Bogey Competition was tied for by three players—Mr. A. C. Tumy, H. A. Ford, and C. B. Weir all 4 up. Mr. Tumy's score was 78 equalling Henry Vardon's record for the Green. The Medal Competition prize under handicap went to Mr. F. H. Collin 87 – 12 = 75, whilst Mr. T. Holt (scratch), with 77, carried off the scratch reward. There were 78 entries in this meeting and everything went off without a hitch.

On Tuesday, 14th, the club held Open Doors to lady players. About 60 entered amongst whom were Mrs. George Hunter (Littlestone), Captain of the Middlesex County Club, Miss Sparrow Miss Sant. As seemed most appropriate the county Captain swept the board of all within the radius of a scratch player. With 93 in the Stroke Competition, she carried off the scratch prize, with 43 for best 9 holes, and after lunch with

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1 down to Bogey she bore off in triumph the Bogey Competition prize against all comers.

The successful players under handicap were Mrs. Graves (Woolford) 104 – 9 = 95, Mrs. F. Hume (handicap over 10) 101 – 16 = 85, and best 9 holes under handicap Mrs. Olden 51 – 10 = 41. Meantime the Parliamentary Handicap is still going slowly on, the fifth round was completed, having Mr. Soames Mr. Tennyson, Mr. J. Wilson and Mr. Croal to contest the penultimate heat, when Mr. Soames beat Mr. Thompson by 5 up and 4 to play, and Mr. Wilson won by 4 and 2 against Mr. Croal.

Under the auspices of the Société de Golf de Paris the first competition for the Amateur Championship of France was played at Versailles on 16th, 17th, and 18th June. The meeting was by Tournament and included the Gordon-Bennet Challenge Trophy. In the third round Mr. Overbury, Mr. Follet, Mr. Beeche, and Mr. Forbes won their matches, and of these Mr. Overbury and Mr. Beeche survived the forth round and contested the final when the latter won by 7 holes up and 5 to play and gained the proud destinction of being the first Amateur Champion of la belle France! The International Handicap Competition was won by M. Francois de Bellet with 90—10=80. M. A. de Heeren being second with 91—10=84.

Mr Marshall Hall, K. C. M. P., got together a House of Commons team to oppose the Formby Club at Formby, on Saturday, 18th June. There were only six players a side. The home club proved victorious by winning four matches to 2 in the single and 2 to 0 in the foursomes. The teams were made up as follows :—

Formby.			House of Commons.	
Mr. A B Stoddart ...	0	vs.	Mr. H W Foster, MP ...	1
,, E H Porter ...	1	,,	,, G L Winkle, MP ...	0
,, H C Pilkington	0	,,	,, Marshall Hall, KC MP ...	1
,, A B Hall ...	1	,,	Sir Henry Seaton Kerr, MP	0
,, H W Edwards...	1	,,	Mr Guy Pym, MP ...	0
,, J Corbett Low...	1 W.O.		Absent	0
	4			2

The Liverpool Shipping Annual Tournament was concluded over the West Lancashire Club Links at Blundellsands on Saturday, 18th June. The result was a win for Mr. John Esplin who defeated Mr. W. H. Jones in the finals by 5 up and 4 to play. The donors of the prize were Messrs. T. and J. Harrison, shipowners. This annual meeting evokes much interest in the circles involved and some very good play is usually called forth.

It is interesting to all golfers whoever and wherever they be to know that old Tom Morris attained his 84th Birthday on 16th June, in celebration of which he played a round at St Andrew's with Mr. H. S. C. Everard, and, despite the gale which was blowing, he played a wonderfully fine game. The Hanger Hill Club's Open Amateur Tournament, on Saturday, 18th June, attracted some fine golfers. The scratch prize was tied for in 79 by Mr. S. H. Fry, and Mr. A. C. Lincoln, Mr. H. H. Hilton, and Mr. W. Lunnon each returned 83. The best handicap return was by Mr J. W. Cowan 85—8=77. The Bogey Competition produced some fine play by Mr. Livingston (Mid Surrey) who playing from scratch finished 2 holes up.

The final match for the Cup presented by to the Press Gallery of Parliament by Dr. Arnott of the *Irish Times* was played on Saturday, 18th June, at Tooting and won by Mr. W. Jeans who defeated Mr. Croal in a 36-hole match, with a handicap allowance of 5 strokes in the round by 6 holes up and 4 to play. Mr. Croal, it will be remembered, did remarkably well in the Parliamentary only succumbing to Mr. Wilson in the penultimate heat.

M. E. S.

Shows.

THE BANGALORE HORSE AND DOG SHOW.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, 23*rd July* 1904.

THE Horse and Dog Show in Bangalore this year has been by far the most successful function of the kind which has taken place here of late years. The well wooded grounds of the Residency were most kindly lent for the purpose by Sir James Bourdillon, British Resident in Mysore, and the Resident and his staff were "At Home" to their friends on both days of the Show. The arrangements made by Major W. Dougall, the Honorary Secretary, and Major Smyth, D. S. O., the Honorary Treasurer, were perfect, and everything went without a hitch from start to finish. The pretty grounds in which the tents, jumps show ring, etc., had been arranged looked quite like an English park, the climate with the exception of a few light showers was all that could be wished, and expressions of pleasure were rife on all sides. The show of horses and ponies was also very fine, and in this particular, well-known judges declare it to be superior to anything which has been seen in South India. It has been a great show, but as each competition is commented on in its place, it is unnecessary to say very much about them here. The jumping all round was quite good, although certain brave young officers experienced rather rough passages upon animals which required additional tuition. In the thoroughbred class we got a glimpse of a couple of Mr. Apcar's new importations and right good-looking animals they are—both Mallard and Martinique. The numerous entries are sufficient to show how much good horse flesh there is in Bangalore at present, and the tasks presented to the judges were anything but sinecures. The Carabiniers, hospitable as usual, had a breakfast as well as refreshments on the ground. Details of the competitions :—

CLASS I.—HEAVY-WEIGHT HUNTERS (over 12-1.)

(*Judges.*—Colonel J. P. Grant and Major Birdwood.)

Major Logan-Home's br aus g Harkaway 1

Also competed : Mr. Boyd's Rupert and Mrs. Sharpe Smith's All Fours.

Captain Randall handled the winner, a well-known horse in the hunter class. He would be bad to beat in first-rate company and won easily here.

CLASS II. LIGHT-WEIGHT HUNTERS (under 12st.)

(*Judges.*—Mr. R. Kindersley, Major Birdwood, and General Percy Smith.)

Mr R Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Grand Duke ... 1
Captain F Adams' b w g Gaylad 2

Also competed : Major Logan-Home's Marquise, Mr. T. W. Pragnell's St. Amant, Mr. D. Devaraj Urs' Musketeer, General J. Eccles Nixon's Yeoman, Mrs. Arthur Porter's the Mormon, Mrs. Georges' Comma, Mr. Gwyer's Rufus, Mrs. Sharpe-Smith's All Fours, Colonel H. Armstrong's Yabba, Mrs. Gibbs' Kitty Stoner, Colonel J. P. Grant's Angeline, Mr. A. West's Cracksman, Mr. J. N. Kidd's Paddy, Mr. C. Robertson's Punch, and Major W. Dougall's Quandong.

A very fine class indeed. The judges kept seven in the ring, namely, Gaylad, Yabba, Grand Duke, Quandong, Angeline, Yeoman, and St. Amant, and then called in General Percy Smith as a third judge to assist them in arriving at a decision. The winner is a beautiful chestnut horse with immense depth of girth and grand shoulders. He looks bigger and better when stripped then when he has his saddle on. Gaylad is a picture of a light-weight hunter, is as hard as nails and has won several paper-chases here in a canter. Lance-Corporal Lloyd, 6th Dragoon Guards rode the winner, and Mr. Hawley, 28th Light Cavalry, the second.

CLASS III. PONY HUNTERS (over 11st. 7lbs.)

(*Judges.*—General Eccles Nixon and Colonel Grant.)

Major Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane ... 1

Also competed : Captain T. S. Francis' Sensation, Major Birdwood's Gaylad (not to be confounded with Captain Adams' horse which won the second prize in the light-weight hunter class), Major W. Dougall's Lancer, Mr. A. Swifte's Cossack, Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' Badger, Major A. G. Pratt's Ahmed, Captain E. J. Peel's Rose, and Mr. Gwyer's The Bee. Captain Randall was on the winner, a nice mare which lately won the first prize in a similar class in Ootacamund.

CLASS IV. PONY HUNTERS. (under 11st. 7lbs.)

(*Judges.*—General Eccles Nixon and Colonel G. P. Grant.)

Mr. R. Kindersley's b e m Ella 1
Mr S W Webster's b aus m Flight 2

Also competed : Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Urs' Countess, Mrs. Birdwood's Bantam, Major Smyth's Lawrier Rose, Mr. R. Anketell-Jone's Lady Abbess, Badger, and Tight Rope, Major J. de Lotbiniere's Friar Grey, Captain S. M. Rice's Larna Doove, Mrs. Arthur Porter's the Mormon, Mr. W. Cottrell-Dormer's Chemisette, Mr. W. G. Hawley's blk w g Assegai, Captain E. G. R. Peel's Game, Major A. C. Hamilton's Tom Tucker, Mr. G. Guyer's The Bee and Colonel Stevens' Black Puffin.

The judges remarked that it was a fair class. It is perhaps hardly fair as a rule to comment on the judging of a class, for like that of referee in a game it is at best a thankless office. But surprise was widely expressed that Bantam, Chemisette, and Game—especially the first of his trio were entirely unnoticed.

CLASS V. (*a*). CHARGERS—CAVALRY AND ARTILLERY.

(To be shown in appointments.)

(*Judge*).—Colonel Georges, 28th L. C., and Major A. C. Hamilton, The Carabiniers.

Captain A T Cole's Bay Waler Mare 1
Mr F C Rasch' ch aus g Rag 2
Mr A Gwyer's b w m Missus 3

Also competed : Major W. Howe's Ninety-one, Captain Hope's Skittles, Mr. A. O. Boyd's Rupert, Major J. E. Johnson's Jackson, Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' Grand Duke, Captain O. L. Francis Charmion, Mr. W. Cotterll Dorner's Swordfish, Mr. P. H. Compton's Black Prince, Mr. Robinson's Star, Mr. Young's Blackcap, and Major M. Dougall's Molly.

The judges remarked that the class on the whole was an excellent one, but that some of the horses appeared to be imperfectly trained. Private Coatin, of the Carabiniers, rode the winner. Mr. Rasch rode his own horse—a picture of what a short-legged powerful charger should be—and Sergeant Studdert for two years the best mounted man-at-arms in Southern India was on the third.

CLASS V. (*b*) INFANTRY CHARGERS.

(Which have been regularly ridden on parade.)

A PRIZE, presented by Lieutenant-Colonel G. B. Stevens and Lieutenant-Colonel H. V. Cox.

(*Judges.*—Major Dougall and Major Birdwood.)

Lieut-Col Stevens' blk aus m Black Puffin ... 1

Also competed : Captain Dredge's Sweetheart, Mr. A. A. Crookshank's Batcha, Major A. G Pratt's Ahmed, Captain Scott Elliott's Smudge and Mr. R. Abboy's Chance Shot.

Fairly easily won by Colonel Stevens' nice little mare. The owner was subsequently heard to remark that he was glad he had not particularised the competition for which the Cup presented by himself and Colonel Cox was to be given.

CLASS XXI. BEST TURNED-OUT MOUNTED MAN.

(British Cavalry and Royal Artillery.)

THE CARABINIERS.

(*Judges.*—Colonel Georges and Major Johnson.)

Lieut-Col. Edwards, "C" Squadron 1
Pte. Lukehurst, "B" Squadron 2
Pte. Redgrease, "C" Squadron 3
Corporal Shearing and Pte Bedfords, "B" Squadron, bracketed 4

Commended : Private Meadows and Kibby, "A" Squadron, Privates Philpotts and Cooper, "B" Squadron, Corporal Arnold, "C" Squadron, and Private Costin, "D" Squadron.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

(*Judges.*—Captain Peal and Captain Willis.)

Non-Commissioned officers :—
Sergeant F J Clarke, 12th Battery, R F A 1
Corporal D Harvey, ,, ,, ,, ... 2

Drivers with pairs of horses :—
Dr E Clarke, 12th Battery, R F A... 1
Dr Letch, 58th Battery, R F A 2
Dr W Davison, 12th Battery, R F A 3

Both cavalry and artillery made a grand show, and were an object lesson to the enemies of the empire, only unfortunately none were present to see them. The men could not possibly have been better turned out, and it is a matter of common remark from commanding officers down to troopers and drivers, that they are infinitely better horsed here than in England. The driver who was placed third this year has won the competition for two years running and it was the toss up of a half-penny between the three prize-winners on this occasion. So well were all the competitors turned out, that the tiniest details had to be gone into by the judges before the awards could be made.

CLASS VI. HACKS (Horses.)

(*Judges.*—Major Birdwood and Captain Clarke, A V D.)

Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' blk aus m Black Jess ... 1
Col H Armstrong's b aus g Yabba 2
Gen J Eccles Nixon's b w g Yeoman 3

Also competed : Mr. A. O. Boyd's Rupert, Major W. Dougall's Molly, Mrs. Sharpe Smith's All Fours, Mr. D. Devaraj Urs Express, Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' Grand Duke, Captain W. E. Watson's Matilda and Speculation, Mr. Robinson's Star, Mr. Young's Blackcap, Mr. G. N. Kidd's Paddy, Mrs. Arthur Porter's Mona, Captain F. Adams' Gaylad, Mr. Robertson's Punch.

The judges remarked that the class was an excellent one, but that the winner easily stood out as the best.

CLASS VII. HACKS (Ponies).

(*Judges.*—Colonel H. Armstrong and Major Dougall.)

Mrs Birdwood's b w p Bantam 1
Mr Swifte's b w m Cossack 2

Also competed : Mr. R. Kindersley's Ella, Mr. A. Gwyer's Maisie, Major Birdwood's Christopher, Major J de Lotbiniere's Friar Grey, Mr A. B. Boyd's Goldflow, Mr. H. Dawson's Pony, Mr. A. A. Crookshank's Sheikh, Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Urs' Swireller, Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' Lady Abbes's and Badger, Mr. S. W. Webster's Flight, Captain W. E. Watson's Matilda, and Major A. C. Hamilton's Simple Simon (late Astronomer).

This was a very good class indeed and the toughest of tough things between the last four ponies in the ring, all of whom the judges tried personally.

These were Bantam, Christopher, Cossack, and Chemisette, and the award eventually made was received with applause.

CLASS. VIII. LADIES' SADDLE HORSES (over 11-2.)

(A Cup presented by Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Urs.)

(*Judges.*—General Percy Smith and Major Birdwood.)

Miss Anderson's b aus m Angeline, by Wheatmeat—Angelina 1
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs bk aus m Black Jess ... 2

Also competed : Mrs. Sharpe-Smith's All Fours, Mr. A. Gwyer's Rufus, Mrs Georges' Comma, Mrs. Arthur Porter's The Marmon, Major Logan Home's Harkaway, General J. Eccles Nixon's Yeoman, Mrs. Gibbs' Kitty Stoner, Major W. Dougall's Molly, Mr. J. N. Kidd's Paddy, and Mr. Robertson's Punch.

Miss Anderson rode the winner, and Mrs. Tubnell the second horse. The judges remarked that the second animal would be very formidable in any company when a little better broken. Her moderate manners lost her the first prize.

CLASS IX. LADIES' HACKS (Ponies.)

(*Judges.*—Colonel Armstrong and Major Dougall.)

Mrs Birdwood's b w p Bantam 1
Mr A Swifte's b aus m Cossack 2

Also competed : Captain R. Selby's Elfi, Mrs. Dredge's Sweetheart, Mr. Gwyer's Monie Maisie, Major J. de Lotbiniere's Friar Grey, Miss de Salis' Cricket, Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Ur's Kitty O'Shea Mrs. Arthur Porter's The Mormon, Mrs. Gibbs' Nora, Mr. E. D. Raymond's Vixen, and Mr. A. B. Boyd's Goldflow.

Miss Schalk rode the winner beautifully, and Miss Hyacinth Irwin was also most successful in her handling of Cossack. The judges remarked that it was a fair class in which the winner was pretty easily the best.

CLASS XVIII. (*a*). JUMPING COMPETITION (Horses.)

(*Judges.*—General Percy Smith, General Eccles Nixon, Colonel J. P Grant, Major W. Dougall, Captain E. J. Peel, and Mr. Swifte.)

Mr A O Boyd's bk aus g Rupert 1
Major Logan-Home's br aus g Harkaway 2
Mrs Georges' b w g Corunna 3

Also competed : Mr. Sadler's Rusty, Mr. Queripel's Quick silver, Captain Hope's Skittles, Mr. J. N. Kidd's Paddy, Mrs Sharpe-Smith's All Fours, Mr. Gwyer's Rufus, Captain Moncrieff's Mare, Mr. D. Devaraj Urs' Musketeer, Mr. R. Anketell

Jones' Grand Duke, Major W. Home's Kirbey, Mr. T. W. Pragnell's St. Amant, Captain J. Randall's Goldcrest, Mrs. Robinson's Star, Mr. A. West's Cracksman, Miss Kidd's Buzz, and Major N M. Smyth's David. There were also a few additional post entries.

The course was a fair one, and the competition keen. Mr. A. West, R.A., rode the winner, and Captain Randall steered both the second and third horses, having to give each an extra run before they could be placed. Mr. Kidd's Paddy, last year's winner, put his chance out by refusing the water once.

CLASS XV. CHILDRENS' PONIES.

Miss Phyllis Morris' Barty 1
Master Mahomed Abdul Hamed Khan's Pony Sultan ... 2
Master Jack Whiteley's Greylegs 3
Master Willy Copeland's Pony 4

Most amu-ing. The winner is a pony once well-known in the small Arab racing class in Bangalore. He now takes great care of his little mistress and cantering like an arm chair won the blue rosette.

CLASS XIV. COBS.

(*Judges.*—Genera : ercy Smith and Major Dougall.)

Colonel H Armstrong's b aus g Yabba 1

Also competed: Major Birdwood's Gaylad, Mr. D. Devaraj Urs' Express, Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' Prudence, Mr. R. Kindersley's Ella, and Mr. Swifte's Cossack.

Some people remarked that there were only two genuine "Cobs" in the class, *viz.* :—Gaylad and Badger, but the judges awarded the prize to Yabba who certainly stepped out beautifully in Colonel Armstrong's hands. Nevertheless very many good judges seemed to think that the verdict should have gone to Gaylad.

CLASS XIII. (*a*). POLO PONIES (other than Arabs.)

(*Judges.*- General Eccles Nixon and Major Birdwood.)

Mr W Cottrell-Dormer's br e m Chemisette 1
Lieut-Col J Desaraj Urs' br aus g Swiveller 2

Also competed: Mr. Raymond's Vixen, Captain Peel's Game, Major Hamilton's Simple Simon (late Astronomer), and Tom Tucker, Captain Watson's Matilda and Dainty, Mr. Gwyer's The Rabbit, Mattie, and The Bee, Major Smyth's Lawrier Rose, Captain O. L. Francis' Sensation, Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' Lady Abbess and Badger, Mr. Thomson's Venus, and Mr. A. M. Swifte's Cossack.

Both the winner and the second are well-known polo ponies in the South of India, indeed the whole class were handy, and stood the twining and stopping tests applied well.

CLASS XIII (*b*). POLO PONIES (Arabs.)

(*Judges.*—General Eccles Nixon and Major Birdwood.)

Mr S W Webster's bla a h After Dark 1
Mr R Neave's br a h Mintmaster... 2

Also competed: Major Smyth's Diamond Rose, Mr. Gwyer's The Cat, Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Urs' Rubric, Captain A. T. Cole's Factor, Mr. W. Cottrell-Dormer's Bonny Lad and Grey Wing, Captain W. E. Watson's Whiteface, Mr. A. A. Crookshank's Sheikh, Mr. A. F. Hartley's Goojah and Bijili, Mr F. C. Rasch's Carabiniere, Mr G. Swifte's Leander, Captain E. J. R. Peel's Mahomet, Major A. C. Hamilton's Jack Horner, and Mr. S. W. Webster's Spur Fowl.

The judges remarked that this was a particularly good class, there being very few coarse ones, and all the ponies being well trained. Mintmaster, Sheikh, Goojah, Bijili, After Dark, Jack Horner, and Spur Fowl were the seven left in for the final test.

CLASS X. THOROUGHBRED HORSES.

Hon Mr A A Apcar's ch aus h Great Scot ... 1

Also competed: Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Urs' Courara Major Logan-Home's Pope, Miss Anderson's Angeline, Mr. N. R Chowdhury's Wild Raven and Nightingale, and the Hon'ble Mr. A. Apcar's Mallard and Martinique.

Whilst placing Great Scot first, the judges passed many encomiums upon Mallard, one of Mr. Apcar's new horses, and remarked that had he not been only in "boat condition" he might have bothered the well-known winner.

CLASS XI. ARAB PONIES.

(*Judges.*-- Colonel J. P. Grant and Major Dougall.)

Lieutenant-Colonel J Desaraj Urs' g a h Ptarmigan ... 1
Mr Moss King's b a h King Cobweb 2

Also competed: Major Smyth's Diamond Rose, Mr. H. Davson's Pony, Mr. A. A. Crookshank's Sheikh, Mr. T. W. Pragnell's St. Amant, Captain A. T. Cole's Essex General J. Eccles Nixon's Amaranth Mr. S. W. Webster's Syndic, and Major R. M. Bell's Scattercash.

The judges remarked that it was a very close thing between the first and second both of which were peculiarly fine specimens of Arab ponies.

CLASS XII. C.-B. HORSES AND PONIES.

(*Judge.*—Colonel G. J. Jones.)

Colonel J. P Grant's be b h Prime 1

Also competed: Captain J. Randall's Miss Ascot, Colonel J. P. Grant's Philistine, and Mr. J. Watson's Phil.

CLASS XXI BEST TURNED-OUT SECTION OF NATIVE CAVALRY.

(Four sections, 28th Light Cavalry).

(*Judges* —Major Hamilton and Major Johnson.)

Right Section of "B" Squadron 1
Left " of "D" " 2
Left " of "B" " 3
Right " of "D" " 4

CLASS XVIII. JUMPING (Ponies.)

(*Judges.*—General Eccles Nixon, Colonel Georges, Colonel J. P. Grant, Major Dougall, and Mr Kindersley.)

Mr S W Webster's b aus m Flight 1
Major Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane 2
Capt E J Peel's b a p Rose 3

Mr. Webster himself rode the pretty little mare who is dear to Bangalore owing to associations, and her win was most popular. Captain Randall naturally rode Mary Jane, and Captain Peel himself rode the third pony. It may be remarked that the jumping was excellent as a whole, and Mr Wagstaffe's Snowball (a South African pony with the owner up) was especially good besides the three placed ponies.

Also competed: Lieutenant Colonel J. Desaraj Urs' Counters, Major Smyth's Lawrier Rose, Mr. H. N. Abbey's Chance Shot, Mr. Sadler's Mayca, Mr. W. G. Hawley's Assegai, Mr. A. F. Hartley's, Noble, Mr. Wagstaffe's Snowball and Lady Dic.

Captain Randall's Goldcrest, Mr. Anketell Jones' Lady Abbess, and Captain Peel's Game.

An excellent display, but Flight never touched a thing and added to her already great reputation. Moreover she was not carrying a feather-weight. Rose put her chance out for second place at the post and rails.

CLASS XVI. SINGLE HARNESS HORSES.

(To be shown in harness.)

(*Judges.*—Colonel Grant and Major Dougall.)

Mr R Anketell-Jones' b aus m Morn 1

Also competed: Mr. A. Sundara Moodelliar's horse and Mr. G. Watson's ch sb g Phil.

CLASS XVII. HARNESS PONIES.

(To be shown in harness.)

Major Birdwood's ch w p Gaylad 1
Mr F C Carr's b aus g Robin 2

Also competed: Mr. Gwyer's Mooie Maisie, Colonel Stevens' Black Puffin, Mr. H. Davson's pony, Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' Badger, Mr. A. E. Staley's Prudence, Captain W. E. Watson's Golden Sunshine, Mrs. Dredge's Sweetheart, Mr. J. N. Kidd's Nellie, Mr. H. F. Wilkieson's pony and Mrs. J. Watson's Dolly. A good class. Golden Sunshine besides the prize-winners was an absolute picture and Mr. Wilkieson's turn-out was also first-rate.

CLASS XIX. BEST TURN-OUT DRIVEN BY A LADY.

Mr Gwyer's ch e m Mooie Maisie, driven by Mr Schalch) 1
Mrs Birdwood's turn-out, driven by Mrs Birdwood ... 2

Also competed: Mrs. Scott-Elliott's turn-out, Mrs. Anketell-Jones' turn-out, Mrs. Gibbs' Nora, Captain W. E. Watson's turn-out, and Mr. J. N. Kidd's Nellie.

The fair drivers of both the prize-winners handled the ribbons beautifully and were loudly applauded.

CLASS XX. TEAMS.

Won by Major Birdwood's team of bays. Also entered the 28th Light Cavalry team and the R. A. team. Sir James Bourdillon in the course of a very happy and humourous speech then said that before he asked Mrs. Nixon to present the prizes for the Bangalore Horse and Dog Show of 1904 he wished to say a few words. He thought that they must, all be experiencing very mixed feelings. Everyone must feel that they had had two very pleasant days, and everyone must be sorry that it was all over. He thought in the first place their thanks were due to the committee, and especially to the working members of it, Major Dougall and Smyth. (Hear hear.) Perhaps he was better able than anyone else to judge of the amount of work they had done, for he had seen them up in the Residency grounds, and passing up and down at all hours of the day, and almost of the night Their thanks were also due to Mr. Anketell-Jones and Mr. Watson for the help they had given towards the dog show. Then there were the judges, gentlemen who undertook a most thankless duty. It was impossible to please everyone and he remembered one gentleman who had been judging at the Ootacamund Horse Show, who after came sadly into the pavilion and remarked that he was conscious of having made at least thirty deadly enemies that day. (Laughter) It was impossible to please everybody, but he thought that on the whole the judging at the show which was just concluded had given general satisfaction. The classes had been good, the jumping, both of horses and ponies, had been good, and as at Ootacamund, the jumping of the ponies had been better than the horses. He also thought that in this particular they were considerably indebted to the riders, there had been several excellent exhibitions of riding. (Hear, hear.) The show given by the Carabiniere troopers again had been as good if not better than anything which could be seen in England. (Hear, hear.) The horses were of a fine stamp and the men splendidly turned out. He did not know what eventually decided the judges, but the competitions must have been very close. He had heard a story (he did not know whether it was true), where an infantry competition of this sort, the judges had come to a decision by finding a mark in the winner's prayer book at the correct passages for the following Sunday. (Laughter.) He did not know whether the present competition had been quite so keen as that. Another point was the extraordinary useful class of horses they had in Bangalore. He was not sure whether at every show you found the same horses entered in five or six classes. But here in Bangalore they were cobs, light-weight hunter, polo ponies, trappers, and ladies' hacks. (Laughter.) It reminded him of a gentleman in Poona who wished to dispose of an animal and put rather a long price on it. He was not quite sure about getting it, so he added to the advertisement, this is not an ordinary animal, it has a W. I. T. C. certificate of 13-3 for life, and a charger's certificate of 14-2. (Laughter.) He did not think there was much more to say except to again thank the judges, but before he asked Mrs. Nixon to give away the prizes he wished to say a word or two to the prize winners. They were standing there with smug satisfaction on their faces, they were laughing now but they would not laugh next year. (Laughter.) Everyone who lost now was going to win next year, and he felt as though three or four prizes were safe in his pocket. He would ask Mrs. Nixon to present the prizes. (Laughter and applause.) Mrs. Nixon then presented the prizes to the winners, and hearty cheers for Mrs. Nixon and Majors Dougall and Smyth brought the Bangalore Horse and Dog Show of 1904 to a most successful close.

The Story Teller.

THE HAT TRICK.

WHEN I first came to know Tom Harbury he trained a few horses, of no particular class, on the Yorkshire Wolds; but he subsequently migrated to Minsterley, where I found him located when I went there for the annual June meeting a couple of seasons ago. The racecourse was the property of the Minsterley Corporation, a grand expanse of fine old turf, on which the local trainers had been for years accustomed to prepare their animals.

I had "travelled down with the horses," as the advertising tipster is so fond of saying, though, contrary to that gentleman's usual experience, not a single gee-gee of them all ever so much as hinted to me that he was likely to win anything, nor even whether he felt like winning if his trainer told him his head was loose I have never had any luck that way. The only time a horse ever spoke to me was once in a paddock, close to the weighing room door. His remark was: "Get out of the way!" and, although he only said it with his heels, there could be no mistaking his meaning. However, I escaped with the loss of a new silk hat.

At Minsterley one always goes on the course in the early morning to see the thoroughbreds put through their paces, and, incidentally, to get a ravenous appetite for breakfast. If not up with the lark (a bird for whose habits I have the utmost contempt), yet I found myself leaning against the rails, smoking a cigar, when the Minster clock chimed eight. The horses were doing their gallops on what our Yankee friends would call "the track," a proceeding only allowed during race times, although it was said that some of the local trainers used it on other occasions—when nobody was looking. I subsequently discovered, in a rather peculiar way, there was some truth in the rumour.

The business of the morning proved rather uninteresting, and I was turning away with a yawn, when I collided with something very big and heavy, and naturally recoiled. The solid body did not budge an inch.

"Hullo!" said a familiar voice; "who are you shoving?"

"Why, Tom!" I exclaimed, and we shook hands.

"I spotted you a long way off," he said, and forthwith we proceeded to swop news. He explained that he had removed to Minsterley the previous back-end, and my natural query on the instant was: had he anything running, and if so was it worth backing? Your true punter is never bashful if he can get anything for the asking.

"Well, 'pon my soul," he returned, taking off a huge, battered old Panama and scratching his head dubiously, "I can hardly say. I have a colt in the two-year-old selling that I think 'll very nearly win, but there's an if or two in the case."

"Yes?"

"You see, it's this way. I've pretty well weighed up everything in the race, and I think I have the measure of all but one, and that's a filly as I owned myself till about a month ago. Well, I'll be d—d!"

He broke off suddenly with this rather forcible ejaculation—uttered under his breadth—as a man strolling by bade him a friendly good-morning, to which Tom returned the very briefest of grunts

"You don't seem very much in love with that gentleman," I observed, noting the malevolent scowl he sent after the retreating form.

"I should think not," he growled. "That chap did me a very dirty trick not long ago, and—curious coincidence, too—it was over the very filly I was just talking about—Brownie is her name. I ran her in a selling race at Castleton in May—wanting a bit of ready, as usual—and she won easy enough, but when it came to buying her in, that cad—Evans they call him—queered my pitch. None of the other owners would bid against me, because they knew I was hard up, and particularly wanted to keep the filly; but this dodgasted Evans runs her up far beyond my figure in less than no time, and I had to let her go. I swore then I'd be even with him some day, and I shouldn't be surprised if I got a bit back this afternoon. He's running Brownie in the selling."

"And you think you can beat him?"

"That's as maybe—it all depends. My colt, Speedwell, is backward yet, though he'll be a right good 'un in a month or two. As it is, I feel pretty confident he can account for all but Brownie. And if a little dodge I've got in my head comes off all right he'll beat her, too."

"May I be let into the secret?"

"Well, no; I think not You see, it hangs upon a hair, in a manner of speaking—the least thing might crab it. All I can say is that if you've got a fiver you can afford to lose you might throw it away on Speedwell. You'll get a good price, for it's his first time out, and nobody knows anything about him But, mind, mum's the word."

I swore the most inviolable secrecy, and we parted till the afternoon. I had a good look at the pair I was interested in as they walked round the paddock. Brownie was a neat filly, one of the small and early sort, and looking as fit as hands could make her. Speedwell was a fine, upstanding colt, built on a much bigger scale, and it was most likely that before the end of the season he would be able to show a clean pair of heels to the filly; at present she would be too quick on her pins for him.

I presently I met Tom, and, of course, he asked my opinion.

"Yes," he said, when the oracle had spoken, "you're about right. The youngster will be a tip-topper one of these days, but he wants time."

"What sort of a jockey have you got?"

"One of my own lads; a smart, cool-headed little chap, too. And he has one merit that's rather scarce among our budding jockeys—you can depend upon him to do exactly as he's told."

Well, on the face of it, it appeared to me as if the filly would win easily enough, but I knew Tom Harbury of old, and when he advised anybody to back an off chance it mostly proved remunerative to do so. So I took a hundred to eight about Speedwell—Brownie was a strong order at two's. Then, having called at the buffet to drink the colt's health, I went up on the stand to look at the race.

Tom saw his colt out of the paddock, and then, somewhat to my surprise, he walked down the course on the far side, and stood leaning against the rails about a hundred yards from the winning-post. The field mustered about a dozen, and there appeared to be several unruly, excitable youngsters among them, so that the starter had considerable difficulty in getting them into line. At last, however, the barrier flew up to a fairly good start. Brownie was first to show in advance, and before they had covered half-a-mile she was two or three lengths in front of her nearest attendants, and to all appearance had her race well won. Speedwell was among the ruck, though I could see he was going as well as any of the others, bar the favourite, who was winning in a canter.

"Just my luck!" I sighed. "Fancied the filly, and wouldn't back her."

A furlong from home it looked any odds on Brownie, although Speedwell's great stride was telling, and he had considerably lessened the gap between them. Still, it seemed impossible for him to get up in time. Already shouts were going up—"The favourite wins! The favourite wins!" when a curious thing happened.

I had put down my glasses, and at that moment my eyes fell upon Tom. He was leaning well over the rails, and as the horses drew near he took off his big hat and held it in his hand. Brownie had almost come opposite to him when she swerved violently in his direction, and lost her place. Her jockey got her straight again in a moment, but Speedwell had got the lead, while another horse, ridden by a crack jockey, was pressing him hard.

Harbury's lad knew his business, and rode with the coolness and skill of a veteran It was a splendid set-to, but Speedwell was as game as a pebble, and won a most exciting race by a neck. The favourite was only third, so backers were not inclined to be enthusiastic over the result.

"Want to know how it was done do you?" said Tom that evening, after we had enjoyed a capital dinner at the Cross Keys. "Oh! well, it's very simple—when you come to know it. When I trained Brownie I always used to gallop her on the course itself whenever I wanted her to do anything better than ordinary exercise—Yorkshire gallops, as we call 'em, and that sort of thing. Of course, it was against the rules but I chanced that The spins used always to finish about where you saw me standing when the race was run, and to encourage the little mare to do her best I never missed giving here a little tit-bit of some sort, a lump or two of sugar, a carrot—always something. And she used to eat them out of my hat."

"By Jove!" I exclaimed.

"Ah! you begin to see, do you? Yes; that was how it happened. Brownie would have won right enough if she hadn't caught sight of my old hat; then she remembered what used to be in it, and made a dive for me. That lost her the race, poor thing. Of course, if I had told you my idea you would only have laughed at me, and really it was very long odds against it coming off. But you can always rely upon a thoroughbred's memory, whether it's a grudge he has got to pay off or a treat that he used to enjoy. And Brownie hadn't been so long away from me as to forget. Hope you've had a good win."

"A hundred of the best, thanks," I returned. "By the way, how did Evans bear the blow?"

"Oh! Evans!" Tom fairly roared. "I got level with him proper, I can tell you He's lost pretty nearly all he had, and he was so cocksure of winning that he never made any arrangements for having the filly claimed if she got beaten. But I hadn't forgotten that little point, and now I have got Brownie back again. Eh! what!"—*S. ketches.*

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THURSDAY, 4th AUGUST 1904.

THE AMATEUR AND HIS EXPENSES.

THE Amateur Athletic Association, at its last general annual meeting, held in London occupied its time in discussing what the *Sportsman* with pardonable impatience described as "The Eternal Expenses Question;" and it is a tribute to the insolubility of this difficult matter that the gentlemen present made speeches remarkable for their ability and directness for a solid two hours without coming to a more definite decision than to leave the Rules on the point just where they were before. The debate arose out of a motion set down by Mr. G. V. A. Scholfield in the following terms: "To insert in constitution Rules, page 10, clause F. before the word 'travelling' in the fourth line, the word 'hotel,' and immediately after the words 'travelling' the words 'or other' so that the clause may read 'who asks for or receives hotel, travelling or other expenses ceases to be an amateur.'"

Now, while we cordially esteem the single mindedness which prompted Mr. Scholfield to propose so radical a change in the rule, which at present is open to the objection of vagueness we cannot think that his motion was wholly expedient: it aimed too high: it sought to place the amateur on the strictly, old fashioned amateur footing, and much as all athletes and sportsmen would like to see that step adopted the vast majority are agreed that, under existing circumstances, it is an impossible step to take. Mr. Scholfield, in proposing his motion, touched upon the indefinite character of the existing rule and the desirability of making it clear and distinct. He urged that the law should apply impartially to all, and that rich clubs which can induce champion athletes to attend their meetings and entertain them with lavish hospitality should be thus disabled from enjoyment of advantages which are not available to poor clubs. Dr. Badger, who opposed the motion, took the view which suggests itself to us, urging that there is danger in setting up too high a standard of amateurism. He granted existence of the tendency among amateurs to "get about, beyond their means;" but he was of opinion that it did no harm to give them a good and enjoyable time which they could not otherwise afford. He thought that the law, as it stands, had not been greatly abused and would not have it altered. Obviously there is much to be said in favor of Dr. Badger's view: it is a cardinal error to make rules so strict and rigid that men cast about for means to circumvent them, even as the wiser school of politicians object to the imposition of vexatious taxes, on the ground that taxpayers at once cast about for methods to evade payment. Mr. H. Venn, of the London Athletic Club, spoke in support of Mr. Scholfield's scheme, and brings our sympathies over to the purity view of the question. He averred (and who shall dispute his assertion?) that "the proper amateur is a man who enjoys himself in his legitimate hours for recreation: if a man accepts great hospitality on account of his athletic ability he destroys the natural beauty of amateur recreation." In the result Mr. Scholfield's motion was rejected by 50 votes to 34 and the Rule remains as it stands. A further amendment proposed by the same gentleman to effect that "this clause does not prohibit clubs paying reasonable hotel expenses of competitors at

their meetings. If required by the A. A. A. clubs must produce accounts in connection with such expenses ; " was carried by a large majority on a show of hands : but a poll being demanded Mr. Scholfield obtained leave to withdraw his proposal in deference to the representatives who urged that their committees had had no opportunity of discussing the matter.

It seems to us hopeless to expect that the expenses question shall ever be settled on a basis acceptable to all : it is manifestly impossible to eliminate the pecuniary factor for sports and athletics in a country where the first axiom of sport is that rich and poor shall meet and compete in the same events. Assuming that the Rule were altered in such wise that an amateur forfeited his status if he accepted the hospitality of an athletic club in an hotel : would it be possible to claim forfeiture supposing the same amateur accepted the hospitality of a member, or of say two or three members, of a club if the one member or the two or three put him up in his or their private house ? It would be foolish to suggest that an amateur living, say, in York, should forfeit his status if he stayed with a personal friend in Northampton or Rochdale for the night before and the night after the A. A. A.'s championship meeting. And what degree of intimacy is to constitute personal friendship ? Is Mr. A. to make an affidavit that he has known Mr. B. for so many years, has met him so many times and has exchanged a specified number of letters with him ? The thing is absurd. And yet if an amateur be not fortunate enough to possess, acquaintances who can put him up there is nothing to prevent him from receiving such hospitality on the strength of a letter of introduction given him by a mutual friend for the purpose : and such evidence of good will towards an athlete might make the difference between his appearance at a meeting and his inability to attend. It appears to us that if the advocates for rigid amateurism press their views in opposition to the advocates of what we will take leave to call the assisted amateur, the ultimate result must be the division of athletes, cricketers, and possibly football players into two new camps. On the one we shall find assembled those who having money and leisure are averse from the amateur going anywhere save at his own exclusive expense ; on the other we shall find the well-to-do with the poor athletes whom they wish to encourage. It is not right to say that the rich athlete is the one who profits by the present system ; it is the rich club, which can afford to finance to their own advantage and help the poor athlete. The majority of those who do take part in athletic competitions are men not over well endowed with this world's goods, who nevertheless shrink from the social disability implied by a declaration of professionalism and who yet depend upon the bounty of others, clubs or individuals to " go about."

The question is one that bristles with difficulty and which at the same time cries loud for speedy settlement lest the amateur athlete drift into the equivocal position of the amateur cricketer. We have before us a letter written to a home sporting journal in which the writer declares that in cricket circles " many amateurs are more highly paid than professionals." He says " the latter do not like it," but the feelings of the professional, though worthy of all consideration are not the first point that should carry weight. Says the indignant writer. " County cricket is approaching by degrees slowly but surely to Association Football as played under the auspices of the league. We hear of ' winter money ' in cricket circles ; of men being signed on for a periods of years at so much a year." He quotes a case within his own knowledge of a North County amateur accepting a sum of £8 to go and play a match in a Southern county. " He went : stayed with a cousin and took his £8." This is merely an example of what goes on and what everybody knows does go on every season in increasing degree : and unless the term Amateur is to be brought wholly into contempt, one of two things must be done. The dividing line between Amateur and Professional must be wiped out altogether, or the bodies interested in preserving amateurism must appoint delegates to meet and form a Central Committee with Jockey Club powers whose authority shall be accepted by all concerned, the County Cricket Council, the A. A. A. and other associations. We do not envy that central authority the task we propose for it ; but knotty though we acknowledge the question of " expenses " to be we do not believe it incapable of solution and of settlement on a basis at once fair to the rich amateur and the poor one. If it prove incapable of solution there is nothing for it but to own up and admit that money is the bedrock on which rich and poor amateurs must split ; that the rich who can pay their own way shall form associations of their own while their poorer brethren must form independent associations that each class shall go their own way.

Special Telegrams.

THE GOODWOOD PLATE.

THE GOODWOOD PLATE (handicap) of 800 sovs.; second to receive 500sovs., and third to save subscription. Two miles.

LONDON, *Wednesday, 27th July 1904.*

Mr W Hall Walker's b c SANDBOY, by Ravensbury—Sandblast, 4yrs, 7st 6lbs, McCall 1
Lord Penrhyn's br g HARESFIELD, by Donovan—Haresfoot, 6yrs, 7st 4lbs, Madden 2
Mr S B Joel's ch c BACHELOR'S BUTTON, by Winkfield—Milady, Halsey, 5yrs, 9st ... 3
Lord Cadogan's b f ELBA, by Prisoner—Simoom, 5yrs, 8st 7lbs 0
Major Eustace Loder's b f HAMMERKOP, by Gallinule—Concussion, 4yrs, 8st 5lbs ... 0
Mr G Miller's ch c MERRY ANDREW, by Xury—Merryfoot, 5yrs, 8st 3lbs ... 0
Mr J Buchanan's HANDS DOWN, by Meddler—Handspun, 3yrs, 7st 6lbs ... 0
Mr H J King's br c PRINCE FLORIZEL, by Florizel II—Goodhope, 5yrs, 7st 3lbs ... 0
Mr A Knowles's b c TRUEFIT, by Earwig—True Art, 3yrs, 6st 11b 0

(*Winner trained by Robinson.*)

BETTING : 85 to 20 Sandboy, 8 to 1 Haresfield, 10 to 1 Bachelor's Button, 4 to 1 Hammerkop.

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

PEDIGREE OF THE WINNER.
SANDBOY (1900).

SANDBLAST (1894)				RAVENSBURY (1899)			
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O. Orange Girl (1860)	Blair Athol (1861)	Galopin (1872)	Vista (1871)	Tibthorpe (1864)	Meteor (1857)	Lord Clifden (1867)	Lady Langden (1865)
				Toxophilite (1852)	Vaga (1858)	Newminster (1848)	Seclusion (1857)
						Stockwell (1849)	Isoline (1860)
							Oxonel (1846)
							Whisper (1857)
						Touchstone (1831)	Beeswing (1833)
							Bee Eater (1842)
							Pocahontas (1837)
						Bay Middleton (1833)	Fernhill (1840)
							Sibrandina (1847)
						Birdcatcher (1833)	Sir Hercules (1842)
							Honey Bee (1841)
							Tintoretto (1841)
							Silence (1848)
						Longbow (1849)	Mrs Sellon (1851)
							Lecturer (1846)
						Stockwell (1849)	Mendicant (1843)
							Newminster (1848)
							The Slave (822)
						Kettledrum (1858)	Harlot (1847)
							Voltigeur (1847)
							Little Agnes (1856)
						Touchstone (1831)	Doncaster (1827)
							Duty (1860)
						Velocipede (1854)	Fly Duchess (52)
						Macaroni (1849)	Merlette 1858)
							Stockwell (1849)
							Blink Bonny (1854)
							Kingston (1856)
							Mowerina (1862)

WINNERS SINCE 1883.

1884	Stockholm 4y 6st 8lb (11)	1893	Red Eyes 4y 8st 11lb (8)
1885	Void.	1894	Spindle Leg 4y 6st 13lb(8)
1886	Winter Cherry 3y 5st 7lb (7)	1895	Campanajo 3y 7st (7)
1887	Carlton 4y 9st (5)	1896	Carlton Grange 4y 7st 7lb (6)
1888	Stourhead a 7st 11lb (12)	1897	Gluten 4y 7st 1lb (7)
1889	Ingram 4y 7st 1lb (6)	1898	Marius II 5y 7st 12lb (7)
1890	Papyrus 4y 7st 12lb (14)	1899	Merman a 9st (10)
1891	White Feather 3y 6st 10lb (6)	1900	Jiffy II 5y 7st 9lb (10)
1892	Ralph Neville 5y 7st 12lb (9)	1901	Avidity 5y 7st 6lb (14)
		1902	Templemore 4y 7st 8lb(10)
		1903	Genius 5y 7ts 13lb (10)

[*Note.*—The above telegram we regret to say reached us too late for inclusion in our last week's issue.—ED.]

THE GOODWOOD CUP.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE GOODWOOD CUP of 2,000sovs., by subscription of 5sovs. each, 5sovs. more for those left in after the last Tuesday in March 1902, 10sovs. more if left in after the last Tuesday in March 1903, and 10sovs. more if left in after the last Tuesday of March 1904. The second to receive 300sovs., and the third 100sovs., out of the race. Three year olds 7st 7lbs ; 4yrs, 8st 12lbs ; five and upwards 9st 2lbs. Mares allowed 3lbs : the winner of any race of a mile and upwards value 300sovs., 3lbs. ; 1,000sovs., 7lbs. ; 2,000sovs., 10lbs. ; 4,000sovs., or the Ascot Cup, 2,000sovs., 10lbs. ; 4,000sovs., or the Ascot Cup, 14lbs. extra. Horses that have not won as three year olds or upwards a race of a mile or upwards, allowed, if three year olds, 6lbs., if 4 or upwards, allowed 3lbs., but not in addition. Two miles and a half.

LONDON, *Thursday, 28th July* 1904.

Mr L Brassey's b c SALTPETRE, by St Simon—Billow, 4yrs, W Lane ... 1
His Majesty's b c CHATSWORTH, by Persimmon—Meadow Chat, 3yrs, C Trigg ... 2
Mr J Musker's ch c WILLIAM RUFUS, by Melton—Simena, 4yrs, O Madden ... 3
Lord Wolverton's b c FLOR DI CUBA, by Florizel II—Doonbrae, 4yrs 0
Lord Ellesmere's b f DARK LANTERN, by Sheen—None the Wiser, 4yrs ... 0

(*Winner trained by H Sadler.*)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst Chatsworth, 5 to 2 Saltpetre, 11 to 4 William Rufus.

Won by three lengths ; four lengths between second and third.

WINNERS SINCE 1883.

1884	St Simon 3y 8st (3)	1895	Florizel II 4y 9st 6lb (2)
1885	Althorp 3y 7st 7lb (5)	1896	Count Schomberg 4y 8st 2lb (w. o.)
1886	The Bird 3y 7st 7lb(w.o.)	1897	Count Schomberg 5y 10st 2lb (4)
1887	Saville 3y 7st 7lb (5)	1898	King's Messenger 3y 7st 7lb (5)
1888	Rada 3y 7st 4lb (1)	1899	Merman a 9st 5lb (3)
1889	Trayles 4y 9st 10lb (2)	1900	Mazagan 4y 9st 3lb (8)
1890	Philomel 5y 8st 13lb (5)	1901	Fortunatus 3y 8st (5)
1891	Gonsalvo 4y 9st 6lb (5)	1902	Perseus 3y 7st 11b (6)
1892	Martagon 5y 9st 10lb (3)	1903	Rabelais 3y 7st 2lb (8)
1893	Barmecide a 8st 6lb (5)		
1894	Kilsallaghan 4y 8st 2lb (6)		

THE BRIGHTON CUP.

THE BRIGHTON CUP of 450sovs. for three year olds ; colts, 9st, fillies and geldings, 8st 11lbs. One mile and a quarter.

Sir J Miller's br f HOUSEWIFE, by Bread Knife, dam by Napsbury—Landlady, Maher 1
Mr Leopold de Rothschild's ch f CATGUT, by Lactantius—Catkin, K Cannon ... 2
Sir E. Cassel's b f LANFINE, by Ayrshire —Miss Gunning II, Halsey 3
———bl c THE ARROWED, by Gallinule —Little May 0
Mr R H Henning's ch c FLOWER SELLER, by Florizel II—Curbstone 0
His Majesty's b f PIARI, by Persimmon—Nonsuch 0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING : 6 to 5 on Housewife, 5 to 1 agst. Catgut, 6 to 1 Lanfine.

Won by a length ; three-quarters of a length between second and third.

WINNERS SINCE 1883.

1884	Dalmeny 4y 7st 6lb (3)	1893	Simonian 5y 9st 9lb (8)
1885	Brag a 8st 10lb (5)	1894	Avington 4y 9st 8lb (3)
1886	Financier 2y 6st 4lb (w o.)	1895	*Boxer 8st 5lb (5)
1887	The Shrew 2y 6st 11lb (5)	1896	*Bradwardine 7st 11lb (6)
1888	Ingonda 2y 6st 12lb (3)	1897	*Eager 9st (6)
1889	The Baron 5y 10st 3lb (4)	1898	*Pinfold 8st 11b (8)
1890	Philomel 5y 10st (5)	1899	*Clarehaven 7st 8lb (5)
1891	Nunthorpe 5y 10st 13lb (4)	1900	*Santoi 8st 4lb (8)
1902	Buccaneer 4y 9st 9lb (4)	1901	*Doricles 9st (5)
		1902	*Elba 7st 8lb (6)
		1903	*Zinfandel 9st (2)

*For three year olds only.

Sporting Notes.

THE complete entries for the St. Leger are published among our Turf news to-day.

Reports of the two concluding days of the Secunderabad race meeting will be found among our Turf news. The meeting has been so successful that the executive have been encouraged to announce a small meeting for November and another big meeting this time next year.

The proposal to start a Racing Club in Rangoon has, we hear, been rejected by a very large majority.

Some of our readers may be interested to know that on the 20th ultimo Mr. J. D. Scott became the father of a daughter. Congratulations.

The race of races this year, writes " Vigilant " in *The Sportsman*, will be the St. Leger, and here, while I am fully satisfied in my own mind that Pretty Polly will win, I none the less recognise that the adherents of several other candidates can give good show of reason for the faith that is in them. It is, for instance, a sound general rule to back Derby form, and it may well be that St. Amant is relatively a much better three year old than he was a two year old. Certainly he won no races last year in such smashing style as he did the Two Thousand Guineas and Derby this year, so if all goes well with him, St. Amant will have a host of supporters at Doncaster. Then there is the unbeaten Ajax, with the Flying Fox glamour, giving him a halo almost of romance—for what four year old ever achieved such a stud triumph as Flying Fox has done ? This, with the piles of French money that will go on him and him only, means sound backing for Ajax, if only M. Blanc will send him over. Here, however, we see the strong point against the Doncaster people for not adding money to the St. Leger and making it a good deal more valuable. A foreign owner naturally is influenced by the value of the stake when deciding whether he will or will not send his best colt such a long distance to run, and if Ajax is not sent the people of Doncaster will be the losers, for the French visitors and many others who would have come and spent their money freely in the town will be absentees. It was the same last year when Vinicius, but for breaking down, might have been sent, but it had been decided not to send him as he had more valuable engagements on the Continent. It is, of course, possible that Gouvernant may accompany Ajax, but not probable. Then there is John o' Gaunt, for whose defeats more than usually plausible excuses can be made. Many good judges persist in the belief that this really is the best colt of the year, and that had he been in the hands of a good English trainer from the first he would have

never known defeat. He has certainly been coming on nicely throughout this year, and we shall doubtless see him win at Liverpool, as Mr. Thursby is now riding in great form. The policy of not giving John o' Gaunt another severe race until the St. Leger is a very wise one, as, staunch and game colt though he is, he has a lot to forget before he can come to regard training and racing with proper equanimity. I am inclined to think we shall not see him at his best until next year, and he may then develop into a Cup champion, but I do not doubt that he will run very well at Doncaster, as he is a fine stayer and the course will just suit him.

The Secunderabad Junior Polo Tournament, as will be seen from our report, ended in a win for the 4th Hussars who beat the 20th Deccan Horse by 6 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries.

Our Poona Correspondent writes:—I am sorry to have to state that young Mr. Ross who met with such a serious accident at polo is still in a most precarious condition. He has, up to the time of writing, been unconscious for fourteen days and has of late been delirious and very restless. Strangely enough a careful examination of the head has discovered no sign of either fracture or bruise. In one so young and healthy there is every hope while there is life, but the condition of this sporting and popular young officer naturally causes great anxiety.

Stonehill, the jockey, who came to grief as I have already mentioned while riding "Fire Up" in a gallop, sustaining a nasty fracture of the leg is, I am grieved to hear, not doing so well as he might, and it is feared he wi l not be able to ride during the ensuing season, though we must wish him better luck.

Yet further disaster. Tom Scott, the trainer, has just lost the English mare Parody from, I understand, colic and complications. No one seems to know what Parody's form really was, but Tom Scott does not purchase animals for four hundred golden sovereigns and bring them to India merely to see if they like the climate.

That sporting educational establishment for young India, the Deccan College took on the Poona Gymkhana at cricket. There is not such a plethora of champions on the Gymkhana side as one might dare hope for and when Wilkins was dismissed for but 23 and Greig for a miserable unit one scarcely knew what might happen. Luckly five other men got into double figures including the three last points of the "tail" though no one topped thirty and the Gymkhana innings closed for 150, a poor total considering the excellence and fastness of the wicket. For this the Deccan College trundler, Tora, was mainly responsible, he capturing no less than 8 wickets—an excellent performance more specially as it included the best of the batsmen.

The Deccanites batting display was terribly disappointing for in their first effort, suffering evidently from nerves, they could do no better than 47. In their second attempt they did considerably better, compiling 164 of which Modak was responsible for 63, and Prince Shivrajirao 46, both most admirable performances against the excellent bowling they had to contend with. This left the Gymkhana 63 runs to get which they did with the loss of 2 wickets. Greig 34 with a let off. In Tora the Deccan students have a good bowler and when they acquire more confidence they should be a very useful eleven.

The First Extra Meeting of the Poona Racing Season is come and gone and may well be declared an unqualified success, and while one must not forget the master mind of Mr. Cecil Gray, who is responsible for getting the large and complicated machinery into such wonderfully smooth working order, every credit must be accorded to his *locum tenens*, Mr. Cursetjee Dunjeesha, for the admirable manner in which he has kept things going, for the vast machinery worked without a hitch from first to last. The whole enclosure was beautifully tidy, while the lawn, looking wonderfully green and soothing despite the scarcity of rain, was beautifully arrayed with shrubs and flowers and formed a very pleasant resort between whiles. A new and very much more strict system has been adopted at the entrance gates, and this was evidently a move in the right direction, and will, according to popular opinion, tend to materially increase the official exchequer.

For a long time past, too, the erection of an additional room at the end of the building hitherto devoted to the weighing and dressing rooms and next to the measuring place has been exciting mild curiosity, and it was wondered if it was in any way connected with the mystic rites of that dread magician, the Official Measurer, and his divining rod. It turns out, however, to be a very excellent and completely appointed surgery and on the day of the races I noticed what must, I fancy, be the very latest thing in ambulances on rubber tyred wheels in attendance. In looking to the comfort of helpless lads who come, as in the order of things they must some times come, to grief in the pursuit of their calling, the executive have taken a step deserving of the utmost approval.

Close on the hour fixed for opening the ball a darkened sky and a heavy shower of rain temporarily damped the spirits of many, and after the long continued semi-drought it would have been the hardest of luck if the flood gates of heaven had selected such an inauspicious time to open. The shower, however, was fortunately brief and stopped in time to allow of the first race being started to the stroke of the clock and the commendable punctuality, than which nothing points more clearly to the excellence of organization, continued right through the card.

"Wheresoever the carcase is there will the eagles be gathered together," and the bookmaking brotherhood thronged in strength, indeed I hear the number of these clarion-throated artists beat the record for extra meetings—and as two excellent totalizators, as far as could be judged a great improvement on the primitive one hitherto in use were provided, the public could not complain of golden opportunities. Golden *fleece* I fear it was, found to be by many!

I must not poach on the demesne of the talented gentleman who deals with the actual racing, which requires a technical knowledge of this exciting game of kings and princes, beyond mentioning that the honour of "first blood" for the season fell to those sporting owners, Messrs. Mathuradass Goculdass and Ananjee Nandjee, by means of their pony Calcutta, whose win reflected great credit on that astute and capable trainer F. Pearson.

But the excitement of the day was in the second race of six furlongs when the judge, Colonel Bull (who has the reputation of being one of the, if not the best in India) could not separate Turn of Luck and Berlin, and the excitement did not end here, for since the owner refused to divide the tie was run off with the thrilling result that while there was at no period of the duel more than half a length between the competitors, the decision was eventually a head in favour of Berlin.

Calcutta—Berlin—Capital!

The efforts of a few of the little gentlemen of the pigskin in the race proper was not, by the way, of a very artistic description, at least three of the horses finishing on or near the outer litter track. Bendigo in the same stable as the winner looked indeed very like a winner at the distance, when he set the bad example of deviating from the straight path, with the result that he failed to sustain the ancient adage of the longest way round being the shortest way home.

Titus II. in disposing quite comfortably of such ponies as Tigris, Shah Jehan, Achilles and Grey Fox proved, in spite of having such "bolstery" forelegs, what a great pony he still is and what a complete gift for him the last Army Cup should have been.

It is a healthy sign of the times that no less than eight English, Australian and country-bred ponies ridden by G. R's. went to the post for the first closed race of the meeting. This was somewhat unexpectedly won by the Government House representative, Captain Stewart Balmain's Australian pony Lady Dean, admirably handled by Captain Meynell, who is quite in the front rank of G. R's. on this side. Indeed in this instance, as a celebrated murderer once exclaimed in gruesome appreciation of the forensic efforts of the counsel who was responsible for his sentence of death, it was probably "the riding did it."

Snipe have already arrived in the neighbourhood of Calcutta and it is reported that some over-eager sportsmen have already made small bags. This is hardly playing the game; the season runs from the 15th instant to the 15th March, seven months so that there exists no reason for such precipitancy.

The individual who was responsible for the neglect to place a notice at the foot of the Zeerut Bridge (Belvedere side), thereby causing annoyance to many people who drove up to the bridge to find it closed for repairs was either trying a clumsy practical joke or exhibiting his incompetence in a marked degree. We commend him to the attention of his superiors whoever they may be.

Poor old Donnabie, Mr. Bell Irving's big grey, who will be remembered in Calcutta as the winner of the Paperchase Cup, had to be shot the other

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day. He had been up in Behar for some months, but never recovered from the strained back he got out paperchasing some time ago.

The engagement is announced of Colonel the Hon'ble Everard Baring, Military Secretary to Lord Curzon, to Lady Ulrica Duncombe, who recently spent some months with Lord and Lady Curzon at Simla. We beg to tender our congratulations.

The advertisement of Messrs. O. M. D. Bell and Company, regarding their recent shipment per *Wardha*, will be found further on. The lot includes such real good ones as the three year old Wee Macgregor by Lochiel—Countess Aberdeen; Claribell (late Little Clarrie) by Beauchamp—Clarrie, two years old, 14-2¾; Rose Bell (late Rose Park) by Carlyon—Maryatville, three years old, 14-0¼, having won eight races; My Bell (late Myanamee) by Blarny, four years old, winner of several races; Bellary (late Conery) by Corinth—Charlotte Urara, a perfect jumper; Bellis (late Chynus) five years old, 14-1, by Cambria, having won on four occasions. The firm advises clients to call early and inspect these gees, and buyers will, we think, find such advice sound.

Many racehorses, as people who have anything to do with them are well aware, have what in the case of human beings would be called their "fads," but only in the cases of thoroughbreds which achieve celebrity are these paid much attention to. Pretty Polly, as is generally known, enjoys the society of a hackney mare, who accompanies the daughter of Gallinule and Admiration on all her journeys, and apparently Rock Sand has a similar affection for Pharisee, who is generally to be found in the paddock at any meeting where last year's Derby winner is performing. The chestnut was allowed to go a step further at Lingfield the other day, for he accompanied his stable-companion to the post, and they had the edifying spectacle of an animal ridden by a stable-boy in ordinary costume leading the parade! One shudders to think what a Derby field would look like if every competitor were allowed to go through the preliminaries similarly attended.

We really must give up the hunting of the Dongarh maneater he is a veritable "Boojum." After rejecting two reports of his demise as unreliable, we received a personal narrative the other day that seemed to account for him without a doubt. We thereupon wrote his obituary notice. We are told on the best authority we were wrong, for Captain Goring Jones, while admitting the bagging of a very large tiger and the finding of the remains of a dead tigress, tells us the rest of our paragraph is inaccurate, and that he is not under the impression that he can claim to be the destroyer of this phantom feline.

The Nilgiri Game Association is carefully considering the draft Game and Fish Preservation Bill and, with a view to sending a valuable and complete expression of opinion thereon to Government, held a meeting at Ooty on the 25th ultimo, a full report of which, (for which we are indebted to a Madras contemporary,) we reproduce in our Shikar columns.

The decision of the Jockey Club to be stricter in matters of equine nomenclature in future has evoked the following observation from "Pharos" to a London paper :—

SIR,—"As I see the Jockey Club are wisely intending to put an end to the reproduction of honoured names for racehorses, do not you think it would be a good thing if they put a stop to the silly innovation of calling horses "saints?" There are now quite a hundred of them. People may say they all virtually come from St. Simon, but he was named after a great friend of Count Bathyany, not a saint, but merely Monsieur de Saint Simon."

Major R. G. Burton, who some time ago was mauled by a panther, Hyderabad way, tells the story (with illustrations by E. Caldwell) in the Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News to hand this week. We are glad to learn that he has made a complete recovery from his wounds and that he hopes, as soon as he returns to India, to give the big game, especially the carnivora, some more of his attention.

Dr. M'Culloch, of Edinburgh, has ascertained that sugar will preserve fish in most excellent condition. He states that fish may be preserved in a dry state, and perfectly fresh, by means of sugar alone, and even with a very small quantity of it. He has thus kept salmon, whiting, and cod for an indefinite length of time, and by this simple means fresh fish may be kept in that state for some days so as to be as good when boiled as when just caught. It is added that if dried and kept free from mouldiness, there seems no limit to their preservation, and they are much better this way than when salted. The sugar gives no disagreeable taste. This process is particularly valuable in making what is called kippered salmon; and the fish preserved in this manner are far superior in quality and flavour to those which are salted or smoked. If desired, as much salt may be used as to give the taste that may be required; but this substance does not conduce to their preservation. In the preparation it is only necessary to open the fish, and to apply the sugar in the muscular part, placing it in a horizontal position for two or three days that this substance may penetrate. After this it may be dried, and it is only further necessary to wipe and ventilate it occasionally to prevent mouldiness. A tablespoonful of brown sugar is sufficient in this manner for a salmon of 5lbs. or 6lbs. weight, and if salt is desired, a teaspoonful or more may be added. Saltpetre may be used instead in the same proportion if it is desired to make the kipper hard.

Mr. Tom Uphill's auction sale of horses which is to be held at "Tattersalls," 1, Bhowanipore Road, Calcutta, on the 12th instant, will give buyers a rare opportunity. There are forty T. B. horses and ponies by fashionable sires and all selected by Mr. Uphill with a special eye to the Indian market backed by many years' experience of the Indian horse trade. Full details appear in our advertisement columns.

We publish elsewhere the entries for the first Calcutta Monsoon Meeting. With the exception of the Trial Hurdle Race, for which only three were entered, the card has filled very satisfactorily. A Handicap Hurdle Race has been substituted for the Trial Hurdles: this may or may not fill, though we are inclined to fancy that a "closed" race, either on the flat, or for hunter class over hurdles, would have had a better chance of providing a satisfactory field. Taking a line from the past season, both monsoon and cold weather, it will be seen that the races which, without exception, drew large fields were the closed races, either with selling conditions or for horses which have not won a race value Rs. 100 or Rs. 1,500. There are also plenty of hunter class horses in work at present, and a hurdle race of that description would have been likely to fill well.

The Stand Plate has drawn ten entries, of which four are old friends, *viz.*, Yuletide, First Guide, The Owl, and Irish. The last named, it will be remembered, ran rather disappointingly at Tollygunge last cold weather, but six months may have made a big difference. Five furlongs is scarcely far enough to suit either Yuletide or First Guide, though provided the going be deep enough, we shall expect to see the former there or thereabouts at the finish. Moonlight and Pat are hardly ready as yet, and Energy, we think, will hardly get home through the mud with 9st. 8lbs. on her back. Lall and Mademoiselle are both unknown quantities, and The Owl, though she has probably the legs of the rest, was, when we last saw her, wearing a somewhat hungry and dejected look. On the whole, however, we like Yuletide and The Owl about the best of the lot.

Nine have been entered for the July Plate, and the class is pretty warm. So little fast work has been done as yet that it is impossible to say what horses are the most nearly fit to go five furlongs in the heavy going which we shall probably have to face on Saturday, but of the nine we are inclined to pick Clynder, with Rathcoon and Pylara to fill the situation. The distance is hardly far enough for Hello, who shines more over six or seven furlongs. Belmeath, we think, is scarcely ready yet. Bell Brand does not strike us as being at his best. Profit is an almost unknown quantity, and old Trollop is altogether outclassed.

Of the eight entered for the Pony Trial Plate, there should be nothing else in it but Blue Bell if she is fit and well, but of this we cannot speak with any certainty, having seen little or nothing of her at work. Moss Rose should follow her home, unless the perverse Little Doris takes it into her head to behave herself at the gate, in which case she might upset the pot.

Thirteen have been named for the Maiden Horse Plate, and the majority being unknown quantities, it is no safe or easy task to endeavour to make a selection. Morris, Cheer-Up and Winklet, however, should run well, and we look to these to finish one, two, three in some order or other.

Notes about the training on the Calcutta Course will be found further on.

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Athletic Notes.

THE Indian Football Association Challenge Shield Tournament closed last Saturday, when the Calcutta Football Club beat the King's Own Regiment by a goal to nothing. This is the fourth win of the Calcutta Football Club. Details elsewhere.

A full report of the Calcutta Rowing Club Second Regatta will be found in the usual place. With regard to the racing we are of opinion that it was the most successful regatta the Club has held of recent years. The race for Class Fours was won by the Service crew who just beat the Merchants, after a close race, in 2mins. 53secs. The Junior Sculls also produced a good race, Mr. W.C. Burke winning by six feet and making record time.—2min 52secs. The Ladies' race went to Mrs. R. C. Wilson, and the programme closed with Scratch Fours, four crews competing. The next regatta will be held in September, when the executive intend to include in the programme the Junior Fours for the Hoare Challenge Cup: other items will be the Senior Fours over the full course and the Senior Pairs.

Mr. Massey Dawson, who was to have steered the Merchants' crew in the C.R.C. regatta last Saturday, was unable to hold the tiller ropes owing to a serious carriage accident which befel him when returning from the Club on Friday night. As he was turning into Camac Sheet from Lower Circular Road on his bicycle, the carriage of some native—driven on the wrong side of the road *of course*—ran over him, injured him badly, smashed his machine, and following their invariable practice, the brutes whipped up and soon disappeared in the darkness. Mr. Massey Dawson, when he regained consciousness, had reason to congratulate himself on a really marvellous escape. The carriage and pair of big walers went right over him; but, though he was most extensively bruised and lacerated, besides being kicked in the face, no bones were broken. We congratulate the victim on his good luck, while we deplore the fact that those responsible for the accident will not be traced.

The following are important cricket results at home last week:—Lancashire beat Gloster by an innings and 79 runs; Somerset beat Surrey by an innings and 43; Warwick beat Essex by eight wickets: The matches—Notts *vs.* Yorkshire, Derbyshire *vs.* Sussex were abandoned.

On the 30th ultimo Essex beat Middlesex by ten wickets, Lancashire beat Worcester by 192 runs; the match between Surrey and Hampshire was drawn, and the matches between Notts and Derbyshire, Somerset and Sussex and Yorkshire and the South Africans were all abandoned.

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Will take our golf clubs to some other sky,
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And dachshunds do not spoil my iron shot,
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A word unspeakable that 'gins with D.
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Oh, promise me that you will take some sand
And make a tee, the hollow of your hand,
And after driving, I shall find my lies
Such as are found in Golfers' Paradise,
Watching with eager eye the Haskell roll
A slow and steady course, plump in the hole
No game's a game like golf with thee,
Oh, promise me! Oh, promise me!

C. F. Larner, who is now unquestionably in the front rank of English "wobblers," put up a remarkable record of the Herne Hill Harriers sports last month when, in the three miles walk, he succeeded in reducing the existing best figures, standing to the credit of W. J. Sturgess, of 21mins. 14secs., by no less than 40secs. It was an ideal day for such an achievement, but few of those present would have ventured to predict that Larner could get through in the wonderful time of 20mins. 34secs., both the official watches agreeing to a "tick." The Sussex man's walking throughout was unimpeachable; indeed, he is without doubt the fairest walker seen on the path for many a long day.

The recent victory of Leander in the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley has revived the grumbling which their wins of late years have always evoked in some quarters. There is something to be said on both sides, and in this connection the most sensible contribution to the discussion that we have seen comes from Mr. Jasper W. Knight, who writes to *The Sportsman* as follows:—

"Sir,—There has been quite a lot of grumbling about the so-called "unfair" and "unsportsmanlike" competition of Leander at Henley, which is undoubtedly spoiling rowing in general, and the race

for the Grand Challenge Cup in particular ; but, so far as I know, nobody has suggested a workable regulation to remedy it. I can see nothing "unfair" and "unsportsmanlike" in Leander's action ; it is quite natural that every captain of Leander should raise the fastest crew possible out of his available material, and seeing that Leander have got the call of practically the whole of the rowing world, it is obviously nearly hopeless for other clubs to attempt to beat Leander, with crews formed out of Leander's leavings. May I, therefore, suggest that a rule should be adopted here, which I am told is at present in force in Germany, and which is framed to prevent combinations of clubs, *viz.*, that no man may race for more than one club in the same year. Of course, in this connection a College Boat Club would have to be regarded as a branch of its University Boat Club.

The result of this would be that Leander would be weakened by being debarred from rowing any competitors in the University Boat Race or the college races of the current year, and the Metropolitan clubs would ultimately be greatly benefited by being forced to stop the abominable practice of keeping places vacant, up to within fourteen days of Henley, for University men who are still in residence, a system which does incalculable harm to a club by disheartening its junior members, on whom it should rely for material, if it is to do any real good.

The general reply to my suggestion probably is that the proposed rule would prove a very considerable handicap to Leander, if it became necessary for them to raise a very fast crew against some foreign entry. All I can say is, that, if the Grand Challenge Cup can only be kept in the country by raising practically an all-England crew to beat a single foreign or colonial club, there must be something very radically wrong with English rowing, and the cup had better be allowed to go.

In any case, it must be quite obvious to all rowing men, Leander men included, that something must soon be done to weaken Leander, if any competition for the Grand Challenge Cup is to be maintained."

Says *Golfing*. The British Amateur Championship Cup has evidently had a narrow escape of being squelched—though our own American friends tone it down a little by telling us it had been "badly battered"—on its voyage across. The trophy seems to have been carelessly packed, for there are big dents on the front and back. Each of them is large enough to lay a jacknife into. The trophy also seems to have received upward pressure, as it does not stand true on its base.

We would have thought Mr. Travis would have personally seen to the packing of this emblem of his greatness, but he has carried away so many pots and things in course of his golfing wanderings, that he has evidently grown callous of their well-being.

The above reminds us that we have heard nothing more of the fate of the Sir Allan Arthur Native Army Championship Shield which was perforated by three bullets when a miscreant in the 27th Light Cavalry ran amok. It was sent down to Calcutta, but the Colonel of the regiment considering the estimate for repairs submitted by one of our local firms too high, has, we believe, taken the Shield to England with him. We trust it will be on hand by the time the Bengal Presidency Athletic Association holds its next Championship meeting.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes.—The Rugger match last Monday between Scotland and the World, which had been looked forward to with a considerable amount of interest, was a most disappointing affair. To begin with neither side put a complete team in the field, the World having no full back and only seven forwards, while Scotland, too, had only seven forwards. For a big match like this, one would imagine that no difficulty would have been experienced in getting together full teams, and it reflects rather badly on the enthusiasm of Rugger votaries that only twenty-seven men could be got to turn out. Regarding the play the World, although playing with only thirteen men and without a full back, and moreover against a stronger three-quarter line, managed to win a rather scrambling game by a goal and a try to a try.

The final meeting of the Indian Cricket Team for England Committee came off on Thursday, the 28th. There were only seven members present, but sufficient to form a quorum. The report of the Sub-Committee which had been entrusted with the refund of subscriptions and winding up of affairs generally having been read and passed the Meeting was dissolved. Thus ended the last phase of a scheme which at one time gave promise of success.

I learn on good authority that an invitation has been extended to J. Curtis, of the Telegraph Department, who is stationed at Quetta to play for the Presidency in the match against the Parsees next month. Captain Greig regards Curtis as one of the best bats in India. *Apropos* of Captain Greig I further learn that after the match between the Bombay and Poona Gymkhanas, on the 6th and 7th August, he will be going up to Mhow to play in a match, and will make a careful study of the form of the best players there.

I made a mistake last week when I said that the Gymkhana would have the services of F. K. D. Joy, the old Wykhamist, for the remainder of the season. As a matter of fact this player, who is only on a brief visit to India as the guest of a native chief, was passing through Bombay and has already left for some place up-country.

The weekly mounted sports call for very little notice owing to the paucity of entries which were fewer than usual. Bombay is in a moribund condition for riding men, and with the old lot fast disappearing and few, if any, of the younger and newer generation able to fill their places, the mounted sports at one time so popular are now very nearly devoid of all interest. It becomes rather monotonous week after week to see the same select few competing for the various events. The first event on last Wednesday's card was Tent-pegging on horses and ponies which were won by Messrs. Heyland and Fischer respectively, with Messrs. Fischer and Barraclough second in the respective classes. The next event for ladies brought out three competitors, and was won by Mrs. Dyson. Each lady had to gallop under a bar supported on gold posts, and throw a ball over the bar and catch it on the other side. A bending race, in which competitors had to ride in and out between sticks driven into the ground brought out seven competitors. There were two preliminary heats, the final being won by Mr. Graham with Captain Ashe second. There were only three competitors for the putting stakes, a mixed event which was won by Mrs. Fischer and Mrs. McCausland. The usual pony scurry was won by Hira ridden by Mr. Fischer with Agincourt ridden by Mr. McCausland second. The Horse Scurry was also won by Mr. Fischer on Dart with Mr. Wright's Bloke ridder by Mr. Matthew second.

Turning to soccer doings the Cheshire "B" team met the Rovers in the return league fixture and beat them by two goals to one. The Rovers, although beaten, really had the best of the game, and with a little luck in front of goal should have equalised. The Royal Garrison Artillery defeated the Bombay Gymkhana in the return game by two goals to *nil*. The Gunners had much the best of the game, and but for faulty tactics in front of goal would have largely increased their score. The Telegraph Club suffered their ninth successive defeat in the league this season in their return match with the Cheshire "A" team. Considering that they were opposed to the strongest team in the league their defeat by three goals to *nil* was, however, not overwhelming.

A Rugger match between scratch teams of the Gymkhana and Casuals was played on Friday evening, and after a fast game resulted in a win for the Gym. by two goals and three tries to one try.

The meeting between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Hindu Gymkhana cricketers on the latter's ground on Saturday attracted a lot of interest, as the Hindus are far and away the strongest club team in Bombay this season. The Bombay Gymkhana eleven was hardly the strongest that could have been placed in the field and, in the enforced absence of Milne, Richardson and Stileman through injuries, had no change bowlers of any calibre to relieve Ainsworth and Coombs. The batting, too, suffered in the absence of A. P. Langhorne and Milne. The Hindu Gymkhana was represented at its strongest and when Captain Carnegy lost the toss for the Europeans and the Hindus took first service of a plumb wicket the spectators settled themselves down to witness some attractive cricket and were not disappointed. In the course of two hours the Hindus compiled 189 for the loss of four wickets, every one who went in making runs freely. Bandu, who this year is in splendid form, was going strong for a century when he fell a victim to one of Aston's slows who was put on as a last resource. His 73 included 13 boundaries and was a most finished display. Neither Ainsworth nor Coombs could do anything with the ball on the billiard table like wicket. The Gymkhana were left with 189 runs to make in an hour and a half, an impossible task, but it became a question whether they would be able to play out time as the first three wickets fell with only 20 up. Afterwards Philbrick and Captain J. A. D. Langhorne became associated and made an invaluable stand for the fourth wicket which practically saved the Gymkhana from defeat. The Gymkhana total was considerably increased by the number of byes given away, and when the bell went

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at 6 o'clock the telegraph showed 100 for four wickets. The draw was, of course, all in favour of the Hindus who have not lost a match this year.

There is some talk of Bombay entering a team for the Junior Polo Tournament at Poona which commences on 22nd August, and for the Open Tournament which is set down to begin on the 22nd September.

The Poona Challenge Lawn Tennis Tournament, open to the services and recognised clubs throughout India, will be held between the 12th and 17th proximo. There are three competitions, the Gentlemen's Singles for which a Silver Challenge Cup and a prize are offered; the Gentlemen's Doubles for two Silver Challenge Cups and two first prizes, and the mixed doubles, the latter subject to sufficiency of entries. The Open Badminton Tournament will also be held at the same time when a Silver Challenge Cup and a first prize will be offered for Gentlemen's Doubles. All entries close on Monday, the 5th September. The committee are Captain F. W. Bagshawe, Major F. de B. Young, F. H. Vincent, Esq., and Lieutenant-Colonel J. A. Bell, Honorary Secretary.

In the Eton *vs.* Harrow match at Lords on the 8th ultimo, D. C. Boles scored 183 for Eton and thus holds the record for the matches between the two schools. In these days of high scoring it is remarkable that the previous record 152 by Sir Emilius Bayley for Eton, has stood for 63 years, his score having been made in 1841. Boles also took 2 wickets for 9 runs, so that he had a brilliantly successful day. The record score by a Harrovian is 142 by T. G. O. Cole, who now plays chiefly for the Liverpool Cricket Club. His score was made in 1897.

Motoring in the Alps promises to become as popular a sport as Alpine climbing. Captain Deasy is at the time of writing exploring various passes in Switzerland, and some details have just come to hand of an interesting trip taken on a 4-cylinder 16 horse-power Peugeot by Mr. A. J. Fentiman, of Malden. Starting from Havre with a friend, he crossed the length of France to Marseilles, thence to Nice, and northward to Grenoble, from which the passage of the Alps was made. They covered about 3,000 miles and had no serious trouble on the way. Coming down a steep pass the band of one of the brakes was burnt through, and the usual slight adjustments and replacements to tyres, brakes, and chains had to be made; but no engine or electrical worries were experienced. The increase of genuine pleasure tours of this nature successfully accomplished proves the efficiency of the modern light car for give and take work on the road. The Calcutta Agent for Peugeot motors is Mr. A. A. Bachman of 10 Dalhousie Square.

Some really wonderful stuff is being introduced to India in the shape of "Kleeno," a preparation which will be found advertised on page V of this paper. A severe trial or two to which we personally subjected "Kleeno" convinces us that it does all its manufacturers claim for it: indeed it removes oil, dirt, ink and other messy things in a way that is magical in its completeness and celerity. Cyclists, motorists, althletes and others will find it almost invaluable.

It is interesting to note that the four first places in the English first-class batting averages are held by Tyldesley with 78·5, Iremonger with 76·11, Ranjitsinghji with 74·07, and C. B. Fry with 71·47. Then comes a big drop to 54·66, which is W. H. B. Evans' average: P. F. Warner stands sixteenth in the list with an average of 43·66, while A. C. Maclaren is thirty-second with 36·05. It might further be mentioned that the latter had 18 innings to Warner's 14 though it must be conceded that in the number of runs Maclaren beats Warner by something like 89. Rhodes, Bosanquet, Foster, Humphreys, Wood, and Storer are all down in the thirties.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 15th July* 1904.

EVIDENCE is abundant on all sides that we are assisting at the demise of the season. Station omnibuses, loaded with luggage and bicycles, are more numerous than is usual in the middle of July, and the railway stations already present the charming features one generally associates with August. There is undeniably an increasing tendency to leave town earlier than was the case a few years ago; partly no doubt from a natural and laudable desire to escape the horrors of the usual holiday crowd, but the change is also in a great measure the result of the now well established little winter season. The almost defunct season, has not, I am told, been a success from the commercial point of view; a decided tendency towards retrenchment showing itself among those in all classes who retain a Philistine propensity for paying their bill. The railway companies are preparing for the exodus; the Midland in particular is adding to and accelerating its Scotch expresses, and the L. S. W. is much improving its service between London and the West of England.

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The visit of the German Squadron to Plymouth should serve, if anything would, to open the eyes of even the most rabid peace-at-any price member of the British public to the success attending the German Emperor's efforts to make his country a first-class Naval power. Eight battleships and seven armoured cruisers anchored in the Sound on Sunday, and remained until Wednesday, and during that time the officers and men were given every facility for inspecting our warships and workshops. Not that our visitors appear to have much to learn, for the almost unanimous opinion of experts who visited the ships seems to be, that whatever may be thought of the German navy as a whole, there is no question that the sample of it now sent for our inspection and edification is, as a fighting force, as near perfection as may be. All the ships comprising the squadron have been completed during the past six years, they represent an outlay of over eleven millions, and they carry a total complement of upwards of 9,000 officers and men. The marke dinclination of the German Navy to visit our naval ports gives food for reflection. Other Navies wait until they are invited; and British visits to German waters are by no means common. It is said that this is the ninth visit paid by a German Squadron to a British Naval port, and two years ago the German manœuvre fleet remained several days in Berehaven. However no one grudges any hospitality we are able to grant to a friendly fleet, and the present visit could have deserved the nations gratitude had it been possible to arrange for C. B., John Morley and Company, to be personally conducted over the fleet and the moral of the show well rubbed in.

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The production of "George Paston's" play "The Pharisee's Wife," at the Duke of York's, is the chief—indeed almost the only—theatrical event of the week worth noting. The first act is unquestionably extremely fine, and shows dramatic instinct of a high order. The characters are well drawn, and the dialogue is natural, and holds the attention of the audience. Henry Carrington, a barrister, is the co-respondent in the case of "Lewis *vs.* Lewis and Carrington" Problem—what should Mrs. Carrington do? Mrs. Ralfe, a shrewd and not unkindly woman, urges her to follow her example, get a legal separation, and enjoy her freedom. Mrs. Maxwell, Mrs. Carrington's mother to whom life has taught many lessons, counsels her daughter to make the best of it, to go on, outwardly at least, as before, and to trust to the world's exceedingly short memory. Carrington himself is repentant, and honestly desirous to make any reparation that may be possible. These four characters live in the first act, and are intensely interesting. The second and third acts though good are weaker, and somewhat theatrical. Carrington objects to his wife remaining on friendly terms with a lady with whose name scandal is busy. "I will forgive you, when you have learnt how to forgive," is Mrs. Carrington's slightly stagey rejoinder. She falls in love, or is on the point of falling in love, with Pagnell, but comes to her senses, and he goes off to China. Time passes, and when Mrs. Carrington goes to her husband's chambers with the intention of effecting a reconciliation, she runs up against Mrs. Lewis. Nothing comes of the meeting, and it is not easy to see the purpose of the scene. Carrington returns, his wife asks his forgiveness in words that naturally lead him to think the worst; but he, saying that it does not matter what she has done, embraces her. Her explanation relieves his mind, and the curtain falls on a scene of reconciliation. Had the two last acts been equal to the first, we could have welcomed a play of very exceptional power. The acting was extremely good. Mr. Aubrey Smith and Miss Madge McIntosh are excellent as Mr. and Mrs. Carrington; as is also Miss Hilda Rivers as Mrs. Ralfe, and Miss Darragh as Mrs. Lewis, in the only scene in which that lady appears.

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Sergeant Brue has migrated from the Strand Theatre to the Prince of Wales', Miss Ethel Irving is no longer in the cast, and nothing quite compensates for her loss. In other respects the changes are for the better, and the piece is, on the whole, a good example of the musical farce. "The Conversion of Nat Sturge" by Malcolm Watson, which caused so much amusement when it was produced at the Clement Scott Matinee, has been promoted to the regular bill at the Garrick, as curtain raiser to the "Fairy's Dilemma." The part of the urbane old Bishop is again taken admirably by Mr. Bourchier, and Mr. Webb Darleigh is again the most fascinating of burglars. Miss Caroline Ewell replaces Miss Nancy Price, and makes a capital Julia.

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Mr. Alexander, who is not going on tour, announces that he will re-open the St. James's early in September with an adaptation by Mr. Sidney Grundy of Mr. Forman's Story "The Garden of Lies." The heroine will be played by Miss Lilian Braithwaite. Mrs. Patrick Campbell is to give some performances of "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray", before she leaves the Vaudeville. The part of Tanqueray will be taken by Mr. Aubrey Smith.

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As was generally expected the Government refused Sir Charles Elliot's demand for a public inquiry into the circumstances attending his resignation and the concession to the East African Syndicate. It has now published the complete correspondence on the subject, which is characterised by some unusually plain speaking, and its publication is to be deplored. The Commissioner complains that Lord Lansdowne, while willing to grant a concession of 500 square miles to the East African Syndicate, a speculative company, on unusually favourable terms, and with practically no restrictions; and also offering a Jewish Syndicate a concession of 5,000 square miles, refuses to endorse an agreement he had entered into with two private individuals for the sale of 100 square miles. The ground on which the F. O. declines to sanction the agreement made by Sir Charles Elliot, is that it would interfere with the grazing rights of the Mosaic tribe; which strikes one as hardly logical, as I believe it is not disputed that the concession made to the East African Syndicate is the pick of the Mosaic grazing ground.

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The whole story is another proof, if one were needed, of the absolute unfitness of the F. O. to deal with semi-native colonial questions. It appoints a gentleman of position and standing in diplomacy to a post of exceptional difficulty, and expects him to accept a position that a managing clerk of average ability, in a private concern, would hardly consent to hold. The Government strongly desires to attract settlers to the country, and it is small wonder that Sir Charles Elliot seeing that concessions of 5,000 and 500 square miles were so easily and readily made, should consider himself free to follow in the same lines and to sell the comparatively small area of 100 square miles to private individuals to whom no objection can be taken on personal grounds. It is true that the Deputy Commissioner and the Sub-Commissioner, whom Lord Lansdowne consulted, as they happened to be in England, disapproved of the proposed interference with native grazing rights, but they objected equally to the concession to the East African Syndicate, on the same grounds. Mr. Herbert Samuel, M. P., has withdrawn his motion for the appointment of a Select Committee to consider and report on Sir Charles Elliot's resignation, as he understands there is no prospect of the Government assenting to it.

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The Eton and Harrow match brought a crowd even larger than usual to Lords on Friday and Saturday. Luck has turned, and the Etonians are making up for the evil years with a vengeance. Last year they beat Harrow by an innings and a hundred and fifty-four runs, and this year by an innings and twelve runs. This year will be memorable for the record score of one hundred and eighty-three made by Mr. Boles for the winning side; and also for the splendid effort Harrow made in the second innings to avert defeat. The struggle was a game one and they kept their opponents in the field for over six hours; Baily, their captain, despite his severe accident the day before, offering a masterly resistance to the Eton bowling for nearly three hours. The heat was intense and both elevens deserve credit for the plucky fashion in which they maintained their form to the last.

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The attendance at Bisley yesterday, the Public Schools' Day, was the largest ever known. There was an exciting contest between Winchester and Clifton for the Ashburton Shield; the former winning with a total of 476, Clifton a very close second with a score of 475. Forty-two school teams took part in the match. Among other school events was the Cadets match, won by St. Paul's School. The Spencer Cup won by Cripps of Marlboroughs, with 34 points out of a possible 35, and the Public Schools Veterans' match won by Cheltenham. Dulwich were the winners in a rapid firing contest.

The news of the death of Mr. Kruger, in Switzerland, calls for small comment, except that the evil that he did will undoubtedly live long after him. Sympathy with him will be confined to the hearts—so tender to all enemies of their country—of Miss Hobhouse, Messrs. Leonard Courtney, Stead, and a few others of that ilk. No doubt the wish he is said to have expressed that he might be buried by the side of his wife, will be respected, though it is not possible to forget how equally he bore separation from her during life; and how, while he carefully carried with him the coin from the Transvaal Treasury, he left her to the tender mercies of the British soldiers, whose ways are ways of barbarism, as our C. B. tells us.

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The meeting in the Albert Hall last evening organised by the Liberal Unionist Council, and presided over by Mr. Chamberlain, was large and decidedly enthusiastic. Practically every seat was filled, and when Mr. Chamberlain appeared he received an ovation. His speech may be read elsewhere by those who incline thereto. I will only say that in my capacity of an Onlooker it struck me that the references to the over-representation of Ireland and to the wrecking of the Alien's Bill evoked more applause and sympathy, if possible, than anything else.

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That the wrecking of the Alien's Bill will not be allowed to be forgotten when the day of election comes, is devoutly to be hoped. Mr. Balfour's Assurance, in answer to a question in the House, that the Government proposes to re-introduce the Bill early next session, is satisfactory, and if the blunder be not repeated of sending the Bill to the Grand Committee, it may possibly have become law before this time next year.

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From Gyangtse comes the welcome news that the move to Lhassa has begun, and Colonel Younghusband's declaration that the reparation and satisfaction required can only be obtained at Lhassa itself, leads one to hope that time will be no more dallying with unaccredited agents by the way. If the so-called peace delegates are at Nagartse and the Kara-la is held by two thousand men, as is reported, the Tibetans have probably not given up all hope of preventing the expedition reaching Lhassa. That they will exhaust all the wiles at their command to delay the expedition goes without saying.

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Various items: An important casket of wonderful jewels, the property of an Indian Prince, was offered for sale by auction by Phillips, Sons, and Neale, at 73, New Bond Street, last Tuesday. Among them is, according to experts, one of the finest emeralds in the world. Surrounded by diamonds it forms the centre of a magnificent pendant, with a drop emerald weighing 15½ carats. For this Mrs. Harris gave £4,100. A ruby fetched £340, an emerald button £400, and a nine row pearl collar, with brilliant bars, £480. As the highest prices were given by dealers, who it is to be presumed know their business, it follows that the end of high prices for jewels is not yet. The largest gathering of mounted infantry ever brought together in England was inspected last week at Aldershot by F. M. His Royal Highness, the Inspector-General of the Forces. About 25 per cent. of the men wore the South African medal. Capital reports have been received from the Grouse Moore in the North and East of Scotland. There is no disease, the broods are large, and the birds are in splendid condition. On the Argyllshire Moore a large number of eggs was destroyed by the floods in May. Water was let into the new dock at Gibralter (named after King Edward) last Friday. The ceremony was performed by Lady Acland, in the presence of the Governor and a large company. It seems not unlikely that the Volunteer force may be improved out of existence. The returns issued last week show a decrease in the number of enrolled officers and men of more than fifteen thousand, as compared with last year. An Irish Athlete achieved a remarkable series of successes at the St. Louis' Exhibition. He won four firsts out of nine events, in a general competition for an All-world Championship. The growing love of gold is the feature of the report of the Royal Mint for 1903. The gold coinage having been unusually large during the year, while the demand for silver and bronze coins was much smaller. Two small collection of valuable silver plate, were sold at Christies last week and good prices were realized. A plain octagonal caster, by Adam, 1718, fetched 68s. per oz., and another caster, date 1762, and a pair of muffineers, temp. George I. made 77s. per oz. An old Dublin helmet-shaped cream jug realized 56s. per oz. Eighteen panels of old glass which are said to have been removed from the Star Chamber Westminster, after the fire, 1834, were sold at Fosters Rooms, Pall Mall, last week. At the meeting the other day of the Committee of the Cancer Research Fund, presided over by the Prince of Wales, the Hon'ble Treasurer stated that up to the present only three hundred and twenty-eight individuals and the City Guilds have contributed to the funds. An unfortunate impression prevails that a few very wealthy men are sufficiently interested in the subject to subscribe all that is needed if other sources fail. The urn containing the ashes of Mr. G. F. Watts, was interred last Friday in the cemetery at Compton, Surrey, close to Limmerslease. The beautiful chapel of the cemetery was a gift from Mrs. Watts to the parish. It was announced in the Brighton Bankruptcy Court last week that the widow of the late Mr. C. S. Parnell was so ill that she probably will never be able to attend the Court. The case therefore was adjourned indefinitely. Captain William Noble, an astronomer of some repute, has just died at his house in Sussex. He served for a time in the Rifle Brigade, but devoted the greater part of his life to astronomy.

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So the British Army is again in the melting pot! The subject is too serious for the fag end of a letter.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

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WE were very pleased to receive this number which for general excellence wants nothing. Another of those beautiful plates by Mr. H. Gronvöld illustrating Mr. Stuart Baker's "Indian Ducks and their allies" is given as a frontis-piece. It represents the Tufted Duck (*Nyroca fuligula, linn.*) The drawing is exceedingly good and well represents the squat and roundish form of this species. Adult males are usually of a deeper black on the breast and upper plumage. Of course no chromo could ever picture the sleek glossiness of the silky texture of the white plumage in that sex. This is XVIII plate of this series; we trust in time to see all our remaining ducks illustrated. It would then form a most valuable addition to the ornithologist's library, these plates especially those by Lodge and the present artist far surpassing any in Hume and Marshall's beautiful volumes. This latter work also is so rare and expensive now that those ornithologists who have not been fortunate in getting it can hardly hope to obtain it now, and so this series should prove a boon to every body.

Plants are well represented in this number and so are insects, most of the heavy part of the Journal being comprised of these: there is only one article on birds and a couple on animals.

Of those on plants there is an interesting article by Mr. G M. Ryan I.F.S. on the Wild Plantain (*Musa superba Roxb*). The economic properties of this plant are gone into and they appear to be of some value. The base of the suberborescent stem and the subterranean root-stock are eaten by the natives, but are not nutritious and we fancy are only eaten by them as a cheap means of getting a good stomach-full. The fibre is used for ropes, etc, perhaps the most interesting properties attributed to it are from a medicinal point of view. The seeds are eaten as a prophylactic against small-pox and also taken as a specific in hydrophobia when powdered, and mixed with water. It would be interesting to know the medical profession's opinions on it, whether there is any real value in the seeds in this respect.

The Catalogue of the Flora in Northern Ganjam by Mr. Cecil E. C. Fischera I.F.S., is got up in good style, giving all necessary information in a terse business, like way. Economic Entomology is not forgetton and forms one of the most valuable papers in this number. It concerns two notorious insect pests *Pyrausta machæralis* and *Hybæa puera* which infest the teak tree *Tectona grandis*. It is to be hoped that other observers will publish their results of the observations they may make so that a complete account may be published and so lead to the protection of these grand and valuable trees. This article is illustratedby five plates one of which is coloured and represents these pests in their different stages.

Sir G. F. Hampson, Bart., is much to the fore in two articles, one in conjunction with Messrs G. C. Dudgeon and H. I. Elves; on the Heterocera of Sikhim and Bhutan and the other in his "Moths of India," which are supplementary papers to the volumes in "The Fauna of British India." He starts the third series in this number, and writes on the *Sphingidæ* which as he says have been lately carefully classified by the Hon'ble W. Rothschild and Dr. Jordan. We have had the pleasure of dipping into these volumes These "Moths of India" are not interesting to the general reader being like dry bones with no flesh on them. It is a pity that all the information can't be put in a more palatable form. The plate to this paper is to appear in a subsequent number which is a pity.

The Birds of Travancore, by Messrs. Ferguson and T. F. Bourdillon, is as interesting as ever. The present part (part II) comprises those birds given in Blanford's III Volume of the Fauna of British India Series. We should like to have seen more light thrown on the breeding of the woodpeckers and cuckoos, especially the latter. Information is badly wanted with regard to the breeding habits of the Malabar Great Black Woodpecker (*Thriponax trodgsoni, Jerdon*) and it is to be hoped that Mr. Bourdillon may later on be able to enlighten us on them. We may here mention that we understand Mr. E. C. Stuart Baker is engaged upon an article in the *Cuculidæ* and as our knowledge on this subject is very scant we hope all ornithologists will send him any notes and specimens, both of skins and eggs, especially eggs extracted from the oviducts of the females, and which we are certain would be most gratefully acknowledged.

No mention is made of the clinging propensities of the Small Green Barbet (*Thereiceryx viridis, Bodd.*) as stated by Davison. It would be interesting to know if this habit has been noticed by the authors of the present paper. It is also a pity we are told nothing about the contents of the Kingfishers' stomachs, these always prove interesting. The Malabar Grey Hornbill (*Lophoceros griseus, Lath.*) is shown to ascend the hills 2,000 feet higher than mentioned by Blanford.

On animals there are one or two interesting articles. One is on the Habits of the Hoolock (*Hylobates hoolock Harl.*) by Geo. Candler, M.B., which is a reprint from the Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London. His notes were taken in Cachar where these animals are very numerous and often come to the jungles on the verge of the cultivation. He says he has never seen a wild Hoolock on the ground; we have, though very seldom. We remember once having one caught which had wandered some distance from its natural haunts and was on the ground amongst some newly planted tea. What he notes about their swimming abilities is most interesting and probably as he says is the reason for Hoolocks being confined to a comparatively limited stretch of country. As to the Hindu coolies *never* killing a Hoolock he is mistaken as we have had specimens brought to us shot by them. They don't care to do so any more than we do, as there is nothing so pitiful as the expression of a wounded Hoolock.

Mr. R. Lyddeker writing to the *Field*, a reprint of which is given in the present number, considers our thoroughbreds to belong to a species distinct from the *Equus cabellus* of W. Europe, as a distinct vestige of the tear gland cavity is noticeable in the skull of Bend Or; this also appears in the skull of an Indian domesticated horse sent by the late Mr. Brian Hodgson, and doesn't appear in the skulls of other horses, asses, and zebras. It would be interesting to note whether any others of our thoroughbreds had this peculiarity. Neither does he consider *Equus prejewalski* of Mongolia a distinct species. This is a subject that might easily be worked up, and Mr. Lyddeker would be glad to receive other skulls of Indian domesticated horses.

The miscellaneous notes are as interesting as usual and birds receive a large proportion of notice. H.H. the Rao Sahib of Cutch sends a beautiful photo of the Nest and eggs of the Common Flamingo (*Phœnicopterus roseus Pall*), this has been well reproduced by Mintern Brothers. He also sends an interesting note on the subject. This comes as a useful adjunct to the plates illustrating our Indian Ducks and their allies, the flamingoes being amongst the latter. We read with pleasure Lieutenant General Osborn's note on the Himalayan Nutcracker (*Nucifraga hemispila, Vig.*) and other nut eating birds, but are afraid we are not as yet convinced of their walnut eating propensities. When this number reached us we had the pleasure of having a conversation on this subject with a naturalist (not Mr. Osmaston) who had collected birds for many years in Sikhim and got his views on the matter. These birds (*N. hemispila*) are never found in Sikhim at lower elevations than 9,000 feet and the wild walnut (*Inglans regia, Linn.*) is seldom found so high the Forest Department and not planting it above 6,500 feet. But putting this aside, the walnuts in Sikhim are extremely hard and it takes a strong blow with a very heavy hammer to break one and when broken what does it contain, only a thin streak of woody flesh, food that no bird would appreciate. It is absolutely impossible for any bird to make a hole in the wild walnut got in Sikhim, but perhaps the kind got in Kullu is softer. If these holes are not made by a rodent as suggested by Mr. Osmaston, who is by the way a well-known ornithologist, they might, perhaps be formed by a grub which had got into the walnut before the shell hardened and which had either worked its way through or else eaten the inner coating of the shell and thus made it thinner. As nutcrackers sometimes and woodpeckers always, feed on insects, they might probably be noticed probing these holes in search of the larvæ which they contain. We make this suggestion so that ornithologist who have the opportunity may look into the matter and see if this is really the case.

We are glad to see that the Members' Roll is visibly increasing and trust that this satisfactory state of affairs will continue. There is an appeal from the Honorary Secretary of the Entomological Section for Specimens of Indian Orthoptera (grasshoppers, earwigs, crickets, cockroaches, mantises, and stick and leaf insects) and we hope many members will help in filling up the blanas in the Society's collection.

Shikar.

THE GAME AND FISH PRESERVATION BILL.

OOTACAMUND, *25th July.*

A WELL ATTENDED Meeting of the Committee of the Nilgiri Game Association was held at the Collector's Office this afternoon, to consider the draft Bill for the Preservation and Protection of Game and Fish in British India, sent by the Government for an expression of opinion. Mr. C. M. Mullaly, the Collector, presided, and there were also present Sir Frederick Price, the Hon'ble Mr. H. P. Hodgson, Captain Beadnell, Captain Swan, Messrs. Pascoe, Edmiston Wapshare, H. Brown, G. Oakes, Hannyngton, and A. B. Jackson (Secretary).

SIR FREDERICK PRICE'S SPEECH.

After some desultory discussion the Meeting was opened and Sir Frederick Price spoke as follows:—

I consider that a general game law for India is highly necessary, not only for the protection of bird and beast for the purpose of actual sport, but also for the prevention of the wholesale destruction which, in consequence of there being no close season, goes on all the year through, of what, though it may be to some extent regarded as a luxury, is at the same time a not inappreciable source of food supply. The objections to such an enactment stated by the Government of India do not appear to me to outweigh the advantages which would be derived from it and seem to have been given an importance which they do not altogether merit. Take to begin with, the protection of crops, which I quite admit to be a cardinal necessity; although, in the case of the elephant, it has certainly, not been recognised as such by Government. If the cultivator merely protected his crops no undue or really appreciable decrease of game would be the result, but, as is well known, he does not confine himself to this or anything like it.

For the purpose of considering how far protection justifies the killing of game this must be divided into two classes—winged and four-footed. It is only the latter that does any damage to crops. The birds which injure them do not come within the category of game. The cultivator makes protection the pretext for killing so long as it is edible, everything that he can, no matter whether it is injurious to his crops or not. I can see no injustice in taking measures to put a stop to this state of things and no valid reason why, if the cultivator wishes to kill game which does no harm to his crops he should not, as the Government of India lay down that others must, take out a license for so doing, submit to the imposition of a close season and be precluded from using the many poaching devices for the capture of game birds in which he at present indulges.

Large four-footed beasts undoubtedly do much damage—antelope and pig being in this respect conspicuous—and if the ryot confined himself, within reasonable distance of his cultivation, to such of these as are destructive to his crops, there would be nothing to be said in the way of objection. He is, however, not content with this, for

the gun, which he holds for the protection of his crops alone, is used by him as an engine of destruction when sitting up in the hot weather over a water hole miles away from his fields, which at that time of the year, have no crop on them, or when harrying on the sly, or at times with the connivance of Forest subordinates, Government jungles equally distant from his home. He kills regardless of age, sex or season ; as the Government of India aptly puts it. "The bird on her eggs or with chicks at foot, the gravid doe and the sucking fawn" are alike considered fair sport by him. In the case of large game where a market is handy, he makes a comfortable little income selling the flesh ; where there is none what he and his family cannot consume is wasted. I can see no hardship in putting a stop to this kind of thing. One remedy, beyond a Game Act, would be to insist on care in the issue of licenses for guns for the protection of crops. I fear that at present considerable laxity exists in this respect and that licenses are frequently given where there is not the slightest necessity for them.

As for the Forest tribes which depend on the capture of game for their subsistence (by which I understand actual food), they are confined, I believe, entirely to jungles under the control of the Forest Department and in all such tracts rules as to the protection of game and fish already exist. The Forest tribes would, therefore, apparently not be affected in any way by the introduction of the proposed game law.

As regards the objection that a game law would create new penal offences, the sections of the Bill which do this already practically exist in either the Forest law or the Nilgiri Game Act. I have never heard of these being seriously objected to, or systematically used as a vehicle for extortion. The proposed enactment merely makes general what is at present local. As far as I can remember, the existing law in this Presidency, the only new penal clause introduced by the Bill proposed by the Government of India, is Section 16. It is one which is not likely to be of extensive application and would affect only Europeans and wealthy and sporting natives. It seems desirable and I see no reasonable objection to it. With reference to the request conveyed in paragraph 4 of the Government of India letter, I give two instances with which I am acquainted of the depletion of game over large areas. One is partly within my personal knowledge ; the other entirely so. They are as follows :—

When I joined the Salem District as Sub-Collector in 1866, sambur and spotted deer abounded in the jungles along the banks of the Cauvery for many miles about the Hargynakal Falls near Pennagaram, and this tract ran back a long way from the river. At many places in it pea-fowl and jungle-fowl swarmed. Within three or four years after I came to the District, these latter were absolutely cleared out, as were the bush quail, by the professional trappers, who came down from the Mysore country and took their captures up to the market at Bangalore, about 100 miles away. During the famine of 1876-77 he practice of sitting up at night over water holes came into vogue, and this having started, the taste for killing and deer's meat was followed by the introduction of systematic shikar parties, which made their way into the jungles far from any village or cultivation and drove off to other country what they did not kill. The consequence of these constant attacks by night as well as by day on the game soon rendered what was, when I first knew it, a shikar paradise as regards deer and small game, a desert as far as shooting of any sort was concerned. The matter of the destruction of small game in this piece of country is within my personal knowledge. That of the large game is not. I, however, heard of the latter from men who used to go out with me in former days, from a friend who, tempted by its former reputation, tried the ground some three or four years after the famine, and found it an utter blank, and from another friend, who still later on had another look at it and had a like experience. The other instance is that of the tract of country between the Vandalur and Atcheravakum Stations on the South Indian Railway. This is some forty miles long by—I should say—fifteen or twenty miles wide, and consists mostly of scrub jungle, with dry and wet cultivation scattered about it. I shot over this first in the winter of 1878, not very long after the railway had been opened for traffic, and there was then all through it an abundance of partridges, hares, and bush quail (not a migrant), and they were to be found both in the fields and jungle. In about five years time the whole of this game had been cleared off. The engine drivers and railway subordinates made short work of anything near the stations and professional trappers and the ryots did the rest. When out shooting, as I constantly was, I found, both in the fields and jungle, reserved as well as open, snares and the thorn fences put up when netting hares, and I repeatedly saw live partridges and bush quail being taking into Madras for sale during the breeding season. If one asked where they were caught, the reply either was that they were obtained in a *mutta* or some distant jungle in South Arcot. As proof to the contrary was impossible, nothing could be done, although there was morally not a scrap of doubt as to where the birds came from

I continued shooting in this part of the District until the beginning of 1897. Attempting to beat for partridges or hares had long become useless. I tried from time to time beating grounds which formerly were safe and satisfactory finds, but as they always turned out to be practically blank, I gave it up and confined myself to snipe. To the last, however, I beat a great deal of scrub in search of these, as they take to it in large numbers towards the close of the season ; but the results, as regards other small game, were always as I have already stated. I must say that I do not quite understand what the Government of India say with regard to licenses. In the beginning of paragraph 9 of their letter they propose that a general license should be granted to have effect through the whole of British India, and they do so on the ground that "it would be intolerable for a sportsman to be compelled to apply for a new license every time that he crossed the border of a Province." But at the close of the same paragraph it remarks that a general license will not empower its holder to shoot (which I take it means kill any game whatsoever) in Government forests. The system which at present holds as regards these is that, in each District in the Presidency in which he may shoot in Government jungles the sportsman must take out and pay for fresh license—a condition of things which appears to me to be very much more intolerable than that which the Government of India seeks to guard against. As no big game, excepting antelope, is to be found in Southern India away from real forest, the whole of that which is worth a button for shikar, and is not in Zemindary or Native States, is reserved it comes practically to this that the general license will cover only small game shooting, and not even that, in the many large tracts of scrub, jungle dignified with the name of Government forests which does not and never will hold anything in the way of four-footed game larger than a hare, but which contain quite enough small game to render beating them forth attractive ; and that to shoot big game, another license, which will have to be renewed in every District to which the sportsmen go, will have to be taken out in addition to the general one Why not increase the charge for a license and make it include shooting in all Government forests or, if that is objectionable from the revenue point of view, have two classes of licenses, one for small and the other for big game and credit the whole of the latter to "Forests" on which practically devolves, and always must, the protection of large game? I consider —and I speak with no bias as I am too old to care to go out after big game—the proposal to make a distinction between the official and non-official residents in the matter of fees per head for killing certain animals, not only unwise, but unjust. In the Soudan and East Africa the circumstances of the life of an official may be such as to render such an arrangement fair enough, but in India the conditions are on a totally different footing, and I fail to see any valid ground for putting, say, the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, in any way as regards shooting matter, on a better footing than the solitary planter on an outlying estate on the Annamalais. From the working of the Soudan rules, and from the great difference between the two rates of fee tenable under them, it appears to me that their real object is not to create a favoured class, but to keep within reasonable bounds the number of bag-seeking globe-trotters, who have made it a favourite hunting ground, and so preserve to a reasonable extent the shooting for residents of whom Officers are always to be considered as "approved."

To keep the bag-hunter of non-dangerous animals within bounds in India too, is, I think, quite fair, and I suggest, therefore, that there should be only two classes —residents and non-residents—and that to prevent evasion the word "resident" should be defined by law. I do not feel sure that it would be unjust to charge the shooting visitor, as is done in Ceylon, as regards fishing, Rs. 40 instead of Rs. 20 for a license. He comes merely to shoot, he is only a bird of passage, he can afford to pay, and there seems no reason why he should not contribute something more than residents to the protection of the game to destroy which is his sole object in visiting the country. But although I hold what may be regarded as a selfish view as to the treatment of the shooting visitor from other countries, I do not quite see how, when the killing of dangerous wild beasts is spoken of as "a destruction which we are doing our best to promote by the offer of a reward" demanding a heavy fee—for that alone would be a deterrent—from the visitor who takes his sport in the form of destroying tigers, can be justified. As far as the principle of the clearing out of these brutes is concerned, it is quite immaterial by whom they are killed, so long as many as possible are disposed of. I am quite in accord with the view that when it can fairly be done a curb should be put upon the sporting globe-trotter ; but I fail to see how one can justly reward A and fine B for each doing an act which Government avowedly seeks to promote. Bag-shooting for tigerstis, I may observe, not confined in India to visitors alone.

I am decidedly of opinion that any Game Act for this country should make sitting up over water holes to shoot game—which is a common and most destructive form of poaching—a punishable offence. I do not see why the fact that the offence would be one committed at night would make the fabrication of false charges any more easy than in the case of several other acts, most frequently done under the cover of darkness, which are at present punishable offences. One cannot condemn a law merely because under it false charges might arise. If one did there would be no penal law for India.

I do not consider that it would be expedient, without further enquiry, to impose an export duty upon horns, skins, and other trophies of games. What go out from here are, I am inclined to believe, almost universally the trophies obtained by the persons exporting them. It may, however, be otherwise elsewhere, for I saw in a recently published book, "Leaves from an Indian Jungle" in a chapter headed "By the Camp Fire," a detailed account of wholesale and systematic destruction of game for the sole purpose of supplying the trophy market. The taking of eggs of game birds, excepting under a special permit from the chief local authority, should certainly be prohibited. The practice as regards eggs large enough to be eaten is not at all uncommon.

I doubt very much if a special Game Officer would be of any real use ; I would much rather see matters managed by the head of each District, with whom the material can be found, a consultative and advisory body of local sportsmen, and the District Forest Officer as Honorary Secretary. The plan has, on these hills, been on the whole very successful, and to its existence is undoubtedly owing the very much improved condition, during recent years, of shooting on the Nilgiris. It would be impossible to find one man with any real knowledge of the natives from Peshawar to Cape Comorin or in sympathy with every class of them. Even if such a person should be discovered, he would cost a good deal and his inspections spread as they would have to be over all British India, would, as regards each individual place, necessarily be few and far between, and then could not be by any means complete. I would give local management a trial and leave for further consideration the question of whether overlooking by a costly official is necessary. I think that the revenue from licenses will be very much better devoted, for the present at any rate, to the protection of game, which will require, if it is to be at all effective, a special establishment, and to the re-stocking of depleted tracts, and I consider that the funds raised from this source should be spent in the local area from which it is obtained. In conclusion I will offer one or two remarks on the Bill.

Section 6 provides only for closing for part of a year, *i.e.*, an annual close season. Circumstances might however arise which rendered it desirable to close streams flowing through hilly tracts or the head waters of a river for a year or more at a time. For example, what has been done here now—introducing the Rainbow Trout which has been found so successful in Ceylon. I do not think that the provisions of Section 7 are sufficiently preventive. It appears to me—as there are many places which although not Municipalities or Cantonments, are of some size—that the power to prohibit should be made general.

I am afraid that the second proviso in Section 10 will lead to a good deal of poaching, which it will be difficult to check. I suppose, nowever, that something of the sort is necessary, although I cannot see how it can be satisfactorily worked.

I think as regards the importation of plumages, the words "for sale" should be inserted after "importation." It is, I believe, this alone that it is desired to check.

I would suggest that in Section 15 (*b*) and (*c*) the imposition of both imprisonment and fine should not be made as they are imperative, and that these clauses should be altered so as to allow of the infliction of imprisonment or fine, or both.

Mr. Edmiston thought that Section 13 of the Bill would affect the revenue of the Nilgiri Game Association.

The Hon'ble Mr Hodgson said he thought that Rs. 20 for a license was too small, and suggested Rs. 30 at the least, that would make the fee the same as the Association charged.

Mr. Jackson pointed out that the general license provided for under the new Bill did not empower its holder to shoot in Government Forest. It would be necessary to take out another license for shooting in Forest and a separate license would be required for each District. The Association would not, therefore, be affected

THE HON'BLE MR. HODGSON'S SPEECH.

The Hon'ble Mr. H. P. Hodgson then made the following observations on the Bill :—

With regard to paragraph 4 of Mr. Risley's letter regarding the extent to which wild birds and wild life have been destroyed anyone with knowledge of the country extending for a period of years, and taking an interest in the same must have noticed the gradual diminution, amounting in many cases to practical extermination which have been going on, I would instance one tract where, within my own knowledge, this has taken place, *viz.*, the valley of the Bhowani river extending up the river from Mettapollium to Attapadi, a distance of over 30 miles When I first visited the valley some 25 years ago, it was well stocked with cheetah and sambur, and of small game, jungle-fowl and spur-fowl were plentiful. Now there is hardly a living thing left, the big game having been shot down and the small game netted and trapped. Here this cannot be said to be due to the extension of cultivation which has always been and still is inconsiderable, the patches being small and widely separated. It is undoubtedly due to shooting with guns which have been indiscriminately issued nominally for the protection of crops, at all times and seasons, and without regard to age or sex and to continuous netting and trapping throughout the breeding season as well as during the rest of the year. It is contended that such killing has been done by the natives for their subsistence, then it is clear that their methods are improvident, and that they have destroyed their own source of supply, but I do not believe for a moment that the people have benfited by the food supply thus obtained. On the contrary they waste much time in the pursuit and capture of game which should have been more profitably employed in work. The above applies to other localities which I could name, *viz.*, large areas in south east Wynaad, where the Chetties with the guns taken out for the "protection" of crops have destroyed every living thing, and around the Badaga villages on the Nilgiri plateau. Then as regards paragraph 7—as the Law is to be for the most part merely an "empowering" instrument this should go far to satisfy the cavillers, who are certain to come forward, urging the infringement it will bring on established rights, etc., as the provision can be modified to suit local areas according to their several conditions and requirements. But I can hardly endorse the remark "that in the case of Forest tribes (whose supply of food is endangered by the diminution of game) must be provided for by special local exemptions" or the paragraph, immediately following referring to the "professional" shikari. If the game supply is necessary to the one as a means of subsistence, and the other as a means of livelihood, it is the more imperative that in their own interests the supply should be saved from the extermination which must be the result if allowed to follow their own methods without legalised

instruction nor, can I see why the native gentleman in India should be allowed a partridge for his dinner, without regard as to whether the said partridge has been taken off its roost or from its young, more than any other gentleman in this or any other country. I quite concur with the three cardinal rules, which are to be the leading principles on which the Bill is to be founded, provided that the use and not the abuse of them is enforced. That the planter as well as the native cultivator will expect to have unrestricted *powers* for the protection of his crops is undoubted, and is only reasonable, but let there be ample provision from punishment for abuse of these privileges or the proposed Bill will be ineffective over large areas where it is most urgently needed. It is quite true, as stated in paragraph 4 of Mr. Risley's letter, "that almost every gun which is held under license, for whatever purpose the license may have been granted or is owned by a person, who is exempted from the necessity for a license is used more or less commonly for the destruction of game. Guns nominally for the preservation of crops have been issued in enormous numbers, without discrimination, by Tahsildars, often to people who own no land, and in places where the game is practically already extinct, and are used in following game in the jungles and in places far removed from the licensees' homes. I consider, therefore, that while every ryot should be allowed a gun to protect his crops, he should show first that such protection is required, and, secondly, he should use the gun only on the land where the damage is being done: I submit that it is only by killing the actual animal doing the damage that the crop is really protected, and that the going into the adjoining jungle and killing any animal he chances to come across it is to the last degree unlikely the ryot will stop the *depredation* to his own particular field. It is well known that out of a large number of animals in the forest it is only individuals which will be bold enough to enter cultivation or approach human habitation and to effect relief it is these particular individuals which must be killed. If this is done I consider that the powers proposed to be given to local Governments in paragraph 8 of Mr. Risley's letter are satisfactory. Then regarding paragraph 9 it would seem advisable that a license under the Act to kill game should, as suggested, have effect throughout India to avoid inconvenience when used in different districts; but I consider that the proposed fee of Rs. 20 is far too small, and that it should be at least Rs. 30 and preferably Rs. 40 or 50. It must be remembered that not only does the license carry the right to kill game, but the game also is provided for the sportsman, insomuch as it conveys the right to shoot over immense areas of Government waste in which the game will be preserved. In England and most other countries the game has to be paid for quite apart from the license. I entirely approve of the proposal to limit the numbers of heads to be killed, under each license of certain kinds of large game, the same to be decided upon local conditions. In paragraph 10 the power to levy an extra fee from visitors to India is quite fair. It is done now by the Ceylon Fishing Club, as in the rivers stocked with imported trout, the fee for the season being Rs. 60 to a resident, and Rs. 120 to a visitor. With regard to the proposed division of sportsmen into three classes, it is in my opinion quite unfair to the "other residents," and I see no reason why they should be classed differently to "natives of the country and residents in India in the service of the Crown." Surely the European resident in India, whether engaged in commerce, agriculture, or any other business, who spends the best part of his life in the country, and has probably vested interest in it, is entitled to at least the same consideration in the matter of sport and amusements as the resident in the service of the Crown, who is paid by the country to reside in it. I consider such a distinction would be to the last degree unfair and unpopular, and should not be made. I therefore propose that the classes be divided into No. 1, to include the proposed Nos. 1 and 2, and No. 2, the proposed No. 3. Regarding paragraph 4 I am sure that protection of fish in the rivers and streams of South India is an urgently needed measure, not merely for the protection of the sport of fishing, but in the real interests of the natives themselves as a protection of an important food supply. The native is absolutely improvident in his methods of fish capture if left to himself, and I can speak to the damage done in that fine fishing river, the Bhavani, within my own experience. I first visited the river with Mr. Thomas [the author of the "Rod in India"] in 1882 and continued to fish it every year, often several times in the year, up to 1898, when I discontinued my visits as the fishing had been yearly falling off till it was no longer worth doing. In the early days I often killed 8 to 10 Mahseer in a day, ranging from 10 to 40 lbs. with occasional fish weighing 60 to 70 lbs., and Carnatic Carp could be caught in large numbers with a fly. Murrell and other river fish were also plentiful. By degrees the fishing became worse till my last visit, when two rods fishing for five days accounted for only one Mahseer of 11 lbs. weight, and other fish were less in proportion. This deplorable state of affairs was due to my certain knowledge to the use of dynamite, of fixed weirs, of night lines and poisoning the pools, and the damage was chiefly done between the months of February and June, when the water is very low, and every sort of poaching can be carried on with the best results. To remedy this the use of dynamite, fixed weirs and poison should be absolutely prohibited, and fishing with nets restricted to a certain sized mesh. From the 1st February to 1st July fishing should be restricted to the use of hand rods and lines only, by which means an ample supply of fishing for *food* purposes could be caught, or the river closed entirely from the 15th February to the 15th June. The description of the waters it is proposed to preserve should, I think, be sufficient if read with Section 6 Sub-Section 2 of the Bill, Regarding paragraph 14 (*a*) the prohibition of sitting up over water holes should certainly in my opinion be a condition. It is to the last degree a destructive, unsportsmanlike, and cruel way of killing game at a season when the scarcity of water compels animals to seek the few remaining pools in spite of the presence of the poacher, and I do not see why the fabrication of false charges need be anticipated more in this than any other form of poaching rather the contrary, as to be successful would necessitate sitting for perhaps hours in the same spot, and would, therefore, increase the chance of the poacher being caught in the act. (*b*) An export duty on horns, skins, and other trophies of game *including* the skins of dangerous-wild beasts, is I think very desirable. (*c*) I regard the protection of all birds' eggs, at all times, as imperative. An immense number of these are destroyed annually by cattle boys and people cutting grass and wood, out of sheer wantonness without any profit to themselves. With regard to the treatment of the revenue from license fees, it is to be hoped that in this District at least they will be permitted, as heretofore, to be paid in for the use of the Game Association. They are the only means of revenue by which the game watchers can be paid, and the introduction of game birds and fish can be carried out. I would suggest that in all Districts where the residents are sufficiently interested in the preservation and introduction of game to form themselves into Associations similar to the one that has existed on the Nilgiris for the past 25 years, and that such Associations be recognised by Government and receive some support by the allotment of such proportion of the revenue raised by license fees as Government may decide in each case may be necessary. This would stimulate the interest of the public in the preservation of game and assist in the prevention of infringement of the law. With regard to the employment of a special officer, the immense area to come under the Bill, the varied conditions of the people, their language, manners, and customs the great variety of game and difference of their habits of breeding, shedding their horns, etc., which often differ entirely even in the north and south of this Presidency, would make such an appointment of doubtful utility. I think the objects of the Bill would be better served by interesting the residents (native and European) in the various local areas by encouraging and subsidising them, as before suggested, to form Associations to be worked by Committees under the Collector or Commissioner, as the case might be. I need not say on its general principles I welcome the Bill as a long wished-for measure of protection to the game beasts and birds of India, which has only just come in time to arrest the universal destruction, and in many places closely approaching extermination, of Indian game.

Mr. Jackson said he had received a letter from Mr. Longmore opposing the Bill altogether, and a proxy from Mr. Kinloch also opposing the Bill. Mr. Longmore's letter was partly read, but as the members were agreed that he had written it under a misapprehension, it was not finished.

Captain Swan said the subject was a very large one, and suggested that a Sub Committee be formed which should draw up a report to be discussed at a General Meeting

Mr. Edmiston seconded.

The Chairman said that the Planter's Association had asked to be allowed until the 1st September to send in its opinion on the Bill, but he thought the Game Association Resolution should be forwarded to Government before then. What was wanted was a Resolution on various points of the Bill.

Mr. Hodgson said that if it was the intention of the Government of India to include the Wild Birds Protection Law in this Bill he thought it should be made clearer.

Mr. Edmiston said that special stress should be laid on the waste of fish that took place. His experience was that every native fisherman, after selecting from the fish he had caught what he wanted, left the remainder on the bank and never in any case returned the small fish to the water.

A long and somewhat heated discussion followed with regard to a suggestion of Mr. Edmiston that a special European officer should be appointed for the District, to be paid partly by the Association and partly by Government. In his letter Mr. Edmiston offered himself for the post he suggested, and said that if the Association was prepared to pay what it could afford, he had very good authority for saying that the Government would give it help.

The Chairman pointed out that this had nothing to do with the subject before the Meeting. The Bill before them referred to the whole of India, whereas Mr. Edmiston's letter, he understood, referred to an application for the appointment of himself as a special Game Officer for this District. That was a question for the consideration of the Committee at another time.

Mr. Edmiston said that Mr. Hodgson and Sir F. Price had both opposed the appointment of a special Game Officer, and he thought that if their opinion only was sent to Government, it would be understood that the Association generally vetoed such an appointment.

Sir F. Price said that his remarks applied to the suggestion to appoint a special officer for the whole of India. They were not met to consider the question of the appointment of an officer to this District.

Mr. Edmiston said that he was in favour of appointing special officers in each Presidency say two for each, or even more. It was madness to expect one man to be able to look after all India.

Mr. Hodgson said that no such thing as a veto on Mr. Edmiston's proposal was intended by his remarks, and he had not the intention of making his remarks as the subject of special Game Officers personal in any way.

Mr. Edmiston said he did not suggest that anything personal was thought of, but he was of opinion that if the remarks of Sir Frederick Price and Mr. Hodgson only were sent to Government, it would be thought that the Association did not approve of anything like his proposal. He insisted that his proposal should be considered, but it was pointed out that this was a matter that did not have any bearing on the Bill now under consideration.

A good deal of discussion followed and Sir Frederick Price said that he could not serve on any Sub Committee unless the point raised by Mr. Edmiston were settled by the Meeting, who might instruct the Sub-Committee as to what were their views.

Finally nothing was done in the matter, and the following Sub-Committee was appointed to prepare a Resolution which is to be submitted at an early date. Mr. C. M. Mullaly, the Collector, Mr. G. Oakes, the Hon'ble Mr. H. P. Hodgson, W. L. Edmiston, and Mr. A. B. Jackson.

The Meeting then terminated.

Shooting.

A KHEDDAH.

A FEW years ago it was my good fortune to fall in with a "kheddah" or elephant hunt. It was the latter half of Christmas week, the climate was perfect, the scenery beautiful, and the company of ladies and gentlemen of good size and cheery. The camp was pitched on the banks of one of the principal rivers in the country. Not far away to the north the outer ranges of the Himalayas stood out in bold relief, and at some distance from the foot of the hills the river emerged and wound its way through forest-clad banks, looking in its higher stretches, like a broad silver band. Rapids and pools followed one another in tolerably quick succession. Right underneath the camp lay a large, deep, broad pool, with water as clear as crystal, in which shoals of enormous Mahseer could be seen swimming leisurely about during the day. On the other side of the river, opposite the camp a forest of heterogeneous trees, brushwood and grass stretched inland, until it met the western extremities of the Garhwal hills, which, thickly clad with sal trees, formed a sombre background to the picture In those hills the wild elephants, some of which were shortly to be captured, roamed about at ease.

The camp was, by no means, a small one. Besides the kheddah party there were several other smaller parties; all encamped in the same spacious mango tope, enjoying their Christmas week under conditions of climate and scenery as perfect, probably, as any in the world. Some fished, some shot, others just "lounged about in a jolly long laze," after the fashion of the subaltern who found life at Perim so pleasant! Everyone was in excellent humour, and when an elephant hunt was on, those running it, very kindly, asked as many of us as wished to see the *tamasha*, to accompany them. Very nearly 100 elephants were engaged in the operations. A considerable number of these were trained to pursue and capture their wild brethren, others were for purposes of escorting the prisoners into camp, others for miscellaneous duties. This great array of *kathis*, with their army of attendants, were in two camps—one some distance to the south of our camp, on the same side of the river, the other across the river, very nearly opposite elephant camp No 1 Captured elephants were kept in camp No. 2. A herd of wild elephants was known to be in the thick sal forest over the river. Trackers were out every day, trying to locate them. For two or three days no news came in, but, at last, a more than usual bustle in the camp about 9 A.M. betokened something satisfactory. And sure enough it was so. The herd had been marked down and a "kheddah" was to take place. Everyone in camp, who was able or willing to go, was very kindly, provided with a seat on an elephant and shortly after 10 A.M. or so the party left the camp. A large number of elephants fell in as we went past elephant camp No. 1, and the passage of the river was a fine spectacle, as the line of quite 70 elephants moved in single file slowly through the water. The river was deep, the current stronger than was apparent to the eye, and the bed strewn with slippery boulders. It was interesting to watch the *kathis* working their way across.

No animal would put his foot down until he had made certain it was on firm ground: now and again one of the smaller *kathis* would find the current a bit too strong and would either lurch slightly inwards and put the whole weight of his body against the current, or else would move at an angle to the stream, so as to reduce the area of pressure against its body. Thus, in a slow and stately manner, the crossing of the river was effected. Something under a mile from the river, we came to elephant camp No. 2. Here a few elephants, which had already been captured, were tethered securely to trees. Finding incessant struggles to get free both wearisome and useless, they were, slowly, resigning themselves to their fate. As we went past No. 2 camp, a few more elephants joined the procession, which now moved forward in a single file to the hunting grounds. There must have been quite 90 (ninety) elephants moving along, one after the other, and it was a fine spectacle to see the long line zigzagging through forest, or along isolated patches of cultivation, or moving straight along some open glade. At last, close on midday, the forest, where the wild elephants were, was reached: a momentary halt was called and then the long line of elephants moved slowly along a forest road, with dense sal, elephant creepers, and brushwood on each side. We proceeded along the forest road for some distance and then, quite quietly, an evolution was performed whereby the long line split up into three sections, each section wheeled to the left and entered the forest in three parallel lines. Slowly each line moved forward and the occasional breaking of a branch, alone, disturbed the slumbers of the dense forest.

And here it becomes necessary to describe the organisation for the capturing of the wild *kathis*. At the head of each of the three sections came the *mugreewallas*, *viz.*, the elephants which did the actual chasing and capturing of the wild ones. There were some 10 or 12 of these in each section tin. Next came some pad elephants to assist the *mugreewallas* in securing an elephant when it had been noosed, and lastly, came the spectators on pad elephants. Each section was complete in itself: the *mugreewallas*, however, claim a special notice. The elephants selected for this duty are highly trained and fleet of foot, and are driven by "mahouts" who must be men absolutely devoid of fear, with eyes like hawks and the agility of cats. The "mahout" sits close to the withers of the animal, with his feet in loops, which hang behind the elephant's ears, and which answer the purposes of stirrups. In the centre of the animal's back is fastened a small pad, some 2 or 2½ feet square, the sole encumbrance in the way of "furniture," on which is placed the noose, neatly coiled up. To the pad is also attached a loop, which the man, who sits on the tail of the elephant, and who gets every inch of pace out of the beast by beating it on the root of the tail with the "*mugree*," a heavy wooden club studded with nails, hangs on to for all he is worth. This man, like the "mahout" must be devoid of fear and equally sharp-sighted and agile. His seat depends entirely on the firmness of his grip on the loop, assisted by as much additional purchase as he can get by putting his legs underneath the rope which is looped round the elephant's tail. Thus, on each chasing elephant, there is the "mahout," the *mugreewalla* or club man, after whom the chasing elephant is named, and the small pad with the noose sloop. What the "mahout" has to hang on to, besides his "stirrups," was not clear—apparently nothing. Once the chase starts there is no stopping—bar accidents—unless the

quarry makes good its escape or is captured. Trees, creepers, in fact *every king*, has to be dodged as best as possible and as a wild elephant, which is being pursued, moves along at a pace which is perfectly astounding, those on the chasing elephant get their money's worth in danger and excitement at any rate! More than one *sahib* of the party did *muggeewalla*; whenever a hunt was on, and the bruised condition of their arms and legs testified to the post being no sinecure! In fact how any one, on a chasing elephant, ever came out of the "kheddah" whole seems a marvel.

There were no signs of animal life in that dense forest. As we moved along a wild looking individual, armed with a blunderbuss, would occasionally appear from behind some cover and complacently watch the elephants moving by. This was one of the stops, who, by firing off their guns when the wild elephants were afoot, prevented them from breaking out of the forest. The three parallel lines of elephants worked well together and we had, perhaps, been in the forest half an hour or so, when a din arose which would have awakened the dead! A small herd of elephants was joined close between two of the parallel lines and the fun commenced. The trumpeting of elephants, the shouting of "mahouts," the crashing of branches, and the banging of the blunderbusses used by the stops simply rent the air! I was on a pad elephant, with another spectator! To our right a small elephant was quickly surrounded and caught, and beyond that again a hot pursuit was in progress, the sounds of which died away in the distance. Close to our left a fine, sturdy, young, tusker broke and fled at an appalling pace, hotlypursued by a *muggeewalla*. Runaway looomotives and would not have been in it in that chase! Pursuers pursued went crashing through the forest and were very soon and lost to sight. The tusker succeeded in making good his escape. Shortly after the tusker broke cover, a sturdy, half-grown, female, which had been noosed was seen making off at a good pace, apparently dragging the *muggeewalla* along. Away went two or three other elephants to assist and soon captured the runaway. My companion and myself just came up in time to see the noose secured. By this time the three parallel lines, which originally entered the forest, were completely broken up. Elephants had, apparently, been pursued in all directions. By degrees the "din of war" died out, from all points of the compass, *muggeewallas* and others commenced to appear, the "prisoners"—the sturdy female and two small ones—were collected and the procession started for home. It was interesting to see the "prisoners" being taken along. The noosing elephant, with the noose still round the neck of each captive, led the way. Two "policemen" were told off to escort each captured *kathi* and prevent it from getting obstreperous. Sometimes a captive would stop dead and try to break away, whereupon the "policemen" would quietly lean to and gently, but firmly, push the beast along, until they got it into a proper frame of mind. The journey back was performed without any mishap. On arrival at elephant camp No. 2, the captives were speedily secured to trees, the work being very neatly done by trained members of the native staff, with the assistance of tame elephants. It was curious to see the antics of the newly-captured ones, after they had been made hard and fast. They did their utmost to break the ropes by which they were tied, but all to no purpose and, no doubt, they, like those which had been captured before, resigned themselves to their fate after a few days of fertile struggle. The captive secured, we re-crossed the river and were back in camp before the afternoon was far advanced, and thus ended a very interesting and exciting day.

PEELER.

Correspondence.

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FISHING IN KODAIKANAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In answer to your correspondent regarding fishing at Kodaikanal, the lake still swarms with lesser Basils, which have doubtless fed and thrived on the Carp and Marseer he referred to. Beyond fishing with bent pins, a favourite amusement among the fair sex—fishing does not exist.

D. M. P.

TRICHINOPOLY, *27th July 1904.*

THE RECENT SIMLA RACES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I desire to draw your attention to the manner in which the Consolation Race in the recent Simla Races was run. I had a pony in that race, the distance being 2½ furlongs, and thinking I had a good chance I backed my pony with confidence; but on going to the paddock what was my surprise to find that the race was to be run in "heats." I think the Honorary Secretary should have informed the owners before they backed their ponies, that the race was to be run in such a manner, as it is obvious that a pony, which may run well once may quite probably be unable to do anything like so well in a second or third attempt the same day. As there were three objections to this race put in the following day, I did not think it necessary to make a fourth, not thinking for a moment that these owners would withdraw their objections. I subsequently put in my own objection, only to be met by a reference to the Rules of Racing regarding a time limit to objections. It appears to me, and my view is corroborated by experts in Racing Law, to whom I have referred, that in any case the Stewards of the Calcutta Turf Club have no option but to declare the race in question null and void, as it is against the rules of racing, which do not provide for a race being run in "heats," and that they are bound to do this on receipt of the Stewards' report of the races irrespective of any objection having been made.

W. E. B.

[This point, we believe, has been ventilated in other papers. It appears to us very simple. The Simla Stewards were wrong in running this race in heats. There is no special mention in either the C. T. C. or Jockey Club Rules about a race being run in heats: but no programme is sanctioned which proposes any race to be run in heats. And this is the only prohibition against it. Obviously our correspondent's objection was an afterthought, and as it was clean out of time, was very properly overruled by the Simla Stewards. The race has been declared null and void. ED.]

NATURALISTS' STRAY NOTES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I have read the Rev. Mr. S. A. Hauxwell's letter in your issue of July 14th instant, anent black panthers, and I can corroborate what he says. Some time in 1876 or 1877, Mr Lowis, the then Commissioner of Chittagong, shot a black panther behind the then Telegraph Office of Chittagong. I was present at the time, but not lucky enough to get a shot. One of the cubs was yellow and two black, or *vice versâ*, I am not quite sure which. The father who was seen, but escaped, was of the ordinary variety. Some of the tribes of the Hill Tracts say that though when in a free state the melanoid male will only consort with a melanoid female, yet the latter, like most of her sex, is not so particular, and preferring a wider range of choice, will take up with the yellow variety. In an article of mine in a contemporary I have called leopards by two names. The tree leopard (or panther) and the grass leopard or panther and I described their differences. One point is that the grass leopard has a bony ridge along the top of the hinder part of his skull. I wish some of your readers could inform me if the melanoid variety has this ridge on its skull. Its presence or absence, if a considerable number of skulls could be cited would go far to prove or disprove the question of inter-breeding. Does the melanoid female consort with either variety or with only one. If she only chooses one kind it would help to strengthen the argument for two distinct varieties of leopards.

In 1878 or 1879 the Mughs at Maniksurri, about six miles below Rungamutti, the headquarters of the Chittagong Hill Tracts, declared that there was a black tiger knocking about. I have also met Quamis on the upper Songoo river who said they had seen a black tiger. If there are such things they must be a freak and that being so goes far to prove the melanoid leopard is just a freak also.

J. JARBO.

BARISAL, *24th July 1904.*

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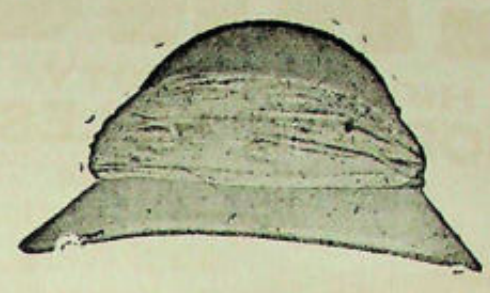
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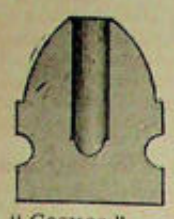
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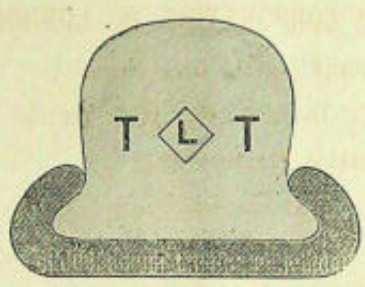
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NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Colombo August ..	August	9, 11 & 13	
Poona Second „	August	6	
„ Third „		13	
„ Fourth „		20	
„ Fifth „		25	
„ Sixth „		27	
„ Seventh „	Sept.	3	
„ Eighth „		17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases		21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Quetta Autumn Meeting		20, 22, 24	
Calcutta Monsoon First ..	August	6	
„ „ Second ..		13	
„ „ Third ..		20	
„ „ Fourth ..	Sept.	10	
„ „ Fifth ..		17	
Mussoorie Autumn ..		29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn ..	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Lucknow Autumn Sky ..		25 & 27	82
Umballa Autumn ..	Nov.	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky ..		15, 17, & 19	626
Sonepore		22, 25 & 27	
Lucknow Autumn ..		29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn (Army Cup)	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra ..		10	
„ Second „ ..		17	
„ First Meeting ..		24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup ..		27	
Lahore Xmas ..		27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase ..	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky ..		5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh		21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting ..		14 & 21	
„ Third Extra ..		28	
„ Fourth „ ..	Feb	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Poona Races ..	..	Second ..	.. 23rd „
		Final ..	.. 6th September.
Calcutta 2nd Monsoon ..			
„ 3rd „ ..		..	.. 9th August.
„ 4th „ ..		..	.. 16th August.
„ 5th „ ..		..	.. 6th September.
		..	.. 13th September.
Army Cup ..	..	Third ..	.. 1st October.
		Final ..	.. 15th November
Civil Service Cup ..	..	Third ..	.. 15th September.
		Fourth ..	.. 1st December.
		Final ..	.. 20th January.
Umballa Autumn ..	..	First ..	.. 13th August.
		Second ..	.. 17th September.
		Third ..	.. 28th October.
Calcutta First Extra ..	..	..	.. 6th December.
„ Second Extra	..	..	.. 13th „
„ First Meeting ..	..	First ..	.. 1st November.
		Second ..	.. 30th „
„ Second Meeting ..	..	First ..	.. 30th November.
		Second ..	.. 7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn ..	..	First ..	.. 12th September
		Second ..	.. 19th „
		Third ..	.. 26th „
Lahore Xmas ..	..	Second ..	.. 1st November
		Third ..	.. 1st December
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	..	Second ..	.. 15th September
		Third ..	.. 8th Nov.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day		First ..	.. 1st November.
		Second ..	.. 30th „
„ Second Day		First ..	.. 1st November.
		Second ..	.. 2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament ..	..	.. Begins 29th August.
Poona Junior Tournament	..	Begins 22nd August.
Poona Open Tournament	..	Begins 22nd September.

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Calcutta Rowing Club 3rd Regatta ..		.. September.
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Madras B. C. Regatta ..	..	.. 3rd September.

FOOTBALL.

Bombay Rovers Tournament	..	.. Begins 9th September.
Durand Tournament (Simla)	..	.. 14th to 27th September.

HOCKEY.

Madras Tournament ..	..	.. Now on.

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Kashmir Upper India Tournament ..		.. Begins 22nd August.
R. W. I. G. C. Tournament (at Nasik)		.. In September.

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„ „ (Poona)	..	13th, 14th and 15th September

SHOWS.

Ceylon Kennel Club Show	..	.. 5th August.
Poona Horse Show ..	..	.. 29th & 30th September.
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show	..	.. 26th December.

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Three Lengths Handicap ..	..	.. 5th August.
Final „ ..	..	.. 12th „
Two Lengths Handicap ..	..	.. 19th „
Plunge Handicap ..	..	.. 26th „

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES

Principal Races in 1904.

Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 17th August.
Prince of Wales' Plate ..	.. Tuesday, 23rd August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1¾ miles) ..	.. Wednesday, 24th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	.. Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	.. Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes ..	.. Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	.. Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	.. Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) ..	.. Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (¾ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Thursday, 29th Septemer.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) ..	.. Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	.. Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs) ..	.. Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) ..	.. Tuesday, 8th November
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	.. Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup ..	..	.. 22nd October.
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ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

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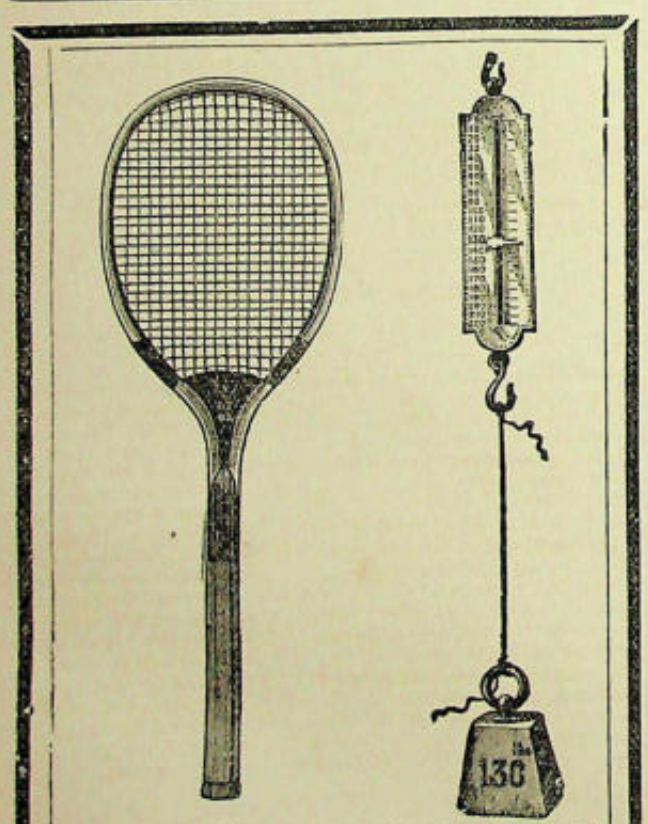
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Honorary Secretary—CAPT. L. S. ROOME.

Third Day, Thursday, 28th July 1904.

THE third day opened with fair weather and very luckily the rain kept off until just after the last event when a heavy shower came down. Consequent upon the success of the Meeting the Committee have decided to run an extra day on Saturday. There was another large attendance of all the elite of Hyderabad and Secunderabad Society and the Middlesex Regiment were "At Home" in the reserved enclosure, where amongst other distinguished personages were Prince Shahab Zadahk (the Nizam's son) the Hon'ble Colonel Sir David Barr, British Resident, Brigadier-General Sir James Willcocks, and most of the military officers of the two garrisons.

The racing was fair. The pencillers O'Brien, Artie Tully, and Salamat did a fairly good business, but the totalisator was not at all popular The following are the results:—

THE RESIDENCY PURSE.—Rs. 150 and Rs. 50 to the second. 1 mile.
For Horses Weights—Handicap.
Major Logan-Home's Corrie Roy, 11st ... Meah Jan 1
Capt Plunkett's Gun Metal, 9st 3lbs (car 9st 10½lbs) ... ... Mr Stewart 2
Col Afsur-ul-Mulk's Shubnum, 8st (car 8st 1½lbs) ... ... Saye 3
Mr Walker's Impolita, 9st ... ... Capt Harding 0

Gun Metal cut away, followed by Corrie Roy and Impolita last. At the half mile Corrie Roy closed up to Gun Metal and both raced abreast to the straight. At the distance Corrie Roy came away and won by three quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 53⅕secs.

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Corrie Boy, 4 to 1 Gun Metal, 5 to 1 Impolita, 6 to 1 Shubnum.

THE SUBALTERNS' CUP.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. Presented by Br.-Genl. Sir James Willcocks, K. C. M. G., D. S. O., For *bonâ-fide* Polo ponies the property of Subalterns' officers of the garrison who have played Polo regularly up to within one week of the race meeting that have not cost more than Rs. 1,000 to be ridden by members of the Gymkhana. 4 furlongs
Mr Moir's Delta, 10st 11lbs ... ... Capt Darley 1
Mr Stewart's Welcome, 10st 5lbs ... Owner 2
Mr Bellingham's Michael, 7st 7lbs (car, 9st) ... ... Owner 3
Mr Skaife's Kaiser Roum, 7st 3lbs (car, 9st 11lbs) .. .. Captn Roome 0

There were four false starts. Welcome then made the running attended by Delta to the four furlongs when Delta drew away and won by a length; a head between second and third. Time—56⅖secs.

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Delta, 5 to 4 Welcome, 6 to 1 Michael, 8 to 1 Kaiser Roum.

STEWARDS' PLATE. Rs. 600, of which Rs. 100 goes to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—Handicap. 7 furlongs.
Mr Nazir Beg's Investment, 10st 13lbs ... Mirza 1
Capt Darley and Mr Nelson's Felicity, 11st Capt Darley 2
Mr Wormald's Ivan, 9st ... ... Capt Harding 3
Capt Barr's Mana, 9st 3lbs ... ... Meah Jan 0
Mr Bett's Marjory, 8st 12lbs ... ... Owner 0
Mr Walker's Rob Roy, 8st ... .. Rajoo 0

A good start. Investment getting well in front followed by Mana and the remainder at his heels. At five furlongs Investment had increased the lead by two lengths, the remainder tailing off. At three furlongs Felicity managed to get up to Investment and challenged, but could make no impression and Investment won by a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 41⅗secs.

BETTING: Evens Felicity and Investment, 6 to 1 the others.

THE LAIK-UD-DOWLA CUP. Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For Arabs and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under. Weights Handicap. 5 furlongs.
Mr Brett's Rustom, 8st .. King 1
Shah Mirza Beg's Torpedo, 10st 7lbs ... Fallon 2
Mr Bellingham's Quex, 9st ... ... Owner 3
Rajah Khag's Sultan III, 9st 7lbs ... Mirza 0

Rustom took up the running followed by Torpedo, Sultan III unluckly ran out in the first furlong and the race was then between Torpedo and Rustom. Coming up the straight Torpedo tried hard to pass Rustom, but failed, the latter gaining a good race by three lengths; streets between second and third. Time—1min. 13secs.

BETTING: 4 to 1 each agst Torpedo and Quex, Evens Rustom, 6 to 4 Sultan III.

Totalisator paid Rs. 2.

THE SULTAN-UL-MULK PURSE.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For Ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—Handicap. 3½ furlongs.
Nazir Beg's Saood, 9st ... ... Mirza 1
Col Scott's Donald, 10st ... ... Capt Darley 2
Mr Stewart's Welcome, 10st 7lbs ... Owner 3

Donald jumped off and made the running till near the post when Saood challenged and, getting up, won a desperate race by a neck; three lengths between second and third. Time—48secs.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Donald, 3 to 1 Welcome, 1 to 3 Saood

THE ASMAN JAH COMMEMORATION HANDICAP.—Rs. 150, and Rs. 50 to the second. For Arabs. Weights—Handicap 1 mile.
Mr Black Hawkins's The Clown, 10st 9lbs Capt Darley 1
Capt Bonifacio's Forlorn Hope, 8st 7lbs ... Mirza 2
Capt Darley's and Mr Stewart's—
S'elpme, 11st 12lbs .. ... Mr Stewart 3
Mr Wormald's Baby Boy, 10st 5lbs ... Meah Jan 0
Mr Stokes' Billy, 9st ... ... Owner 0
Mr Webster's Toreador, 8st 10lbs ... King 0
Mr D F Stewart's Jhansi Dan, 8st 5lbs ... Fenton 0

Toreador made the running up to the three furlong post when S'elpme took up the running attended by the Clown and Forlorn Hope. Down the straight The Clown drew away and, retaining his lead, won a splendid race by half a length, a head between second and third. Time—1min. 59⅘secs.

BETTING: Evens The Clown, 5 to 4 S'elpme, 5 to 2 Baby Boy, 4 to 1 Forlorn Hope, 10 to 1 the others.

(By Special Telegram.)

Extra Day, Saturday, 30th July 1904.

THE most successful race meeting held for years in Secunderabad concluded to-day. Thanks to the excellent working committee every detail throughout the meeting went off without a hitch, there was not a single complaint from any quarter, a fact which augurs well for future meetings. It has been decided to hold another small meeting in November and a big meet this time next year. The thanks of the public, owners and riders are due to Captain Roome, the Honorary Secretary, who has done yeoman service for the races; and no less are thanks due to the British Resident who took a very active interest, all through the meeting. To-day's races were somewhat marred by a very heavy shower at 2 o'clock, but the sky cleared at 3 P.M enabling the races to go on, although the ground was spongy, causing several spills at the outset. The 4th Hussars were "At Home" in the reserved enclosure and their band played during the afternoon. To-day's programme included a very sporting match between Captain Darley's Felicity and Captain Barr's Mana for Rs. 500 a side. Details:—

CONSOLATION PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 100, Rs 50 to the second, and Rs 20 to the third. A handicap. One mile over 5 flights.
Mr Wormald's Ivan, 10st 7lbs (car 10st 9lbs) ... ... Owner 1
Mr D F Stewart's Wait-a-Wee, 8st 3lbs (car 8st 5lbs) ... ... Penton 2
Mr Walker's Rob Roy, 10st 3lbs ... Owner 3
Shah Mirza Beg's Torpedo, 9st 3lbs ... Mirza 0
Rajah Khan's Sultan, 8st 10lbs ... King 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agt. Ivan and Rob Roy, 3 to 1 each Torpedo and Wait-a Wee, 4 to 1 Sultan.

A good start, but an unfortunate spill at the first hurdle when Sultan fell, followed by Rob Roy. At the second hurdle Torpedo fell; then Wait-a-Wee came away followed by Ivan who, challenged in the straight and won by 6 lengths. Time—2mins. 15secs.

A MATCH. 4 furlongs.
Mr Clark's b a p Broncho, 8st ... ... Mr Webster 1
Capt Clarke's d c b Farewell, 9st 5lbs ... Mr Stewart 2

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Farewell, 6 to 4 agst. Broncho.

Farewell jumped away with the lead and won by three lengths Time—1min 4⅖secs.

HORSE HANDICAP.—Rs. 100, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. 6 furlongs.
Col Afsur ul-Mulk's Shubnum, 7st 12st .. Saye 1
Mr Walker's Impolita, 8st 13lbs ... Capt Harding 2
Capt Plunkett's Gun Metal, 10st 7lbs ... Mr Stewart 3
Dr Ahmed Mirza's Sultan, 9st 4lbs .. Mirza 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Gun Metal, 3 to 1 the others.

A good start. All laid together for the first furlong, when Shubnum goat ahead followed by Gun Metal and Sultan and, making the remainder of the running, won easily by one length; a head between second and third Time—1min. 26⅖secs.

MATCH.—hs. 500 a side. 3 furlongs.
Capt Darley's b aus m Felicity, 10st 5lbs .. Owner 1
Capt Barr's g aus g Mana, 8st 13lbs .. Meah Jan 2

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Felicity, evens Mana.

Felicity jumped away with the lead and, making the whole of the running, won easily by three lengths. Time.—41⅕secs.

THE SALAMAT PURSE.—A handicap for Arabs. Rs. 100, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. 4 furlongs.
Mr Stokes' Billy, 8st 4lbs ... ... King 1
Mr Wormald's Baby Boy, 8st 9lbs ... Meah Jan 2
Capt Bonifacio's Forlorn Hope, 9st 4lbs ... Mirza 3
Mr Stewart's Shifter ... ... King 0
Mr Webster's Toreador, 8st 2lbs ... Mr Stewart 0
Mr D F Stewart's Jsansidan, 7st 12lbs ... Penton 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Forlorn Hope, 3 to 1 each Shifter and Billy, evens Baby Boy, 10 to 1 each Toreador and Jsansidan.

The winner made the whole of the running and, although challenged in the straight by Baby Boy and Forlorn Hope, they could make no impression, Billy winning by a length; a head between second and third. Time—57⅕secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Three heats without dismounting. Rs. 100, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. 2 furlongs.
First Heat.
Shah Mirza Beg's Torpedo, 11st 7lbs ... Mirza 1
Major Hayes' Dorothy, 12st ... ... Major Oliver 2
Capt Darley's Phelwan, 10st 7lbs ... Owner 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Dorothy, 2 to 1 Phelwan, 3 to 1 Torpedo, 5 to 1 Welcome. 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a neck; a head between second and third. Time—29⅘secs.

Second Heat.

Dorothy	...	1
Phelwan	...	2
Torpedo	..	3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Dorothy, evens each Torpado and Phelwan, 10 to 1 the others.

Dorothy and Phelwan ran a desperate race home the former winning by a short head; a neck between second and third, Time.—30⅕secs.

Also ran in both heats Mr. A. Steward's Welcome, 12st., Owner Captain Strong's Monotype, 12st., Owner; Major Hayes' Topsail; 12st., Captain Roome; Mr. Jackson's Forage, 10st. 7lbs Mr. Griffiths'; Mr. Chaytor's Curlew, 10st. 7lbs. Owner; Mr. Stokes' Red Guantlet, 10st. 7lbs. Owner.

Third Heat.

Dorothy	...	1
Phelwan	...	2
Torpedo	...	3

BETTING: Evens all

All ran in a line to the distance when Dorothy improved her position, finally winning easily by half a length; same distance between second and third. Time—32⅕ secs.

THE PENCILLERS' PLATE.—Rs. 100, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B. ponies. A handicap. Five furlongs.

Mr Nazir Beg's Saood, 8st 10lbs (car 9st)...	...	1
Capt Darley's Hailstorm, 10st (car 10st 2⅘lbs)	Owner	2
Mr D F Stewart's Wait-a-Wee, 11st 10lbs ..	Penton	3
Mr Bellingham's Michael, 7st 7lbs ...	King	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Hailstorm, 6 to 4 agst. Saood, 6 to 1 the others.

They raced in a cluster for the first furlong, when Wait-a-Wee went to the front, followed by Michael. Two furlongs from home they were passed by Saood and Hailstorm, the former drawing away at the distance winning easily by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 15⅕secs.

POONA FIRST EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 30th July 1904.

THE POONA Racing season opened this afternoon when a programme of six events was discussed. The weather was rather miserable at the start, but it soon cleared up and a large attendance graced the meeting. The course was in excellent condition and the racing first class. Mr A W P won the July Plate with Fire Up, the New Comers' Plate with Hopeful, and with Turn of Luck, dead-heated with Berlin for first place in the Maiden Arab Place. In the run off, however, Berlin snatched the verdict by three-quarters of a length. Details:—

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs 100; third Rs. 50. For Maiden Arabs 13-3 and under new measurement. 13-3 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, since 31st March 1902, of race value Rs 150 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; three times, 12lbs.; oftner, 18lbs. 5 furlongs.

Messrs M Goculdass and A Nanjee's g a h Calcutta, 7st 6lbs	Foster	1
Mr S A Wahed's ch a h Dilerjung, 8st 6lbs	Kamad	2
Mr Yussef Yunance's b a h Yerbo, 8st	Elliott	3

Also ran: Zurriff, 8st 7lbs; Dachshund, 8st 6lbs; Splendour, 8st 6lbs; Caravan, 8st 3lbs, Settler 8st.

(*Winner trained by F. Pearson.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 against Settler, 4 to 1 Calcutta, 8 to 1 Zurriff 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by two lengths; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

THE MAIDEN ARAB PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arabs. W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of race value Rs. 150 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; three times, 12lbs.; oftener 18lbs. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr G K and D D's c a h Berlin, 7st 3lbs ...	Native	Dead-
Mr A W P's b a h Turn of Luck, 8st 9lbs ...	Murphy	heat
Mr Ali bin Talib's ch a h Hadur, 8st 3lbs ...	Foster	3

Also ran: Smasher 8st; Deserter, 8st. 5lbs: Sahab, 8st 4lb; Bendigo, 8st. 11lb.; Massowah, 7st. 13lbs.; Cardigan, 7st 8lbs

(*Winners trained by Kassim and owner respectively.*)

BETTING:—6 to 4 on Bendigo, 4 to 1 Sahab, 6 to 1 Deserter, 8 to 1 and longer odds the rest.

Berlin, who dead-heated with Turn of Luck; Hadur a length off third. Time—1min. 26⅕secs.

The Run off.—Berlin won by three-quarters of a length.

THE JULY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Horses which have never won a flat race value Rs 1,000 or over. W. A. C. reduced 10lbs. Penalties—Winners, since 31st March 1902, of race value Rs. 150 or over: once, 5lbs.; twice 10lbs.; three times, 14lbs.; oftener, 18lbs. Winners since the above date race value Rs. 200: once 4lbs. oftener, 7lbs., in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Ponies 14-2 and under, 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr A W P's b aus g Fire Up, 8st 4lbs ...	Murphy	1
Mr P B Avasia's br e g Testwood, 8st 7lbs	Hoyt	2
Mr Mehta's br aux m Blue Blood, 9st.; 8lbs,	Morrison	3

Also ran: Overture 9st. Daranji, 9st. Fincard 9st. 8lb., Gun Metal. 8st, 6lbs.; Indaba, 8st 2lbs.: Half-a-Crown, 8st, 11lb., Ural, 7st, 10lbs; Whitefood 7st, 5lbs.

(*Winner trained by Mr. A W. P.*)

BETTING: Evens Testwood, 3 to 1 Fire Up, 5 to 1 Blue Blood 10 to 1 and longer odds the rest.

Won, hard held, by one and half a length; one and quarter length between second and third. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

THE ARAB PONY TRIAL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 100; second, Rs 100, third, Rs. 50. For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement: which have never won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over. 14 hands to carry 9st 12lbs. W. I. Allowance—Ponies which have not won a race value Rs. 1,400, 5lbs.; Rs. 900 10lbs.; Rs. 200, 14lbs.; Rs. 100, 21lbs (not accumulative). 5 furlongs.

Mr Maydwell's g a h Titus II, 9st 4lbs ...	Hoyt	1
Mr Mustapha bin Talib's ch a h Tigris, 8st 6lbs	Nama	2
H H Kour Sahib of Patiala's ch a h Shah Jehan, 7st 11lbs	Elliott	3

Also ran: Achilles, 9st. 3lbs.; Young Kohinoor, 8st 12lbs. Napoleon, 8st 9lbs.; Arabistan, 8st 6lbs.; Grey Fox, 8st 2lbs.; Hermit 8st. and Galib 8st.

(*Winner trained by Bleach.*)

BETTING. 6 to 4 on Achilles, 5 to 1 each Arabistan and Shah Jehan 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by half a length; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

THE NEW COMERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab ponies 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1903. 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winner of race value Rs. 150 or over, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener 14lbs.—½mile.

Mr A W P's b a h Hopeful, 8st 12lbs ...	Murphy	1
Mr H B Pike's b a h Bandit II, 8st 2lbs ...	Foster	2
Mr A M Shamlan's g a h False Start, 8st 12lbs	Heeroo	3

Also ran: Sugger, 9st. 1lb.; Mediva, 8st. 9lbs.; Kismut, 8st. 8lbs.; Guiding Star, 7st. 11lbs.; Orragh, 7st. 10lbs.: Shahoon, 7st. 10lbs.; Black Prince, 7st. 7lbs.; Grey Ghost II, 7st. 4lbs.; Shah Alum, 6st. 12lbs.; Swazi 6st. 12lbs.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Sugger, 2 to 1 Hopeful, 5 to 1 Black Prince, 8 and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by one length; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—54⅕secs.

THE AMATEUR PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs 100; third Rs. 50. For Ponies 14-1 and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 200 since 31st March 1902. 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I Penalties—Winners since 31st. March 1902, race value Rs. 100 or over: once, 4lbs; twice, 7lbs; three times, 10lbs; oftener 14lbs., Allowance—Maidens, 5lbs; C.B's, 18lbs. ½ mile.

Capt Stewart Balmain's g aus m Lady Dean, 11st 11b	Capt Meynell	1
Mr W Bass br e m Filbert, 11st 6lbs ...	Owner	2
Lieut-Col Hazelton's b aus g Patrician, 11st 4lbs	Owner	3

Also ran: Lady Jess, 12st. 11b; Pimoire, 11st 2lbs; Fanstive. 11st. Tam Ring, 10st 10lbs.; The Reverend, 9st. 10lbs; and Ding. 9st; 5lbs.

BETTING: 6 to 4 against Tam Ring, 4 to 1 each Lady Jess and Patrician, 10 to 1 and longer odds the rest.

Won easily by a length; head between second and third.

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

THE V. R. C. GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

GRAND NATIONAL HURDLE RACE.—Of 15sovs. each, with 1,000sovs. added; second 200sovs. and third 100sovs. Three miles.

Mr V Elliott's b g Sarasati, by Tostig—Halle, 5yrs, 10st 9lbs ...	M Whelan	1
Mr H C White's br g Bellis, by Lochiel—Belle of Trent, 5yrs, 9st 12lbs ...	J Fanning	2
Col F S Campbell's br g Pierrot, by Glendhur—Mitta, aged, 10st 10lbs ...	J. Chevelly	3
Mr C L Macdonald's br g Kudos, by Crafton—Lovelock, 4yrs, 9st ...	G Wheeler	0
Mr F Burmeister's b g Corral, aged, 12st 3lbs	A Ellis	0
Mr H B McLachlan's br g Matong, aged, 12st	J F Carter	0
Mr H Russell's ch g Cynic, aged, 11st 10lbs	T Curtin	0
Mr V V Mogg's b h Quo Vadis, 5yrs, 10st 12lbs	M Mooney	0
Mr A S Chirnside's b or br Acrobat, aged, 10st 11lbs	F Burn	0
Mr R Lidgerwood's b g Antique, aged, 10st 3lbs	T O'Brien	0
Mr A B Pearson's b g Sir Peter Teazle, 5yrs, 10st 2lbs...	P Cosgrove	0
Messrs J C and E Manifold's b g Airly, 6yrs, 9st 11lbs	D Allan	0
Mr M Gason's b g Mercury, 6yrs, or aged, 9st 10lbs	G Goss	0
Mr S G Cook's br g The Merry Prince, aged, 9st 2lbs	A Williamson	0
Mr A Herbert's b g Zircon, aged, 9st 2lbs	W Cootes	0
Mr A Evans's ch g The Scout, aged, 9st 3lbs (including 3lbs over) ...	Owner	0

(*Winner traind by G. Dally.*)

BETTING: 7 to 1 agst. The Scout, 8 to 1 Pierrot, 10 to 1 Airly, 11 to 1 Sir Peter Teazle, 12 to 1 each Quo Vadis, Antique, Kudos, 14 to 1 each Acrobat, Bellis, 20 to 1 each Corral, Matong, The Merry Prince, Zircon, 25 to 1 each Cynic, Sarasati, 50 to 1 Mercury.

Prompt to time the barrier went up to a good start, of which Quo Vadis, Kudos, Acrobat, and Sarasati were the first to take advantage, while Zircon was last to get going. As they moved past the judge's box Acrobat shot to the front and led. Sarasati, The Scout, Quo Vadis, Airly, The Merry Prince, and Matong, while Cynic, Antique, and Zircon formed the rear division. As they turned out of the straight Sarasati ranged up alongside Acrobat, the pair being three lengths in front of The Scout, Kudos, Airly, The Merry Prince, and Pierrot, after whom came Matong, Corral, and Quo Vadis. Racing along the river side Sarasati took charge from Kudos, The Scout, Airly, and Acrobat, and they were followed by The Merry Prince, Corral, and Quo Vadis, while Cynic and Antique brought up the rear. As they neared the bridge The Scout ran past Sarasati and Kudos, who were succeeded by Corral, Airly, Acrobat, The Merry Prince, Matong, and Quo Vadis, with Cynic last, but as they swept along the back stretch Corral shot through, and at the abattoirs was five lengths clear from The Scout and Sarasati, who were closely attended by Kudos, The Merry Prince, Airly, Quo Vadis, Matong, and Bellis, with Acrobat at the head of the others, and the last pair were Mercury and Cynic. Coming round the turn Sarasati ran up level with Corral, and they were closely followed by The Merry Prince, The Scout Kudos, Quo Vadis, and Acrobat. Sarasati swung into the straight just in advance of Corral, The Merry Prince, The Scout, Bellis, and Kudos, while Acrobat came down over the first hurdle in the straight, and the second brought Matong to the grass. Sarasati drew clear as they neared the judge's box, and passed that point four lengths from Corral who was two in front of The Scout, The Merry Prince, and Kudos who were followed by Airly, Sir Peter Teazle, Antique, Quo Vadis, Bellis, Pierrot, Zircon, and Mercury in order named, with Cynic last. Without change, they turned out of the straight and Sarasati showed the way along the river side well clear from The Scout, Kudos, Airly, Pierrot, Bellis, and Corral, who were succeeded by Quo Vadis, and The Merry Prince When they reached the bridge Kudos ranged up level with Sarasati, the pair being three lengths in front of The Scout, Airly, Pierrot, Bellis, The Merry Prince, Antique, and Quo Vadis, while Mercury was tailed off last. Without change they ran along the back stretch, and at the abattoirs Sarasati, Kudos, Airly, and The Scout were almost on terms four lengths clear from Bellis and Pierrot, then after a four lengths, gap came The Merry Prince and Antique, with the other strung out. At the next hurdle Sarasati was showing slightly in front of Airly, Kudos, Bellis and Pierrot, with The Merry Prince next. Sarasati came round the turn with Airly and Kudos at his heels, then after three lengths' gap came The Scout and Bellis six lengths in front of The Merry Prince, Antique, and Sir Peter Teazle. Without material change they turned into the straight, and Sarasati drawing out crossed the last hurdle a couple lengths from Kudos, Airly, Bellis, and Pierrot. Sarasati then went away and won easily by three lengths from Bellis, who beat Pierrot by a length and a half for second place, Kudos was half a length off fourth, followed at short intervals by The Merry Prince, Airly, The Scout, Sir Peter Teazle, then after a gap of a dozen lengths came Quo Vadis, Antique, Mercury, Zircon, and Cynic, with Corral a bad last. Time—5mins. 56secs.

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CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

LAST Thursday, owing to the rain, was productive of nothing of a very important character, the course being closed and gallops confined to the open stretch, and twice round canters with here and there a finish, separated under the headings of fast, medium, and slow.

The very first out—as is their wont—were Coal Queen (Howie) and Regan on Pat C., who smartly did their little bit, the Queen in an attractive manner. She is a very nice mover, and the way she strides along portends something to do for those who are to take her number down, at her initial debut on the Monsoon course.

Hello (Regan), Bell Brand (Howie), and Thunder Queen (native), went past fairly fast together. Then trotting and cantering round they came in a buster across the open, Bell Brand in command.

Norman and Mademoiselle did a nice canter, and Rosalea and Not Yet put in an appearance later, footing it as best they could in the heavy going. Smallman's were all being exercised, Bellmeath and Planet were sent along a bit by Mr. Dudley, and W. White, and as the former has been doing no jumping, it is but natural to conjecture he's going to have a cut in for the July Stakes; in which case I wish his sporting owner, Mr. Dudley, all the good luck possible.

Mr. Dudley had Rezia doing a few flights of the hurdles: each time this pony is out there is an improvement in her jumping, but will she stay the course when the whole journey has to be got over is the question.

Saturday was an ideal morning for work, trials, or what not; but unfortunately the course was not deemed in fit fettle to be opened, though from an inspection at the Stand end, it did not appear to be too soft. This, however, may not have been applicable to the whole six furlongs of going; however the hurdles were there in all their attractive beauty!

Young Rake (Regan), and Norman (Howie), put in a clean bit of lepping. There is "no possible doubt whatever," as to the proficiency of these two ponies at the jumping game, and being speedy as well, they are sure of being in the fore front, when a finish is on, and do credit to their respective trainers, Mr. Bert Allen and Frank Small man.

Daffodil (Shelldrake) Blue Bell, (Mr. H. Smith) and Kittylea had a fast go over the hurdles, all doing fairly well until the hurdle on the far side of the course, near the 6 furlong post, was reached, when the first named came to grief, giving Shelldrake what might have been a bad crumpler; but as he pluckily was up, and about a little later, nothing more than the annexation of a trifle of mud, I think, resulted. There appears to be a good bit of pace about the horse, and if his jumping could only be relied upon some of them would get a pretty smart chasing home; as it was on this particular morning, Blue Bell and Kittylea did their finish alone.

Wall had Macedon over a couple of flights. Though I observed nothing reminiscent of the good old Stepaside days.

Shylock, Shelldrake up, none the worse apparently for his cropper, did an admirable bit of fencing with Daphne (Mr. Harold Smith). Here I prostrate myself before this rider for having inadvertently on a former occasion in my notes taken him for a native.

Pat C. and Coal Queen, also Hello, Bell Brand Thunder Qneen, Flash and Fusilier did their usual morning's work. Whatever may be the opinion of those that "really do know" there is no disguising the fact that Bell Brand strides along well within himself, giving an onlooker the impression that when "asked" he'll be all there.

Winklet (Jack Spillian) and The Owl (Bloss) went a good full course. Winklet was a little green, but jumping with great promise, and it must be remembered there was no Commodore Nut upstairs.

Mr. Galstaun went out quietly on Clynder, when most people had left the course, and put in a bit of fast going. This mare will have to be reckoned with in the July Stakes, and on her breeding, she is good enough to

finish first. I observed Mulwala being exercised. He's on the thin side certainly, but always a dangerous element in these short races and should he be considered by and by it won't do to let him run loose.

Tuesday morning was another disappointment, as far as work was concerned, the course not being opened. I do not remember training operations having been so retarded as they have been during the initial preparation this season, and I fear trainers will have to send their respective charges to the post, not as they would wish, or probably not at all. One well-known Tollygunge amateur, in fact, did not bother to have his string near the course at all this morning for work.

But in spite of the general depression and want of go in the way of trials, I noticed a couple of interesting bouts across the open, *viz.*, Young Rake (Howie), Pat C (Regan) from Mr. Bert Allen's string, in which 'twas a case of you pays your money and takes your choice. Then followed (Coal Queen (Regan), and Stellarine (Howie) from the same stable, but the latter being so green, the pace was not put on.

Miss Beryl, late Vera, from Wishart's went a burst under O'Neil's pilotage which cleared the way for —Bell Band (Howie). Hello (native), Thunder Queen (Regan) This trio did the full stretch across the open, and it certainly did seem as if the Queen was racing on strongest, as they were being eased up; but the sprint, could not have been more than two to three furlongs, and the extra three more might produce another picture.

Mr. Rees was out on his grey, and shoved along smartly. Blue Bell and Daffodil went a school on the flat, followed by Flash, (Johnston), Fusilier (Howie), and later Norman and Madamoiselle, Howie and Regan in the saddle. The latter four from Smallman's stable.

Not Yet went twice round, very attractively each time she passed the stand, keeping away on the good going or as much of it as there was. This pony seems just about as fit as possible.

Howie popped the little 13 hand pony, "Rosebud," twice over a flight of the horse hurdles, and the way the business was put through was an object lesson to many a horse and his rider. The little chap has cleared 5 feet 8 inches "down under" so it is said.

Mr. Galstaun was again out on Clynder, taking her quietly away over by the New Stand, cantering her till nearly reaching the stretch across from the 5 furlong post, when she was put going fast, and galloped very satisfactorily.

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TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

BEAZLEY.
Parole
Cerise

MR. BERT ALLEN.
Coal Queen
Pat C
Natalina
Young Rake
Stella
Go-Bang

MR. A. N. DASS.
Clynder
Trollop
Merry X'mas
Euryalus
Rezia

MR. DUDLEY.
Planet
Snapshot
Steyma
Lone Hand
Belmeath

MR. EVERS.
Sunshine
Flamingo
May B
Blair Athol
Mignon

MR. GALSTAUN.
Western Queen
Not Yet
Vanguard
Rosalea
Shooting Star
The Griffin
The Captain

MR. MCCALL.
Moss Rose (probably)

D. NORTON.
Kittylea
Perfect
Shylock
Black Patch
Sweet Talk
Daffodil
Blue Bell
Invincible
Golden Tip
Whiff

M. RABAN.
Naiades
Autocrat

F SMALLMAN.
Hello
Harold
Pylara
Bell Brand
Norman
Fusilier
Mademoiselle
Thundercloud

WALKER (training at Ballygunge).
Second Thought
Revellie
Reinzette

J. WALL.
Macedon

MR. COWPER.
Yuletide
First Guide
Whisper
Mocassin
Pierrette
Good Chat

MR. REES.
Oom Paul

H. WISHART.
Road Metal
Actress
East Ferry
Irish
Corick
Rathcoon
Twilight
Kelnerrin
Fotheringay
Morris
Footlight
Thunder Queen
Winklet

MR. TURNER.
Maid of Kent
Winterlea
Mascot
Marsh
Cheer Up
Odin
Cardigan Boy

Entries for Races.

THE ST. LEGER.

THE St Leger Stake of 25sovs each, for then three-year-olds; entire colts 9st, and fillies 8st 11lbs; the owner of the second horse to receive 300sovs, and the third 100sovs out of the stakes; Old St Leger Course (about one mile, six furlongs, and 127 yards).—222 subs Closed 16th September 1902.

Admiral Breeze, ch c by Velasquez—Sea-breeze, Mr J Musker's.
Airlie, b c by Ayrshire—Lady Ermine, Lord Farquhar's.
Ajax, b c by Flying Fox—Amie, M E Blanc's.
Almscliff, b c by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead, Lord Harewood's.
Andover, br c by Rightaway—Sister Lumley, Mr F Alexander's.
Apelles, b c by Marcion—Bonny Lizzie, Mr Vyner's.
Arran Brown, br c by St Serf—Butterfly, Mr L Brassey's.
Auk, b c by Orme—Rosalia, Mr F Gretton's.
——ch c by Ayrshire—Pace-egger, Lord Derby's.
Baikal, b c by Brio—Bravarde, M M Ephrussis.
Barbette, ch f by Avington—Breach, Mr H Sandford's.
Barcadaile, ch c by St Frusquin—Geraldine, Mr C Perkins's.
Beau Soleil, b c by Le Roi Soleil—La Nevire, Baron de Rothschild's.
Bedlington, br c by Childwick, dam by Prison—Doreux, Mr C Perkins's.
Bobrinksi, br c by Kingston—Katherine II, Mr Foxhall Keene's.
Bohemian, b c by Florizel II—Unrefined, Mr J H Locke's.
Bolsover, b c by Orme—Clatterfeet, Duke of Portland's.
Boss Boy, ch c by Kendal—Sea Air, Mr J Lewis's.
Brabazon, b c by St Simon—Mueme Duke of Portland's.
Braeside, b c by Enthusiast—Scene, Mr J H Houldsworth's.
Burgundy, b c by Isinglass—Burgonet, Duke of Devonshire.
Bushmead, b g by St Hilaire—Instinct Sir George Farrar's.
Cades, b c by Cyllene—Lorette Mr C D Rose's.
Cambo, b c by Orme—Cambushinnie, Mr Ernest Dresden's.
Cantrae, br g by Ladas—Mowena, Duke of Portland's.
Capt Cook, ch c by Love Wisely—Melanesia, Mr Wallace Johnstone's.
Capulet, br c by Kendal—Capuchne, Mr Frank Gardner's.
——c f by Carbine—Stream of Gold, Mr W Bass's.
Castellar, b f by Florizel II—Coshia, Mr T Simpson Jay's.
Castello br c by Florizel II—Caserta, Mr J H Houldsworth's.
Challenger, b c by Isinglass—Meddlesome, Mr S Darling's
Charmus, b c by Orme—Galeottis, Mr. Fairie s.
Chatsworth, b c by Persimmon—Meadow Chat His Majesty's.
Chicken Skin, ch f by Persimmon—Fauchett, His majesty's
Cinquefoil, ch c by Sainfoin—Countess Macaroni, Sir J Miller's.
Clonmell, b c by Florizel II—Jernor, Mr Richard Croker's.
Coronation Reef, b c by Bend Or—Don't, Mr J B Joel's.
Count Hannibal, b c by Saint Simon—Anxiety, Duke of Portland's.
Crow Fair, ch c by Crowberry—Minthe, Mr Vyner's.
Darley Dale, b c by St Simon—Ismay, Duke of Portland's.
Dividend, br c by Blairfinde—Income, Mr J Gubbin's.
Donaria, br f by Donovan—Trance, Mr Reid Walker's.
Donovard, b c by Donovan—Barley Water, Mr J Rutherford's,
Duc du Maine, ch c by Le Roi Soleil—Hampton Dancer. Baron E Rothschild s
Fairy Martin ch f by Martagen—Queen of the Spring, Col E W Baird's.
Fiancee, bf by St Frusquin—Wise Virgin, Lord Falmouth's.
Flamma, b f by Florizel II—Hand Grenade, Lord Stanley's.
Flower of May, b by Florizel II—Mary Seaton, Mr George Faber's.
Flower Seller, ch c by Florizel II—Curbstone, Mr R H Henning's.
Forbidden Fruit, ch c by Persimmon—Quetta, Duke of Westminster's.
Foxa, b f by Flying Fox—Risque Toat, M E Blanc's.
—— b f by Freemason—Mine d'Or, Mr A Stedall s.
Fruit Picker, ch c by Persimmon—Chatelaine, Mr Russel's
Galapas, b c by Treuten—Black Duchess, Mr L Brassey's
Glenamoy, ch c by Gallinule—Alice Morgan Mr J Lewis's
Gloriana, br f by Ladas—Avilion, Lord Rosebery's
Go Ban, b f by Best Man—Galinne, Mr Wallace Johnstone's.
Golden Lady, ch f by Melton—Golden Wings, Mr J Musker's.
Golden Touch, Cyllene—Dame Masham, Lord Wolverton's.
Gouvernant, ch c by Flying Fox—Gouvernante, M E Blanc's.
Grisaille, b f by St Gris—Wild Ivy, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
—— b c by Hamburg—Pastorella, Mr J R Keene's.
Hark, ch c by Martagon—Listen, Sir E Cassel's.
Harper, b c by Sevils—Harpist, Mr J S Curtis's.
Henry the First, br c by Melton—Simena, Sir J Musker's.
Herbert Vincent, b c by St Simon—Stubhampton, Mr Richard Croker's.
Heronry, ch f by Marco—Dame Heron, Mr R S Sieviers.
Hi Hi, b g by Trenton—Lady Sterling, Mr Lionel Robinson's.
His Majesty, ch c by Melton—Silver Sea, Lord Derby's.
Hong Kong, br c by Queen's Birthday—Merry Wife, Mr G A Prentice's.
——ch c by Horoscope—Handmaid, Mr J R Keene's.
Huntley, b c by Tarporley—Aboyne, Mr Arthur James's.
Huntroyde, b f by Martagon—Hunting Queen, Sir John Thursby's.
Inverkeithing, ch c by Kendal—Primrose Mr C Perkins's
——b f Isinglass—Sweet Duchess, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Ivan, ch c by Love Wisely—St Ia, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Janet's Choice, b f by Kendal—Jennifer, Lord Falmouth's.
——b c by Janissary—Jersey Lily, Mr W Bass's.
Jasper, b c by Hastings—Priceless, Mr A Belmont's
——ch f by Jeddah—Lete, Mr J W Larnach's.
——b f by Jeddah—Phosphoreus, Mr J W Larnach's.
Jedburgh, ch c by Jeddah—Postscript, Mr J W Larnach's.
John O'Gaunt, b c by Isinglass La Fleche, Sir John Thursby's.
Jolly Beggar, b c by Velasquez—Manchline, Lord Rosebery's.
Kilbirnie, br f by Kilwick—Blairfettie Mr Reid Walker's.
King Cole, ch g by Royal Sovereign—Queen Anne, Mr S W Humby's
Kings Favour, br f by Persimmon—Phantassie, Duke of Westminster's.
——br c by Kingston—Royal Gem, Mr J R Keene's.
Kirkby, b c by Royal Hampton—Mrs Butterwick, Duke of Portland's.
Lady Bagdad, br f by Rightaway—Bagdad, Mr H Barnato's.
Lady C b f by Ladas—St Cecilia, Sir Daniel Cooper's
Lady Wishfort, br f by St Frusquin—Maid Marian, Lord Crew's.
Lancashire, b c by Kingston—Calico, Mr J R Keene's.
Lancet, b f by Geazzo—Blade, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
Landing-Net, b c by The Weaver—Dip, Lord Harewood's.
Landsman, br c by Ladas—Red Virgin, Mr Reid Walker's.
Laurel Crown, br c by Ladas—Snood, Duke of Devonshire's.
Le Givre, b c by Le Roi Soleil—Fresca, Baron de Rothschild,s.
Leucadia, b f by Martagon—Santa Maura, Mr Douglas Baird's.
Lord of the Valley, br c by Hastings—Lady Violet, Mr A Belmont s.
Love Potion, b c by Love Wisely—April Morn, Sir E Cassel's.
Magistrate II, ch c by Hastings—Lady Margaret, Mr A Belmont's.
Marcienne, b f by Royal Hampton—Febninait, Mr J W Smith's.
Marguerite de Valois, b f by Ladas—Queen of Navaire, Mr E Foster's.
Melverly, bl c by Gallinule—Corby Witch, Mr C T Pulley's.
Mem Sahib, c f by Ladas—Merle, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Monsieur, b c by Gardefen—Mddle de Chantilly, M J de Bremond's.
Montem, br f by Ladas—Kermesse, Lord Wolverton's.
Morganglass, b c by Isinglass—Molly Morgan, Lord Dunraven's.
Mousqueton, b c by Carbine—Musa, Mr Douglas Baird's.
Navarre, gr g by Grey Leg—Navaretta, Mr W Raphael's.
Nettleworth, b f by Ravensbury—Auf Weiderschen, Mr M T Martin's.
Nine Pin, II b c by Hastings—Nineveh, Mr A Belmont's.
Orgueil, ch c by Pride—Lady Orme, Sir E Vincent's.
Omrah, b f by St Serf—Bona Fide, Mr J B Joel's.
Orme Shore, ch c by Orme—Vriginia Shore, Mr Russel's.
Ortolan, b g by Orme—Leveret, His Majesty's.
Parabola, b f by Florizel II—Curve, Mr H J King's.
Pam, ch c by Isinglass—Pamela, Duke of Devonshire's.
Pennacook, ch c by Whittier—Handmaid, Mr Russel's.
Perchant, br c by Persimmon—La Carolina, His Majesty's.
Perfect Love, b f by Persimmon—Perfect Dream, Lord Wolverton's.
Perpetual, b c by Chittabob—Ste Perpetua, Mr R S Sieviers'.
Peroration b c by Persimmon—Pannonia, Lord Penrhyn's.
Persil, b f by Persimmon—Ways and Means, Sir E Cassel's.
Piari, b f by Persimmon—Gronsuch, His Majesty's.
Plato, br c by Love Wisely—Simola, Mr T B Miller's.
Plinlimmon, b c by Persimmon—Loodamia, His Majesty's.
Pretty Polly, ch f by Gallinule—Admiration, Major Eustace Loder's.
Prince Vladimir, b c by Donovan—La Reine, Lord Fraguhar's.
Queen Beauty, ch f by Persimmon—Princess Anne, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Ravenshoe, b c by Newhaven II—Concertina, Sir Daniel Cooper's.
Ravilious, b c by Ravensbury—Yours, Mr J B Joel's.
Red Robe, b c by Royal Hampton—Charm, Mr Arthur James's.
Retrieve ch c by Orme—Seek and Find, Mr R H Henning's.
Rhodanthe, b f by Aurum II—Primrose Day, Lord Durham's.
Rose of Rute, ch f by Melton—Kylesku, Mr J Musker's.
Rydal Head, br c by St Frusquin—Rydal, Duke of Westminster's.
Sabina, b f by Isinglass—Saltire, Mr R A Oswald's.
St Amant, b c by St Frusquin—Lady Love Rule, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
Saint Arnaud, br c by St Simon—Arnsheen, Mr Douglas Baird's.
St Denis b c by St Simon—Brooch, Mr S B Joel's.
St Elgar, ch c by St Frusquin—Eira, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
St Felix, b c by St Simon—Gayglass, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
——ch f by St Frusquin—Bridget, Lord Derby's.
St Kilda, b c by St Simon—Bonny Morn, Mr J Buchanan's.
St Magnus, b c by St Frusquin—St Bride, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
St Primus, b c by St Simon—Circlet, Duke of Portland's.
——b c by St Serf—Corday, Captain Greer's.
Sanroque, b c by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, Sir J Miller's.
Santa Claus, b c by Isinglass—Santhia, Sir J Miller's.
Santry, br c by Gallinule—E P Lord Carnarvon's.
Savanaka, b c by Isinglass—Barbara, Mr S Darling's.
Sertorious, b c by St Serf—Beulah, Mr L Newmann's.
——b c by Sir Hugo—Fretwork, Lord Bradford's.
Slinkaway, ch f by Juggler—Foxstones, Mr George Thursby's.
Sulphur, ch c by El Diable—Wakeful, Mr H Barnato's.
Sweeper, b c by Ben Brush—Fairy Shipper, Mr J R Keene's.
Taisut, b c by Le Hardy—Betronwa, M Camille Blanc's.
Tasso, ch c by Orme—Arcadia, Mr C D Rose's.
Toledo, b c by Laveno—Tierce, Major Eustace Loder's.
Topiary, b c by Orme—Plaisanterie, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's.
Tracas, b c by Matchmaker—Toil and Trouble, Sir E Vincent's.
——br c by Trenton—St Mildred, Mr J R Keene's.
Tripping, br f by Kingston—Bonny Gal, Mr J R Keene's.
——b f by Tyrant—The Blythe, Mr W M G Singer's.
Ulrique, br f by St Frusquin—Reverse, Mr W Raphael's.
Vergia, b f by Prisoner—Petrovna, Mr Jersey's.
Vesper, br f by St Frusquin—Limasol, Mr L Brassey's.
Victoria Day, ch f by Queen's Birthday—Excellence, Mr H Lindemere s.
Weatherwise, b c by Love Wisely—April Fool, Sir E Cassel's.
Week End, ch f by Rightaway—Samedi, Mr J B Joel's.
Wild Blast, ch c by Wildfowler—Trumpet, Mr A J Schwabe's.
Wild Willow, b c by Ladas—Marsh Marigold, Mr J Buchanan's.
Wily, ch c by Love Wisely—Eily, Lord Cadogan's.
——b c by Wolfs Crag—Carolside, Mr W M G Singer's.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

FIRST MEETING, SATURDAY, 6TH AUGUST 1904.

THE STAND PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr Cunningham's b cb g Moonlight, 14-1½.
Mr B Allen's b sth a h Pat C by Vichy, 14-1.
Mr G B Mackellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 14-1
Mr Cowper's ch aus h First Guide, 14-0½
Mr J D Ma shall's br aust m The Owl 14-0½.
Mr C Mehta's br cb h Lall, 14-0
Mr J Gove's b aus m Irish, 14-1
Mr W Bartlett's b aus m Mademoiselle Sir William—Young Lady, 14-0½.
Mr Price's b aus m Energy, 14-0½

THE JULY PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr H E Smith's b aus g Hello.
Mr H E Smith's bk aus g Pylara.
Mr A N Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr A N Dass' b e g Trollop.
Mr J Gove's b aus m Profit by Thunderbolt—Prosperity.
Mr G B Paris' br e h Rathcoon, 4yrs.
Mr G B Paris' ch e m Kellnerin.
Mr R Hudson's b e g Belmeath by Royal Meath—Miladi.
Messrs. Mooljee and Premjee's br aus g Bell Brand.

THE PONY TRIAL PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr S G McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 13-3
Mr B Allen's bk aus m Coal Queen by Predominant, 13-3½.
Mr K M Hamilton's b or br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Messrs Lamotte and Emerson's b aus m Blue Bell, 13-2½.
Mr C Mehta's b cb h Lall, 14-0
Mr A N Dass' b aus m Rezia, 14-0
Mr S T Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 14-0.
Mr Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 13-3½.

THE MAIDEN HORSE PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr J MacJohn's br e g Trenton Prince.
Mr B Allen's b aus m Thunder Cloud by Thunderbolt—Lead 4yrs.
Mr H E Smith's ch aus g Morris.
Mr G A Pybus' bk aus m Calm by Sunrise—Pauline.
Mr T Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia.
Mr R A C Pugh's gr aust m March by Chichester—Ormoson.
Mr R A C Pugh's b aust g Cheer Up by Penance—Waranghi.
Mr T G Ever's br aus m May B
Raja A N Roy's br aus g Bob by Lord Wilton.
Mr A N Dass' b aus g Euryalus.
Mr Collin's b aus g Day Dream.
Mr G B Paris' b e g Winklet by Winkfield—Anaglia, 4yrs.
Prince Warif Ali Mirza's b aus g Flash

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

The following ponies were classed, aged, and measured at Calcutta, on 16th and 23rd July 1904, by the Official Measurer :—

Name.	Description.	Owner's.	Name.	Age.	Height.	Period.
Cardigan	br aus g	Messrs.	Powell Bros.	6	13-2½	For life.
Ebony	bk aus g	Messrs.	R. S. Hart Bros.	4	14-1	31st Mar. 1905.
Elbow Room	br aus m	Messrs.	R. S. Hart Bros.	4	14-0½	31st Mar. 1905.
Fleur-de-lys	br aus m	Mr. W. S.	Tong	Aged	13-2	For life.
Florrie	ch aus m	Messrs.	McKellar and Smith	5	14-1¼	31st Mar. 1905.
Geebung	ch aus g	Messrs.	McKellar and Smith	6	14-0½	For life.
Irish Boy	gr aus g	Mr. D. B.	Myers	Aged	14-1	For life.
Mabel	gr aus m	Messrs.	Powell Bros	6	13-2½	For life.
Marjorie	gr aus m	Mr. D. G.	Bromilow	4	14-0½	31st Mar. 1905.
Missisill	br aus m	Messrs	McKellar and Smith	6	14-1½	For life.
Natalina	b e m	Mr. B.	Allen	6	14-2	For life.
Noble Lady	br aus m	Messrs.	R. S. Hart Bros.	6	14-1¼	For life.
Prince	b s afr g	Lt.-Col. E.	Carter	Aged	14-1	For life.
Ruin	br aus m	Mr. G.	Powell	6	13-3	For life.
Solace	br aus m	Messrs.	R. S. Hart Bros.	4	14-2	31st Mar. 1905.
Stellarane	br aus m	Mr. B.	Allen	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Tam O'Shanter	br aus g	Mr. J. A.	Longmuir	Aged	14-1	For life.
This One	bl rn aus h	Messrs.	Powell Bros.	6	13-1¼	For life.
Wivenhoe	b aus m	Messrs.	McKellar and Smith	6	14-2	For life.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

POONA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Poona, on the 16th July 1904.

Jal	rn cb g	Aga Coochick Shah	4	13-3½	31st Mar. 1905.
Khalifa	ch a g	Captain Trail	6	14-0½	For life.
Shimose	b a h	Aga Coochick Shah	5	13-3½	31st Mar. 1905.

The following horse was classed and aged by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Poona, on the 16th July 1904.

Sweet Sounds	b cb g	Mr. J. B.	2	.....	31st Dec. 1904.

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT).

LONDON, *Friday, 15th July* 1904.

THE TURF.

LINGFIELD PARK.

FEW meetings are better stage-managed than Lingfield Park, and the pretty venue was never seen to better advantage than on the 8th instant. The event of the day was, of course, the Lingfield Park Plate of 3,000sovs., than which no richer prize is offered for competition in the Garden of Surrey. Previously to last July (when Love Charm upset the presumed good thing, Fariman) it was a mile contest, but the distance has been increased by a couple of furlongs The fact that only a trio did duty was compensated for by the presence of Rock Sand, who looked at his best and moved to the post in much better style than he usually does. He was preceded both in the parade and canter by his stable companion Pharisee, a non-combatant, who had been selected to accompany the "crack" on his journey from Newmarket. As for the race, it was quite an exhilarating sight. The favourite won very cleverly in the end, but he had to put his best foot foremost to shake off the attentions of Lochryan, who stuck to him with dogged pertinacity and was only beaten by three-quarters of a length. The further they went the more Rock Sand liked it, and he was beginning to draw away from Mr. Houldsworth's handsome colt in the last few strides. The latter was in receipt of the full maiden allowance, and it was no disgrace for Henry the First to succumb by three-parts of a length in a gallant endeavour to concede the son of Enthusiast and Spring Ray 23lbs. It is a thousand pities that Rock Sand is not in the Eclipse Stakes, as his meeting with St. Amant would have proved a rare draw for the Sandown Park executive. He will not be seen out again till October. It was appropriate that Maher should have carried off the chief prize to-day, for it was on the corresponding afternoon a twelvemonth ago, on his return from this meeting, that he met with the terrible motor accident which so nearly cut the popular American jockey off in his prime. He was, in fact, reported killed.

THE LINGFIELD PARK PLATE of 2,420sovs. ; weight for age etc. One mile and a quarter.

Sir J Miller's br c Rock Sand, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, 4yrs, 9st 9lbs ...	D Maher	1
Mr J H Houldsworth's ch c Lochryan, 3yrs, 7st 2lbs	J Jarvis	2
Mr J Musker's br c Henry the First, 3yrs, 8st 11lbs	O Madden	3

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Rock Sand, 5 to 1 agst Lochryan, and 7 to 1 Henry the First.

Won by three-quarters of a length after an exhilarating struggle ; a like distance separated the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 15⅕secs.

THE SUMMER STAKES of 242sovs. ; weight for age, etc. One mile and a half.

Mr H Bottomley's b h Wargrave, by Carbine—Warble, 6yrs, 8st 9lbs ...	J Hare	1
Lord Carnarvon's br h Robert le Diable, 5yrs, 9st 12lbs	J H Martin	2
Mr Heinemann's b c Lucid, 3yrs, 7st 5lbs	Griggs	3
Mr T Corns's Sir Joshua, 4yrs, 7st 11lbs ...	O Madden	0

(*Winner trained by Batho.*)

BETTING : 6 to 5 on Robert le Diable, 9 to 4 agst Wargrave, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won a fine race by a head ; a bad third.

There were doubtless a certain number of Society folks who, whilst they would have infinitely preferred to spend the day at Lingfield, felt themselves in duty bound to attend the ultra-fashionable Eton and Harrow match, and the clashing with Haydock Park accounted for the absence of a few habitual racegoers. Even so, the muster at the pretty venue on the 9th instant so admirably controlled by Mr. Robert Fowler reached flattering proportions, and folks sweltered in the heat of a gorgeous July day such as had not been experienced for a couple of years.

THE NINTH YEAR OF THE GREAT FOAL PLATE of 835 sovs. for two year olds ; colts 9st, fillies and gelding 8st 11lbs, with penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Capt J Orr Ewing's b c Thrush, by Missel-thrush—Chemistry, 8st 9lbs ...	Randall	1
Capt Laing's br c Padrone, 8st 11b ...	Halsey	2
Mr E Dresden's ch f Galantine, 9st 2lbs ...	K Cannon	3
Mr A James's Mirabelle, 8st 8lbs ...	H Jones	0
Mr J Musker's Fondling, 7st 12lbs ...	O Madden	0

(*Winner trained by Robson.*)

THE TANDRIDGE COURT WELTER HANDICAP of 170sovs. One mile.

Mr A Walton's ch h Mazzaroth, by Orion—Saint Blane, 5yrs, 7st 10lbs ...	O Madden	1
Mr J Wallis's b g Logan Rock, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs	Trigg	2
Mr A Hamblin's ch g Belosselsky, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs*	Butchers	3
Mr R Sharpe's Doochary, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs*	Dean	0
Lord Hastings's Petroleur, 4yrs, 8st ...	Halsey	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. Grey.*)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst Mazzaroth, 9 to 4 Logan Rock, 7 to 2 Petroleur, 7 to 1 Belosselsky, and 20 to 1 Doochary.

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

NEWMARKET.

The "Second July" is in the least pretentious of the many meetings held at Headquarters during the year, and it is regarded more in the light of an *al fresco* picnic than a serious business undertaking. Messrs Tattersall's bloodstock sales always play an important part in the proceedings, and so momentous have they become on the present occasion that they are arousing more general interest than the racing itself. Owing to his absence at Kiel the King had to forego the pleasure of visiting Newmarket a fortnight ago, but His Majesty journeyed from London by motor-car yesterday afternoon, and the Royal patronage stamped the gathering with the hallmark of success from a social point of view. The Prince of Wales and Prince Christian were also present during racing hours on the 12th instant, and the attendance, if somewhat meagre in proportion, was aristocratic to a degree. A cool breeze tempered the tropical heat of the solar rays, and the going was decidedly hard.

THE SOLTYKOFF STAKES of 305sovs., for two year olds, colts 8st. 12lbs ; fillies and gelding 8st 8lbs ; penalties, etc. Five furlongs and 140 yards.

Mr C T Pully's ch f Strathglass, by Isinglass—Husb, 8st 5lbs	Miller	1
Mr T Simpson Jay's ch c Ormazd, 8st 9lbs	D Maher	2
Sir E Cassel's br c Prudent King, 8st 9lbs	Halsey	3
Mr W Raphael's Sir Francis, 8st 9lbs ...	J Jarvis	0
Mr E Dresden's Galangal, 9st 11b ...	K Cannon	0
Miss Clinton's Crystal, 8st 11lbs ...	R Jones	0
Mr F Ribby's Monsieur Beaucaire, 8st 9lbs	O Madden	0
Lord Bradford's Sir Hector, 8st 9lbs ...	Trigg	0
Sir M FitzGerald's Mid Air, 8st 9lbs ...	Griggs	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's c by Isinglass—Landrail, 8st 9lbs	J H Martin	0
Mr S Platt's St Lazare, 8st 9lbs ...	H Jones	0
Mr Douglas Bair's Miramar, 8st 5lbs ..	H Aylin	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Spunglass, 8st 5lbs (car 8st 6lbs)	M Cannon	0

THE DULLINGHAM PLATE of 830sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile and a half.

Sir J Miller's b f Rondeau, by Bay Ronald—Doremi, 4yrs, 9st 10lbs	D Maher	1
Mr W M G Singer's b g Bellivor Tor, 5yrs, 9st 2lbs	O Madden	2
Mr J Pincus's br g Proffer, 3yrs, 8st 5lbs ...	W Lane	3
Mr L Brassey's Wild Oats, 4yrs, 9st 13lbs ..	K Cannon	0
Mr D Symons's Schnapps, 4yrs, 8st 10lbs	Halsey	0
Mr H Musker's Forest Flower, 4yrs, 8st 11b	J H Martin	0
His Majesty's Ortolan, 3yrs, 7st 9lbs ...	R. Jones	0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING : 11 to 8 on Wild Oats, 7 to 2 agst Bellivor Tor, 10 to 1 Rondeau (after 7 to 2 taken), and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a head ; two lengths divided the second and third. Wild Oats was fourth, Schnapps fifth, and Forest Flower last.

THE BEAUFORT STAKES (welter handicap) of 385 sovs. Seven furlongs.

Mr H J King's b g Chacornac, by Juvenal—Laetitia, aged, 8st 9lbs	H Jones	1
Mr Jersey's b f Vergia, 3yrs, 7st 8lbs	O Madden	2
Mr E de Blaskovits's b h Hazafi, 5yrs, 9st 6lbs	Halsey	3
Mr Douglas Baird's Islesman, 3yrs, 8st 5lbs	H Aylin	0
Mr A L Duncan's Extradition, 3yrs, 8st 4lbs	D Maher	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Orphrey, 5yrs, 7st 10lbs*	Rollason	0
Mr D E Higham's Addlestone, 3yrs 7st 9lbs	W Lane	0
Miss Clinton's Sun Rose, 4yrs, 7st* ...	Sharples	0
Col R L Birkin's Vive le Roi, 5yrs, 7st* ...	Buchers	0
Sir R Waldie Griffiths Vincula 3yrs 7st 5lbs	J H Martin	0
Lord Durham's Feather Boa, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs	Saxby	0
Duke of Portland's Bolsover, 3yrs, 7st 2lbs	Griggs	0
Mr Heinemann's Billet Doux, 3yrs, 6st 11lb*	Dawson	0

* 5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Leach.*)

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst Bolsover, 5 to 1 Vergia, 8 to 1 Addlestone 100 to 12 Hazafi, 10 to 1 each Chacornac, Extradition, Orphrey and Feather Boa, 100 to 7 each Sun Rose and Vivele Roi, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a neck ; a length and a half divided second and third. Sun Rose was fourth, Addlestone fifth, Billet Doux sixth, Orphrey seventh, Vincula next, and Bolsover last.

Heavy banks of sullen thunder-clouds loomed black against the western horizon on the evening of the 12th instant, and there seemed good grounds for anticipating a welcome downpour The hopes of trainers and agriculturists were doomed to disappointment, however, for, though blinding flashes of lightning tore jagged rents in the leaden canopy for a couple of hours, the much needed rain held off, and the Heath the next day was as brown as a hare's back. The drought, the effects of which are everywhere so apparent, will not be of much longer duration, judging by the present outlook. The wind veered round from the east into the south-west during the night, and the change was followed by an appreciable rise in the temperature.

THE JULY HANDICAP of 535 sovs Six furlongs.

Sir E Vincent's ch c Countermark, by Worcester—Assay, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs ..	W Lane	1
Mr H J King's br m Mimicry, 5yrs, 7st 2lbs	R Jones	2
Mr E Carlton's br c Corœbus, 4yrs, 6st* ...	Hunter	3
Sir E Casell's Nabot, 5yrs, 9st ...	Halsey	0
Sir J Miller's Cinquefoil, 5yrs, 8st ...	O Madden	0
Mr J Musker's Melodious, 3yrs 6st 6lbs*...	Saxby	0
Mr H E Randall's Begone, 4yrs, 6st 10lbs	Trigg	0
Mr F Luscombe's Sansovino, 3yrs, 6st 10lbs	J Jarvis	0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's Akbar, 4yrs, 6st 6lbs	Griggs	0
Mr F P Peebles's Mary Belle 3yrs, 6st 3lbs	Plant	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by R Day.*)

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst Nabot, 9 to 2 Countermark, 5 to 1 Mimicry 100 to 12 Cinquefoil, 10 to 1 Mary Belle, and 20 to 1 any other.

Won easily by two lengths ; a head divided the second and third. Nabot was fourth, Begone fifth, Cinquefoil sixth, Akbar next, and Melodious last.

THE ZETLAND PLATE of 500sovs., for three year olds ; colts, 8st 10lbs fillies and geldings, 8st 7lbs, with penalties and allowances. One mile and a half.

Mr L Brassey's b c Galapas, by Trenton—Black Duchess, 8st 5lbs	K Cannon	1
Duke of Westminster's gr c Grey Plume, 9st 11b	M Cannon	2
Mr D Baird's b c Mousqueton, 9st 11b ...	H Aylin	3
Sir R Waldie Griffith's Ivan, 8st 5lbs ...	D Maher	0
Mr A James's Huntly, 9st 3lbs	H Jones	0

(*Winner trained by H Saddler.*)

BETTING : 6 to 5 on Grey Plume, 9 to 4 agst Mousqueton, 10 to 1 Ivan, 100 to 8 Galapas, and 25 to 1 Huntly (offered).

Won easily by a length and a half ; six lengths divided the second and third. Huntly was last throughout.

A FIRST FOAL STAKES of 325sovs., weight for age, etc. One mile.

Sir J Miller's br c Rock Sand, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, 4yrs, 9st 8lbs ...	D Maher	1
Sir E Cassel's b g Love Potion, 3yrs, 8st 3lbs	Halsey	2

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

BETTING : 100 to 6 on Rock Sand who made the whole of the running but had to put his best foot forward before disposing of Love Potion (who drew up to his quarters at the distance) by a length and a half.

Whilst fine weather is generally associated with the July Meetings at headquarters, the two fixtures have seldom been favoured with more delightful conditions than this year. Hardly for a moment did the sun cease to shine, and a pleasant breeze was always in evidence. The King and Prince of Wales extended their visit over yesterday, remaining until the close of the proceedings, but there was a falling off in the general attendance, which was more noticeable in the Club enclosure than in the public rings. Happily the ground is abnormally well protected with herbage behind the Ditch, otherwise the going would have been as hard as a turnpike road. The dust flew in clouds as the horses swept across the Heath, but the consistency of the galloping was far from prohibitive, as evidenced by the strength of the fields.

THE CHESTERFIELD STAKES of 740sovs., for two year olds ; colts, 8st 10lbs, fillies and geldings 8st 7lbs ; winners extra. Five furlongs.

Mr H J King's b c Comedian, by Mimic or Orme—Clare, 8st 10lbs	P Maher	1
Mr A James's b c Atlas, 8st 10lbs ...	H Jones	2
Mr H Lindemere's b f Ariadne, 8st 7lbs ...	O Madden	3
Mr L Neumann's Llangibby, 9st 3lbs ...	W Lane	0
Mr E Foster's The King, 8st 10lbs ...	W Halsey	0
Duke of Portland's Alberoni, 8st 10lbs ...	M Cannon	0
Mr L de Rothschild's Khammurabi, 8st 10lbs	K Cannon	0
Mr A Stedall's f by Royal Hampton—Claque, 8st 7lbs	J Jarvis	0

(*Winner trained by Leach.*)

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Llangibby, 11 to 2 agst Ariadne, 6 to 1 Comedian, 10 to 1 Atlas, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won easily by two lengths ; a neck separated the second, and third. Llangibby was fourth, Claque filly fifth, Khammurabi next, and Alberoni last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min 3⅖sec.

THE SUMMER HANDICAP of 825sovs., About two miles

Mr W M G Singer's b or br c Torpoint, by Trenton—Doncaster Beauty, 4yrs, 7st 13lbs (inc 7lbs ex)	O Madden	1
Mr L de Rothschild's b c St Kitts, 3yrs, 6st*	Hunter	2
Mr Heinemann's b c Lucid, 3yrs, 6st 5lbs	Griggs	3
Lord Ellesmere's Firmilian, 4yrs, 8st 9lbs	W Lane	0
Mr H E Beddington's D'Orsay, 4yrs 8st 5lbs	M Cannon	0
Mr W A Jarvis's Goring Heath, 3yrs, 6st 12lbs	J Jarvis	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by A Taylor.*)

BETTING : 9 to 4 agst Torpoint, 3 to 1 St. Kitts, 5 to 1 Goring Heath, 6 to 1 Firmilian, 7 to 1 Lucid and 100 to 8 D'Orsay (offered).

Won a grand race by a head ; four lengths divided the second and third. Firmilian was fourth and D'Orsay last.

THE MIDSUMMER STAKES of 485sovs., for three year olds : colts 8st 12lbs, fillies and geldings, 8st 9lbs ; penalties, etc. One mile.

Capt Laing's b c Antonio, by Prisoner—Padua, 8st 2lbs	Hardy	1
Sir R Waldie Griffith's b F by Isinglass—Sweet Duchess 7st 13lbs ...	W Lane	2
Duke of Devonsbire's b c Burgundy, 8st 2lbs	O Madden	3
Lord Falmouth's Fiancee, 8st 4lbs ...	Watts	0
Mr E Lamb's c by Hackler—Erin, 8st 2lbs	R Jones	0
Capt F Forester's Golden Saint, 7st 13lbs	J Jarvis	0

(*Winner trained by Jennings.*)

BETTING : 9 to 4 agst Golden Saint, 5 to 2 Antonio, 4 to 1 Fiancee, 8 to 1 Burgundy 100 to 12 Erin colt, and 100 to 8 Sweet Duchess filly (offered.)

Won in a canter by four lengths from Sweet Duchess filly, who took second place inside the distance : two lengths divided the second and third. Golden Saint was fourth and Erin colt last throughout.

With the presence of His Majesty together with the Prince of Wales, the prestige of the Eclipse Stakes Day at Sandown was kept, albeit the quality of the field for the race was far below that of last year. Brilliant sunshine of Midsummer splendour favoured the big gathering, and the Club enclosure rivalled Ascot and Goodwood for gaiety of scene and smartness of feminine attire. I have already wired you the result of the big race and append details of the principal races on to-day's card.—

THE MILBURN SELLING PLATE of 200sovs. ; winner to be sold for 100sovs.; second to receive 5sovs. Seven furlongs.

Mr J M Bell's Candelaria by Midlothian Cosette, aged, 9st	Maher	1
Mr P Gleeson's Cortona, 3yrs, 8st 3lbs ...	W Lane	2
Mr J B Joel's Morris Dancer, 5yrs, 9st ...	B Lynham	3

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Mr Ivor E Hughes's Engineer, 6yrs, 9st ...	Madden 0
Mr H E Randall's Brill, 4yrs, 9st ...	Hardy 0
Mr T Worton's Mister, 4yrs, 9st ...	K Cannon 0
Mr J F Hallick's Cherry Lark, 4yrs, 8st 11lbs	Halsey 0
Mr H G Johnson's Reservist, 4yrs, 8st 11lbs	Trigg 0
Mr R C Dawson's Miss Knight, 3yrs, 7st 9lbs	Pike 0
Mr W G Steven's F by Despair—Flower of Teviot 3yrs, 7st 9lbs	Butchers 0
Mr J Hayton's Irish Buck, 2yrs, 5st 9lbs...	Saxby 0

(*Winner trained by Farran.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst Engineer, 4 to 1 Morris Dancer, 6 to 1 Cortona, 8 to 1 Candelaria, 100 to 8 Mister, 100 to 7 each Brill and Irish Buck, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by three lengths; two lengths divided the second and third, the Flower of Teviot filly was fourth; Engineer fifth; Irish Buck sixth; and Miss Knight last. Time—1min 34⅘secs.

THE SURBITON HANDICAP of 300sovs.; second to receive 10 sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr G Thursby's Indian Corn, by Middleham—Indian Star, aged, 7st 10lbs ...	W Lane 1
Mr Joseph Tyler's Goodrest, 6yrs, 8st 2lbs	J H Martin 2
Mr E J Percy's Van Voght, aged, 6st 9lbs...	Plant 3
Mr Romer Williams's Perpetual, 3yrs, 6st 2lbs (7lbs ex)...	Saxby 0
Mr Athol Thorne's Beguilement, 3yrs, 8st 11lb...	Dillon 0
Major J D Edwards's Robino, aged, 7st 12lbs	Compton 0
Mr H J King's Mimicry, 5yrs, 7st 11lbs ...	R Jones 0
Mr G Edwardes's Country Boy, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs	Pike 0
Mr G Miller's Week End, 3yrs, 7st 7lbs ...	Miller 0
Mr J S Colton-Fox's The De'il, 5yrs, 7st 7lbs	Trigg 0
Mr G Beit's Hercules, 6yrs, 7st 6lbs ...	East 0
Mr F Hardy's Wild Night Again, 5yrs, 7st 6lbs	Reynolds 0
Mr H J Newman's Milleray, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs	Butchers 0
Mr H Bonas's Semla, 3yrs, 7st 4lbs ...	Toon 0
Mr Ernest Dresden's Nahlband, 6yrs, 7st 11b	Griggs 0
Mr E Carlton's Coroebus, 4yrs, 7st ...	Hunter 0
Mr A H Ruston's Early Bird, 4yrs, 7st ...	Jarvis 0
Mr P P Peeples's Mary Belle 3yrs, 6st 13lbs	Rollason 0
Sir Eldon Gorst's Pansy Masters, 4yrs, 6st 13lbs	Dawson 0
Mr T Worton's Epping Green, 4yrs, 6st 7lbs	Pratt 0

(*Winner trained by G Edwards.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst Indian Corn, 6 to 1 Mimicry, 100 to 12 Coroebus, 10 to 1 Country Boy, 100 to 8 each Goodrest, The De'il, Nahlband, Early Bird, Van Voght, and Perpetual, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by a length and a half; a head between the second and third.

THE SEVENTEENTH RENEWAL OF THE ECLIPSE STAKES of 10,000sovs., the owner of the second to receive 500sovs., of the third 100sovs., and the nominator of the winner 500sovs. out of the stakes; for three and four-year-olds. Eclipse Stakes Course (about one mile and a quarter).

Duke of Portland's b c Darley Dale, by St. Simon—Ismay, 3yrs, 9st 11b ...	D Maher 1
Duke of Westminster's br c Rydal Head, by St. Frusquin—Rydal, 3yrs, 9st 11b ...	M Cannon 2
Mr J Musker's dr c Henry The First, by Melton—Simena, 3yrs, 9st 11b ...	O Madden 3
Mr J Musker's ch c William Rufus, by Melton—Simena, 4yrs, 9st 13lbs ...	W Halsey 0
Mr J Musker's ch c Admiral Breeze, by Velasquez—Seabreeze, 3yrs, 8st 12lbs...	W Lane 0
Mr J H Houldsworth's b or b c Castello, by Florizel II—Casarta, 3yrs, 8st 8lbs	K Cannon 0
Mr R H Henning's ch c Flower Seller, b Florizel II—Curbstone, 3yrs, 8st 8lbs	H Jones 0

(*Winner trained by J Porter.*)

Betting: 6 to 1 agst Darley Dale, 7 to 1 Rydal Head, 6 to 4 Henry the First.

CRICKET.

GENTLEMEN *vs.* PLAYERS.—Played at the Oval on 7th, 8th, and 9th, July. The Gentlemen won by an innings and 39 runs. So many counties had arranged matches for the last three days of last week that from the elevens which appeared at the Oval the names of several famous players were missing although the teams were both very strong. On paper the Players had by far the better bowlers, but as the match was played on a perfect wicket this did not seem to make much difference, for nowadays one good bowler seems very much like another unless there is something wrong with the pitch. At the last moment Holland and R. A. Sheppard were chosen to play, and on Friday P. F. Warner and G. W. Beldam were unwell and unable to appear, and their names on the card were replaced by those of L. V. Harper and W. L. Murdoch. Beldam had bowled fourteen overs on the previous day, but Warner had only fielded. On the first day the light in the morning was almost like that of a foggy November day, and it was found impossible to begin the match until half-past two, when the Players began the batting with Hayward and Bowley. There was nothing remarkable about the day's cricket except the batting of Hayward and Quaife. The former went in first, and was bowled with the last ball of the day. He was at the wickets for three hours and three-quarters, and among many brilliant hits which he made were twenty-three 4's. His innings was from first to last most attractive to watch. The light was always bad until he had made about a hundred, and up to that time he played with his usual caution and steadiness, but afterwards he hit fearlessly and made his second hundred in an hour and ten minutes. Quaife, who helped Hayward to put on 119 runs in an hour and a half played an excellent innings. When stumps were drawn the total was 353 for five wickets. On Friday morning the innings was finished in a most abrupt manner for an addition of only nine runs. This result was brought about by some good bowling by Hunt and Napier and some brilliant fielding which included three fine one-handed catches in the slips; in fact, everything came off for the Gentlemen. The Gentlemen began badly enough by losing Kingston and Ranjitsinhji for nine runs between them, but E. A. Beldam played a useful innings, and then, Bosanquet and Steel mastered the bowling after the latter had got over the first few uncomfortable minutes. For a time during this partnership, which produced 141 runs in an hour and thirty-five minutes, the scoring was slow, but Bosanquet soon began to make some fine drives, and altogether his innings was delightful to watch, although he might have been caught two or three times; his innings lasted for three hours and a half, and included two fives and fifteen 4's. Later in the day Murdoch and Hunt took charge of the bowling, and when stumps were drawn with the total at 357 for six wickets, the former was not out 58, and the latter not out 41. On the next morning these two men successfully defied the bowling until the total was 519; their partnership produced 249 runs. Each man was at the wickets for about four hours, and their batting was most attractive from first to last. When the innings came to an end the Gentlemen had a lead of 216, but as only three hours remained for play, and as the bowling of the amateurs was, at any rate on paper, almost ridiculously weak, there seemed not the least prospect that the match would be finished. But it was one of Bosanquet's days, and after Napier had disposed of Hayward and Hayes, the two most dangerous batsmen on the side of the Players, he bowled with so much success that his opponents seemed to become quite demoralised. Lees and Trott were the only two men who made any serious resistance to him. Trott hit with great power, but it was then too late to save the game.

PLAYERS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hayward (Surrey), b Hunt	203	c Beldam, b Napier ...	13
Bowley (Worcestershire) b Bosanquet	18	c Murdoch, b Hunt	19
Hayes (Surrey), c Ranjitsinhji, b Bosanquet ...	11	c Payne, b Napier ...	19
Quaife (W G) (Warwickshire), c Payne, b Sheppard ...	48	l-b-w, b Bosanquet ...	11
Holland (Surrey), c Steel, b Napier	24	c Hunt, b Steel	13
Lilley (Warwickshire), b Hunt	27	b Bosanquet	8
Lees (Surrey), c Bosanquet, b Hunt	0	c & b Bosanquet... ...	21
Trott (Middlesex), c Sheppard, b Napier ...	5	c Sheppard, b Bosanquet ...	44
Hearne (J T) (Middlesex), c Steel b Napier ...	0	b Bosanquet	12
Hargreave (Warwickshire), c Sheppard, b Napier ...	0	not out	0
Wass (Notts), not out ...	0	c Beldam, b Bosanquet ...	6
B 21, lb 4, nb 1 ...	26	B 6, lb 4, nb 1	11
Total...	...362	Total	... 177

GENTLEMEN.

E A Beldam (Middlesex), c Hargreave, b Wass ...	30	R A Sheppard (Surrey), b Lees	1
W H Kingston (Northamptonshire), b Hargreaves .	5	J H Hunt (Middlesex) st Hayes, b Hargreave ...	128
K S Ranjitsinhji (Sussex), c Hayes, b Wass ...	4	L V Harper (Camb University), b Hargreave	0
B J T Bosanquet (Middlesex) c Hayward, b Lees ...	145	M W Payne (Camb University), not out ...	24
E E Steel (Lancashire), c Hayes, b Wass ...	62	G G Napier (Camb University), c Hearne, b Trott	18
W L Murdoch (Sussex), c and b Trott	140	B 19, lb 4, w 1, nb 2 ...	26
		Total	... 578

PLAYERS.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Bosanquet ...	20	1	97	2	15·3	1	60	6
Hunt	14	2	52	3	10	2	27	1
Napier	27·4	5	88	4	13	5	36	2
Steel	10	1	39	0	12	1	43	1
G. W. Beldam ...	14	4	37	0				
Sheppard ...	4	0	23	1				

Napier and Steel each delivered one no-ball.

GENTLEMEN.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Wass ...	48	6	164	3	Hearne ...	24	0	81	0
Hargreave ...	38	9	115	3	Hayes ...	7	0	25	0
Lees ...	32	7	75	2	Quaife ...	8	0	34	0
Trott ...	18·5	1	58	2					

Wass and Lees each delivered one no-ball, and Hargreave bowled one wide.

ETON *vs.* HARROW.—Played at Lord's on 8th and 9th July. Eton won by an innings and 12 runs. It was evident from the appearance of the ground at Lord's on Friday and Saturday that there is little likelihood that the Eton *vs.* Harrow match will be deposed for some time to come from its position as the leading event in the Society season. The weather was perfect, and during the periods of promenading the scene was fascinating in the extreme. The cricket on the first day was very one-sided, for whereas Harrow were disposed of for 102, Eton made 375 for six wickets. For the most part the batting of the Harrovians was hesitating, and the players seemed disheartened by the loss of the first three wickets for 16 runs. The only man who rose to the occasion was Bolton, who played the bowling with the ease of a finished batsman. The Eton innings was chiefly noticeable for the fine display of D. C. Boles, who, going in first, played a careful and scientific game until he had made his hundred in three hours and three-quarters when he began to hit out with such vigour that he made his next 80 runs in about three-quarters of an hour. Towards the end of his fine innings he made 19 off an over from Bolton—four 4's and a 3—and 16 off the next over from Reunert—four 4's. His hits included twenty-seven 4s. His total of 183 is a record for these matches. The straight drive by which he beat the previous record—152 by Sir Emilius Bayley, in 1841, was a very hard hit which the bowler just managed to touch with his fingers—the sort of hit which much more frequently results in a damaged finger than a catch. The partnership between Boles and W. T. Tod, who hit with great power, produced 143 runs in two hours, while that between Cumberbatch and Boles produced 175 in an hour and a half. Cumberbatch was not out 42 at the close of play. R. E. H. Baily, the Harrow captain, was hit in the eye by a rising ball when keeping wicket and had to retire. On Saturday the remaining Eton batsmen sacrificed their wickets in the effort to make runs as quickly as possible, and Harrow went in a second time at a quarter to twelve with a balance of 297 against them. Harrow made a most plucky effort to bring about a drawn game, and very nearly accomplished their object. They lost their first two wickets for 88, but Baily, who pluckily came out to bat with a shade over his eye, and Eiloart increased the score to 92, and things began to look a little better. Baily played a beautiful game for two hours and three-quarters, but when he was dismissed at 134 five wickets were down. As the next wicket fell at 145 the game seemed nearly over, but Crake then joined Brandt, and a stubborn resistance was offered to the bowling. The partnership produced 101 runs in two hours, and while it lasted Harrow always seemed to have a chance of saving the game. Both men played the right game, and their plucky stand was deserving of the very highest praise. When Crake was out, seven wickets were down for 248. The eighth wicket fell at 253, and the ninth at 258. When the last two men came together 39 runs were still required to avoid the innings defeat, and an hour and a quarter remained for play. For three-quarters of an hour the two plucky Harrovians, Morris and Humphreys, held out, and their efforts to stave off disaster will long be remembered by the boys of the two schools.

HARROW.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
E H Crake, b Hatfeild ...	0	c Turner, b Hatfeild ...	55
C Reunert, b Severne ...	5	b Hatfeild	0
W S Bolton, st Tufnell, b Hatfeild	64	b Boles	12
M C Bird, c Turner, b Severne	6	c Severne, b Horlick ...	10
R E H Baily, c Astor, b Boles	11	c Turner, b Hatfeild ...	72
R E Eiloart, b Bole ...	0	c Tufnell, b Boles ...	20
F Forster, b Horlick ...	1	b Severne	19
D R Brandt, c Boles, b Horlick	0	c Campbell, b Horlick ...	53
J Reunert, c Severne, b Horlick	3	c Hatfeild, b Horlick ...	8
R O Morris, b Hatfeild ...	11	not out	21
W A Humphreys, not out	4	l-b-w, b Tod	4
Leg-byes ...	4	W 10, nb 1 ...	11
Total	109	Total ...	... 285

ETON.

J J Astor, c Baily, b Humphreys ...	4	N C Tufnell, b J Reunert ...	0
D C Boles, c Humphreys, b Bolton	183	A G Turner, c Reunert, b Morris ...	17
C G E Farmer, b Morris	21	C E Severne, c J Reunert b Morris ...	0
G C Campbell, c Baily, b Morris	0	J N Horlick, b Morris ...	1
W N Tod, c C, b J Reunert	84	C E Hatfeild, c Eiloart, b Humphreys ...	11
H C Cumberbatch, not out	53	B 25, lb 1, w 3, nb 3 ...	32
		Total	406

HARROW.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Hatfeild	16·2	4	25	3	37	18	46	3
Severne	10	3	37	2	19	11	49	1
Boles	9	3	9	2	28	10	63	2
Tod	1	0	4	0	11·2	2	29	1
Horlick	12	3	30	3	50	24	60	3
		Cumberbatch			6	1	12	0
		Farmer			2	0	9	0
		Campbell			2	0	6	0

Hatfeild bowled two wides, Boles four, Horlick three, and Tod one. Boles delivered one no-ball.

ETON.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Morris ...	29	6	98	5	Eiloart ...	6	0	36	0
Humphreys...	24·4	7	84	2	Bolton ...	11	1	44	1
C Reunert ...	13	1	55	0	Crake ...	3	0	13	0
J Reunert ...	21	10	49	2					

Eiloart bowled two wides and Bolton one. J. Reunert delivered two no-balls, and C. Reunert one.

YORKSHIRE *vs.* HAMPSHIRE.—Played at Portsmouth on 11th 12th and 13th July. Yorkshire won by an innings and 18 runs

By the end of the first day's play in this match the unfortunate Hampshire team seemed likely to be beaten once more; for Yorkshire, with only seven wickets down, had made 462 runs. Yorkshire did not begin well, and three wickets were down for 84. But when Tunnicliffe was joined by Hurst the bowling was so completely mastered that the total was taken to 342 before the partnership producing 258 runs was broken. The two men were together for about two hours and three-quarters. At the end of the day, Rhodes and Rothery hit the bowling all over the field, and when stumps were drawn the former was not out 70 and the latter not out 35. On Tuesday, Rhodes and Rothery kept together until their partnership had produced 152 runs in an hour, and Hampshire had to face a very large total. Their first wicket put up 54 runs in fifty minutes, Webb hitting with great vigour. Sprot then joined Webb and played an admirable game. While they were in partnership the two men scored 134 runs for the second wicket in seventy-five minutes. Webb batted so well that a collection was made for him on the ground. Sprot's splendid innings lasted for two hours and a quarter, and his hits included eighteen 4's. Later Hill played a brilliant game, but when stumps were drawn Hampshire, with nine wickets down, were still 220 runs behind. Yesterday Hill played another good innings, and Webb, Sprot, Bowell and Chignell all made useful scores, but the game was over soon after a quarter past three.

YORKSHIRE.

Lord Hawke, b Prichard ...	4	Rhodes, c sub., b Hill ...	98
H Wilkinson, l-b-w, b Chignell	34	Haigh, b Chignell ...	5
Denton, c Llewellyn, b Prichard	18	Rothery, c Stone, b Hill ...	70
Tunnicliffe, c Chignell, b Webb	128	Myers, c Llewellyn, b Hill...	14
Hirst, c Sprot, b Chignell ...	152	Hunter, not out ...	6
Wainwright, c Brutton, b Prichard	7	B 7, lb 4, w 2 ...	13
		Total	549

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Webb, c Tunnicliffe, b Myers	83	c Tunnicliffe, b Rhodes ...	25
Stone, c Hunter, b Haigh...	15	c Wainwright, b Hirst ...	4
E M Sprot, st Hunter, b Rhodes	118	c Wilkinson, b Rhodes ...	22
Llewellyn, c Hunter, b Hirst	8	b Hirst	4
A J L Hill, b Hirst ...	68	b Myers	48
Bowell, l-b-w, b Haigh ...	4	b Myers	23
S. Brutton, c Hunter, b Hirst	15	b Haigh	7
F H Bacon, c Hunter, b Hirst	0	c and b Haigh ...	6
T A Chignell, b Rhodes ...	8	not out	29
Hesketh-Prichard, c Tunnicliffe, b Hirst ...	0	c Hirst, b Myers ...	1
Soar, not out	6	run out	17
B 4, lb 1 w 1 ...	6	Extras -- ...	14
Total ...	331	Total ...	200

YORKSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Prichard ...	32	9	109	3	Hill ...	16	1	60	3
Llewellyn ...	21	4	111	0	Sprot ...	3	0	28	0
Chignell ...	39	2	124	3	Webb ...	4	0	19	1
Soar ...	21	1	85	0					

Sprot and Prichard each bowled one wide.

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HAMPSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst	... 30	5	95	5	... 13	1	43	2
Myers	... 20	3	55	1	... 12·1	1	52	3
Rhodes	... 27	8	68	2	... 14	1	43	2
Haigh	... 24	2	82	2	... 13	0	48	2
Wainwright	... 7	2	25	0				

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs.* WORCESTERSHIRE.—Played at Worcester on 11th, 12th and 13th July Oxford University won by three wickets. So greatly superior was the batting to the bowling in this match that 1,492 runs were scored, the previous record for England being beaten by 66 runs. On the first day the Worcestershire innings came to a conclusion just before stumps were drawn every man on the side except one scoring double figures. W. B. Burns played brilliant cricket for three hours for his 165. The batting of the Oxford men on the next day was less consistent than that of their opponents, but Carlisle and Raphael both played fine cricket. At the end of the day Worcestershire had scored 147 in their second innings for five wickets, and were 292 runs on. Worcestershire declared on Saturday with six wickets down, and Oxford, with a little over four hours before them in which to make 400 runs, made a determined and successful effort to knock off the runs. Raphael was only at the wickets for an hour and three-quarters for his 111, Bennett and Carlisle both played a bold game, and in the end Oxford won a splendid victory by three wickets when only four minutes remained for play.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H K Foster, c and b Evans ...	53	b Ernsthausen ...	47
W B Burns, c Ernsthausen, b Evans	165	b Bennett ...	12
Pearson, c Brownlee, b Branston	15	l-b-w, b Evans ...	6
Wheldon, c Carlisle, b Evans ...	32	b Martin ...	19
Capt Palmer, l-b-w, b Evans ...	41	not out ...	75
R S Brinton, not out ...	72	b Evans ...	1
Cuffe, b Ernsthausen ...	21	b Martin ...	51
Gaukrodger, l-b-w, b Bennett ...	22	not out ...	21
Wilson, b Martin	18		
Solly, c Ernsthausen, b Martin ...	43		
W L Price, b Ernsthausen ...	0		
B 5, lb 2, nb 1	8	B 9 lb 4, nb 9 ...	22
Total ...	490	*Total (6 wkts)	254

* Innings declared closed.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
R W Awdry, b Wilson ...	0	c Gaukrodger, b Wilson...	26
J E Raphael, b Wilson ...	75	c Pearson, b Price ...	111
G G M Bennett, c Gaukrodger, b Price	14	run out	131
W H B Evans, l-b-w, b Cuffe	17	c Foster b Price ...	7
K M Carlisle, not out ...	107	b Wilson ...	71
L D Brownlee, lbw, b Wilson	7	c Price, b Wilson ...	1
G T Branston, b Price ...	4		
A C von Ernsthausen, c Gaukrodger, b Wilson ...	20	not out	4
C D McIver, b Solly ...	28	l-b-w, b Pearson ...	8
V A S Stow, b Solly ...	3		
E G Martin, b Wilson ...	46	not out	26
B 16, lb 8 ...	24	B 11, lb 2, nb 1, w 4 ...	18
Total ...	345	Total (7 wkts)	403

WORCESTERSHIRE.

	First Innings. O	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Martin ...	35	4	104	2	14	1	36	2
Ernsthausen ...	30·3	9	109	2	19	4	35	1
Evans ...	31	5	128	4	19	0	76	2
Carlisle ...	7	0	47	0				
Branston ...	25	3	65	1	12	0	65	0
Bennett ...	5	0	29	1	6	3	20	1
Raphael ...	2	2	0	0				

Evans bowled four no-balls, and Martin and Ernsthausen three each.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

	First Innings O	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Wilson ...	29	4	107	5	32	1	129	3
Price ...	23	4	82	2	13	1	66	2
Solly ...	19	4	63	2	17	2	55	0
Cuffe ...	14	0	53	1	13	0	66	0
Pearson ...	2	0	16	0	11	1	39	0
			Wheldon		5	1	30	0

Cuffe bowled a wide, and Pearson three wides and a no-ball

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* HAMPSHIRE.—Played at Alton on 7th and 8th July. The South Africans won by an innings and 19 runs. The experiment of playing a first-class match on the pretty ground at Alton was attended with success, and the game attracted a good crowd. The wicket was excellent, the outfielding rough, and the boundaries short. During the first day 467 runs were scored, the South Africans making 380 and dismissing seven Hampshire men for 87, so that the result of the match seemed a foregone conclusion. Tancred played a wounderfully good innings; his score stood at 98 at lunch time, but he was bowled by Hesketh-Prichard before he had reached his hundred. Good cricket was played by Shalders, Schwarz and several others of the team. Hathorn alone playing a single-figure innings. When Hampshire went in Kotze was in great form and took five of the wickets which fell. On Friday Powell and Stone made a great effort to save the follow-on, but were not successful in their object. When Hampshire went in again Sprot and Llewellyn made a fine stand for the fifth wicket putting on 102 runs in three-quarters of an hour by most attractive cricket. The rest of the team failed and the South Africans had the easiest of victories.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

L J Tancred, b Prichard ...	99	S G Snooke, c Manser, b Sprot	27
W A Shalders, b Prichard	30	J H Shepstone, c Hill, b Llewellyn	11
M Hathorn, c and b Prichard	2	E A Halliwell not out ...	11
J H Sinclair, c Prichard, b Llewellyn	31	J J Kotze, c and b Llewellyn	10
G C White, b Llewellyn ...	54	B 12, nb 1, w 1 ...	14
F Mitchell, b Langford ...	24	Total ...	380
R O Schwarz, c Bowell, b Llewellyn	67		

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A J L Hill, c Halliwell, b Kotze	20	c Halliwell, b Kotze ...	8
Webb, b White	22	b Sinclair ...	2
E M Sprot b Kotze ...	0	b White	75
Hayter, b White	7	b Sinclair ...	4
Llewellyn, c Halliwell, b Kotze	2	b White	60
R M Manser, c Halliwell, b Kotze	1	b Sinclair ...	0
Bowell, c Kotze, b Sinclair ...	65	c and b Kotze ...	10
D A Steel, c Halliwell, b Kotze	2	not out	6
Stone, not out	32	c White b Kotze ...	0
Langford, c and b Sinclair ...	0	c Shalders, b White ...	8
Hesketh-Prichard, b Schwarz ...	13	c Shepstone, b Sinclair	4
Byes	4	B 8, lb 6, w 1, nb 1 ...	16
Total ...	168	Total ...	193

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Langford, ...	13	1	56	1	Prichard	27	5	98	3
Llewellyn ...	86.5	6	160	5	Sprot ...	13	3	52	1

Prichard bowled one no-ball and Sprot one wide.

HAMPSHIRE.

	First Innings O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	21	5	66	5	11	3	39	3
White ...	16	3	69	2	8·4	1	34	3
Sinclair	4	1	11	2	19	1	104	4
Schwarz ...	3·5	0	18	1				

Kotze bowled one wide and one no-ball.

MATCH *vs.* SOMERSET.—Played at Taunton on 11th and 12th July. South Africans won by an innings and 86 runs. Considerable progress was made with this match on Monday. Against the Somerset total of 198 the visitors scored 229 for six wickets. The only outstanding innings on the Somerset side was the 79 not out by F. M. Lee, who alone of all the batsmen played Kotze with any confidence. For the South Africans, Tancred and Shalders put up 198 in an hour and a half for the first wicket, and although there was no long stand after this, the South Africans ended the day with a lead of 31, Schwarz being not out 33. On Tuesday Schwarz hit tremendously hard, his brilliant innings of 93 including seventeen 4's; he was only batting for an hour. The innings was by no means over, for Shepstone and Halliwell played the most delightful cricket, and put on 106 runs in an hour for the ninth wicket. Somerset had to go in against a balance of 240, and fared very badly.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Braund, c Halliwell, b Kotze	22	retired hurt ...	0
Lewis, b Kotze	5	c Snooke, b Kotze ...	19
Robson, c Halliwell, b Kotze	18	c Schwarz, b Sinclair	11
L C H Palairet, b Sinclair ...	5	b Sinclair ...	1
F M Lee, not out	79	c Shalders, b Shepstone	39
S M J Woods, b Kotze ...	2	c Snooke, b Shepstone	16
H Martyn, b Schwarz ...	23	c Halliwell, b Shepstone	36
Hardy, c Shalders, b Sinclair...	5	b Schwarz ...	2
Bucknell, l-b-w, b Schwarz ...	7	not out	13
Cranfield, b Schwarz ...	8	c Shepstone, b Schwarz	1
Rev A P Wickham, c White, b Kotze	10	c and b Shepstone ...	2
B 11, lb 3	14	B 9, lb 5	14
Total	198	Total	154

SOUTH AFRICANS.

W A Shalders, c Lewis, b Braund	81	R Schwarz, c Palairet, b Braund ...	93
L J Tancred, c Wickham, b Lewis	73	S Snooke, st Wickham, b Cranfield	7
M Hathorn, c Wickham, b Lewis	12	G H Shepstone, run out ...	64
G White, c Bucknell, b Braund	4	E A Halliwell, not out ...	72
J H Sinclair, c Woods, b Lewis	9	J J Kotze, c Robson, b Braund	6
F Mitchell, c Wickham, b Lewis	3	B 10, lb 2, w 2 ...	14
		Total ...	438

SOMERSET.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	18·4	2	82	5	7	1	29	1
Sinclair ...	19	3	78	2	8	1	44	2
Schwarz ...	9	1	24	3	11	1	34	2
					Shepstone	9·2	2	33	4

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	55	2	110	1	Woods ...	3	0	25	0
Braund ...	56·4	3	154	4	Lewis ...	20	5	47	4
Bucknell ...	8	3	20	0	Palairet ...	3	0	8	0
Robson ...	10	2	60	0					

Bucknell and Woods each bowled one wide.

OTHER MATCHES.

On the 7th, 8th, and 9th July Derbyshire beat Leicestershire at Leicester by 306 runs: An England XI beat Lancashire by eight wickets at Blackpool. On 11th, 12th, and 13th July Lancashire beat Worcestershire at Worcester by nine wickets. The following matches were drawn:—Sussex *vs.* Essex, played at Brighton on the 7th, 8th, and 9th instant; Cambridge University *vs.* Warwickshire, played at Birmingham on the same dates; Notts *vs.* Leicestershire, played at Trent Bridge on 11th 12th 13th instant: Surrey *vs.* Warwickshire, played at Edgbaston; Kent *vs.* Sussex, played at Tunbridge Wells; Essex *vs.* Middlesex, played at Lord's. The match between Kent and Yorkshire was abandoned.

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

RELATIVE POSITIONS TO DATE.

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	14	10	0	4	10	100 0
Yorkshire ...	15	8	1	6	7	77·77
Notts	12	6	2	4	4	50 0
Sussex ...	13	4	2	7	2	33·33
Leicestershire ...	12	5	3	4	2	25·0
Middlesex ...	8	3	2	3	1	20 00
Kent	10	4	3	3	1	14·28
Derbyshire ...	11	4	5	2	—1	— 11·11
Surrey... ...	14	4	7	3	—3	— 27 27
Essex	11	2	5	4	—3	— 42·85
Somerset ...	8	2	6	0	—4	— 50·00
Warwickshire ...	8	1	4	3	—3	— 60·00
Gloucestershire ...	8	1	5	3	—4	— 66·66
Worcestershire ...	9	1	5	3	—4	— 66·66
Hampshire ...	7	0	6	1	—6	— 100·0

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES. (12 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total Runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Tyldesley	18	2	1,256	225	78·50
Fry, C B	25	2	1,744	226	75·82
Ranjitsinhji, K S ...	16	3	963	166*	74·07
Iremonger	19	1	1,294	272	71·88
Evans, W H B	13	1	656	113	54·66
Jackson, Hon F S ...	15	1	760	158	54·28
Palairet, L C H ...	15	0	804	203	53·60
Hayward	34	3	1,029	203	52·22
Jones, A O	21	3	914	119	50·77
Raphael, J E	20	0	1,014	201	50·70
Hirst	23	2	1,052	153	50·09
Spooner, R H	21	2	941	126	49·52
Tancred, L J	13	1	588	106	49·00
Knight	27	4	1,078	203	46·86
Warner, P F	14	2	524	106	43·66
Cuttell	14	3	480	128	43·63
Qualfe (W G)	19	2	740	200*	43·52
Glover, A C S	14	2	515	124	42·91
Marsh, J F	16	3	548	172*	42·15
Mitchell, F	18	2	659	102*	41·18
Rhodes	22	2	805	196	40·25
Carpenter	15	0	591	199	39·60
King (J H)	23	1	913	128	39·29
Bosanquet, B J T ...	22	2	779	145	38·95
Sewell (E H D)... ...	22	2	757	181	37·85
Sharp (J)	15	3	454	104*	37·83
Wright, L G	23	0	862	140	37·47
Foster, H K	21	0	781	118	37·19
Perrin, P A	18	1	628	190	36·94
McGahey, C H	20	1	616	173	36·42
Hayes	34	2	1,165	273*	36·40
Wynyard, Capt E G ...	17	0	613	147	36·05
Maclaren, A C	19	2	613	166	36·05
Denton	26	2	855	87	35·62
Wilson, F B	18	3	529	76	35·26
Kinneir	18	1	590	152	34·70
Gunn, J	20	1	658	95	34·63
Haigh	21	3	623	138	34·61
Poidevin, L O S ...	21	1	690	103	34·50
Seymour (Jas), (Kent) ...	20	2	609	136*	33·83
Bowley, (F)	21	1	671	153	33·55
Humphreys E (Kent) ...	20	1	615	131	32·36
Beldam, G W	14	0	453	110	32·35
Wood, C J B	25	3	707	110	32·13
Coe (S)	21	3	576	103	32·00
Carlisle, K M	18	2	512	114*	32·00
Whitehead, H, (L'tershr) ...	23	3	618	77	30·90
Keigwin, R P	20	2	550	116	30·55
Storer	21	2	578	110	30·42
Fane, F L	18	0	545	89	30·27

BOWLING AVERAGES. (24 wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Cuttell	535·3	179	1,098	69	15·91
Kotze, J J	396·2	86	1,206	71	16·98
Haigh	448·2	114	1,174	69	17·01
Hearne (J T)	650·2	171	1,553	90	17·25
Blythe	424·5	110	1,128	62	18·19
Hesketh-Prichard, H ...	143·1	106	1,347	71	18·91
Fielder	354·2	71	1,059	54	19·61
Rhodes	563·2	174	1,276	65	19·63
Napier, G G	394·4	102	1,116	56	19·92
Smith (W C), (Surrey) ...	327·5	80	911	47	20·02
Hallows	484·5	140	1,125	56	20·08
Odell, W W	538·2	149	376	68	20·23
McDonell, H C ...	308·2	85	976	48	20·33
Wass	574	132	1,568	77	20·36
Fairservice	295·2	47	614	30	20·46
Allsopp	357·2	82	1,085	53	20·47
Hirst	484·1	100	1,274	62	20·54
Brearley, W	412·3	63	1,291	62	20·82
Relf	551	161	1,242	59	21·05
Tate (F W), (Sussex) ...	281	65	780	37	21·08
Bird, (Worcestershire) ...	243·1	48	680	32	21·26
Dennett	360	83	1,021	48	21·27
Lees	673·3	166	1,772	83	21·34
Gill (G)	216·1	38	684	32	21·37
Gunn (J)	548·1	166	1,356	63	21·52
Douglas, J W H T ...	216·4	47	646	30	21·53
Sinclair, J H	357	60	1,081	50	21 62
Reeves	351·4	78	1 540	48	21·66
Arnold	466·2	103	1,348	61	22·09
Bosanquet, B J T ...	321·3	37	1,217	54	22·53
Cranfield, (Somerset) ...	250·3	45	840	37	22·70
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Trott (A E)	428·5	79	1,429	56	25·16
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Hargreave	587·5	145	1,366	44	31·76
Hopley, F J V ...	303·1	43	1,050	26	40 38

TENNIS.

OXFORD *vs.* CAMBRIDGE.

Still another "battle of the Blues" took place on the 8th instant when, in the Court at Lord's Cricket Ground, the Singles Tennis match was decided between the champions of the two Universities. A. M. Robertson, who was just beaten by the Cambridge cricket captain, F. B. Wilson last year, and A. Buxton. The struggle aroused considerable interest and the play was watched by a large number of people, who preferred the comparative cool of the court to the tropical sunshine favouring the cricketers in the Eton *vs.* Harrow match, on the turf outside. The contest turned out a particularly stubborn one, and, after being two sets all and four games all in the first set, Robertson just managed to scramble home, each man winning twenty four games during the match. The tennis was not of great quality. Buxton possessed the more brilliance and variety of strokes, but he was inclined to be somewhat erratic, and the superior steadiness of Robertson wore him down. The Oxonian's returns were of fairly accurate length, and he often got the ball well up when it appeared quite out of his reach. Details:—

Oxford (A. M. Robertson, Rugby School and University College) beat Cambridge (A. Buxton, Harrow School and Trinity College) by three sets to two (6—5, 1—6, 6—3, 5—6, and 6—4).

Buxton began in splendid style, but, after getting to 4—1, Robertson found his length, and only allowed the Cantab to win one more game in the opening set. The old Harrovian had the second set practically all to himself, and from 2—1. Buxton ran right out, Robertson's steadiness being negatived by his opponent's brilliance. In the third set, however, Robertson began to wear his rival down, and, being always in front, won comfortably at 6—3, but at the fourth meeting the light blue came again, and, after eleven games had been played, the marker called the match "two sets all." The fifth and final struggle proved wonderfully interesting. Buxton led well at 2—0, but Robertson drew level, and, equalising at two all, alternate games were won until four all. The dark blue then scored twice and won the match for Oxford by the odd set. Time—2hrs 10mins.

On Saturday, the 9th instant, the Doubles were won in pronounced fashion, the decision of F. B. Wilson not to compete being a great blow to the chances of Cambridge. There was a crowded declans, Lord Alverston being among those present, but the tennis witnessed was of poor quality, and, after seventy minutes' play, the Cantabs were beaten by three sets to love, the scores being 6-3, 6-1 6-2. A. M. Robertson (Rugby and University) and O. V. G. Hoare (Harrow and Trinity), who had been beaten by Robertson in the Singles, being partnered on behalf of Cambridge by J. L. Dewrance (Charterhouse and Trinity). Cambridge took the first two games but then, chiefly through Robertson's good play, the total reached 5-2 in Oxford's favour. A third game to Cambridge, and then the Dark Blues ran out at 6-3. In the second set, Oxford won the first three off the reel, Cambridge then securing a love game. This proved, however

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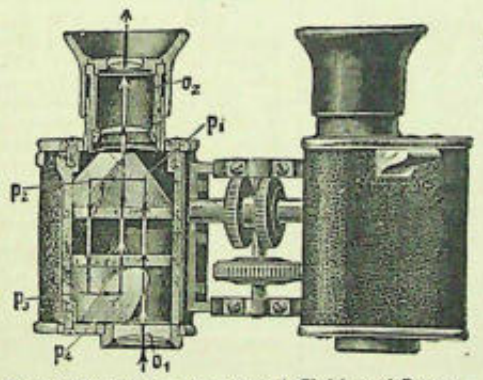
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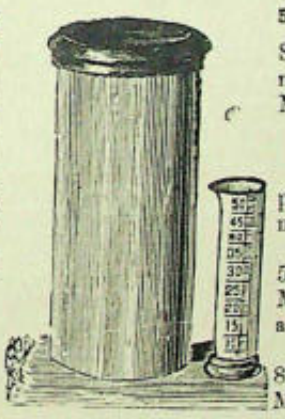
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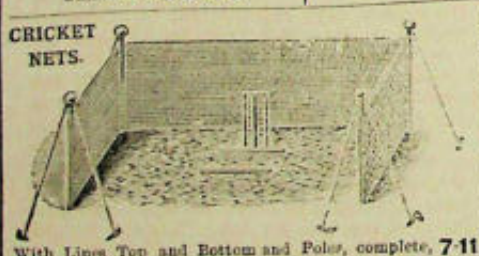
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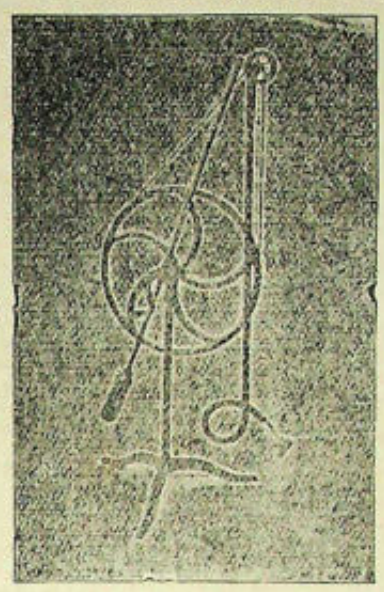
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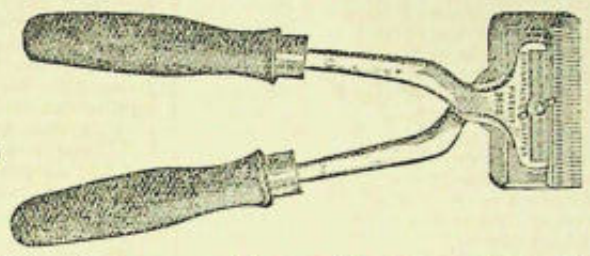
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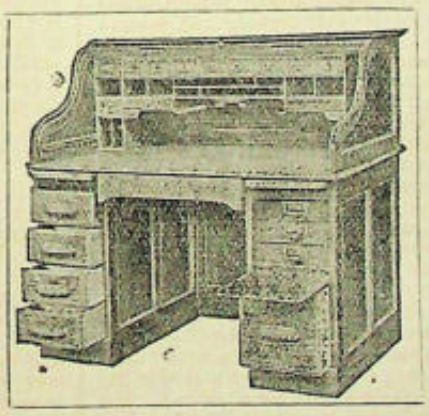
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their only success, as three more to the Oxonians, the last another love game, won the set by 6-1. In the third and final set Oxford took the first and second games, and Cambridge the third. Hoare was now playing in much improved form and largely through his efforts, Oxford ran to 5-1. A second game to Cambridge, and then after "deuce" had been called twice, Oxford took the next, which gave them the set by 6-2, and the match by three sets to love, their margin of game being 18 to 6. J. Fennel marked and called the match.

Cambridge have won the Singles 33 times to Oxford's 12, and the Doubles on 31 occasions to the Oxonians' 14.

SWIMMING

THE MILE CHAMPIONSHIP.

There was a record crowd around the ornamental lake at Sefton Park, Liverpool, on Saturday, the 9th instant when the Westminster Swimming Club held an open air gala and, besides four open events, decided the mile championship of England. The entries for the latter event were: David Billington, Bacup (holder), W A. Curwen, Westminster S. C. F. (Liverpool), C. E. Forsyth, Hyde Seal S. C., N. Potter, Tyldesley, H. D. Herring jun., Hyde Seal S. C., W. Holt, Birkenhead S. C., Hayes, Everton S. C., W. Stocks, Birkenhead S. C., F. Wadsworth, Sudley, A. G. Harvey, Ravensbourne S. C., W. Hamer, Mark Addy S. C, and T. Wildgoose, Hyde Seal S. C. Last year, when the event took place at Leicester, Billington covered the distance in the record time of 24mins 56⅗secs. Of the entries, eleven went to the post, the absentee being W. A. Curwen, the Mersey Champion. The race needs little description, for after going 300 yards, during which time Forsyth led, Billington drew to the front and won easily. Details:—

D Billington Bacup (holder), 27mins. 18secs.,1 ; T. Wildgoose, Hyde Seal S. C., 28mins 50secs., 2 ; A. G. Harvey, Ravensbourne S. C., 28mins. 51secs., 3 ; N. Potter, Tydlesley, 30mins. 47secs., 4 ; H. D. Herring, jun., Hyde Seals, 31mins. 54secs., 5 ; T. Wadsworth, Sudley, 32mins 3secs., 6 ; W. Hamer, Mark Addy S. C., 32mins. 3secs., 7 ; W. Stocks, Birkenhead, 34mins, 15secs., 8 ; F. Hayes, Everton, 35mins. 21secs., 9. W. Holt, Birkenhead, and C. E. Forsyth, Hyde, also swam, but retired.

Forsyth led for two lengths when he retired and Billington took the lead followed by Wildgoose, Harvey, and Potter. For a short distance Harvey was second but Wildgoose again went on second, 220 yards from home, Billington, however, was never approached, and won very easily. A good race between Harvey and Wildgoose for second place resulted in favour of the latter.

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1902—J A Jarvis, Leicester, 25mins 35secs
1903—D Billington, Bacup, 24mins 26⅘secs.

Other events were won as follows: Two length (100 yards race, open)—W. H. Fisher, Westminster S. C. 50 Yards Ladies' Race (open).—Miss L Boschi, Westminster Ladies' S. C. 100 Yards Scratch Race (ladies)—Miss A. Scott, Bacup (ex-champion of England). 100 Yards Veterans' Race—J. C. Healey.

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HURLINGHAM.

INTER-REGIMENTAL FINAL.—Seldom has such a numerous company assembled at the Hurlingham enclosure as that of Saturday, when the final tie of the Inter-Regimental Tournament was decided. Among those present we noticed the following: Prince and Princess Alexander of Teck, Prince Arthur of Connaught, Lord and Lady Harrington, the Duke of Westminster, Lady Tweedmouth, the Earl of Shrewsbury, Lord Castle-reagh, General J. R. S. Sayer, Major-General, Reverley Mitford, Major-General Sir H. P. and Lady Evelyn Ewart, and Captain Fitzwilliam (aide-de-camp to Prince Alexander of Teck) and Mrs. Fitzwilliam eighteen teams had participated in the competition—one in excess of last year—and one of these the Royal Horse Guards and the 17th Lancers had worked their way to the final. The sides were arranged thus: 17th Lancers—Captain R. J. W. Carden, Major W. A. Tilney, Mr. A. F. Fletcher and Cololonel B. P. Portal (back); Royal Horse Guards—Lord Ingestre, Captain G.J. Fitzgerald, Mr.H.E. Brassey and Captain the Honble Dudley Marjoribanks (back). Umpires: Mr. W. S. Buckmaster and Mr. Pat Nickalls. After a combined run by the Lancers Captain Carden opened the scoring on their behalf three minutes from the start. On the change of ends Mr. Brassey equalised. Nearing the end of the period a combined attack by the Lancers resulted in Major Tilney scoring, and at the remount the Blues were a point behind at 2—1. On resuming the Guards made strenuous efforts to draw level, but Mr. Brassey then rode right through the ranks of the opposition and finished up with an excellent goal. The same player afterwards made a fine run, and Lord Ingestre, following in his wake, obtained a goal and for the first time in the match the Blues flattered their supporters by being in front. Soon after resuming a melee took place in front of the Guards' posts, from which Major Tilney luckily scraped through, and thus the score was "three all." The Lancers, who had pressed towards the end of the next "ten" went ahead with a goal by Captain Cardent, but on a further exchange of territory a goal by Captain Fitzgerald equalised. The Blues subsequently experienced hard luck, as they drove the ball within inches of their antagonists' posts on several occasions. At half-time, therefore, the record was four goals all. The Lancers then took a useful lead with further goals by Mr. Fletcher, Captain Carden, and Major W. A. Tilney, who brought off a very neat backhander, and were three points in front at the beginning of the final period. The Blues had simply all the play from now to the end but time was against them, and they were just beaten by seven goals to six, their last two points coming from the sticks of Mr. Bassey and Lord Ingestre. Though the Lancers won for the second year in succession, they had to go all the way, and moreover, they had decidedly the better of the luck. Major Tilney played a great game on behalf of the winners, and Mr. H. E. Brassey, for the Blues, was distinctly the best player on the field. Both sides were well mounted, and the play was very fast from the start. Princess Alexander of Teck presented the cup to the winners. A Hurlingham quartette next opposed Mr. Menzies's team, whom they defeated by four goals to three, after a most stubborn encounter. Sides: Hurlingham—Lord Harrington, Mr. W. Roylance Court, Mr. F. Gay Mackey, and Colonel W. Gordon Renton (back); Mr. Menzies's Team—Mr. C. Wood, Mr. F. C. G. Menzies, Lord Villiers, and Captain H. Wilson (back). The band of the Royal Horse Guards played at intervals during the afternoon. The following is a record of the winners of the Inter-Regimental Tournament:—

Previous Regimental Tournament Winners.—1878, 5th Lancers; 1879, 5th Lancers; 1880, 16th Lancers; 1881, 16th Lancers; 1882, 5th Lancers; 1883, 7th Hussars; 1884, 7th Hussars; 1885, 7th Hussars; 1886, 7th Hussars; 1887, 5th Lancers; 1888, 10th Hussars; 1889, 9th Lancers; 1890, 9th Lancers; 1891, 9th Lancers; 1892, 13th Hussars; 1893, 10th Hussars; 1894, 13th Hussars; 1895, 13th Hussars; 1896, 9th Lancers; 1897, 6th Inniskillings; 1898, 6th Inniskillings; †1899, 7th Hussars; †1903, 17th Lancers; 1904, 17th Lancers. †There was no tournament between these dates, owing to the war in South Africa.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

AGAIN this week we have had three meets, Saturday being a bye day. That day (23rd July) we met at Golf Corner, and though it was as good a hunting morning as anyone could wish only ten or a dozen people turned up. The first draw was the swamp above Pearl Crossing and along the west side of Bagman to Mills' covert. We did not find but a little further on, just above Trible Crossing hounds hit off a line and ran very fast up Blackmoor Vale to Rallywood. Just short of this a second jack crossed in front of hounds and was followed by about five couple who ran over the hill to Bluegums.

In Rallywood a third jack was on foot and the rest of the jack divided one lot hunting into Monkey Shola and thence to Baikie. The rest hunted the first jack over the hill to the top of Parlock and then left-handed into Sheffield wood through this and down the nullah below Swamyar Bluegums. Doubling back the jack took us up through Tiger Shola and out on to the Krummund Road. He then turned again to the left through Audy Plantation, beyond which he ran the path for about a mile and finally beat us in the rocks of Hecuba Cliff.

Meanwhile the hounds that had changed jacks at Rallywood had had an extremely fine run. They ran through Bluegums and across the valley to Staircase, through the lower part of this and then over the ridge to Briar Shola. Leaving this on their left they crossed the top of Dartmoor Vale and went on by Windy Gap and Wenlock Wood, through the top of Khed Shola, past Toda Coffee Shop Shola and parallel to the Pykara Falls bridle path for quite three miles more. At last a check on the path enabled Captain Kennard who was the only man with hounds to stop them.

On Monday (25th) there was a much larger field at the meet. This was at Brooklands and again it was an ideal hunting morning. The first draw in Brooklands was successful and we got away from the lower side on a line which took us back to Bingham Shola. Near this, however, hounds were stopped, and there was another draw from the point where the Pykara Road and Sholur Road meet round the spur above the waterfall stream and past Beadnell's Shola. In the nullah just west of Beadnell's as hounds came out of the covert in which the Todamund is situated, having drawn the covert blank they picked up a line and went away very fast. The jack took us parallel to the old Pykara Road for some distance, crossing it twice. At the seventh mile he turned away to the right and we had some good galloping over the grass slopes above the big swamp. He then bore as if for Toda Coffee Shop Shola, but on nearing the ridge swung again righthanded and took us through the big Shola on the east side. He then went straight away to the Ghauts down which we lost him in the thick scrub and rocks. Sambur were on foot and two hinds trotted apparently right through the pack, without, however, any riot on their part, unfortunately jungle sheep also turned up and a few hounds gave trouble, nobody being able to get near them. On getting hounds out of the cliffs we returned home.

On Thursday (28th) the meet was at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar and we had a very long day of it. The morning was bright with a very heavy dew, and a large field turned out. We drew up the swamp from Pamela's Crossing and over the top of Dartmoor Valley to Briar Shola. Briar Shola was blank, but we picked up a line on Windy Saddle above Wapshare's Hare shola. After some very pretty work hounds settled to the line and hunted down into Wapshare's Hare Shola. The jack was still on the covert and they bustled him up and down it for a few minutes until he broke on the north side with hounds close behind him. Beadnell's Shola or Dunsandle was his point but he never reached it, hounds pulling him down after a short sharp burst, which took us across the Old Pykara Road to the swamp which lies south-west of Beadnell's Shola. We then drew along parallel with the Old Pykara Road on the north side, as far as the ridge above Toda Coffee Shop Shola. Here we turned into Road Shola and emerged into the open between Parmarwood and the Pykara River. After drawing for a short distance along the river bank we found again and ran nearly to the north of the Yemakal stream, short of which hounds swung left-handed towards Chemmund and we viewed three jacks in front of us. This was confusing work for hounds, but in another five minutes they had accounted for two of them, working one to ground and killing another. We then drew on up the valley and were just turning homewards when a sambur hind jumped up out of a nullah right in front of hounds. They were excited with blood and most of them broke away, so that we had a quarter of an hour's bad riot before they could be stopped. They were then whipped off and brought home.

BLUE GUM.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

A MEET at Yerowda Jail on the 24th attracted what I have been told by several was the largest field on record, and I have been given five computations varying from seventy-nine to eighty-four, as the number of lovely women and brave men who turned up. I may add that there was a considerable amount of indignation at the action of someone—who the actual sinner was, I haven't been informed and don't want to inquire—who postponed the hour of the meet from the usual hour of 6 A.M. to 6-30 (and this on a dry, bad scenting morning), to, it is said, suit the convenience of a high official who apparently after all failed to put in an appearance. There seems to be a very general idea, that the idea was not a very happy one, and that hunting, like love, "levels all ranks," and it seems to be the earnest desire of the members of the hunt that the experiment will not be repeated. The language of a good few who (failing to see the somewhat belated and unexpected notice of the postponement), turned up at the usual hour and had to wait idle for thirty minutes is popularly reputed to have had the serious effect of withering up the little grass the drought had left us.

The Master first tried the gardens at the back of the Jail Superintendent's bungalow but in vain, and a move was next made for a small *babul* grove a quarter of a mile distant from the main buildings. From this a jack broke away almost before hounds entered the sparse sanctuary, but instead of making his point right handed towards the hills took, what I am told, is a most unusual line left handed towards the Aga Khan's Palace. At a great pace apparently he led hounds towards the Bund Hill skirting it and crossing a large area of sheet rock and quarries (which must have been encouraging sort of going for those who rode the line!) and this was apparently the crisis in this speedy jackal's career, as over the sheet rock and stones scent was, as was but natural, very poor and some of the field were from what I gather a trifle over inquisitive. Working the line cleverly to the Ahmednagar road a *pariah* from a gypsy encampment close by scootled away for dear life and led hounds astray for the nonce, and by the time they were turned back to the path of rectitude, the scent had become well nigh impossible. Along the river bank and close to the railings surrounding His Highness the Aga's summer residence, hounds worked a fitful scent with great patience and recrossing the road worked it to a large stoney hillock covered with prickly pear where some one, I believe, tallyhoed something, but my accounts vary as to whether it was the hunted jack or a sprightly little fox. At any rate, though the Master dismounted and encouraged hounds to renewed efforts no practical result came of it, and Colonel Sheringham had to yield to the inevitable of a hopeless scent and admit defeat. After a brief rest, chiefly occupied I believe, in extracting the venemous prickly pear needless from hound's feet, some wild stoney nullahs were drawn, but save for a fox and a hare, blank. On the way home a chink jumped up right in front of hounds who ran for a mile to view, but the large Yerowda *nullah* afforded the little animal a favourable opportunity of evading the foe which he promptly availed himself, and as it was getting unpleasantly hot, Colonel Sheringham wisely took advantage of the check to have hounds stopped and so ended a not very brilliant day.

The bridge beyond Kirkee on the way to Dapuri and called after that great and good sportsman Lord Harris, was the tryst for the 28th, and once again an exceptionally large field assembled to make obeisance to the Master and have a gallop, and in neither praiseworthy object were they disappointed. Every one was glad and probably no one more so than Colonel Sheringham, to see the first whip Mr. Sydney Armstrong out again after an enforced idleness from a bad strain, and without I hear one moment's law for the lie-a-beds, the Master moved off towards some *babul* coverts close to the river on the right of the old Bombay trunk road. The *babul* was drawn blank and a move was next made to a small patch of sugercane from which a few days previously the Master, throwing a few couples of hounds in at a venture, excited a brace of jackals. But to the disappointment of all it on this critical occasion proved tenantless. A move was next made to a patch hard bye, the field though of late have been showing a inclination, to excess of zeal at the wrong time being kept in strict subjection. Hounds were scarcely well in this little cover when the keener eared of the field, heard what many have complained, was a not very decided or far reaching "gone-away" and a few of the unholy even dared to assert that the Master's horn was less musical than under the circumstances it might have been. For obstreperousness on the part of the field there is no excuse. At the same time provided they are honestly showing a disposition to restraint any disinclination to let them get reasonably well away when hounds are well clear of cover can only have an irritating effect and defeat the object in view But to return to the glories of the chase the hero of the occasion was, I am assured by all, a wild rover of the most galloping sort, and those who failed from one reason or another to secure a satisfactory start had for the first ten minutes or so to ride a stern chase, and even the lucky few in the flight had to gallop all they knew to keep with the leading hounds—for apparently although there was a comparatively small pack of about twelve couple out, about three couple raced clean away from the rest, which deprived this glorious little run of some of its charm to at least a few of the men I have heard speaking of it in terms of otherwise unalloyed praise and rapture. For about twelve splendid minutes hounds raced away to evidently an excellent scent, this racing jack heading first of all to the customary point of the Sister Hills. Then apparently out of sheer frolicsomeness, for none of my informants can assign any reason, he, as if gloating in his speed and vigour gave up the idea of almost certain sanctuary on the heights of the twin hills, and turning half right made curiously enough over the Dhanore rifle ranges for Yerowda, a most unusual line I hear. But this gallant jack evidently knew a thing or two and had a bit "up his sleeve." For after twelve minutes of the best and fastest "over a good hunting country,"—as the Deccan goes—hounds began to get into difficulties with the scent and those in the first rank grumbled at the perversity of unkind Fate, while those who were toiling away in the rear blessed their luck-bringing stars, and, I have no doubt, got into prominent positions in a matter of fact as if they had been there all along—for human nature is human nature all the world over. Hounds soon hit off the line again, but from all I gather, the pace was never the same again though the few gallant hounds who had run so bravely and worked so staunchly did all they could to crown their efforts. But Diana of the Chase had evidently willed that the balance of luck was in favour of the gallant little varmint who had led them such a merry a dance and after working the line in a more or less desultory fashion to within, I am assured pistol shot of the jail precincts, hounds had to submit to a defeat little less glorious than victory. Twenty-three minutes was, I believe, near as possible, the time, of which the first half was as fast as the hardest could yearn for and many horses had as much as they cared for. Among those who enjoyed the brilliant burst were H. E. Lord Lamington, Sir Archibald Hunter, Mr. Du Borlay, Private Secretary, and Captain Meynell, A.-D.-C., both from Government House; Colonel and Mrs. Carter, heading the gunner contingent from Kirkee; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lucas, Major and Mrs. Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs Charles Beatty, Colonel Bull, Colonel Channer, Major and Mrs. Jameson, Lady Cox, Captain and Mrs. Parry, Mrs. Sheringham, Mrs. Cameron, Miss Anderson, Captain Hopwood, Mr. Sheppard, the Collector of Poona, Mr. Enthoven, a keen supporter of this hunt, Major Buist, Major and Mrs. Anderson and scores of other lucky people.

After a reasonable time for breathing and a pull at the "holster Pistols," when the lucky "two horse" men effected a change, the Master drew back, and after a long jog (though I hear in this country walking is more popular than the good old "huntman's jog" we know so well at home), Colonel Sheringham worked back close to the cover, which held the jack which had succeeded in defeating him, in the hope presumably of taking vengeance on his mate, and sure enough hounds lost little time in proclaiming a find. Towards Diggi this second jack headed, but increasing heat made scent most uncertain, and after a merry, but very brief burst, hunting was, I hear, snatchy and fitful. Colonel Bull's well seasoned eyes and great experience in the lie of the country helped hounds for the time being, but even then scent was too bad to assure success, and Colonel Sheringham very judiciously stopped hounds for the day. A most delightful morning on the whole spent in the cream of the country.

SCARAMOUCH.

Among "animals which play games" the *Sirus*, or Indian crane (*Grus Antigone*), is, I think, entitled to a place, remarks a writer in a home paper. Some twelve or fourteen years ago in the Shahjahanpur district of Rohilkhand, I witnessed a dance by three of these birds, in which one, a female, stood in the centre, while the other two, males, described figures of eight round her, all three bowing to each other at regular intervals. The movements throughout were perfectly uniform and very graceful, and the birds were so absorbed in their dance which lasted for several minutes, that they took no notice of me, though I was within forty or fifty yards of them. I have also seen what I can only describe as a boxing match between two of these cranes, which was a most ludicrous sight. Twelve or fifteen *Saruses* formed a ring, in the middle of which the two combatants fought a number of rounds, squaring up at each other with their wings, and striking blows which could be heard several hundred yards off. There was no biting, or kicking, nothing but honest boxing with the wings. Each round lasted, perhaps, a minute or more, and in the intervals the two combatants strolled about in the ring until time was up, when they went at it again. I sat on my horse watching the fight for at least ten minutes, at the end of which the ring broke up and the birds dispersed. How long it had been going on before my arrival on the scene I cannot say. Neither pugilist showed any signs of temper during the combat, or appeared to be at all damaged, and the whole proceedings were characterised by the most decorous formality.

Polo.

THE SECUNDERABAD JUNIOR TOURNAMENT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

THE Semi-Final in the above was played off on the 27th ultimo on the 4th Hussars' ground, when the 4th Hussers met the 26th Light Cavalry "A" Team. The *elite* of Secunderabad were present to witness the game which was very exciting and there was great enthusiasm from start to finish. More than one veteran was heard to remark that the "Juniors" now bidding for polo fame will be players to be reckoned with in the near future in more important tournaments. By virtue of their reputation, of course, the 4th Hussars were favourites, but those who fancied the Cavalry team from the form they displayed had high hopes of them after the first chukker which ended in their favour. But the anticipations were doomed half way through the game by which time the Hussars proved themselves superior to their opponents in every way.

In the First Chukker there was very fast up and down play both goals being hotly attacked and many a "dead cert" frustrated, but the Cavalrymen put on one goal and one subsidiary, while the best effort of the Hussars was one subsidiary.

The Second Chukker saw more fast play, the Cavalry getting in two splendid runs to the Hussars flags, but failed to profit by them, whilst the Hussars crowned their three visits to the Cavalry flags by 2 goals and 1 subsidiary, and this chukker ended with the score thus—4th Hussars :—2 goals and 2 subsidiaries; 26th Cavalry 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

The Third Chuckker opened by a desperate run by the Cavalry, who getting clean away scored a grand goal in 15 seconds. This fairly put the Hussars on their mettle and with surprising form, which they seemed to have reserved, soon added another goal which, with another subsidiary, put the figures at the end of this chukker at—4th Hussars 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries ; 26th Cavalry 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

The Fourth Chukker was of a very good character, both teams playing fast and well. The Hussars got a goal at the outset and the Cavalry tried hard to get through the Hussars' flags, but there was no other score in this chukker which ended—4th Hussars 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries ; 26th Cavalry 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

In the Fifth Chukker there was some more fine play on both sides, but the superiority of the Hussars over their opponents was very marked. The Hussars put on one goal and a subsidiary more and then seemed to box the Cavalry up altogether, ultimately coming out victors by 5 goals and 4 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

Final.

The Finals were played on the 29th ultimo in rather dull weather with rain threatening every moment, but it fortunately kept off, and a splendid game was witnessed. The Royal Artillery were "At Home,' and there was a fair attendance of Society and a very large crowd of the general public.

As the 26th Light Cavalry "B" Team had scratched, the 20th Deccan Horse had to face the 4th Hussars. The former were represented by Mr. A. R. Steele, Mr. E. P. Black-Hawkins, Mr. W. Neilson, and Captain H. G. Watkin (back), and the latter by Sowar Sili Ali Kumar, Naick Abdul Nur Khan, Major Jones and Captain Campbell Ross (back).

Punctually at 5 the bell rang, and the umpires, Major Hayes and Captain Barr, announced the start.

First Chukker.—This opened by the Deccan Horse scoring two subsidiaries in quick succession, followed almost immediately by a long run down by Mr. Steele and a goal for his side in one and a half minutes. Taking up the offensive, the Hussars heavily pressed their opponents and had scored another goal at the end of the chukker.

Second Chukker.—The Hussars at once took the offensive and managed to keep in the Deccan Horse territory most of the time, thus giving Mr. Ross lots of work. A clever pass by Mr. Neilson to Captain Watkin, gave the latter a fine opportunity which he took, and notched another goal for the Hussars and the chukker ended :—4th Hussars 3 goals 1 subsidiary ; 29th Deccan Horse 2 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—This commenced with fast up and down play in which the Naick did some splendid riding off. It was three minutes before there was any score, and then the 20th Deccan got in a ripping goal which was followed by some exceptionally fast runs by the Hussars, Mr. Neilson at this time playing a grand game. Hussars had repeated chances, but they failed again and again to score owing to the gallant defence of the two native riders, who were working like Trojans for their side, Mr. Campbell Ross seeming to fall of in form and dash.

Fourth Chukker.—Deccan Horse had some splendid chances in this chukker, especially, when through a nasty fall which Mr. Steele sustained, they had matters practically all their own for a few minutes But Mr. Steele, was with his comrades in a jiffy, and prevented the Deccans from adding more than one goal and subsidiary to their score. Although the Hussars seemed sore pressed at times, their ponies too were not up their opponents' in this chukker. Great excitement prevailed at the prospects of the next chukker, the Deccan seeming to have considerably bucked up.

Fifth Chukker.—Ten seconds from the bell the Hussars hit a very clever goal and keeping on the offensive played one of the neatest games ever seen on this ground. Mr. Black-Hawkins and Captain Watkin scored a goal each for their side, and altogether the Hussars made rings round the Deccan Horse by the finish of the chukker, which ended 4th Hussars 6 goals 2 subsidiaries ; 20th Deccan Horse 3 goals 3 subsidiaries.

But there was another two minutes and eight seconds to play and excitement was at fever height again, although the odds were great against the Deccan Horse. Nothing daunted both Major Jones and Captain Ross made a splendid dash to reduce the score, at least and by a brilliant run and a magnificent stroke at the end of it, Captain Campbell Ross scored another goal which left the 4th Hussars victors by 6 goals 2 subsidiaries to 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries.

The principal speaker at an election meeting in the North, in the early eighties, was continually interrupted by a cry of "What did Gladstone say in '68?" from a man at the back of the hall where the crowd was at its thickest. "Shut up," "Put him out," etc., arose on all sides, but this only seemed to encourage the individual in question to further efforts, and it was not until the chuckers-out had done their duty the peace reigned once more. Some friends, afterwards, amazed at his unwonted interest in political matters, asked him, "What *did* Gladstone say in '68, anyhow?" "Oh, ah dunno," he replied. "ah wanted a drink, and ah cuddn't get out."

At school little Charlie, being one of the geography class was deeply interested in learning the points of the compass. Said the teacher : "You have in front of you the north ; on your right the east on your left the west. What have you behind you ? After a moment's reflect on Charlie exclaimed, "A patch on my pants."

Rowing.

CALCUTTA ROWING CLUB.

SECOND REGATTA.

Committee.

Mr. J. W. Barrett	Mr. C. W. N. Graham
Mr. W. S. Burke	Mr. G. C. Maconchy
Mr. A. M. Clark	Mr. F. E. H. Power

Starter and Umpire—Mr. F. E. H. Power.
Judge—Mr. W. S. Burke.

Saturday, 30th July 1904.

THE first regatta of the season having been abandoned, the Committee of the Calcutta Rowing Club apparently made up their minds that there should be no mistake with their second fixture. This was brought to a conclusion this afternoon before a small but appreciative gallery, who were agreed that the afternoon's doings were replete with interest and the racing considerably above the average in quality. The preliminary heats were brought off on Thursday and Friday, and of course it rained heavily on the first day, and even this afternoon the proceedings were ushered in with a couple of smart showers. Much interest was taken in the preparation of the crews for the Class Fours, but this was not carried out without incidents which threatened to wreck the event. The temporary indisposition of two members of the Peepulputty crew ended in their scratching : the Merchants for the same reason had to find a substitute for number 2 the day before the finals, while on Friday evening their cox fell a victim to a carriage accident ! But the preliminary heat and the final gave us two pretty races, the winners in each case securing the verdict by a few feet and in better time than has yet been done over the half mile course in tub fours The victory of the Services was somewhat of a surprise, for three of the crew were novices ; they, however, had the advantage of all being extremely fit, and this, together with sheer hard plugging, brought them through Wilson was most fancied for the Junior Sculls and Watson was second favourite, but they both succombed to Burke, (Jr.) who, sculling in one of the old skiffs, managed to beat them and at the same time knock very many seconds off the previous best time The Ladies' Sculling Race, viewed in the light of the keenness of the contestants and the closeness of the finishes, was one of the best features in the regatta. The usual scratch fours brought the afternoon to a close, and the prizes were distributed by Mrs R. P. Wilson. Details :—

CLASS FOURS—¼ Mile.

First Heat.

Kidderpore Station. The Services,				*Calcutta Station.* The Banks,	
Capt. H.W Gardiner	Bow			H. Langford,	Bow
Lieut. H E. Szczepanski	2			A. J. M. Carroll	2
Capt. R P. Wilson	3	beat		L. R. Carter	3
Dr. W. C. Hossack	Stroke			C. V. Green,	Stroke
Mrs. Szczepanski	Cox			D. Carvill,	Cox

They were sent off to a fairly good start and were level for a couple of hundred yards, the Services rowing a short quick stroke and the Bankers keeping it fairly long. The Service boat quickened up about the middle of the course and were more than half a length ahead when they were two hundred yards from the post. After this the Bankers began a good spurt which was, however, timed too late, for, though they were overhauling the leaders at every stroke at the finish and had got the nose of their boat in front two strokes *past* the post, they were beaten by about a yard, after a most excellent race. Time—2mins 56⅕secs.

Second Heat.

The Merchants.				Peepulputty.	
H. W. Hales	Bow			G. Watson	Bow
H. S. Bull	2			G. Peddie	2
C. S. Wilson	3	vs.		J. Graves	3
J. M. LeCocq	Stroke			F. R. S. Charles	Stroke
J. Massey Dawson	Cox			Miss Maxwell	Cox

Peepulputty having scratched, the Merchants had a row over and went straight into the final.

Final.

Calcutta Station.		*Kidderpore Station.*
The Services	beat	The Merchants

Despatched on level terms, the Services crept ahead till at the half distance they had a lead of about three quarters of a length and looked as if they might draw away. The Merchants, however hung on and came up fast in their finishing spurt (which was unfortunateiy spoilt by their stroke unshipping his oar) and were beaten by about two feet. Time—2mins 53secs.

JUNIOR SCULLS.—¼ mile.

First Heat.

C. S. Wilson *vs.* H. S Bull (scratched.)

Second Heat.

Calcutta Station.		*Kidderpore Station.*
G. Watson	beat	H. W. Hales.

This was practically a paddle over for the winner, who having disposed of his opponent after three hundred yards increased his lead to about five lengths, an advantage he maintained to the finish. Time—3mins. 15⅕secs.

Third Heat.

W. C. Burke, a bye.

Fourth Heat.

Calcutta Station.		*Kidderpore Station.*
W. C. Burke	beat	C. S. Wilson.

They were let go to a good start Burke soon getting a lead which he increased to about two lengths when half the course had been sculled : Wilson began to decrease the gap from this course and in a capital finish Burke lasted out and won by something less than the length of his canvas. Time—2mins. 49secs.

Final.

Calcutta Station.		*Kidderpore Station*
W. C. Burke	beat	G. Watson

Burke shot ahead at once and maintaining the lead throughout, while encouraged by yells of "go it Dryden" from an old Oundelian on the bank, won by six feet. Time—2mins. 52 secs. (record).

LADIES' RACE—300 YARDS.

First Heat.

Mrs. R. P. Wilson *vs.* Miss Norman (scratched.)

Second Heat.

Kidderpore Station.		*Calcutta Station.*
Mrs. Hume Spry	beat	Miss. Hingley
H. Langford cox		Mrs. Oakley cox

The winner established a lead soon after the start and won easily by two lengths. Time—1 min 43secs.

Third Heat.

Miss Maxwell beat Mrs. Scott (scratched).

Fourth Heat.

Mrs. Szczepanski a bye.

Semi-Final.

Calcutta Station.		*Kidderpore Station.*
Mrs. R. P. Wilson	beat	Mrs. Szczepanski
Dr. W. C. Hossack Cox		Mrs. Beachcroft Cox

A comfortable win, Mrs Wilson leading throughout and finishing two and a half lengths in front of her opponent. Time—1min. 34secs.

Kidderpore Station.		*Calcutta Station.*
Mrs. Hume Spry	beat	Miss. Maxwell
H. Langford Cox		F. R. S. Charles Cox

A capital race. They kept together till a hundred yards from home when Miss Maxwell had a lead of half a length, but a strong spurt by her opponent brought them level before they came abreast of the pontoon and gave Mrs. Spry the victory by about three feet. Time—1min. 40secs.

Final.

Calcutta Station.		*Kidderpore Station.*
Mrs. R. C. Wilson	beat	Mrs. Hume Spry
Dr. W. C. Hossack Cox		H. Langford Cox

SCRATCH FOURS—¼ MILE.

First Heat.

Kidderpore Station.				*Calcutta Station.*	
H. W. Hales	Bow			W. D. Braithwaite	Bow
Lt. H. E. Szczepanski	2			A. J. Carroll	2
L. R. Carter	3	beat		J. Black	3
F. R. S. Charles	Stroke			C. V. Green	Stroke
Mrs. Szczepanski	Cox			D. Carvill Cox	

Won by a length and a half. Time—1min. 16secs.

Second Heat.

Kidderpore Station.				*Calcutta Station.*	
Dr. W. C. Hossack	Bow			H. Langford	Bow
H. A. Smyth	2			Lt. W. Hume Spry	2
J. A. Tassie	3	beat		Capt. R. P. Wilson	3
J. M. LeCocq	Stroke			J. W. Barrett	Stroke
Mrs. R. P. Wilson	Cox			D. Carvill Cox	

Won by two lengths. Time—1min 20secs.

Final.

Calcutta Station.		*Kidderpore Station.*
Mr. J. M. LeCocq's crew	beat	Mr F. R. S. Charles' crew.

Won easily by two and a half lengths. Time—1min. 12secs.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 15th July 1904.*

FROM the commencement of the motor movement, or rather from the time that motor cars proved practical conveyances, there has been a demand for a cheap car that would not be beyond the dreams of men with moderate means. We refer more to a car costing about £100 to £150. It was some time before manufacturers devoted their attention to the requirements of the humbler members of the community ; they could not turn out the eight or ten hundred pounds cars quick enough, so it was not likely they were going to trouble about the cheaper car. At last a few makers put on the market a small cheap car which they termed a voiturette. but as these were invariably fitted with an engine only developing 3½ or 4½ horse-power, it is not surprising that they failed to give satisfaction. Apart from frequent breakdowns, the engines were nothing like sufficiently powerful to mount an ordinary hill and the passengers were obliged to alight and frequently help in the undignified process of pushing the car up. It was not long before the discovery was made that these so termed cheap cars were expensive luxuries and a continual source of worry into the bargain.

Here we are in 1904 and the man of moderate means is still waiting for his motor. How much longer he will have to wait rests entirely with the members of the trade, for there is no doubt that if they were so inclined a car costing about £150 could be produced to-morrow: not a toy that carries the outward appearance of a motor but possesses no insides, but a sturdy reliable car that would go up hill and down dale at a speed well up to the legal limit. What the public require is an inexpensive car ; simple, reliable and possessing seating accommodation for three or four persons. High speed must not be entertained, sixteen or eighteen miles an hour would be sufficient, but the engine must develop sufficient power to easily mount any ordinary hills. The wheels might be shod with solid tyres since speed is not required, and this would reduce the initial cost as well as keep down the cost of upkeep. The aim of the maker who comes to the rescue of the middle-class man must be to simplify the engine and works, discarding as much as possible the formidable mechanical devices found in the high priced cars which require a skilled mechanic to understand, and, to produce a car which anyone with ordinary ability or intelligence could manage himself.

I did not stay in London last Saturday to attend the cycle meeting at Crystal Palace track, but accepted a seat on a friend's car and ran up to Manchester, starting on the Friday evening and so covering the best part of a hundred miles over night. As to the run up I do not intend saying more than that we arrived in Manchester in nice time for a good lunch before making our way to the race track where the Manchester Wheelers were holding their coming of age meeting. My object in travelling so far afield was to confirm my opinion as to the riding of E. Payne, the promising rider—indeed, I should say the crack rider—of Worcester. My opinion of this rider was more than substantiated, indeed, he is a marvel, possessing a wonderful turn of speed and judgment that few riders have ever equalled. One can only regret that he has not the facility of training on an up-to-date track ; if he had, no one could touch him. It was in the race for the new Muratti Gold Vase a little trophy valued at 110 guineas, that Payne displayed such judgment. The distance was ten miles and the starters consisted of the leading speedmen of the northern counties :—T. Sherratt of Wigan, H. Monks, E. Payne, J. S. Benyon, Lawcock, Banks, and several others. Early in the race Sherratt bent on breaking up the field, piled on the pace with Benyon freezing on to his back wheel. Faster and faster he went, but Benyon would not be dropped and the pair established a good lead from the crowd. But they gained the lead at a great price for all the while Payne was riding at an even pace and eventually caught up the two exhausted riders and even did a little pacing Towards the finish of the race he took an easy position about third or fourth place, and awaited the bell signaling the last lap. When the bell rang out, Payne's head dropped, and he started on his long lap sprint arriving home a good two lengths ahead of Benyon in 24mins. 57⅗secs. It was a grand race at a grand meeting, which the 20,000 spectators fully appreciated. I have not seen a better attended meeting for some considerable time, and the Manchester Wheelers must have reaped a harvest of about £1,000 over the afternoon's sport. They have always been fortunate in having fine weather : in the twenty-one years that they have held meetings rain only interfering on one occasion.

A gentleman living in Croydon, through which the famous Brighton Road runs, devoted two hours of a recent Sunday morning in counting the numbers of motors and cycles that passed a certain point on the outskirts of the town. Motor-cars numbered 125 containing 178 men and 50 ladies ; there were 125 lady cyclists and 1,797 male cyclists, in all 2,047 or 17 per minute. The small number of lady cylists would almost indicate that there was a falling off in lady riders, but it must be remembered that a large majority of ladies never ride on Sundays, since they have the whole week to devote to cycling, while many of those who do, prefer to seek out less frequented roads where they would not be inconvenienced by the clouds of dust raised by cars and cycles.

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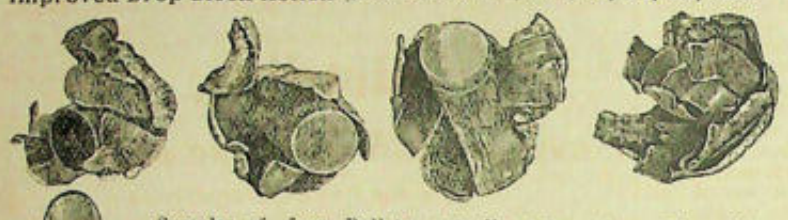
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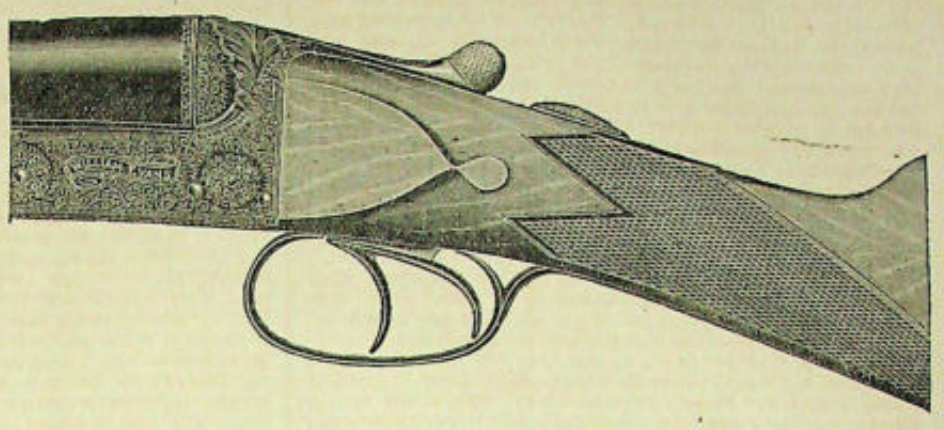
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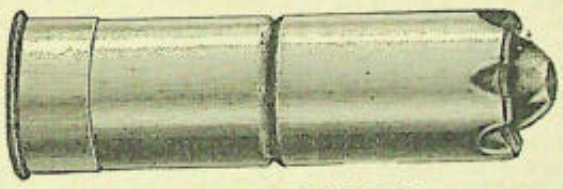
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At last there are hopes of the long standing dispute between the National Cyclists' Union and the Scottish Cyclists' Union on the one part, and the Irish Cyclists' Association on the other part, being satisfactorily settled. Some two or three years ago the Irish lady, annoyed at the International Union suspending two of their best amateurs, resigned from that body without even giving necessary notice as stipulated in the agreement, with the result that the Irish riders have been unable to compete in England or Scotland and the riders affiliated to the Unions of these two countries from racing in Ireland, an unfortunate state of affairs that has fallen much harder on the Irishmen, since their area of racing is more restricted. The National Cyclists' Union, however, has now offered to arrange a Conference in London with the view of terminating the International dispute and the Irish Cyclists' Association have unanimously agreed to the basis of arbitration as suggested by the National Cyclists' Union. In the interest of the pastime it is to be hoped that a satisfactory arrangement will be arrived at.

There is a police officer at Skyness who possesses great determination and pluck, but unfortunately lacks the ability of effecting a dignified capture when mounted on a bicycle. Not long ago a man had stolen a ladies' bicycle from a lady of the town, and hearing that the thief had taken a certain road the constable mounted his bicycle and started in hot pursuit. After some miles of fast riding he had the satisfaction of coming up with his man, and the capture appeared an easy matter. But not so. The officer had never experienced capturing a man whilst mounted on a cycle and his first attempt resulted in the dignified officer falling on to the roadway. Nothing daunted, the brave man again mounted his machine and after a chase of another eight miles in length he was once more alongside of the thief. This time he displayed more caution in collaring the man and they rode along together neck and neck for several more miles and still the thief was free. At last the officer fearing that he might lose his man altogether, adopted the effectual though undignified method of charging the thief's cycle, and the pair rolled over together into a ditch, the policeman's cycle, being a complete wreck.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY

HINDU GYMKHANA *vs.* BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—Played on the 30th ultimo, resulting in a draw. Score :—

HINDU GYMKHANA.

Banda, c Langhorne, b Aston	...	73
G Khote, c and b Powell	...	36
Pai, c Powell, b Aston	...	27
Telang, b Ainsworth	...	20
Date, not out	...	21
Balo, Dashete, Daderker, Rane, Diveker, Vakil	Did not bat	
Extras	...	21
Total (4 wkts.)	...	189

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr Aston, b Date	...	8
Mr Powell, b Date	...	7
Mr Philbrick, b Vakil	...	38
Maj Carnegy, b Date	...	8
Capt Langhorne, not out	...	11
Mr Coombs, not out	...	4
Mr Burney, Mr Marsh, Mr Bond, Mr Ainsworth, Mr Macdonald	Did not bat	
Extras	...	24
Total (4 wkts.)	...	100

CRICKET AT POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* DECCAN COLLEGE.—This match was played on the 27th and 28th instant and resulted in a win for the Gymkhana by eight wickets. Score :—

POONA GYMKHANA.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Capt Greig, c and b Toro ...	1	b Toro	34
Mr Noake, c Khote, b Toro ...	0	not out	14
Capt Langton, c Khote, b Toro	22	not out	5
Colonel Stevens, c Thanedar, b Plunkett ...	4	c Plunkett, b Toro ...	13
Mr A D Wilkins, c Prince Shivajirao, b Toro ...	23	Did not bat	
Mr Kearsey, b Plunkett ...	22		
Mr Hartley, c Plunkett, b Toro ...	1		
Mr Yates, c Plunkett, b Toro	4		
Mr A N Other, c Umfreville, b Toro	27		
Mr Thew, c Thanedar, b Toro	23		
Capt Douglas, not out ...	10		
Extras	10	Extras	0
Total ...	150	Total (for 2 wkts.) ...	66

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Plunkett ...	25	3	58	2	5	0	22	0
Toro ...	26	3	78	8	8	0	31	2
Medhi ...	2	0	4	0	35	1	14	0

The oldest newspaper in the world is the Chinese journal *King-Pau* or *Capital Sheet*, which was first published at Peking in the year 911. For nearly two centuries and a half the paper only appeared at irregular intervals, but after the year 1351 it was published weekly for over 500 years until 1882, when it started to bring out three editions every day.

DECCAN COLLEGE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr Modak, b Greig ...	13	b Greig	63
Mr Munshi, c and b Umfreville	1	b Umfreville ...	0
Mr Cursetjee, b Greig ...	4	c Kearsey, b Greig ...	8
Mr Wadia, c Stevens, b Umfreville	1	c and b Stevens ...	1
Prince Shivajirao, b Greig ...	0	c and b Umfreville ...	46
Mr Thanedar, c Greig, b Umfreville	8	c and b Greig ...	0
Mr Toro, c Douglas, b Umfreville	1	not out	14
Mr Gogte, c and b Greig ...	10	c Kearsey, b Umfreville...	1
Mr Khote, not out ...	0	b Greig	3
Mr Plunkett, b Stevens ...	0	b Stevens	16
Mr Medhi b Stevens ...	0	st Kearsey, b Greig ...	1
Extras	9	Extras	12
Total ...	47	Total ...	165

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings O.	M.	R.	W.
Umfreville ...	9	1	25	3	10	2	36	3
Greig ...	11	3	11	4	17·1	3	65	5
Stevens ...	3	0	2	3	15	4	34	2
Noake ...	0	0	0	0	3	0	18	0

CRICKET AT KARACHI.

KARACHI GYMKHANA *vs.* PARSIS.—Played on the 23rd ultimo, the Gymkhana winning by 100 runs. The Parsis went in first and put up 84, N. M. Dinshaw (38) being top scorer: Newton bowled well for the Gymkhana, taking seven wickets for 25 runs. F. L. Sprott played a splendid innings, making 72 in excellent style. Score :—

PARSIS.

M M Dinshaw, c Chetham, b Thomas	5
P D Dastur, c Newton, b Barnes	15
J D Minwalla, c Chetham, b Barnes	10
N M Dinshaw, b Newton	38
N J Mobed, b Newton	5
K B Dadina, b Newton	4
B T Gorwalla, c Ussher, b Newton	1
N C Majainah, c Price, b Newton	1
B H Ghadially, b Newton	0
B H Mehta, not out	1
F H Mehta, b Newton	0
Extras	4
Total ...	84

KARACHI GYMKHANA.

Captain Price, b Mobed	3
G W Wilson, b Gorwalla	2
F L Sprott, c Dadina, b Gorwalla	72
Lieut Ussher, b Mobed	16
Lieut Thomas, c Gorwalla, b B Mehta	22
E B Newton b Gorwalla	10
G R Chetham, b Gorwalla	10
O M Barnes, not out	25
C B McIver, b N Dinshaw c Gorwalla	1
E B Beatson, b Ghadially	5
M H Reynolds, b B Mehta	8
Extras	10
Total ...	184

KARACHI GYMKHANA BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E B Newton	15	5	25	7
H E Thomas	7	0	21	1
O M Barnes	7	2	19	2
S Ussher	1	0	16	0

PARSI BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
B T Gorwalla	17	2	45	5
N J Mobed	14	2	50	2
B H Mehta	8	0	23	2
B M Ghadially	7	1	13	1

CRICKET AT DHARWAR

DHARWAR GYMKHANA *vs.* HIGH SCHOOL.—This match played on the 24th ultimo resulted in a win for the Gymkhana on the first innings. Scores :—

DHARWAR GYMKHANA.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr Harrison, b Desai	13	run out	6
Mr Gibb, b Desai ...	11	l-b-w ... —	13
Mr Oliver, b Petaker ...	7	b Petaker	34
Mr Crump, b Petaker ...	36	b Petaker	8
Mr Wilson, c and b Petaker	6	b Aldipur	10
Dr Greyfoot, b Petaker ...	19	b Petaker	8
Mr Renben, b Petaker ...	0	run out	0
Mr Eurner, c Desai ...	9	not out	2
Mr Saugar, c Desai ...	7	b Petaker	16
Mr Pundre, c Desai ...	3	b Petaker	3
Mr Dharwarkar, not out ...	1	c Petaker	2
Extras ...	20	Extras —	7
Total ...	132	Total ...	109

GOVERNMENT HIGH SCHOOL.—

Mujimdar, st	10
Aldipur, b Dharwarkar —	12
Sirur, R A, b Dharwarkar	4
Dhareshwadi Crump	2
Desai, c Oliver, b Dharwarkar	2
Petaker, b Crump	0
Umadi, c Wilson, b Sungar	6
Yasuff, b Oliver, ... —	13
Sirur, R G b Oliver	9
Kankanwadi, not out	6
Despandi, b Oliver	6
Extras	14
Total ...	84

A correspondent, inspired by recent events on the links, sends us a golfing question :—When was it that Alex. Herd Johnny Ball? The answer, of course, is when James Braid.

"One of the scientists says virtue is merely a disease with some people." "My goodness!" exclaimed the lady who was preparing for a season in New York society, "I wonder if it's catching?"

"For ten years," said the new boarder, "my habits were as regular as clockwork. I rose on the stroke of six; half an hour later was down at breakfast; at seven I was at work; dined at twelve; ate supper at six, and was in bed at 9-30; ate only hearty food, and hadn't a day's illness all the time."

"Dear me," said a hearer, in sympathetic tones; "and what were you in for?"

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

BANGALORE *vs.* BELLARY.—This two days' fixture was concluded on the 28th ultimo, and resulted in a win for Bangalore by 50 runs. The scoring was low, H. P. Ainslie (35 not out), doing best for the visitors, while H. A. Harris (31) and B. A. Manson (30) were top scorers for Bangalore. Manson also bowled with success, taking 8 wickets for 48 runs in the second innings. Standage secured five for 19 in the first innings. Score :—

BANGALORE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H A Harris, b Rollo ...	34	c Puckle, b Dawson ...	1
O L Ruck, c Mitford, b de Hoghton	1	b Rollo	1
B E A Manson, b de Hoghton	9	b Rollo	30
G M Parker, b Rollo ...	2	l-b-w, b Rollo ...	7
R F Standage, c de Hoghton, b Rollo	1	run out	21
G J Hanson, c Watney, b Rollo	0	c Ainslie, b de Hoghton	18
F Copeland, b Rollo ...	1	l-b-w, b Rollo ...	0
E R Udal, b De Hoghton ...	6	c Hildebrand, b Rollo	14
R Moss King, b de Hoghton	10	c Watney, b Rollo ...	12
F Jollie, b de Hoghton ...	15	c Hildebrand, b Rollo	0
C S Rolland, not out ...	0	not out	1
Extras	17	Extras	17
Total ...	96	Total	122

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R.	M.	W.
De Hoghton ...	17·1	39	4	5	15	33	3	1
Rollo ...	14	28	3	5	17·3	57	3	7
Dawson ...	2	9	0	0	4	15	1	1
Hildebrand ...	1	6	0	0	—	—	—	—

BELLARY

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
O W Watney, b Ruck ...	0	not out	21
H P Ainstie, not out ...	35	c Udal, b Manson ...	12
J P Mitford, c Parker, b Standage	7	l-b-w, b Manson ...	4
H A Hildebrand, b Standage ...	1	b Udal	1
H A Irwin, run not ...	4	c and b Manson ...	0
H J Dawson, b Standage ...	0	c Ruck, b Manson ...	0
F De Hoghton, b Copeland ...	1	c Hanson, b Manson...	12
L D Rollo, b Udal	5	c Rolland, b Manson...	4
C T Mullins c Copeland, bStandage	24	b Manson... ...	2
T N Puckle, c Ruck, b Copeland	0	b Udal	16
R W Formby, b Standage ...	1	c Udal, b Manson ...	10
Extras	5	Extras ...	3
Total	83	Total...	85

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R	M.	W.
Manson ...	—	—	—	—	17·3	48	4	8
Ruck ...	6	20	0	1	3	4	1	0
Standage ...	13·1	19	5	5	5	11	1	0
Copeland ...	11	15	3	2	—	—	—	—
Udal ...	4	10	0	1	10	19	3	2
Rolland ...	4	5	2	0	—	—	—	—
Harris ...	3	9	1	0	—	—	—	—

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

LAHORE *vs.* N.-W. RAILWAY.—This match was played at Lahore last week and resulted in a win for the Railway. Scores :—

N.-W. RAILWAY.

Captain Freeland, b Russell	37
W M Cargill, l-b-w, b Gamble	30
O Watkins, c Coley, b Russell	3
C G Fink, c Coley, b Russell	12
T C Fisher, c Fothergill-Cook, b Russell ...	5
H M C Trotter, b Russell	10
M Clifford, b Russell	3
R F G Scott, c Hutchinson, b Frizelle ...	0
Major Waghorn, not out	10
F B Clough, not out	24
V Boalth, did not bat....	0
Extras ...	6
Total ...	140

LAHORE.

A G Hutchinson, l-b-w, b Freeland ...	24
A Fothergill-Cooke, c Scott, b Fink ...	1
V H Wilson, b Freeland	19
F A Mackenzie, c Cargill, b Fink ...	2
D Russell, c Trotter, b Fink	5
D Coley, b Freeland...	3
S Freemantle, b Fisher	9
C H Crocker, not out	27
R W Rennick, c Clifford, b Fink ...	13
R A Gamble, Capt. Frizelle } absent	
Extras ...	1
Total ...	104

SUBALTERNS *vs.* THE WORLD.—Played at Lahore on 25th and 26th July and resulted in an easy win for the Subalterns.

THE WORLD.

V H Wilson, c Russell, b Humphreys ...	24
D Coley, c Freemantle, b Humphreys ...	7
Captain Freeland, b Humphreys ...	0
Major McLeod, b Russell	4
R A Gamble, c Anderson, b Waring ...	3
F A Robertson, c Rennick, b Russell ...	5
F A Mackenzie, b Crocker	30
Captain Frizelle, b Crocker	22
A Fothergill-Cooke, b Crocker	3
F B Clough, b Humphreys ...	16
P H Macfarlane, not out	0
Extras	9
	123

THE SUBALTERNS.

Heron, c Freeland, b Coley	28
Crocker, b Wilson	13
Humphreys, b Fothergill-Cooke ...	27
Hutchinson, b Fothergill-Cooke...	54
Russell, b Fothergill-Cooke ...	32
Freemantle, b Fothergill-Cooke ...	22
Rennick, c Macfarlane, b Coley ...	12
Tayler, not out	5
Anderson, b Wilson	4
McMahon, b Wilson	0
Hebert, absent	0
Extras	10
	202

CRICKET CHAT.

E. H. D. SEWELL, the erstwhile Madras cricketer and Essex County player took, a little relaxation from the exigences of first-class cricket during the week, 1st to 7th July, and played in two club games with very different results. In the first games for Moor Hall *vs.* Incogniti he only scored 4 and 6, but his failure with the bat was in large degree atoned for by his success with the ball as he captured eight wickets for six runs apiece. In the second match the old Bedfordian accomplished a rare feat. Playing for Essex Club and Ground *vs.* Forest School he scored 232 which included twenty-nine fours and a six, and only just missed taking all ten wickets in his opponents' innings accounting for nine of them for 41 runs. T. G. M. Harris, the old Reptonian and Bombay Presidency cricketer playing for the old Reptonians *vs.* Hampstead C.C. was not very successful only scoring 6 and taking one wicket Captain R. E. E. Krickenbeck, another well-known Bombay player, was equally unsuccessful in a match for Surbiton against the Wanderers, being only able to notch 2.

Ernest Steel, the old Bombay cricketer, scored 39 and 12 for Liverpool and District against Cambridge University and captured six wickets in the first innings for 65 runs. Major C. E. Greenway, the old Calcutta cricketer, has been batting in very fine form for Incogniti and in a recent club match—Married *vs.* Single—scored 42.

The first news I have had this season of the doings of the Quetta cricketers, will be particularly interesting to Bombay Presidency cricketers by reason of the success of Captain L. M. R. Deas, the Presidency fast bowler, who only arrived in the Station from England a few weeks ago. Playing for the Gymkhana against a Garrison eleven he curiously enough proved a comparative failure as a bowler, but met with great success with the bat scoring 92 out of the total of 197 made by his side, and having the bad luck to be given out caught off a bump ball. The only other batsman on the side who did at all well was Captain Sarel a brother of the player of the same name, who has occasionally helped Surrey this year. The Garrison team gave a poor display being dismissed twice for an aggregate of 115. In the first innings they could not make head or tail of T. Pearce's deliveries, the old Sukkur, who had the remarkably fine figures of 9 wickets for 13 runs. In the second innings, Vernon Harcourt secured seven wickets for 21 runs, also a useful performance. The Presidency Selection Committee might go further and fare worse than look for a couple of bowlers at Quetta.

It's a far cry from Quetta to Bangalore, but to the latter station I must turn next where two very interesting games have been played during the past week. In the first of these which was between the Subalterns of the station and The Rest the Subalterns won an exciting game by 13 runs. Their team was a strong one and included B. E. A. Manson, the Madras and Bombay Presidency player, E. R. Udal, one of the members of the cricketing brotherhood of that name, H. J. H. Davson, who has earned a great reputation in Bellary cricket as a bat during the past two years, H. A. Hildebrand, the old Marlburian, C. S. Rolland and R. Cooper. Manson proved to be the highest contributor in their innings of 135 with 27, and Cooper 20, and Hanson 17 did best of the other six men who obtained double figures. Captain Standage and Major Jollie bowled well for The Rest, each taking three wickets for 15 and 26 runs, respectively. The feature of the match from a batting point of view was the fine innings of 57 by P. L. Moore for The Rest. Captain Copeland (14), Buckle (14), and Dredge (12), were the only other men who entered double figures, most of the side being completely at sea with the bowling of Ruck who captured four wickets for 11 runs. The other match was between teams got up by Captain Standage and Major Jollie, the chief feature of which was the excellent innings played by E. R. Udal, for the latter side which won by 17 runs. The old Wykehamist scored 49 out of the total of 108, the only other double figures on the side being J. Russell's 15, and General Nixon's 13. The first-named bowled well, taking six wickets for 32 runs. H. A. Harris with 22 was the largest contributor to the total of Captain Standage's side. Captain Standage who showed such fine form last season has not been able to do much so far this season, but will doubtless come on later.

Cricket at Bellary seems to have taken a new lease of life, but I hardly dare put this down to the remarks I made a couple of weeks ago, regarding the slackness of cricketers of the station. Anyhow the game is being played with greater keenness now, and in a recent match between the Musketry School and The Rest of Bellary, some good cricket was shown by both sides. Captain Ainslie played a fine innings of 57 for the school which with double figure contributions from de Hoghton, Matthews, Jeffreys, Homan, and Strickland brought the total up to 179. The Rest had unfortunately to bat two short and were only able to compile 129. H. C. Sinclair, the old Dharwar player, scored 60, and C. W. Watney, the old Sherbornian, 33. The latter also bowled well taking five wickets.

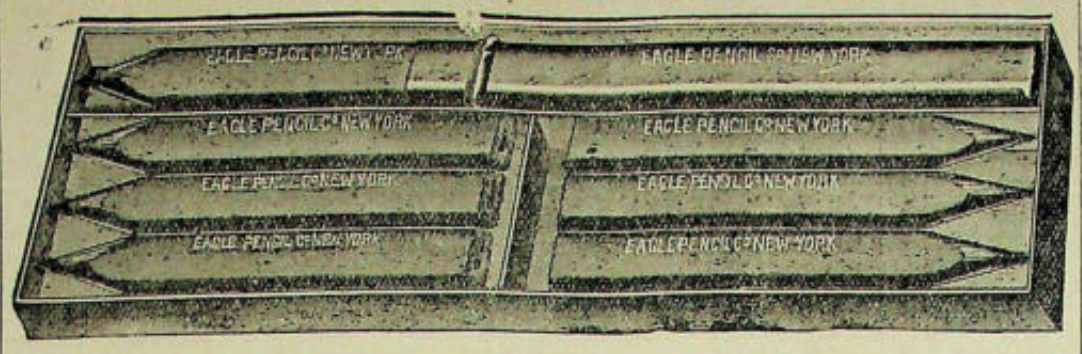
My notes this week take me practically all over India and I must cover a long distance from Bellary to Mhow. Matches at the latter station are invested with considerable interest to Presidency supporters in view of the probable selection of one or more Mhow players for the match against the Parsees. In a game last Thursday between the Gymkhana and the York and Lancaster Regiment several good performances were recorded. The Gymkhana who totalled 165 had chiefly to thank Captain E. Sanlez, who contributed 53 and then had to retire as scores were limited to 50. Another player, H. P. Chaplin, who is considered to have a good chance of being selected to play for the Presidency scored 32, while Colonel Aspinall contributed 23. The York and Lancaster scored 118 for four wickets, Lieutenant Pratt with 52 and Lieutenant Bird with 36 doing best. A. C. Cameron who captured five wickets bowled well for the regiment.

The curtain has rung down on the Naini Tal season which this year has been more interesting than usual. In the last match of the season which was between the Gymkhana and The Station, the former won easily by 99 runs. Harris (70), Marr-Johnstone (34), Norrington (33), Campbell (29), and Guest (17), all had successful knocks for the Gymkhana and the total was 214. The natives all wonder Ram Lall failed with the bat for The Station and only one batsman—Muttra Dutt—who carried his bat through the inning for 51 out of the total of 115 was able to do anything with the bowling. The P. and O. Co.'s mail steamer *Oceana* last Saturday carried away a number of well-known cricketers who are proceeding home on leave. Among them I noticed the names of Major Hon'ble F. W. Brand, the old Etonian and Mhow cricketer, J. Cornes, of the Bengal I. C. S. the old Cliftonian, Lieutenant R. M. Logan, who bowled so well for the Outstation *vs.* Simla this season, J. L. Maffy, of the United Provinces C. S., the old Rugbean, B. N. Bosworth-Smith, of the Punjab C. S., the old Harrovian and Middlesex County cricketer, Major W. C. Cox, Captain A. b. Longden, Lieutenant-Colonel T. H. Plumer, Major E. E. Norris, and Major S. Browne. Authentic reports of the wonderful batting form shown by Major Clifford this season reach me from Ahmedabad. In four matches played up to the beginning of last week this batsman was able to point to an average of over 200, his innings including two of three figures and several topping the half century. He was not out of course on several occasions which gives him his high average. 200 is a useful kind of average to have and makes one wonder what manner of batsman Major Clifford is. An indifferent batsman could certainly never hope to look near an average like this even if the bowling were the greatest tosh ever sent down.

The Dharwar Gymkhana recently took on the local school and defeated them by 48 runs on the first innings. J. Monteath was not playing, but L. C. Crump and Greyfoot, the local medico batted well while Oliver and Crump bowled effectively.

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Football.

I. F. A. CHALLENGE SHIELD.

SEMI-FINALS.

CALCUTTA *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—The meeting of these teams on the 27th instant was looked forward to with the greatest interest. The Dals had won two splendid games but were not in anything like good form when they met the premier club. The weather conditions were miserable and the ground in a very slippery state. The play throughout the first moiety was not very brilliant V. Sherman scored the first goal for Calcutta and the home team led at the interval. On changing ends Calcutta got going and quite out-played their opponents. H. Cooper and V. Sherman netted a goal each, the Dalhousie team being thus defeated by three goals to *nil*. Teams :—

CALCUTTA F. C.—Dodds, *goal*; Gahan and V Cooper, *backs*; Maunder, Crawford, and Ismay, *half-backs*; H. Sherman MacDonald, H Cooper, V Sherman and Cudlip, *forwards*.

DALHOUSIE F. C.—Street, *goal*; Templeton and Stimson, *backs*; Phelps, Wallace, and Dalling, *half-backs*; Prike, Bonar, Watts, Stewart, and Holley, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. Lees, Rangers F. C.

Final.

CALCUTTA *vs.* THE KING'S OWN.—The final in the tournament was played on the Calcutta ground last Saturday There was a huge crowd, and the charities, to whom the gate receipts went, must have benefited to a large extent. The rain came down at the beginning of the match and made the ground very greasy, play being very slow in consequence. The Soldiers went away at at the start, but Calcutta soon found their feet and began to press, and after one or two unsuccessful attacks a pass by Cudlip was banged through by H. Cooper. The game was very even till the interval. On resuming the rain spoilt the play and the game was very unintersting. Then the Soldiers made a great effort and pressed hard. They forced corner after corner but could not get through, and the game ended a win for Calcutta by a goal to *nil*. Teams:—

CALCUTTA F. C.—Dodds, *goal*; Gahan and V Cooper, *backs*; Ansell, Crawford and Maunder, *half-backs*; Cudlip, MacDonald, H. Cooper, V. Sherman and Ismay, *forwards*.

KING'S OWN.—Sinker, *goal*; Stokes and Mellor, *backs*; Quin, Standish and Leonard, *half-backs*; Whittingham, Carman, Ennis, Diggle and Jones, *forwards*.

Referee,—Mr. J. Grieg, D. F. C.

The following are complete results of the tournament :—

First Round.

King's Own beat Howrah United by 3 to 0.
Rangers beat Y M C A by 4 to 0.
Calcutta beat Hare Sporting by 2 to 0.
Dalhousie beat Hornets by 2 to 1, after a drawn of one all.

Second Round.

Calcutta beat Rangers by 2 to 0.
King's Own beat Chinsurah by 12 to 0.
Dalhousie beat the Royal Irish by 1 to 0.

Caledonians scratched to Sova Bazar (after two pointless draws) and one unfinished game.

Semi-Finals.

Calcutta beat Dalhousie by 3 to 0.
King's Own beat Sova Bazar by 13 to 0.

Final.

Calcutta F C beat King's Own by 1 to 0.

PREVIOUS WINNERS.

1893	18th Royal Irish	13	Entries.
1894	18th Royal Irish	15	"
1895	Royal Welsh	11	"
1896	Calcutta F C	12	"
1897	Delhousie F C	13	"
1898	Gloucesters	11	"
1899	South Lancashires	14	"
1900	Calcutta F C	13	"
1901	Royal Irish Rifles	14	"
1902	93rd Highlanders	13	"
1903	Calcutta F C	11	"
1904	Calcutta F C	12	"

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE King's Own defeated Sova Bazar on Thursday last by 12 or 13 goals to *nil*. One lost count of the score during the second half as goals were added so rapidly. Rain fell in torrents and the ground was more like a duck-pond than a football field, but the referee and both teams were determined the fixture should come off. As may be imagined, the game was more like water polo than football and needs no description.

Calcutta and the King's Own met on Saturday in the final struggle for the I. F. A. Shield, but unfortunately what should have been a great match was spoiled by rain. The ground was in splendid condition, but the heavy showers that fell at intervals during the evening made the turf so greasy that the players could at times hardly keep their feet, and the ball was so difficult to control that miskicks were frequent. The King's Own started off with a great rush, and Calcutta had a bad quarter of an hour, but their defence, though sorely tried, was equal to all emergencies, the halves and V. Cooper at back playing an excellent game, after getting over the nervousness of the first few minutes. Calcutta now and then got away, but it was not until nearly half time that their forwards became dangerous, and H. Cooper scored from an excellent pass by Cudlip. The teams crossed over with the score one to love in favour of the Civilians, and further scoring was confidently anticipated by the spectators, but although both teams seemed to have plenty of chances, the state of the ball prevented anything like accurate passing or shooting. During the final ten minutes the King's Own gained no less than five corners and pressed for all they were worth, so that it seemed almost certain they would make a draw of it, but Dodds and the back division were not to be beaten, and the game ended with the score as at half time.

Sinker played a good game in goal for the King's Own and the halves were in fairly good form, but the best man in the team was undoubtedly Mellor, who played a splendid game at back. Ennis was the pick of the forwards, but the others, although they played well, indulged in too much of the usual dodging in front of goal, and lost many an opportunity by playing too close together. It was unfortunate for Calcutta that H. Sherman, who played such a good game throughout the League, was unable to play owing to injuries received in the Dalhousie match, but Ismay, who took his place, was a good substitute and worked well throughout. H. Cooper was, as usual, the mainstay of the team, and considering the conditions, played a splendid passing game. Ansell was back in the half line, much to the relief of the Club's supporters, and considerably enhanced his reputation, and Crawford and Maunder were as good as ever. V. Cooper was the best of the backs, but in spite of a few miskicks, played excellently, and Dodds in goal was as safe as the proverbial church. The game cannot be compared with last year's magnificent struggle, but Calcutta deserved their win and Maunder, who has worked so hard to keep the team together, must have felt extremely proud when presented with the much coveted Shield.

Barring the final fight for the Trades' Cup and several minor pots in which native teams are chiefly interested, the Calcutta soccer season is over. We may not have had such brilliant football as in 1903, but competition has been as keen as ever and the close finish between the first four teams in the League, to say nothing of the Civil *vs.* Military match and the games played by Dalhousie in the Shield tournament, have provided lovers of the game with plenty of sensational incidents and some excellent sport.

It will be seen that Calcutta went through the tournament without having a single goal scored against them—a very creditable performance

In closing these "Notes" for the season it is but fitting that some mention should be made of those gentlemen who have given up so much of their spare time to act as referees, and in other ways to further the interests of the game. The hearty thanks of the sporting public are their due, and the best appreciation of their services we can offer is the wish that we may see the conduct of football affairs in the same hands next season.

TOUCH.

INDIA AT FOOTBALL.

AN IMPRESSION.

"TOOT TOOT" goes the Referee's whistle; then the brain grows dizzy with the babel of technicalities. You see as in a dream groups of panting, perspiring, mud bespattered figures, some in multicoloured raiment, and others almost *in puris naturalibis*. They rush, they push, they run a joust crab fashion with arms akimbo, they wallow in the sad coloured slush and rise to wallow again. Shins barked, hair dishevelled, faces flushed and eyes bloodshot, they bear down on the checkered posts with their bellying network. There is a frantic rush, a scrambling, tearing, bumping; down goes the goalkeeper, through the posts shoots the slimy leathern sphere, and then a hoarse shout of "Goal!" from thousands of voices. This is football on the Calcutta maidan.

The general tactics are the same all the world over perhaps, but then we have a special element in Calcutta; we have a distinct individuality in the matter of football crowds, and above all, we have variety. Variety of expression, variety of colour, variety of fragrance, and finally variety of ethics. If you don't believe it go and see for yourself. Don't go to see Calcutta play or New York or Regent Street, or the East Walkings, nor yet the Heaven's Own, the Pride of Champtollah 45th Lane, or the Spensarian aborigines of College Street; but go to see India play football. Stroll aimlessly on to our breezy inheritance. From our national note of exclamation, (revelling in the grandoise misnomer of the Ochterlony Monument) thread your way haltingly, observantly, past boundary flags and goal posts, right away into the armpits of our ancient popgun store and see what you see. Then tell me, if you can, that our great white civilization is not Heaven sent, that Britain should not have conscription, or that the feet you see are not feet of clay!

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I was on the maidan one evening. It doesn't matter which evening, but, if you really care, say Saturday evening, July, which, like "No. 1 Calcutta" is neither here nor there. The birds, etcetera, were chirping and so forth and the crows were noisily discussing the utility of the park of silent jingals from the jong which occupy a picturesque position under a clump of trees on the north of Ochterlony Road. On the base of the "Munimint" were littered the Cosmopolitan Cherubim and Seraphim of Bentinck Street, Crooked Lane, the purlieus of Esplanade East and Chowringhee, while around and about, as far as the eye could reach, was football.

Ahsin, little slanteyed Ahsin, with his pigtail writhing over his body, was beside me. There were also Ahsin's team and the

team of Yuhsin : five and-a-half in all, and a variegated rubber sphere copiously pitted, but withal a thing to be tossed on the little square toes of Ahsin and Yuhsin and the other venial sins. There was not much of a crowd watching the game, notwithstanding its celestial importance, so I had no difficulty in getting a favourable position. Ahsin had just scored his six hundred and fifth goal from a magnificent pass from the half when I moved on.

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Here a dense crowd was watching a game between soldiers and an active Bengalee team. Suddenly there was a goal scored, and in the confusion of exultation I contrived to deftly occupy a front place much to the chagrin of a brawny Scot who amused himself by squirting jets of fragrant nicotine with unerring aim into the fold of my trouser leg.

"Its nae gude (squirt) tae shute frae theer mon" bawled the chiel over my ear.

"Drubble it up an' centher" roared another.

"Now ye have it! Shute! Shute!! from a hundred throats.

Then "Goal! What? Weel if that's nae gule I'll be—"

"Hoot awa mon, canna ye see he was offside?

"Who's the Referee?" bawls a voice.

Whar did ye larn futeball? roars another.

"Chuck him oot" says a third. "Yer mighty shairp with yer whustle—and so forth and so on. It was getting too exciting. I pitied the Referee, but left him to his fate; for who could check the strident voice of the barracker?

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Here was peace. It was half time on the Bagh Bazaar Rangers' ground. I leant wearily against a tree and watched the checkered sunlight playing on a score of pink and white guernseys as the erstwhile muddied oafs denuded two sweetmen's trays of their greasy contents. Bepin had scored a goal in the first half and Bepin was "excellent player forsooth" Nobin was "shentre forward" and told of how by a "most beautiful" shot he had missed the posts by a fractional part of an inch. How radiant they looked! surely was he a great man who had brought this civilization into the land! I would have gone on soliliquising rapturously had not a fiendish meat pasty vendor near me stirred up his dying embers with a drop of oil and almost chocked me.

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I must hasten if I would see more football. I cross a road and come on another field, another crowd and another lot of footballers. It is a nice gentlemanly game. Silence among the players, a judicious enthusiasm among the audience and the occasional "toot toot" of the Referee. In fact a model game with nothing eventful, not even a foul to break the monotony of the ding donging and sky kicking There will be a goal perhaps, but I cannot wait to see it.

Through the crowds and the trees I discern more matche in progress. Round one is a solid wall of khaki—an inters company game I learn from enquiry. Here you see Tommy at his best. Every fibre in his anatomy is alive. He is fighting for honour—honour in the barrack room, round the mess table and in the canteen—in his own little world. It matters not to him what the civilians think, if they think at all, but at his supper of froth and Virginia he must be able to say how "A" won, how Gibson of the inner left took a clinking shot from a corner, how Jones saved a stinger, how he himself headed into goal out of a hot scrimmage, and all in the reek of the gurgling grog and the haze of a hundred pipes. So he plays on grim and determined.

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But this is only half of what you can see on the maidan. I must now cross the Via Appia with its double stream of silently gliding vehicles and liveried coachmen. I almost fear to tread on the sacred red dust for there up and down and down and up again go the Monsoon Gods and Goddesses, gazing languidly yet pityingly withal on the common herd of grovelling mortals below who knew not the joys of rubber tyres nor yet the pleasant rat tat of the bill collecting sircar. I hover for an instant over the wreck of a road lamp and then on and across, cowering under the withering glance of a Juno with two poodles. This by the way.

I am soon in the thick of the football again. I stand for awhile to watch a scrimmage near a goal. The custodian—I believe this is the correct word to use—is on pins and needles Would it come! and when? Ah here it is. Bounding, bumping. like a living thing it flies out of the riot of feet and is coming down strait for the posts. "Look out Smith." Smith is a burly back and of imminent resource. He looks out accordingly, but it is a warped vision, for he bears down on the ball and as it reaches his Trilbies he deftly and, I sorrow to say, most deliberately kicks it into touch. "Toot" goes the whistle and the goal is saved. What ingenuity! But it's football all the same—Calcutta football.

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All around me is a bewildering maze of active humanity. I stroll on slowly, watching now this game now that and before I know where I am I have come upon Jhuggroo's Night Hawks in desperate conflict with the Hogg Market Rovers under the distinguished leadership of Pultoo. I regret to say that just as I arrived a dispute was in progress as to the extact position of Pultoo's loincloth which served as one of the goal posts. Jhuggroo, with all the pride of race, was denouncing Pultoo and his following for having sinned most revoltingly in lessening the width of his goal posts. Of course it is questionable whether the umbrella and walking stick, which did duty as Jhuggroo's goal posts, had not already made for an *entente cordiale*, but I did not feel called upon to lend my face to the mutual recriminations in transit, and left accordingly having recorded my respectful protest on behalf of the I. F. A.

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Maung Bah's side had scarlet lungies on and Maung Tha Din's men were attired in a blue and white check. I don't know Burmese, I regret to acknowledge, so that when Kyan Maung jumped into the middle of Loong Quan's back, I did not understand the affectionate terms in which the latter spoke of the former's pretty Mah Thewe in distant Poozundaung. It must have been a foul, however, for Moung Thein Maung blew a syren whistle and Moung Bah had a free kick which little Pah O could not stop. I might mention, *en passant*, that I do not think much of the lungi as a football costume.

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"Along" as an old friend of mine used to say when he wanted us to get along. There is a vast concourse of people over there yonder. On barrels, boxes, benches, tables, stools, in fact on anything a few feet above terra firma, are people mounted. Beneath them: thousands, and below them, squatting on the sward or on chairs, thousands again. On the fringe are vendors of meat pies, monkey nuts, beetle, cigarettes and the like, crying their viands and wares loud above the cacophony of the crowd. I would tell you what they were calling and how they called it, were it not "bad form" to know Hindustani. I would have you believe, therefore that I know more vernacular than my friend who went with the coronation contingent to London. I am within ten yards of the crowd when I feel it. Like St. Anthony of old, I am beset by evil things, some carry small stools, others jabber and point frantically at already groaning tables They promise me the best view of the game that anybody could wish to have. Then comes one who calls me "Papa." I am touched. I reward him munificently with a two anna bit and clamber up beside a fine upstanding pair of grey tweeds. I am out-classed, however, and can but indistinctly see flashes of red darting about the field. But there is one kinder than the others, he makes room by taking off a bashfully drooping panama, and I see. They are playing a fine and fast game. Out of a scrimmage on the left wing shoots the ball. A man is on it in the instant and dribbles it rapidly up while the crowd shouts encouragement. Now others are charging down upon him and he is near to losing the ball. Quick as though he passes, but alas it is intercepted and hard kicking back sends the leather spinning into the opposite country.

Five minutes more "to play" says a man at my side, "They must look sharp now."

And so they do. They know as much as the man who spoke and perhaps more. There is another rush: They come down in a gallant line, passing from head to head and foot to foot, and so they work it up to within a few yards of the goal posts. Now or never! Into the centre shoots the ball, an active young fellow steadies it a moment, then shoots straight, hard and low. The goal keeper is beaten at last, and by one of the prettiest shots I have ever seen. There is a roar of applause, hats and umbrellas fly high in the air. But this is no time to gloat. They must still play the game and the other side must have a chance before the time whistle goes. The ball is kicked off again and smarting under reverse, the losers brace themselves up to a final effort. But it is too late. A long drawn note on the Referee's whistle and the game is won. Then the cheering bursts out afresh as West mingles with East and the twain scurry off the ground.

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How soon the light is failing. I traverse the scenes of all I've seen but everywhere is the hurrying crowd and nowhere that which a short half hour before had come to me.

And now dusk. Fleeting, chattering knots moving faster and faster. Perchance those little figures trailing away beyond the view are Pultoo and his iniquitous following, or weeny Ahsin, or Nobin and his pink guernsey. Let them go: They will be back anon.

Then dark and—desolation.

R. G. D.

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE VIZIANAGRAM CUP.—The following are the results of the competition for this trophy, the winner being Mr. F. M. Robinson :—

First Round.

F A Dene	(5)	beat	C R T Balston	(3)	3 up and 2
O J Sykes	(3)	"	R Meredith	(5)	2 up and 1
A M Urquhart	(3)	"	W D Macgregor	(6)	5 up and 3
J R Davidson	(1)	"	A W Smart	(6)	3 up and 2
W S Bickham	(5)	"	D Dewar	(5)	2 up and 1
W Ward	(6)	"	F E Hooper	(1)	3 up and 2
F M Robinson	(3)	"	J M Brown	(scr)	4 up and 3*
C E Ross	(4)	"	J Wilson	(6)	3 up and 2

2nd Round.

Sykes	beat	Dene	3 up and 2
Urquhart	"	Davidson	3 up and 2
Bickham	"	Ward	3 up and 2*
Robinson	"	Ross	2 up and 1

Semi-Final.

Urquhart	beat	Sykes	3 up and 1
Robinson	"	Bickham	4 up and 3

Final.

Robinson	beat	Urquhart	4 up and 3

* After a tie.

THE GUINDY CUP.—The fourth and last qualifying round was played on Saturday, the 23rd ultimo. Late in the afternoon the rain came down in torrents and the majority of the competitors retired. The following scores were sent in :—

O J Sykes ...	...	...	... 60—6=54
Major Thomson, RAMC ...		...	62—6=56
A M Urquhart	...	...	... 65—8=57
F G Hooper	...	...	... 61—1=60

Mr. Sykes and Major Thomson qualify to compete.

The following is the draw for the first round in the finals :—

R Meredith	(6)	vs.	C R T Balston (5)
C E Ross	(5)	vs.	Major Thomson (4)
A F Symons	(3)	vs.	O J Sykes (4)
F M Robinson	(4)	vs.	J M Brown (scr)

The first round must be played off before the 8th August.

MONTHLY MEDAL CHALLENGE CUP.—The fourth and last qualifying round in this competition was played on the Island on the 26th ultimo. The recent heavy rain has caused the grass round the browns to grow rapidly, and this increased the difficulty of the approach shot. This perhaps accounts for the fact that no very good scores were made :—

O J Sykes	...	...	...	42— 4=38
F M Robinson	...	...	...	43— 4=39
D Dewar ...	...	...	...	48— 7=41
J M Brown	...	...	...	42—scr=42
F A Dene ...	...	...	...	52— 8=44
J A Robertson	...	...	...	52— 7=45
C R T Balston	...	...	...	51— 5=46

Mr. Sykes having already qualified, Messrs. F. M. Robinson and D. Dewar qualify.

The draw for the final is as follows :—

C E Ross ...	(4)	vs	J R Davidson	... (1)
D Dewar ...	(5)	vs	O J Sykes	... (3)
J M Brown ...	(scr)	vs	A M Urquhart	... (3)
F M Robinson	(3)	vs	R Meredith	... (3)

GOLF AT WALTAIR.

MONTHLY GOLD MEDAL (LADIES).—Played on the 23rd instant. Mrs. Whitton Brown with 14 was first, but Mrs. Young playing from scratch ran the winner very close. Score :—

Mrs. G. Whitton Brown	...	...	52—14=38
Mrs. Young	...	...	39—scr=39
Mrs. O'Connell	...	...	55—14=41
Miss Smith ...	...	...	72—14=58
Mrs. Vickers	...	...	66— 7=59

CALCUTTA LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

BOGIE COMPETITION.—This competition was won by Mrs. Ormond, who finished all square. The match last week for a prize presented by Mrs. Wolferstan was also won by Mrs. Ormond with the very good score of 43, less 4 handicap,= 39 net, Mrs. Arnold Jenkins, with a handicap of 9, being only one stroke behind. The following are the scores :—

	Gross.	Hcp.	Net.
Mrs Ormond	43	4	39
Mrs Arnold Jenkins	49	9	40
Mrs Firminger	44	Scr.	44
Mrs Bruce...	47	Scr.	47
Mrs Lockhart Smith	61	9	52
Mrs Warrington	61	9	52
Mrs Oakley	58	5	53
Mrs Cowan	63	9	54
Mrs London	55	Scr.	55

Hockey.

THE MADRAS TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS 28*th July* 1904.

THIS tournament opened on the M.C.C. ground on Monday, the 25th ultimo, originally ten teams entered, but two, the M.C.C. "B" Team and the Bangalore Gymkhana scratched, leaving in the M.C.C. "A" team, the 1st Durham L. I. (the holders of the cup), the Leicestershire Regiment (last year's runners up), the Lincoln and Middlesex Regimental teams from Secunderabad, the Essex Regiment from Bangalore, the 52nd Co., R.G.A., from the Fort and the St. Thomas' Mount Hockey Club composed of officers and men of the R. F. A. Batteries stationed there. The scratching of the two teams mentioned let the M.C.C. "A" Team into the semi-finals without an effort and the preliminary tie call for little notice as the results were in each case a foregone conclusion. On Monday two matches were played. That between the Durham L. I. and the Lincolns ended in a runaway victory for the Durhams by 5 goals to *nil*; and, on the same day, the Leicesters defeated the Essex by 4 goals to 2. On Tuesday the Leicesters beat the Mount team by 3 goals to 1 without any difficulty while the Middlesex, of course, disposed of the Garrison Gunners by 3 goals to *nil*. In the semi-finals yesterday the M.C.C. met the D.L.I. and the game which resulted was so good as to call for a more detailed description than has been possible in regard to the preliminary ties. It was evidently the match of the tournament. Everything now points to the M.C.C. winning the tournament.

M.C.C. *vs.* DURHAM L.I.—The first round in the semi-finals of this tournament between the M.C.C. and the Durham L.I. was played off on the M.C.C. ground and resulted in one of the hardest fought and finest games that has been witnessed yet in this or any tournament played under the auspices of the Madras Cricket Club. Naturally it attracted a large and very representative gathering, both sides having numerous supporters. With the general public the military team were the favourites, but the local team having been playing a very fine game recently and those who had seen them playing up to their best form in practice games and trial matches felt that on that form they were quite equal to giving a good account of themselves in their struggle with their formidable opponents.

The game started very much later than usual, it being a good deal past the quarter when Bowers and Partridge faced each other for the bully off from which the Durhams were the first to get to work, making an incursion at once into the M.C.C. ground and calling upon Dawes to save, and a little later forcing a corner. The M.C.C. forwards had by this time got into their stride and got away on the left. Partridge and O'Reilly being conspicuous for a fine run. They were stopped, however, but the game still continued in the Durham's ground until McIver sent the ball behind. A fine bit of passing by the M.C.C. resulted in an obvious chance being given to Partridge who missed and later Ogden from the left wing came down before he could take advantage of the good chance sent him by his half-back. The M.C.C. halves, especially Strouts and Ross, were rendering yomen service at this stage of the game, and had their efforts been adequately supported by the forwards the M.C.C. score would have opened sooner. Greenwell and Bowers, always brilliant performers for the Durhams, were noticeable now for some determined efforts to get away and they received much support from Manghan on the left. A run by the first-named officer was well stopped by Atkinson and the ball quickly found its way back to Durham's ground, where the M.C.C. forwards and halves put in some play that drew repeated applause. It was good combined work and against less doughty opponents would have borne fruit in a crop of goals. As it was the Durhams were very hardpressed and it took all the work of their forwards to relieve the pressure. Greenwell, Cushway and Bowers working like Trojans to come out and keep out; but they found in W. Pelly a hard nut to crack. Play of the pace and quality that an appreciative gallery were now being treated to was found to have some result, and a fine combined rush by the entire front division resulted in Partridge drawing first blood in the shape of a goal for the M.C.C. The Durhams got away from the restart, and Manghan missed a good chance of scoring, and the M.C.C. got away and were getting very dangerous when Fraser was ruled offside. The local team came again and again and shortly before the period closed they were rewarded with a second goal, through the efforts of O'Reilly and Partridge, the actual shot again being taken by the latter. The Durham forwards again got away but only temporarily, again finding in Pelly a back whom it was almost impossible to pass, and when the whistle sounded Madras had still the upper hand. If the first half of the game, was a revelation to the uninitiated of the capabilities of the game the second half was even more so. Crossing over with a lead of two goals to *nil* it might have been thought that the M.C.C. had the result comparatively safe; but those who have seen the Durhams play know that they are never so dangerous as in the second half. It was with the consciousness that they had to meet a desperate and determined opponent that the M.C.C. team took the field again, and the result was again brilliant in the extreme and so fast as to almost defy all attempts to chronicle its varying phases, the forward division of both teams showing up grandly and playing with that mechanical combination which is the acme of good play. Greenwell and Bowers were playing all they knew, and supporters of the Durhams felt confident that if anything was to be done to retrieve the situation it would come from them, and they were not disappointed. Bowers taking advantage of a splendid opportunity scored with one of this characteristic strokes, and with the opening of their score the Wellington team worked like heroes only to meet with an opposition that did not confine itself to defensive measures and more than once Madras looked within an ace of adding to their score. A foul against O'Reilly stopped what was a certain score and then the Durhams got away and delivered their last and most sustained attack, and from a melee in front of goal they managed to equalise. The excitement became breathlessly intent with barely a couple of minutes left for play a drawn game seemed inevitable, but at the critical moment Strouts, Partridge, and Fraser rose to the occasion, and by one of the grandest exhibitions of passing scored the third and winning goal for the M.C.C. and both teams left the ground amidst the plaudits of a crowd who felt that irrespective of the result both teams had covered themselves with honour and glory. The following is the score :—

M.C.C., 3 goals; Durhan L.I. 2 goals.

The following are the teams :—

DURHAM L.I.—*Goal*, MacWilliams; *backs*, Manghan and, Trotter; *Half-backs*, Cook, Ellison, and Hill; *forwards*, Gardiner Greenwell, Bowers, Cushway, and Manghan.

MADRAS C.C.—*Goal*, Dawes; *backs*, Atkinson and Pelly; *Half-backs*, McIver, Strouts and Ross; *forwards*, Layards, Fraser, Partridge, O'Reilly and Ogden.

Umpires.—Captain Newman, R.F.A, and Mr. Haughton, Moplah Rifles.

HOCKEY AT DARJEELING.

THE ERROOM CUP.—Messrs. Erroom and Company, have offered a Silver Cup for competition among the various hockey teams of Darjeeling. The game has, for the last couple of years, found great favour in the hills and seems to have quite supplanted football in popularity. Five teams have entered for the Cup: the Station, the Noudescripts, Jalapahar, St. Paul's School, and St. Joseph's College. The first tie was played between the two

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Schools on Saturday, the 23rd July, the venue being the North Point ground. A great deal of interest centred in this match as, unless the unforeseen happens, the Cup should fall to one of the two schools. The match was played in real Darjeeling weather. A heavy mist hung over the ground while rain fell almost throughout the game. However, in spite of the sloppy nature of the ground, the game was a very fast one. St. Joseph's put in two goals in the first half and St. Paul's one. No other points were scored although frequent attacks were made on both goals. St. Joseph's had the better of the exchanges as their back line was very strong. P. Read at back and Smart at centre-half played a very strong game and continually fed their forwards. In the front line, J. Owens who scored the two goals for the winners made many a brilliant run across the field and but for the strong defence of Sharling in goal would have added to the St. Joseph's score. He was well helped by McCoy and Greenway at the wings. For St. Paul's, August, who put in the goal for his side played a good game and was well supported by Mirza and Alison. The game evoked a deal of interest and the form displayed by the two schools was of a high order. Teams :—

ST. JOSEPH'S.—*Goal*, F. Singleton ; *backs*, P. Read, J. Martin, *half-backs*, Augier, Smart. J. Read ; *forwards*, McCoy, Owens; Stubbs, Robinson, Greenway.

ST. PAUL'S.—*Goal*, Sharling ; *backs*, McIntosh, Egan ; *half-backs*, Shaw, Beale, Campbell ; *forwards*, Alison, Corbett, August, Mirza, Kenny.

St. Joseph's College, North Point, and the Jalapahar team played off their tie on Thursday, the 28th ultimo. The venue was the North Point ground. The boys won easily to the tune of seven goals to one. The Military played a fast game but their defence was weak while the boys are in the pink of training. C. Stubbs was responsible for three goals while J. Owens and J. Robinson added a couple each.

Racquets.

SOUTH INDIA AMATEUR TOURNAMENT.

THE following are the full scores in the South Indian Racquet Tournament which concluded at Bangalore last week:—

CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

Prizes.—A silver cup presented by H H the Maharajah of Mysore, and a prize presented by Messrs Spencer and Co.

Mr McHutchin beat Captain Scott Elliott
2 games to 1.

Major Marsh beat Lieutenant Crookshank
2 games to 1

Major Marsh beat Mr McHutchin
3 games to 1.

REGIMENTAL DOUBLES.

Prizes—Presented by Messrs Higginbotham and Co., and Messrs Oakes and Co.

Semi-Finals.

I.M.S.		4th Hussars.
Colonel James Major Johnstone	beat	Mr Lewin Mr Pragnell

15—3 ; 15—13.

R. E.		64th Pioneers.
Major Roe Mr Crookshank	beat	Captain Scott-Elliott Captain Rice

15—10 ; 15—17 ; 15—9.

District Staff.		I.M.S.
General Eccles Nixon Major Marsh	beat	Colonel James Major Johnstone

2 games to love.

Final.

District Staff.		R.E.
General Eccles Nixon Major Marsh	beat	Major Roe Mr Crookshank

3 games to 1.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS DOUBLES.

Semi-Finals.

Prizes.—Presented by Messrs Wrenn, Bennett and Co.

Sir James Bourdillon Mr Crookshank (Marlborough)	beat	Captain Gunter Mr Wagstaffe (Westward Ho!)

15—8 ; 11—15 ; 15—4.

Colonel Jones Mr Kindersley (Harrow)	beat	General Nixon Captain Scott-Elliott (Wellington)

6—15 ; 15—10 ; 15—7.

Major Marsh Mr Wilkieson (Cheltenham)	beat	Sir James Bourdillon Mr Crookshank (Marlborough)

15—11, 2—15, 15—6.

Final.

Colonel Jones Mr Kindersley (Harrow)	beat	Major Marsh Mr Wilkieson (Cheltenham)

3-goals to love.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

Prizes.—Presented by the English Warehouse and Jan Mahomed and Co.

Semi-Finals.

Sir James Bourdillon General Eccles Nixon (+1)	beat	Major Johnstone Mr Wagstaffe (—1)

15—6 ; 15—7.

Major Roe Mr Crookshank		Captain Scott-Elliott Captain Rice (—3)
(—1)	beat	

18—13 ; 15—10.

Colonel Jones (1—hand Mr Wilkieson &—5)	beat	Sir James Bourdillon General Nixon (+1)

3 games to 1.

Final.

Colonel Jones (—1 hand Mr Wilkieson &—5)	beat	Major Roe (—3) Mr Crookshank

3 games to 1.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

Prize.—Presented by Messrs Barton, Son and Co.

Semi-Finals.

Mr C W Bushell (+3) beat Captain Moncrieff (—1)
15—11 ; 8—15 ; 15—6

Mr McHutchin (—4) beat Major Roe (Scr)
15—3 ; 6—15 ; 15—4.

Final.

Mr McHutchin (—4) beat Mr Bushell (+3)
15—7 ; 9—15 ; 17—15 ; 7—15 ; 17—14.

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

Judge and Timekeeper—Mr. H. P. HENDERSON.
Hony. Secretary—Mr. W. GOVAN.

Friday, 29th July 1904.

TWO LENGTHS HURDLES HANDICAP.—This competition was held at the Baths this afternoon, nine of the twelve entries coming under starter's orders. Messrs. Prike, Kennedy, and Siddons won their respective heats and met in the final, when an excellent finish provided a dead-heat between the first two, with Siddons close up. In the swim off Prike beat Kennedy. Results :—

First Heat.

K M Kennedy (5 secs, time, 51¼ secs)	...	... 1
A L Clarke (9 secs, time, 55½ secs)	...	... 2
W S J Willson (9 secs, time, 62 secs)	...	... 3

Second Heat.

L Prike (8 secs, time, 57 secs) ...	...	... 1
D Leslie (7 secs, time, 67 secs) ...	...	D H
A G Watts (14 secs, time, 74 secs)	...	

Third Heat.

A Siddons (3 secs, time, 50 secs) ...	...	... 1
W Govan (1 sec. time, 50 secs) ...	...	... 2
H Duncan (9 secs, time, 60 secs)	...	... 3

Final.

L Prike (8 secs, time, 54½ secs)		D H
K M Kennedy (5 secs, time, 51½ secs)		
A Siddons (3 secs, time 50¼ secs)	...	... 3

Prike and Kennedy dead-heated for first place but in the swim off Prike won by half a second.

The Naturalist.

BURROWING MAMMALS.

AS some mammals have taken to an arboreal mode of life, so others have adopted a fossorial or burrowing existence; the main reasons for this departure from the normal being apparently similar in the two instances, namely, in the first place to secure protection from enemies, and, secondly, in order to tap a food-supply inaccessible to dwellers on the surface. It is, however, mainly the completely subterraneous species, such as moles and mole-rats, that depend on an underground supply of food, the other, like rabbits and otters obtaining their nutriment above-ground, or in the water. Obviously, then, it was for the sake of protection that mammals first became dwellers in holes; the adoption of a completely subterranean existence being, so to speak, an after-thought. It is probable, indeed, that animals resorted to natural holes in the ground, before they took to excavating burrows for themselves; and also that from the practice of excavating such burrows as dwelling-places gradually arose, in some species, the habit of driving subterranean tunnels for the purpose of obtaining food, and the consequent adoption of a completely subterranean existence. Although it is exclusively the species which pass the whole of their time below ground that also depend entirely on a subterranean food-supply, yet it must not be supposed that none of the partially fossorial forms seek food at times below ground. For example, the fox burrows into rabbit-warrens for the purpose of preying on the young and helpless denizens of the latter; this, by the way, affording an instance where the burrowing habit has failed in its primary object;—namely, defence. Again, the whole tribe of weasels, stoats, and polecats have assumed their characteristic lithe and slender form of body is order to penetrate the burrows and tunnels of subterranean dwellers; the stoat and polecat hunting in this manner the rabbit, while the smaller weasel is enabled to pursue the the mole in its underground fastnesses.

That mammals should have been thus specially modified in form in order to be adapted to pursue other species below ground implies a long lapse of time; and this again serves to emphasize the extreme length of the period which must have elapsed since the pursued species themselves first took to a subterranean existence. Whether the pursuing species first took to following mere burrowers like rabbits, or tunnel-makers, like moles, may, however, have an important bearing on the time question, as the tunnel-borers may have undergone part of their own structural modifications subsequently to the time that the weasel tribe took to hunting below ground.

Be this as it may, the extent to which burrowing mammals have been modified away from the type characteristic of their above-ground relatives may be taken, to a great extent, as evidence of the relative length of time which has elapsed since they adopted an underground existence. Not that we are entitled to assume from this that a mole may have been a burrower for a longer period than a rabbit; since the rabbit is as perfectly adapted to its own particular mode of life as is the mole to the one selected by its ancestors. On the contrary, we must limit our comparisons to cases where all the conditions are similar; and can, therefore, only contrast with the mole species that are as completely subterranean in their parts as is that animal. When we find such a species presenting much less structural modification than the mole, we are entitled to say that it has probably taken to a subterranean existence at a later date than that animal

The nature of the modifications which have taken place in fossorial mammals in order to adapt them to the needs of a subterranean existence forms the subject of an article by Mr. H. M. Skimer in a recent issue of our contemporary the "American Naturalist;" the article in question forming part of the Series devoted to special modifications of an analogour nature, as exemplified by the one on arboreal modifications to which allusion has been previously made in our columns.

Amplyfying what we have said above as to the essential difference in this respect between a rabbit and a mole, the author observes that, as we should naturally expect, the modification and specialisation have been greatest in those forms which secure not only their safety but likewise find all their food underground. Such forms are completely fossorial. On the other hand, the use of the burrow merely as a place of refuge and repose, where the young may be produced in safety, while food is procured mainly above, ground, or, at all events, not in the burrow itself, requires much less structural modification. For mammals of this latter type the term semi fossorial is appropriate; although it must always be borne in mind that between completely fossorial and semi-fossorial forms no hard-and-fast line of demarcation can be drawn.

As regards the completely fossorial types, Mr. Skimer notices that the following are the chief lines on which external modification has taken place. In the first place, the body tends to assume a more or less spindle-like shape—fusiform—as being the one best adapted for progression in such a dense medium as earth. The moles for example, have the greatest girth at the shoulder, whence there is a gradual diminution in this respect to the muzzle. In certain semi-fossorial types, such as the marmots and wombats, the body is, however remarkable for its great thickness and bulk.

The rudimentary, or obsolete, condition of the eyes forms the next most important characteristic of the completely fossorial types or tunnel drivers. To an animal which spends the whole of its time underground in complete darkness eyes are not only useless, but are actually harmful, owing to the likelihood of their becoming inflamed by the intrusion of particles of earth. Consequently, in the case of completely fossorial mammalas the longer a species has been below ground and completely shut off from light, the more completely ought its eyes to have become degenerate. In other words, the degree of degeneration of the eyes ought to form a measure of the relative length of time which has elapsed since the species took to an underground mode of life. But here we must be careful to distinguish—more careful than is Mr. Skimer—between completely and partially fossorial types; or, in other words, between occasional and perpetual burrowers.

In the American pocket-gophers and the African sand moles for example, the eyes although relatively small, are still well developed and functional. But, since these creatures come periodically to the surface where the pocket-gophers at any rate obtain their food—it would obviously be wrong to say that they have taken to a subterranean existence at a later date than moles. The two cases are not comparable.

Among the completely fossorial types, in the mole-rats, the eyes, although complex in structure, are reduced to mere shining black specks among the muscles. On the other hand, in the marsupial mole of Australia they are very imperfectly developed and have become quite functionless. Again, in the true moles the eyes are completely vertigial, being in one species covered with skin, while in a second they are free; and their condition

is much the same in the golden moles of South and East Africa, in which they are always overgrown with skin. Here, then, we are perhaps entitled to say that the mole has been longer subterranean than the mole-rat, as indeed we should infer from its more specialised limbs.

It will, of course, be obvious that, in accordance with their different habits, species like the moles and golden moles, in which the eyes have been most aborted, display much greater modification in the structure of the limbs than is the case with creatures like the pocket-gophers which retain well, developed eyes. In connection with diet, it may be mentioned that whereas the moles and golden moles drive their tunnels in search of earth-worms and grubs, the subterranean galleries of the mole-rats are constructed for the purpose of obtaining access to bulbs and other succulent roots.

The third external feature on which Mr. Skimer lays stress as being distinctive of burrowing animals is the small size or absence of the external ears, which if largely developed would clearly be a hindrance to their owners. In this respect fossorial mammals resemble there aquatic brethren; large external ears being a hindrance to "swimming' in both water and earth. Among burrowers, we find that the pocket-gophers and otters have the ears very small; while in the ratels they are minute, and in the sand-moles they become reduced to mere rings round the aperture of the internal ear. Finally, in the moles, the golden moles, and the marsupial mole, they have completely disappeared; as is also the case with the Australian duckbill, which is both a burrower and a swimmer. Many semi-fossorial species, to which acute hearing is of the utmost importance, such as the rabbit, the fennecs and the aard-vark of Africa, and the pig-footed bandicoot of Australia retain, however, ears of great length.

A large percentage of semi-fossorial mammals likewise depend upon their swiftness of foot for reaching their homes in safety, and to these length of limb is no less important than length of ear. In truly fossorial species, on the other hand, in which power and rapidity in digging are the essential qualifications so far as motion is concerned, we find the limbs greatly reduced in length, as is well exemplified in the case of the duckbill, the shiny ant-eater or echidna, the moles, golden moles, etc. The limbs are also shortened in the African aard-vark, which as we just seen, retains long ears; and the reason of this unusual correlation is not far to seek. For the aard-vark which spends the whole of the daylight hour deep down in the recess of its burrow, never wanders far from the entrance of the latter, and when abroad has to dig out the whitcants from their strongholds. Consequently long ears to give timely warning of the approach of danger, together with powerful limbs and claws for digging, are the two prime exigencies in the mode of existence of this creature, which can bury itself on the spot. Although certain semi-fossorial species, such as fennecs, pangolins, the long-tailed mammot, the rice-tenrec, and the aard-vark, retain a long tail, the length of this appendage is very frequently greatly reduced even in members of their group, as in well exemplified in the case of the rabbit, the wombat, and the tenrec of Madagascar. To completely fossorial species a long tail would obviously be an incumbrance without the slightest compensating advantage, and we accordingly find the caudal appendage reduced to a mere stump in moles, mole-rats, golden moles, and the marsupial mole.

As regards the feet of the truly fossorial mammals, a marked difference may, as Mr. Skimer well observes, be noticed between the front and hind pairs as regards the nature of the modification and specialisation they have undergone. This is due to the marked difference between their respective functions; the office of the fore-paws being to loosen the earth at the head of the boring, while the task of the hind pair is merely to throw further backwards the soil thus loosened and broken up. Accordingly, we find the front paws more or less broadened and expanded with their toes developed into powerful claws, so as to act as shovels. The greatest specialisation in this respect is displayed, perhaps, by the moles, in which the broad and hand-like form of the front paws is too well known to require more than passing mention. In the American star-nosed mole the fore-paw is as wide as the body, so that the creature can dig with exceeding rapidity, excavating with a single sweep of the limb a passage wide enough to admit the body In the Australian spiny anteater the fore-paws are also of great width; but in most other fossorial mammals, even those which pass most of their time underground, such as the golden moles, and the marsupial mole, the paw is much narrower, although always armed with powerful claws. Such powerful claws are also noticeable in the majority of species which dig deep burrows for themselves, such as aard varks, pangolins, pocket-gophers, and wombats.

In the hind-feet the claws, although powerful, are not nearly so strongly developed as in the front pair. The partial connection by skin of some of the toes of the wombat, as well as the webbing of those of the water opossum and the water-mole, although primarily developed for other purposes, are considered by Mr. Skimer to afford important assistance in the work of excavation. And if this be so, it would seem that the webbed feet of the Australian duckbill would likewise be specially well adapted for digging purposes. It may be added that the naked sand-rats of North-Eastern Africa are furnished with long stiff hairs at the base of the claws.

The last-named mammals are the only completely fossorial species which have lost their hairy coat; although the aard-vard, which, as we have seen, spends the quarter part of its time in its burrow, has but a very sparse coat of hair. In other completely fossorial types, such as the moles, golden moles, and mole-rats, the hair is more or less completely reversible in direction; thus facilitating movements either backwards or forwards in the burrow.

Such are some of the leading external characteristics of burrowing mammals, as given by Mr. Skimer, with some amplifications of our own. In the original article the author also discusses the modifications for the purpose of a subterranean existence of the skeleton; but into these we have not space to enter in detail, and must, therefore, content ourselves with mentioning that among the completely fossorial types one of the most characteristic features is the triangular and pointed form of the skull.

In conclusion, Mr. Skimer expresses the opinion that the great majority of the completely fossorial types of mammals have originated at an early epoch from primitive, unspecialised, and defenceless rodents, insectivora, and edentata. On the other hand, although certain forms, such as foxes, badgers, otters, ratels, and hyraces, are in the habit of dwelling in burrows, the carnivora, the ungulata, and the primates, have, as a rule, failed to find protection from enemies or to secure a special food-supply by resorting to a completely fossorial existence. In fact it may be safely asserted that not a single representative of either of the three last-named orders has become completely fossorial;—that is to say, depends both for protection and for food on subterranean habits.

R. LYDEKKER

"Please have me lunch ready at 1; strong cheese (roasted) and dog biscuits to match, and a pail of water and two clean tumblers, as I may have a friend or two with me." Such was a request written on a postcard forwarded to an innkeeper in West Lothian recently.

The Story Teller.

"LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP.

THERE were half-a-dozen fellows I knew well, when I strolled the other day into the bar of the "Catherine Wheel." at Henley.

"Hallo! Charlie, how are you?" was the general cry, supplemented by, "Where on earth have you been?"

"Have not seen you this season," as Harry Westupp added.

"Come down to secure diggings for *the* week," I said, "being too busy to start river life yet. Here's luck!" and I took a good pull at the cool tankard.

"Not going to sleep on a dinghy—or a punt, was it?—this year, eh! Charley?" cried Tom Hunter.

"Not much," I answered, wishing him and his memory at the bottom of the river.

"Hallo? What's that?" exclaimed two or three, in chorus "See, the chap's blushing!" (This I deny.)

"Spin us a yarn, Charlie—all pals here—or, if he won't, do you tell us about it, Tom"

"It's a long story," said the latter. "Don't open an old wound, you fellows. I assure you he had it very bad. I would not split for the world, you know, Charlie."

"Confound you?" I cried; "I'm in for it now. Anything rather than your mangling the story. It's no tale, mind—only an episode.

"It was three years ago, and the people it refers to don't frequent the river now. Glass Thornton, and I were very chummy. His people had a small houseboat on the river, and a little before Henley, Glass proposed that he, I, Tom there, and a fellow named Raikes should pull her up here instead of having a tug.

"'What we want is work,' said Thornton; 'it will do us all a lot of good you bet'

"He was a beggar to talk of work, was Glass; but when it came to the push, we had to do most of it. Anyway, he had two very pretty sisters, and I own I was getting very fond of Nelly, the elder one. Sweet, pretty girl she was too. Poor Nelly!"

(Here Tom Hunter pulled out his handkerchief.)

"Daisy, or, as her people called her, Baby, was a jolly girl, too, but barely out of her kittenhood, and full of mischief. Whenever I and her sister got together, and I was making strong running, she would be sure to put in an appearance, looking demurely as a cat at a pet canary.

"Well, we took it pretty easy, and when off duty with the pole. I had a very pleasant time of it, getting more in love every hour. All in good time we passed through Hamb'edon Lock, and got moored off here in our right place. We were too far out for a plank, and had to use a dinghy.

"Tom had written and secured rooms, so he declared, but on our getting to the cottage we found there was a mistake somewhere, the landlady when we at length unearthed her, declaring only one bedroom had been retained.

"It was late, we were tired, and though I hunted about, no apartment was to be found. We went odd man for who should be left in the cold and with my usual luck, it fell to me.

"I knew the old people being on board—that there was no room; nevertheless, I returned to the boat and explained what had happened. Thornton had got a tent arrangement rigged up forward for himself, and small as it was, proposed that I should share it with him. Miss Daisy, however, suggested the dinghy.

"'I can get you a blanket, a rug, and a cushion for a pillow,' she exclaimed, 'and you'll do fine!'

"I did not think much of the plan, but, as we could hit on nothing better, agreed to it. Whilst Glass and I smoked a pipe, the girls looked after the wraps.

"I was just thinking how I should manage to say good night to Nelly alone, when there was a splash, a scream, and Miss Daisy came rushing to us.

"'Nelly's fallen in!' she shrieked. 'Oh, save her! Quick!'

"I ran along the gangway, saw a straw hat floating on the water, and plunged in. But though I dived again and again, I could see nothing of her. I tell you, I felt bitter bad when at length I gave it up as a bad job.

"Well, the family got together in the cabin, and as, after all, I was not one of them, there was nothing for it but to get into the dinghy. I lit a pipe and lay quiet, listening to the wash of the water and the murmur of voices from the other boats. I thought of the poor drowned girl, and quite made up my mind never to marry now she was gone.

"Presently, in spite of my beastly cramped position, I fell off to sleep. What woke me I don't know, but anyway it was daylight; so, feeling sore and stiff, I got up, meaning to shove the dinghy ashore and walk about a bit.

"Stooping over to get hold of the rope, what was my horror to see, as I thought, Nelly's body caught on it, evidently drifted there by an eddy. I sprang up with a cry, forgetting where I was, and toppled overboard.

"When I rose to the surface and got the water out of my eyes I could see Glass looking over the side, and two or three female figures in deshabille rushing out of the cabin.

"I clambered on board the houseboat—Thornton had lent me dry flannels the night before, and I had slept in them—but if Glass had not caught me, I should have tumbled back again into the river to a dead certainty, for there was Nelly looking prettier than ever, in a loose dressing-gown, with her hair down her back.

"Then it all came out It was a hoax of Miss Daisy's "'But I did not mean to keep it up so long,' she explained, trying to look penitent. 'You see, I weighted Nelly's old skirt, just enough, as I thought, to keep it bobbing about, so that you could jump in and gallantly rescue it, you know: but it was too heavy, and sank. Then I thought how fine it would be for you to come on board to breakfast and find Nelly all safe and sound: we should have the fun of seeing your face when first you set eyes on her. I had a lot of trouble in getting leave to keep it up. But what made you shout and fall out of the dinghy?'

"Then I had to explain how the weight must have slipped out and the skirt got caught on the rope.

"Of course everybody apologized—that is, after they were dressed—and presently Nelly came along to where I was sulking by myself, and said how sorry she was, and how much she thought of the devotion I had shown when I believed she was drowning, till I forgot all about their letting me lie there along and miserable in the beastly little boat, and told her outright how fond I was of her, and asked her to marry me.

"So we were engaged for a month or two, but it dropped through. I could not quite forget what I considered their heartlessness, and I believed she never looked at me without feeling inclined to laugh; so we broke it off."

"And a good job, too!" exclaimed Tom "And the moral is, 'Look before you leap.' I've heard she is married to a stock-broking fellow now, and I wish him joy of Miss Daisy for a sister-in-law. Pass the beer, there's a good chap!"

Chess.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM XXXV.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. Kt to Q 5	1. Any move.
2. Q or Kt mates accordingly.	

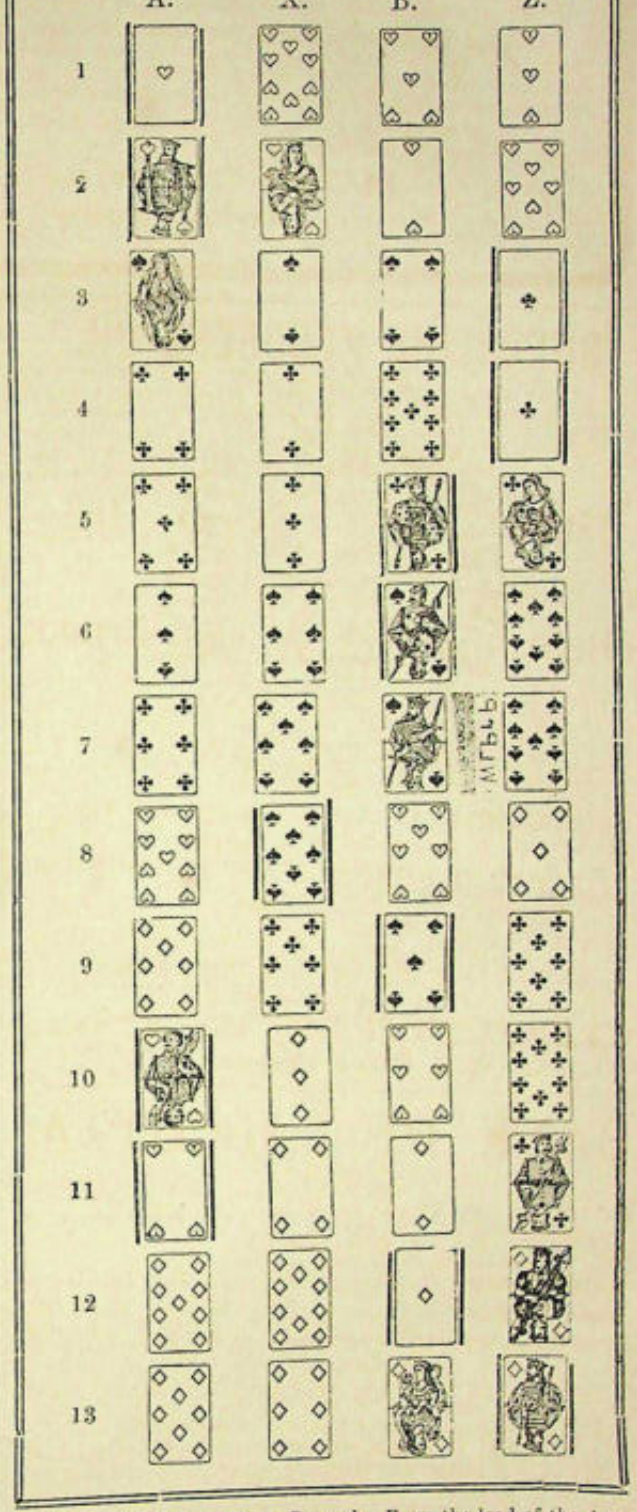
Cards.

WHIST HAND No. 19.

A and B play against X and Z. A leads. The card with the double rim wins and the card below the rimmed card is the one next led.

Score love. Z turns up S 9.

A's HAND.—H A, Kg, Kv, 9, 4; S Qu, 3; D 9, 8, 7; C 6, 5, 4.



NOTES.—2. B. has Blue Petered. From the lead of the Ace, followed by the Kg, B. assumes A. has three Hearts left, and therefore X. and Z. have no more of that suit. Although we always play the Ace from Ace, Kg, five of the suit, the lead has never been recognised. 4. Z. opens his strong suit, and leads the Club, notwithstanding the old prejudice against leading from Ace Q. which is happily exploded. 8. B. now can force out the best trump. 12. Game.

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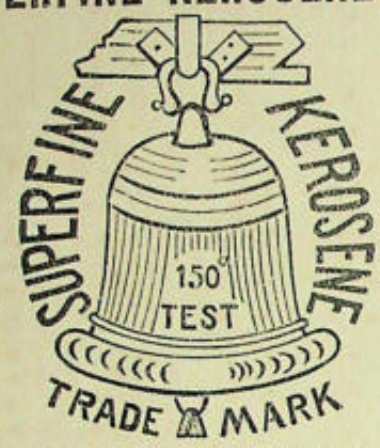
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BOAT RACING AND ITS LAWS.

BOAT racing has been termed, and with much justice, "the cleanest of sports:" it stands almost alone among pastimes, or sports, in the matter of professionalism, for there is in the Laws of the Amateur Rowing Association a sharpness of division between the professional and the amateur which other sports may well envy. It is much to the credit of those who have legislated for rowing that they should have faced the invidious and thankless task of properly defining an amateur in straightforward terms: for it would not be difficult to trace the many troubles which have arisen over this vexed question in other departments of sport to the squeamishness of the lawgivers who shrank from defining an amateur in the only terms which can prevent trespass from the professional element. It is no doubt a beautiful theory that all men, whatever their social position, are equals in the world of sport: but the theory is one which has ignominiously failed in practice: in no other department of human affairs is it attempted to place men who have means and men who have none on the same footing: and it is only the mistaken generosity of the sportsmanlike spirit which endeavours to achieve the impossible. Rowing legislation has been directed in a more level-headed fashon, as witness the remorseless definition of a professional under the rules: and the Law which forbids the money-prize or value-prize goes far to keep the sport clean: it does not offer temptations to the man who would row for profit. For this reason any changes in the Laws of Boat Racing claim attention: we look anxiously to see whether the modern tendency to paint the professional in amateur colours finds any echo in the deliberations of the Committee of the A. R. A., which recently appointed a Sub-Committe to deal with various details and to suggest alterations where needed. An important alteration has been made in Law 6, which disposes of the "neutral water" fiction. The amended Law, as accepted by a large majority at the Committee meeting held on 15th June, now reads:—"A boat's own water is the best course it can take from the station assigned to it at the start to the finish, provided that it leaves ample water for any boat, which started upon either side of it, to pass on that side when such boat is in a position to enforce its right to that water." Mr. R. C. Lehmann, we observe, voiced the opinion of a minority in proposing a different alteration. His view was that the following should be the Law:—"A crew shall be entitled to retain throughout the race the station assigned to it at the start in relation to the other competitors." On a straight course like that of Henley, Mr. Lehmann's proposition would no doubt answer all purposes: a crew asks nothing better of its coxswain than that he shall steer them by the straightest possible route from start to finish, but it would manifestly be productive of difficulties if, rowing a course with a bend or bends, a boat leading by, say, two clear lengths, should lay itself open to objection by leaving its own middle, or outside, station to gain a legitimate advantage by hugging the shore when it could do so without impeding competitors. It would be impossible in practice to preserve to the worst crew the advantage it had gained by luck in drawing for stations, throughout the race; and this would be the effect of Mr. Lehmann's proposed alteration were it accepted as Law. An inclination

to allow more latitude in infliction of penalty is apparent in the change which has been adopted, unanimously, in connection with fouls. Law VII declared that "no fouling whatever shall be allowed: a boat or boats committing a foul shall be disqualified." This left the umpire no discretion, and it was admitted that occasional hardship was caused by the firm administration of the rule: there can be no reasonable objection to the new wording which makes a boat only "liable to disqualification," leaving it to the umpire to determine whether the penalty has been earned. Most of us have seen cases of fouling for which the exaction of the penalty was the exercise of the letter rather than the spirit of the Law. We should be loth to see carelessness or bad management on the course lightly passed over, when such defects in a crew or its coxswain interfered, however unintentionally, with the chances of a competitor: but in every sport something is left to the discretion of the umpire, and we can see no objection to the latitude suggested by this alteration. The same tendency to give more power or responsibility to the umpire is manifest in the addition to Law 12, "but he may disqualify a competitor for a foul without an appeal being made, provided that he does so immediately upon the foul occurring;" and again in Law 17, which is amended to fall into line with Law 12 as altered, and allows the umpire, when he thinks proper, to reserve his decision.

Improvements in modern racing shells, the longer slide more especially, have given rise to some little difficulty in properly observing the rule about dress. An oarsman may comply with the regatta rule which require him to "wear complete clothing from the shoulders to the knee—including a sleeved jersey," but the long slide is liable to work the shorts up the thigh; wherefore the Committee of the A. R. A. have enjoined the Honorary Secretary to send notice to affiliated clubs calling attention to infractions of the rule in respect of the length of rowing shorts. This is a trifle, but it serves to demonstrate the resolve of the legislative body to keep rowing men up to the mark in details, and as such is welcome. The Committee recognise frankly that while it is difficult to obey the letter of the Law, but it points out that "oarsmen can comply with its spirit and thereby preserve that decency in dress it was intended to safeguard." It becomes a body which seeks to maintain on a high plane the sport whose interests are its care to be strict in such matters, and the Committee, in our judgment, does well to see that its Laws are respected in all particulars; a little slackness here, a little indulgence there, and the thin end of the wedge driven into one crack will inevitably be driven into others. It has never been suggested that the general average of amateur oarsmanship could be improved by more elasticity in defining the status of an amateur: and the professional sculler or oarsman has never expressed any soreness of feeling because he is confined to a class with his fellows. In Rowing, and in Rowing only, are the classes kept sharply apart to the immense advantage of the sport and without any shade of detriment to the waterman who makes, or adds to, his living by his skill. These reflections suggest themselves at the time when Henley Regatta, the most picturesque and enjoyable of summer sporting assemblies, is just over. The executive of Henley have made rules of its own: but these in all essentials square with those of the A. R. A., and to these strict observance Henley owes much of its success and popularity.

Sporting Notes.

IN spite of the truly awful state of the going, resulting from the heavy deluge of Friday night and early Saturday morning, a real good day's sport was witnessed at the opening meeting of the Calcutta Moonsoon Races. The previous night's rain had reduced the course to, practically speaking, a swamp, the hurdle course being particularly marshy, in fact when the leading horses turned the hospital corner in a bunch they were almost hidden from view by the water thrown up. The flat course, though not as bad as this, was still fearfully heavy and times were correspondingly bad. The attendance was a fair average one, and the ring was well represented. Three of the pitches in the enclosure bore the name of Mr. James Pymn, and there were also Messrs. Charles Goldspink, Coutts, Russell Pymn, Atkinson and Champion and Company, the latter for the first time at a Monsoon Meeting. All seemed to be doing plenty of business. The rain, which seemed to have made up its mind to clear off for the day, came down once more just before the fourth race, but not for long, and the last two races were run in the dry, though the state of the going was rendered even worse than before.

Fields were good throughout the day and only in the hurdle race did the number fall below the limit required for 1, 2, 3 betting. Only two favourites got home, and in each case favouritism was shared with another, so that on the whole the bookies had a bit the best of it.

Eight were weighed out for the first race, the Pony Trial Plate, and Blue Bell was installed favourite at 6-4. Little Doris was also greatly fancied, and it was generally held that provided she got well away and refrained from displaying the vagaries to which she is occasionally addicted at the gate the race would be all over bar shouting—and drawing the cash. The "if" being a big one, however, her price never shortened beyond threes. She got away well enough, and led the field to the two furlongs where she tired and was passed by Rezia who had been lying second throughout, and also by Golden Tip, the former going on and winning very easily by a length, Little Doris being third a length and a half away from Golden Tip.

The Bhowanipur Plate, for which seven went out, provided the best race of the day. Kittylea and Parole were equally supported at the not very tempting price, for a jump race, of 6-4. It is hard to say on what grounds the latter was so greatly fancied as he has given no show in public to warrant so much confidence. We suppose, however, that he must have been tried to do something highly satisfactory in private. His backers at any rate were soon put out of their misery as he was never in it from the start, and the further he went the further he was left behind. Kittylea not only had her old reputation as a real good performer over timber, but was evidently in the pink of condition and fit to battle it out to the end. Naiades was not greatly fancied as she was reported to be short of work, but it is a general rule with all the 'Ascots" that they do not require much galloping, and in this case, as it proved, there was not much wrong with her as regards condition. Bob, though a performer over hurdles in Australia, was evidently very much on the big side, but he acquitted himself creditably and will repay a little attention later on when he has had another gallop or two. In the race Kittylea and Florence closely followed by Odin and Bob led to the new stand where Naiades closed up and, gradually drawing away, led to the home turn, where Kittylea overtook her and after a great race home landed the verdict by half a length. We think, however, that the chestnut mare, on whom Shelldrake rode a finely judged race, was not quite all out, but still had a bit left in her if it had been required. Hard on the other hand had to ride one of his very strongest finishes to get as close as he did.

A big field of eleven went to the post for the Maiden Race—described we notice in an esteemed contemporary as the "Maidan Horse Plate"—and Morris and Winklet divided the popular fancy. March was best away, but she soon tired in the mud, and Flash assumed a long lead which he held to the two furlongs where Winklet came through on the rails and though he seemed to run a bit green, O'Neil nursed him home very judiciously half a length in front of Morris with May B. third. Thunder Cloud got away very badly and was left at least six or eight lengths, but when she did get going, the rest appeared to be standing still, though the distance did not admit of her making up all the lost ground, and she just failed to get a place.

Eight faced the barrier for the fourth race, or rather seven faced it, while Irish, who together with the countrybred Moonlight, carried the bulk of the money, whipped round as the machine rose, and was left so far that she took no part in the race. Moonlight jumped off in front and led the field a cracker for half a mile when he was done with, and Mademoiselle coming to the front won very comfortably by a length from The Owl who came with a run on the outside, Yuletide, a length and a half away, third.

Hello was made a hot favourite for the July Plate but could get no nearer than fourth to Clynder, Profit and his stable companion Pylara. Profit cut out the work and at the turn was leading by five or six lengths, but Mr. Galstaun who was waiting with Clynder, tackled him at the distance and drawing away won hands down by a length and a half. Further details appear among our race reports.

A telegram from Colombo gives us the result of the race for the Governor's Cup:—Prince Lyon 1, Rapier 2, Regalia II. 3. The winner belongs to Mr. R. Farquharson who is also the owner of the third horse with which he won the Macpherson Cup at the Calcutta Races last year.

The American racing authorities drop on jockeys whose mounts swerve at the finish of a race, even when there is no doubt as to its being accidental. At a meeting at Hawthorne (Chicago) a horse named Commodore interfered with a couple of other runners, owing to his rider, a mite of a lad, not being able to control him. The horse was disqualified, and the rider fined £20.

A report of the first day of the interesting race meet held at Bellary is published to-day.

The Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana Races have been fixed for Saturday, the 5th November, entries closing as per details in the usual place.

We have to thank the Calcutta Turf Club for a copy of *The Racing Calendar* from April 1903 to March 1904. It is as neatly compiled, accurate and well turned out as ever.

The Ootacamund Hunt Races have been fixed for the 15th and 17th proximo. Racing on the first day will be held on the Ooty Racecourse and on the second day at Newmarket. The programme for the first day is the Stand Plate, the Hobart Park Plate, and the Willow Bund Stakes, all for horses, and the Ladies' Plate and the Scurry for ponies. The Stand Plate, the Hobart Park Plate, and the Ladies' Plate are only open to animals, the *bonâ fide* property of subscribers to the Hunt, and which have been regularly hunted during the current season.

The events on the Steeplechasing programme are the same as in former years. First entries close on the 1st proximo, and second entries on the 10th idem.

The first entries for the Poona Races and Steeplechases are published to-day and most excellent they are. Second entries close on the 23rd instant.

The English Sheet "Calendar," dated Thursday, 21st July, gives the entries for The Derby and The Oaks of 1906. The former which closed with 293 entries, including five which were made in Paris and eleven in New York, shows a decided increase upon the 282, which were received for next year. The Oaks has also advanced from 229 to 236, the latter number including eleven entries made in Paris and New York. His Majesty has three nominations in The Derby and two in The Oaks.

I cannot help thinking, writes "Vigilant" in *The Sportsman*, that steps should be taken to make The Derby the most valuable race of the year. This might easily be done without costing much more money, were the scale of entries arranged something after the fashion of those for some of our "ten-thousand-pounders," and, if this were done, there seems little doubt that 500, or even more, entries might be obtained for The Derby, which would then assume the position to which it is fully entitled. As things are the Grand Prix de Paris is a much more valuable race, and invariably attracts a larger entry, whilst this season the French Derby was worth considerably more than our own, which certainly should not be.

It has been rumoured for some time past that the Heir to the throne would shortly show his love for the thoroughbred by becoming an owner of race horses, and the *Express* states that the Prince of Wales has now definitely decided to take up horse racing. His Royal Highness will not buy yearlings and put them into training; neither will he acquire older horses for this purpose. He intends to breed every horse he runs, and will breed for racing purposes only and not for sale. A start has already been made with three brood mares, which are now quartered at Lord Marcus Beresford's stud farm at Newmarket. These mares are Gold Paste, Lily Palmer, and Luscious. Gold Paste has a filly-foal at foot by Persimmon, and has been to the same sire again It is hoped that Lily Palmer and Luscious are in foal to Persimmon. Other mares are soon to be purchased, and will go to swell the number of candidates for a training stable. King Edward has given the Prince a couple of yearlings, and there is every chance of their making an appearance next season. One is a colt by Persimmon; the other a filly by Florizel II. With these two exceptions, however, it is improbable that the Prince's colours will be seen before 1906. The question of colours is not yet definitely decided, but the Prince's colours will be modelled on the Royal livery, as are His Majesty's, with the exception that there will be more scarlet—or royal red—in the jacket and cap. Although it is early yet to speculate as to whom the Prince will choose as trainer, it may be taken as practically certain that the horses will go to Egerton House, Newmarket, and be under the care of Richard Marsh, the King's trainer.

Double event betting by means of the Totalisator promises to become very popular in New Zealand:

a machine specially for the business has been invented by a Christchurch man.. The face of the machine is occupied by small tin metal receptacles each of which exhibits a numbered ticket, representing a horse in two events. The number required is traceable by running the eye horizontally along the top and perpendicularly down the left-hand side, in which manner is shown the names of the horses starting in the two races. On naming the "double" required the ticket is taken from the receptacle, stamped, and handed to the investor. The action of removing the ticket automatically releases a steel marble, which, running through pipes, acts upon the registering gear denoting the total investment. The machine has, it is said, been favorably criticised by New Zealand officials.

A lament reaches us from Lower Assam as to flooding out of big game from the Borpeta subdivision of Kamrup; the land subsided during the earthquake of 1897: but there seems little to complain of except that the shikari who could bag his couple of deer before office hours need only go some thirty miles further to the North-West for the animals have no doubt taken refuge in the Bijni reserve upland forest, which was unaffected by the shake up.

It has been remarked to us more than once that of late the interesting contributions of Mr. F. Finn, the well-known naturalist and writer on ornithological subjects, have not been appearing in this paper for some time. A letter from him, received by the mail to hand this week, explains the reason—indisposition. But as he is good enough to promise us some pabulum soon, we trust we shall ere long be able to offer our readers further of his very interesting writings. He wishes to be remembered to his many old friends who, we feel sure, will join us in wishing him all good luck in his work at home, and that he may soon be fit and well. He is much missed by us all.

The "Journal of the Society of Arts" contains an interesting account of the progress of the zebra domestication experiments at Morendat in British East Africa. A mixed mob of stallions, mares, and foals, which were caught and confined in a large "boma" or corral, became so rapidly used to the natives bringing in cut grass that in five weeks' time they would feed from their hands. Harnessing the zebras was set about by getting the animals into an enclosed way, roughly resembling a duck decoy, which led to a succession of boxes, diminishing in size and shut off by dropping or folding doors; when they were confined at close quarters the natives found no very great difficulty in roping and harnessing them. In from five to eight months' time many of the animals were both ridden and driven without resenting it. In view of the rather disastrous results of the zebra-taming experiments at the London Zoological Gardens, it may be noted that these wild zebras were found to vary very greatly in temperament, some resenting interference very much more strongly than others. It is when it becomes possible to carry out the training with young animals born in a state of domestication that these interesting experiments are likely to become of really practical value by the provision of a new beast of burden.

In reference to certain remarks we recently made on the subject of expanding bullets *Kynoch's Journal* writes:—"Our contemporary *The Indian Field*, in a resumè on our article on 'Expanding Bullets' has misinterpreted in one or two respects the results of our experiments. Apparently our description of the experiments was not sufficiently explicit, as the following sentence from *The Indian Field* shews: 'It was found that the soft nosed copper tube bullet of soft lead with thin nickel envelope penetrated whole from 8 inches to 12 inches then smashed into small fragments.' As far as could be ascertained the expansion actually took place immediately on impact, as when a number of shot bags, each about 4 inches thick, were placed one in front of the other the first bag was blown to pieces with more violence than the others in the case of bullets which expanded readily. The distance penetrated was determined from the position in which the fragments were found when the bullets were fired into a long box packed tightly with wet sawdust, this experiment being quite distinct from the one with the bags. The explosive effect on the bags is, of course, due to the pressure set up by the displacement of the sawdust in front of the mushroomed bullet, the intensity of the effect depending upon the size of the mushroom and the velocity at which it was travelling. When the bullet came to rest, the explosive pressure was no longer exerted. *The Indian Field* considers that velocities of 1,350 feet corresponding to a range of 425 yards need not be considered, being outside the extreme range at which shots would be taken in India. Such ranges, however, are, we believe, not uncommon in South African sport, and it is for this reason that we include the 1,350 feet velocity in our experiments."

We remind our readers of Mr. Tom Uphill's Auction Sale at "Tattersails" Tomorrow. Further details will be found in our advertisement columns.

Our Poona Correspondent writes:—There is, I am sorry to say, little improvement in poor young Mr. Ross' condition. He is still practically unconscious and his strength is not quite so satisfactory as it has hitherto been, and while everyone earnestly hopes for the best, the lad's condition is naturally such as causes the gravest anxiety to his many friends.

Yet further calamities in the equine world—Lady Jenkin's friends in Calcutta and Bombay will regret to hear that in her absence she has lost her useful hunter and paperchase horse Perth, who died of fever in Wanowrie while in the care of some Parsee.

But what is one to think of the bad luck which is dogging the Kour Saheb of Patiala who having lost his lately imported four hundred guinea Parody has within about a week lost that brilliant little chestnut horse Northumberland who must have been dangerous in more than one of the big long distance races here this season. Even the recently acquired honour of being an uncle will, it is to be feared, scarcely compensate Tom Scott for this double misfortune.

Cholera has been permitted to creep into the Poona Cantonments, and the first, and let us earnestly pray, the only victim to this terrible scourge in the camp has been, Mrs. Pym, wife of the Lord Bishop of Bombay, with whom every one will sympathize in his sad affliction. It was well known that this fell desease was prevalent at a big religious fair at a place called Punderapur some miles away, and there seems something deficient in an arrangment which permits of pilgrims, from such a death-spreading centre being allowed to enter at their will into neighbouring large cities when it is practically certain that they will bring the infection with them. We seem all too prone to listen to the senseless yelping of Eastern fanatics in such matters.

A club modestly dubbing themselves the Poona Young Cricketers inflicted severe chastisement on the Gymkhana XI who in their first effort could do no better than 67, and less than a hundred more in their second venture. The young cricketers responding with 103 and 134 for 4. Verily a little chastisement is good for the soul of man, and no excuse could be offered for the collapse of the Gymkhana though it is fair to add Captain Greig did not perform on this occasion.

The second extra race meeting was as great a success as the first, and Mr. Cursetjee Dhunjeeshaw had everything running in the smoothest manner possible from beginning to end.

As on the previous day the well-known Bhattia owners, Messrs. Anandjee Nanjee and Mathuradass Gokuldass, opened proceedings with a win, on this occasion with that beautiful rogue Grey Fox who in Foster's gentle handling seemed to be in quite a good temper and when so and in form takes a deal of beating.

In the next race Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s. brace of three year colts Bendigo and Berlin reversed their respective form of the first day, as on this occasion Melsom was able to keep the former on a straight course and he won comfortably, as indeed in my opinion, he would have done on the previous occasion, under similar circumstances. Young Kohinoor separated the stable companions and the policy of the owners of racing this brace of smart colts against each other in this fashion seems wholly indiscreet.

An interesting event was the August Plate for all horses over six furlongs for which several useful animals that have been heard of in the past, and

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will be heard of in the future, went to the post, though on this occasion some were so obviously big in condition that their chances of success could not seriously be taken into consideration. The public plumped for their old favourite Tubal Cain, but the speedy mare Blue Blood with 2 stone seven pounds the best of the weights streaked away making every post—including, in this instance the last—a winning post—with the much talked of Child's Guide third. An objection was afterwards lodged against Blue Blood on the grounds of an undeclared partnership, and this was enquired into by the Stewards, but no decision was given pending some further evidence I believe.

Fourteen Arabs of the 14 hand class contested the Little Maiden Plate of 5 furlongs and an excellent race ensued, Moreed who won several races last season winning from Calcutta—(a victor last Saturday) with a very promising pony in Bandit II., third, and several in a cluster close up.

The public were delighted to see their old favourite of many years—the redoubtable "Jimmy" have a win on Mr. Galstaun's Gun Metal—a very magnificent type of the dwarf thoroughbred, and she had little trouble in shaking off Min and Olga when it came to racing up the straight. There was a very considerable delay at the post owing to the fractiousness of some of the competitors, but Mr. O'Gorman's starting on both days has been quite up to his best form.

As on the first day the closed race, on this occasion for Arab ponies filled excellently, no less than nine coming under the staters orders. The public doubtless following the wise adage of "going for the rider in Captains Races" went strong for Fiddler for whom the services of Captain Meynell had been retained, while a few would be knowing ones thought the dark but fantastically named Check-a-dee might be a rod in pickle. It was very soon, however, apparently that Fiddler had things all his own way and Captain Meynell had but to sit still and look pleasant.

We publish elsewhere the entries for the second Monsoon Meeting, which are on the whole very satisfactory with the exception of the Pony Plate, which has only drawn six. In the absence of the weights, which will not appear until after we go to press, it is idle to indulge in prophecies as to probable winners except in the case of the Hunter's Plate, and the Fort Plate, both of which are on terms. Of the eight nominated for the former of these two events we like Planet better than anything else. He is a neat lepper and moreover showed us at Tollygunge that he has a great dash of foot, plenty fast enough for hunter class. Glancing casually at the entries it strikes us that the Stewards will require to stretch their consciences a bit to declare some of the other candidates "*bonâ-fide* paperchases," as we do not remember to have heard of either Whisper or Orphan Boy in connection with the paperchasing so far, but no doubt the Stewards' consciences will prove equal to the occasion. Next to Planet we fancy Blue Bell II as likely to obtain a situation.

For the Fort Plate we should say there is only one in it, namely, Thunder Cloud, always supposing she can arrange to get on the move a bit quicker than was the case last Saturday. Morris should get a place, and Daffodil should also run well if he elects to go for this in preference to the hurdle race as is not unlikely, since we should imagine that there will not be much competition for the mount on him over timber, owing to his supreme contempt for the obstacles. Possibly, however, his tumble the other morning has done him a bit of good.

WHEN a child, Robert Peck showed a deeply-rooted passion for horses. At the early age of seven he frequently accompanied his father on to the Wold for the purpose of seeing thoroughbreds at exercise. Songstress, the Oaks winner of 1852, was one of the earliest fancies of this juvenile critic. During the same year he was greatly impressed by the manner in which West Australian did his work, and Robert Peck's first prophecy was made in connection with this famous horse. One morning John Scott was on the Wold in company with the late Lord Derby. It was exercise time, and Scott called "Bob" to the carriage in order to ask some question. Lord Derby was pleased by the boy's confident yet quiet manner, and half-chaffingly asked him what would win the Derby.

"West Australian, my lord," the youngster replied.

"The little 'un is not a bad judge," said Scott, on hearing his choice.

Two years later Lord Derby proved the he had not forgotten the youthful prophet. He was down at Malton in the spring of '51, confident that the Derby would at last fall to the black and white cap.

"Now this year I can tell *you* what will win the Derby," he said to Robert. Dervish will win."

The youngster replied that he preferred Acrobat. Although Dervish started at 5 to 2 he was not successful, and according to the Great Yorkshire and Doncaster Stakes form, Acrobat was much the better animal of the two.

Athletic Notes.

A RACKET tournament, open to all India, is to be held at Poona, under the auspices of the Club of Western India, from the 21st to the 27th September. In the open doubles, each pair must be representative of a corps, or a department, or a club, or a station, and the trophy is a £25 challenge cup. There are five other events, singles and doubles.

A boxing tournament was held at Coonoor on the 29th ultimo and was successfully carried through. Competitors entered from Bangalore, Secunderabad, and other stations and the boxing was most interesting. The *piece de resistance* was the fight for the Nilgiri Championship Medal between Private Harris, Durham Light Infantry, and Trumpeter Austin of the Carabiniers. It was to be a ten round contest. Harris went slow for the first five rounds, then got to work, and hitting hard, soon had his man beaten, the last round being abandoned, and the fight awarded to Harris. Colonel Mayne, the Officer Commanding the Southern District, presented the medal.

Captain Toogood was judge, Lieutenants Franklyn and Woodhouse acted as referees, and Colour-Sergeant Mansfield as timekeeper and master of ceremonies.

Our London Sporting letter this week gives full details of the long distance Swimming Championship, and a most remarkable race it appears to have been. J. A. Jarvis won in 1hr. 7mins. 32⅗secs., and thereby scored his seventh successive win in the event. Details are also given of the fine running at Chelmsford, in connection with Essex County Amateur Sports. Perhaps the most interesting events were the three miles and quarter mile scratch races. In the former Shrubb, who holds the trophy known as the Atalanta Cup, again won in good style from his old opponent, Aldridge; while in the quarter the Rev. H. W. Workman scored in the good time of 51secs. after a good race with that improving runner, H. B. Montague, of the South London Harriers. Evidently his clerical duties have not impaired Workman's speed; he is one of the best all-round runners ever sent out from either University.

An account of the race for the Wingfield Sculls is also included. This was won by Mr. St. George Ashe of the Thames R. C. who beat Mr. A. H. Cloutte, London R., C. very easily by six lengths It is said that Cloutte's arm gave way. Several features of the contest demand notice. It is rarely the "Wingfields" have resolved themselves into a duel. Then the retirement of the holder (Mr. F. S. Kelly), the defeat of Mr. Cloutte, and the brilliant form of Mr. Ashe, all render the contest a remarkable one. And "It's a long lane that has no turning" is evidently still a truism, when applied to Mr. Ashe himself or the Thames R. C. It is some time since the red, white, and black colours were in the ascendant either at up-river regattas or the race under notice. Since Royal Henley, however, the Thames R. C. have asserted themselves in no unmistakable fashion, and now one of their members is Champion of England. Does not this emphasize the fact that the vicissitudes of boat clubs are like the dicebox?—one year there is a plethora of talent, the next a positive dearth of it. Who would have thought two months' ago that Mr. Kelly would have lost the "Diamonds," declined competition for the "Wingfields," and that Mr. Ashe would be Champion of England?

Among important cricket results at home last week are the following.—Kent beat Essex by 220 runs; Notts beat Surrey by two wickets; Gloster beat Sussex by 160. The matches between Worcester and Warwickshire, Leicester and the South Africans, and Yorkshire and Lancashire were all drawn.

Kent beat Surrey by six wickets; Sussex beat Hants by an innings and 81 runs; Gloucester beat Middlesex by sixty runs and the matches between Warwickshire and Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Yorkshire, Essex and Notts, and Lancashire and South Africans were all drawn.

Probably no one is more helpless than a person in a rowing boat on a river when pelted from the bank; and when Captain Winter, R. F. A. (well known in Bombay) who was rowing on the River Ouse, near Bedford, was undergoing this exasperating annoyance at the hands of a number of rough lads on the towing path, he not unnaturally landed and did what he could to stop them, taking with him one of the sculls of the boat. It appears from the evidence that they advanced quite close, pelting him with clods, and were probably assaulting him in a most unpleasant way. He swept the scull round, and as one of the boys ducked, the scull hit his head and caused his death. Sympathy will lie largely with the oarsman who was acquitted, for he first had his boat appropriated and was afterwards pelted, than with the aggressors. But it is not a little surprising how fatal accidents may be caused by persons who intend only to make a display of force, or even of skill. It is a fact that a visitor to a house once killed two children in two minutes unintentionally. He picked a little boy up, holding it with his hands under the sides of the jaws. When set down the child staggered and fell unconscious. The causer of the mischief said, "Why, I did nothing, I only picked him up like this," and did the same to another child standing by. Both died from dislocated vertebræ of the neck.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—Association football has absorbed nearly all the interest in local sporting circles during the past week, and several of the games played in the Harwood League were very closely contested. Nearly all the teams in the League have improved and there has been as a consequence more interest in League games especially those between the two Cheshire teams and the teams that figure low down in the table. The Cheshires "A" team which is the only team in the League that can point to an unbeaten record remains at the head of the list and is showing form just now that would tax the resources of the strongest teams in the country. When the Cheshires put their full team in the field for the tournament next month they will be warm favourites.

Two games were played on Tuesday afternoon, the Royal Artillery meeting the *Perseus* eleven on the Cooperage and the Cheshire "A" and "B" teams playing off their return at Colaba. In the first game the sailors gave a really fine display against their formidable opponents, and after a hard contested fight had the satisfaction of leaving the ground victors by one goal to *nil*. The form shown by the backs and goal-keepers was particularly good, and in this connection it would be difficult to say which side showed to the best advantage. The return game between the Cheshire "A" and "B" teams proved a most exciting one, and resulted in a draw, each side scoring a goal. The "A" team is now practically certain to annex the cup this season, and up to date has the good record of seven matches won and two drawn. Twenty-four goals have been scored for the side and only two against it. On Wednesday last the Gymkhana and the Rovers met for the first time in a League fixture, and after a very in and out game in which each side scored one goal no definite result was arrived at. Thursday's game, which was between the Gymkhana and the Telegraph Club, resulted in an unexpected defeat of the Gymkhana by the heavy margin of five goals to one. For two-thirds of the game the Telegraph men quite outplayed their opponents scoring three goals in the first half and two others early in the second period. The Gymkhana scored their only point a few minutes before the whistle went. This was the Telegraph team's first victory, in League games this season.

A Rugger match between the Gymkhana and the Casuals last Monday resulted in an easy victory for the Gymkhana by four goals and one try to *nil*. T. Reed, who six or seven years ago held a good reputation as a sprinter, played a great game at three-quarters, and his speed enabled him to score two tries in excellent positions. None of the opposing backs could get near him, and in the second half he got in again after a fine run down half the length of the ground. The Casuals were completely out-classed and are not improving as much as was hoped from the form they showed earlier in the season.

The best thing that can be said this week about the usual Gymkhana Mounted Sports is that the entries were better than they have been for some weeks, and the attendance was larger. The opening event, tent-pegging by half sections, was won by Messrs. D. Graham and W. E. Crum with Messrs. Fiscber (P. F.) and Heyland second. The Jumping Competition for Horses, for which there was a much better entry than usual, was won by Mr. Greig, Mr. Rummell and Mr. Rutherford being second and third respectively. The Ladies' Tilting was won by Mrs. S. McCausland, and a Victoria Cross Race which

followed was practically a walk over for Mr. Matthews, in spite of a bad start. The pre-Raphaelite Stakes were annexed by Mr. P. F. Fischer and Miss Bowack with Mr. D. Graham and Mrs. Carnegy and Mr. Barraclough and Mrs. Dyson second and third respectively. The usual Horse and Pony Scurries were won by Mr. Matthews on Bloke and Mr. D. Graham on Johad respectively, with Mr. Heyland's Xerxes ridden by Mr. Monteath and Mr. Spence's Pepper ridden by Mr. McCausland second in the respective events.

Turning to cricket matters I am glad to say that the Presidency Selection Committee have determined to leave no stone unturned in their efforts to unearth promising players in the districts. In connection with the match at Bombay this month I hear that Captain L. M. R. Deas has accepted an invitation to play, and that it is quite on the cards that Captain M. D. Wood, the old Wellingtonian, will also accept the invitation extended to him. Assuming that Deas and Wood will play, and with Greig back once more, the Presidency team will take a lot of beating this year. It seems pretty safe to predict that the following players are "probables":—Captain J. G. Greig, B. M. Carroll, H. P. Chaplin, J. Monteath, Captain M. D. Wood, Captain L. M. R. Deas, T. Curtis, of the Telegraph Department at Quetta, and Captain H. K. Umfreville. Should all these players be able to turn out, only three places will remain to fill up, one of which will be the wicket keeper's. With Deas, Wood, Greig, Umfreville, to say nothing of Carroll, Chaplin, and Curtis all bowlers, the first four good enough to open the attack, only one of the three remaining places is likely to go to a bowler pure and simple. As there seems no chance of Sprott being able to get up to Bombay the wicket-keeper's place should be filled by either E. H. Philbrick, R. H. C. Kearsey or C. Walcote. Personally I think Philbrick has first claim to play in the Bombay match, and I hope he will be selected. One other place remains to be filled up, supposing all the players previously mentioned are selected and that should go to a batsman. It will be a difficult place to fill as at least half a dozen players have equal claims.

One of the biggest disappointments Bombay cricketers have experienced this season was on Saturday last when the Bombay Gymkhana met the Parsee Gymkhana in the first of the two annual fixtures between these clubs with half their best men away. The Bombay Gymkhana was deprived of the services of its four bowlers, its wicket-keeper, and three of its best bats. The Parsees on the other hand, with the exception of A. H. Mehta, and D. D. Kanga who were absent had their strongest side out. Of course it was freely predicted that the Parsees would inflict a severe defeat on their opponents and although expectations in this respect were partially realised I am surprised at the good show made by the Gymkhana. [As will be seen from the scores further on. ED.]

While the Gymkhana first eleven was having a bad time at the hands of the Parsees the Reserves were giving the Eastern Telegraph an equally bad time. The Telegraph team were dismissed for 63, Douglas taking seven wickets and to this the Gymkhana Reserves replied with 185 for nine wickets, H. Dawson making 55, and T. Reed 49. Both batsmen lost their wickets though being run out.

The Soccer League game on the Cooperage on Saturday evening between the Cheshire "A" team who are at the top of the League table and the Gymkhana team does not call for much comment as the result was a foregone conclusion. The Gymkhana team at no point of the game ever extended their opponents, who in the last half slackened their efforts perceptibly and were content to keep the Gymkhana penned up near their goal line.

The final match in the Trades Cup competition was played on the Dalhousie ground on the 8th instant. The contesting teams were the Medical College and Gaurangdi, and a good game resulted in a win for the Medicos by a goal to *nil*. This is the second year in succession that the College has won the Trades Cup.

The Calcutta Rowing Club Committee are not letting the grass grow under their feet, but following up their recent success, have got out the programme for their third regatta, which is to be held on the 3rd September. The card includes the race for Senior Fours, three-quarter mile in light fours, and the Senior Pairs over the same distance in light gigs. Entries close on the 18th instant. The race for the Hoare Cup, half mile for novices in fixed seat tub fours, will be rowed on the 24th September. Entries closing on the 27th instant. There ought to be several crews in for the four oared events and we hope to see some good racing.

The Peepulputty Dug Ups, who had to scratch to the Merchants in the Class Fours at the recent Calcutta Rowing Club Regatta, met the winners of the event, in a sporting match over the same course last Friday. The heavy downpour during the evening looked like postponing the race, but it cleared up sufficiently for the match to be brought off. Away to a good start the Dug Ups got the lead, but after six strokes the Service boat passed them and going away were a length to the good at the half distance. They increased their lead and rowing hard won by a length and a half. Crews :—

The Services.			*The Dug Ups.*	
Capt. H. W. Gardiner	*bow*		G. Watson	*bow*
Lt. H. E. Szczepanski...	2		G. Peddie ...	2
Capt. R. P. Wilson ...	3	beat	F. Williamson ...	3
Dr. W. C. Hossack	*str*		F. R. S. Charles	*str.*
Mrs. Szczepanski	*cox*		Mrs. Wilson	*cox.*

A mile in 30 seconds is surely within measurable distance? At the Ostend Motor Races on the 23rd ultimo the mile was covered in 48⅗secs., the last 600 yards being travelled at a rate exceeding 100 miles per hour!

At the Calcutta Swimming Baths on Saturday the 6th instant Mr. A. E. B. Siddons secured the Gold Time Badge given by the Club for members swimming the 100 yards in 1min. 18secs. Mr. Siddons swam the three legths in 1min. 16⅘secs. the next best time to that put up by Mr. H. P. Henderson some years ago. On the same afternoon Mr. W. Govan gained the Silver Time Badge, covering the three lengths in 1min. 18⅗secs. We congratulate both swimmers on their success.

From the last annual report of the London and Lancashire Life Assurance Company we learn that the New Assurances under Proposals received amounted to 2,663 for £822,971 and deducting £122,945 for those declined or not completed, the Policies issued were 2,362 for £700,026, giving a New Premium Income of £31,667 11s. 9d., showing an increase over the previous year of £15,222 in sums assured and £910 6s. 9d. in New Premiums.

The total Premium Income of the year amounted to £295,096 14s 5d., and deducting £9,055 14s. 0d. paid to other Offices for Re-assurances, the net amount is £286,041 0s. 5d., showing an increase of £11,254 11s. 3d. over the previous year. The Audited Accounts show that the Total Income of the Company is £358,243 10s. 9d., including £72,122 5s. 9d., from Interest and Dividends, the average rate yielded on invested and uninvested Funds being £4 0s. 11d. per cent. The Claims by death, with Bonus additions, amount to £119,113 2s. 7d., andare still well within the expectancy. The Claims under matured Endowment Policies amount to £40,989. The increase in the Funds during the year amounts to £109,715, and the total Funds now stand at £1,872,783. In ten years the Net Premium Income shows an increase of over £100,000, whilst the Funds during the same period have been increased by nearly £1,000,000.

London Week by Week.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 22nd July* 1904.

SOME hope is held out by optimists that the remaining business of the session may be disposed of in time to allow the prorogation to take place on Saturday the 13th of August. It is devoutly to be hoped that these prophecies of smooth things may be verified, but at present there seems small prospect thereof. True, the committee stage of the Licensing Bill has been brought to an end—not an untimely one—by the aid of the guillotine, but when the report stage is reached another time-limit debate is threatened. And in view of the amount of business still to be put through, and the perfection to which the opposition has brought the art of "scandalous, wilful, and deliberate obstruction," the prospect of an early release seems well nigh hopeless. Few things have been more discreditable in the record of this discredited Opposition than the motion for the adjournment to discuss the conduct of Lord Dundonald. Mr. Lloyd George—that Cabinet Minister in embryo—and his worthy ally Mr. Churchill, thought they saw in the recent regrettable occurrence in Canada an opportunity of snatching some advantage to themselves. Mr. George is—Mr. George,—and acts after his kind; no regard for the public interest would restrain him from any course which promised a party advantage. Mr. Churchill is moved probably by a desire for a cheap notoriety, and an impish desire to make mischief.

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How often have I marvelled at the unfortunate law of Nature, or dispensation of Providence, which ordains—or seems to me to ordain—that all things of interest above the common should happen toward the end of the week—just too late to receive proper attention in my Friday's letter. Hitherto

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with stoical resolve I have refrained from lifting up my voice in lamentations, but none the less did I hail with joy last Saturday the outpouring of the *Saturday's Reviewer* anent the same grievance. He, with a sweet reasonableness that is to his credit, merely complains that an undue proportion of things, good from his point of view, came off towards the week end; and if ever a week excused an outburst of injured feeling it assuredly was the week that ended last Saturday. It was a cruel fate for a *Saturday's Reviewer* that prompted both the Secretary of State for war, and Mr. Joseph Chamberlain to make their long looked for statements on a Thursday, and the much injured gentleman has my warmest sympathy.

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Mr. Gilbert's "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern" played at the Garrick on Tuesday afternoon by a company of dramatic authors and authoresses, is a piece of excellent fooling. Some thirty years ago it appeared in *Fun*, and has since been played several times—more or less publicly—by amateurs. I believe it was also acted at a Vaudeville Matinee some years ago. The piece is described by Mr. Gilbert as "a Tragic episode in Three Tableaux, founded on an old Danish Legend." This is the ancient Danish legend according to Mr. Gilbert. The King, in the days of his youth, was the perpetrator of a five act tragedy, which was withdrawn after a single performance, as it proved "more than even sycophancy could stand." The King withdrew the book, and any references to it was treated as a capital offence. Ophelia is betrothed to Hamlet who is generally thought to be "idiotically sane with lucid intervals of lunacy." But though she is betrothed to Hamlet her love is given to Rosencrantz. Hamlet has developed a bad habit of soliloquising, and his mother thinks his mind might be diverted by private theatricals. Rosencrantz and Ophelia here see their opportunity of getting rid of him. If he can only be tricked into acting the King's play all will be well. Only one copy of it exists, the one deposited with Polonius as Lord Chamberlain, Ophelia steals it, and shows it to Hamlet, who, finding it a part play and seeing himself a success in that part, presents it before the Court. As soon as the King recognizes the play he stops the performance and it is with difficulty that he is persuaded not to kill Hamlet on the spot. It is decided at last that banishment to England shall be his punishment. In the course of the piece Mr. Gilbert makes fun of some of the incidents of Hamlet, and has some telling hits at the ways of stage Hamlets, and the selfishness of some actor managers, which caused much amusement, and were keenly appreciated by both actors and audience on Tuesday. Mr. Gilbert was extremely good as the King; acting the part with the utmost gravity, and thereby giving an object lesson to many actors of his plays. Captain Robert Marshall was an excellent Hamlet, and nothing could have been better than Mr. Leo Trevor's Rosencrantz. There was a very large audience, so it must be hoped that the Bushey Heath Cottage Hospital for the benefit of which the performance was given, will benefit largely.

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On Saturday evening Mrs. Patrick Campbell revived "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" at the Vaudeville, and has repeated it every evening this week—the last of Mrs. Campbell's season. So long as we can see Mrs. Patrick Campbell in the part of Paula so long will the piece draw crowded houses; otherwise there is not much to attract in it, and it strikes one as now slightly out of date. Mr. C. Aubrey Smith gave a fine personation of the part of Tanqueray. In addition to "the Garden of Lies" with which Mr. Alexander proposes to re-open the St. James's Theatre on 3rd September, he will probably produce during the season a poetic play dealing with the story of King Arthur and Lancelot, by Mr. John Davidson; and a new play by Mr. Stephen Phillips, the title of which was not divulged. On 1st September Mr. Wilson Barrett proposes to produce "Lucy Durham" at the Comedy, and in the middle of September Mr. Otho Stuart and Mr. Oscar Asche promise us Mr. J. B. Fagan's romantic play "The Prayer of the Sword," with a strong and mainly Bensonian cast, which will include Mr Oscar Asche, Miss Lily Brayton, Mr. Alfred Brydone, Mr. Walter Hampden, Miss Pamela Gaythorne, and other well-known names. Mr. Percy Anderson designs the dresses, and Mr. W. T. Helmsley and Mr. Joseph Harker will be responsible for the scenery. The interregnum this year will last barely five weeks—a shorter time than usual if my memory serves me.

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"Lest we forget!" Only four years ago how indignantly were we disposed to repudiate any suggestion that such a warning could be necessary, and now it appears that we have very effectually forgotten a great deal. Four years ago, taught by bitter experiences in South Africa, we thought ourselves awake to the danger that threatened us should we find ourselves at war with a first class continental power. *Then*, the pressing need was for men—and yet more men; *now* the most pressing of our needs is a reduction of the estimates, and many of us hear unmoved that our army is larger than we need, and that the imperative duty of our War Minister is to proceed with all possible despatch, to reduce it. Mr. Arnold Forster's acknowledgment that his military colleagues are not at one with him, disproves the statement made in some quarters that General Lyttelton's declaration that he was "not happy" was merely a personal indiscretion. The part of the scheme relating to the Militia is hung up for the present, the War Minister stating that he proposes to "take counsel" on it during the autumn. It is no doubt a well meant effort towards an ideal; whether it will survive, in anything like its present form, the hostile criticism it is likely to receive during the recess, remains to be seen. The conference which Mr. Arnold Forster was to have had yesterday with members representing the Volunteers has been postponed.

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The German Emperor has again been indulging in his pet amusement of letting fly aggressive telegrams. As Honorary Colonel-in-Chief of the 85th Russian Infantry he takes the opportunity of the regiment being ordered to the front to assure it that he is proud that it has the honour of fighting "for the Emperor, the Fatherland, and the fame of Russia," and that his sincere wishes go with it and he prays that God will bless its standards. The message is, to say the least of it, an unusual one for the head of a Neutral State to send; and Tokio will probably remember it. Even as Britons remember the one of like import with which his German Majesty honoured the late Mr. Kruger. It is consolatary to reflect that the Russians will probably not be a whit the better, nor the Japs, a penny the worse, for the effusion while it has doubtless relieved the feelings of the august sender.

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Those most affected by it are to be found in the ranks of his own subjects, if report, be true. It is said that when the tenor of the telegram became known, men of all parties were aghast. There is much enthusiasm for Japan in Germany just now and among German soldiers the feeling is especially strong, holding as they do, that much of the credit of every victory the Japs score is due to their German military instruction. The German Press is unanimous in assuring the world that the message meant just nothing at all, but in fact it is but one of a series of indiscretions. The famous message to the Tsar "Russia's sorrow is Germany's sorrow" is still remembered.

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A good deal of interest has been evoked by the description of a mechanical apparatus of which a demonstration is to be given before long and which it is claimed will effect a revolution in the parcel and mail traffic of London. For several years past the postal authorities in the United States have used large pneumatic tubes for carrying mails between post offices, railway stations, etc. It is now proposed to organise a like system in London, and a bill is to be brought up in Parliament next session to provide for laying down tubes capable of transporting five-sixths of the parcels and all the mails, now carried. For the purpose of the demonstration mentioned above, tubes are now being erected. They are twelve inches in diameter—four inches larger than those in use in New York, and if the demonstration prove a success, and the project is carried out there will be at least a hundred and fifty receiving and despatching stations. I understand that Sir John Wolfe Barry is to be the engineer. Any scheme that will result in the reduction of street traffic will receive a cordial welcome.

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The laying of the foundation stone of the Union Jack Club in Waterloo Road, by the Prince of Wales yesterday, was a pleasant function, characterized by a touch of warmer personal interest than is often the case at formal proceedings of a like nature. The prince made a capital little speech; one sentence of it, in which he reminded his audience that "the enthusiasm naturally evoked by war soon abates when the nation relapses into a condition of peace," it is to be hoped will be marked, learned, and inwardly digested. The Club has the advantage of an excellent position being exactly opposite Waterloo Station.

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The seizure by a "Russian volunteer fleet" of the P. and O. Steamship *Malacca* in the Red Sea, naturally led to what is diplomatically described as a "very serious situation." The ship, it is stated, had no contraband of war for Japan, but was carrying a cargo of three thousand tons, including forty ton of explosive for Hong Kong. The *St. Petersburgh* which seized her is neither more nor less than a privateer, and Sir Charles Hardinge, in the strongly worded protest which he has addressed to the Russian Government, laid emphasis on this fact, and also on the one that the amumnition seized was the property of the British Government. and was intended for the British China Squadron, all the cases being plainly marked with the broad arrow. The *Malacca* arrived at Port Said in charge of a Russian naval captain, officers, and crew, and flying the Russian flag, which was hoisted when the British one, which the captain had nailed to the mast, was torn down. The *Malacca's* passengers among whom are two British officers, and four ladies, have been transhipped to the P. and O. liner *Marmora* outward bound. The crew were declared prisoners, and the *Malacca* has now left Port Said in charge of a Russian prize crew, for a destination which has not been declared. Mr. Balfour from his place in the house, stated last night in answer to a question put by his hon'ble friend Mr. T. G. Bowler, that "this is a most serious question" and one upon which he would make a statement before the close of the session.

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The presentation of the Freedom of the City to Lord Curzon on Wednesday was made the occasion of a remarkable outburst of cordiality and appreciation. Lord Curzon's speech was in every respect one worthy of the audience and the occasion, and made a lofty appeal to all Imperial instincts. The most matter of fact of Britons can scarcely fail to be roused to some measure of enthusiasm as he reads the record of splendid work done which Lord Curzon unfolded in his speech at the Guildhall. That so much is done, and so splendidly done, is due no doubt in the first instance to our magnificent Indian Civil Service—but let our thanks be given when they are due. It is also largely owing to the indifference of the average British M. P. to India and all things Indian. Were our Messrs. Caldewell, John Burns, Cremer, Lough, Lloyd, George, etc., etc., to bring all the resources of their gigantic intellects, and extensive knowledge of parochial affairs, to bear no questions of Indian policy, dire would be the result. We all know the dictum of our much respected John, that he knows no man who is worth more than £300 a year. Imagination refuses to paint an Indian Civil Service recruited from the acquaintance of the Member for Battersea.

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The first underground tramway in London, now in course of construction between the Strand and the districts north thereof, will not be completed it is feared for over a year, owing in a great measure to the unexpected slowness in coming to an agreement with the owners of property *en route*. The tramway, when completed will connect the Thames embankment with Theobald's Road, crossing the Strand, following the western horn of crescent-shaped Aldenych, and the whole length of Kingsway, passing under High Holborn and ending in Southampton Row, whence surface rails are to join it to the old tramways in Theobald's Road. At each end passengers will be able to enter and alight at the street level, while the two intermediate stations will be reached by staircases only about eighteen feet deep. This new venture is the child of the L. C. C. and should prove one of the most useful of its schemes, and should it prove a financial success it may be the pioneer of many subways, which may do much towards the solution of how to deal with the street traffic. It is said that the L. C. C.'s estimate of £282,000 per mile for construction, is too low a one. The maximum height of the subway is to be sixteen feet, and two lines worked by electricity will be laid. There will be a station at the junction of Aldenych and Kingsway, and another at Great Queen Street. Immediately after reaching Southampton Row the tramway will rise to the surface by an incline of one in ten. The length of the tramway from the embankment to Theobald road will be a trifle over three-quarters of a mile.

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Various items. The evidence at the inquest held on the body of Mr. Kent Loomis which was washed ashore near Kingsbridge, Devonshire, on Saturday does not go far towards clearing up the mystery of his death, Mr. Loomis, a journalist by profession, was at the time of his death in the diplomatic service of the United States Government, and was carrying important papers from Washington to Paris. He was making the voyage from New York to Cherbourg, *viâ* Plymouth, on board the steamship *Kaiser Wilhelm II*—he was last seen alive just before the arrival of the vessel at Plymouth; on its arrival at Cherbourg he was missed and although every inquiry was made no evidence as to his movements was forthcoming. For some reason, of which I have seen no explanation, Mr. Loomis soon after he went on board at New York, handed the important papers he had charge of to

the safe keeping of a friend on board, but that he had not been robbed was proved by the finding of his watch and chain on his body, together with some gold and silver coins, and American notes. The watch had stopped at six o'clock—one o'clock English time—about the time the *Kaiser Wilhelm II* was leaving Plymouth. The medical evidence attributes death to a severe blow on the head, which might have been caused by a fall, and which was so severe that it is improbable Mr. Loomis could have recovered from it even had he not fallen into the water. The body was identified mainly by means of a ring which Mr. Loomis was known to be wearing. There is not a scrap of evidence that anyone had on interest in obtaining the papers that had been intrusted to Mr. Loomis, and it was in the highest degree improbable that he would be carrying them about on his person. On the other hand there is no evidence that he wished to take his own life, or that he met with an accident on board. The open verdict returned by the jury was the only one possible under the circumstances.

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The latest Cunard liner the *Caronia*, which has just been launched at the Clydebank yard by Mrs. Choate, is described by the American Ambassador in a poetic flight, as "the noblest vessel that had ever kissed British waters." In plain and unadorned prose, she exceeds in size and tonnage any vessel ever floated on the Clyde. Her length is 676 feet, breadth 72 feet, she is to be fitted with engines of 21,000 horse-power, and her speed is expected to be 18 knots. The *Caronia* will have accommodation for 2,650 passengers, and a crew of 450 officers and men. Messrs. Brown have just laid the keel blocks of the sister ships to the *Caronia*, in which is to be made the first experiment on a large scale with turbine engines. From the reference made by Lord Inverclyde in his speech at the launch, to the present rate "war" on the North Atlantic it is plain that he and his co-directors intend to stand firmly by their policy of independence.

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A specially attractive programme is on just now at the Alhambra. In addition to the brilliant ballet "all the year round," which shows no symtom of waning popularity, though it has passed its 150th performance, there is a series of remarkably vivid living pictures, of scenes from the Russo-Japanese war shown by the "Urban Bioscope." The photographs have been quite recently taken and bring home with unusual realism the actualities ofwar. Some exciting incidents of the great fire at Toronto are also shown. A combination of passive resistance and woman's right is truly formindable. The logical lady in whose person the combination is effected, declines to pay her income tax on the voting of taxes they should not be called upon to pay, and as evidence of her earnestness has sacrificed a sideboard, some chairs, a writing desk, a bicycle, and various other items, to satisfy the law's demand. An interesting double balloon ascent took place from the Crystal Palace last week, One balloon of forty-five thousand feet capacity, ascended to a height of nine thousand feet and landed at Saffran Walden after a two hour's voyage, the velocity of the wind being twenty-five miles per hour. A first class torpedo boat propelled by a combination of turbine and reciprocating machinery, built by Messrs. Yarrow, made a trip lately from Greenwich to Thames Haven. The value of the arrangement is that when full consumption is of great consideration in enabling the boat to make long distance runs, the triple-expansion reciprocating engine alone is used, but when the maximum speed has to be obtained the two turbines as well as the reciprocating engine are set in motion. The boat is built of steel, and her armament will be three decked torpedo tubes and two 3 pounder quick firing guns. Her speed, carrying a load of 20 tons, is 25 knots. The trip was perfectly successful, her vibrations when at full speed being less than that of a mail train.

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Messrs. Hooley and Lawson surrendered to their bail before Mr. Fenwick at Bow Street on Saturday to answer the adjourned charge of conspiring to obtain money by false pretences from Mr. Paine, a licensed victualler. The charge preferred against Mr. Sievier of having committed "wilful and corrupt perjury" when he was privately examined in bankruptcy has been dismissed. The Magistrate having come to the conclusion that having regard to the length of time that had elapsed since the offence was alleged to have been committed, and that perjury must be "wilful and corrupt," no jury would convict. It is not easy to see how a different conclusion could have been arrived at, but nevertheless there is a distinct impression that Mr. Sievier has had luck on his side in this instance. The trial of Mr. Marshall, Solicitor, and ex-Mayor of Retford, on a charge of misappropriating money, the property of the Duke of Newcastle, was concluded yesterday at the Nottinghamshire Assizes, by a verdict of guilty, coupled with a recommendation to mercy on the score of age. The facts are fresh in the memory of most of us. Mr. Marshall came up to London in the June of last year to complete the purchase of some property for the Duke of Newcastle. He brought with him a case, containing, he alleges, about £12,000 in bank-notes, and of these notes he states he was robbed, while staying at the Hôtel Metropole. Mr. Marshall was unable to give the numbers of the missing notes, and he accounted for his failure to do this by saying that he kept the paper on which the numbers were written in the same case with the notes. A curiously unbusiness-like proceeding for a business man. Mr. Justice Bray deferred sentence until to-day. Lord Milner and the Transvaal Government have acceded, as was generally expected they would, to Mr. Kruger's last request that he might be buried in Pretoria. In answer to a question in the House of Commons Mr. Balfour stated that no request on the subject had been addressed to the English Government; and a further question from that redoubtable Boer champion, Mr. Swift McNeil, as to whether a British man-of-war would not be detailed to convey the body to Cape Town, Mr. Balfour treated with the silence it deserved. Some of the Nelson relics stolen from Greenwich in December 1900 have been recovered, and a seaman, named Carter, was on Saturday committed for trial at the Greenwich Police Court on the charge of stealing and receiving the various articles which are valued at £5,000. American papers and their Editors are said to have been considerably mystified by the cables they have received anent the Tibetan Expedition. On receiving news that Colonel Younghusband's force had been fired on "by jingals from a jong" they proceeded to print the intelligence with the j's in capitals. Comments were freely made of the ferocity and prowess of "the Jingalls," but the most industrious search in their maps did not enable them to locate the position of Jong. I will just note the release from prison of Mrs. Maybrick.

ONLOOKER.

Shikar.

SHIKAR POSSIBILITIES IN A NATIVE STATE.

A FEW years back I was in camp with Mr. F. A. A. the Commissioner of Chota Nagpur, in one of the Native States, the Chief of which had arranged to give him a day's shooting at a place called D—A—some twenty miles from his *gurh*, and the camp was accordingly sent down there. Mrs. F. and her niece, Miss H., were also with the camp. The D—A—village is situated close to some small hills well wooded, as are also the valleys among them, a small river runs under the hills and so long as there is water in it, that is up to the end of March, the place is an ideal resort for large game. Sambhur and spotted deer abound, and tiger and leopards are frequently to be found there, while peacock, jungle-fowl, and partridge are always to be had. We reached the camp about 10 A.M. and the rest of the day the Commissioner spent among his office bundles in order to get the next day free to himself, this also allowed the Rajah time to see for himself that all the shikar arrangements were complete. The following morning we started after an early breakfast riding out to the *maichans*, these were very substantially built with boarded floors on which a comfortable seat on a *morah* was possible, and all were completely screened round with fresh green branches. I was placed in the first one we came to, the Rajah's was the next to my left, and about seventy yards off, while Mr. F.'s and Miss H.'s, which were supposed to be in the best positions, were beyond it. The Rajah, after politely seeing them seated, got into his own *maichan* and we were all ready by 11 A.M. Some 1,500 coolies had been collected for the beat, which we had heard commencing a long way off some time before we were all seated; it however took a long time for them to come our way, for fully an hour and a half we occasionally heard the tom-toms beating, or the coolies shouting, and an occasional report of guns booming through the hills, then as the beaters descended to some lowlying valley, we were screened by the spur of a hill. All was again silent for a time, presently on a sudden the whole countryside would again appear to be alive with shouts, firearms, tom toms, trumpets and all manner of music, still nothing stirred near us except now and again a monkey leaping among the trees, or a peacock running among the undergrowth in the jungle. Each time a gun was fired in the distance a frantic shout arose along the whole line of beaters, but we had no means of knowing from all this whether anything was really afoot or not. When the beaters were apparently about a quarter of a mile off, some large animals rushed through the jungles to the left of the Rajah towards Mr. F.'s *maichans*, but as no gun was fired in that direction they probably turned off elsewhere. Shortly after this, I heard something moving in front and between the Rajah's and my own *maichans* and I could see he had also heard it and was on the alert. The beat came on nearer and the animal in front, whatever it was, approached closer and again stood, but still nothing was to be seen, then another move forward and I suddenly saw a very fine sambhur stag come out under a tree about thirty yards in front of me. It stood looking back intently towards the beaters. I fired and hit him well back and low down in the neck, he swung round at once, but I was able to get another ball into his shoulder and dropped him. Just then a number of spotted deer passed to the Rajah's left, he fired but apparently missed them, and immediately after the coolies appearing the first beat was over. The stag I had shot was a very large full grown animal, but had poor horns. After examining it we sent it on to the camp, and mounting our nags, we all moved on to another ground about a mile and a half to the last. Here the *maichans* were in a line a little way up and along the face of a long low hill and looked down on the strong bed of a small stream, then almost dry, and across it over a well-wooded rising ground down which the coolies were to beat towards us, Mr F. took the first *maichan* to the west, Miss H's was the second, mine the third, and the Rajah's was beyond to my right. I could not see him or Mr. F. but Miss H. was only about ninety yards from me, and I could see her *maichan* clearly. It was nearly 2 P.M. before we were all posted. The coolies had gone back a long way and were to beat up a stretch of about two miles to us, so it was a considerable time before we heard anything of them. The day was hot and the waiting weary, sleepy work. Occasionally a peacock or two rustled through the undergrowth past us, or a troop of lungoors disturbed by something galloped past with long lolloping strides, the females carrying their young ones clinging on under them. After some time distant shouts or the report of a gun would reach us and again for a bit all would be quiet. For a long time I watched a large lizard, about fifteen inches long, a kind of Iguana I should think. As it sat on the branch of a tree in front of me, its general colour was yellowish brown, deepening into a rusty purple towards the back, which was frilled with a row of spikes the whole length of its body and tail; it had very prominent red eyes and a very large pendulous throat like a pouch. It sat perfectly motionless, blinking its eyes and apparently basking in the sun. I flicked No. 4 shot at it, but beyond raising its neck up and down a bit, it took no notice of them, suddenly a huge lungoor sprang from the next tree on to the branch on which the lizard sat when it dropped with a loud thud among the dry leaves on the ground and then scuttled away on to a large rock where it endeavoured to look quiet unconcerned and as if nothing had happened. Just then the coolie sitting behind me in the *maichan*, touched my back and whispered, "*Saheb, Bagh*," but I could see nothing, he kept pointing to the rising ground opposite and in front of Mr. F. and almost immediatly I heard the double report of the latter's rifle and a loud *looof looof* followed by two shots from Miss H.'s *maichan*, next a streak of yellow dashed back up the hill in front of her, but she had missed, for it emitted no sound. It seemed that two tigers had broken cover and come down together in front of Mr. F. who knocked one over when the other galloped down the bed of the stream towards Miss H. Several spotted deer also came down to the west near the Rajah who bagged one. I, however, saw nothing, but a number of peacock and monkeys, though we afterwards learnt that a bear had broken back among the beaters in front of me. Mr. F.'s tiger measured a little under ten feet and proved to be a very well marked young male animal. It was slung on a pole and carried along with us and we walked up a bit till we got on to our path, where we found the coolies had collected, and had brought in several deer, pig, and peacock, which had been killed by some of the Rajah's people. It appeared that it was the practice in the State for the musicians among the beaters to dance and play before a successful Shikar party on its return home, so a procession was formed, the coolies carrying all the trophies in front of us and headed by all the musicians, it was certainly a novel and curious spectacle. The musicians, dancing along the path backwards, facing us, and playing for all they were worth. Every now and then they would pull up and dance and sing in circle, now bowing almost to the ground, then frantically leaping high in the air. The tom-toms were artistically covered with a net work of thin coloured leather strips and had spotted deer's antlers fastened on to their upper edges, and projecting in front, while some of their elegantly shaped copper trumpets were five to six feet long and others were short and wide mouthed, and of fastastically twisted shapes, all were gaudiously painted in curious patterns with scarlet, blue, and yellow colours, all which lent a vivid aspect to the proceedings in the uncertain light of the fast sinking sun. The performance delayed our homeward progress a good deal, but under the circumstances as it was all done in one honour and was, of course vastly amusing, we were fain to acquiese. On arrival at the tents the spoils of the day were laid out in a long line, first Mr. F.'s tiger, then my sambhur, next two spotted deer stags with fairly good horns, a spotted deer doe, two pigs, four peacocks, and three jungle fowl, after all were duly inspected and the Rajah had been given his "rooksat" we were not sorry to turn to at tea and cakes to be followed by a good bath. The following day the camp was broken up and the Commissioner proceeded on his tour. About three months later I again visited D——A——with a friend, when we worked the same beats as above described, but though sambhur were turned out in the first one, none of them came near us; in the second one, however, a small sambhur stag was put up, which fell to my gun, and a great number of spotted deer were driven up, of which four stags were shot by my friend. Towards the end of the beat I had just heard him fire seven or eight shots, when suddenly a herd of six or seven spotted deer, headed by a splendid stag, galloped past me at a tremendous pace. I aimed at the stag and put a ball through his head dropping him dead

and the others passed on. When the beat was over, I got down to the ground, and after noting the wound my ball had made on the left side of the head, I walked down the slope a bit to where I saw my friend examining one of his victims, and told him I too had got a very fine stag. He went on quietly examining the animal before him and then after about half a minute said in a casual sort of way, "Yes, but I think that was my stag too; you will find my bullet in him." I was rather astonished that he should claim a beast that I had positively dropped dead at full gallop, but I said nothing, as I make a point of never disputing a first shot, so we went up to the animal together when he quietly pulled the body over from its right to its left side, and showed me a scarcely perceptible mark in the lower part of the neck and then another large one on the right side of the rump. He had used a Mannlicher rifle and the bullet had literally torn the animal's insides to pieces, yet, as I had seen, it had galloped off at full speed; it would no doubt have dropped a few paces further on had I not hit it. At any rate, it was clearly his first shot and there was nothing more to be said about it. He had had uncommon good luck that day—four very fine stags in a morning! There is still much good shooting to be had in several of the Native States in the Chota Nagpur Division, with, of course, the assistance of their Chiefs, but without this, arrangements for supplies and coolies would be quite impossible.

RAJAH.

Shooting.

CALCUTTA REVOLVER CLUB.

The fifth monthly Prize Meeting was held at the Club Range on Saturday. Conditions; 6 shots with the right hand at 20 yards range. The following were the best scores returned:—

J. E. Vallance, 7, 7, 7, 7 6, 6,=40—6 34.
F. K. Dobbin, 7, 7, 6, 6, 5, 5,=36—4 32.
J. B. Chase, 7, 7, 7, 6, 5, 5,=37—6 31.
W. Boeckel, 7, 7, 5, 5, 5, 5,=34—5 29.

Correspondence.

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Under no circumstances are questions answered by post.
Correspondents whose questions remain unanswered, will please understand that we are unable to give them the information asked for.

BRIDGE QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In playing a game of Bridge the other day, the dealer dropped a card face upwards on the table. A dispute arose as to whether the dealer at *any time* could expose a card. The dealer himself asserted that he could lay his hand on the table face upwards and no card could be called or considered exposed. Perhaps you could kindly answer this question.

R. P.

CACHAR, *6th August, 1904.*

[The dealer suffers no penalty for exposing any card or cards during the play. Of course if a card is exposed whilst dealing, the adversaries can claim a fresh deal. ED.]

THE WORLD'S ONE HOUR CYCLING RECORD.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I should be obliged it you could let me know in your columns, to settle a bet, the greatest distance ridden by any cyclist in one hour paced. I believe I am right in stating that it is 54·27 miles by Hall an English rider in 1903.

M. H.

QUETTA, *27th July, 1904.*

[Quite right. The record is 54 miles 545 yards, made by W. T Hall, at Paris on the 20th October, 1903. ED.]

SOME SHIKAR REFLECTIONS.

THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I note one of your contemporaries has been ventilating the subject of all round guns but with forty odd years' experience I have never come across a real shikari who did not scout the idea. For Sunderbund shooting in the good old days it was usual to have heavy and light guns ready to hand on the deck roof of the pinnace or cockloft of the steamer, as although the game sought was either deer, buffalo, tiger or mugger, an occasional jungle cock, pheasant, or other bird now and again turned up: but on land, whether in the open country round the old indigo factories or the bheels of Bengal, the gunner issued forth with but one kind of game in his mind's eye. On newly opened tea gardens it used to be the custom to load one barrel with shot and the other with ball. Those being the days before breechloaders the sportsman was often in an exasperating delemma, having secured perhaps a bird the report would send a deer scampering off far out of range and: again were stripes roused it became a very ticklish question whether it were prudent to chance killing or disabling him with the only bullet available. Two serious mishaps occurred in fact from this very practice.

The weapons for the jaunt should be chosen for the game sought; if after deer or other big game all letting drive at birds etc., ought to be tabooed for that day, entire attention being concentrated on the business in hand. Even in these days the most rapid handler of a gun when rousing the smaller deer in the spinnies of the Nilghiris is seldom adept enough to change his shot cartridges or snatch the ball bearing piece from his henchman, and after all there is no great disappointment in tramping blank so far as the particular game sought for is concerned if it results in your rousing other, for you know next day what to go out prepared for. It stands to reason that where called upon to rid the country side of a maneater, rogue *katti* or as in the Backergunge southern pergunnahs to help drive back the trampling *moesh* from the ripening grain, you must go equipped for that duty only; potting at anything that presents itself on such occasions only gives the enemy *khubber* thus defeating the object. If, as often happens the villagers volunteer to accompany one on such latter expeditions, it is as well to make them thoroughly understand that nothing else will be fired at.

With regard to following up wounded game which is also being mooted, the first consideration is that of self-preservation. Common humanity dictates putting a maimed animal out of pain, but a good deal depends on the character of the cover the refuge consists of; few shikaris are a match for the big bear among rocks, for brain possesses intuitive knowledge in the way of selecting coigns of vantage, so that when blood stains show he is badly hit, it is better to follow up jumping from boulder to boulder or if that is not possible scrambling up, never, if it can be avoided, tracking on the ground. One can generally tell from the blood marks whether the beast is mortally hit, as in all cases where pools show, you make sure that some important blood vessel is injured so death from loss of blood is but a question of a very short time. Even if the trail is not so pronounced or on examination it is flecked with froth, you are pretty certain the lungs have been perforated so death is as certain and as quick. A tiger if only wounded generally loses no time in letting you know, but the males especially at this season from being bullied at home on account of the cubbing season are more inclined to sneak off, in which case, the greatest circumspection is needed even in following up in such comparatively open forest as Deva Sholah where General Dormer got grabbed.

A regular beat should be organised and a goodly number of bombs carried by the beaters if on foot, but when elephants are available, and the ground admits, they should always be brought into requisition, for close as the injured creature lies, a bomb from the pad or howdah invariable sets him going or if badly crippled forces him to roar. Monkeys will betray his whereabouts, and instances are on record where when beaters, bombs and *hattis* have failed in detecting the wounded beast's refuge, these agile trackers, who never lose sight of a crippled enemy, have led to his lair being revealed. The Garos have a proverb that means "if the shrees are quiet overhead the path underneath is free from danger." In fact undue excitement among branches is a certain sign there is something uncanny below. To follow a tiger or leopard into grass jungle or foot would qualify the venturesome person for residence in a lunatic asylum. Even if a man has been carried off, a little reflection will prove you can do no good, and though instances have occurred of the victim being dropped he is generally past all hope, at least if the a tiger has had a fair grip. Leopards are different, but the mauling by them is often so severe when inflicted in the open as to be fatal. Spots, however, can and has been, successfully mobbed and with a good axe, in tree jungle, may be floored single handed. A rogue elephant is really a dangerous customer from his rapid way of esconcing himself in the most unexpected places. On a still calm day the flapping of the ears betrays him, but with wind soughing through the branches water tumbling through a rapid or cascading down a course, this sound is either imperceptible or may be mistaken for the flapping of a fowl's wings. When on the trail the slightest bend in a twig or oosing of water into a fresh foot mark, needs careful examination; the twittering of small birds should even be noted while if the ground is encumbered with rocks, as in the Terais, not even a boulder should be approached without minute inspection from a distance. A good trained parish is the best elephant tracker out. Constant treeing should be resorted to. If the creature enters tall grass jungle, it is madness to follow, but, as a rule, when hit he sticks to forest shade and for some unexplained reason will clamber up a hill side in preference to seeking the moist ground of the semiswamp he affects under ordinary circumstances.

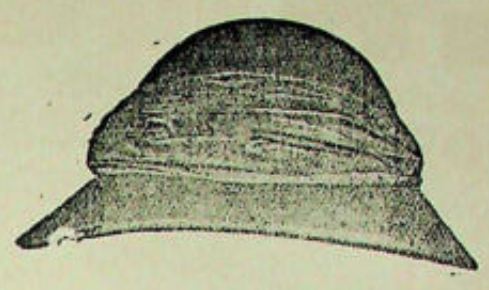
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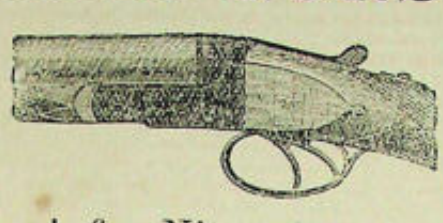
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" Fourth "	"	20	
" Fifth "	"	25	
" Sixth "	"	27	
" Seventh "	Sept.	3	
" Eighth "	"	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	"	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Quetta Autumn Meeting	"	20, 22, 24	
Calcutta Monsoon Second ..	August	13	
" " Third ..	"	20	
" " Fourth ..	Sept.	10	
" " Fifth ..	"	17	
Ootacamund Hunt	"	15 & 17	
Mussoorie Autumn	"	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Lucknow Autumn Sky ..	"	25 & 27	82
Jubbulpore Autumn ..	Nov.	1 & 3	
" Open Gymkhana ..	"	5	
Umballa Autumn	"	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky	"	15, 17, & 19	626
Sonepore	"	23, 25 & 27	
Lucknow Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
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" Second "	"	17	
" First Meeting	"	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	"	27	
Lahore X mas	"	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase ..	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	"	5, 7, 10	
Dibrugarh	"	21, 23, 25	
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" Third Extra ..	"	28	
" Fourth " ..	Feb.	4	

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Poona Races	Second ..	.. 23rd August.
	Final ..	
Calcutta 3rd Monsoon ..	..	— 6th September.
" 4th " ..	..	— 16th August.
" 5th " ..	..	— 6th September.
	..	.. 13th September.
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	Second ..	.. 10th September.
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	Second ..	.. 1st October.
	Third ..	.. 15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn	First ..	.. 10th September.
	Second ..	.. 1st October.
	Third ..	— 15th October.
Army Cup	Third ..	.. 1st October.
	Final ..	.. 15th November.
Civil Service Cup	Third ..	— 15th September.
	Fourth ..	.. 1st December.
	Final ..	.. 20th January.
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" Second " ..	..	.. 13th "
" First Meeting	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	.. 30th "
" Second "	First ..	.. 30th November
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	Third ..	.. 8th Nov.
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First Meeting, Saturday, 6th August 1904.

THE opening meeting of the monsoon races was held this afternoon and for the first part of the proceedings the weather was unpleasantly warm, then Old Sol hid his face and the rain had an innings, a heavy shower making things uncomfortable and delaying the start for the Stand Plate. The going was heavy at the beginning of the racing, but the course became a marsh after the rain. The "talent" was well represented and appeared to be doing good business, Messrs. Champion, Coutts, Russell, James Pymm, Charley Goldspink, and Atkinson all standing up, while outside the enclosure the Aryan bookie mustered very strong. The attendance was large and the sport good, Mr. Dass won the Pony Trial Plate with Rezia and the July Plate with Clynder; Kittylea was first past the post in the Hurdle Race after a desperate finish with Naiades, Winklet, the popular fancy, won the Maiden Horse Plate; and the Stand Plate went to Mademoiselle. Further comments on the afternoon's racing will be found among our sporting notes. Details:—

THE PONY TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14-0 and under, which have never won a flat race, value Rs. 500 or upwards. Above heights to carry 10st. W.I. Penalties.—Winners once, 7lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Allowances.—Arabs, 14lbs.; C.-B.'s, 7lbs.—Five furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Rezia, 10st. ...	Mr. Dudley	1
Mr. S. T. Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Deakin	2
Mr. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 9st. 13lbs.	S. White	3
Mr. S. G. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 10st. 2lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b or br aus g Good Chap, 9st. 11lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. B. Allen's bk aus m Coal Queen, 9st. 11lbs.	Howie	0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus m Blue Bell, 8st. 3lbs.	O'Neil	0
Mr. C. Mehta's b cb h Lall, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Johnson	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Blue Bell, 3 to 1 Little Doris, 5 to 1 Rezia, 6 to 1 Moss Rose, 8 to 1 Golden Tip, 10 to 1 Good Chap, 12 to 1 each Lall and Coal Queen.

Totalisator paid Rs. 58 to win; Rs. 26, Rs. 56, and Rs. 24 for places.

Little Doris was quickest away with Golden Tip, Good Chap, and Rezia next; coming round the bend Rezia began to come up to Little Doris; who was done with in the home stretch. Golden Tip challenged but failed to get level with Rezia, who won by a length; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 15⅘secs.

THE BHOWANIPORE PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A Handicap Hurdle Race for Horses. About one mile and a half over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea, 11st.	Shelldrake	1
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades, 10st 4lbs.	Hard	2
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob, 9st. 10lbs.	D. McCall	3
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin, 9st. ...	Mr. Evers	4
Mr. A. Matheson's b aus g Parole, 5yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr. A. G. McGrath's b aus m Florence, 9st. 7lbs.	Johnson	0
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Stelliform, 9st. 7lbs.	Howie	0

(*Winner trained by D. Norton.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Kittylea, 3 to 1 Parole, 5 to 1 Naiades, 10 to 1 each Bob, Florence, Stelliform, 12 to 1 Odin.

Totalisator paid Rs. 29 to win; Rs. 17 and Rs. 20 for places.

Florence led them over the first hurdle with Odin and Kittylea next, Parole last. Bob took command from the corner to the new stand where Naiades went to the front closely followed by Kittylea. This was the order till the last Hurdle where Kittylea came up to Naiades and a exciting finish resulted in a half length victory for Mr. Rodocanachi's mare three lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 21⅘secs.

THE MAIDEN HORSE PLATE.—Rs. 400 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden Horses. C. W. A. and C.—Five furlongs.

Mr. G. B. Paris' b e g Winklet, 9st. 3lbs.	O'Neil	1
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris, 9st. 3lbs.	Howie	2
Mr. T. G. Evers br aus m May B., 9st. 3lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. B. Allen's b aus m Thunder Cloud, 9st. 3lbs.	Regan	0
Mr. J. McJohn's br e g Trenton Prince, 9st. 3lbs.	Johnson	0
Mr. G. A Pybus' bk aus m Calm, 9st. 3lbs.	W. White	0
Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Westmacott	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's gr aus m March, 9st. 3lbs	Mr. McCall	0
Mr. R A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up, 6yrs. 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Hamilton	0
Mr. A. N. Dass's b aus g Euryalus, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0
Prince Warif Ali Mirza's b aus g Flash, 9st. 3lb., ...	Hard	0

(*Winner trained by Wishart.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Winklet and Morris, 5 to 1 Euryalus 6 to 1 Calm, 8 to 1 Thunder Cloud, 10 to 1 each Trenton Prince and Sylvia, 12 to 1 the others.

Totalisator paid Rs. 28 to win; Rs. 15, Rs. 15, and Rs. 83 for places.

Flash led them at a rare pace round the bend and into the home straight, where he died away and Morris and Winklet went to the front, a good race resulting in a victory for the latter by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 11secs.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2, and other ponies 14-1 and under, which have never won a flat race, value Rs. 500 or over. Above heights to carry 10st. W. I. Penalties—Winners once, 7lbs; twice, 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Allowance—Arabs, 28lbs.; C.-B.'s, 9lbs.—Five furlongs.

Mr. W. Bartlett's b aus m Mademoiselle, 9st. 8lbs.	Regan	1
Mr. J. D. Marshall's dk b aus m The Owl, 9st. 5lbs.	Mr. Evers	2
Mr. G. B. Mackellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 10st.	Mr. Hamilton	3
Mr. Cunningham's b cb g Moonlight, 8st. 10lbs.	Cahill	0
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Irish, 10st. ...	O'Neil	0
Mr. B. Allen's b sth af h Pat. C., 10st. ..	Howie	0
Mr. Cowper's ch aus h First Guide, 9st. 5lbs.	Native	0
Mr. C. Mehta's b cb bh Lall, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Native	0

(*Winner trained by Smallman.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Irish and Moonlight, 4 to 1 Mademoiselle, 5 to 1 Yuletide, 8 to 1 Pat C, 10 to 1 each First Guide, The Owl, and Lall.

Totalisator paid Rs. 162 to win, Rs. 34, Rs. 74, and Rs. 22 for places.

Moonlight was first away and led to the turn where Mademoiselle came to the front and in spite of a game effort by The Owl won comfortably by a length; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 18⅘secs.

THE JULY PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second and Rs. 100 to the third. For horses that have never won a flat race, value Rs. 5,000 or over. C. W. A. and C. Penalties—Winners of a race, value Rs. 500 or over, once, 7lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. A winner of a race, value Rs. 1,200 or over to carry 7lbs. in addition.—Five furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 10st. 3lbs.	Mr. Galstaun	1
Mr. Gove's b aus m Profit, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Bloss	2
Mr. H. E. Smith's bk aus g Pylara, 9st. 10lbs.	Regan	3
Messrs. Moo'jee and Premjee s br aus g Bell Brand, 10st. 10lbs, ...	Smallman	0
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Hello, ... 9st. 13lbs.	Howie	0
Mr G. B. Paris ch e m Kellnerin. ... 9st. 13lbs.	O'Neil	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Trollop, 9st. 10lbs.	Hard	0
Mr. R. Hudson's b e g Belmeath, aged, 9st. 10lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 3 to 2 agst. Hello, 4 to 1 Clynder, 5 to 1 each Bell Brand and Kellnerin, 8 to 1 Profit, 10 to 1 Trollop, 12 to 1 each Pylara and Belmeath.

Totalisator paid Rs. 56 to win; Rs. 18, Rs. 36, and Rs. 55 for places.

Profit showed out from the start and led them into the straight where Clynder began to come up passing Mr. Gove's mare at the distance won easily by a length and a half; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs.

POONA SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

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Clerk of Scales:—MR. CURSETJEE DHUNJEESHAW.
Judge:—COLONEL G. H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
Starter:—Mr. A. O'GORMAN.

Saturday, 6th August 1904.

ANOTHER large attendance witnessed the racing at Poona to-day. Fields were good and the sport excellent. Proceedings opened with the Little Trial Plate for which Shah Jehan was favourite, but Grey Fox came though and won. There was nothing in the Arab Trial Plate but Bendigo, and he justified expectations, leaving his field standing and winning easily.

Tubal Cain was the street corner tip for the August Plate and went out at evens, but Blue Blood romped away and won by two lengths. Mooreed was first past the post in the Little Maiden Plate and Gun Metal cantered home an easy first in the Medium Pony Plate. The Closed Plate brought the programme to an end. Here Fiddler was most fancied and gladdened the hearts of his backers, Captain Meynell steering him to victory. Details :—

THE LITTLE TRIAL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 13-3 and under, new measurement, which have never won flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over. 13-3 to carry 9st. 10lbs. W. I. Allowance—Ponies which have never won race value Rs. 900, 5lbs.; Rs. 200, 10lbs.; Rs. 100, 14lbs. (not accumulative). 5 furlongs.

Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Grey Fox, 13-2, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Foster	1
Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 13-3, 9st. ...	Heeroo	2
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's ch a h Shah Jehan, 13-2, 8st. 12lbs.	Elliott	3
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch a h Paleface, 13-3, 9st. 10lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's br a h Mosumma, 13-2½, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Dharma	0
Mr. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff, 13-2½, 8st. 5lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. Mahomed bin Talib's g a h Umber, 13-3, 8st. 4lbs.	Murphy	0
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan, 13-1½, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Native	0
Mr. Peel's g a h Grey Ghost II., 13-2½, 7st. 12lbs.	Kamad	0
Yussuf Yunasee's b a h Yerbo, 13-2½, 7st. 12lbs.	Kanai	0
Messrs. Goolamally S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's b a h Settler, 13-1½, 7st. 10lbs. ...	Melsom	0

(Winner trained by Pearson.)

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Hermit, 7 to 2 Paleface, 5 to 1 Shah Jehan, 6 to 1 Grey Fox, 10 to 1 each Mosumma, Zurriff and Yerbo, longer odds the rest.

Won by three lengths ; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 9secs.

THE ARAB TRIAL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs 50. For Arabs which have never won flat race value Rs. 2,000. W. A. raised 3lbs. Allowances—Horses which have never won race value Rs. 1,400, 5lbs.; Rs. 900, 10lbs.; Rs. 200, 14lbs.; Rs 100, 21lbs. (not accumulative.) Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. 7 furlongs.

Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Bendigo, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. A. R. Amer's g a h Young Kohinoor, 14-0, 8st. 11lbs.	Hoyt	2
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Berlin, 3 yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ...	Native	3
Mr. Love's ch a h Silvermane, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Heeroo	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s ch a h Sapphire, 6 yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	Murphy	0
Aga S. Shah's b a h Arabistan, 13-3½, 8st. 11lb.	Robinson	0
Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's g a h Nainawa, 13-3½, 8st. 11lb.	Foster	0
Mr. Syed Rasheed's ch a h Sahab, aged, 7st. 7lbs.	Elliott	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Hadur, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	Kamad	0

(Winner trained by Cassim.)

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Bendigo, 3 to 1 Arabistan, 4 to 1 each Young Kohinoor and Berlin, 6 to 1 each Silvermane, Nainawa and Hadur, 8 to 1 the rest.

Won by two and a half lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—1min 41secs.

THE AUGUST PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For horses, which have not won flat race value Rs. 3,000 or over since 31st March 1902. W. A. and C. raised 7lbs. Allowancees—Horses which have never won race value Rs. 2,000, 5lbs.; Rs. 1,400, 10lbs.; Rs. 900, 14lbs.; Rs. 200, 21lbs.; Rs. 100, 28lbs. (not accumulative). Ponies 4-2 and under, 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Mehta's br aus m Blue Blood, aged, 8st	Melsom	1
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus g Tubal Cain, aged, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Foster	2
Mr. Kelso's ch e g Child's Guide, 8st. 13lbs.	Heeroo	3
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch aus g Wedlock, 9st. 2lbs.	Dharma	0
Mr. Galstaun's bl aus g Dulcimer, 9st. 2lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Springlock, 9st. 2lbs.	Native	0
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus m Adelaide, 8st. 11lbs.	Elliott	0
Aga S. Shah's b aus g Prestwick (late Ayrdale) 6yrs., 8st. 8lbs. ...	Kamad	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b aus m Miss Windsor, aged, 8st. 7lbs.	Murphy	0
Major G. Moore's br e g Half-a-Crown, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	Dhondi	0

(Winner trained by Kendall.)

BETTING : Evens Tubal Cain, 2½ to 1 Child's Guide, 6 to 1 Blue Blood, 8 to 1 each Dulcimer, Spring Lock and Miss Windsor, 10 to 1 each Adelaide and Half-a-Crown, 12 to 1 Wedlock, 20 to 1 Prestwick.

Won by four lengths ; a length and a half between second and third. Time.—1min. 17secs.

An objection was, however, lodged by the owners of Tubal Cain, on the ground that though Blue Blood had been entered under Mehta's name, she belonged in reality to a confederacy. (The objection was not settled when our report left. ED.)

THE LITTLE MAIDEN PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab Ponies 14 hands and under new measurement. 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties. —Winners since 31st March 1902, race value Rs. 150, or over, once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; three times, 12lbs.; oftener 18lbs. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 13-3, 8st. 9lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Calcutta, 13-2, 7st. 5lbs.	Dhondi	2
Mr. H. B. Pike's b a h Bandit II., 13-3½, 8st. 2lbs.	Foster	3
Mr. F. M. Garda's br a h Kour Sahib, 13-3½, 9st. 12lbs.	Elliott	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Turn of Luck, 14-0, 9st. 4lbs.	Murphy	0
Mr. Majeed bin Jurji's b a h Sugger, 13-3½ 9st. 11lb.	Robinson	0
Mr. D. Graham's b a h Haji, 15-0, 9st. ...	Melsom	0
Major Jameson's b a h Bugler, 14-0, 9st. ...	Owner	0
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h False Start, 13-3½, 8st. 2lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. A. Razak's g a h Cardigan, 13-3½, 4yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	Native	0
Mr. Syed Rasheed's ch a h Shaboon, 13-3, 7st. 10lbs.	Etul	0
Aga S. Shah's g a h Swazi, 13-2, 6st. 12lbs.	Kamad	0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING. 4 to 1 agst. Turn of Luck. 5 to 1 Mooreed, 6 to 1 Bandit, 7 to 1 each Cardigan and Swazi, 10 to 1 Sugger, 30 to 1 others.

Won by a length and a quarter, the same distance separating the second and third. Time—1min. 10⅕secs.

THE MEDIUM PONY HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Ponies 14-2 and under, which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,400 or over since 31st March 1903. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br or bl aus m Gun Metal, 14-1½, 6yrs., 8st. 11lbs. ...	Robinson	1
Mr. A. W. P.'s b aus m Min, 14-1½, 9st. 6lbs.	Murphy	2
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus m Olga, 14-0½, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Foster	3
Mr. Kelso's ch aus g Indabba, 14-2, 9st. 8lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. Artin A. Essayee's br aus g Koco, late Chieftain, 14-1½, 4yrs., 9st. 4lbs. ...	Bond	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Whitefoot, 14 1½, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Ping Pong, by Nautilus Ursula, 14-0½, 8st. 4lbs, ...	Native	0
Major G. Moore's b e m Lady Jess, 14-1, 7st. 6lbs.	Dhondi	0

(Winner trained by Robinson.)

BETTING: 2½ to 1 agst. Gun Mogel, 3 to 1 Min, 4 to 1 Olga, 5 to 1 Indabba, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths. One length between second and third, Time—1min. 5secs.

THE CLOSED PLATE:—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under, new measurement which have not won flat race value Rs. 50. 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W.I. 5 furlongs.

Major F. Edwards's g a g Fiddler, 14-0½, 11st. 11b	Capt. Meynell	1
Mr. W. H. Anderson's g a h Surhan, 13-2½, 9st. 5lbs.	Mr. J. Anderson	2
Major C. F. Murray's b a h Salvation, 13-3½, 10st. 3lbs.	Major Jameson	3
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's b a h Bikanir, 14-0, 10st. 9lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. Trail's ch a g Khalifa, 14-0½, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. Rose	0
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's b a h Playful, 14-0, 10st. 3lbs.	Mr. Anderson	0
Major P. England's b a h Black Flag, 13-3½, 11st.	Major England	0
Mr. Frank's g a h Chick-a-dee, 13 3, 9st. 11lbs	A. Hoyt	0
Major G. Moore's bl a h Dachshund, 13-3, 9st. 5lbs	Mr. Deane	0

(Winner trained by Major England.)

BETTING : 1½ to 1 agst. Fiddler, 4 to 1 each Bikanir and Salvation, 6 to 1 Chick-a-dee, 10 to 1 the others.

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

MEERUT FOURTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

Thursday, 4th August 1904.

A VERY successful afternoon's sport was brought off before a large attendance to-day. Fields were fair and all arrangements perfect. Mr. Ratcliff scored two wins with Cloibe. Details:—

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 10 to second. A Handicap fo all *bonâ fide* polo ponies the property of Officers in His Majesty' Army or Civil Service. 3 furlongs.

Mr. C. J. Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 10st. ...	Mr. Wells	1
Mr. H. K. Sadler's b aus m Blackberry, 11st.	Maj. Kennard	2
Mr. R. B. Well's b a g Boskie, 8st. 7lbs., (car. 1st. 10lbs.)	Baichan	3
Mr. R. V. Pollok's b aus g Cavalier, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 10st. 11lbs.) ...	Owner	0
Mr. S. O. Lewin's b a g Magic, 8st. ...	Native	0

Won by two lengths ; same distance between second and third. Time—45secs.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 49 and Rs. 10 to second. A Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under that have not won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 3½ furlongs.

Ikbal Shah's rn cb m Almas, 9st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.)	Kanhai	1
N. Baker Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 11st. 7lbs.	Maj. Kennard	2
Capt. Fails' b aus g John J. P., 11st. 3lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb h Remount, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Knaggs	0
Col. Beaver's b a h Ballot, 9st. 5lbs. (car. 9st. 3lbs.)	Baichan	0
M. Fazel Ahmed's g eb m Khurshed, 8st. ...	Native	0

Won by half a length ; a length between second and third. Time—51secs

KADIR STAKES.—Rs. 49 and Rs. 10 to seconds. Handicap for all horses, chargers or Pigstickers the property Officers in His Majesty's Army or Civil Service. 4 furlongs.

Maj. Williams' b aus g The Bishop, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 10lbs.)	Baichan	1
Mr. R. P. Wells's b aus m Industry, 10st. ...	Owner	2
Mr. Carton de Wiart, s b aus g Gong, Cowboy, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	3

Won by a length ; ten lengths between second and third. Time—57secs.

TUM-TUM RACE.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 10 to second for all ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. Others 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of Gymkhana once, 7lbs ; twice, 10lbs. ; oftener, 14lbs. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 10st. ...	Mr. Wells	1
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's g a g Faisal, 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.)	Baichan	2
Maj. Blakeney's ch cb g Gulab, 9st. 4lbs.	Capt. Southey	3
N. Baker Ali Shah's ch cb g Circus, 10st. 2lbs.	Pte. Bott	0
N. Baker Ali Shah's g cb m Queen, 9st. 4lbs.	Corpl. Banks	0
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb g Dhariwal, 8st. 12lbs, ...	Native	0

Won by a length ; three lengths between second and third. Time—48⅘secs.

N.-C. OFFICERS' STAKES.—A handicap for all ponies the property of N.-C. Officers and men of His Majesty's Army. Winners Rs. 20, and Rs. 10 if six start. ¼ mile.

Sergt. Hooper's g a g Dame, 11st. 7lbs.	Corpl. Banks	1
S. C. Stephen's b a g Bobs II., 10st.	Maj. Kennard	2
Sergt. Hooper's ch a g Shotrie, 9st.	Corpl. Morris	3
Pte. H. Bott's g a g Mayfly, 10st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	0
Corpl. Bank's d cb m Baronett, 9st. ...	Pte. Kerry	0

Won by three lengths ; had third. Time—60⅕secs.

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NEW RACE.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 10 to second for Arab ponies 14-1 under, 14 1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Allowances.—Ponies not won a Gymkhana of any sort allowed 5lbs. 4 furlongs.

Pte. Pope's b a g Hercules, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Pte. Bott	1
Mr. Barry's g a h Syria, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. Wells	2
Maj. Luther's br a g Wee Macgregor, 9st. (carr. 9st. 3lbs.)	Baichan	3
Mr. Whitehead's b a h Lymington, 10st. 10lbs.	Capt. Fail	0
Mr. Wells's ch a g Blue Ruin, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Capt. Southey	0

Won by three lengths ; two lengths between second and third. Time—61secs.

MAIDEN CUP.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for Maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under and other Maiden ponies 14 hands and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Carton de Wiart's ch aus m Double Keys, 11st. 10lbs.	Owner	
M. Fazel Ahmed's b eb m Labrynth, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 11b.)	Kanhai	Dead-heat.
N. Baker Ali Shah's r aus g Grig, 11st 4lbs.	Maj. Kennard	3
Capt. F. Fail's b aus g John J. P., 11st. ...	Owner	0
Mr. J. N. Capoor's bc b g Dharriwal, 8st.	Native	0

Dead heat ; a head in front of John J. P.

BELLARY RACES.

First Day, Tuesday, 2nd August 1904.

IN spite of the wretched weather a good attendance witnessed the sport on the opening day. Six races figured on the programme, but the fields were poor. An unfortunate accident took place in the first race : Dick fell at the first hurdle bringing down Mr. Formby. Medical aid was on hand and I am glad to say Mr. Formby recovered consciousness before being carried off the ground. Details:—

THE MAIDEN HURDLE PLATE.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10 for horses which have never won a race of Rs. 50 and over. 1½ miles over seven flights.

Mr. P. Hannyngton's b aus g Advance, 11st. 11lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Casson's b aus g Timoor, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	2
Mr. Mulling's ch aus g Dick, 11st. 3lbs.	Mr. Formby fell.	

Won by two lengths from the favourite. Time—2mins. 36secs.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Timoor, 4 to 1 agst. Dick, 6 to 1 Advance.

LOTTERY: Timoor sold for Rs. 88, Dick, Rs. 22, Advance, Rs. 20. Net value Rs. 300.

THE MEDIUM HURDLE STAKES.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10 for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other maidens 14-1 and under. 1 mile over six flights.

Mr. Walker's br aus m Zephir. 10st. 4lbs. ...	Mr. Casson	1
Mr. Formby's g a g Pat, 9st. 6lbs. ...	Q. M. Sergeant Howes	2
Capt Mathews' and Capt. Jeffrey's b aus m Two Step, 10st.	Capt. Jeffreys	3

Won easily by three lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 15secs.

BETTING : Evens Zephir 2 to 1 agst. To Step and Pat.

LOTTERY: Zephir, Rs. 56 each. Twow Step ; Rs. 42 ; Pat. Rs. 12. Net value Rs. 270.

THE NURSERY STAKES.—Winner Rs 49, second Rs. 10 for all Arab ponies 14-1 and under which have never won a race of any description. 4 furlongs.

Capt. Day's b a p Warwickshire Lad, 11st.	Owner	1
Mr. Lake's g a p Sober Sides, 10st. 8lbs. ...	Mr. Casson	2
Mr. de Hoghton's g a p Sufdar, 10st. 2lbs....	Mr. Strickland	3

Also ran : Bayonet 10st. 11lbs., Trump 9st. 10lbs.

Won by a quarter of a length from Sober Sides, with Sufdar third. Time—59secs.

BETTING: Evens Trump, 3 to 1 each agst. Bayonet, Sufdar, and Warwickshire Lad, 5 to 1 Sober Sides.

LOTTERY: Trump, Rs. 68 Warwickshire Lad, Rs. 44 ; Sufdar Rs. 34 ; Bayonet, Rs. 22 ; Sober Sides, Rs. 20 ; Net value Rs. 350

THE TUM-TUM STAKE.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10 for all ponies 14-2 and under which must be driven on to the course. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Dent's b aus g Veuve Cliquot, 12st.	Owner	1
Mr. Walker's br aus g Marvel, 12st.	Mr. Hannyngton	2
Mr. Irwin's b aus g Blowmatite, 12st. ...	Owner	3

Also ran : Pogal.

Veuve Cliquot got right away from a bad start and was never caught ; but she came in dead lame, necessitating her being scratched for the Polo Scurry later. Time—43⅘secs.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Veuve Cliquot, 3 to 1 agst. Blowmatite, 5 to 1 Marvel, 10 to 1 Pogal.

LOTTERY : Vuve Cliquot, Rs. 72 ; Blowmatite, Rs. 18 ; Pogal Rs. 6 ; Marvel, Rs. 4. Net value Rs. 270.

THE PONY DERBY.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10 for maiden ponies and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Williams' b aus g None Such, 11st. 9lbs	Mr. Strickland	1
Capt. Mathews and Capt. Jeffreys' b aus g Two, 10st. 11lbs. ...	Capt. Jeffreys	2
Capt. Henderson's br aus g Hartree, 11st. 11lbs.	Genl., Mahon	3

Also Ran : Marsala, 8st. 12lbs.; Rhomboid, 11st. 5lbs.

Won easily by two lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 12⅖secs.

BETTING : 5 to 2 on None Such, 2 to 1 agst. Two Step, 3 to 1 Marsala, 15 to 1 each Hartree and Rhomboid.

LOTTERY: None Such, Rs. 76 ; Two Step, Rs. 42 ; Rhomboid, Rs. 6, Hartree and Marsala, each Rs. 4 Net value Rs. 300.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10.

Mr. Casson's b a p Eager, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	1
Capt. Day's g a p Squib 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	2
Capt. Mathews' b aus m Mercy, 12st. 7lbs.	Capt. Jeffreys	3

Also ran : Stockman, 12st. 7lbs.; Joey, 12st. 7lbs.; Sober Sides, 10st. 7lbs. ; Whiskey, 10st. 7lbs.; Nigel, 10st. 7lbs.

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

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Eager, 1½ to 1 agst. Squib, 3 to 1 Mercy, 4 to 1 Sober Sides, 10 to 1 Whiskey, 15 to 1 each Stockman and Nigel.

LOTTERY: Veuve Cliquot, Rs. 50 ; Eager, Rs. 42 ; Squib, Rs. 32; Mercy, Rs. 12 ; Whiskey, Rs. 4 ; and Rs. 2 the rest. Net value Rs. 312.

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

THE V. B. C. WINTER MEETING.

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.—Of 20sovs. each, with 1,500 added. Second horse 300tovs. and third 150sovs. About three miles and a furlong.

Mr. E. A. Connolly's b g The General, by Tarcoola—Nameless, aged, 10st. 10lbs.	A. Williamson	1
Mr. G. Gladstone's br o br g Lamond, by Lochiel—Critic, aged, 10st. 6lbs. ...	P. Cosgrove	2
Mr. H. A. Armytage's ch g Syringa, by Guinae—Philomel, aged, 11st. ...	J. Fanning	3
Mr. J. Anderson's b g Springfield, by Barman—Milkmaid, aged, 12st. ...	F. Barn	4
Mr. J. Scoble's b g Kiota, 12st. 2lbs. ...	J. Sutherland	0
Mr. J. B. Carroll's b g Glenelg 11st. 7lbs.	M. Mooney.	0
Mr. L. Hawthorn's g g Loddon, 11st. 6lbs.	T. Curtin	0
Mr A. Miller's bk g The African, 11st. 5lbs.	C. Dickenson	0
Mr. H. D. Parkinson's b g Plunger, 11st. 4lbs.	E. Connelly	0
Mr. M. Doyle's b g Fiddlestring, 11st. 2lbs.	C. Crossin	0
Mr. W. Pearson's b g Driscoll, 10st. 12lbs.	H. H. Howard	0

Mr. J. T. Lempriere's b g Drummer, 10st. 10lbs.	D. Coleman	0
Messrs. J. C. and E. Manifold's b m Sindhia, 10st. 9lbs.	D. Allan	0
Mr. T. Dempsey's Robgill, 10st. 6lbs. ...	A. Cooper	0
Mr. S. Ferry's b m Idalia, 10st. 5lbs.—in. 7lbs. pen.	J. Spooner	0
Mr. M. Tobin's b h Tom, 10st. ...	F. Foster	0
Mr. G. Dally's bk g Convoy, 9st. 10lbs. ...	M. Whelan	0
Mr. S. Ferry's ch g Hornpipe, 9st. 7lbs. ...	T. Bowen	0
Mr. W. Anderson's ch g Grafter, 9st. 3lbs.	J. Montgomery	0
Mr. A. McCracken's br g Persist, 9st. 2lbs.	J. E. Carter	0
Mr. J. A. Ross's br g Teamster, 9st. ...	T. Grimes	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 6 to 1 agst. Syringa, 9 to 1 each The General, and Robgill, 10 to 1 each and Lamond, Glenelg, 16 to 1 each Tom and Convoy, 20 to 1 each Springfield, The African, and Driscoll, 25 to 1 each Kiota and Fiddlestring, 33 to 1 each Loddon, Plunger, Sindhia, Idalia, and Hornpipe, 50 to 1 eaca Drummer, Grafter, Persist, and Teamster.

Won easily by five lengths; eight lengths between second and third. Time—6mins. 43secs.

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

THURSDAY was a morning that was wanted in view of the very close proximity to Saturday's racing, giving as it did, with the course open, an opportunity to most of the horses engaged to move in extended order, and so let their trainers gain some little line to go upon, as during the preparation, so far, the fates had not been too kind, and most of the horses are short of work. But the major portion of the horses sent out were, strange enough, not those figuring on Saturday, hence my chronicling their doings, as otherwise this would be stale news after the races were over.

Daphne and Shylock from Wishart's went a smart dust up; the latter having the call, as they were pulling up. Next Shelldrake came along quickly on Black Patch.

Howie and Regan brought along Fusilier and Flash from Smallman's, also Hello and Bell Brand, put in a smart 5 furlongs. These were followed by Norman and Mademoiselle from the same stable, whilst Johnson sent Lall a breather over half a mile.

Reinzette, with Walker up, did a serviceable gallop, and subsequently Johnson was out on Moonlight.

Trollop and Mr. Dass' new brown, came along from inside the 5 furlongs.

The square quartered Macedon (Wall) was put at it with Trenton Prince over the 5 furlongs and had the best of the deal, if that is anything, considering the nature of the Prince's preparation prior thereto.

Western Queen (Mr. Galstaun), Not Yet (Mr. Chater) went a fast half mile. Morris from Wishart's had the foot of Calm in a five furlong spin, and Moccasin was quicker than Good Chap in their little go. Walker and W. White tried conclusions with Little Doris and Reveille; the uncertain little starter having the best of the argument.

Mr. Bert Allen, as usual, had his string at work, Howie and Regan putting in work with Pat C., Young Rake, Coal Queen, Natalina and Stellnarain.

In the jumping Steliform did a bit of an extender over a few flights, in view of Saturday and performed creditably.

It was quite refreshing to have such a fine morning as that which greeted us on Saturday, in spite of the heavy rain that fell the preceding evening and during the night. In fact, everything was bustle, and it was easy to see something out of the usual was on. Quite a number of the sporting fraternity foregathered at the old stand, and the chances of the various candidates engaged in the afternoon's struggle were enquired into, weighed up, and finally settled—on paper.

Howie took Young Rake across the open followed by Hello (native) and another from Smallman's. In view of the afternoon's racing O'Neil was out on Miss Beryl, and Kellnerain later. These horses cantered twice round, with a bit of a spurt thrown in on the far side of the course.

Mr. Bert Allen's Stellnarain was exercised by little Regan. This string is daily becoming larger, the latest addition being a fine upstanding horse of Mr. Harold Smith's named Glenista. Pat C. (Regan), and Coal Queen (Howie) went a fast 3 furlongs and did not seem to mind the mud. Fusilier and Flash had their usual little flare up and Not Yet went twice round.

Naiades with Hard in command jumped like a deer over the two flights she was put at. This is the first time, this season, I've seen the mare over the sticks. Daphne and Shylock did the pony jump course, in a manner that left little to complain of.

Mr. Dudley dusted (or splashed) Rezia a good long stretch over the open. This mare is going with great dash and freedom at present.

Tuesday morning really left nothing to be desired—save the opening of the track. There was something so exhilarating in the morning that its influence was not confined to the Pharisees, but even the Scribes caught the infection and one of them could not resist the temptation of having a lep with his good old gee, which was done in a most workmanlike manner.

Mr. Bert Allen's string did most of their work outside, down by the serpentine, but little Regan had his appetite whetted for a bit of lepping, as jumping off at the third hurdle on young Rake, he went round and jumped the horse hurdle by the new stand, thence the remainder of the pony course, finishing well.

Norman (Howie) from Smallman's, did the whole pony course in a light hearted manner.

Fusilier (Hard), and Flash (Johnson), went a good working gallop of 3 furlongs, followed by Not Yet and Rosalea (Mr. Chater), the former doing her usual twice round.

Daphne (Shelldrake), and Shylock (native), as usual, went their course.

A fresh aspirant for jump honors appeared in Mr. Roy's new purchase, Road Metal. He was taken the whole horse hurdle course by Johnson, and gave a good exhibition of going and sound jumping.

Mr. Galstaun seems to be in for riding the kind of cattle that will give him a prime show for the average place, as besides Clynder he is paying particular attention to Reinzette and Second Thought, both of whom he had out going half speed.

Mr. Chater had out Western Queen, who moves freely enough.

Wall had his usual roll round on Macedon, accompanied by another: solid going.

Moss Rose made her first appearance this morning and, ridden by her owner, Mr. S. McCall, went the full pony course in company with Rezia with Mr. Dudley in the saddle. Her performance was distinctly first class, slipping away from her companion at every jump, and in the heavy going that's on I can't see whose going to beat her, even though she'll be meeting Yuletide on less favourable weights than she did last year when she won the Pony Hurdles.

Monday was a quiet morning, and very few of the amateur division were moving. Gauntlet was sent a working gallop over a mile of the hurdle race course, leaving out the jumps; we hear that Mr. Rees met with a nasty fall two or three days ago, his horse after bucking him off, kicking him on the head; fortunately he had a strong sola hat on, otherwise the damage might have been more serious than it was. As it is I hear that his head is badly cut, but I am glad to see that he was well enough to be out driving this morning. Most of the other horses were pottering about under the trees.

This morning (Tuesday) there was more doing, and I saw several candidates for Saturday's hurdle races schooling. Yuletide (Mr. Cowper), and Good Chap (Mr. Evers), went the full pony course, both jumping well, the black pony holding her own comfortably all the way. Whisper (Mr. Evers), and Orphan Boy, were the next to appear, and after they had jumped four flights Gauntlet (Mr. Wilmot), and Sylvia (Mr. Turner), went the whole course at a moderate pace. The former struck the first hurdle badly, but afte wards jumped better; the little mare, however, always appeared to have the best of him and finished quite fresh. Odin was also doing slow work, having had a good gruelling at the opening meeting in which he made quite a good show. He looks well but is as usual very fine drawn. Later on Cheer Up, Sunshine, March and the Maid of Kent, sprinted a couple of furlongs.

There will be none too many entries for the Hunter's Race on Saturday; I hear that Flamingo is *hors de combat*, and that Mr. Paris does not intend to race his nice hunter Twilight. Mr Holmes' Jacinth is another that has been on the sick list and will consequently be a non-starter. With these three away we shall be lucky if we see a bare half dozen at the post The following may put in an appearance:—Odin, True Blue, Daffodil, Blue Bell, Planet, Day Dream, Gauntlet, Sylvia and Hail Storm.

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CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

SECOND MEETING, SATURDAY, 13TH AUGUST 1904.

THE AUGUST PLATE. About 1¼ miles over 7 flights.

Mrs. B. Fraser Nash's b aus g Macedon, by Little John, dam by Ben Lomond (*a*).
Mr. A. J. Craven's bk aus g Road Metal, by Metal-Maza, 4yrs.
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea.
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob.
Mr. Raban's bt aus m Naiades.
Mr. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil.
Mr. R. Hudson's br e g Belmeath.

PONY HURDLE RACE. About 1 mile over 6 flights.

Mr. K. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Mr. G. B. Mackellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 14-1.
Mr. Allen's b sth atr g Young Rake, by the Rake, 14-0½.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's dk b aus m The Owl, 14-0½.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Rezia, 14-0.
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Daphne, 14.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus g Shylock, 14-1½.
Mr. S. G. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 13-3.
Mr. T. Uphill's br aus g Norman by Alby—Paris imported mare, 14-2.

HUNTERS' PLATE. About 1½ miles over 7 flights.

Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin.
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Whisper.
Mr. G. B. Mackellar's b aus g Orphan Boy, by Cranmer—Elsie aged.
Mr. T. G. Ever's b aus g Flamingo.
Mr. Deakin's gr aus m Blue Bell II, late Blue Bell, by Aga—Fox Glove (*a*).
Mr. Dudley's br aus g Planet.

THE MONSOON PLATE. 6 furlongs.

Mr. T. G. Ever's b aus m Sunshine.
Mr. H. E. Smith's bk aus g Pylara.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b c m Clynder.
Mr. G. B. Paris' b c g Winklet.
Mr. G. B. Paris' ch c m Kellnerin.
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Profit.
Mr. Deakin's b aus g Invincible.
Messrs. Moolye and Premjee's br aus g Bell Brand.

THE PONY PLATE 6 furlongs.

Mr. Cunningham's b ch g Moonlight, 14-1½.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus Perfect, 14-0½.
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Irish, 14-1.
Mr. H. P. Banner's ch aust m Little Doris 13-3½.
Mr. B. B.'s b aus m Second Thought, 14-1.
Mr. Bartlett's b aust m Mademoiselle, 14-0½.

THE FORT PLATE—6 furlongs.

Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b c m Pierette, by Wild Sheraj (*a*).
Mr. Sulivan's b aust m Pubna (6 yrs).
Mr. Allen's b aust m Thunder Cloud (4yrs.)
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris.
Mr. A. J. Craven's bk aus g Road Metal, by Metal-Maza (4yrs.)
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aust g Euryalus.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore, by Lard Tadmore—Alice (5yrs).
Mr. Roe's gr aus g Quicksilver.
Mr. B. B.'s. ch e m Reinzette (4yrs.)
Mr. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil.

POONA RACES AND STEEPLE-CHASES, 1904.

1st Entries closed on Tuesday, 2nd August 1904.

First Day, Wednesday, 21st September.

THE TRIAL PLATE. 1 mile.

1	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ...	b aus g	...	Red Coral.
2	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Stand Off.
3	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bl aus c	...	Strathspey.
4	Mr. J. D. Scott's ...	ch e m	...	Amplify.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's ...	b e g	...	Magician.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's ...	b ch m	...	Gentle Lady.
7	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ...	ch aus h	...	Loch Clieveden.
8	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ...	ch aus h	...	Northumberland.
9	Mr. Peel's ...	bl aus g	...	Surtaj II, *late* Milos.
10	Mr. Kelso's ...	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
11	Mr. Kelso's ...	b aus g	...	Harpist.
12	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's...	ch aus h	...	Progredior.
13	Messrs. P. B. Avasia and C. Bleach's...	br e g	...	Testwood.
14	Mr. Galstaun's...	br aus m	...	Cretonne.
15	Mr. Galstaun's...	bl aus g	...	Dulcimer.
16	Messrs. Galstaun and Avasia's ...	ch e g	...	Presbyterian.
17	Mr Galstaun's...	br e m	...	Sainte Marquise.

H. H. THE FIRST AGA KHAN'S COMMEMORATION PLATE. 1½ mile.

1	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a g	...	Secunder.
2	Mr. J. D. Scott's	g a h	...	Nero.
3	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Mameluke.
4	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Connaught.
5	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Hadhur.
6	Mr. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	b a h	...	Smasher.
7	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	g a h	...	Skylark.
8	Mr. F. M. Garda's	b a h	...	Narunjee.
9	Mr. Peel's ...	g a h	...	Precious.
10	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ...	b a h	...	Hyderi.
		b a h	...	Syndic.
11	Mr. S. W. Webster's	ch a h	...	Seagull.
12	Mr. R. Anderson's	br a g	...	Marquis II.
13	Mr. A. Davies-Cooke's	b a h	...	Nader Shaw.
14	Messrs. A. Mahomed and A. Aziz's ...	ch a h	...	Sahab.
15	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	b a h	...	Berlin.
16	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Adonis.
17	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Talisman.
18	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s			

THE MAIDEN PLATE. 7 furlongs.

1	Mr R. R. S.'s...	b a h	...	Knight Errant.
2	Mr. Moss King's	b a h	...	King Cobweb.
3	Mr. Fox's ...	b a h	...	Erban.
4	Mr. J. D Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
6	Messrs. A. A. Amer and A. M. Saib's...	ch a h	...	Gold.
7	Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's....	g a h	...	Nainawa.

8	Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	g a h	...	Mooreed.
9	Mr. A. R. Sulleman's	g a h	...	Cardigan.
10	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch a h	...	Shah Jehan.
11	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	Arabistan.
12	Mr. F. M. Garda's	br a h	...	Kour Saheb.
13	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	br a h	...	Mosumma.
14	Mr. C. A. Beatty's	g a h	...	Vasco.
15	Mr. Finch's	b a m	...	Arab Maid.
16	Messrs. D. Souza and Oomrigar's	ch a h	...	Naseeb.
17	Mr. H. B. Pike's	b a h	...	Bandit II.
18	Mr. Musjeed bin Jurjee's	b a h	...	Sugger.
19	Mr. Almas bin Abdoola's	g a h	...	Random.

THE NEW PLATE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e m	...	Tight Lace.
2	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	b aus m	...	Signorina.
3	Mr. Cunningham's	b cb g	...	Moonlight.
4	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Minimus.
5	Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs'	ch aus m	...	Queen Cole.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus h	...	Yankee Boy.
7	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	br aus g	...	Koko.
8	Mr. Kelso's	b aus m	...	Russley Rose.
9	Mr. Kelso's	ch aus g	...	Indabba.
10	Mr. R. R. S.'s	bl aus g	...	Comeback.
11	Mr. Finch's	b aus m	...	La France.
12	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Min.
13	Mr. W. Bass'	b e m	...	S. P.
14	Mr. Galstaun's	br or br e m	...	Psalm.
15	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Whitefoot.
16	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus m	...	Gun Metal.
17	Mr. D. Norton's	g aus g	...	Bestman II.

THE STAND PLATE. ¼ mile.

1	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b a h	...	Delight.
2	Lt.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's	b e m	...	Richesse.
3	H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's	ch aus g	...	Cocos.
4	Mr. Finch's	b aus m	...	La France.
5	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Nanette.
6	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	ch aus m	...	Veera.
7	Mr. D. L. Khemjee's	b aus m	...	Bandicoot.

THE LILLIPUTS. ¼ mile.

1	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Rose.
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Sirjamal.
3	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	g a h	...	Ptarmigan.
4	Mr. Abdool Razak Nasroola's	bl a h	...	Sabig.
5	Aga Mirza Ahmed's	g a h	...	Young Shahin.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
8	Mr. Preston's	g a h	...	Tawakel.
9	Mr. Jackson's	b a h	...	Hermit.
10	Mr. M. Ally's	ch a h	...	Napoleon.
11	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	bl a h	...	Black Prince.
12	Messrs. Goolamally S Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	b a h	...	Guiding Star.
13	Messrs. Goolamally S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	b a h	...	Settler.
14	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	ch a h	...	Dilerjung.
15	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	b a h	...	Reflector.
16	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch a h	...	Shah Jehan.
17	Messrs. P. Framjie and G. H. Noormahomed's	b a h	...	Superior.
18	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Farewell.
19	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Grey Fox.
20	Mr. W. Moran's	g a h	...	Young Gazelle.
21	Mr. T. Kendall's	b a h	...	Splendour.
22	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Saboon.
23	Mr. P. B. Avasia's	ch a h	...	Paleface.
24	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	g a h	...	Dispute.

Second Day, Saturday, 24th September.

THE WESTERN INDIA STAKES. 1¼ mile.

1	Lt. Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Red Coral.
2	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Trenton.
3	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Stand Off.
4	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Goldsmith.
5	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b e g	...	Simon.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m	...	Amplify.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e g	...	Magician.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b cb m	...	Gentle Lady.
9	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus m	...	Loch Clieveden.
10	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Northumberland.
11	H. H. Aga Khan's	br e g	...	Ayrdale.
12	Mr. Peel's	bl aus g	...	Surtaj II, *late* Milos.
13	Mr. Peel's	b aus g	...	Planet.
14	Mr. Kelsos	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
15	Captain Wilson's	bl e h	...	Misty.
16	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	ch aus h	...	Progredior.
17	Mr. W. Bass'	b or br e h	...	Carabine.
18	Mr. Galstaun's	br aus m	...	Cretonne.
19	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Hoop Iron.
20	Mr. Galstaun's	br e m	...	Sainte Marquise.

THE CRITERION. 7 furlongs.

1	Mr. Roy's	b aus g	...	Fotheringay.
2	Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs'	b aus g	...	Gum.
3	Major F. C. Logan-Home's	b aus g	...	Corrie Roy.
4	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bl aus c	...	Strathspey.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e g	...	Magician.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e m	...	Honest Lady.
7	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	b aus g	...	Glen Albyn.
8	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Idler.
9	Aga S. Shah's	b aus g	...	Prestwick.
10	Mr. Peel's	b aus g	...	Planet.
11	Mr. Curmer's	b aus g	...	Rossi.
12	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus g	...	Tubal Cain.
13	Mr. J. Gove's	b aus g	...	Kingston.
14	Mr. Mehta's	br aus m	...	Blue Blood.
15	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Miss Windsor.
16	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus g	...	Fando.
17	Messrs. P. B. Avasia's and C. Bleach's	br e g	...	Testwood.
18	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus g	...	Dulcimer.
19	Mr Glastaun's	b or br e m	...	Psalm.
20	Mr. Glastaun's	b e g	...	Goldsmith.

THE POONA DERBY. 1¼ miles

1	Mr. Moss King's	b a h	...	King Cobweb.
2	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a g	...	Secunder.
3	Mr. J. D. Scott's	g a h	...	Nero.
4	Mr. A. M. Amer's	b a h	...	Security.
5	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Hadhur.
6	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Moon.
7	Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Faithful.
8	Messrs G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	b a h	...	Smasher.
9	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	g a h	...	Skylark.
10	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	Arabistan.
11	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	St. Gatien.
12	Mr. Peel's	g a h	...	Precious.
13	Mr. Love's	ch a h	...	Silvermane.
14	Mr. C. A. Beatty's	g a h	...	Vasco.
15	Mr. Finch's	b a m	...	Arab Maid.
16	Mr. R. Anderson's	ch a h	...	Seagull.
17	Mr. Davies-Cooke's	br a g	...	Marquis.
18	Mr. A. W. P.'s	g a h	...	Krupp.
19	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Sahab.
20	Mr. Almas bin Abdoola's	g a h	...	Random.
21	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Berlin.
22	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Adonis.
23	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Talisman.

THE DEALERS' PLATE. 1 mile.

1	Major Stisted's	b a h	...	Pounds.
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	g a h	...	Officer.
3	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Sirjamal.
4	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Moon.
5	Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's	g a h	...	Nainawa
6	Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	g a h	...	Mooreed.
7	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	b a h	...	Brigand.
8	Mr. F. M. Garda's	b a h	...	Narunjee.
9	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	ch a h	...	Gallant.
10	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	b a h	...	Bay Middleton
11	Mr. Finch's	b a m	...	Arab Maid.
12	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	g a h	...	Little Joker.
13	Mr. H. B. Pike's	b a h	...	Bandit II.
14	Mr. Musjeed bin Jurjee's	b a h	...	Sugger.

THE ARAB PONY DERBY. 6 furlongs.

1	Major Stisted's	ch a h	...	Modesty.
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Knight Errant.
3	Mr. Fox's	b a h	...	Erhan.
4	Mr. Abdool Razak Nassoola's	bl a h	...	Sabig.
5	Aga Mirza Ahmed's	g a h	...	Young Shahin.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
8	Mr. Preston's	g a h	...	Tawakel.
9	Mr. Jackson's	b a h	...	Hermit.
10	Mr. Abdool Kadur Hajee's	ch a h	...	Sublime.
11	Mr. A. A. Amer's	ch a h	...	Caravan.
12	Messrs. A. A. Amer and A. M. Saif's	ch a h	...	Gold.
13	Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Evermore.
14	Mr. Mahomed bin Talib's	g a h	...	Umber.
15	Mr. Nassar Abdulla's	g a h	...	Clever Boy.
16	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	b a h	...	Malabar.
17	Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	g a h	...	Mooreed.
18	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	b a h	...	Reflector.
19	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch a h	...	Shah Jehan.
20	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Swazi.
21	Mr. Mahomed Haji Ebrahim's	br a h	...	Mosumma.
22	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Calcutta.
23	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Farewell.
24	Mr. W. Moran's	g a h	...	Young Gazelle.
25	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Saboon.
26	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	ch a h	...	Dilerjung.

THE INTERNATIONAL PLATE. 5 furlongs.

1	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e m	...	Tight Lace.
2	Major A. C. Hamilton's	ch e h	...	Astrologer.
3	Mr J. D. Scott's	bl or br aus m		Lady Avon.
4	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus h	...	Yankee Boy.
5	Mr. Kelso's	b aus m	...	Russley Rose.
6	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus m	...	Olga.
7	Mr. Finch's	b aus m	...	La France.
8	Mr. Mahomed Ally's	br aus m	...	Nautilus.
9	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	ch aus m	...	Veera.
10	Mr. Galstaun's	ch aus m	...	Ping Pong.

Third Day, Monday, 26th September 1904.

THE POONA GRAND NATIONAL. About 2 miles 1 furlong.

1	Major Logan-Home's	bl aus g	...	Pope.
2	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b e g	...	Simon.
3	Mr. Curmer's	b aus g	...	Rossi.
4	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	ch aus m	...	Gaullo.
5	Mr. T. L. Roberts'	br aus g	...	Dumbell.
6	Mr. T. L. Roberts'	ch aus g	...	Moroney.
7	Mr. H. B. Pike's	bl aus g	...	Musketeer.
8	Mr. J. Alston's	b aus g	...	Dundonald.
9	Mr. W. Bass'	br aus g	...	Stoddart.

THE KIRKEE CHASE. 1 mile 7 furlongs.

Over the Pony Steeplechase Course.

1	Captain Grogan's	g a g	...	Toby.
2	Messrs. Guest and Dawn's	ch aus g	...	Funny.
3	Mr. Guest's	bl aus m	...	Topsy.
4	Captain Grogan's	b aus g	...	Rifleman II.
5	Mr. S. W. Webster's	b aus m	...	Flight.
6	Major Logan-Home's	ch aus m	...	Mary Jane.
7	Mr. Mahomed Ally's	br aus m	...	Nautilus.

THE SEPTEMBER PLATE. 1 mile.

1	Mr. Roy's	b aus g	...	Fotheringay.
2	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Red Coral
3	Major F. C. Logan-Home's	b aus g	...	Corrie Roy.
4	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bl aus c	...	Strathspey.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m	...	Amplify.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e g	...	Magician.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e m	...	Honest Lady.
8	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Idler.
9	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	b aus g	...	Glen Albyn.
10	H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's	br aus g	...	Firecraker.
11	Aga S. Shah's	b aus g	...	Prestwick.
12	Aga S. Shah's	br aus m	...	Shotover.
13	Mr. Peel's	b aus g	...	Planet.
14	Mr. Kelso's	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
15	Captain Wilson's	bl e h	...	Misty.
16	Messrs M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus g	...	Tubal Cain.
17	Mr. Mehta's	br aus m	...	Blue Blood.
18	Mr. Stewart's	b e g	...	Carburton.
19	Mr. D. L. Kheinjee's	b aus g	...	Spark.
20	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus g	...	Dulcimer.
21	Mr. Galstaun's	b or br e m	...	Psalm.
22	Mr. Galstaun's	b n ac	...	Riverside II.
23	Mr. Galstaun's	br e m	...	Sainte Marquise.

THE BREEDERS' PLATE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	ch cb m	...	Lady of Quality.
2	Mr. Cunningham's	b cb g	...	Moonlight.
3	Colonel J. P. Grant's	cb cb h	...	Philistine.
4	Colonel J. P. Grant's	b cb h	...	Prime.
5	Mr. Dawn's	b cb b	...	Louis.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b cb h	...	Gentle Lady.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	br cb h	...	Saloon.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b cb m	...	Bijley.
9	Mr. Johnes'	b cb m	...	Lady Newbrook.
10	Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's	b cb g	...	Upstart.
11	Captain Randall's	b cb m	...	Miss Ascot.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE. 1 mile.

1	Mr. R. R. S.'s	g a h	...	Officer.
2	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a g	...	Secunder.
3	Mr. J. D. Scott's	g a h	...	Nero.
4	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Mameluke.
5	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Connaught.
6	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Hadhur.
7	Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	b a h	...	Smasher.
8	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	g a h	...	Skylark.
9	H. H. Aga Khan's	ch a h	...	Sandow.
10	Mr. F. M. Garda's	b a h	...	Narunjee.
11	Mr. Peel's	g a h	...	Precious.
12	Mr. Love's	ch a h	...	Silvermane.
13	Colonel Kavanagh's	g a h	...	Money Spinner.
14	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	ch a h	...	Gallant.
15	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	b a h	...	Hyderi.
16	Mr. C. A. Beatty's	g a h	...	Vasco.
17	Mr. S. W. Webster's	b a h	...	Syndic.
18	Mr. A. Davies-Cooke's	br a g	...	Marquis II.
19	Mr. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Berlin.
20	Mr. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Talisman.

THE WANOWRIE PLATE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Sirjamal.
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	g a h	...	Officer.
3	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Rose.
4	Lt.-Col J. Desaraj Urs'	g a h	...	Ptarmigan.
5	Aga Mirza Ahmed's	g a h	...	Young Shahin.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
8	Mr. Preston's	g a h	...	Tawakal.
9	Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's	g a h	...	Nainawa.
10	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Moon.
11	Mustapha bin Talib's	g a h	...	Tigris.
12	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	b a h	...	Malabar.
13	Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	g a h	...	Mooreed.
14	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	g a h	...	Reflector.
15	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	b a h	...	Brigand.
16	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch a h	...	Shah Jehan.
17	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Achilles.
18	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Swazi.
19	Mr. F. M. Gerda's	br a h	...	Kour Saheb.
20	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	br a h	...	Mosumma.
21	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	b a h	...	Bay Middleton.
22	Mr. Finch's	b a m	...	Arab Maid.
23	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	g a h	...	Little Joker.
24	Mr. H. B. Pike's	b a h	...	Bandit II.
25	Mr. Musjeed bin Jurjee's	b a h	...	Sugger.
26	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b a h	...	Turn of Luck.
27	Mr. Naji bin Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Salama.
28	Mr. H. Maydwell's	g a h	...	Titus II.

Fourth Day, Wednesday, 28th September.

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP. R. C. and distance.

1	Mr. Moss King's	b a h	...	King Cobweb.
2	Major A. C. Hamilton's	ch a h	...	Jack Horner.
3	Mr. J. D Scott's	b a g	...	Secunder.
4	Mr. J. D. Scott's	g a h	...	Nero.
5	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Mameluke.
6	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Connaught.
7	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Hadhur.
8	Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	b a h	...	Smasher.
9	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	g a h	...	Skylark.
10	H. H. Aga Khan's	ch a h	...	Sandow.
11	Mr. F. M. Garda's	b a h	...	Narunjee.
12	Mr. Peel's	g a h	...	Precious.
13	Mr. Love's	ch a h	...	Silvermane.
14	Colonel Kavan's	g a h	...	Money Spinner.
15	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	ch a h	...	Gallant.
16	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	b a h	...	Bay Middleton.
17	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	b a h	...	Hyderi.
18	Mr S. W. Webster's	b a h	...	Syndic.
19	Mr. R. Anderson's	ch a h	...	Seagull.
20	Mr. A. Davies-Cooke's	br a g	...	Marquis II.
21	Mr. A. W. P.'s	g a h	...	Krupp.
22	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Sahab.
23	Messrs. G. K. and D. D's	b a h	...	Adonis.
24	Messrs. G. K. and D. Ds	b a h	...	Berlin.
25	Messrs. G. K. and D. D's	b a h	...	Talisman.

THE GANESHKHIND PLATE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. T. R. Badger's	br e g	...	Thomond.
2	Mr. Roy's	b aus g	...	Fotheringay.
3	Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs'	b aus g	...	Gum.
4	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Stand Off.
5	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Malto.
6	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bl aus c	...	Strathspey.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g	...	Amplify.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m	...	Forest.
9	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Vigorous.
10	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus m	...	Loch Clieveden.
11	Mr. Peel's	b aus g	...	Surtaj II, *late* Milos.
12	Mr. Curmer's	b aus g	...	Rossi.
13	Mr. Kelso's	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
14	Mr. Kelso's	b aus g	...	Harpist.
15	Mr. R. R. S.'s	ch aus g	...	Wedlock.
16	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	ch aus h	...	Progredior.
17	Mr. Finch's	b e m	...	Court Belle.
18	Messrs. Moran and McNab's	b aus g	...	Epitome.
19	Mr. J. Gove's	b aus g	...	Kingston.
20	Mr. Metha's	br aus m	...	Blue Blood.
21	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus g	...	Fire Up.
22	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Miss Windsor.
23	Mr. Stewart's	b e g	...	Carburton.
24	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus g	...	Dulcimer.
25	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Springlock.
26	Messrs. Galstaun and Avasia's	ch e g	...	Presbyterian.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE. 1½ miles.

1	Mr. Roy's	b aus g	...	Fotheringay.
2	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Red Coral.
3	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	ch aus g	...	Courara.
4	Major F. C. Logan-Home's	b aus g	...	Corrie Roy.
5	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bl aus c	...	Strathspey.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e g	...	Magician.

7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m	...	Amplify.
8	H.H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	b aus g	...	Glen Albyn.
9	H.H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Idler.
10	H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's	br aus g	...	Firecracker.
11	Aga S. Shah's	b aus g	...	Prestwick.
12	Aga S. Shah's	br aus m	...	Shotover.
13	Mr. Peel's	b aus g	...	Planet.
14	Mr. Kelso's	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
15	Captain Wilson's	bl e h	...	Misty.
16	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus g	...	Tubal Cain.
17	Messrs. P. B. Avasia and C. Bleach's	br e g	...	Testwood.
18	Mr. Galstaun's	br e m	...	Sainte Marquise.
19	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus g	...	Dulcimer.
20	Mr. Galstaun's	b or br e m	...	Psalm.
21	Mr. Galstaun's	bn a c	...	Riverside II.

THE CORONATION PLATE. 7 furlongs.

1	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e g	...	Idleness.
2	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e m	...	Tight Lace.
3	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	br aus m	...	Signorina, *late* Sonica.
4	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	b aus m	...	Wakeful.
5	Mr. Cunningham's	b ch g	...	Moonlight.
6	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Minimus.
7	Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs'	ch aus m	...	Queen Cole.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	bl or br aus m	...	Lady Avon.
9	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus h	...	Yankee Boy.
10	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	br aus g	...	Koko *late* Chieftain.
11	Mr. Kelso's	b aus m	...	Russley Rose.
12	Mr. Kelso's	ch aus g	...	Indabba.
13	Mr. R. B. S's	b. aus g	...	Comeback.
14	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus m	...	Olga.
15	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Min.
16	Mr. W. Bass'	b e m	...	S. P.
17	Mr. Galstaun's	b or br e m		Psalm.
18	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus h	...	Matalgia.
19	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Whitefoot.
20	Mr. D. Norton's	g aus g	...	Bestman II.

THE PADDOCK PLATE. 5 furlongs.

1	Lt.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's	b e m	...	Richesse.
2	H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's	ch aus g	...	Cocos.
3	Mr. Finch's	b aus m	...	La France.
4	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Nanette.
5	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	ch aus m	...	Veera.
6	Mr. D. L. Khemjee's	b aus m	...	Bandicoot.

THE LAWN PLATE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Rose.
2	Mr. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Sirjamal.
3	Mr. R. S.'s	g a h	...	Officer.
4	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
6	Mr. Jackson's	b a h	...	Hermit.
7	Mr. A. R. Ameer's	g a h	...	Young Kohinoor.
8	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Moon.
9	Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Faithful.
10	Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's	g a h	...	Nainawa.
11	Mr. Nassar Abdulah's	g a h	...	Clever Boy.
12	Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	g a h	...	Mooreed.
13	Mr. A. R. Sulleman's	g a h	...	Cardigan.
14	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Achilles.
15	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	Oriental.
16	Mr. F. M. Garda's	br a h	...	Kour Saheb.
17	Colonel Kavanagh's	g a h	...	Money Spinner.
18	Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's	b a h	...	Shaiboob.
19	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	br a h	...	Mosumma.
20	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Grey Fox.
21	Mr. C. A. Beatty's	g a h	...	Vasco.
22	Mr Finch's	b a h	...	Arab Maid.
23	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	g a h	...	Little Joker.
24	Mr. H. B. Pike's	b a h	...	Bandit II.
25	Mr. Musjeed bin Jurji's	b a h	...	Sugger.

Fifth Day, Saturday, 1st October.

THE AGA KHAN'S CUP. 1½ mile.

1	Mr. Roy's	b aus g	...	Fotheringay.
2	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Trenton.
3	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	ch aus g	...	Courara.
4	Major F. C. Logan-Home's	b aus g	...	Corrie Roy.
5	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Stand Off.
6	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Goldsmith.
7	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b e g	...	Simon.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m	...	Amplify.
9	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e g	...	Magician.
10	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e m	...	Honest Lady.
11	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Northumberland.
12	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus m	...	Loch Clieveden.
13	Mr. Peel's	bl aus g	...	Surtaj II, late Milos.
14	Mr. Peel's	b aus g	...	Planet.
15	Mr. Kelso's	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
16	Capt. Wilson's	bl e h	...	Misty.
17	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	ch aus h	...	Progredior.
18	Mr. Galstaun's	br aus m	...	Cretonne.
19	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Hoop Iron.
20	Mr. Galstaun's	b e g	...	Goldsmith.
21	Mr. Galstaun's	br e m	...	Sainte Marquise.

THE OCTOBER PLATE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	br aus m	...	Signorina, *late* Sonica.
2	Mr. Roy's	b aus g	...	Fotheringay.
3	Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs'	b aus g	...	Gum.
4	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bl aus c	...	Strathspey.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m	...	Amplify.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e m	...	Honest Lady.
7	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	br aus m	...	Adelaide.
8	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	b aus g	...	Glen Albyn.
9	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Idler.
10	H. H. Aga Khan's	br aus g	...	Beadsman.
11	H. H. Aga Khan's and Aga S. Shah's	br aus m	...	Carreewick.
12	Mr. Peel's	b aus g	...	Planet.
13	Mr. Curmer's	b aus g	...	Rossi.
14	Mr. Kelso's	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
15	Mr. R. R. S.'s	ch aus g	...	Wedlock.
16	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus g	...	Tubal Cain.
17	Messrs. Moran and McNab's	b aus m	...	Epitome.
18	Mr. J. Gove's	b aus g	...	Kingston.
19	Mr. Mehta's	br aus m	...	Blue Blood.
20	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus g	...	Fire Up.
21	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus g	...	Fando.
22	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Miss Windsor.
23	Mr. Stewart's	b e g	...	Carburton.
24	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	b aus g	...	Roscommon.
25	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	bl aus m	...	Overture.
26	Mr. D. L. Khemjee's	b aus g	...	Spark.
27	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus g	...	Dulcimer.
28	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Springlock.
29	Mr. Galstaun's	b or br e m		Psalm.

THE WINNER'S HANDICAP. 1¼ miles.

1	Major A. C. Hamilton's	ch a h	...	Jack Horner.
2	Mr. J. D Scott's	b a g	...	Secunder.
3	Mr. J. D. Scott's	g a h	...	Nero
4	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Cannaught.
5	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Hadhur.
6	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	g a h	...	Skylark.
7	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	St Gatien.
8	H. H. Aga Khan's	b a h	...	Sandow.
9	Mr. F. M. Garda's	b a h	...	Narunjee.
10	Mr. Peel's	g a h	...	Precious.
11	Mr. Love's	ch a h	...	Silvermane.
12	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	ch a h	...	Gallant.
13	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	b a h	...	Hyderi.
14	Mr. A. Davies-Cook's	br a g	...	Marquis II.
15	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Sahab.
16	Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s	b a h	...	Adonis.

THE TURF CLUB CUP. 1 mile.

1	Mr. E. C Ramshaw's	ch ch m	...	Lady of Quality.
2	Mr. Cunningham's	b ch g	...	Moonlight.
3	Colonel J. P. Grant's	ch ch h	...	Philistine.
4	Colonel J. P. Grant's	b ch h	...	Prime.
5	Mr. Dawn's	b ch h	...	Louis.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b ch m	...	Gentle Lady.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	br ch h	...	Saloon.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b ch m	...	Bijley.
9	Mr. John's	b ch m	...	Lady Newbrook.
10	Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's	b ch g	...	Upstart.
11	Captain Randall's	b ch m	...	Miss Ascot.

THE COMMISSIONER'S PURSE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e m	...	Tight Lace.
2	Mr. J. D. Scott's	bl or br aus m		Lady Avon.
3	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus h	...	Yankee Boy.
4	Mr. Kelso's	b aus m	...	Russley Rose.
5	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus m	...	Olga.
6	Mr. Finch's	b aus m	...	La France.
7	Mr. Mahomed Ally's	br aus m	...	Nautilus.
8	Mr. W. Bass'	b e m	...	S. P.
9	Mr. D. L. Khemjee's	b aus m	...	Bandicoot.
10	Mr. Galstaun's	ch aus m	...	Ping Pong.

THE DESERT HANDICAP. 1 mile.

1	Major Stisted's	b a h	...	Pounds.
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Sirjamal.
3	Mr. R. R. S.s	g a h	...	Officer.
4	Lt. Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	g a h	...	Ptarmigan.
5	Mr Moss King's	b a h	...	King Cobweb.
6	Mr. Ali bin Talib's	b a h	...	Moon.
7	Mr Mustapha bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Faithful.
8	Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's	g a h	...	Nainawa.
9	Messrs. G. H. S Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	g a h	...	Mooreed.
10	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	b a h	...	Sword.
11	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	b a h	...	Brigand.
12	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Achilles.
13	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	Arabistan.
14	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	Oriental.
15	Mr. F. M. Garda's	b a h	...	Narunjee.
16	Mr. F. M Garda's	br a g	...	Kour Saheb.
17	Colonel Kavanagh's	g a h	...	Money.
18	Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's	b a h	...	Shaiboob.
19	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	br a h	...	Mosumma.
20	Ebrahim's	ch a h	...	Gallant.
21	Mr C. A. Beatty's	g a h	...	Vasco.
22	Mr Finch's	b a m	...	Arab Maid.
23	Mr. Artin A Essayie's	g a h	...	Little Joker.
24	Mr. H. B. Pike's	b a h	...	Bandit II.
25	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b a h	...	Turn of Luck.
26	Mr. Almas bin Abdulla's	g a h	...	Random.

THE LILLIPUT HANDICAP. 5 furlongs.

1	Mr. R. R. S.'s	ch a h	...	Mint.
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Rose.
3	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	g a h	...	Ptarmigan.
4	Mr. Abdool Razak Nasroola's	bl a h	...	Sabig.
5	Aga Mirza Ahmed's	g a h	...	Young Shahin.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
8	Mr. Preston's	g a h	...	Tawakel.
9	Mr. Jackson's	b a h	...	Hermit.
10	Messrs. A. A. Amer and A. M. Saif's	ch a h	...	Gold.
11	Mr. M. Ally's	ch a h	...	Napoleon.
12	Mr. Nassar Abdulla's	g a h	...	Clever Boy.
13	Mr. Abdool Gany's	b a h	...	Jan Alum.
14	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	b a h	...	Malabar.
15	Mr. S. A. Wahed	b a h	...	Beflector.
16	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch a h	...	Shah Jehan.
17	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	Oriental.
18	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Swazi.
19	Messrs P. Framjee and G. H. Noormahomed's	b a h	...	Superior.
20	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	br a h	...	Mosumma.
21	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Farewell.
22	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Grey Fox.
23	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	g a h	...	Little Joker.
24	Mr. W. Moran's	g a h	...	Young Gazelle.
25	Mr. Henry's	g a h	...	Gendorme.
26	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Sahoon.
27	Mr. P. B. Avasia's	ch a h	...	Paleface.
28	Mr. J. Jacob's	g a h	...	Gullistan.

Sixth day Monday, 3rd October.

THE POONA GRAND ANNUAL. About 2 miles 1 furlong.

1	Major F. C. Logan-Home's	bl aus g	...	Pope.
2	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b e g	...	Simon.
3	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A Nanjee's	ch aus m	...	Gnullo.
4	Mr. T. L. Roberts'	br aus g	...	Dumbell.
5	Mr. T. L. Roberts'	ch aus g	...	Moroney.
6	Mr. H. B. Pike's	bl aus g	...	Musketeer.
7	Mr. J. Alston's	b aus g	...	Dundonald.

THE GANESHKHIND CHASE. About 1 mile 7 furlongs over Pony Steeplechase Course.

1	Captain Grogan's	g a g	...	Toby.
2	Captain Grogan's	b aus g	...	Rifleman II.
3	Messrs. Guest and Dawn's	ch aus g	...	Funny.
4	Mr. Guest's	bl aus m	...	Topsy.
5	Major A. C. Hamilton's	ch e h	...	Astrologer.
6	Mr. R. J. Hunter's	bl aus m	...	Beryl.
7	Mr. S. W. Webster's	b aus m	...	Flight.
8	Major Logan-Home's	ch aus m	...	Mary Jane.
9	Mr. Mahomedally's	br aus m	...	Nautilus.

THE POONA HANDICAP. 5 furlongs.

1	Mr. T. B. Badger's	br e g	...	Thomond.
2	Mr. Roy's	b aus g	...	Fotheringay.
3	Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs'	b aus g	...	Gum.
4	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Stand Off.
5	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus g	...	Malto.
6	Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bl aus c	...	Strathspey.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g	...	Forest.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m	...	Amplify.
9	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e m	...	Honest Lady.
10	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h	...	Vigorous.
11	H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's	br aus m	...	Adelaide.
12	H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's	br aus m	...	Carreewick.
13	Mr. Peel's	bl aus g	...	Surtaj II. *late.* Milos.
14	Mr. Curmer's	b aus g	...	Rossi.
15	Mr. Kelso's	b aus g	...	Harpist.
16	Mr. Kelso's	ch e g	...	Child's Guide.
17	Mr. R. R. S.'s	ch aus g	...	Wedlock.
18	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	br aus g	...	Tubal Cain.
19	Mr. Finch's	b e m	...	Court Belle.
20	Messrs. Moran and McNab's	b aus m	...	Epitome.
21	Mr. J. Gove's	b aus g	...	Kingston.
22	Mr. Metha's	br aus m	...	Blue Blood.
23	Mr. Stewart's	b e g	...	Carburton.
24	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus g	...	Dulcimer.
25	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Springclock.
26	Messrs. Galstaun and Avasia's	ch e g	...	Presbyterian.

THE ALL PONY PLATE 5 furlongs.

1	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e g	...	Idleness.
2	Mr J. J. Pawson's	ch e m	...	Tight Lace.
3	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	br aus m	...	Signorina, *late.* Sonica.
4	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	b aus m	...	Wakeful.
5	Mr. Cunningham's	b ch g	...	Moonlight.
6	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	...	Minimus.
7	Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs'	ch aus m	...	Queen Cole.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	bl or br aus m		Lady Avon.
9	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus h	...	Yankee Boy.
10	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	br aus g	...	Koko *late* Chieftain.
11	Mr. Kelso's	b aus m	...	Russley Rose.
12	Mr. Kelso's	ch aus g	...	Indabba.
13	Mr. R. R. S.'s	bl aus g	...	Comeback.
14	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b aus m	...	Min.
15	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Whitefoot.
16	Mr. Galstaun's	b aus h	...	Matalgia.
17	Mr. Galstaun's	b or br e m		Psalm.
18	Mr. Galstaun's	bl aus g	...	Gun Metal.
19	Mr. D. Norton's	g aus g	...	Bestman II.

THE KIRKEE PLATE. 5 furlongs.

1	Mr. R. R. S.'s	ch a h	...	Mint.
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Rose
3	Mr. R. R. S.'s	g a h	...	Officer.
4	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b a h	...	Delight.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
7	Mr. Jackson's	b a h	...	Hermit.
8	Mr. A. R. Ameer's	g a h	...	Young Kohinoor.
9	Mr. M. Ally's	ch a h	...	Napoleon.
10	Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's	g a h	...	Tigris.
11	Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's	g a h	...	Nainawa.
12	Mr. Nassar Abdulla's	g a h	...	Clever Boy.
13	Colonel Kazim Beg's	b a g	...	Kazim Pasha.
14	J. Antoony's	b a h	...	Safzar.
15	Mr. A. R. Sulleman's	g a h	...	Cardigan.
16	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Achilles.
17	Mr. F. M. Garda's	br a h	...	Kour Sahib.
18	Colonel Kavanagh's	g a h	...	Money Spinner.
19	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjees's	b a h	...	Bay Middleton.
20	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Farewell.
21	Mr. Finch's	b a m	...	Arab Maid.
22	Mr. H. B. Pike's	b a h	...	Bandit II.
23	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b a h	...	Hopeful.
24	Mr. A. W. P.'s	b a h	...	Mudmie.
25	Mr. Najee bin Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Salma.
26	Mr. H. Maydwell's	g a h	...	Titus II.

THE GHORPURI PLATE. 6 furlongs.

1	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Sirjamal
2	Mr. R. R. S.'s	b a h	...	Rose.
3	Lt.-Col. Desaraj Urs'	g a h	...	Ptarmigan.
4	Aga Mirza Ahmed's	g a h	...	Young Shahin.
5	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g	...	Tommy Titus.
6	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h	...	Tarang.
7	Mr. Preston's	g a h	...	Tawakel.
8	Mr. Jackson's	b a h	...	Hermit.
9	Mr A. A. Amer's	ch a h	...	Caravan.
10	Messrs. A. A. Amer and A. M. Saif's	ch a h	...	Gold.
11	Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's	ch a h	...	Evermore.
12	Mr. Mahomed bin Talib's	g a h	...	Umber.
13	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	b a h	...	Malabar.
14	Messrs G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's	g a h	...	Mooreed.
15	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	ch a h	...	Dilerjung.
16	Mr. S. A. Wahed's	b a h	...	Reflector.
17	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	b a h	...	Brigand.
18	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	ch a h	...	Shah Jehan.
19	Aga S. Shah's	b a h	...	Oriental.
20	Aga S. Shah's	g a h	...	Swazi.
21	Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's	b a h	...	Shaiboob.
22	Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's	br a h	...	Mosumma.
23	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's	g a h	...	Grey Fox.
24	Mr. Artin A. Essayie's	g a h	...	Little Joker.
25	Mr. W. Moran's	g a h	...	Young Gazelle.
26	Mr. Henry's	g a h	...	Gendorme.
27	Mr. Syed Rasheed's	ch a h	...	Sahoon.
28	Mr. Almas bin Abdulla's	g a h	...	Random.
29	Messrs G. K. and D. D.'s	g a h	...	Dispute.

2nd Entries close on Tuesday, 23rd August 1904.

CURSETJEE DHUNJEESHAW,
for Secretary, W. I. T. C.

POONA, *3rd August 1904.*

One morning, as old John Day the jockey, was crossing Newmarket Heath., he heard a man, standing on a tub, preaching, so he stopped and listened.

"There," said the preacher, "stands John Day, one of the greatest of Jockeys. We do not run in the earthly race, but in the great race for the Cup of Salvation."

"Yes," roared old John, "and I'll bet you ten to one you don't get a place!"

Sport in England.

(From Our Own Sporting Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 22nd July* 1904.

THE TURF.

SANDOWN PARK.

It is not easy to ascribe a reason for the diminution in the attendance at Sandown Park on the present anniversary, but the falling off, as compared with a twelvemonth ago, extended over each stage of the gathering. The officials of the London and South-Western Railway Company tell of a decrease of over three thousand passengers on Eclipse Stakes day, but the muster last July was doubtless quite abnormal owing to the historic meeting between Ard Patrick, Sceptre, and Rock Sand (which proved a well-nigh irresistible draw), and the strength of the company, on the 15th and 16th instant, was probably little below the average. The extreme heat deterred a few from conferring their patronage on the entertainment, but the fair sex were present again in considerable numbers, and the King and Prince Christain honoured the proceedings once more. The ground was dry and parched, and clouds of dust flew on occasions, but the going was in very fair order considering the recent drought. There was just sufficient breeze to prevent the heat from being oppressive and the sport panned out well.

The Royal Handicap of 368sovs. One mile.

Mr. A. Hamblin's ch m Thopo, by Loved One—Nimble Kitty, 5yrs., 6st. 9lbs.* (car. 6st. 12lbs.)	Butchers	1
M. E. de Blaskovits's b h Hazafi, 5 yrs., 9st.	Halsey	2
Mr. C. Hibbert's b f Camphor, 3yrs., 7st. ...	Trigg	3
Mr. J. S. Crawford's Captain Kettle, aged, 7st. 13lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Lord Dunraven's Salute, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	W. Lane	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Gascony, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. C. Powneeby's Icon, 5yrs., 6st. 4lbs. (car. 6st. 5lbs.)	Plant	0
Mr. Heath's Bastion, 3yrs., 5st. 12lbs.* ...	E. Pratt	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by H. Escott.*)

Betting: 7 to 2 agst. Captain Kettle, 9 to 2 each Hazafi, Salute, and Topo, 7 to 1 Gascony, 8 to 1 Camphor, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by a length: a like distance separated the second and third. Gascony was fourth, Salute fifth, Icon next, and Bastion last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 44⅘secs.

The National Breeders' Produce Stakes of 487sovs. for two year olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Lord Rosebery's ch c Cicero, by Cyllene—Gas, 9st. 9lbs.	D. Maher	1
Lord Carnarvon's b f Grandiflora, 8st. 11b.	J. H. Martin	2
Duke of Devonshire's b f Full Cry, 8st. 11lbs.	O. Madden	3
Lord Crewe's Polymelus, 9st.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. E. Hobson's Aspiration, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Hardy	0
Mr. H. Peel's Laughter, 8st. 4lbs. ...	W. Lane	0
Major Edwards's Sir James, 9st. ...	Page	0
Major Edwards's Sir Charles, 9st. ...	B. Lynham	0

(*Winner trained by P. Peck.*)

Betting: 6 to 4 agst. Cicero, 85 to 40 Laughter, 100 to 8 Polymelus 100 to 12 Full Cry, 100 to 10, Grandiflora, 33 to 1 any other.

Aspiration caused some delay by refusing to face the barrier, and when the tapes were released Sir James and Sir Charles were slow off the mark. Laughter was the quickest away, in the centre, and led from Full Cry (on the extreme right), Grandiflora (in the centre), and Cicero, with Polymelus next, and Sir James last behind Sir Charles for about half-way, when Cicero shot to the front, attended by Grandiflora, Laughter and Full Cry, and, making the remainder of the running, won easily by two lengths; a length and a half divided the second and third. Laughter was fourth, Aspiration fifth, Polymelus next, and Sir James tailed off last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min 3⅘secs.

The Coombe July Plate of 269sovs.: weight for age, etc. About one mile and a quarter.

Mr. C. Trimmer's b c Laurier, by Bentworth—Filepa, 3yrs., 8st. 11b. ...	O. Madden	1
Lord Carnavon's ch c Vril, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	Martin	2
Capt. F. Cookson's br c Vernham, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	Trigg	3
Mr. R. McCreery's Seymour, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	Pike	0

(*Winner trained by Walters, Jun.*)

Betting: 5 to 4 on Laurier, 9 to 4 agst. Vril, 9 to 2 Vernham, and 20 to 1 Seymour.

Won by three-quarters of a length; four lengths divided the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 13⅘secs.

LEICESTER.

When the mercury in the thermometer approaches the 9st. mark, even the most enthusiastic followers of racing begin to waver in their allegiance to the sport of kings, especially where it involves long journeys by train. The traffic between London and Leicester was extremely light each day, and the greater part of the company at Oadby was recruited from local sources. To tell the truth, there was little about the programme to allure folks to the pretty venue adjoining the London-road. With the exception of the Prince of Wales's Stakes, there was a lack of quality about the competitors. Moreover, the proceedings were summarily curtailed by the last race cutting down to a walk over. The Belvoir Castle Handicap had doubtless given the official weight adjuster many hours of labour, but it was a sad waste of energy, for only three of the thirty-one nominees coloured on the card came out to do battle.

The Prince of Wales's Plate (handicap) of 462sovs. One mile.

Mr. W. H. Schwind's b h Kilteel, by Kilwarlin—Bright Star, 5yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	B. Lynham	1
Mr. C. Lawman's b c Ventriloquist, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	O. Madden	2
Mr. G. Cottrill's b f Debutante, 4yrs., 8st. 11b.*	Butchers	3
Mr R. Sherwood's Salute, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs ...	Croft	0
Mr. W. Bass's Lychnobite, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	Hardy	0
Mr. A. W. Fox's Va Ve, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs. (inc. (5lbs. ex.)	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. R. Henning's Retrieve, 3yrs., 7st. 11b.*	Sharples	0
Mr. T. W. Pratt's The Kid II., 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	Griggs	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Betting: 9 to 4 agst. Debutante, 9 to 2 Kilteel, 11 to 2 Ventriloquist, 6 to 1 each Lychnobite and Retrieve, 100 to 12 Salute, and 100 to 8 each Va Ve and The Kid II.

Won easily by three lengths; a like distance separated the second and third, Salute was fourth, Retrieve fifth, Va Ve next, and The Kid II. last.

The Belvoir Castle Handicap of 100sovs. Seven furlongs.

Mr. W. McKenna's br g Country Bumpkin, by Pride—Lady Gwendoline, 4yrs., 8st. 11lb.	J. McKenna	1
Mr. W. G. Stevens's b c Isterico, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	East	2
Mr. H. Bibby's br f Dot, 4yrs., 6st. 8lbs. ...	Plant	3

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Betting: 11 to 10 agst. Dot, 2 to 1 Country Bumpkin, and 11 to 4 Isterico.

Won easily by three lengths from Isterico, who took second place at the distance: four lengths divided the second and third.

LIVERPOOL JULY.

Seldom is a more richly-endowed programme placed before the public than that arranged at Liverpool on the 20th comprising as it did a couple of events each of the value of 2,000sovs., but great as were the inducements for owners to have a cut in for the tempting prizes the fields were restricted within a narrow compass owing to the recent drought. This is no new experience in July, and it remains to be seen whether the Liverpool executive will derive any substantial benefit from the addition of a third day to their summer fixture. Precautions had been taken to water the course and the moisture was supplemented by a light shower on the 19th, but it was of no avail, and the ground was so hard that in certain cases horses who had made long journeys with the object of competing were at the last moment withdrawn from their engagements. One of them was John o' Gaunt, for whom the rich St. George Stakes was voted almost a certainty. The son of Isinglass and La Fleche was ridden an exercise gallop by Mr. Thursby this morning, and much against his will, the Boveridge amateur decided not to risk his St. Leger charge on the adamantine going. This left only a quartette to do duty.

The St. George Stakes of 1,719sovs., for three year olds; colts 9st., fillies 8st. 9lbs.; penalties and allowances. One mile and three furlongs.

Lord Derby's ch C By Ayrshire—Pace Egger, 8st. 4lbs.	D. Maher	1
Mr. Douglas Baird's b f Leucadia, 8st. 12lbs.	H. Aylin	2
Duke of Westminster's b c Rydal Head, 9st. 8lbs.	M. Cannon	3
Mr. L. Neumann's Sertorious, 8st. 4lbs. ...	W. Lane	0

(*Winner trained by Mr. G. Lambton.*)

Betting: 7 to 4 agst. Sertorius, 2 to 1 Rydal Head, 3 to 1 Pace Egger colt, 7 to 1 Leucadia

Won in a canter by three lengths; three-quarters of a length separated the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 21⅗secs.

The Great Lancashire Breeders' Produce Stakes of 1,611sovs., for two year olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Mr. E. Dresden's ch f Galantine, by Gallinule—Volant, 9st. 2lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Lord Derby's b f Brilliancy, 8st. 11b. ...	H. Aylin	2
Lord Carnarvon's b f Grandiflora, 8st. 11b.	J. H. Martin	3
Mr. O. W. Rayner's Feather Bed, 9st ...	East	0
Sir E. Vincent's Shah Jehan, 9st ...	D. Maher	0
Duke of Portland's f by St. Simon—Gay Duchess, 8st. 11lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Cherry Lass, 8st 11lbs	G. McCall	0
Mr. J. D. Wardell's Tea Rose, 9st. ...	W. Lane	0
Mr. J. S. Curtis's Nuncastle, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Hardy	0

(*Winner trained by Archer.*)

Betting: 9 to 4 agst. Grandiflora, 5 to 2 Cherry Lass, 11 to 2 Shah Jehan, 7 to 1 Galantine, 100 to 8 Brilliancy, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by three-quarters of a length; five lengths divided the second and third. Cherry Lass was placed fourth, Tea Rose was fifth, Gay Duchess filly sixth, Shah Jehan next, and Feather Bed last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 8secs.

It is a fact, and one to the truth of which clerks of the courses would be the first to attest, that selling races are the barometer by which the strength and vitality of the Turf system are registered with almost infallible precision. This is even more applicable to races for which the entries close overnight and which are happily dying out. When the subscriptions for contests to which a selling clause is attached are numerous it is a sure sign that things are going with a swing, and no more accurate index of the stagnation which prevails in racing circles at the moment could be forthcoming than the closing of the Riverside Plate last night with three nominations, two of whom belonged to the same owner. The recent drought (which has almost put a stop to training operations) and general langour begotton of semi-tropical heat are mainly responsible for the present inaction and against such forces the executive are powerless to contend. There are no signs as yet of any change in the conditions.

The Mersey Stakes of 680sovs., for two year olds: colts 8st. 7lbs., fillies 8st. 4lbs.: penalties and allowances. Five furlongs and a half.

Mr. W. Hall Walker's b f Cherry Lass, by Isinglass—Black Cherry, 7st. 13lbs.	G. McCall	1
Mr. R. H. Henning's br f Carita, 7st. 13lbs.	O. Madden	2
Mr. H. Barnato's ch c Auriform, 8st. 2lbs. ...	B. Lynham	3
Mr. H. Tunstall Moore's Special Pleader, 8st. 2lbs.	W. Lane	0
Lord Wolverton's c by Ugly—Lecture, 8st. 2lbs.	H. Jones	0
Lord Derby's Verdiana, 7st. 13lbs. ...	H. Aylin	0
Lord Ellesmere's Koorhaan, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by W. Robinson.*)

Betting: 5 to 2 agst. Cherry Lass, 3 to 1 Carita, 6 to 1 each Verdiana and the Lecture colt, 100 to 14 Koorhaan, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a length; a short head separated the second and third. Lecture colt was placed fourth. Verdiana was fifth, and Special Pleader last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 10⅖secs.

The Molyneux Plate (handicap) of 700sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr. P. P. Gilpin's ch c Delaunay, by Fortunio—Pet, 3yrs., 9st. ...	W. Lane	1
Mr. F. Stroud's br f Sweet Katie, 3yrs., 7st. 11b.*	Rollason	2
Mr. J. B. Joel's b h His Lordship, 5yrs., 8st. 13lbs.	M. Cannon	3
Mr. G. Edwardes's Aspendale, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. W. Dunne's Earla Mor, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs.*	Hunter	0
Mr. L. Pilkington's Wayfarer, 3yrs., 7st. 1lb.*	Butchers	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Betting: 13 to 8 agst. Delaunay, 11 to 2 each His Lordship, Aspendale, and Earla Mor, 7 to 1 Sweet Katie, and 100 to 12 Wayfarer.

Won in a canter by two lengths: a short head divided the second and third. Aspendale, a head behind, was placed fourth and Earla Mor was last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 14⅖secs.

The Knowsley Dinner Stakes of 700sovs., for three year olds; colts 9st., fillies 8st. 9lbs.; penalties and allowances. One mile and a furlong.

Mr. F. Alexander's br c Andover, by Rightaway—Sister Lumley, 9st. 7lbs.	M. Cannon	1
Mr. L. Neumann's b c Sertorius, 8st. 4lbs.	W. Lane	2
Mr. J. Wallace's b c Grey Goblin, 9st. ...	J Jarvis	3

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

Betting: 15 to 8 on Andover, 3 to 1 agst. Sertorius, and 6 to 1 Grey Goblin.

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

Another fine afternoon was experienced for the decision of the Cup, and the attendance showed a considerable increase. The course rode very hard, and again fields were on the small side.

I have already wired you of the Liverpool Cup. I append details together with the results of other principal races on to-day's card.

The Jolliffe Two-year-old Stakes of 10sovs. each, h. ft., or 1 only if declared, with 150 added; second to receive 20 sovs. Knowsley Course (five furlongs).

Mr. B. M. Nolan's Lady Honora, by Lavenno—Bellavalley, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Higgs	1
Mr. H. E. Randall's Amalgamation, 8st. ...	Jarvis	2
Mr. L. Neumann's Nirvanah, 8st. ...	W. Lane	3
Mr. H. Lindemere's Outbreak, 8st. 13lbs....	Halsey	0
Mr. W. Low's g by Velasquez—Meta III., 8st. 13lbs. ... — ...	H. Jones	0

(*Winner trained by Grewsil.*)

Betting: 11 to 10 agst. Nirvanah, 7 to 1 Lady Honora, 9 to 2 Outbreak, 100 to 14 Amalgamation, 10 to 1 the Meta III. gelding.

Won by three-quarters of a length; two lengths separated the second and third; Outbreak was last.

The Tyro Stakes of 110sovs., for two-year-olds: winner to be sold for 80sovs.; second to receive 5sovs. Knowsley Course (five furlongs).

Mr. H. Randall's Lady Diakka, by Diakka—Matrimony, 8st. 4lbs.	Jarvis	1
Mr. L. Newman's Ægis, 7st. 13lbs. ...	W. Lane	2
Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest's Grass Cat, 7st. 8lbs.	Saxby	3
Sir T. Dewar's Refiner, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Griggs	0
Sir J. Thursby's Hartpury, 7st. 11lbs. ...	E. Pratt	0
Lord Derby's Sucy, 7st. 13lbs.... ...	H. Aylin	0
Mr. F. Fry's Galliopi. g Gal, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Halsey	0
Mr. C. Landall's Pleat, 7st. 8lbs. ...	A. Sharples	0

(*Winner trained by Sadler, jun.*)

Betting: 6 to 4 agst. Lady Diakka, 4 to 1 Galloping Gal, 9 to 2 Grass Cat, 100 to 12 Sucy, 100 to 8 any other.

Won easily by three lengths; a neck separated the second and third; Hartpury was fourth; Sucy fifth; Galloping Gal next and Pleat last.

The Seventy-Seventh Liverpool Cup (a handicap) of 1,200sovs., 50sovs. in plate and the rest in specie; the second to receive 125sovs., and the third 50sovs. Cup Course (one mile and three furlongs).

Mr. S. B. Joel's ch h Bachelor's Button, by Winkfield—Milady, 5yrs., 9st. ...	D. Maher	1
Mr. R. H. Henning's br c Foundling, by Trenton—Lady Charity, 3yrs., 7st. (inc. 10lbs. ex.)	A. Sharples	2
Mr. H. J. King's Whistling Crow, by Crowberry—Sedge Warbler, 4yrs., 8st. 10lbs. (inc. 6lbs. ex.)...	H. Jones	3
Sir E. Cassel's Love Charm, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. J. O. Sullivan's Likely Bird, aged, 7st. 9lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. Reid Walker's Beltenebrosa, 6yrs., 7st. 6lbs. (4lbs. ex.)	W. Lane	0
Mr. W. A. Jarvis's Cades, 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. M. D. Peacock's William's Hill, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	T. Heppell	0
Mr. W. Dunne's Court Scandal, 3yrs., 6st. 3lbs.	F. Hunter	0
Lord Stanley's Flamma, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs. ...	W. Griggs	0

(*Winner trained by C. Peck.*)

Betting: 5 to 1 agst. Court Scandal, 6 to 1 each Bachelor's Button and Flamma, 7 to 1 each Love Charm and Likely Bird, 100 to 12 Beltenebrosa, 100 to 1 Foundling, 10 to 9 each Cades and Whistling Crow, 10 to 7 William's Hill.

Won by a length; a short head separated the second and third.

The Northern Counties Plate of 500sovs., for three and four-year-olds, maidens at entry: second to receive 40sovs., and the third 20sovs. One mile and a furlong.

Sir E. Cassel's Lanfine, by Ayrshire—Miss Gunning II., 3yrs., 8st.	Halsey	1
Lord Darby's Altcar, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs. ...	W. Lane	2

(*Winner trained by F. Lambton.*)

DEATH OF MR R. K. MAINWARING.

I regret to announce the death of Mr. R. K. Mainwaring, the well-known handicapper and racing official, which took place on Sunday. The news of his passing away, from lung trouble, in a London nursing home, came as a surprise, it not being generally known that he was ill, and he had, in fact, only been so a little while. Born in 1847, Mr Reginald Kynaston Mainwaring was the second son of Mr Townshend Mainwaring, who for many years sat in Parliament as the representative of the Denbigh Boroughs. He was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford. His sporting proclivities found vent while at Christ Church in the management of the "Grinds," and he rode several winners of steeplechases. One year he managed the Aylesbury Meeting, and owned a horse in partnership with the late Lord Randolph Churchill. His favourite study, apart from the ordinary course laid down for undergraduates, was handicapping, which procured for him among his intimates the apt nickname of "Rous." At Aylesbury in 1871 his colours, "French grey and rose," were to the fore in a Hunters' Steeplechase on Arundel, a son of the Derby winner, Wild Dayrell, out of Princess, by The Merry Monarch (also a Derby winner).

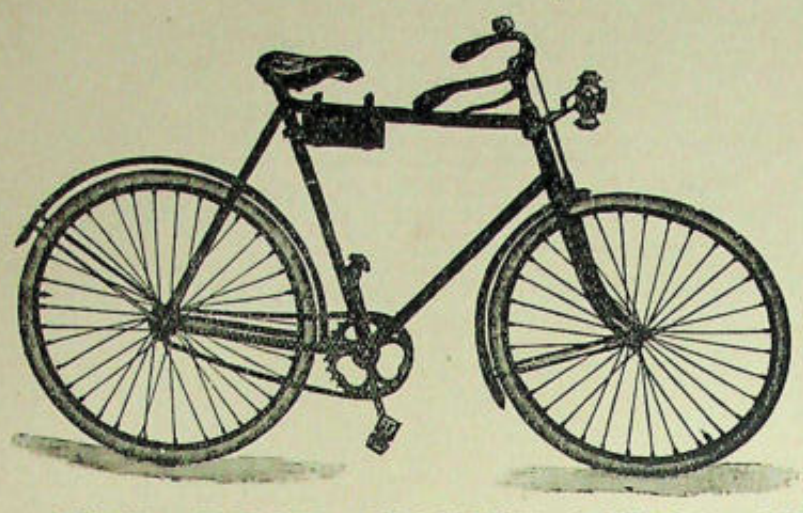
Mr. Mainwaring was a very busy man, for, in addition to framing all the handicaps at Liverpool, he had for years past been Clerk of the Course at Hurst Park and Chester, while formerly he was associated in an official capacity with other gatherings, including the big Hunt Meeting at Bangor. A good deal of the success of the three meetings last named was undoubtedly due to the business capabilities and intimate knowledge of racing matters of the deceased gentleman, whose untimely death has brought sorrow to all who knew him.

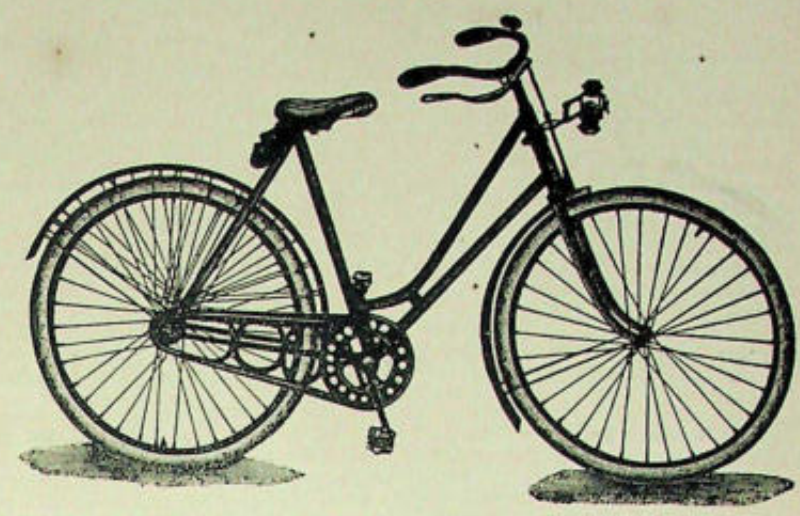
CRICKET.

Somerset *vs.* Hampshire.—Played at Taunton on 14th, 15th, and 16th July. Somerset won by 222 runs. The ground at Taunton is a paradise for batsman when there has been fine weather for some time, for the wickets are splendid and the boundaries not at all difficult to reach. On the first day of the match Somerset not only scored 378 but left Hampshire with an hour and forty minutes to bat before stumps were drawn, and getting down four wickets for 196 a very good day's work indeed. The chief feature of the Somerset innings was the batting of S. M. J. Woods, who, after leading the bowlers to imagine that he would speedily fall a victim to their strategy, played himself into form, and made 136 by exceedingly attractive cricket. He was at the wickets for only a little more than an hour and three-quarters, but he managed to reach the boundary twenty-four times. During his partnership with Lewis the two men hit tremendously hard after lunch, putting on 85 runs in a little over half an hour. Palairet made some brilliant strokes in his 57, but it was hardly one of his best innings. It seemed likely that Somerset would make a very large total, but some fine bowling by Steel brought about a startling change in the fortunes of the game. On Friday morning two Hampshire men were run out, and the innings seemed about over when Langford and

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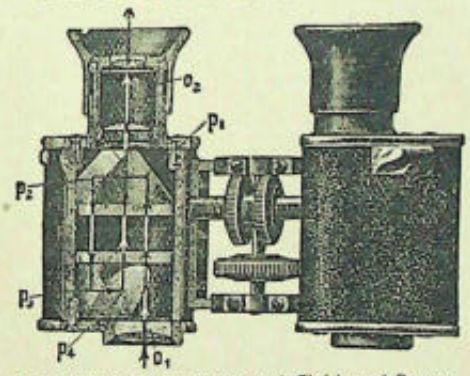
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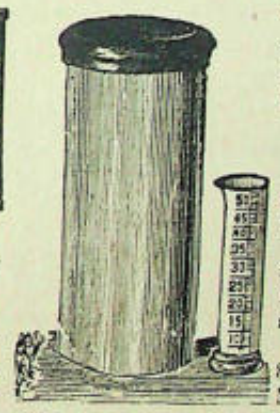
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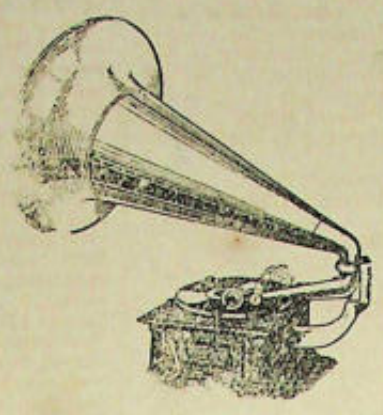
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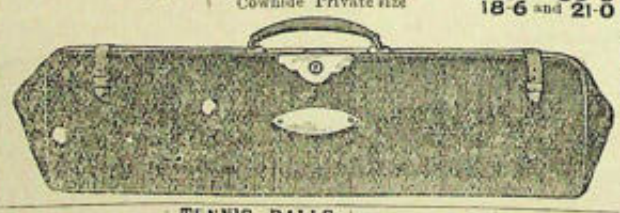
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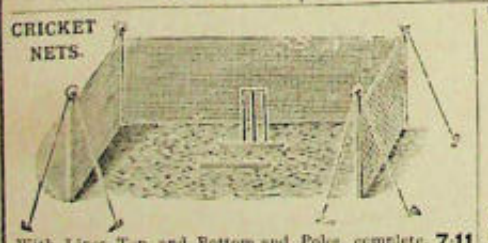


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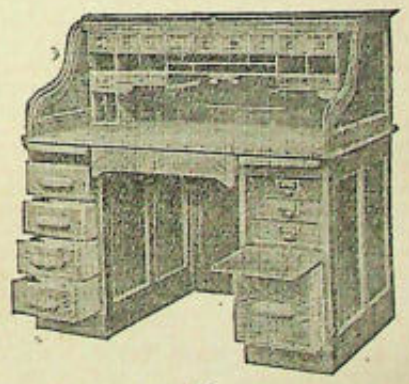
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Martin made a fine stand for the last wicket which produced 76 runs, and saved the follow on. When Somerset went in again with a lead of 104, Palairet, Hedley, Robson and Martin all played finely, while Lewis almost succeeded in scoring a hundred for the second time in the match. The result of all this good batting was a total of 363 for seven wickets, so that Somerset were now 467 runs on. Martin and Newton added 47 to the total in a quarter of an hour on Saturday morning, and when the former was out the innings was declared closed. Hampshire had the formidable task of making 515 to win, or of keeping up their wickets all day. At lunch time only two wickets had fallen, thanks to a fine stand by Bowell and Captain Palmer. Afterwards Somerset always seemed to have the game in hand. Bowell played excellent cricket for an hour and three-quarters, and Captain Palmer and Llewellyn both played a sound game; but when they were out wickets fell rapidly, and a plucky stand of 48 for the last wicket only served to prolong the game for half-an-hour. Somerset were victorious at four o'clock.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. C. H. Palairet, c Martin, b Steele ...	57	b Martin ...	37
Major Hedley, c Martin, b Llewellyn ...	4	b Martin ...	60
Lewis, b Martin	101	c Bowell, b Bacon	97
Robson, b Steele	20	c Llewellyn, b Bowell	63
S. M. J. Woods, c Martin, b Langford ..	136	c Webb, b Langford	23
F. M. Lee, c Steele, b Chignell ...	13	.....	
H. F. Montgomery, b Steele	30	b Martin ...	17
H. Martin, c Steele, b Langford ...	9	c Llewellyn, b Chignell	68
G. W. Hodgkinson, b Steele	0	b Martin ...	1
A. E. Newton, c Webb, b Steele ...	0	not out ...	28
Cranfield, not out	0	.....	
B. 1, lb. 6, w, 1 ...	8	B. 11, lb. 1, w. 4 ...	16
Total	378	Total (8 wkts.)	*410

*Innings declared closed.

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Stone, c Hedley, b Montgomery	39	c Newton, b Lewis ...	2
Webb, c Lee, b Lewis ...	5	b Robson ...	27
Bowell, c Hodgkinson, b Cranfield ...	25	c Lewis, b Palairet ...	95
Capt. Palmer, ht wkt, b Cranfield	37	b Cranfield ...	49
Llewellyn, b Montgomery ...	4	b Robson ...	34
J. E. Williams, run out ...	15	run out ...	1
F. H. Bacon, b Lewis ...	3	c sub, b Robson ...	18
D. A. Steele, c Newton, b Cranfield ...	34	b Cranfield ...	4
T. A. Chignell, run out ...	0	c sub, b Cranfield ...	2
Langford, not out... ...	62	not out	20
Martin, b Lewis	39	c Newton, b Hedley ...	27
B. 8, lb. 2 w. 1	11	B. 11, lb. 1, nb. 1 ...	13
Total	274	Total	292

SOMERSET.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Langford ...	17	2	85	2		19	2	74	1
Llewellyn ...	20	1	107	1		24	3	102	0
Martin ...	13	2	66	1		18	1	100	4
Chignell ...	14	0	46	1		9·2	0	30	1
Steele ...	13·5	0	36	5		9	2	42	0
Webb ...	5	1	30	0					
					Bowell ...	6	0	24	1
					Bacon ...	4	1	22	1

Martin bowled five wides.

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	34	10	87	3		21	5	101	3
Lewis ...	25·1	5	67	3		17	6	42	1
Montgomery ...	7	2	17	2		4	2	5	0
Hedley ...	5	0	15	0		10·2	4	26	1
Palairet ...	9	1	37	0		5	0	24	1
Robson ...	5	1	18	0		22	5	81	3
Woods ...	6	0	22	0					

Montgomery bowled one wide and Robson a no-ball.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE *vs* NOTTS.—Played at Trent Bridge on 18th 19th and 20th July. Gloucestershire won by an innings and 1 run. On a perfect Trent Bridge wicket G. L. Jessop delighted the spectators for about two hours and a quarter on Monday. He went to the wickets soon after lunch, when the Notts bowlers had lost much of their sting owing to some brilliant hitting by Wrathall and Board, who put up 154 for the first wicket in an hour and ten minutes. His first partner was Brownlee, the Oxford Blue, who was in such form that he made 57 while Jessop was making 54 in three quarters of an hour, the partnership producing 113 runs. Brownlee's innings was admirable in every way, and he was only an hour and a quarter in scoring his 94. Jessop continued to play a wonderful game, not hitting at everything, but choosing his ball, and when at last he was dismissed his score was 206, which had taken him two hours and twenty minutes to compile. At the end of the day the Gloucestershire score was 501 for nine wickets. This was increased by 45 on the next morning. Notts began well enough by putting up 100 for the first wicket, 71 of these being made by Jones, who played beautiful cricket. Iremonger did not play one of his long innings, and of the rest only Day and Hardstaff made runs. Notts had to follow on, with arrears of 394 to wipe off, and when 32 had been scored without loss rain stopped play. When the game was resumed the total was taken to 122 without loss, Iremonger being not out 50 and Jones not out 67. These two men played brilliant cricket yesterday, and their partnership produced 308 runs for the first wicket in four hours and a half before they were separated. After such a splendid beginning Notts seemed safe enough from defeat, but Spry brought about a break-down in the batting, and Gloucestershire won a great and unexpected victory.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

Wrathall, c J. Gunn, b Pennington ..	75	Huggins, c Iremonger, b J. Gunn ...	53
Board, b Pennington ...	80	Spry, b Day ...	8
Langdon, b J. Gunn ...	10	Sellick, not out ...	29
L. D. Brownlee, st Oates, b Pennington ...	94	Dennett, c Jones, b J. Gunn	34
G. L. Jessop, c J. Gunn, b Day	206	B. 8, lb. 4, w. 1, nb. 2	15
F. E. Thomas, b Jones ...	24	Total	636
P. G. Robinson, b Pennington ...	8		

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NOTTS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A. O. Jones, c Langdon, b Spry	71	c Langdon, b Spry ...	187
Iremonger, b Brownlee ...	34	c Spry, b Dennett ...	138
Gunn (J.), b Spry ...	10	c and b Spry ...	13
Gunn (G.), c Board, b Dennett	1	l-b-w, b Spry ...	1
Day, c Jessop, b Dennett ...	48	c Dennett, b Spry ...	0
J. A. Dixon, c Robinson, b Spry.	9	c Brownlee, b Dennett	22
Hardstaff, not out ...	26	c Jessop, b Spry ...	1
Oates, c Wrathall, b Spry ...	13	c Robinson, b Dennett	0
Wass, c Jessop, b Spry ...	7	c Robinson, b Dennett	1
Pennington, b Dennett ...	18	not out	0
Anthony, absent, ill ...	0	c Sellick, b Dennett ...	9
B. 2, lb. 2, w. 1 ...	5	Extras ...	21
Total ...	242	Total ...	393

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Gunn (J.) ...	34·4	7	151	3	Iremonger ...	5	1	34	0
Pennington ...	32	3	135	4	Anthony ...	8	1	46	0
Wass ...	20	4	147	0	Jones ...	11	0	50	1
Dixon ...	5	1	36	0	Day ...	9	4	22	2

Gunn bowled a wide and Wass two no-balls.

NOTTS.

First Innings.	W.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Huggins ...	11	2	40	0	...	21	7	57	0
Dennett ...	26	5	80	3	...	68·2	30	111	5
Wrathall ...	6	1	34	0	...	8	1	25	0
Spry ...	18	4	72	5	...	43	11	122	5
Brownlee ...	2	0	11	1	...	3	0	11	0
					Langdon ...	8	2	12	0
					Robinson ...	10	2	19	0
					Thomas ...	5	2	14	0

Spry bowled a wide.

MIDDLESEX *vs*. LANCASHIRE.—Played at Old Trafford on 18th, 19th and 20th July. Lancashire won by eight wickets. Although Middlesex batted first on an excellent pitch, they did so badly for some time against the bowling of Kermode that half their wickets were down for 36. When things were in this desperate position, Stogdon and Trott considerably altered the appearance of the game, the former playing the steadiest of games, while the latter hit in his usual forceful style. The partnership produced 101 runs in less than an hour, Trott claiming 67 of them; his hits included twelve 4's. Stogdon was at the wickets for forty minutes for his first two runs, but towards the end of his innings he made some fine hits. The tail played up manfully, and the result was a fairly good total. More bit very hard and well for his 53. Lancashire went in at a quarter to five, and at the end of the day their total was 156 for two wickets, so that they were only 103 runs behind. Spooner and Tyldesley put on 80 runs for the second wicket. When stumps were drawn Tyldesley was not out 63 and Hallows not out 22. The partnership was not broken on Tuesday until it had produced 92. Tyldesley was batting for two hours for his 102. After his departure Hallows played a fine game, but could get no one to stay with him for any length of time, and in the end he carried his bat for 137, after batting for three hours and a half. The last four men only made 6 runs between them. When they went in again Middlesex began even worse than in the first innings, and five wickets were down for 51. Stogdon and Trott then made a most useful stand. In an hour and a half these two men raised the total to 149, and when stumps were drawn Stogdon was not out 49. The total was 156 for six wickets, so that Middlesex were 45 runs ahead, with the prospect of a severe defeat before them. Yesterday they could not get out of their difficulty, and Lancashire only had to make 105 to win.

MIDDLESEX.

P. F. Warner, b Hallows	8	b Hallows ...	3
E. A. Beldam, b Kermode	5	l-b-w, b Kermode	15
G. W. Beldam, b Kermode.	14	b Kermode	0
Rawlin, c Findlay, b Kermode	8	b Kermode	0
B. J. T. Bosanquest, b Kermode	0	c Garnett, b Cuttell	22
J. H. Stogdon, c Maclaren, b Kermode ...	35	b Brearley ...	49
Trott, b Cuttell ...	67	b Hallows	56
G. MacGregor, c Findlay, b Kermode	18	not out ...	29
R. E. More, c Findlay, b Cuttell	53	c Brearley, b Cuttell	15
Herne, (J. T.) not out ...	21	c Garnett, b Kermode	0
G. G. Napier, c Cuttell, b Kermode	17	c Garnett, b Kermode	11
B. 9, lb. 1, w. 1, nb. 1...	12	Extras ...	13
Total ...	258	Total ...	213

LANCASHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H. G. Garnett, l-b-w, b Bosanquet	16	l-b-w, b Bosanquet ...	0
R. H. Spooner, b Napier ...	48	not out	85
Tyldesley, b Napier ...	102	c E. Beldam, b Napier	51
Hallows, not out	137	not out	15
A. C. Maclaren, st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	1		
Cuttell, c MacGregor, b Hearne	22		
Sharp, c Hearne, b Bosanquet	19		
A. H. Hornby, st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	1		
W. Findlay, ht wkt, b Bosanquet	0		
W. Brearley, c Bosanquet, b Hearne	3		
Kermode, st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	2		
B. 11, lb. 5, nb 2 ...	18	Extras	2
Total	369	Total (2 wkts.) ...	103

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hallows ...	14	6	53	1		13	7	17	2
Kermode ...	32·4	10	100	7		36·1	8	99	5
Cuttell ...	23	3	57	2		21	5	45	2
Brearley ...	9	0	36	0		15	2	39	1

Kermode bowled one wide and Cuttell delivered one no-ball.

LANCASHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bawlin ...	2	0	14	0		3	0	10	0
Bosanquet ...	35	2	99	6		7	0	51	1
G. Beldam...	3	0	12	0		4	0	18	0
More ...	5	1	12	0		3	1	5	0
Napier ...	22	2	78	2		4	0	17	1
Hearne ...	31·5	7	87	2					
Trott ...	13	3	49	0					

Napier delivered two no-balls.

ESSEX *vs*. DERBYSHIRE.—Played at Chesterfield on 18th, 19th, and 20th July. Derbyshire won by nine wickets. Short boundaries, a fine wicket, an extremely hot day, weak bowling, and brilliant batting by Perrin resulted in the highest individual innings of the season on Monday. Perrin was in magnificent form, and showed, as usual, such command over the bowling and so little intention of getting himself out, that the Derbyshire men must have been disheartened long before stumps were drawn. He was batting for five hours, and, when the day's play ended, was not out 295, thus beating the record individual score of the season, the 273 not out by Hayes for Surrey against Derbyshire. Nearly all Perrin's runs were made by means of boundary hits, the ball travelling over the dry grass and rapidly to the short boundary that the fieldsmen had very little chance of getting to it. In partnership with Fane, Perrin helped to put on 120 for the second wicket in an hour and ten minutes; with Gillingham as a partner 121 runs were made in an hour and five minutes, and a third long partnership which produced 130 in an hour and a quarter ensued between him and Douglas. At the end of the day Essex, with two wickets in hand, had made 524 runs. On Tuesday morning Perrin soon passed his third hundred, and making runs quickly he reached a score of 343 before the innings came to an end. He was still unconquered after batting for five hours and three-quarters; his hits included no fewer than sixty-eight 4's. Derbyshire had apparently a thankless task before them, but they set to work in such a determined way that at lunch time the score was 144 with no wickets down. The total was 190 before Wright was caught for a splendid 66 Ollivierre, who had gone in first with him, took risks and hit with the utmost boldness; but his boldness met with such success that when only two wickets were down he reached his second hundred. Storer and Ollivierre added 128 in an hour and a quarter for the second wicket. When Ollivierre's great innings came to an end he had been batting for three hours and three-quarters, and his hits included a five and thirty-seven 4's. When one considers the position of his side when he began his innings his feat seems magnificent. When stump were drawn the Derbyshire total was 446 for four wickets, so that only 2 runs were required to save the follow-on. Of the third day's cricket there is a remarkable tale to tell. The remaining six Derbyshire batsmen added 102 runs to the total, so that their side was only 49 runs behind when Essex went in a second time. Then ensued an inexplicable breakdown on the part of Essex, and before lunch six wickets were down for 26. Afterwards Sewell and Douglas made a most plucky effort to pull their side out of a dangerous position, but despite all they could do the total of the innings was only 97. Warren bowled splendidly. Derbyshire were now left to make 147 in two hours and ten minutes, and with such an entirely unexpected chance of victory offered to them they set to work with such determination that, although they lost Wright for 1 run, they won a glorious victory by nine wickets. Ollivierre again played a splendid game.

ESSEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
F. L. Fane, l-b-w, b Curgenven	63	b Warren... ...	2
Carpenter, b Bestwick ...	5	c Warren, b Bestwick	2
P. A. Perrin, not out ...	343	c and b Warren ...	8
C. H. McGahey, b Bestwick ...	32	c Cadman, b Bestwick	5
Rev. F. H. Gillingham, c & b Warren	43	absent	0
Sewell, b Warren... ...	10	c Cadman, b Curgenven	11
Reeves, b Warren ...	0	b Bestwick ...	0
R. P. Keigwin, l-b-w, b Ashcroft	14	c Needham, b Warren	6
J. W. H. T. Douglas, b Ollivierre	47	not out	27
Russell (E.), c Humphries, b Cadman	23	b Curgenven ...	0
Buckenham, l-b-w, b Bestwick	3	b Warren... ...	8
B. 2, lb. 5, w. 3, nb. 4 ...	14	Lb. 1, w. 2, nb. 1 ...	4
Total ...	597	Total ...	97

DERBYSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. G. Wright, c Fane, b Reeves	68	c Carpenter, b Buckenham	1
C. A. Ollivierre, b Reeves ...	229	not out	92
Storer, b Buckenham ...	44	not out	48
E. M. Ashcroft, b Sewell ...	34		
Needham, b Reeves ...	47		
G. Curgenven, b Buckenham	31		
Morton, b Reeves ...	16		
Warren, b Douglas	18		
Cadman, c Douglas, b Reeves	4		
Humphries, not out ...	2		
Bestwick, l-b-w, b Reeves...	0		
Extra... ...	25	B 4, lb. 2, w. 1, nb 1 ...	8
Total ...	548	Total (1 wkt.) ...	149

ESSEX.

First Innings	O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Warren ...	29	3	143	3	...	16·1	5	42	4
Bestwick ...	42·1	8	160	3	...	16	4	34	3
Cadman ...	22	3	65	1	...	2	0	10	0
Storer ...	7	0	41	0	...				
Curgenven	16	1	67	1	...	5	2	7	2
Ashcroft ...	7	1	38	1	...				
Morton ...	8	1	39	0	...				
Wright ...	4	0	15	0	...				
Ollivierre...	3	0	15	1	...				

Warren bowled two wides and one no-ball, Wright one wide, Bestwick two no-balls, and Morton one no-ball.

DERBYSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Buckenham ...	43	5	176	2	...	13	0	78	1
Keigwin ...	7	1	36	0	...				
Reeves ...	51	7	192	5	...	13	1	43	0
Douglas ...	15·3	1	54	2	...	2	0	14	0
McGahey ...	11	2	34	0	...	2	1	6	0
Sewell ...	7	0	31	1	...				

THE SOUTH AFRICAN'S TOUR.

MATCH *vs*. AN ENGLAND XI.—Played at Lord's on 14th, 15th and 16th July. South Africans won by 189 runs.

The team which opposed the South Africans in this match was strong in its way, but most unrepresentative of the strength of England, and was particularly weak in bowling. But for all that it might have made a good fight with the strong eleven of the South Africans if the fielding had been even moderately good on the first day. The South Africans have so greatly improved since they have become acclimatised, and accustomed to turf wickets, that their victory can have surprised nobody. On the first day they were batting until a few minutes from time. Shalders and Hathorn played a fine game after Tancred was dismissed for a duck's egg, and Mitchell showed all his old skill. These three men gave the visitors an excellent send off, and the third wicket did not fall till the total was 138. When 186 appeared on the board half the wickets were down, but Schwarz and Mitchell added 75 to the score, and then Schwarz, who hit with great power, received such useful assistance from Shepstone and Halliwell that the score began to mount rapidly. Schwarz eventually made his first hundred of the tour after batting for about a couple of hours; his hits included seventeen 4's, and his innings was decidedly the most attractive of the day, although it was a little lucky. Before stumps were drawn the home team lost MacGregor and the total was eight. On the next day they gave a

most uninteresting display of batting, King alone making over fifty. Schwarz seemed to puzzle everybody by the peculiarities of his bowling, and Sinclair was in excellent form with the ball. With a lead of 185 the South Africans seemed to have an easy victory in prospect, but most of them did not shine much in their second innings. Hathorn played with great steadiness and caution for two hours and a half, while at the end of the day Halliwell made a most useful 39 not out. When play ended the total was 176 for eight wickets, so that the South Africans had a lead of 361. On Saturday morning they increased their overnight total by 41, the ninth wicket partnership producing 59 runs. Halliwell batted very well indeed for his 57 not out. The England eleven had now to make 393 to win, and again gave a most disappointing display of batting. King, for the second time in the match, played excellent cricket, but neither Ranjitsinhji, or Jessop on whom so much depended, did anything of note. On the other hand Sinclair and Schwarz both bowled uncommonly well, and their share in the success of their side was considerable. The wicket-keeping of Halliwell was greatly admired in both innings, and many good judges of the game consider him to be the best wicket-keeper in the world at the present time. The South Africans are to be greatly congratulated on their well earned victory, and the only thing that is to be regretted is that it was not gained over a stronger team, but this is not their fault, for they would much have preferred to meet the full strength of England.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. J. Tancred, b Gunn	0	b Gunn	2
W. A. Shalders, b King	46	c MacGregor, b Hearne	12
M. Hathorn, c Jessop, b King	59	c Jessop, b King	69
F. Mitchell, c Ranjitsinhji, b Wass	75	b Gunn	1
G. C. White, c Ranjitsinhji, b King	19	c Ranjitsinhji, b Hearne	7
J. H. Sinclair, c and b Hearne	5	c Jessop, b Hearne	8
R. O. Schwarz, c Wass b Hearne	102	c Evans, b Wass	26
G. H. Shepstone, b Gunn	13	b Wass	0
E. A. Halliwell, b Evans	12	not out	57
S. J. Snooke, c Gillingham, b Hearne	3	c MacGregor, b Hearne	23
J. J. Kotze, not out	2	c King, b Hearne	0
B. 8, w. 2, nb. 6	16	Lb. 1, w. 1	2
Total	352	Total	207

AN ENGLAND XI.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
G. MacGregor (Middlesex), c Snooke, b Kotze	0	not out	6
Vine (Sussex), b Sinclair	23	c Kotze, b Sinclair	0
Hearne, J. T. (Middlesex), l-b-w, b Schwarz	6	c White, b Sinclair	4
King (Leicestershire), b Sinclair	55	b Sinclair	72
K. S. Ranjitsinhji (Sussex), l-b-w, b Schwarz	28	st. Halliwell, b Schwarz	29
G. W. Beldam (Middlesex), c Tancred, b Sinclair	10	b Sinclair	3
L. Jessop (Gloucestershire), b Schwarz	11	c Halliwell, b Sinclair	34
W. H. B. Evans (Oxford Univer.), l-b-w b Schwarz	0	st. Halliwell, b Schwarz	20
Rev. F. H. Gillingham (Essex), run out	5	c Shalders, b Sinclair	3
Gunn, J. (Notts), b Sinclair	7	c Mitchell, b Schwarz	19
Wass (Notts), not out	2	b Schwarz	0
B. 11, lb. 9	20	Byes	13
Total	167	Total	203

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gunn	16	1	56	2		18	7	41	2
Beldam	4	1	16	0		2	0	7	0
Wass	23	3	90	1		20	4	44	2
King	25	5	72	3		6	1	19	1
Hearne	22·5	10	48	3		29	8	90	5
Vine	4	1	9	0					
Evans	13	4	45	1		3	2	4	0

Gunn delivered four no-balls, Wass two no-balls and one wide, and Beldam two wides.

AN ENGLAND XI.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze	18	4	57	1		7	0	35	0
Sinclair	20·5	5	55	4		20	2	67	6
Schwarz	9	2	30	4		18·3	5	76	4
Shepstone	2	1	4	0					
Tancred	2	1	1	0					
					White	5	1	12	0

MATCH *v.* SCOTLAND.—Played at Edinburgh on 18th and 19th July. South Africans won by an innings and 188 runs. Fresh from their easy victory over the England XI. at Lord's last week the South Africans gave such a good account of themselves on the first day of the match against Scotland, that when stumps were drawn they had scored 257 for the loss of a wicket, against a total of 128, and were thus 129 runs on. The skill of the Scotsmen was inadequate to cope with the bowling of Kotze and Sinclair. Tancred and Shalders put up 132 for the first wicket, and soon after the latter was out Tancred reached his hundred for the third time during the tour. He was not out 157 at the time of the day, and Hathorn not out 31. The Scottish bowlers had a bad time again on Tuesday. Tancred increased his score to 250, which he had put together in three hours and three-quarters. Scotland could do very little in the second innings and experienced a severe defeat. It may be stated that in the second innings of Scotland a substitute was allowed to bat in place of Gowans, who had batted in the first innings.

SCOTLAND.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J. Anderson (Perthshire), b Kotze	8	b White	0
W. R. Sharp (Forfarshire), b Kotze	32	b Schwarz	16
C. T. Mannes (Drumpellier), l-b-w, b Sinclair	5	b Schwarz	7
W. G. Cobb (Edin. Univ.), c Shalders, b Kotze	8	b White	7
G. W. Jupp (Carlton), l-b-w, b Sinclair	0	b Schwarz	3
A. S. Cairns (Leith Caledonian), c White, b Kotze	0	st Wallach, b White	14
Henson (Dunfermline), c Tancred, b Sinclair	13	c Wallach, b White	0
M. R. Dickson (Grange), c Tancred, b Sinclair	25	c Wallach, b Snooke	69
Pepall (Grange), not out	12	b White	4
F. Gowans (Grange), c Halliwell, b Sinclair	0	absent	0
Nichol (Pollok), b Schwarz	16	c Tancred, c Snooke	6
		Maxwell (sub), not out	4
Extras	9	Extras	18
Total	128	Total	148

SOUTH AFRICANS.

W. A. Shalders, b Jupp	44	J. H. Sinclair, b Cairns	26
L. J. Tancred, c Anderson, b Cairns	250	G. E. White, b Cairns	1
M. Hathorn, st sub., b Cobb	81	S. J. Snooke, not out	4
S. E. Horwood, c Mannes, b Cobb	28	Extras	30
		Total (6 wkts.)	464

R. O. Schwarz, E. A. Halliwell, B. Wallach, and J. J. Kotze did not bat.

SCOTLAND.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Schwarz	3	0	1	1		7	2	19	3
Kotze	19	1	50	4					
Sinclair	18	5	68	5					
					White	12	2	43	5
					Tancred	3	1	9	0
					Shalders	4	0	24	0
					Snooke	6	0	35	2

Tancred delivered four wides.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Henson	22	2	90	0	Jupp	22	2	78	1
Nicol	13	1	71	0	Cairns	6	1	28	3
Pepall	23	5	99	0	Cobb	7	0	68	2

Cairns bowled one no-ball.

OTHER MATCHES

On the 14th, 15th, and 16th July the Gentlemen of Ireland beat Cambridge University at Dublin by an innings and 41 runs: Lancashire beat Derbyshire at Derby by an innings and 129 runs: Kent and Yorkshire drew at Tunbridge wells: Warwickshire and London County drew at Coventry: and Surrey drew with Worcestershire at Worcester. On the 18th, 19th, and 20th July Worcestershire defeated Hampshire by nine wickets; Warwickshire beat Leicestershire at Leicester by 181 runs; London County beat M. C. C. and Ground by an innings and 81 runs at the Crystal Palace, and Surrey drew with Yorkshire at the Oval.

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES. (13 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total Runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Tyldesley	21	3	1,170	225	81·66
Fry, C. B.	25	2	1,744	226	75·82
Ranjitsinhji, K. S.	20	3	1,168	166*	68·70
Iremonger	21	1	1,344	272	67·20
Hirst	26	2	1,376	157	57·33
Hayward	37	4	1,860	203	56·36
Jones, A. O.	23	4	1,061	119	55·84
Jackson, Hon. F. S.	15	1	760	158	54·28
Raphael, J. E.	23	0	1,153	201	50·13
Quaife (W. G.)	22	2	997	200*	49·85
Evans, W. H. B.	15	1	676	113	48·28
Glover, A. C. S.	17	2	720	124	48·00
Palairet, L. C. H.	19	0	904	203	47·57
Knight	27	4	1,078	203	46·86
Warner, P. F.	16	2	643	106	45·92
Spooner, R. H.	24	2	1,006	126	45·72
Perrin, P. A.	20	2	803	190	44·61
Tancred, L. J.	16	1	663	106	44·20
Marsh, J. F.	16	3	548	172*	42·15
Maclaren, A. C.	22	3	781	166	41·10
Rhodes	25	2	939	195	40·82
Bosanquet, B. J. T.	24	2	882	145	40·09
Foster, H. K.	25	0	1,001	118	40·04
King (J. H.)	32	4	1,108	128	39·92
Cuttell	16	3	518	128	39·84
Sharp (J.)	17	4	515	104*	39·01
Mitchell, F.	21	2	738	102*	38·84
Hayes	37	2	1,301	279*	37·74
Denton	29	2	1,016	97	37·62
Tunnicliffe	28	0	1,014	135	36·21
Wynyard, Capt. E. G.	17	0	613	147	36·05
Sewell (E. H. D.)	25	2	825	181	35·86
Carpenter	17	0	600	199	35·29
Kinneir	19	1	635	152	35·27
Wilson, F. B.	18	3	529	75	35·26
Wright, L. G.	25	0	887	140	34·68
Seymour (Jas.), (Kent)	24	2	759	136*	34·50
Coe	23	4	651	103	34·26
Gunn, J.	23	1	743	85	33·77
Poidevin, L. O. S.	23	1	717	103	33·59
Hallows	17	1	527	111	32·93
Humphreys, E. (Kent)	23	1	724	131	32·90
Fishwick, T. S.	21	0	587	103	32·71
Wood, C. J. B.	29	3	849	110	32·65
Haigh	24	3	684	138	32·57
Carlisle, K. M.	18	2	512	114*	32·00
Hathorn, M.	21	0	668	130	31·80
Schwarz, R. O.	15	0	475	102	31·66
McGahey, C. H.	22	2	626	173	31·30
Whitehead, H. (L'tershr)	25	3	685	77	31·13

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES. (26 wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Schwarz, R. O.	109·3	15	391	31	12·61
Cuttell	639·4	206	1,241	73	17·00
Hearne (J. T.)	708·5	201	1,800	103	17·47
Kotze, J. J.	447	93	1,409	78	18·06
Haigh	517·4	121	1,415	76	18·61
Hallows	540·5	182	1,201	62	19·37
Hesketh-Prichard, H.	475·1	114	1,456	74	19·67
Napier, G. G.	394·4	102	1,116	56	19·92
Brearley, W.	476·3	74	1,502	73	20·57
Myers	243·5	53	659	32	20·59
Blythe	526	145	1,405	68	20·66
Sinclair, J. H.	371·5	71	1,325	64	20·70
Rhodes	651·2	198	1,460	70	20·85
Tate (F. W.), (Sussex)	298	67	836	40	20 90
Allsopp	385·2	94	1,187	56	21·19
Reeves	424·4	94	1,074	50	21·23
Dennett	360	83	1,021	48	21·27
Hirst	564·1	109	1,523	71	21·45
Wass	686	156	1,898	88	21·56
Fielder	451·4	92	1,403	65	21·89
Odell, W. W.	641·2	177	688	76	22·21
Huggins	351·4	97	979	43	22·76
Relf	662·2	196	1,552	67	23·16
Gunn (J.)	661·1	181	1,746	75	23·20
Warren	523·3	83	1,824	70	26 05
King (J. H.)	611·4	146	1 606	61	26·32
buckenham	387·1	74	1,111	42	26·45
Hayes	334·3	67	879	32	27·46
Evans, W. H. B.	249·5	54	860	30	28·66
Wilson (G. A.), (Worcstr.)	813·3	36	1,131	39	29·00
Hallam	386·3	155	766	26	29·46
Martin, E. G.	304·1	63	874	29	30·13
Gooder	669·4	77	1,114	35	31·82
McDonell, H. C.	368·2	85	976	48	20·33
Kermode	175·5	40	562	26	19·30
Llewellyn	346·2	61	1,317	41	32·12
Hargreave	591·5	147	1,491	46	32·11
Hopley, F. J. V.	303·1	43	1,050	26	40·38
Smith (W. C.), (Surrey)	327·5	80	911	47	20·02
Lees	772·4	189	2,046	88	23·25
Cox	763·5	203	1,822	77	23·66
Gill (G.)	234·1	41	750	32	23·43
Arnold	522·3	109	1,522	64	23·78
Bestwick	530·3	130	1,598	67	23 85
Fairservice	261·2	72	788	32	24·52
Bird (Worcestershire)	287·1	54	837	34	24·61
Braund	582·2	87	1,985	80	24·81
Douglas, J. W. H. T.	245·4	58	750	30	25·00
Trott (A. E.)	470·5	86	1.544	61	25·31
Bosanquet, B. J. T.	357·3	38	1,297	55	25·40

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Relative Positions to 21st July.

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire	16	12	0	4	12	100·00
*Yorkshire	17	8	1	8	7	77·77
Notts	13	6	3	4	3	33·33
Sussex	13	4	2	7	2	33·33
*Kent	11	4	3	4	1	14·28
Leicestershire	13	5	4	4	1	11.11
Middlesex	9	3	3	3	0	—
Derbyshire	13	5	6	2	—1	— 9·09
Surrey	16	4	7	5	—3	— 27·27
Warwickshire	9	2	4	3	—2	— 33·33
Gloucestershire	9	2	5	3	—3	— 33·33
Somerset	9	3	6	0	—3	— 33·33
Worcestershire	11	2	5	4	—3	— 42·85
Essex	12	2	6	4	—4	— 50·00
Hampshire	9	0	8	1	—8	— 100·0

According to the rule laid down by the M.C.C., "One point shall be reckoned for each win; one deducted for each loss; unfinished games shall not be reckoned. The county which during the season shall have, in finished matches, obtained the greatest proportionate number of points shall be reckoned champion county."

*The Yorkshire and Kent match, played at Harrogate, on 7th and 8th July, was abandoned, and is not included in the above records.

SCULLING.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE WINGFIELD SCULLS.

The seventy-fourth race for the Wingfield Sculls representing the Amateur Sculling Championship of Great Britain and Ireland, took place yesterday over the championship course, Putney to Mortlake, about four miles and a quarter, and resulted in a win for Mr. St. George Ashe, of the Thames.

THE WINGFIELD CHALLENGE SCULLS.

Established in 1830 (open to recognised amateurs of Great Britain and Ireland). Holder, F. S. Kelly (Balliol College, Oxford, and Leander). University course, Putney to the Ship, Mortlake.

Middlesex Station—St. George Ashe, Thames R. C. .. 1
Surrey Station—A. H. Cloutte, London R. C ... 2

Cloutte won the toss and, selecting the Surrey Station, was first out. He was piloted by the Captain, Mr. F. S. Lowe, from a cutter manned by A. N. Other, Messrs. C. F. Ray, J. Compton, M. Leggatt, W. Towers, A. Hay Currie, and W. Field (stroke), Ted Phelps being cox. St. George Ashe was assisted by Mr. J. M. Heath, number two being his trainer, young Tom Green, and the cox the famous old Royal waterman, Tom Green, Barnes.

There was little delay at the start, and Mr. Pitman sent them off like a shot. In the first minute Ashe struck thirty nine and Cloutte fourty-four, and passing his club house the Londoner went away doing forty to the Thamesman's steady thirty-eight. At the Steps, reached by Cloutte in 3mins. 15secs., there was very little between them, but after this a rough piece of water was encountered and the times for

THE MILE.

	M. S.
Cloutte	5 21
Ashe	5 24

Going up to Harrod's they were practically level, Cloutte doing his utmost at thirty-two to the other's easy thirty to maintain his advantage. At the centre crane of Harrod's they were nearly level, and the times at

HAMMERSMITH BRIDGE.

	M. S.
Cloutte	9 35
Ashe	9 37

Then Ashe, increasing his rate of pulling, drew up, and at the same time Cloutte's arm seemed to give way. The Thames man passed the Doves in 10mins. 50secs., three lengths ahead, and after this the race was a pure procession. The time for the steps was

	M. S.
Ashe	14 42
Cloutte	14 58

Along the Meadows, Cloutte spurted repeatedly in the gamest manner, but Ashe easily held him and the times passing

BARNES RAILWAY BRIDGE.

	M. S.
Ashe	19 51
Cloutte	20 6

After this Ashe, who had maintained and rowed a fine course throughout, merely paddled and won at the finish by six lengths. Time—23mins. 25secs.

WINNERS SINCE 1881.

	M. S.
1885 W. S. Unwin, O. U. B. C.	25 0
1886 F. I. Pitman, C. U. B. C.	24 12
1887 G. Nickalls, O. U. B. C.	25 23
1888 G. Nickalls, O. U. B. C.	23 36
1889 G. Nickalls, O. U. B. C.	w. o.
1890 J. C. Gardner, C. U. B. C.	26 20
1891 G. Nickalls, O. U. B. C.	w. o.
1892 V. Nickalls, O. U. B. C.	23 40
1893 G. E. B. Kennedy, Kingston	21 56
1894 V. Nickalls, O. U. B. C.	23 30
1895 V. Nickalls, L. R. C.	25 6
1896 Hon. R. Guinness, T. R. C.	24 11
1897 H. T. Blackstaffe, V. B. C.	23 33
1898 B. H. Howell, Trinity Hall	22 6½
1899 B. H. Howell Trinity Hall	23 6
1900 C. V. Fox, Guards Brigade R. C.	22 50
1901 H. T. Blackstaffe, Vesta R. C.	24 10
1902 A. H. Cloutte, L. R. C.	24 33½
1903 F. S. Kelly, Leander	23 32
1904 St. George Ashe, T. R. C.	23 25

ATHLETICS.

ESSEX COUNTY AMATEUR SPORTS.

With the weather all that could be possibly desired, the entries numerous and of high class, and the proceedings patronised by between 7,000 and 8,000 spectators, the Essex County Cycling and Athletic Association scored another success at Chelmsford on Saturday. The twenty-third annual meeting may, indeed, be put down as one of the most interesting of the long series held

in the picturesque grounds kindly lent year by year by the Lord Bishop, as from every point of view the runion was satisfactory.

100 YARDS FLAT HANDICAP (open)

(First in each heat to compete in second round.)

FINAL HEAT.

J. A. Miller, L.A.C., 3 yards start	... 1
S. Smithson, Grays Thurrock H., 6 ...	... 2
H. Layton, Highgate H. 9	... 3
C. Stanfield, Hill Herne, H., 6½	... 4

A splendid start was made, and at the half distance, Layton held a clear lead. From here the virtual scratch came along at a rare pace, and finishing with a fine burst, he won by two feet; same between second and third. Time—9⅘secs.

ONE MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP (open).

(First in each heat and fastest second to compete in the final.

FINAL HEAT.

J. W. Ellis, 160 yards start	... 1
H. N. Edwards, 70	... 2
H. W. Bryant, 150	... 3
J. H. Bishop, 70	... 4
G. Pearce (fastest loser), 80	... 0
J. B. Taylerson, 80	... 0

Taylerson and Bishop fell, and Ellis, getting in front in the last lap, won easily by twenty yards; ten between the second and third. Time—2mins. 16⅕secs.

200 YARDS HANDICAP (boys under 15).

FINAL HEAT.

P. Vince, Essex Beagles, 54 yards start ...	... 1
H. Fisher, Chelmsford Schools, 27 ...	... 2
J. E. Rountree, Chelmsford Schools, 56 ...	... 3
W. McGuiness, Essex Beagles, 52 ...	... 4

Vince, a seven-year-old boy, won in fine style by three yards; two between the second and third. Time—2⅕secs.

300 YARDS HURDLES HANDICAP (open).

(First two in each heat to run in final.)

FINAL HEAT.

W. Turnham, 28 yards start	... 1
G. T. Ellis, 21	... 2
T. F Cox, 17	... 3
Geoffrey Burton, 14	... 4
H. P. Phillips, scratch	... 5
R. W. Ricketts, 21	... 6

The limit man was never approached and won as he liked by a dozen yards; one between the second and third. Time—37⅘secs.

ESSEX AMATEUR BICYCLE CHAMPIONSHIP.

(One mile; time limit, 3mins. Two fastest seconds to compete in final.)

FINAL HEAT.

J. B. Taylerson, Beaumont C.C.	... 1
John H. Bishop, Thames Ironworks C. C. ...	... 2
O. Vogelsang, Latchingdon C.C.	... 3
G. W. Bishop, Thames Ironworks C.C. ...	... 4
Geo. Kendall, South-West Ham Rovers ...	... 0
W. V. Solomon, Essex Beagles	... 0

Soon after the start, Vogelsang fell, and the competitors were brought back to the post. At the bell, John Bishop was leading his brother two yards, but, halfway through the last lap, Taylerson got in front and scored a popular victory by three lengths; five between the next two. Time—2mins. 32⅘secs.

100 YARDS FLAT LEVEL RACE (ESSEX CHAMPIONSHIP).

(First two in each heat to run in final.)

Heat 1: J. Austin Miller, Woodford Lacrosse Club (holder), 1; Sidney Smithson, Grays Thurrock H., 2; W. J. Smith, Harwich Crusaders F.C., 3. Miller won, without being pushed, by two yards. Time—10⅕secs. Heat 2: Frederick Smithson, Grays Thurrock H., 1; S. A. Morris, Essex Beagles, 2; W. T. Turrall, Chelmsford F. C. 3. Won in a trot. Time—10⅖secs.

FINAL HEAT.

J. A. Miller ... — ...	... 1
Frederick Smithson	... 2
Sidney Smithson	... 3
S. A. Morris	... 4

The holder soon got in a front, and running right through, he won by three yards; half as much between the second and third. Time—10secs.

ONE MILE FLAT HANDICAP (open).

H. Browning, Horshman B.S.H., 140 yards start	... 1
W. Green, Essex Beagles. 130	... 2
A. Driver, Bocking H., 160	... 3
H. W. Smith, Arc Works A.C., 158 ...	... 4

Also ran: Alfred Shrubb, S. L. H., scratch; J. Binks, Highgate H., 35 yards start; P. A. Casserley, S. L. H., 60; H. Nott, Polytechnic H., 80; P. L. Harrison, Highgate H., 80; H. W. Churchman, Linton Granta A. C., 85; N. S. Hutchinson, Herne Hill, H., 88; W. J. Hunt, Herne Hill H., 90; F. S. Thompson, Civil Service A. A., 90; H. M. C. Ledger. Ipswich Burtons A. C, 110; H. Hogkinson, Cestreham C. and A. C., 112; E. Wright, Essex Beagles, 120; G. F. Cleveley, Highgate H. 125; J. Thielmann, Polytechnic H., 125; C Good, Heybridge C. C., 130; A. Tyler, Bocking H., 135; B. Precious, Billericay H., 135; P. O. Timsen, introduced, 140; W. Grey, Woolwich Orient A. C., 140; F. A. Heagarty, Queen's Park H. 142; H. J. Lemon, introduced, 142; Edward Fry Vowles, L. A. C., 145; H. Cockrill, Ipswich H., 145; C. Davy, St. Louis, 148; T. H. Hutchin, Essex Beagles, 148; C. T. Tyler, Brentwood A. A., [illegible]; R. W. Cobb, Sudbury C. and A. C., 155; E. Robbins, F[illegible]A. C., 155; A. Metcalf, Blackheath H., 155; W. C. Egan, Sudbury C. and A. C., 160; T. M. Howard, Essex Beagles, 165; W. Anthony, Colchester Grammar School, 170; and C. A. Brew, Hampstead H., 190.

Shrubb retired after running two laps, and when the bell rang for the final circuit Driver was showing the way to Browning. Half-way round the last-named got the lead, and, coming away, he won by six yards; fifteen between second and third. Time—4mins. 17secs.

SPECIAL QUARTER MILE INVITATION SCRATCH FLAT RACE.

(First two in each heat to run in the final.)

FINAL HEAT.

Rev. H. W. Workman	... 1
F. H. Montague	... 2
J. B. Densham	... 3
L. J. de. B. Reed	... 4
B. J. Blunden	... 5
C. Stanfield	... 0

Densham broke away with the lead, closely followed by Workman and Montague, with Stanfield last. At the half-distance Workman drew up to the South London harrier, but Densham, responding, turned into the straight, with a yard the best of it. Down the straight, however, Workman drew out and won by five feet. Montague got up and beat Densham by half a yard for second place. Time—51secs.

QUARTER-MILE LEVEL RACE (ESSEX CHAMPIONSHIP).

(First two in each heat to run in the final.)

FINAL HEAT.

S. G. Best, Essex Beagles	... 1
F. Smithson, Grays Thurrock H. ...	... 2
H. C. Carlyon-Hughes, Brentwood Rovers ...	... 3
F. J. Paveley, Highgate H.	... 0
H. H. Bond, Essex Beagles	... 0
S. A. Morris, Essex Beagles	... 0

Morris led from Paveley for half the distance, when Best, running strongly, took command and won by two yards, four yards separating second and third. Time—52⅖secs.

ESSEX AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP ONE MILE FLAT.

W. G. Collins (holder), Essex Beagles ...	... 1
S. J. Woolley, Highgate H. (Essex Div.)	... 2
H. C. Mason, Arc Works A.C. ...	... 3
A. J. M. Cavenaugh, Highgate H. (Essex Div.)	... 4
R. Phillips, Essex Beagles	... 5
W. J. Clark, Essex Beagles	... 6

Mason made the running for half the distance, when he gave way to Woolley. Just after the bell rang Collins put on the pace, and, leaving his field, he won looking round by fifteen yards; ten yards between the second and third. Time—4mins. 40⅖secs.

THREE MILE SCRATCH FLAT RACE.

(For the Atalanta Cup, to be held by the winner for twelve months.)

Alfred Shrubb (holder), South London H. ...	... 1
A Aldridge, Highgate H.	... 2
F. H. Hulford, Herne Hill H.	... 3
F. S. Cleveley, Highgate H.	... 4
C. Guy Holdaway, Putney A. C.	... 5
George Still, Highgate H.	... 0
A. Townsend, Essex Beagles	... 0
Wm. Gray, Woolwich Orient A. C. ...	... 0

Shrubb at once slipped way with the lead followed by Aldridge, Cleveley, and Hulford. Drawing steadily away, the champion led at a mile by forty yards, and, making his own running throughout, he won by 150 yards, 80 yards between the second and third.

Shrubb's time were: One mile, 4mins. 38⅘secs.; two miles, 9mins. 32⅘secs.; three miles, 14mins. 87⅕secs. Aldridge, 15mins. 8⅘secs.; Hulford, 15mins. 40secs.; Cleveley, 16mins. 21⅕secs.; Holdaway, 16mins. 29⅘secs.

ESSEX AMATEUR WALKING CHAMPIONSHIP TWO MILE RACE

Thos. O'Gorman (holder), Essex Beagles ...	... 1
H. J. Baker, Northampton I. H. (Essex Div.)	... 2
G. W. Chesher, Northampton, I.H. (Essex Div.)	... 3
S. J. Britton, Arc Works A.C. ...	... 4

Eleven started, Baker led for the best part of the distance. Six hundred yards from the finish however, he was overhauled by the holder and, having the speed of his opponents, O'Gorman drew away and won by twenty-five yards: ten divided the second and third. Time—16mins. 12⅘secs.

SWIMMING.

LONG-DISTANCE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Those swimming enthusiasts who missed witnessing the Long-distance Championship on Saturday last have something to regret, for never in the history of the famous race, which was inaugurated in 1877, has there been such a wonderful struggle. It is almost impossible to believe, yet perfectly true, as hundreds will testify, that for two miles and a half of the journey J. A. Jarvis, of Leicester, and David Billington, of Bacup, were, so to speak locked together; in fact, at no period was there more than five yards between them. The most remarkable feature of this wonderful race was the fact that all this while both men were going at their fastest pace. Billington set out with the intention of making the pace a cracker, and did so but Jarvis, instead of lying second as he did last year, not only kept level, but led most of the time. They ploughed along at great speed until Thorneycroft's Works were passed, when, unfortunately, Billington, who was then four yards in front, complained of cramp. He turned on his back and took several strokes in that style, a move that cost him quite thirty yards, after which he again went after Jarvis in his usual method, double overarm. The Leicester representative could not get any further away, and the Bacup man looked like making a race of it. However, at Harrod's Wharf he was again affected by the swimmer's evil, cramp, and although he again tried to master it, failed, and on this occasion had to be lifted into his boat. After this Jarvis went home alone, for none of the other competitors were within a quarter of a mile of him. Billington is to be symphatised with, for the same thing occurred on Saturday as a year ago. Then, after leading for three miles, he had cramp at the Doves, and only by the greatest pluck and endurance managed to take second position. However, it is extremely doubtful whether the stroke that he uses is best adapted for such an exhausting race as the Long-distance Championship, which means travelling five miles and sixty yards, and on Saturday, owing to the men being started before reaching the Anglian Boathouse, fully 140 yards more. It was noticeable that the Bacup man repeatedly lost sight of his boat, and thus was rather erratic. Indeed, up to the moment that he left the water he must have swum a matter of quite 200 yards more than Jarvis This was in no way due to the coaching but was probably caused by Billington, whose face was immersed for the better part of the time, being unable to sight his boat directly he brought his head out of the stream. On the other hand, Jarvis, with his remarkable leg kick and powerful overarm side stroke, never lost sight of his coach, and thus had the full benefit of the tide throughout the race As a matter of fact, he has never swum in better form throughout his whole career, He is bigger than he was a year ago but that in no way affected his swimming Indeed, his performance on Saturday was remarkable, and to some extent indicates what he would have been capable of a few years ago had there been a man good enough to extend him. It was his seventh successive win in the event, which is in itself a record, for no other man has ever won a championship swimming race for more than six years on end, and his twenty-third success in Amateur Swimming Association Championships.

The times and positions of the men that finished were:—

Pos.		H.	M.	S.
1.	J. A. Jarvis, Leicester S. C.	1	7	32⅕
2.	A. C. Ayling, Clarence S. C.	1	11	9⅘
3.	W. J. Hawes, City of Westminster S. C. ...	1	12	2⅖
4.	C. C. Grinsted, Zephyr S. C.	1	12	20
5.	H. Blackmore, Zephyr S. C.	1	12	21⅘
6.	C. Botting, St. James's S. C.	1	12	49
7.	A. Kidge, Great Meeting S. C., Leicester ...	1	13	2
8.	W. R. Booth Cygnus S. C.	1	13	14⅘
9.	J. Wolffe, Amateur S. C.	1	13	24⅖
10.	F. Gadsby, Nottingham S. C.	1	13	50

C. F. Hassell, Zephyr S. C., was eleventh and S. Keys, Bedford S. C., twelfth, but being more than ten minutes behind, the winner did not gain standard certificates.

D. Billington, Bacup S. C.; J. J. Crichton, Napier S. C., London; and R. J. Lobb, Hammersmith S. C. did not finish, and W. A. Curwen, Westminster S. C., Liverpool; T. Wildgoose, Hyde Seal S. C.; and B. Law, Chadderton S. C., did not start.

THE WEASEL.

A WRITER in a daily paper raises the quetion, *à propos* of the sun and sunshades, why stripes should be cool in appearance and spots hot. No one would think of choosing a spotted pattern, say, for an awning, while the cool effect of stripes of blue and white or green and white is probably felt by every one. Association, no doubt, is at the bottom of the heated and unrestful appearance of a spotted pattern, and it is probably largely due to the fact that spotted eruptions are the characteristic outward symptom of all kinds of fevers and feverish irritations. The cool effect of stripes, moreover, depends more on the skilful choice of colour than the actual pattern.

Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

WE had another bye day on Saturday (30th July) and in spite of a very strong cold wind there was a large field out at Rees' Corner at 7-30. The morning was fine and bright and promised good sport Rallywood was the first draw, and as the lower part of this was blank we went on and on the saddle of Newmarket hounds picked up a line. After a moment's hesitation they settled down to it and went away very fast straight along the top of Newmarket. Half way down they swung sharply to the right and crossed Blackmore Vale to the west side of Bagman, turning again right handed and streaming back towards Jackal Shola, through this and up to the road at the top, where they checked. Thinking that the jack had gone on to Monkey Shola, the Master held them on to the line, but, failing to recover it tried back again towards the top of Baikie. On the side of one Tree Hill the line was hit off again and once more we got going. Rounding one Tree Hill we turned away from Baikie and crossing the road swung down to Jackal Shola We then saw that we had a brace of jacks in front of us as they were viewed away towards Rallywood, running side by side. They took us through Rallywood and over the hill into Bluegums where there was a long check. One of the jacks then broke back, with six couple of hounds on him, and skirting the top of Rallywood crossed into Monkey Shola He then went on into the upper part of Baikie Wood and down over Baikie Crossing into the big wood. Scent was getting rapidly worse, so the Master stopped these hounds and went back to the rest of the pack. These had hunted their jack into Governor's Shola and there lost him. Scent was poor all the morning, probably on account of the high wind, but in spite of this we had a very enjoyable day.

On Monday (1st instant) Sheffield Corner was the meet and the weather was both mild and misty. This seemed to have had no effect on the size of the field, which was fairly large. After drawing the coverts beyond Audy Plantation blank we went on and, rounding the head of the swamp, picked up a line which hounds could only hunt for a few hundred yards. We drew on down Parson's Valley for some distance, but the mist grew thicker. A sounder of pig was seen, hares kept jumping up among the hounds and it was at last decided to turn back towards the home country. We found in Rallywood, the jack taking us over the hill into Bluegums, where a fresh one jumped up and hounds divided. Five couple went on with what was probably the hunted jack across the valley to Round Shola and then, by way of the lower part of Governor's Shola, back to Bluegums, where we lost him. The remainder hunted their jack into Governor's Shola when a third jack was on foot, and another division of the pack took place Six couple came out at the top of Governor's Shola above the Toda School and crossed the head of Parson's Valley, running very first. At the stream the Master's horse got a hind leg wedged between two rocks and it took quite five minutes to extricate him. In the meantime the others went on but could not keep the hounds in view. When last seen they were running in the direction of Vokal Hill. They returned to kennels later in the day very tired.

On Thursday (4th instant) we met at Kandal Cross Roads. It was a very wet morning, but there was not much wind, a fairly large field turned out. We first drew Mills covert blank, hounds just speaking to a stale line. A jack was viewed from the top of Bagman, going towards Jackal Shola, but the Master decided we might do better and did not, therefore, lay hounds on Just above the Double Crossing we picked up a line and hounds went away very fast. Crossing the lower end of Newmarket they raced away up the right bank of the Gold Mine stream to the foot of Sawling's Nullah, where they crossed and it looked as if we were bound for Staircase. We re-crossed the stream immediately, however, and went on towards Governor's Shola. After passing the stream which runs down from Bluegums, they bore to the left and ran along the spur towards Porlock. Short of this they swung again to the left and ascended the hill between Porlock and Bluegums. There was a short check on reaching the Bridle Road and then they turned into the upper part of Bluegums. By the music which followed in the next five minutes they must have been very close to their jack, who now began to run short in the heavy covert. They hunted him up and down for some time, but at last he slipped away and got another long start of hounds. Rain was now falling in torrents and scent was weak in consequence. Hounds stuck to the line, however, across the valley to Martyn's Shola, at the edge of which a herd of buffaloes caused a check. They hit it off again and hunted steadily to the foot of Shaw's Plantation, where another check occurred and the Master had them stopped. We then drew down Lawley's Course without finding again, and as everybody was drenched, came home.

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POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

A Red Letter Day.

It is an ill shower that does nobody any good and the shower that caused such anxiety to the racing fraternity on the preceding afternoon must have rejoiced the heart of Colonel Sheringham and filled the breasts of foxhunters with joy and gladness and when they had the "southerly wind and the cloudy sky" of the ballad but little of the requisite preliminaries of the successful chase was lacking. Nothing certainly was lacking in the shape of "jumping powder" for that and provender galore was provided by the ever hospitable Gunners at their ancient and historical mess which on this occasion was the place of meeting. That keenest of all good sportsmen Colonel Channer gave tidings I hear of jacks soothing him to sweet nightly with their lullaby in a *babul* and brushwood covert close to his residence, and it must assuredly be called "Channer Covert" from this day. On the stroke of six Colonel Sheringham moved off at a brisk trot to sample this good thing with the laudable ambition of reducing the strength of the nightly choristers by one. Under a railway arch the hounds were thrown into the covert in question and all anxiety was speedily put an end to by a cheery "gone away" from a whip at the far corner and hounds were seen simply racing over the level. But it was not all beer and skittles for a quarter of a mile ahead was the canal which it may be remembered caused such ravages in the ranks some weeks ago. It is I am assured nothing of a lep—nothing that an intelligent mule could not squirm over but it caused that delay fatal to success in the career of many and those that dwelt on the brink and those that chosing the lesser of two ends had to go round to the nearest bridge saw nothing of the cream of this brilliant little gallop. Two of my kind hearted informants admit with lamentation being among this hapless brigade but one at least was among the favoured of fortune. After crossing the water it seems that the jack headed straight for Government House and it was not till he got close to the A. D. C.'s cottages that he changed his mind and wheeled off right handed, crossing the avenues and taking the field over some smaller water courses and over some excellent, though rather holding, going slap for the railway, a few hundred yards to the Bombay side of Kirkee railway, station where jack and hounds crossed the line at right angles. The wire fencing found an impossible obstacle and those who were in the first flight had nothing for it but to gallop along the fencing to the crossing—which let up some of the second flight division—a better slice of luck than they deserved. Down along the king's hard highway to where hounds crossed and then right handed straight, I hear, to the river bank where the first check occurred, twenty-one minutes and galloping every yard and hunters were, I am told, in a rare lather and many of the riders a bit short of breath. There was apparently some slight delay before hounds were thrown into some garden land (of what particular sort my informants wot not) close at hand and at the first venture hounds evidently missed their jack but being thrown again into the remaining half an ear piercing shriek proclaimed glad tidings and Colonel Sheringham soon had hounds on the line again, along the river bank to Harris Bridge. Across the trunk road and under the Railway Bridge and the now dead beat jack sought refuge in one expiring effort, in a large cactus cover outside the village of Bopri (which is as near I can get to the name). If ever hounds deserved the blood of their victim these hounds must have, and they went into the abominable growth with a pluck that would take no denial and after a brief delay crowned their admirable work with a kill. No one went better in this run I am assured than Mrs. Charles Beatty whom Colonel Sheringham presented with the brush, and among the other gallant few who were "bang up" were Colonel Channer, Mr. Enthoven, Mr. Hugh Seymour (from Bombay), Colonel Bull, Mr. Armstrong and needless to add Colonel Sheringham and if there are any gallant sportsmen I have omitted I can only apologise and ungenerously, transfer all blame to my informants.

Such a delightful gallop as this must have been would, one would suppose, have been enough (as indeed it was enough) for most people, but Colonel Sheringham and several ardent followers had evidently merely had their sporting appetites whetted, for after performing the funeral obsequies with all rites as so gallant a galloping a jack deserved a move was made in the direction of the Governor's Body Guard Lines to a covert which' is said to more often than not hold a jack. For what followed I am indebted to various sources for not one of my three special "correspondents" participated in the second run and to a humble protest on my part I received the very pertinent suggestion that I might provide horseflesh if I required two of Colonel Sheringham's good things in one day. "It's deuced easy going two runs with a quill pen over the cream of a foolscap country in an arm chair", quoth my flip ant friend, "but twenty odd minutes of that sort is enough for my old quad, and if you want a second dose you must provide the necessary quadruped." My tale must consequently I fear be incomplete and unworthy of the occasion. But from what I gather hounds were put into the garden covert referred to (jumping into which the master I believe, took a toss but a soft one) and an outlying jack streaked out, making straight for the neighbouring hill range. Straight up this hounds and horses climbed—a stout hearted score or so—at what seemed a wonderful pace till they reached the summit. What a case of bellows to mend in must have been—along the plateau and down into the valley beneath across the plain and over a second range of rocky hills towards the lake of Pashan; more hill hunting till jack, hounds and horses were well nigh beaten. But Colonel Sheringham and his beauties seemed to have been irresistable and hunting with what must have been wonderful determination—Well may it be termed "dogged" ("houndy" determination in this instance)—rolled over an absolutely fairly and squarely hunted and beaten jack after anything between as far as I can gather 35 and 40 minutes. A great hunting run it must have been. No one saw more of it I am told than that hard bitten veteran Colonel Channer and it is hard to believe as I am assured is the fact that he rode this second run on the same horse that carried him so brilliantly in the first. In the van, too, were Mr. Armstrong who is apparently always on a galloper, Colonel Bull on one of his weight carriers, the Master a stranger from Bombay and last but by no means least and deserving of all praise, the only lady who sportingly rode this fine run Miss Anderson (daughter, I hear, of Colonel John Anderson, the well-known and popular Veterinary Surgeon of Bombay) who must be proud of the brush the Master rewarded her with. A red letter day in very truth.

Such excellent scenting weather was too good—and alas rare just now—to lose and as the strength of this year's pack permits of liberties, so Colonel Sheringham sportingly provided a bye day for gluttons in sport and a good many "accepted his kind invitation" to meet at the kennels on Tuesday.

A move was made towards and then for a mile along the Sholapur road at a walk so slow and solemn, I here that it reminded one of the sad and solemn processions that take place along the road in question. Some time elapsed therefore (which might I gather have been well saved) before hounds were thrown on to the end of Gibbet Hill while the feld were held in obedient subjection on either side. After drawing patiently along the ridge for about three-quarters of a mile hounds were seen to be busy, and shortly after burst left handed down the hill into the level in full cry—and a pretty and inspiriting sight it must have been from all accounts. First towards the village of Harupsur and then left handed towards the railway where a frisky little fox was viewed and racing along the side of the line found sanctuary in the rocks on the hill he started from. This served an enjoyable wind opener Then towards Harupsar where hounds were sent into a patch of sugar cane and speedily announced the joyful fact that a tenant was at home, and forthwith evicted him. At an excellent pace the jack led his pursuers across the railway line and to the range of hills, but recently left—travelling apparently much on the line the field had come. Up the rocky heights and on the plateau hounds seemed to hesitate, but a cast by the Master hit it off again and at a fair hunting pace hounds carried the line down the hill on the far side towards Kondwar. But the relentless hunting told the inevitable tale and it was a leg weary jack that made one effort to save his tag in some cactus growth, but all in vain and a few minutes chivveying on the undergrowth signed his death knell, the brush being presented by the Master to Mr. Deane who went, I hear, very well indeed in this nice hunting run of about 40 minutes. Some watches I believe made it a few minutes more.

Scaramouch.

Polo.

BELLARY SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.

A SKITTLE TOURNAMENT on the American System was begun at Bellary on the 26th ultimo. Six teams entered and conditions were, each team to play two chukers of six minutes with each of the other teams.

The first game was between the 27th L. C. (A team) and the Musketry School. The Light Cavalry scored two goals, Torrie and Henderson putting through, and the score with handicap was—27th L. C. 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries, Musketry School 4 goals. Teams:—

27th L C (A Team)	Musketry School.
1 Lieut Casson	1 Capt Strickland, Essex
2 Capt Henderson	2 Capt Jeffreys, D L I
3 Lieut Torrie	3 Capt Percy Smith, 8 S O
(*Back*) Lieut Walker	(*Back*) Lieut Wallace, D L I
(Handicap 2 subs)	(Handicap 4 goals)

In the next match between the Bellary Gymkhana and the Leicester Regiment each team scored a goal and a subsidiaries Hare and Dent for the Leicesters, and Lake and Waller for the Gymkhana, being responsible. Score:—Leicesters 10 goals 1 subsidiary Bellary Gymkhana 12 goals and 2 subsidiaries Teams:—

Leicester Regt.	Bellary Gymkhana.
1 Lieut E Henderson	1 Lieut Wise, Leices Regt
2 Lieut Davies	2 Lieut Waller R A
3 Lieut Hare	3 Major Morphey, R A M C
(*Back*) Capt Dent	(*Back*) Lieut Lake A V D
(Handicap + 9 goals)	(Handicap + 11 goals and 1 sub.)

The game between the Freebooters and the 27th L. C. (B team) was a very slow one a subsidiary to the latter by Wace being the only score. 27th L. C. 17 goals 2 subsidery Freebooters 16 goals and 1 subsidiary Teams:—

27th L. C. (B Team.)	Freebooters.
1 Lieut Jackson	1 Sowar Abdulla Beg, 27th L C
2 Ressaldar Mahomed Khan	2 Lieut Bagnall, 74th Punjabis
3 Lieut Wace (26th L C)	3 Mr Handcock, Ex En
(*Back*) Major Thring	(*Back*) Mr Hannyngton D S P
(Handicap + 17 goals and 1 sub.	(Handicap + 16 goals, and 1 sub.)

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 22nd July* 1904.

THE daily Press lately has been supplying the public with so much misleading information respecting the behaviour of a motor car when one of its tyres suddenly bursts as to the driver losing control of the steering and he and all other occupants of the car being thrown out with more or less serious results, that it was with particular thirst after knowledge that I attended the Crystal Palace on Tuesday last to witness a series of experiments to demonstrate that even on a car travelling at a high rate of speed a tyre might puncture, or even leave the rim without the passengers being put to any danger. The experiments were organized by Mr. S. F. Edge and were carried out on the lower terrace a broad straight course most suitable for the object selected for. The preparations made for bursting the tyres were on business like lines, large quantity of broken bottles, an iron plate with two inch nails sticking up on a correct angle to catch the tyres and lengths of wood through which joiners' chisels had been driven were layed in the track. Over this hot-bed of puncturing instruments a 15 horse-power touring car was driven with three passengers on board, and to the surprise of the onlookers no puncture occurred but on the second attempt a front tyre went but the car kept on its straight course. Then Mr. Edge brought out his 90 horse-power racing car and although the tyre was punctured it did not effect the steering in the least. He then detached one side of a cover and drove up the terrace at a rate of 45 miles an hour, swerving from side to side in order to wrench the cover from the felloe, but without success indeed, he had to repeat the performance four times before the cover left the rim and rolled along by itself faster than the car, but without any effect whatever on the car. The demonstration was most successful it being conclusively proved to all onlookers that a properly designed car, under the control of a careful driver, was perfectly safe in the event of a puncture occurring. As Mr. Edge remarked, when an accident occurs through a tyre puncturing, the mishap is caused by the driver losing his head on the burst happening and leaving hold of the steering wheel.

Royal patronage for the World's Championships has been secured by the National Cyclists' Union in the distinguished personage of the Prince and Princess of Wales who have consented to patronize the meeting. If they should attend cyclists will greatly appreciate their condescension for their is little doubt that Royalty at such a meeting will greatly benefit the sport and pastime. I cannot believe, however, that His Royal Highness will be leaving the Partridges for a cycle race meeting, however important it may be; it is well known that he is one of the best shots in the country and no man keen with the gun is likely to leave it during the month of September. Speaking of the World's Championships, regulations have been decided upon respecting pacing. Motors pacing competitors must not scale more than 150 lbs. nor develop more than a certain horse-power and the wind-shields too, are to be restricted to 25×12 inches. In this way speed will be kept down so that the races may be carried out in safety, for the Crystal Palace track is not sufficiently banked for racing above 40 miles an hour.

The Liverpool Centre of the National Cyclists' Union ran off two of their championships—the half mile and fifty miles—last Saturday at the new Brighton Tower track, but the racing was not of a very exciting nature owing to the absence of several of the leading Lancashire riders. If it had not been for the spirited riding of Ben Jones who won both events the few spectators there would have had but poor return for their money. As it was Jones was riding at his best and achieved the somewhat unusual feat of winning a short and long distance championship on the same afternoon, he coming home first in the half mile and fifty miles events.

Despite many warnings, cyclists will continue to "hang on" as the expression goes, to motor car and motor cycles on the road. In many cases the drivers of the cars warn the men of the danger in so doing, but more often than not the wheelmen refuse to take heed. The consequence is that accidents are not infrequent. The class of men who generally ride behind cars in this way are those whose machines are not adequately fitted with brake power, so that any slight momentary stop in the progress of the car, or the changing on to a slower speed up a hill, is likely to cause the cyclist to touch. If he does, the fall is almost unavoidable, and if others are hanging on behind, they too come to earth.

For some time now the yearly reports and balance sheet of the National Cyclists' Union have proved very unsatisfactory reading the balance invariably appearing on the wrong side and were it not for the fact that the Union had a satisfactory reserve fund its days of usefulness would be surely numbered. There is, however, a proposal on foot to re-organise the Unions' present system of working which is for the country to be divided up into centres governed by the General Committee in London. The proposed decentralisation of the Union originated from the Derby and District Centre, and all but two of the other Centres have intimated their intention of supporting the new proposal when it is put to the vote. Under the new scheme, considerable savings will be effected.

This morning I indulged in an early morning run and was surprised to find so few other wheelmen about. When the air is cool and the sun shines bright without that burning heat noticeable as the day advances one can secure far more pleasure from cycling than in a ride taken in the burning heat of a July sun. The roads, too, provide additional enjoyment to the pastime by reason of their almost deserted state, only a few market carts and the ubiquitous milkman robbing the early cyclist of sole possession. Some people will not dream of starting for a run until a good hearty breakfast has been given ample time to digest but it is a mistake. Although one may continually harp upon the charms of an early morning run, for such is its due, very few wheelmen, indeed, not more than one in a hundred, ever think of experiencing the pleasures. Laziness, I am afraid, is too deeply rooted to allow wheelmen to arise before the recognised hour which allows for a hasty breakfast before rushing off for the duties of the day.

One may gather a very good idea of the rapid strides that motoring is making in this country by studying the import returns published by the Board of Trade. When considering the figures, however, the amount of home trade must not be overlooked and this alone runs into considerable figures. There are now many motor car manufactories in England, as well as in Scotland and it is satisfactory to know that the product of home factories is daily increasing and securing more and more confidence from the purchasing public. The number of motor cars imported into this country during the month of June reached 581, representing a value of £48,579 and if we add to this the value of parts imported there is a grand total of £295,312. For the first six months of this year—from 1st January to 30th June—cars and parts to the value of £1,267,830 have arrived from foreign countries, nearly £203,000 more than in the corresponding period last year. Against these figures must be shown the returns of exports which for June is exceedingly disappointing, only 27 British made cycles leaving the country, but for the six months the exports are returned at £139,930 over £7,000 more than the returns for the first six months in 1903.

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CRICKET AT POONA.

Poona Gymkhana *vs.* Young Cricketers.—This annual two day's match was concluded on the 4th instant, and resulted in a win for the Young Cricketers by six wickets. Score:—

Poona Gymkhana.

	First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr. A. D. Wilkins, b Mehendale	8	b Mehendale	50	
Mr Kearsey, b Mehendale	0	b Mehendale	0	
Mr. Thew b Agashe	7	c and b Kale	6	
Capt. Umfreville, absent	0	c Karve, b Mehendale	29	
Mr. F. D Joy, l-b-w, b Mehendale	4	b Mehendale	33	
Mr. Thornton, b Mehendale	16	c Tambe b Kale	5	
Mr. Dickson, b Agashe	0	b Mehendale	3	
The Hon. R. D. Butler, b Mehendale	1	not out	13	
Mr. J. Ainsworth, b Agashe	6	c Kale, b Mehendale	2	
Mr. H. O. Carroll, not out	6	c Samel, b Kale	13	
Mr. Sutton Rich, b Mehendale	18	b Mehendale	0	
Extras	6	Extras	10	
Total	67	Total	164	

Poona Young Cricketers.

	First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr. S. Shaevade, b Joy	1	b Kearsey	26	
Mr. A. Kulkarni, b Ainsworth	0	not out	0	
Mr. N. Samel, c Thew, b Carroll	15	c and b Kearsey	1	
Mr V. Karve, c Sutton Rich, b Umfreville	37	not out	21	
Mr. L. B. Bopatker, b Joy	0	c Kearsey, b Joy	27	
Mr. G. R. Tambe, l-b-w, b Ainsworth	0	c Thew, b Ainsworth	53	
Mr. S. M. Joshi, b Carroll	0	did not bat.		
Mr. M. Agashe, c Ainsworth, b Joy	20			
Mr. G. Mehendale, b Ainsworth	17			
Mr. L. G. Mehendale, b Ainsworth	4			
Mr. V. G. Kale, not out	0			
Extras	9	Extras	6	
Total	103	Total (for 4 wkts.)	135	

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Poona Gymkhana.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Mehendale	12·1	3	28	6	25	6	66	7
Mr. Agashe	12	1	33	3	13	1	51	0
Mr. Kale	...	...	...	...	12·3	5	32	3
Mr. Karve*	...	...	...	...	2	0	5	0

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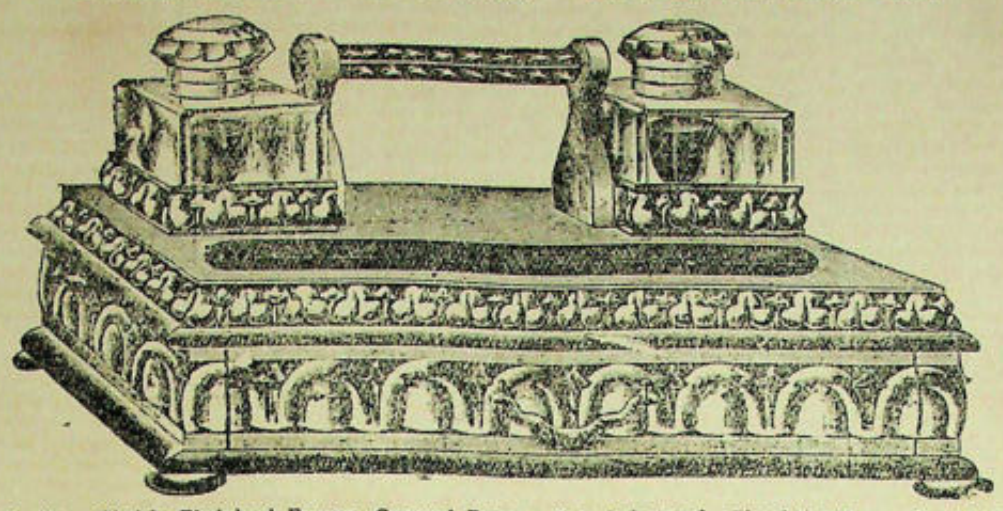
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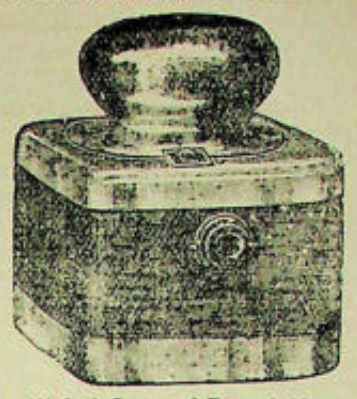
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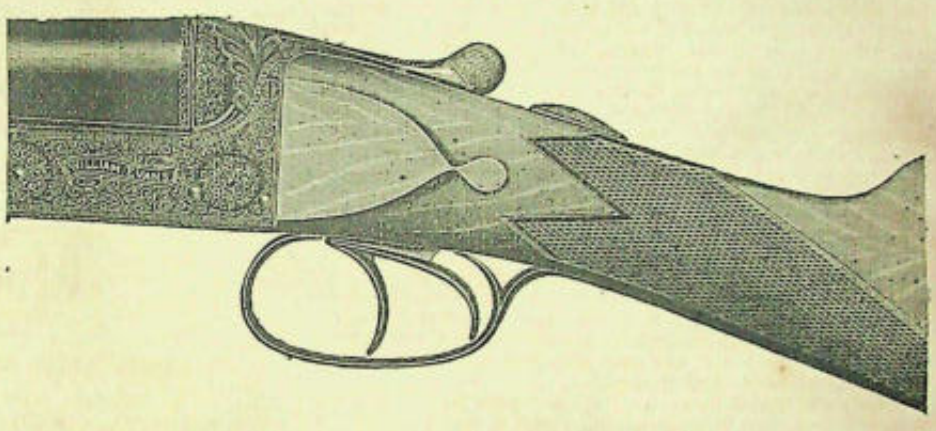
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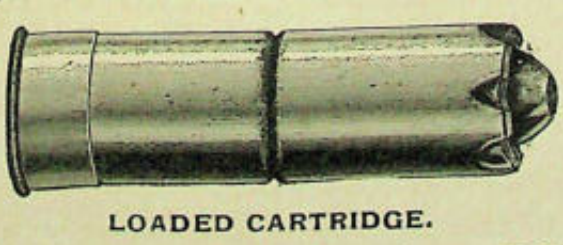
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	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Ainsworth ...	10	0	46	4	10	3	27	1
Mr. Joy ...	11	4	29	3	11	0	35	1
Capt. Umfreville	6 4	1	21	1	3	0	15	0
Mr. Carroll ...	8	2	22	2	2·1	0	16	0
Mr. Kearsey ...	...	...	...	...	4	0	19	0
Mr. Wilkins ...	..	...	..	...	4	1	16	0

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* PARSEE GYMKHANA.—This match was played on the 6th instant, the Parsees winning easily by six wickets and 14 runs. Score :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr. Ashton, c Chotia, b Lala	1
Mr. Powell, c Pavri, b Lala	2
Lieut. Langhorne, c H. Kanga, b Lala	35
Major Carnegy, c Lala, b Pavri	20
Capt. Hobbs, c Mody, b Pavri	1
Capt. Bond, st. Chotia, b Lala	2
Mr. Burney, st. Chotia, b Lala	11
Mr. Clarke, b Lala	13
Capt. McDonald, c Parakh, b Lala	5
Mr. West, b Parvi	4
Mr. Richardson, not out	2
Extras	2
Total ...	114

PARSEE GYMKHANA.

Dr. Pavri, c Bond, b West	27
J. D. Mody, c Carnegy, b West	32
H. Kanga, not out	40
R. E. Mody, c Richardson, b West	0
Commissariat, b Hobbs	22
Lala, not out	1
Sanjana, Parakh, Dastur, Chotia — did not bat.	
Extras	6
Total (for 4 wkts.) ...	128

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—This match was played on the 29th and 30th ultimo and resulted in a draw. Hanson played a fine game for the Military, putting up 48 and 93; while Rolland bowled well for the Civilians taking 5 wickets for 18 runs in the second innings and performing the hat trick. He dismissed Berger, Galloway, and Puckle with successive balls. Score:—

MILITARY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H. A. Harris, c Moss-King, b Rolland	5	c Moss-King, b Standage ...	26
G. J. Hanson, c Rolland, b Vasu	48	b Osborne ...	93
K. E. Cooper, b Blaikie ...	22	c sub, b Rolland ...	33
P. Gunter, b Vasu ...	51	b Rolland ...	4
H. A. Hildebrand, b Vasu ...	0	b Standage ...	9
E. L. C. Berger, b Blaikie ...	3	b Rolland ...	4
F. Jollie, b Blaikie ...	26	c Ricketts, b Vasu ...	7
T. N. Puckle, c Moss-King, b Vasu	5	b Rolland ...	0
H. J. Davson, c and b Blaikie	0	not out ...	1
J. R. M. Marsh, not out ...	16	b Osborne ..	1
B. L. Galloway, b Osborne ...	17	b Rolland ...	0
Extras ...	4	Extras ...	11
Total ...	197	Total ...	188

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B.	R.	M.	W.
Rolland ...	72	50	2	1	30	18	1	5
Standage ...	84	44	2	0	20	38	0	2
Blaikie ...	72	37	4	4	42	46	1	0
Vasu ...	90	46	1	4	60	39	3	1
Osborne ...	15	10	0	1	66	36	1	2
Singaram ...	12	6	0	0	—	—	—	—

CIVILIANS.

Srinivasa Row, b Harris ...	3	b	0
J. G. Tait, b Marsh ...	38		
H. Osborne, b Harris ...	3		
Rev. Lowsley, b Marsh ...	7		
Vasu, b Marsh ...	0		
Singaram, c Puckle, b Gunter	19		
R. Moss-King, c Gunter, b Harris	31		
H. Blaikie, c Berger, b Harris	21	did not bat.	
C. Rolland, run out ...	21		
G. Ricketts, b Cooper ...	0		
R. F. Standage, not out ...	9		
Extras ...	18		
Total ...	170	Total ...	0

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—*1st Innings.*

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Harris ...	78	54	1	4
Cooper ...	57	44	0	1
Marsh ...	36	36	0	3
Gunter ...	24	12	1	1
Davson ...	12	10	0	0

CRICKET CHAT.

THE home papers to hand by last week's mail are more than usually interesting in regard to scores of matches in which well-known Indian players have participated. On Thursday of the week the mail of 15th July left three Indian players were assisting London County against Warwickshire in the persons of E. H. D. Sewell, T. B. Nicholson, and B Jaya Ram *all* of them curiously enough contemporary Madras players of the middle and later nineties.

Ranjitsinhji failed in the Gentlemen *vs.* Players match at the Oval, but Ernest Steel, the erstwhile Bombay player, scored 62, and in partnership with Bosanquet put on 141 in an hour and thirty-five minutes. Major R. M. Poole, the Hampshire and ex Bombay player, made his first appearance this season in a match in England, scoring 42 for I. Zingari against the Green-jackets. Ranjitsinhji playing for Sussex against Kent on 11th, 12th, and 13th July, scored 13 and 135. G. G. S. Brander, the young batsman who scored so heavily in Bombay last cold weather is playing for the Hampshire Hogs and doing so well that it is not unlikely that his performances will attract the attention of the County authorities who have already given his younger brother a trial in the County eleven.

In searching through scores in club matches I have come across the name of H. Cheetham, the well-known Bombay player, for the first time this season. Cheetham, it will interest Western India cricket lovers to know, is playing for Manchester and Heaton Mersey For the former club against Cheadle Hulme he only scored 9. Against Brooklands he made 15 and captured four out of the nine wickets that fell for nine runs apiece. Against Cheadle Royal he made 1 run. Playing for Heaton Mersey against Manchester University he scored 36 and captured five wickets for 30 runs. Three well-known old Calcutta cricketers were assisting Incogniti against Wimbledon on 8th and 9th July in the persons of Major C. E. Greenway who made 0 and 38, Major Fleming who made 56 and 2, and E A. Leach whose scores were 0 and 7.

Captain L. S. Browne, the Mooltan player, is assisting Streatham this season and in three successive matches against the Wanderers, Surrey Club and Ground, and Mr. H. D. Leveson-Gower's XI only scored 8, 2, and 1 respectively. He, however, played a very fine innings of 73 against Incogniti and another of 49 against London County. Against M. C. C. and Ground we only made 1. J. D. Guise was playing for Incogniti and made 64, while Major Greenway made 12. Two well-known Nilgiri cricketers were playing in a recent match between Bourn mouth and the Hampshire Hogs, E. R. Kindersley and A. Edgington to wit. The last, named made 30 for the Hogs.

Lahore cricketers seem determined to keep it up. The scores of a match bettween the Station and the N.-W. Railway played on the evenings of the 27th and 28th July have just reached me The Railway who had the services of several well-known Lahore players compiled 140 towards which Captain F. A. E. Freeland, the old Bedfordian, contributed 37 W. M. Cargill 30, F. B. Clough 24 not out, and C. C Fink 12. D. H. R. Russell was the most successful bowler, capturing 6 wickets, and in the absence of S. M. Robinson and L. C. Glascock, is the mainstay of Lahore in that department. The Station who batted two short were disposed of for 104 A. G. Hutchinson making 24 and C. Crocker 27 not out, while V. H. Wilson contributed 19. I notice that the latter does not bowl much now.

Thanks to a fine innings by F. L. Sprott, the old Presidency player Karachi Gymkhana were able to inflict a defeat by 140 runs on the local Parsees. Sprott's innings of 72, the highest he has played this season up to date, included 9 fours.

The Parsee batsmen shaped very poorly against the bowling of E. B. Newton who captured seven wickets for 25 runs.

The glories of Kolar cricket seem to have passed away if one may judge from the extremely poor way the team has shaped against Bangalore teams this season. Fresh from a crushing defeat at the hands of the Bangalore Volunteers, the Kolarites fared hardly any better against Bangalore Gymkhana being disposed of twice for totals of 46 and 78. It cannot be said that the side was particularly badly represented as included in the team were C. H. Richards, R. H. Bullen, W. G. Poole, W. M. Pritchard, W. J. More, N. Richards, and J. D. Cosens all of whom would find a place in the strongest team the Gold Fields has been able to put in the field for some years. It is some years since this annual fixture ended so disastrously for Kolar. The only grain of comfort that the Kolarites got out of their trip to Bangalore was in the single innings match which was arranged to fill up the afternoon of the second day, for the result proved that the form shown by the Kolarites in the more important match had been all wrong.

The second of three important matches played at Bangalore last week was against Bellary, and judging from the form that cricketers at the latter station had been showing lately, an even and exciting game was anticipated. Bellary on paper was quite as strong as Bangalore. The bowlers on a wicket that gave them considerable assistance kept the runs down, with the result that only 386 runs were made for four completed innings. In only one innings did the total run into three figures—the second innings of Bangalore—and there were only six scores of 20 and upwards in the whole match.

The bowlers had a good time and L. D. Rollo's record for Bellary in the match—twelve wickets for 85 runs—was an excellent one Rollo, who is an old Wellingborough Grammar School Cricketer, was stationed at Quetta last year where several good performances of his with the ball failed to obtain for him an invitation to play for the Presidency.

The third match of this eventful Bangalore week between the Civil and Military furnished some of the best cricket seen this season and was particularly remarkable for the fine double display with the bat by G. J. G. Hanson for the Military, who made 48 and 93, and the bowling of C. Rolland for the Civil in the second innings, who took five wickets for 18 runs and did the hat trick. The match was drawn if anything in favour of the Military.

Despite the batting strength of the teams the Poona Gymkhana has been able to place in the field this season, there has been nothing even approaching sensational scoring. Against the Deccan College bowlers a strong side including Greig, Umfreville, Hartley, Langton, Wilkins, Stevens, and Kearsey could only total 150 and 66 for two wickets, Greig's 34 in the second innings being the highest score on the side.

Another interesting match was played at Lahore on the 25th and 26th July between the Subalterns of the station and the Rest. The feature of the match from a batting point of view, was the innings of Lieutenant A. G. Hutchinson who made 54 out of the total of 202. The most successful trundlers were Humphreys for the Subs and Fothergill-Cooke for the Rest who each took four wickets.

Two players whose performances in Bangalore cricket have attracted considerable attention this season are O L. Ruck and and G. J. G. Hanson who, it will interest old public school cricketers to learn, hail from Haileybury and Clifton respectively. Ruck was in the Haileybury eleven of 1898 and had a batting average of 16·70 and a bowling average of 15·04 for 21 wickets. It is as a bowler that he has met with most success in matches at Bangalore and on his day he has no equal in that department of the game in the station. Hanson was in the Clifton eleven of 1900 and had a batting average of 12·00. His batting powers had evidently not developed then, but he is now a very dangerous batsman and likely to make runs under any conditions At the present time he has very few equals and no superiors in Bangalore.

Details have reached me of a match played at Quetta recently between the Gymkhana and the West Yorkshire Regiment. The former won by 109 runs and the principal factors in their easy victory were the batting of Captain Lane (42) and Lieutenant Fleming (56) who between them scored more than half the runs made from the bat by their side, (the names of both players are strange to me but I notice that they have scored consistently in Quetta matches, and the bowling of L. M. R. Deas whose fast deliveries accounted for six wickets at a cost of only 15 runs. Lieutenant F. H. Hawley, who played for the Poona Gymkhana last season, was the only batsman on the West Yorkshire side who could play Deas properly and his 34 was a valuable innings.

STATISTICIAN.

A certain jockey, whose name is very well known in Turf circles even now, used to tell a tale of a good thing that he was once riding.

The horse was much fancied, and the jockey had gone a "raker" on him. By some means he, to his great annoyance, was late in getting down to the post, and consequently found all the good positions occupied. His fellow-riders, however, were very considerate, and "You can have my place, Joe," or "Come on the inside, Joe," were the kind offers made.

"Joe" speedily tumbled to the fact that they had all backed his mount, and though the opportunity too good to be wasted. He therefore told the starter that he had broken a stirrup-leather, and contriving to see a friend in the Ring, gave him a commission to take another three hundred to two. As he expected, the others did not trouble him in the least, and it simply remained for him to win as he pleased.

Football.

RUGBY IN CALCUTTA.

WEST RIDINGS *vs.* CALCUTTA.—A Calcutta team went up to Dum Dum last Saturday to play the West Ridings. A good game was witnessed in spite of the wretched state of the ground. The home team won by 10 points to eight. The Regiment started the game and rushed down, but Martelli relieved. After some midfield scrums the Ridings brought the ball back and Marshall dropped a goal. Following up this success they continued to press and Roberts crossed the line. They failed to convert, however, and from the drop out the visitors got possession and Heilgers scored a try. The place failed but Calcutta got going once more and from a good run down Pearson went over with a try, Martelli adding the major points. The teams crossed over with the visitors leading. Then the Ridings forwards showed some good play, working the scrimmages in great form and keeping the Calcutta backs busy. The game was for the most part in the visitors' territory, but it was not till nearing the end of the game that the soldiers got through. Lieutenant Gill obtaining a try; the home thus won as stated.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE prospects this season of good Rugby and lots of it seem bright enough. The following clubs are in practice and more than half of these will probably enter for the Senior Competition. C. F. C., City, Customs, Hornets, King's Own, the West Ridings from Dum-Dum and United Services.

During the week the C F.C. has been playing a number of practice games with sides drawn from among its own members. The matches have not been interesting, but have afforded an opportunity of showing what old blood is turning out again, and what new talent has been unearthed. Curtis Hayward is in command and although he plays forward is just the man for the work in hand. Among the old players, I noticed Dick (of whom much is expected again). F. G. Siddons, Ismay, MacDonald, Martelli, Heilgers, Dunlop, Curtis Hayward, Langford, Black, Clayden and Vick. Most prominent amongst new arrivals were, A. E. Todd, Baker, Barnes, Duncan, Graham and Grayburn. Dick I suppose will play back regularly as Newton has signified his intention of appearing but occasionally.

This decision will be greatly regreted by the Rugby loving public of Calcutta: he will only turn out to do battle for the Thistle against the Rose, when the annual game takes place. Calcutta are fortunate in having the services of that all-round athlete Ismay. He has been away upcountry for some time but is back again and will strengthen the three-quarter line very considerably. The elder Siddons is in fine form just now and gives promise of playing his usual sound game. I am sorry to say his brother has been advised medically not to play this season.

Martelli, the old Irish International and popular Secretary of the C. F. C., is going great guns and his side will find him very useful, as besides being an excellent exponent of the game, he has had a long and varied experience. The club is very badly off for half-backs. If MacDonald's ankle does not worry him, his services will be again in requisition : Legge, the other half of last year's team, is away from Calcutta, and I fancy the vacancy will be filled by MacLaren who was here two seasons ago. Heilgers the "London Scot." Dunlop and Curtis Hayward will again appear in the pack. All three are fair gluttons for work and keep going the whole while. Berridge's services are doubtful ; but it is to be hoped that he will be found in his old position when the cup ties come round.

The West Ridings from Dum-Dum play rugby and soccer equally well as they have shewn us, although they are really a Rugger playing Regiment. They won the Calcutta Rugby Cup last year at the first time of asking, and are likely to repeat the performance unless we get something classy in the way of a foreign invasion. For the last few months two fifteens have been in constant practices, one at Dinapore (their first string), and one at Dum-Dum. The officers take an interest in the games of their men, and the combinations are likely to be very hot ones. On Saturday the Ridings were at home to the C. F. C. who journeyed out with a scratch fifteen. The rain came down in torrents and rendered all accurate play out of the question. The Tommies win of ten points to eight just about denotes their superiority. For the winners Reeves was in fine form as was Coldwell. Roberts, the soccer custodian, distinguished himself in the scrum and got over with a try. For the losers Grayburn played a great game at full-back, and Todd, MacLeod, Heilgers, and Dunlop put in a lot of conscientious work forward. The homesters had out what they consider their second string while the visitors were without some regular men.

The King's Own Regiment in the Fort play the game they do in Lancashire, but few officers with the men are very sportingly running a fifteen which, with a little more practice, ought to give a good account of themselves. They have had a couple of practice games with teams got up by Dunlop of the C. F. C., and won handsomely on both occasions.

In their engagement with the City F. C. last Wednesday week they got over by three points to *nil*. The game on account of the loose state of the turf was of a scrambling description and mostly confined to the forwards.

C. M. Brown, Captain Gardiner, Captain Wilson, the English international forward, Szczepanski, Hogg and Stevenson are available for the Services, and with some good new ones Captain Gardiner should have no difficulty in whipping together a really good lot. They had hard lines in being drawn against Calcutta in the second round of the Rugby Cup, when they were still in embryo; but with some practice together, they ought to go further this season.

Great things are expected of the City F. C. The material at hand is good and plentiful and there seems a chance of their getting back the form they shewed some years ago when they twice ran into the final for the Calcutta Cup. Lees, I hear, is playing back ; in the second line of defence will be found Schaumberg who is a strong runner and smart tackler, Hemingway and Glanily who have both migrated from C. F. C. The constitution of the forwards is as yet unknown to me, but Grief, Cunliffe, and Warden will be found all there when the time comes.

Very little is known of the composition of the Customs team. Anderson, Templeton, and Fitzgerald are their best men and are available once more. I think the fifteen will not be as good this year as it was last, and I doubt if they anticipate doing very well with so many strong combinations against them.

I have not seen the Hornets at work yet, but if the way they play hockey and soccer is any criterion, they should do very well. Their strength, of course, will lie in the back line. Yaekjee, Apear, Simmons, and Mahbert all possess a very fine turn of speed and have played the game at school. I fancy it will be difficult to get together a heavy pack of forwards, though I hear they are to receive valuable assistance in this department, from the Old Armenians who have broken up and joined various clubs this year.

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Golf.

GOLF IN GULMARG.

The links have been much improved by rain and some good play has been witnessed. The Mixed Doubles,—playing, approaching and putting alternate holes—was won by Miss Vanrenen and Mr. Chevenix Trench, with Miss Johnstone and Mr. S. R. Wybrants second. The competition, by Medal play held on the 23rd ultimo, resulted as follows:—

LADIES.

Mrs. C. Davies	...	...	66 – 4 = 62
Mrs. Panet ...	...	...	85 – 22 = 63
Mrs. Mullins	...	...	81 – 14 = 67
Miss Carew...	...	...	86 – 13 = 73
Mrs. MacMullen	...	...	86 – 13 = 73
Miss Masson	...	...	95 – 22 = 73
Mrs. Kennedy	...	...	80 – 6 = 74
Miss Mansfield	...	...	83 – 6 = 77

GENTLEMEN.

Major Carruthers	...	...	85 – 4 = 81
Mr. S. R. Wybrants	...	...	84 – 1 = 83
Major Kennedy	...	...	105 – 20 = 85
Major Hodson	...	...	109 = 24 = 85
Mr. D Vanrenen	...	...	90 – 4 = 86
Captain J. Craik	...	...	104 – 18 = 86
Mr. W. Mitchell	...	...	91 – 4 = 87
Captain Davies	...	...	93 – 4 = 89
Colonel Young	...	...	111 = 20 = 91
Major Rundle	...	...	105 – 14 = 91
Major Montagu	...	...	110 – 18 = 92
Colonel Littledale	...	...	114 – 20 = 94
Captain Barlow	...	...	120 – 18 = 102
Mr. W. Gough	...	...	135 = 24 = 111

No returns from 8 players.

GOLF AT YERROWDA.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT *vs.* BOMBAY COMMAND STAFF.—The return match between the above teams was played on the 3rd instant with the following result :—

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT.

Sir James Monteath	...	...	6 up
Hon'ble Mr. Fulton	...	...	6 up
Hon'ble Mr Jenkins	...	...	1 up
J. Sladen ...	...	...	12 up
J. H. Du Boulay	...	...	6 up
C. G. Fawcett	...	...	5 up
F. K. Boyd ...	...	...	2 down

BOMBAY COMMAND STAFF.

Surgeon General Gubbins		...	6 down
Major-General Richardson		...	6 down
Lieut.-Col. Stevens	...	...	1 down
Lord George Murray	...	...	12 down
Captain Fraser	...	...	6 down
Lieut.-Col. Hazelton	...	...	5 down
Major Anderson	...	...	2 up

Bombay Government won by 34 holes or six games to one.

GOLF IN KARACHI.

COMMERCE *vs.* THE SERVICES.—This competition was held on the 28th ultimo, and resulted in a win for the Commerce by 11 holes. The match was decided by the number of holes up in one round of the links. Score :—

THE SERVICES.	*versus.*	COMMERCE.
Mr. Muir Mackenzie,	2 holes up on	Mr. D. Miller.
Colonel Acton,	4 holes down to	Mr. T. B. Peterkin.
Mr. F. L. Sprott,	7 „ „ to	Mr. J. McK. Davidson.
Mr. J. Richardson,	2 holes up on	Mr. J. M. Lang.
Major Cummings,	2 „ „ „	Mr. W. Nicholas.
Mr. E. H. Leggatt,	6 „ „ „	Mr. J. I. Murray
Mr. A. E. Cumming,	9 „ down to	Mr. C. Kennedy,
Mr. Campbell,	2 holes down to	Mr. Percy Jones.
Mr. T. Summers,	4 „ „ to	Mr. J. Humphrey.
Capt. Lowsley,	1 „ „ to	Mr. D. McIver.
Capt. Wallace,	2 holes up on	Mr. E. A. Miller.
Capt. Crosse,	1 „ „ „	Mr. T. J. Stephen.
Mr. D. George,	2 „ „ „	Mr. G. Miller.
Mr. Fitzgerald,	4 „ „ „	Mr. C. S. Sotiropulo.
General Craigie,	5 holes down to	Mr. C. H. Mead.

Commerce 32 up, Services 21 up.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

THE draw for the Army Challenge Cup has taken place and is as follows :—Four officers representing each Regiment or Corps, and 28 teams have entered.

1st Batt., Royal Scots *vs.* 1st Batt., Scots Guards.

2nd Batt., Cheshire Regt. *vs* R. A. M. C., Aldershot.

2nd Batt., Coldstream Guards *vs.* The Irish Guards, when the Grenadiers won by 19 holes to 0 at Woking.

1st Batt., A and S. Highlanders *vs.* 1st Batt., Berkshire Regt.

2nd Batt., H. L. Infantry *vs.* 2nd Royal Warwicks.

Service Batt., R. E., Chatham *vs.* 4th Brigade and Depôt, R. H. A., Woolwich.

2nd Brigade, R. F. Artillery, Ipswich *vs.* R. G. Artillery, Great Yarmouth.

2nd Batt., York and Lancaster Regt *vs.* School of Gunnery Shoeburyness.

3rd Batt., Grenadier Guards *vs.* 2nd Batt., Bedford Regt.

2nd Batt., Seaforth Highlanders *vs.* 1st Batt., K. O. S. B.

The following have byes :—2nd Batt., Grenadier Guards ; Royal Artillery, 1st Division, 1st Army Corps ; Royal Artillery, 2nd Division, 1st Army Corps ; Corps Artillery, 1st Army Corps ; The Black Watch ; 4th Batt., Royal Warwick Regiment ; 6th Brigade, R. H. A., Ipswich ; 4th Division, R. F. Artillery Okehampton.

Apropos of hazards, and what is the nature thereof an interesting point is raised by Mr. F. O. Lindley, of Cairo. Playing on the Cairo Course, his ball from the Tee lodged in a Mimosa Tree, 20 feet from the ground, and was quite visible. Mr. Lindley threw up his niblick and brought the ball down counting this action as one stroke. The usual penalty under similar circumstances (now on inland greens of frequent occurrence) is to recover the ball, drop it behind with loss of a stroke. But it would be well for the Cairo Golf Club to pass a local rule bearing on the case, and adjudicate the penalty, should there be no local rule when this occurred providing for the tree, the question could only be dealt with according to the rules, which provide in match play that "a ball must be played where it lies or the hole be given up"— "for nothing shall be done to improve its lie" "and the ball must be fairly struck at!" Of course in stroke play there is always the option of "teeing the ball with loss of two strokes."

There was a large gathering of members of the Felixstowe Club for the Throgmorton Base Competition which began on 18th June, and which was most keenly contested from start to finish. Thirty-six players entered, and of these 27 had byes. There were no very close matches in the first heat, but in the second round with the exception of one match when Mr. H. J. W. Jervis beat Mr. C. J. Crisp, by 7 up and 5, all the games were closely contested, two of them being carried to the 19th hole. In the third round, Mr. H. Walton only succeeded in snatching a win from Mr. C. H. Clarke at the 20th hole, and most of the others were particularly close, ending often on the 17th Green. The fourth round was uneventful. In the semi-finals Mr. H. E. Taylor beat Mr. W. C. Anderson by 3 and 2. Mr. O. B. Clarke beat Mr. H. Frisby by 2 up. The final was a remarkably run-away match for H. E. Taylor, who finished the game on the 10th Green by 9 holes up and 8 to play.

Delightful weather favoured the Hanger Hill Club's Open Amateur Meeting on Saturday, 18th June. Ninety players entered, among them being Mr. H. H. Hilton Mr. S. H. Fry, Mr. A. C. Lincoln. The scratch prize was tied for in 79 by Messrs. A. C. Lincoln and S. H. Fry, while Messrs. Hilton and Lurmon ran them very close both accomplishing the round in 80 strokes. In the Bogey Competition after lunch Mr. Livingston played an excellent game from scratch and won with 2 holes up. The Ladies were also invited to take part in an open meeting at this Club on the following Tuesday, this competition has begun to be regarded as one of the most delightful of the many annual Golfing Fixtures, but alas! this year there was a lamentable and conspicuous absence of the shining lights among Lady players, and the entries numbered but 51. The scratch prize went to Mrs. Weston, of Chiswick, with 93—this Lady also with a discount of two strokes won the second handicap prize, the first going to a member of the home club, Mrs. Litton Taylor in 113 less 24 = 89. Mrs. Taylor partnered in the afternoon with Mr. A. H. Proctor won the mixed foresome competition with 95 less 14 = 81.

There is just now going on much criticism on American Balls, American Putters, and of course the American Amateur Champion, who, by the bye, has arrived home safely, and was received with great honours and rejoicing "over there." He is loud in his praise of the unrivalled excellence of British Links, with which he affirms none in America can compare, and whilst he is eulogising us far away and paying many a generous spontaneous tribute to British sportsmen, we are criticising his game none too favourably, is it the green-eyed monster once again? one wonders and hopes not, for he won his championship by the sheer consistency and excellence of his game, and his putting was beyond a doubt supersteady and unrivalled. Anyhow, we in Britain are eagerly buying and trying the Schenecktady Putter, we have long ago forsaken the old gutty ball, and cling tenaciously and wildly to the American Rubber Core! Our clubs still are English, I mean our wooden ones! Irons for the universally adopted Socket Club is certainly not a Yankee Patent, but was conceived in the brain of one who lived in Bonnee Scotland. So far then the prediction that the American players influx would influence players greatly in the introduction and adoption of American *Clubs* has not been fulfilled, and impartially considered the influence upon Golf of the Yankees has been distinctly beneficial in many ways, for is there not something to be learnt everyday and in every walk in life.

The Annual Amateur Tournament at Cruden Bay was held on 23rd, 24th, and 25th June. On the opening day a stroke competition under handicap was held for no less than nine prizes, while the 16 lowest scores qualified to play off for the Challenge Trophy by match play. In the final of which Mr. D. Davidson beat J. A. Donaldson by 4 up and 3 to play. The runner up had his work cut out in his match with J. S. Smith (ex-champion of India), but eventually disposed of him by playing fine golf on the 18th Green —and the winner had close matches with M. M. Duncan, and W. Christie, against both of whom he only won on the 18th Green.

The Ladies' Tournament had to be abandoned owing to insufficient entries, a golden opportunity missed by the fair sex of reaping a silver harvest, but in the South Ladies' Golf has been in full swing, following close on each other come the open meetings, Sussex County has been as it were *en fete* Clubs anywhere in the county have striven to 'out rival each other in hospitality to members of any recognized Golf Club. St. Leonards and East Sussex held an open meeting on their course at Felsham Park on 24th June. There was a capital entry, but the very scratch of very scratch were also conspicious by their absence—an unfortunate incident deprived the Honorary Secretary of the Surrey County Club, Mrs. Horace Martin, of the Bowl and 1st Prize. Her caddie led her to the wrong Tee and the penalty was disqualification! Then Bexhill-on-Sea invited the Ladies to a free day on these beautiful course, the same golfing eagles gathered together round the carcases—and there Mrs. Martin had better luck, for with a fine 85—3 = 82 she won the scratch prize and the Challenge Bowl. Miss Carry, of Ashdown Forest, has lately found open meetings vastly remunerative concerns for in the three held in Sussex during the month of June she has won, two if not three prizes, at each. Mustering a strong team Sussex Ladies inflicted a severe defeat on a weak Surrey Team at Seaford by 5 matches to 2, and at Ilkley, Yorkshire defeated Cheshire by the same number of points, in this match Miss D. Chambers, of Cheshire, played remarkably fine game, accomplishing the round from the Men's Teas in 81 stokes, the champion, Miss. L. Dod, also playing for Cheshire, took 84 strokes, both remarkably good performances.

Mr. H. W. Forster organised a Strong House of Commons Team against Sundridge Park on 25th June, an excellent day's golf resulted in a win of the home team by 6½ points to 3½. Mr. Balfour playing steadily holed some long putts and halved his match with W. Hardy, and Mr. Guy Pym owed his victory over J. M. Cripps to a 10 yards putt on the home green. It may be remembered that Sundridge Park Course was formally opened about a year ago by the Prime Minister, it is most beautifully situated and easy of access from London. In the Old Deer Park at Richmond, the London Solicitors, Golfing Society, were busy on 23rd June holding their revels ; the Competition for the Captain's Prize was won by Mr. J. Hall with 86 less 7 = 79. He also carried off the prize for the best 9 holes under handicap. It is impossible to describe all the competition held by the various golfing societies now existent, their name is fast approaching Legion, but before closing these notes mention should be made of a very fine Amateur Record made at Cobble Hall, Leeds, on Saturday, 25th June, by a member of the club, one J. H. Barry, whose round of 68 was made up as follows :—Out 5, 4, 4, 5, 4, 5, 4, 3, 4 = 38. In 3, 4, 3, 3, 4, 3, 5, 3, 2 = 30. The score coming in is truly wonderful, 6 out of the 9 holes totalling 17 only, and then in spite of a lost ball at the 16th and a 12 inch putt missed as well!

By winning the final tie against Mr. John Wilson, M. P., at Mitcham of the 14th Annual Parliamentary Tournament on 4th July, Mr. A. W. Soames, member for South Norfork credited *Liberal* side of the House of Commons with its first victory in this event. Mr. Soames (12) defeated Mr. Wilson (15) by 7 up and 6 to play.

Before posting, the news comes of further matches in the Army Cup Competition. The Service Battalion, R. E., Chetham, beat the R. A., Woolwich, by 3 holes, and the 1st K.O. S.B. beat the 2nd Seaforth Highlanders by 9 holes. The H. L. I. get a W. O. from the 2nd Royal Warwick, and the School of Gunnery give a W. O. to the 2nd York and Lancaster Regiments, and the 3rd Grenadier Guards have scratched to the 2nd Bedfordshire Regiment. In the Ladies' Inter-County Match between Glamorganshire and Somersetshire some closely contested fights resulted—Miss E. Young (Glam.) and Miss H. Evans (Somerset) only concluded matters on the 21st Green, and the match between Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Evans was carried to the 20th Green. The match itself resulted in a win for the home club (Glamorgan) by 5 points to 2.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

HOCKEY AT DARJEELING.

THE EROOM CUP.—On Thursday, the 4th instant, the Nondescripts met St. Joseph's College, North Point, for the Eroom Cup. The boys established quite a record in the League Tournament by scoring eleven goals to *nil*. The Nondescript team possesses many good individual players but combination was wanting and this constitutes the strong point of the School team. St. Joseph's team has won all its matches so far in the League tournament. Their meeting with the Military team of Lebong will be an interesting one. Should the boys win, they will become the holders of the Challenge Cup.

THE MADRAS TOURNAMENT.

THE FINALS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

M. C. C. *vs.* THE LEICESTERS. MADRAS, *6th August*:—This Tournament after being unduly protracted for reasons to be stated presently, came to an end on Friday evening when a Madras team for the first time won one of the several Cups they have offered for competition in Tournaments. When I last wrote the Tournament had reached the semi-final stage in which the M. C. C. beat the 1st Durham L. I. the holders of the Cup. The other match in the tie that remained to be played was that between the Leicesters, last year's runners-up and the Middlesex; but this took a tremendous lot of deciding, the teams having to meet no less than four times before the Leicesters gained the ascendency on Monday last, by 3 goals to *nil*. Captain Challenor on their behalf then made a representation to the M. C. C. Committee stating that in view of the hard struggle the Leicesters had had, the finals might be postponed till Wednesday, thus giving the Leicesters a necessary rest on Tuesday. The Committee, unwilling to create a precedent, refused to take action on the request; but left it to the M. C. C. team who, in a very sporting way, agreed to give the Leicesters the respite asked for. Shortly before 5 P.M. on Wednesday, however, a heavy shower of rain flooded the hockey ground at Chepauk, making play impossible, and the final was again postponed till Friday, Thursday being English mail day and a very inconvenient one for the majority of the M. C. C. team to turn out. In threatening weather yesterday, the match was decided, and the M. C. C. won readily enough by 2 goals to *nil* and thus justified the confidence of their supporters, who fully expected them to win especially after the fine display they gave against the Durhams when they only won on the call of time by 3 goals to 2. The M. C. C. have this year had the call on a large number of really good hockey players as was shown by their entering two teams for the Tournament. The first team to whom they trusted in the Tournament was got together early in the season and was kept together both in practices and in matches, with the result that in the Tournament a really first class team was put into the field, every individual of which knew the play of the other, and for good, scientific combined play they were more conspicuous than any of the other teams entered, though in this matter, the Durhams ran them very close indeed. The Leicesters, too, had their supporters. There were many who could not forget the splendid form they displayed last year, when although they had been a very short time in the country, they got together a team, pluckily entered the Tournament and fought their way into the finals, beating among others the formidable Bangalore team. This year they were called upon to do much hard work, as including the finals, they played no less than seven games. This was a severe strain indeed and it speaks volumes for their pluck and tenacity that in the finals they gave their formidable opponents such a great fight. They were beaten but at no time were they disgraced. I understand that a movement is on foot among the M. C. C. members to present each member of the Leicesters team with a special medal as a Souvenir of the plucky and sporting fight they made in the Madras Hockey Tournament of 1904.

This long preliminary leaves little room for anything more than a very brief description of the play. Nor is more desirable, since both teams, playing with excellent combination, were conspicuous for good play throughout and attack and counter-attack in quick succession proved the energy and activity of the forward line and the stout defence of the backs. Half way through the first half a fine bit of combined play between Ogden, Gordon Fraser, and Partridge resulted in the latter scoring from a favourable position in front of the Leicesters goal. Though strenuous efforts were made by both teams the period closed without any further score and the home team crossed over for the second half leading by the only goal that had been secured. Play in the second half was a replica of that in the first half even to the second goal scored by Partridge, only this time the assistance came from Atkinson and Layard. This made the victory for the M. C. C. absolutely certain and towards the end of the period the soldiers efforts were mainly devoted to preventing any further toll being exacted. I may mention more as a tribute to the splendid combined play of the M. C. C. than to the individual merit of a very fine player that every goal, except one scored by the M. C. C. on this Tournament has been put through by Partridge the centre forward, The exception was that splendid deciding third goal shot by Gordon Fraser when the issue of the match between the home team and the Durhams hung in the balance.

To particularise individuals in teams for which every man worked his hardest and his best would in this instance be worse than invidious. The M. C. C. played the same team with which they entered the Tournament but the exigencies of the struggle in which the Leicesters had been engaged, necessitated more than one change being made in the composition of their side and they were fortunate in their last two matches to secure the assistance of Lieutenant Yates who had only just returned from Poona. Appended I give the names of the teams:—

LEICESTERSHIRES.		MADRAS C. C.
Pte. Cole ...	... Goal	... G H Dawes
(*R.*) Capt. Challenor (*L.*) Corpl. Denton	Backs	A. W. Atkinson W. F. Pelly
(*R.*) Pte. Dumford (*C.*) Pte. Ratcliffe (*L.*) Lce.-Corpl. Tomlinson	½-Backs	J McIver R. C. M. Strouts E. R. Ross
(*R.*) Lieut. Creagh Pte. Hancock	Forwards	C. W. Layard G. Fraser P. W. Partridge
(*C.*) Pte. Cunningham		
(*L.*) Lieut. Yates Pte. Stirling		J. J. O'Reilly H. G. Ogden

Umpires.—Captain Newman and Mr. Haughton.

Sports.

SUFFOLK REGIMENT MINDEN SPORTS.

THE regimental sports of the Suffolk Regiment were held at Karachi on the anniversary of the Battle of Minden (1st August 1759). The arrangements were perfect and a very successful meeting was brought off. The committee was composed of Officers and N.-C. O.'s of the Regiment. Entries were good and the contests keen. A large attendance graced the proceedings and the Band of the Regiment discoursed sweet music. Mrs. Cubitt, wife of the Commanding Officer, distributed the prizes. Details:—

ONE MILE RACE.—(Teams of 4 men per company). 1st. E. Company Team (Lce.-Corpl. Stowe, Ptes. Pulham, Feary, and North) 2nd. H Company, Lce-Corpl. Stowe running a grand race with Pte. Baker of H Company, and succeeded in obtaining first place.

TUG-OF-WAR.—(Inter Companies). Heats. C Company beat D Company after a splendid pull lasting nearly 7 minutes.
B Company beat H Company after an easy pull.
(Final).—1. C Company. 2. B Company.

THREE-LEGGED RACE.—1st Pte. Fakes and Lce.-Corpl. Pearson, B Company. 2nd. Pte. F. Howe and Pte. E. Howe.

POTATOE RACE.—1. Pte. Hill, C Company. 2. Pte. Argent, D Company.

POLE JUMP.—1. Pte. Clarke, H Company. 2. Pte. Few, B Company. 3. Pte. Feary, C Company. The winner final by cleared 8 feet.

PUTTING THE SHOT.—1. L. C. Symonds, C Company, 29 feet. 2. Corpl. Hatcher, C Company, 29 feet.

LONG JUMP.—1. Pte. Fakes, 16' 1½" (winning jump). 2. Pte. Candler. 3. Pte. Jarrold.

BAND RACE.—(120 yards, Handicap). 1. Bds. Candler. 2. Bds. Engefield. 3. Dorman. 4. Bds. Underwood.

LATE FOR PARADE RACE.—1. Lce.-Corpl. Jarrold. 2. Pte. Freeman.

VETERANS' RACE.—(1 yard for every year over 12). 1. Corpl. Palmby. 2. Pte. Woods. 3. Pte. Garwood. 4. Major Montagu.

HIGH JUMP.—1 Pte. Feary (4' 11"). 2. Pte. Fakes. 3. Lce.-Corpl. Davey, and Pte. Howe.

100 YARDS.—(Open). 1. Bandsman Candler (11secs.), Suffolk Regt. 2. Lce.-Corpl. Jarrold, Suffolk Regt. 3. Pte. Fakes, Suffolk Regiment. 4. Lce.-Corpl. Symonds, Suffolk Regt. 5. Pte. Clarke, Suffolk Regiment.

BICYCLE RACE.—(Last man in wins. 1. Lce.-Corpl. Newby. 2. Corpl. Hatcher. 3. Corpl. Palmby.

300 YARDS RACE.—(Native Troops). 1. Sikander Shah. 2. Jalar Khan. 3. Khuda Baksh. 4. Gulam Mahamad. 5. Fazl Khan. 6. Usman Khan. 7. Mahamad Khan.

HURDLE RACE.—(120 yards over 10 flights). 1. Lce.-Corpl. Jarrold. 2. Lce.-Corpl. Pearson. 3. Pte. Argent. 4. Pte. Clarke.

DONKEY RACE.—(One man riding on another's shoulders). 1. Ptes. Overett and Webb. 2. Corpls. Hatcher and Stowe. 3. Ptes. Newby and Day. 4. Ptes. Osborne and Croft.

QUARTER MILE RACE.—(Open). 1. Gr. Wood, 76 Company, R. G. A. 1. Pte. Fakes, Suffolk Regt. 3. Lce.-Corpl. Stowe, Suffolk Regt. 4. Pte. Bradley, Suffolk Regt. 5. Pte. Clarke, Suffolk Regt.

BUN AND TREACLE RACE.—1. Pte. Osborne. 2. Pte. Browne. 3. Pte. Hill. 4. Pte. Croft.

BALACLAVA MELEE.—(Teams of 4 on donkeys, competitors finding their own mounts). Won by C Company team.

ANIMAL RACE.—Lce.-Corpl. Newby, D. Company.

CHILDREN'S RACE.—1. W. Fruit. 2. Nott. 3. Collett.

ALARM STAKE.—(Six men under a non-commissioned officer). 1. C Company, under Lce.-Corpl. Naylor.

GYMNASTIC DISPLAY.—Under Sergt. May.

CONSOLATION RACE.—1. Pte. Thompson. 2. Pte. Cheney. 3. Pte. Tillbroke. 4. Pte. Cutting. 5. Pte. Ellis.

OFFICERS' DONKEY RACE.—(In Costume). Open to members of the Gymkhana. Ladies' nomination Mrs. Hulseburg, Mr. Beaument. Costume. Prize Objet d'Aat.

This event was very amusing and brought many competitors into the field in fantastic costumes. A letter containing a number of questions was carried by the gentleman to his nominator who opened the letter and answered the questions without the aid of her partner. The letter was then signed by the lady and handed to her partner who carried it to the winning post. Points were given for the questions answered correctly and order of passing the post.

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THREE LENGTHS HANDICAP.—The preliminary heats in this competition were swum off this afternoon. Seven of the ten entries started, with the following result:—

First Heat.

R. Jones (18secs. start; time—1min. 28⅘secs.) ...	1
A. Siddons (3secs. start; time—1min. 16⅘secs.) ...	2
G. Brown (scratch; time—1min. 15⅘secs.)	3
L. Prike (7secs. start; time—1min. 29secs.)	0

Second Heat.

K. M. Kennedy (8secs. start; time—1 min. 23⅘secs.) ...	1
W. S. J. Willson (16secs; start; time—1min. 32⅕secs.) ...	2
W Govan (4secs. start; time.—1min 20⅕secs.) ...	3

The final will be swum off at the Baths to-morrow evening.

At many of the little country gatherings, long since judiciously "outed" by at the reigning powers, some curious conditions were frequently found. It was at certain places stipulated that all horses running at the meeting should be stabled at a place appointed by the clerk of the course, who not infrequently owned a share in the wretched hovels for which owners had to pay so dearly. On other occasions it was required that every animal taking part in a race should be shod by the farrier appointed by the officials. For many years this state of affairs existed, until a somewhat barefaced scandal caused an investigation from headquarters.

To a rather pleasant *reunion*, where the lastmentioned rule was rigidly enforced, a gentleman took a couple of fair-class animals. Though not a plunger, the owner did not usually let his cattle run without backing them, and as a rule the betting at the meeting in question was not of the limited order that might have been expected.

On form it seemed that neither of the visitor's horses could be beaten. When, therefore, the first of them was seen to be ridden by a well-known jockey, the horse was backed as though defeat was out of the question. Despite the right money going on, however, there always seemed a disposition to lay against the favourite, and in the race he went no better than in the market.

Punters expected to get back their losses on the next of the good things, and went for this to a man. Once again the metallicians peppered the "pinch," and when it finished down the course the unsatisfactory performance did not altogether come as a shock to backers. The owner was completely mystified by the bad form his animals had shown, for, knowing how much better class they were than the other runners, he had exceeded his usual investment. That the jockey was not at fault he also felt certain, and for the time being gave up hope of solving the mystery.

In response to a communication from his trainer the puzzled proprietor set out for the stables the next morning. Not having been at the meeting, the trainer was astonished at hearing how badly his charges had run, and closely questioned the lads in charge, but without eliciting anything that would explain the strange circumstance. Upon examining the horses, however, he made a discovery. Both had, in obediance to the local law, been shod by an authorised farrier. The plates had, however, been put on in a manner that would cause the unfortunate animal great pain directly any extra pressure was necessary, though it would not entail lameness. It was apparent that this was the result of design rather than accident, and the suspicious market movements further confirmed the theory.

An appeal to the authorities was decided on by the justly indignant owner. Coming from a man as to whose integrity there could be no doubt, the case was thoroughly investigated, and the clause which rendered the process of "plating" by a privileged person necessary was ruthlessly struck out.

The Naturalist.

A NATURALIST IN THE N.-W. HIMALAYAS.

PART III.

UNLESS otherwise stated the following notes refer to the month of March.

A beech marten (*Mustela foina*) was trapped at an elevation of 7,000 feet in the Kashmiri Valley, this animal is common in Gilgit, Astor, and Ladak, and is reported from Kumaon, but the specimen referred to is the only one I have obtained south of the Snowy Passes.

The fur was blackish brown, with very little white on the throat, and breast, a poor looking pelt when compared with the pretty skins from the higher altitudes and from the colder climates of Baltistan. This is the skin eagerly bought up by the visitors to Srinagar and known by the native name of "Missr," I think I mentioned in a letter to *The Indian Field* that a very fine specimen was killed in a stack of wood in Astor when in winter time the beech marten comes close to habitations.

The length of an ordinary specimen is 16 to 17 inches, the tail exclusive of hair, about 9 inches with a long hairy tip.

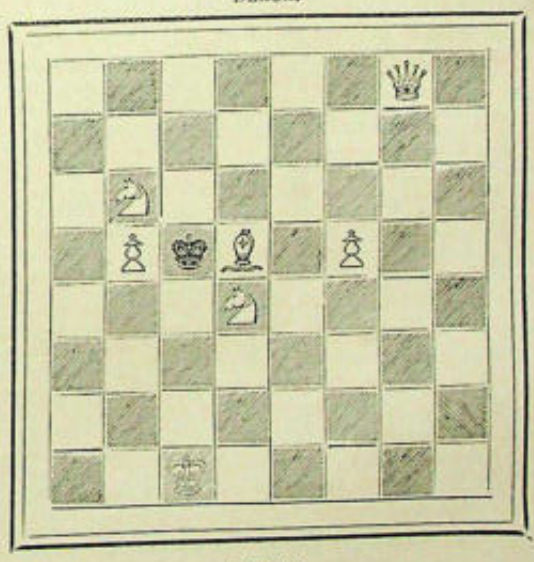
Two eggs of the Bearded Vulture, (*Gypaëtus barbatus*) were collected, both were feebly marked with red and brown the larger one measured 3·7 inches by 2·75 inches. A good many of these birds breed near Murree. All nests I have found were very difficult of access—this applies also to those of the Griffon Vulture (*Gyps fulvus*); although three large colonies of them were found on their breeding grounds, only one egg was gathered, it was more marked with minute reddish blotches than is any other I have previously obtained. The egg measured 3·65 inches by 2·9 inches. *Gyps himalayaensis*, the Himalaya Griffon lays a slightly larger egg, those obtained are variously marked with reddish blotches, in a lesser or greater degree—none were plain white.

The Rock-horned Owl (*Bubo bengalensis*) is common. I have never found more than two eggs in a clutch, the nesting place is in a hollow tree or amongst rocks, one nest that completely baffled my collectors was in a slit in a precipice, but as a rule this Owl chooses a more accessible place. An oviduct egg was obtained in May. Both the Wood Owls (*Syrnium biddulphi* and *S. nivicola*) appear to lay in March, all the nests I have obtained were in trees—two appears to be the usual number of eggs, the young are easily brought up, and become quite tame, I had three of S. Nivicola (the Himalayan Wood Owl) that travelled about with my baggage for years; they were caged when on the move and were let loose on arrival at camp. Scully's Wood Owl (*S. biddulphi*) is also easily reconciled to captivity and the young have been frequently brought to me in April and May. One fully fledged was caught on 5th May. When in captivity they appeared to partially lose their nocturnal habits and would come to be fed at any hour. A large number of wagtails migrate at this time of the year and we have yet to learn which pass through or reside in these hill, probably *Motacilla alba* certainly *M. personata*, *M. hodgsoni* this was in summer plumage and had changed into the stage of having a black throat, etc. The back had also lost its grey coloring. *Motacilla maderaspatensis*, the large Pied Wagtail I have not yet obtained, but *M. melanope* is common, so at times is *M. Beema*. Both the Yellow-headed Wagtails *Citreola* and *citreloides* can be met with, sometimes in large flocks they roost at nights closely packed together, when crossing the hills; but this migration does not as a rule occur until June.

Chess.

PROBLEM XXXVI.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

GAME No. 35.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P to K 4	1. P to K 4
2. P to K B 4	2. Q Kt to B 3
3. K Kt to B 3	3. P takes P
4. P to Q 4	4. P to K Kt 4
5. P to K B 4	5. P to Kt 5
6. Kt to Kt 5	6. P to B 3 (a)
7. Q takes P	7. P takes Kt
8. Q to B 5 ch	8. K to K 2
9. Q takes Kt P ch	9. Kt to B 3
10. P to K 5	10. K to B 2
11. Q B takes P	11. Q to K 2
12. Castles Q R	12. Kt to Q 4
13. Q to R 5 (ch)	13. K to Kt sq
14. K B to Q B 4	14. Q to K 3
15. K R to B 3	15. Q Kt to K 2
16. R to Kt 3 ch	16. Kt to Kt 3
17. R to K B square	17. B to K 2
18. Q B to K R 6	18. P to Q B 3
19. R to B 6	19. B takes R
20. R takes Kt ch (b)	20. K to B 2
21. R to Kt, double ch	21. K to B sq
22. R to B 7 double ch	22. K to K sq
23. R to B 8 double ch	23. K to K 2
24. Q to K 8 ch mate	

(a) Black plays all this game in a manner unusually spiritless.
(b) White here lights up in brilliant style the train which he has so ingeniously and elaborately laid.

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THE INDIAN GAME PRESERVATION BILL.

TO all sportsmen and lovers of natural history resident in India the news that the Government of India is at last definitely concerning itself with the question of a general scheme of game and fish preservation will have brought sincere pleasure and relief, and to these feelings must be added a sense of admiration for the essentially sound propositions set forth in the correspondence now circulating between Simla and Local Governments and their subordinate offices.

This correspondence consists of a Draft Bill for the preservation of game and fish in India, and a covering letter. The letter discusses with extreme care and minuteness, and from all the various points of view, the questions involved in the framing of the new legislation. In addition to tapping all the sources of official advice which the Government of India, has at its disposal, it invites special attention to the advisability of consulting "such persons and associations as are best qualified to express an opinion, whether from the point of view of the sportsman and the naturalist, or with regard to the interests of the people."

Such a thoroughly sensible and broad-minded method of investigation can only meet with the fullest appreciation and approbation of all classes concerned with the question of the preservation of Indian Game, and will go far to ensure the success of the forthcoming regulations which have so long been a crying necessity.

A short recapitulation of the views of Government on the question of game preservation methods in general is necessary in order to lead up to a discussion of those points which warrant special attention and regarding which there seems to be doubt. After this we shall refer to a few other matters which appear to deserve notice. There are probably yet more views of the question which would command attention and interest; and for the expression of such our correspondence columns will no doubt suggest a medium.

Taking the communications of the Government of India *seriatim*, we find the subject of Game Preservation introduced in the following words:

"The Governor-General in Council is unable to contemplate with equanimity the rapid diminution of game over the greater part of India. The subject is one which concerns not only the sportsman but also the naturalist and the lover of animal life. The pursuit of game is one of the few relaxations which render life in the plains more tolerable than it otherwise would be, and assist in preserving the health of Europeans in this country; and its disappearance would materially diminish the amenities of life in India. The sportsman is brought into relations with the natives of the country which show him the best side of their characters and assist him to acquire the spoken language of the peasantry,—results which possess a distinct value in the case of those whose work in life lies among the people. The number of natives who devote themselves to shikar as a means of livelihood is also considerable, and attendance upon sportsmen as trackers, hunters, or shikaris, provides a well paid occupation to many of the poorer classes who would greatly feel the loss of this employment, which is in many cases of a hereditary character and passes from father to son.

It is believed to be beyond doubt that in certain tracts, the diminution of forest game has compelled the beasts of prey to turn their attention to cattle, and even to human beings while the wholesale destruction of insectivorous birds can hardly be without injurious effect upon the crops of the country. Finally there seems no reason why those numerous wealthy Englishmen who yearly visit India for purpose of sport, should be allowed to indulge in it without payment or restriction, and to assist in reducing the fast dim-

inishing facilities which are available to those who are resident in this country.

For all these reasons the Government of India, as at present advised, incline to the opinion that the time has come when a general Game Law may fairly and properly be applied to the whole of British India. At the present moment India is probably almost alone among civilised countries in possessing no such law. Even in such undeveloped provinces as the African Protectorates and the Soudan, legislation has been found necessary for the protection of the local fauna.

Any such law for British India should, however, at any rate as regards the greater part of its provisions, be merely empowering; it should be of general applicability, rather than of general application. If it is true that in some parts of India game has almost disappeared, it is also true that in other parts it is so numerous as to render cultivation almost or altogether impossible. The Government of India have had instances of this quite recently under their notice and in some cases it has even been found necessary to resort to special and costly measures in order to reduce the number of herbivorous wild animals. In such places it would be most wrong to impose any special restraints upon the destruction of such animals. In many parts again while it would be perfectly legitimate to protect game in general, there are certain species—such, for instance; as antelope or wild pig (which latter indeed are game only where the country is such that they can be ridden), which are so destructive that their slaughter should be encouraged rather than the reverse.

Thus, the Indian Game Law should be an empowering Act, so framed as to afford the widest possible latitude of adaptation to the varying conditions of different localities and administrations, and to the claims and usages of all classes of the community. In framing and applying it, the Governor-General in Council is of opinion that three cardinal rules should be borne in mind; firstly, that wherever and so far as the preservation of game and the protection of crops are in substantial conflict, the former must give way to the latter; secondly, that no desire to preserve game, dangerous or otherwise, must be allowed to interfere with the destruction of wild beasts which are dangerous either to human beings or to cattle; and, thirdly, that whatever measures are adopted must apply equally to Europeans as well as to natives, without distinction of race."

Subsequently the Government of India's letter proceeds to record, as follows, the few objections that can be found to stand in the way of its propositions:—

"The objections which can be taken to a general Game Law for India are easily stated. The protection of the cultivator's crops is a consideration to which all others must give way; there are numerous, though strictly localised, forest tribes who, while forming but an infinitesimal portion of the total population, still depend largely upon the capture of game for their subsistence; and no law could be justified which did not amply provide for both these matters. Apart from them there is the general objection to the creation of new penal offences, the penalties for which must be enforced by a subordinate and often corrupt agency to whom the new provisions might afford new opportunities of extortion."

These interesting preliminary remarks are so entirely in accord with what seem to be the generally accepted views of all classes interested in the subject that they do not appear to call for any discussion. We may therefore proceed to a consideration of the Draft Bill itself.

The scheme of the Bill is simple. It provides fully for meeting all the widely differing requirements obtaining in different localities, by proposing to give local authorities a free hand to act as they consider suitable to local conditions. We shall therefore confine our remarks to such points only as appear open to discussion.

Clause 3 of the Bill exempts from its provisions

"Certain acts, among which the destruction of dangerous beasts, and the destruction by a cultivator of a large animal which is damaging his crops, are included."

This appears to us to be a likely source of weakness, and seems dangerously liable to abuse; especially with regard to the "large animal which is destroying his crops." Some method of stiffening this weak point seems necessary.

Clause 9 discusses the suitability of limiting the number which may be destroyed of an animal which is comparatively rare, but of which it is unnecessary to prohibit the killing altogether—and our opinion coincides with the view that, generally speaking, it is necessary to impose such limitations in reserved forests only.

Further.—

"The Government of India think that sportsmen in India might well be divided into three classes: (1) natives of the country and residents in India in the service of the Crown; 2) other residents in India, and (3) visitors; and that higher rate might be demanded from the third than from the second, and from the second than from the first."

But here we do not feel at all inclined to agree. We see no kind of reason to differentiate between official and non-official residents in this country: such a discrimination would be as invidious as indefensible. But while including both the above classes together with natives of the country in the first group of licensees, we would sound a note of warning as to the too easy acceptance of the term "resident," and suggest that most convincing definite proof be given in doubtful cases.

Visitors of all kinds we would group quite separately; and in view of the high license rates prevailing for this class in countries so undeveloped and so full of game as the African Protectorates, and considering the peculiar conditions prevailing in India, where the visitor is almost invariably an individual who can well afford to pay for permission to diminish the few facilities for sport available to residents, we would strongly recommend the imposition of a fairly large fee. The license for visitors shooting in the African Protectorates costs £50. That for India should be at least £100.

In addition it would be advisable to limit the visitor as regards the number of head of game he would be permitted to shoot. Six tigers, for instance, appear to us amply sufficient for a vistor, considering the fact that tiger shooting is almost entirely a matter of means and "connection"; and the one quantity frequently argues the other. Besides which, unless so restricted, a visitor, being hampered by no interest in the country, might feel inclined to extract "large value" in return for his enhanced fee.

While on this subject it may be useful to remark that although shooting in Native States might still be open to such visitors free of charge the imposition of a really stiff export duty on all sporting trophies taken from India by any visitor would help to automatically bring about the desired effect. And in this latter precaution would be included a direct and heavy blow at all trading in sporting trophies, since the purchase of such by wealthy visitors is what lends an impetus to the iniquities of those who provide them.

Combined with this supervision of the export of visitors' trophies there should be that of the large quantities of deer's horns despatched from India in trade pure and simple. We doubt whether anything like all the enormous quantities of deer's horns continually exported come through the Forest Officer's hands, or were shed by their owners in the ordinary course of events.

With regard to the protection of fish, the idea seems to be that, generally speaking, it is only the hilly portions of rivers that provide sport; and the Bill proposes to provide a close season in such portions alone. The few exceptions to this otherwise useful decision would be provided for by authorizing some special local ruling where necessary.

Since quite the most deadly method of the poacher consists in sitting up over water, it seems imperative that this should be made a penal offence, in spite of the opening it might give to the fabrication of false charges. The latter consideration would add to the deterrent nature of the measure, and go far to check poaching on the part of irresponsible and untrustworthy persons, who would thus be unable to easily practise their destructive methods during night or at dusk. Genuine offences should be particularly easy to detect, since some preparation—such as a *machan* or other hiding place—is nearly always a necessity in these cases, and should lead to exposure of the offender.

In conclusion the Government of India, anticipating a considerable revenue from the provisions of the new Bill, makes two suggestions for its application.

The first is to employ a special officer who would advise both themselves and Local Governments on the administration of the Game Law. His duty would be to move about the country and report in what parts game was diminishing from want of sufficient protection, and advise generally on the local restrictions in force. "He would also"—it is presumed—"be in touch with sportsmen and sporting associations all over India. The objection that this officer might regard the subject from the point of view of the sportsman, or the naturalist, and might urge action injurious to the interests of the people is met by proposing care in the selection of the individual appointed."

The second or alternative suggestion is "that the expected revenue be devoted to supplying guns *gratis* to those who hold licences for crop protection or for the destruction of dangerous animals; such weapons being the property of Government, and held on loan."

Now to both of these proposals we would return an emphatic "No!"—although we think that weapons confiscated for breaches of the law might well be isssued free and on loan to deserving cultivators after being cut down to a barrel length f one foot as hereafter referred to.

As to the special officer, the appointment itself would, no doubt, be one earnestly sought after, for it is difficult to imagine a more congenial employment for a man of active habits and a taste for sport, travel and the study of natural history. But we do not see how such an official could possibly be "in touch with sportsman and sporting associations all over India," or in the least degree capable of himself forming a useful opinion on the local conditions prevailing over the enormous extent of countries he would be supposed to supervise.

To be in touch with such local requirements, even to a limited extent, necessitates long and intimate acquaintance; and this the special officer—nor indeed a pretty large staff of such officers—could never hope to acquire in the meteoric progresses which would be necessary in order to work over a tithe of the ground *per annum*. An official of this kind would, of necessity, have to depend for his information on the local authorities, and would, therefore, be nothing but a superfluous collector of statistics; while his occasional unavoidable interference with local administrations might create friction.

To our mind the solution of the problem lies in another direction.

Since it is only the district officers who are both officially and privately in a position to acquire that reliable and continuous information which can render one capable of grappling with the question of local requirements, we would suggest that the fixing of local game rules should be left to them to effect, in consultation with each other and as a matter of joint agreement; while we think that the best results as regards the application and enforcement of the Game Laws, general and local, would be attained by similar joint action, all district officials—Executive, Forest, and Police alike—being empowered to deal with cases as they occurred in their immediate neighbourhood or jurisdiction. The enforcing of the Game Laws would, therefore, gain by the fact that all district officials were equally interested, while the little extra work entailed would be more easily absorbed by the extra working surface so available.

To co-operate with the district officials we would recommend quite a small but very select staff of superior subordinate assistants—specialists in fact whose duty would be confined to nothing but work under the Game Laws, the detection of offences, and the acquirement of a thorough knowledge of the smallest details affecting the question of Game Preservation in its general and local aspects. These officials might be of the class of the highest native ranks of the Police or Public Works Department, and preference might be given to selected Eurasians, Parsis, etc. Such posts should be well paid, up to, say, Rs. 150 *per mensem*.

In order to prevent jealous practices on the part of district officials in reserving shooting for themselves or for their personal friends—a state of affairs which is not altogether unknown—we would suggest that licence-holders entitled to shoot in reserved forests or to kill big game should be considered as all equally entitled to sport, whether they be local or other officials or private individuals, and that district and other officials should in no case be permitted by virtue of their position to reserve any special facilities to themselves. The acceptance by Government of a licence fee should entitle the complaint of a licencee to a careful hearing in this connection.

To turn now to a consideration of certain points not included in the new Bill or its explanatory correspondence, the following suggestions are tabulated:—

I. Tribes permitted to pursue game for a livelihood might be allowed the use of their own methods of trapping and snaring, etc., but should not be encouraged in the use of guns of any kind.

II. The destruction of wild-dogs and other harmful vermin should be encouraged by means of fairly large rewards.

III. Agencies for the collection and supply of sporting "trophies" should be suppressed.

IV. All guns licenced for the purpose of crop-protection should be invariably cut down to a maximum limit of 1 feet barrel length, and no other guns licenced for this purpose. All such weapons to be licenced free of charge.

V. Attention of a special kind should be paid to the use of weapons carried by the Police or by Forest subordinates in their official capacity. Such arms have, it is known, been used for the purpose of destroying game.

VI. The actions of jagirdars, inamdars, and other native gentlemen of leisure should be subject to scrutiny, even when in possession of game licences.

VII. Slaughtering protected animals during floods or heavy snowfall to be suppressed.

VIII. For animal Licences under Class I (residents in India of all classes and natives) the fees might with advantage be as follows:—

	Rs.
"A" Licence to kill and take Big Game...	25
"B" Licence to kill and take Small Game	15
"C" Licence to kill and take Ground Game and Birds	5

For "Visitors," (Class II) as already explained, the amounts of fees might be:—

	Rs.
"A" Licence	1,500
"B" Licence	30
"C" Licence	10

[In all cases the greater Licence to include the less.]

The different kinds of game might be classed as follows:—

Small Game.—Nilgae—Indian Antelope—Chinkara—Hog Deer—Four-horned Antelope—Barking Deer—Mouse Deer.

Big Game—All other animals, except Wolves—hyxnas—wild-dogs—wild-cats and pigs *when not near rideable country*—which might be classed with the lesser similar *fauna* as *vermin*.

IX. Wanton destruction of game by licence-holders to be suppressed ; but a reasonable distinction to be made between "wanton destruction" as a matter of sentiment on the one hand, and as a term implying harmful and unnecessary slaughter on the other. The definition would vary in different localities and circumstances.

X. Unlimited tiger-shooting should be regarded with a certain amount of disfavour, as otherwise there is a tendency for certain favoured persons to reserve to themselves and diminish for others those "facilities for sport" which the Government of India acknowledge to "materially increase the amenities of life in India."

Tiger-shooting is largely a matter of connection and the command of the services of subordinates and interested persons, and we do not see why the unlimited tiger-shooting in which some persons are thereby permitted to indulge should not be brought under the term of "wanton destruction," both as a matter of sentiment and necessity.

Six to ten tigers per annum appears quite large enough a "bag" for anybody. Native licence-holders for the destruction of dangerous animals might be encouraged and charged only a nominal fee in parts of the country where tigers were too numerous to justify their existence as a natural check on crop-destroying animals.

We see very little difference between unlimited tiger-shooting a la Lord Chief Executioner and the murdering of herds of buffalo and deer by means of Magazine rifles.

In concluding these remarks on the Game Preservation proposals we will permit ourselves to prophesy that the question of preservation of the *fauna* of India will find more salvation in the automatic action of a thoughtfully imposed scheme of licence fees framed in three separate forms, and in the application of the suggestion contained in our No. IV above, than in any of the other reforms to which we have had the pleasure of drawing attention.

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LONDON, *Wednesday, 17th August 1904.*

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(Winner trained by G. Chaloner.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Almscliff.

Won by a length and a half.

BETTING ON THE ST. LEGER.

LONDON, *Wednesday, 17th August 1904.*

Appended are the quotations to-day. 11 to 8 on Pretty Polly. 9 to 2 agst. St. Amant, 9 to 2 Ajax, 12 to 1 John O'Gaunt, 16 to 1 Gouvernant, 25 to 1 the others.

A certain Bishop of London was a very powerful man, and when he first preached in a church in the East End some of the policemen came to hear him. The Rector afterwards asked one of them what he thought of the new Bishop.
"Well," said the man, "I think it would take two of us to run him in!"

Sporting Notes.

THE weather at the Second Calcutta Monsoon Meeting was about as bad as it could well be, and the sport consequently inferior to that witnessed on the opening day. After blowing a gale all the morning and deluding sanguine sportsmen into believing that there was a reasonable hope of decent going in the afternoon, the clerk of the weather elected to damp their hopes, in a literal as well as a metaphorical guise, by turning on a veritable deluge about 2 P.M. which continued at intervals and with varying force during the rest of the day.

As a result the whole of the hurdle course was practically under water, as was also the flat course at the big tree turn. The paddock was a swamp and the space in front of the penciller's pitches, and under the humorous apology for a shelter (save the mark !) which has been introduced this year was more than ankle deep in slush. The employment of flimsy red bazar cloth for an awning in rainy weather is not only an ingenious form of economy, but is also quite above the average as a practical joke, as it not only fails to keep the water off, but by dying it red, causes the crowd of speculators to resemble a Hindu rabble after a *Holi* festival.

Some dissatisfaction was expressed at the handicapping and as a result the open flat race was reduced to a field of three. We do not propose to criticize the handicaps ourselves, the more so as it is always easy to be wise after the event, but we cannot help thinking that the mere fact of all the horses but three, out of a very fair entry, having the big "J" drawn through their names as soon as the weights appear speaks for itself. In the pony hurdles also, to judge from the confidence with which the winner was supported, and the ease with which he won, the burden had not apparently been too skilfully allotted.

We were not treated to the close finishes or the large fields which characterised the first meeting, but the racing was not without interest, though happiest were those who, untrammelled by the cares of ownership or the thirst for speculation, could watch the mudlarking in comparative comfort from the stand without the necessity of paddling about below.

The open hurdle race was robbed of most of its interest through Naiades' starting declaration being behind time ; but though it would have been a better race had she started, the result would in all probability have been the same so far as the winner was concerned.

Proceedings opened with the Pony Plate for which there were five starters. The public almost to a man selected Second Thought as being the pea and backed her to even money. The selection was right as Mr. Galstaun after waiting till Moonlight, who went off as if it was a half mile sprint, was done with came quietly to the front and won hands down by a couple of lengths.

Another hot favourite and an even easier winner was Shylock in the pony hurdles, indeed the only possible doubt of his winning was the chance of something coming near enough to cause him to play his old game of cutting it. Since being added to the list, however, his temper appears to have improved, and, at any rate, there were no signs of stopping last Saturday when he sailed in by two lengths, which might just as easily have been twenty. Yuletide, who was a good deal fancied for a place, ran very disappointingly, but possibly she was not quite herself, and will render a better account on a future occasion.

Another "moral" came off in the August Plate in which, in the absence of Naiades, Kittylea was backed to 6 to 4 on, a prohibitive price with the possibility of a fall to be taken into consideration. Road Metal cut out the work at a great pace followed by the chestnut mare to the flight by the Ellenborough, where the latter went to the front, and, drawing away, won very easily by five lengths. Bob, who ran a much better horse for his gallop last week was second, and Road Metal third. Belmeath was pulled up.

Another field of five went out for the Hunters' Plate and Planet was made a hot favourite at even money, the fortune which had hitherto favoured the public selections struck work at this point, and for the rest of the day favourites were off. Planet ran a shocking bad horse, but, we are told, that he cannot act in the mud, and under more favourable conditions he will no doubt give a very much better show. Blue Bell II. cantered home an easy winner followed at some distance by Odin, to whom the race was subsequently awarded as the result of an objection to the winner for going the wrong side of the first drum at the home turn. The objection occupied the Stewards over an hour !

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Clynder was made favourite for the Monsoon Plate, though, had the going been hard, Invincible should have had the race at his mercy at the weights. Clynder had the race won at the distance and Mr. Galstaun had dropped his hands to canter home, when Sunshine came with another run, and as Mr. Galstaun set his mare going again, she put her foot in a hole, nearly coming down, and was unable to get on her legs again in time to save the race.

The best field of the day went out for the Fort Plate, with Thunder Cloud an even money favourite, and Morris and Reinzette next in demand. The winner turned up in Euryalus who won pretty comfortably by a length and-a-half from Reinzette. Morris a length away, third. Further details of the racing appear in the usual place.

The Calcutta Light Horse have arranged a Gymkhana for Saturday, the 27th instant. The venue will be on the *maidan* opposite No. 40 Chowringhee and the Card will consist of six items :—Tent pegging, saddle, cigar and umbrella race, jumping and needle and thread competitions, menagerie and pumpkin races. Entries close on Monday, the 22nd instant.

The programmes of the Jubbulpore Autumn Meeting, fixed for the 1st and 3rd November, and that of the Open Gymkhana, set down for the 5th idem, appear under "Races to Come" this week. There are two races of Rs. 500—one on each day, for details concerning which we refer our readers to the programmes themselves.

Friends of Mr. D. Coates Niven, that enthusiastic volunteer officer and formidable amateur boxer, will hear with regret of his retirement from India after a long spell of ill-health. Details of an interesting farewell and presentation of which he was recently the recipient appear in another part of the paper.

Mr. Tom Uphill held his sale of horses at "Tattersalls" Bhowanipore Road, Calcutta on the 12th instant. The attendance was poor, owing most probably to the wretched state of the weather. A splendid lot of horses was put up, but the prices obtained were far below expectation, in fact it appeared to us that many of those to whom the lots were knocked down might well shake hands with themselves on having made real good bargains, for many years' experience has taught us that when Mr. Tom Uphill says he has brought up a first class lot he states what is the fact. Most of the lots were in good condition, but in the prevailing slush they could not be shown to the best advantage, which was a pity. Among the more important purchases we may note the following :—

A bay filly, 2 years, by Comedian (brother to Tim Swiveller) from Busy Bee (dam of Hymettus, Cordite, Viking, Hive, Honey-bee, Fuse, etc.), by The Marquis (imp.) from Beeswing (sister to Tom Kirk), by Lady Kirk from Spa (imp.), (dam of Newminster), by Lemington from Satanella, by Newminster, etc., Rs. 3,000.

The Ilk, chestnut mare, 3 years, by Thunderbolt (son of Musket), from De Novo (sister to Response), by Richmond from Biss Biss (a record holder), by Countryman (imp.) from Miss Heslop (imp.), by Plaudit or Casta from Serenity (imp.), whose descendants have won £15,000 in Australia, Rs. 1,150.

A bay mare, 6 years, by Priam (sire of Mairp), from Sivia by Boolk from Collyrie, by Panic (imp.), dam Sea Kale by Lady Kirk from Saucepan (imp.), by Costerdale from sister to Gridiron by Daniel O'Rourke from Monges, dam by Bay Middleton from Gray Momons, dam by Cervantes, Rs. 875.

Dingo, chestnut gelding, 5 years, by Chronograph from Bess, Bathurst, a great performer, by Maribyrnong. Dingo is a first class jumper over any country, Rs. 810.

A brown gelding, 4 years, by Trentside (son of Trenton and Lady Disdain (imp.) from Wiora, by Neckersgat from Auroona by The Marquis (imp.), from Sunrise (imp.) by Saunterer from Sunset, by Dundee from Sunbeam (winner of the English St. Leger), by Chanticleer Rs. 800.

A brown mare, 6 years, full sister to Shrine by Lonsdale (winner of the Maribyrnong Plate), dam Voatress by Off Colour, from The Nun (winner of the Oaks) by First King (winner of two Champion races), from Pilgrimage by Kelpie, from Young Emily by Cossack, from Young Lady Emily by Whisker, from Lady Emily (imp.) by Manfred Rs. 1,000.

A chestnut pony mare, 4 years, by Glengarry—Aileen, Rs. 825.

A chestnut gelding, 4 years, by Hankar from Lady Matsep, Rs. 625.

Following the above sale some of Messrs. Mackellar and Smith's animals were put up for sale. Glenister by Paulus—Rita, went for Rs. 1,000 ; Stelliform by Lord Cochrane—Stella, realised Rs. 810.

There are a few good race-horses now on their way to India from Australia, notably Charleston, Hidalgo and Banker.

The dates of the Rawalpindi Sky meeting advertised for 5th, 7th and 10th January 1905 have been altered to 15th, 17th and 20th December 1904.

Mr. G. B. Paris has been appointed a Steward of the Calcutta Turf Club during the absence of the Hon. Mr. G. S. Henderson.

Ten thousand rupees is said to have been the figure at which Settle, the Waler pony landed ex steamer *Fortunatus*, changed hands the other day.

The Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show will be held on the 30th September. The Dog section, under the rules of the N. I. K. A., will be a championship show, the first authorised championship show ever held in India, and should therefore secure good entries. Besides the special prizes given by the N. I. K. A. there will be a solid silver bowl presented by "Kader" for the best Great Dane. It is to be won outright, and similar specials will be given for two more years, with a view to encouraging the Great Dane, not necessarily at Mussoorie, but at other shows held under N. I. K. A. rules.

While all the stories of telepathy between human beings remain as incapable of proof or explanation as they do at present, it is hardly to be expected that everyone will accept a story, however credibly attested, of the same mysterious sort of communication between a man and his dog. But, none the less, there are some very striking and curious suggestions in the letter recounting what purports to be an odd experience of this kind, which is contributed to the *Times* by Mr. Rider Haggard. Briefly, the well-known writer decribes how he was disturbed by a very vivid dream, in which it seemed to him that his retriever was struggling for his life, and trying to tell him that he wanted help. The retriever's body was afterwards found in a stream, into which it seems to have been knocked by a train. Mr. Haggard does not rush to any conclusions on the matter, but is clearly inclined to believe that this was an instance of the kind of mental telegraphy at a critical moment, of which everybody knows cases as reported to have occurred between a couple of brothers, or a husband and his wife. For all we know, science may eventually establish the possibility of such a communication between the "friend of man" and man himself, but at present it is not able to form any conclusions deserving acceptance as to the authenticity or character of such messages even between man and man. And, in the meantime, not much good can come from laymen in matters psychological attempting to meddle with the question at all.

The Naini Tal Polo Tournament begins on the 26th September, entries closing on the 22nd idem.

Our Madras Correspondent writes :—"I have just received a number of official papers from Mysore describing a very virulent outbreak of bubonic disease, attended almost invariably with fatal results among the elephants, cattle and wild beasts in the Kakenkote Division of the Mysore District. Kakenkote, it may be remembered, was one of the centres of the Mysore kheddah operations and even now there is maintained a large stud of trained elephants for catching their wild brethren by the 'surround' system, and, for draught purposes, in connection with timber cutting in the forests. The disease was first noticed among these trained elephants, four of which were almost simultaneously seized with the disease and died within three days. The symptoms are a big swelling between the hind legs which gradually travelled towards the neck when the infected beasts quickly succumbed. Four wild elephants, three males and one female, were found dead in the Kakenkote Forest, also one bison, five sambhur, and deer and other animals. Later one of the Mysore Palace elephants caught the disease and died very suddenly. It also attacks cattle very seriously, and the Mysore Government are taking prompt steps to segregate all healthy cattle on the appearance of the disease among village cattle, and in as small groups as possible to avoid wholesale destruction should the disease make its appearance among the segregated cattle."

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Our Bangalore Correspondent writes :—Paperchasing has been postponed from week to week owing to execrable weather, but a "chase" was at last brought off on the 9th instant from the Imperial Service Lancer lines to the Officers' Mess of the Queen's Own Sappers and Miners in St. John's Hill. Captain Cole and Major Smyth led, riding side by side, almost throughout and finished together, Mrs. Scott-Elliott being the first lady home. There was a numerous field including many ladies, and the hospitable Sappers dispensed refreshment to one and all at the finish. After the paperchase a most amusing skittle polo match on mules was played between the Carabiniers and the Sappers, the latter winning. Some of the mules decidedly objected to the pursuit of the ball, and one irritated animal deposited his rider on the turf, but others—notably that ridden by Mr. Wagstaffe, R.E.—seemed to enter into the spirit of the game as keenly as their riders, and were quite handy. A skittle gymkhana was organised by Mr. Anketell-Jones on the 6th instant which was distinctly successful, but with the exception of the competition for the tent pegging challenge cup, the events hardly came under the heading of legitimate sport. This competition was won by Captain Cole of the Carabiniers, Captain Watson of the same regiment being second.

The following are the entries for the Poona Junior Polo Tournament:—The Royal Dragoons, the 29th and 30th Lancers, 26th and 23rd (two teams) Cavalry, the 93rd Highlanders, Sappers (two teams), Royal Artillery, Connaught Rangers, East Lancashires and Freebooters.

The semi-barbarians, who attend the bull fights and other disgusting exhibitions in Spain, usually view these revolting spectacles from the safety afforded by seats perched high up round the arena. But they are not always safe from harm as is proved by a recent incident, for though the miserable combatants may not reach them and maul them they are liable to be shot and killed by a panic-stricken and brutal soldiery. The case we refer to occurred at San Sebastian. A fight between a Bengal tiger and an Andalusian bull was announced, and had attracted an enormous crowd on Sunday, 14th July. Guards, armed with Mausers, were stationed in the arena. The two animals were brought on separately and the bull eyed his opponent savagely, but the wretched tiger at first refused to get out of the cart. Eventually some brute fired a squib which dislodged him. Instantly the bull dashed at him with horns down. The tiger was gored, but caught his opponent in the neck. The bull shaking him off, remained stamping the ground, while the tiger retired crouching for a leap. The same tactics were repeated over and over again for half an hour, when the spectators, impatient because they had expected something more exciting, began to hoot. A bloodthirsty photographer got into the arena and prodded the tiger with a pole over the barrier. The poor beasts attacked each other again, but soon fell apart, and stood looking at one another, apparently having not the least inclination to fight.

The fiendish spectators, in a fury, thereupon jumped into the arena, and shouted all the names they could think of at the animals, hissed, lit squibs, and danced like mad creatures round the cage. The bull, excited by the noise, gored the tiger once more, and got him against the bars of the enclosure. At that moment the latter barrier was seen to yield. In a few seconds it fell, and the cage was open.

Then there were yells of terror, and the brutish crowd fled in a wild panic. Simultaneous reports of firearms were heard, and several men fell wounded. The guards and everyone possessing a gun had blazed away indiscriminately. Fifty persons were hit; twelve by Mauser bullets. [We are pleased to read of it Ed. *I. F.*] Fourteen were severely hurt, three were in a critical condition, and one man was dead. An American, one Livingstone, of New York, who ought to be whipped for being at the show, was injured, and will bring an action for damages. The fusillade eventually killed the tiger, which, for that matter, had made no attempt to attack anyone, he, being too badly mauled.

The bull all the while stood calmly in the middle of the arena, as peaceful as his dead adversary had been. He was eventually led off, when the spectators fell like savages on the tiger's carcase, actually hacking off the head, the tail, the paws, and pieces of the skin, to take away as mementos.

The Countess Lizariturri, who was wounded in the course of the panic, succumbed to her injuries on 25th July.

We publish to-day a report of the second day of the Bellary Races which we regret reached us too late for inclusion in our last issue. The little meeting was quite a success.

The danger attendant on disturbing bees during operations in the jungle is well recognised by shakaris out here ; some of us have had experience of apiarian attacks more or less severe, to others it is a treat in store ! An instance occurred recently in Pahang, down in the Straits Settlements, when a surveyor had the bad luck to disturb a bees' nest. On seeing what he had done, he turned and bolted through the jungle. But it was of no use ; for a large number of the insects pursued him and stung him on the eyes, nose, cheeks, neck, and hands. After a run of about a quarter of a mile, with the insects at work all the time, he fell and the bees appeared to pass over him. But shortly afterwards saveral of them returned to the charge. During his wild rush through the jungle the unfortunate surveyor tore and cut himself badly with thorns. Finally, one of his coolies discovered him and took him back to his quarters. During this encounter some of the surveyor's coolies took refuge in an adjacent stream, but they were also attacked and finally had to bolt through the jungle.

We have to thank Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Company for a copy of the last number of *The Bookshelf*, a publication ever welcomed to those in this country who read and endeavour to keep themselves in touch with current literature. We have further to thank the writer of *Currente Calamo* for the following notice of our last little book :—"The success that has attended The Indian Field Shikar Book" is a little bewildering and only serves to show the great need there evidently was for such a work. The handy size of the volume commends it at once, and then the information is so concise and precise. If for no other purpose than that of settling bets, a copy should be in every club house and chummery in India. The first edition (a very large one) was disposed of in a little over a fortnight and the second edition cannot be in print much longer at the rate it is being bought up at the present time."

In connection with the present agitation on the subject of Game Preservation—an agitation which the Editor of this paper began some time ago in another journal—the following is of interest :—

"We, Members of the Committee of the Nilgiri Game and Fish Preservation Association desire to record our opinion on the Bill for protection of Game and Fish throughout India and on Mr. Risley's letter which accompanies it—

(1) We would represent that the very *raison d'être* for the proposed legislation is *the waste of fish and game*, both as food supplies and as objects of sport.

(2) That the primary object should therefore be to efficiently safeguard what game and fish *now exist and to foster the same and encourage their reproduction.*

(3) That where protective measures have been for years in existence the Forest Subordinates, the Police Subordinates and the special game watchers (all save those under the immediate eyes of the many sportsmen resident on the Nilgiri *plateau*) have not only proved themselves utterly useless in controlling the havoc and evil practices for the following reasons :—

(*a*) General laxity and sympathy with offenders ; (*b*) Paucity of numbers and therefore lack of time ; (*c*) Corruption and venality ; and (*d*) Fear :—But have in many instances within our personal knowledge condoned and even assisted in breaches of the law.

(4) We therefore think and we would strongly urge, that whatever legislation may be decided on, the first and most important thing for its enforcement is to organise reliable means for supervision and prevention; and we feel assured that this cannot be properly done unless it is made the duty of special and carefully selected officers and staffs for the purpose, each officer to be in protective charge of the forests and upper waters of the rivers of as large an area as it may be deemed he can efficiently control (say, for instance, three, or at the least two for the Madras Presidency, and so forth.)

(5) These officers should, of course, be men possessing a knowledge of the people, the country, and the languages as far as possible in their charge, and men who have shown an interest in the object in view.

(It would not do to put a Madras man into a charge in Beluchistan, for instance, or a Bengal man into Southern Madras.)

We therefore urge that under the heading of "Application of Funds" in Mr. Risley's letter, the funds realized by sale of licenses and accruing from penalties under the act should be applied as follows :—

First.—To the expenses of European officers and staffs to protect the existing game and fish, who would explain the law where it is most necessary, *i.e.*, in the very jungles where the finest game and fish, perhaps in the world, exist, and would breed if permitted, and where offences are most rife, and to *encourage the people who now waste* the fish food supply and the game supply that has been put within their reach to conserve the same and to foster it for their own benefit.

Second.—(The above being *completely provided for*) towards the introduction of new, or foreign species of fish or game.

Constant representations having resulted in inducing officials, in most parts of the country, to establish a close time for preservation of mature game, we may as well put in a plea for similar restrictions being framed for preventing the capture of immature animals and birds ; few people realising the large number of these which at this season are brought in to perish miserably from sudden deprivation of their natural sustenance. Unweaned young of all animals are of course more easily captured so the temptation to secure them in that stage is strong, but few natives, and even Europeans, understand how to bring up wild creatures, fewer still care to take the trouble to conform to nature's demands. Milk is by no means plentiful even in this pastoral country, so some mucky mixture of conjee, sugared water or other substitute is resorted to, and is forced down the throat at odd times and without the least regard to its condition, hence the wretched little cub, etc., is sacrificed. Could the captive be quickly conveyed to the hands of the collecting agents, where they would receive intelligent attention, no great harm would ensue, but as a rule attempts are made to retain them in the villages till opportunity is afforded of sending them off. Thus, we believe that, speaking well within the mark, full 80 per cent. of the captives die off.

In inviting the attention of the authorities and collectors to this subject we propose that no systemstic capture of young animals should be permitted before the middle of November, by which time in Northern and Central India the graminivorii can pick a bit and the other creatures have developed a taste for something stronger than milk ; the parents of the latter, at any rate, display less ferocity in defence of their offspring as soon as they become less dependent on a mother's care. The postponement would in reality make capture more easy, for on the one hand the crops are ripening, drawing deer, etc., to the outskirts of cultivation, while the Carnivora find village goats and cattle more getable than the denizens of the forests, who are more easily alarmed and show much greater and prolonged solicitude for their progeny.

There would seem to be an increasing demand for imported deer for the forests and even private parks in Europe and the United Kingdom, and no wonder, when we read of such a partially crippled sportsman as the Kaisar talking about having grassed his thousandth stag ! Royalty generally set the example, so we must be prepared to hear less of abnormal head trophies than of the *number* of monarchs of the glades or glens laid low. That this must tell as time goes on is inevitable, and as the importation of foxes is now a recognised business, the day is not far distant when most of our regular liner vessels, plying in the early spring, will carry regular consignments of deer home, for with but very moderate shelter the whole of our antlered tribe, would soon accommodate themselves to the northern climates, if allowed their first season in the southern counties.

Anyone wanting a good tent for the ensuing cold weather shooting may do worse than communicate with "E" whose advertisement appears among our casual announcements.

A few snipe were shot in the vicinity of Calcutta last Sunday : the best bag we have heard of was eleven and-a-half couple at ——— well "somewhere up the line."

Mr. Peel's bk aus g Milos has been re-named Surtaj II.

Our Poona Correspondent writes :—*Lady Gorringe's Necklace* is a somewhat ambitious effort for amateurs, and I must confess that when I found it had been selected as the comedy to be played at Government House, I was a little timid as to the critique I was to receive from my tame dramatic critic who has the entrée to high official circles, since it is altogether unfashionable and unforgiveable to publish unfavourable comments on amateur efforts. I need not, however, have felt any qualms on the subject, for his verdict is extremely flattering, as I know he is not given to rhapsody or fulsome compliment. *Place aux dames.* Mrs. Crowe as the vivacious and irrepressible Mrs. Gorringe was admirably clever, he says, while Mrs. Baddeley sacrificed herself unstintingly to give a realistic representation of the very trying Mrs. Jardine.

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Telegrams:—"Hercules," CALCUTTA.

Of Mrs. Bonus as Isabel Kirke, however, my critic declares he can scarcely speak too highly. It was, he assures me, an effort of a very high order. Nor were the male *dramatis personæ* less ably represented. Mr. Jeaffreson, as Captain Mowbray, gave a clever rendering of the difficult part of Captain Mowbray—apt at times to sink from extreme virtue to the brink of priggishness. Captain Bayford played the fussy, good-intentioned Colonel Jardine cleverly and admirably avoided the temptation of falling into exaggeration. As the thick-skulled detective Jeringars, Mr. du Boulay was excellent, and finally the weak, selfish villain of the piece, who expiated all his weakness and offence in one great renunciation, was splendidly portrayed by Mr. Fry. The piece was, as one may easily believe, admirably staged and the whole performance was, my art critic declares, far above the ordinary amateur description of comedy acting and reflected the utmost credit on all concerned.

With reference to the objection against Blue Blood in the August Plate on the previous Saturday, the Stewards, on the grounds of incorrect declaration of ownership, fined Mr. Mehta, the owner, Rs. 500, but decided that in the circumstances of the case there was no necessity to disqualify the mare.

The Third Extra meeting passed off smoothly and provided a very pleasant day's racing, including two hurdle races of 1¼ miles over six flights. In the pony race the public went for whilom flat racers, but it was satisfactory to see a genuine "lepper" score, and Colonel Hazelton's wonderfully quick hurdler, Patrician, practically won his race at the first hurdle and gaining several lengths at each obstacle came sailing home, A. Hoyte pulling up to a veritable canter.

But if the first event was a trifle tame, the public had lots of excitement for their money in the Horse Hurdles, for Dumbell, who was greatly fancied, turned turtle at the first bit of brushwood, Bond taking his annual toss luckily with only a scraped face, and barring the diminutive Vixen (who was quite out of her class in such company) it was at the penultimate hurdle anyone's race. Here, however, Mr. Bass' Stoddart, taking off too soon, "came it," giving what seemed at first a nasty spill to the distinguished General Officer riding under the name of Mr. Bryan, who was piloting him, and it was a relief to all to see the rider quickly on his feet again. This left the result to Daroji, Badger, and Fitzeros, and the first name, almost unbacked, struggled home (with A. Hoyte revelling in even a hurdle race when he can't take a turn over the big fences) from Badger (with Hoyte the younger up), who was slowly but surely overhauling the leader.

Then came a little bunch of no less than 18 starters over 5 furlongs, and it was quite one of Mr. O'Gorman's happiest efforts, for he got them despatched to a wonderfully level start with very little delay. In a great cluster they came into the straight and two or three candidates made futile attempts to get through the vanguard and possibly Calcutta was unfortunate in getting no closer than third. Out of the throng at the finish Jimmy Robinson gradually squeezed ahead in characteristic manner on Delerjung with Caravan second, and quite a number all in a cluster close up.

That beautiful blood pony, Grey Fox once again showed that he is quite on the top of his form as despite getting, as is his custom, none too good a start, he gradually overhauled his field and Foster, riding a very determined finish, was able to secure a victory; all the more creditable as I heard he was very severely kicked at the post and was in great pain.

Sixteen went under Mr. O'Gorman's orders for the fifth race, and once again he was in his best form, Arabian Flag with little Heeroo up winning from Captain Bayford's Borderer—a very excellent performance over 7 furlongs for an animal that was till quite recently playing polo.

The curtain was rung down with a closed welter-weight race for horses and it is surely worth noting that in this event no less than two very distinguished General Officers competed. If this is not sport, what is? The public thought they were following a sound principle in sticking to that fine horseman "Mr. Locke," who once at any rate was, I believe, quite in a class by himself, and considerable support was accorded to Half a Crown, owned and ridden by Major Moore. Young Mr. Deane, however, was not to be denied, and pegging along on the large-striding Moroney drew away and won quite comfortably, a very creditable performance for a novice, as he trained as well as steered the winner.

The entries for the Third Calcutta Monsoon Meeting are on the whole satisfactory, with the exception of the hurdle race, which has only drawn five names, and has therefore, strictly speaking, not filled. The Stewards, however, decided to allow the race to stand, and in point of fact it would not have been easy to have framed a substitute likely to draw a field, as all other classes, unless we except a pony hurdle race, have already been catered for. The race, however, will probably not be of great interest, as in all likelihood not more than three will start, and the winner, unless some considerable alteration be made in the weights, will be the same as on the last two occasions.

The remaining events have drawn nine or ten horses apiece, and even allowing for a few double entries there should be no lack of starters. As with the exception of the Amateur Plate, all the races on the card are handicaps, it would be idle to indulge in speculations before seeing the weights allotted. As regards the terms race, however, we like March (provided the going is fairly dry), Road Metal, and Quicksilver, and shall look to them to finish in that order. Should the course be very heavy we do not fancy March, but would substitute Daffodil.

We were somewhat edified the other morning on the course by a flow of Billingsgate from the lips of a certain monsoon racing official directed at a well-known Calcutta G. R. As a flow of rhetoric it was sublime, re-calling the best efforts of the immortal Teddy Weekes, and in fact, as the historic 'bus-driver remarked, "Lor lumme it's a gift." At the same time, however, we have yet to learn that the position of a minor official at a race meeting warrants his expressing his disapprobation of a G. R.'s breach of course rules in *quite* so forcible a manner, and we cannot refrain from remarking that the ebullition appeared to us wholly unnecessary.

Athletic Notes.

WE draw attention to the advertisement regarding the Durand Football Tournament which will be found among our casual notifications. Entries close on Tuesday, the 22nd instant.

The report of the Committee of the Bombay Gymkhana for the half-year ending 30th June last to be submitted to the General Meeting to be held in the Pavilion on Monday, the 29th instant, shows that the total number of members of the Gymkhana is 2,224, of whom 442 were resident on the 30th June; 63 new members have been elected during the past half-year, and 17 members have resigned; 54 temporary members were elected during the half-year. During the six months just ended Mr. P. W. Cresswell undertook the duties of Golf Secretary in place of Mr. C. M. Gray, resigned, and Mr. N. R. Medley accepted the invitation of the Managing Committee to be a member of the Ballotting Committee in place of Mr. H. Cheetham, left for England.

The report states that the season has opened very well, and owing to the large attendance at the nets and the keenness of members to play in matches, there is no difficulty in selecting men for the two teams. The absence of one or two old players will be a distinct loss, but the advent of fresh blood promises to be useful, and there is every reason to believe that the Gymkhana will have a good record at the end of the season. The ground is in a more satisfactory condition as the rain water drains off more quickly than it previously did.

Polo is being fairly supported this season, and prospects are well up to the average.

The Racquets court was fairly well attended during the half-year under report, the average number of players per month being 15 (in 19th June). The Annual Single Tournament was held during February, for which there were seven entries. The Cup was won by Mr. A. H. C. Kearsey, Y. and L. Regiment. Very thorough improvements to the roof were taken in hand at the end of April and completed by the end of May. The annual cost (last year Rs. 252) of repairing the roof, which had become very leaky and almost impossible to keep water tight, will now be greatly reduced.

The Lawn Tennis courts were regularly used throughout the half-year. The Open Challenge Cup (Singles) was won by Mr. R. Kidd, and the Open Challenge Cup (Doubles) by Messrs. J. S. Milne and R. Kidd. Mr. W. Reid again carried off the Marryat Cup. The Annual Handicaps attracted a fair number of entries. Messrs. J. S. Milne and A. Crichton owing 4/6ths won the Doubles and Mr. C. Thomson receiving 3/6ths won the Singles.

All the boats have been kept in good condition during the past six months, but they have not been patronized very frequently.

The interest in golf was well sustained, even during the hot weather, when the course necessarily becomes somewhat uninteresting. The ground is in good condition now, and the team matches, which were so successful last monsoon, are again being played. The results of the concluding competitions of the season were as follows:—Blackheath Medal Scratch won by Mr. J. Stiven; Wimbledon Silver Cup Scratch, Mr. O. Marshall; St. George's Medal Scratch, Mr. C. M. Gray; Forty-twa Medal Handicap, Mr. A. W. Daldy; Golfers' Cup Handicap, Mr. E. E. Coombs.

In football Rugby games have not started this season, and great keenness is being displayed. It is hoped to put in a good team for the Tournament in September. An Association eleven has been entered for the Harwood League and has played several matches.

Hockey was begun in April and ended with the usual Open Tournament for the Aga Khan Challenge Cup, for which there were eighteen entries—a record number considering that Military Regulations prevented any teams from native regiments entering. The Gymkhana Team beat the R.G.A. from Colaba in the first tie, but were knocked out in the second round by the Royal Scots The Middlesex Regiment eventually won the Cup.

Owing to the bad condition of the bowling green before the rains, the attendance was not so good. One competition was held, the winner being Mr. G. C. Anderson.

A statement of assets and liabilities and the balance sheet for the past half-year is issued and in regard to this the Committee point out that there is still a balance of liabilities over assets of Rs. 1,667-8-5. During the past half-year the roof of the Bar was thoroughly repaired at a cost of Rs. 764-4-0. The racquet court roof was also found to be in very bad repair, and extensive altera ions have, therefore, been made to it at a cost of about Rs. 2,000, as this is not of the nature of an ordinary repair, but is a structural improvement to the building, the estimated value of the racquet court has been increased from Rs. 22,700 to Rs. 24,700 in the Statement of Assets.

The nett proceeds realised from the Indian Football Association charity match, after paying Rs. 311-4-0 for expenses, amounted to Rs. 2,289-6-6. This is rather less than last year, but not unsatisfactory. The whole sum will be paid to the Calcutta Hospital Nurses' Institution.

Our Footballers are doing well for local charities this year. The Calcutta League charity match provided Rs. 1,111 which, with the above, makes a total of Rs. 3,400-6-6. Not too bad!

The Bengal Automobile Association held a general meeting on the 11th instant at the new rooms of the Association in the Asiatic Society's buildings. Dr. J. Nield Cook was in the chair and opened the meeting with a short review of the position and prospects of the Association and the work done by the Committee. It was shown that the Association was solvent, the income exceeding the present expenses by about Rs. 50 a month; that the membership was increasing; that the Association was provided with comfortable quarters in a central situation, which had been furnished by the liberality of some of the members, and that the Committee had done a good deal of useful work in connection with Rules and Regulations affecting the motor industry and the convenience of private motorists. Dates were fixed for a run to Barrackpore and back and an inaugural dinner to be held in the new rooms. After some discussion on motor topics, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and the Committee.

The Bombay Gymkhana Rugby Football Tournament will be held from the 26th September to 1st October. The winners will hold the Bombay Gymkhana Challenge Cup for one year, which must not be taken out of India. The tournament will be played under the Rugby Union Rules. Entries must be made before 17th September. The Cup is at present held by the Calcutta F. C.

In our London Sporting Letter will be found full details of the International Athletics, in which the American Colleges defeated Oxford and Cambridge in a decided manner by six events to three. The events won by Oxford and Cambridge were the half mile—H. E. Holding, Oriel Coll., Oxford; the mile—H. W. Gregson, the Old Oundelian and Light Blue President; and the two miles—M. H. Godby, Christchurch, Oxford.

In the course of some remarks on this meeting, communicated to a London sporting paper, that well known athlete, the Rev. W. H. Workman, says:—"I do hope and implore our University men to learn a lesson from the meeting. They cannot hope to compete with Americans unless they train for a long period beforehand and get more experience

in *racing*, not merely running. Throughout the meeting nearly all our men bore the stamp of being but half trained. In the summer one needs to train gently for at least two months; in hot weather it is impossible to suddenly get really fit in a month. Undoubtedly the Americans deserved to win. May we learn a lesson, and in a year or two send a team to America that shall wipe Saturday's little account off the slate." There is no doubt that until we conform more generally to American methods in Athletics we can never hope to beat them.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes:—In view of the attempt that is to be made to enter teams for the Poona Junior and Open Polo Tournaments, Bombay polo players have during the past fortnight been practising hard and already an appreciable improvement is noticeable in their play. I fear, however, that if Bombay is represented at Poona the team will find itself handicapped in respect of the inferior class of ponies it will have to use. With the game languishing as it has for year, it is not to be expected that its few votaries in Bombay would care to spend heavy sums on highly trained, fast animals, so that if a team can be sent to Poona and fares badly it will be as much due to the inferior qualifications of the ponies as to the want of form of the players. All hope that the ancient greatness of Bombay as an Indian Polo centre will ever be restored must be dismissed for good, as the consummation of such a hope could only be realised by a large increase in the military population. Polo is essentially a military game and if the authorities were to convert Bombay into a first class military station there would be a Phœnix-like rise in the fortunes of the game in the Western India capital. In the halcyon days of Bombay polo there happened to be a number of civilians of more than average ability as players, and to this fact may be traced the position that Bombay held in the polo world. When these civilians retired from the game, or left the country, polo commenced to languish and has been languishing ever since for want of the same skill to take their place. It has frequently been stated that the chief cause of the game being in such a parlous state is the want of a ground which polo players could have the exclusive right to use, and the centre of the racecourse at Mahalaxmi has been mentioned as the most suitable place in Bombay for this purpose. Granting for the sake of argument that the Western India Turf Club were willing to give poloists a lien of this ground, and that sufficient funds were forthcoming to put the ground in order for polo—a large sum would be required for this purpose—I fail to see how the acquisition of a ground would in any way revive an interest in the game, especially a ground so distant as Mahalaxmi.

Since writing the above the entries for the Junior Polo Tournament have been published and the name of the Bombay Gymkhana is not in the list. Personally I think it was wise not to enter a team for the Junior Tournament, as it could only have been a very imperfectly trained one. All hope of entering a team for the Open Tournament has not, however, been abandoned, and during the next few weeks the *maidan* on Tuesday and Thursday evenings should be the scene of some hard practice.

Golf is being played in Bombay, although I have made no mention of the fact in my notes lately, chiefly because what play there is, is of a desultory nature and has no interest for golfers in general and not much for the actual participants themselves. Next month local golfers will begin to wake up and there will be plenty to write about.

The Honorary Secretaries of the Mounted Sports, Messrs. W. E. Crum and F. R. Hill, introduced a little variation into the programme last Wednesday, which was appreciated by both competitors and spectators. In the tent-pegging competition riders had to knock a ball off a post with the butt of their spear before taking the peg, and at this new game Mr. G. D. Heyland proved himself a dabster, winning easily. Messrs. Ashe and J. St. G. Graham were second and third respectively. A lemon race for ladies, in which the lady had to catch a lemon hanging on a string and drop it into a bucket a few yards further on, a feat by no means as easy as it seemed, was won by Mrs. S. McCausland with Mrs. de Saone second. One of the outcomes of the revived interest in Polo was the inclusion in the programme of a Polo ball race for the first time this season, and there were sufficient entries for two preliminary heats. In the first heat Mr. Barraclough and Mr. Cook were first and second, and in the second heat Mr. J. Graham and Mr. D. Graham. The final was won by Mr. D. Graham with Mr. Barraclough second. The mixed event was novel and amusing. Gentlemen had to ride over a given course and ladies then handed them umbrellas, of the latest colours and styles, and cigars. The lady had to light the cigar and the gentleman then returned over the former course. The winners were Mr. S. McCausland and Mrs. de Saone, and Mr. D. Graham and Mrs. S. McCausland second. The usual pony scurry was won by Mr. D. Graham's Johad with Mr. Heyland's Nemesis second, and the horse scurry by Mr. P. F. Fischer's Dart with Mr. Matthew's Bloke second. Mr. Monteath rode Nemesis and the others were ridden by owners.

A Rugger match on Monday evening between the Civil and United Services was won by the former by three tries to a try. The United Services were not as strongly represented as they might have been, and their backs, particularly the halves, were outplayed by the opposing backs. The forwards were, however, well matched and as a result play was mostly confined to them.

The matches in the Harwood League during the week attracted considerable attention, but were somewhat interfered with by showery weather. On Tuesday the Cheshire B team met the Rovers in the return match and had no difficulty in repeating their victory of last month. From start to finish the military team had practically matters all their own way. During the first half the Rovers struggled gamely to hold their own, but without avail, and they changed over with two goals registered against them. In the second half the weakness of the Rovers' forwards told heavily against them and the military team were able to add three more goals to their score, eventually running out victors by five goals to *nil*. On Wednesday, the Royal Garrison Artillery and the Telegraph met in the return game, when the former won by three goals to *nil*. The Telegraph, who had been showing improved form lately, gave a disappointing exhibition and were lucky to escape a severer defeat. The return game between the *Perseus* and Gymkhana elevens was another disappointing exhibition so far as the Gymkhana are concerned, and the naval team, who played a really fine game, ran out victors by four goals to *nil*. The Gymkhana had several chances of scoring, particularly during the last quarter of the second half, but failed to take advantage of the openings afforded them.

The latest news from Quetta, where there are three players who have received invitations to play for the Presidency at Bombay on the 23rd, 24th, and 25th instant is that J. H. Curtis will not be able to play, but hopes to do so in the return match at Poona on the 15th, 16th, and 17th September. Captain M. D. Wood has also been obliged to refuse the invitation, but like Curtis may play at Poona. Captain L. M. R. Deas, the third player in question, has accepted the invitation and his acceptance has caused great jubilation amongst Presidency supporters as his fast bowling will be simply invaluable. The only other players who have up to date definitely received invitations and have promised to play are Captain J. G. Greig and H. P. Chaplin, the Mhow player.

A Rugger match, the second played during the week, was played on Friday afternoon between the Casuals and a team representing the United Services, the latter running out winners by 2 goals and 1 try to 1 goal and 1 try.

No event during the season has excited half as much interest up to date as the first of the two annual matches between the Bombay and Poona Gymkhanas.

The most sanguine supporters of the Bombay eleven, even after they had won the toss and had the advantage of first knock on a perfect batsman's wicket, did not give them more than 150 and this total all things considered was as much as the side could be expected to make, having in mind the form that the chief batsman had been showing this season. Bombay supporters, however, were agreeably surprised as play progressed to find that the bowling was made to appear quite simple by the first few batsmen and when after two and a quarter hours' play the total had been carried to 123 for the loss of only three wickets, their surprise was great. But this was nothing to what had to follow and when after tiffin on Friday the batsmen proceeded to make hay of the bowling, which in an hour was changed eight times, their astonishment was unbounded. In vain did Greig with his tricky deliveries, Umfreville, Stevens, Carroll, Butler, and Hartley endeavour to cut short the innings, the batsmen treated all the bowlers alike and when at last the whole side was out an hour and ten minutes before the time arranged for drawing stumps. Bombay had the satisfaction of knowing that their total of 323 created a record, it being the largest total ever put together by a Bombay Gymkhana team in the whole series of matches between the two Gymkhanas *at Bombay*. I was surprised not to say disappointed with the Poona bowling after all I had heard of it. Far and away the best display was that of A. P. Langhorne who scored 52. He made his runs by good sound cricket and as far as I could see only gave one difficult chance in the slips when his score was about 20. Powell who made 55 top score had some luck and is a very unattractive batsman to watch. Milne and Coombs made 43 and 41 by hard hitting, but the innings of Carnegy (34) Philbrik (25) and Aston (24) were the result of better cricket. The Poona batsmen with one notable exception gave a very disappointing display against the bowling of Ainsworth, Coombs, and Milne and were all out quarter of an hour before the tiffin adjournment on the second day for 210, of which Captain Greig claimed 108. The famous batsman was in great form and treated all the bowlers impartially, treating Ainsworth in particular with great severity. His innings included 14 fours and was a masterpiece. He received very little assistance from the rest of the side. Being over 100 runs in arrears Poona had to follow on and during the ten minutes they had before tiffin lost the wickets of Umfreville and Wilkins for 9 runs. Afterwards they fared very badly indeed, only Greig who made 40, French, who was batting some time for his 38, and Kennedy, who made 15, making any stand against the bowling of Milne and Ainsworth who took six wickets for 47 runs and had five catches missed off his bowling and four wickets for 14 runs respectively. The Bombay Gymkhana who were left with only 9 runs to win got these without loss and so won a great victory by ten wickets, the severest defeat they have ever inflicted on the Poona Gymkhana.

Among important cricket results at home last week are the following:—Worcester beat Somerset by five wickets; Middlesex beat Notts by 8 wickets; Gloster beat Worcester by 67 runs; Leicester beat Hampshire by an innings and 95 runs; Warwick beat Yorkshire by 6 runs; Kent beat Somerset by 210 runs: the following matches were drawn: Surrey *vs.* Sussex, Essex *vs.* Lancashire, Yorkshire *vs.* Middlesex, Surrey *vs.* Warwickshire, Sussex *vs.* Lancashire, Kent *vs.* Gloster, and Notts *vs.* South Africans.

Our Madras Correspondent writes:—The M. C. C. have issued their cricket fixture list, from which I see that the Ceylon team propose to pay us another visit during Christmas week, playing two matches one against the M. C. C. and the other against the Madras Presidency If the visit comes off, this will make the third time in three seasons that Madras-Ceylon matches have been played. I am unable to consult my references at this moment and speaking from memory I fancy that Madras has up to date had the best of the exchanges, so that Ceylon will have to send up a good team if they are going to get level. It is impossible at this early period to pick out any of the team that Madras will put into the field to do battle for her; but one thing is fairly certain and that is that neither the M. C. C. nor the Presidency will be able to rely on the services of Capt Challenor of the Leicestershire Regiment, who played so well against the Ceylon team that visited Madras shortly after the Authentics' tour. He is under orders to proceed Home to do duty with the Depôt of the Regiment. The Leicesters lose in him a popular officer and one of their finest hockey players.

We append a list of several innings of 100 made in English cricket this season:—

Hayward—116, 128, 127, 122, 148, 203, 161*, 106*, 112				9
Fry—120, 99*, 226, 177, 107*, 150, 191, 181			...	8
Ranjitsinhji—148, 168*, 142, 121, 135, 152	...		...	6
Tyldesley—146, 200, 103, 225, 196, 102	...		...	6
Iremonger—137, 189*, 272, 142, 197, 138	...		...	6
Hirst—102, 153, 152, 157, 108	...		...	5
Quaife—200*, 110, 123, 131*, 193	...		...	5
Foster, H. K.—107, 178, 116, 112	...		...	4
Jones—113, 119, 108, 187	...	...	...	4
King—128, 117, 104, 109*	...	...	...	4
Knight—111*, 140, 203, 118	...	...	...	4
Tunicliffe—119, 128, 135, 129*	...	...		4
Perrin—100*, 193, 134, 343*	...	...	...	4
Spooner—122, 126, 101, 102*	...	...	...	4
Raphael—201, 123, 111, 111	...	...	...	4

* Signifies not out.

Among the entries for the Durand Football Tournament, which opens at Simla on the 14th September, are those of the Blackwatch, Gordon Highlanders, Royal Scots Fusiliers and South Staffords.

It is stated that the Oxford and Cambridge match next season will be played a week later than usual, and will commence at Lord's on Thursday, 6th July. This will also put back the Gentlemen *vs.* Players, which will, it is understood, be decided at Lord's on Monday, 10th July, and following days, whilst Eton *vs.* Harrow is fixed for Friday and Saturday, 14th and 15th July.

The Bangalore Tennis Tournament produced numerous entries for the handicap events, but not sufficient competitors in the open items to warrant their being carried out. But whilst the handicap entries have been so numerous that a full return of

them would occupy much space, the tennis has been unequal, and in some cases hardly of a sufficiently high class to warrant a lengthy description. The final stages of the tournament have now been reached, and in the semi-finals for the ladies' singles, Mrs. Eagles (—⅚) beat Mrs. Robertson (scratch) by two sets to love, whilst Miss Anderson (—⅚) beat Miss Cameron (+15), by two sets to one. Mrs. Eagles and Miss Anderson will accordingly meet in the final. There are still four pairs in for the ladies' doubles, for which Mrs. Eagles and Mrs. Abraham are now the favourites. Captain Copeland and Major Jollie, who lately won the open doubles at Ootacamund, have won all their matches with consummate ease although handicapped at (—30). In the third ties, Rolland and Babington (scratch) got four games in the second set against them though beaten a love set to begin with, but there was only one pair really in it, and in the semi-finals they beat Bridges and Bell, 6—2, 6—1, although the latter were in receipt of ⅔ besides their opponents owed odds. Copeland will probably win the handicap singles also and Mr. and Mrs. Rolland are scarcely likely to beat the combination of Copeland and Mrs. Hogg in the mixed doubles.

The Motor Union of Western India has organised a reliability trial for Christmas week. The trial is to be between Delhi and Bombay. It is not to be a race, but a trial of the best car under all conditions. Indeed, fast speed will cause a disqualification, the maximum speed allowed being 30 miles an hour. The trial is open to any motor car whatever of any shape, of any size, of any horse power and with any fuel, and practically the only reservation made is to the effect that cars shall be privately owned and shall be driven by amateurs. The trial will consist of an eight days' run, the distance between Delhi and Bombay being about 880 miles. The track follows the old Agra Road, which is in a good state of repair throughout the greater portion of its length. The maximum mileage to be covered in one day will be about 150 miles, the minimum being about 75. The Gaekwar of Baroda has offered a valuable cup to be competed for outright, and to be presented to the owner of the car which comes through the trial with the least number of unauthorised stops.

The Poona District Hockey Tournament for which five teams have entered begins on the 29th instant. The matches will be played in Poona and Kirkee and the final will be played in Poona.

The following are the entries in the Walter Locke Challenge Cup and Rugby Cup competitions, to be held at Rangoon under the auspices of the Burma Amateur Athletic Association :—

Walter Locke Challenge Cup.—1. Burma Oil Company's F.C.; 2. East Rangoon Junior Club; 3. Goverment Collegiate School; 4. Port Defence; 5. King's Own Scottish Borderers; 6. Gymkhana; 7. Border Regiment; 8. Eastern Burma F.C.; 9. The King's; 10 United School Club; 11. East Yorks; 12. 70th R.G.A.; 13. Burma United Club; 14. 89th Company, R.G.A.; 15. Burma Union Club.

Rugby Cup.—1. Gymkhana; 2. King's Own Scottish Borderers; 3. Garrison Officers; 4. Border Regiment (holders); 5.Y.M.C.A.

Towns beat Tressider in the Sculling Match for the Championship of the World at Sydney last month. He covered the three miles 300 yards in 21mins. 48secs. and could undoubtedly have knocked a good deal off this time for he had the outclassed Tressider beaten at the half distance and came in practically paddling fifteen lengths ahead.

A boxing entertainment was held at the Port Defence Volunteer Head-quarters, Rangoon, on the 8th instant and proved a great success. Proceedings opened with a six-round contest in which Bett, R.G.A., beat Foster(the King's)in three rounds. This was followed by a four-round bout between Griffiths of the King's and Shervington, R.G.A. The Gunner disposed of his man in two rounds. The next bout was equally brief, Coones beating McDoughall, R.G.A. The contest of the evening was between Kane of the King's and Connelly, R.G.A., in which the Gunner was victorious. The bout between Page and Cunliffe went to the former. The next fight gave us some pretty boxing, Smith of the Liverpool's beating Mackin.

L. Duke, "heavy-weight champion of Western New York" and the Far East, and McGuinness, R.G.A., Burma's light-weight champion, then sparred three exhibition rounds. There was, of course, no heavy hitting, as Duke was too heavy for McGuinness, nevertheless the spectators were well pleased with the cleverness displayed by both men. Duke had the best of matters.

Exhibition sparring between Connelly and McGuinness and Bett and McGuinness closed the programme. Mr. L. Duke officiated as referee, Mr. C. Stewart as time-keeper and Mr. Duberu as judge.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 29th July 1904.*

THE fact of the Court Circular being issued from "Goodwood House" betokens that the curtain has been rung down on the season of 1904, and for its epitaph that on "Fred" may be resuscitated, abridged, and adapted. "It was alive, and is dead: there's no more to be said." The craze of raising money for charities—no matter which—has been even more virulent this year than last, when the high water mark of that particular form of amusement was supposed to have been reached. No device has been left untried, the newest being the exhibition of "living bridge" for the benefit of the St. Helena Hospital Home. Experts on the question of charitable finance seem agreed that the result of these heroic exertions is not a larger sum total for charity, but simply that the money is diverted from one object to another—by no means always the result to be desired. The amount expended on the decorations of many of these functions is said to be out of all proportion to the amount realized.

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The King and Queen have earned their holiday even more unequivocally than have most hard-working folk. In a July temperature that reduced most of their subjects to a condition of limp incapacity, the foundation-stone of Liverpool Cathedral was laid; the first sod of the new dock at Swansea was cut; and the Birmingham Waterworks in Mid Wales inaugurated; and in addition Their Majesties underwent—and underwent as though they enjoyed them—a series of receptions, speeches, luncheons and ceremonies, that exhausted one to read of with the thermometer well up in the eighties.

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Mr. Arthur Bourchier, who brought his present season at the Garrick Theatre to a close on Friday evening, announces that after a very brief holiday he proposes to produce a new and original comedy by Mr. Henry Arthur Jones. Mr. Bourchier mentioned that during the season just ended (which, by the way, began on 13th July 1903) he had successfully produced plays by Haddon Chambers, "John Oliver Hobbes," Charles Dickens, Charles Kingsley, Eugène Brieusé, Alfred Austen, Alfred Sutro, from whom he has just accepted a four-act play, Malcolm Watson, and W. S. Gilbert. That Mr. Gilbert has been pursuaded to turn his pen stagewards once more is a matter for congratulation. Mr. Bourchier intends to continue his policy of producing one-act plays as occasion serves; and he claims that although he is that quintessence of selfishness and vanity, the actor manager, he has been the instrument of enhancing the reputation of many members of his company during the past season. *A propos* my remarks anent the disproportion between expenditure and receipts at certain charitable functions, it is worthy of note that at the recent *matinée* at the Garrick in aid of the Bushey Heath Cottage Hospital the entire expenses were covered by the sale of the programmes and photographs. This is "good business." Of forthcoming events, in addition to those mentioned in my last letter, I may note that on Tuesday, 30th August, Messrs. Maude and Harrison produce at the New Theatre Messrs. W. W. Jacobs and L. N. Parker's new play, "The Beauty and the Bargee." And on Thursday, 1st September, will be seen at the Criterion, for the first time in London, Mr. Malcolm Watson's Comedy "Winnie Brooke, Widow." The same evening will see "The Duke of Killicrankie" transferred from the Comedy to Wyndham's; and the resumption of "Miss Elizabeth's Prisoner" at the Imperial.

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1st September was the date fixed upon for the London production of Mr. Wilson Barrett's "Lucky Durham" at the Comedy. It is said that the arrangement will hold good, and that the play will be produced with a well-known actor in the leading part; but it will be difficult to find anybody to fill the place of Mr. Barrett.

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The death of Mr. Wilson Barrett occurred last Friday after an operation for cancer. The son of a farmer, he took to the stage in his teens, playing small parts in the provinces. In the sixties he married Miss Heath, an actress who had attracted some notice at the Princess under Charles Kean's management, and he made his first appearance in London with her at the Surrey Theatre in "East Lynne." Miss Heath made only one notable London success with Wills' "Jane Shore," but she was popular in the provinces. She died several years ago. Mr. Barrett made his first essay in management at the Court in 1879, when his opening piece was Sardou's "Fernande," and Miss Winifred Emery was included in the cast. In 1881 he began his five years' successful management of the Prince's, during which he produced Mr. G. R. Sim's "The Lights o'London," and played Harold Armytage for two hundred and eighty nights. A year later his most legitimate success came to him in the part of Wilfred Denver in "The Silver King," which ran for three hundred consecutive nights. In 1883 he created the part of Claudian in the melodrama of that name by Messrs. Wills and Herman, which attained a success which is well nigh unintelligible to us in this present year of grace. It ran, also, for three hundred nights. In 1884 he made his first appearance as Hamlet, and the following year "Hoodman Blind" was produced. It was written by Mr. Henry Arthur Jones and himself, and had a certain success. At the close of his five years' management Mr. Barrett went on tour in America with Miss Eastlake, who had been his "leading lady" at the Princess; and on his return he produced, in collaboration with Mr. G. R. Sims, "The Golden Ladder," and with Mr. Hall Caine, "The Good Old Times." He afterwards made a tour in Australia, and revisited America, and later made another venture in management—this time at the New Olympic, which proved disastrous to himself. It was during his tenancy of the Lyric in 1896 that he produced the religious play "The Sign of the Cross," which evidently appealed to a large section of the middle-class play-going public and had a phenomenal run. During his later years he made sundry attempts to renew this success with "Daughters of Babylon," "The Christian King," etc., etc., but one play of the kind sufficed for one generation, and the attempts resulted in failure.

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Some of the obituary notices of Mr. Barrett note his geniality and charitableness. He was always ready to relieve distress to the utmost of his ability—oft times almost beyond it—since his runs of ill-luck must have almost counterbalanced his successes. I have heard it stated that he gave away in charity not less than £20,000, and with so little ostentation that few knew anything of it. He was generous, too, in foregoing his advantage when he found he had made much the best of a bargain. He was indebted to Wills' for two of his greatest successes, "Jane Shore" and "Claudian." He contracted to pay Wills £200 for "Jane Shore," but when he found it was filling the treasury he sent Wills a handsome cheque every week, and he did the same with "Claudian." Mr. Wilson Barrett lived for several years at the Priory, Regent's Park, which was at one time the home of George Eliot and George Henry Lewes.

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After many more than the regulation three fine days allotted to us by tradition the thunderstorm which had been so long brewing fell upon us last Monday. We in London came in for only the fag end of the thunderstorm proper, but we had our fair share of the rain with the usual happy results. That the Underground was flooded and traffic stopped for some hours goes without saying. Is it not a law of nature that it should be so when the rainfall is above the normal? The years must be few in which some of us have not enjoyed the pleasing excitement of having to turn out and wade to the nearest platfrom, and each rainstorm finds the company unprepared And it is the same with our grandmotherly—and costly—and not much respected L.C.C. For how long have we not suffered (far from gladly) under its rate-laying powers, and yet I read in my morning paper of Tuesday that the inhabitants of certain roads in Holloway "always fear heavy rains, as the main sewer is unable to take the water quickly enough with the inevitable result that the houses become flooded in the basement and ground floors." On Monday night the "inevitable result" followed the rain. The roads in question were like small rivers and numbers of people were unable to reach their houses. It were well if the L.C.C. would condescend to things of low estate instead of aspiring to things which are too high for them.

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An unusual result of the storm was the flooding of Westminster Hall. The rain had fallen in such torrents that the lower part of New Palace Yard was flooded and the water rushed into the hall. The little excitement was evidently a welcome distraction from the deadly dulness of the Finance Bill, and Members took an amusing interest in the two inches of water on the floor.

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Although the release of the *Malacca* and the *Formosa* has been announced, it cannot be said that the relations between ourselves and Russia have returned to anything like a satisfactory footing. Russia has given assurances that the Volunteer Fleet will be withdrawn from the Red Sea, and has met the British Government in regard to these particular

"regrettable incidents," but not by any means on the general principle, and the questions still at issue are important. The sinking of the *Knight Commander*, ordered, it is said, by the Russian Admiral himself, is, on the authority of Mr. Balfour a more serious question; but the most serious question of all is the passage of the Volunteer Fleet, and the "escape" of the Russian cruiser though the Dardanelles. The most accomplished Russian casuist could not wriggle out of the dilemma that a vessel which passes though the Dardanelles as a merchant vessel has no right to assume the character of a man-of-war in the Red Sea, and that if she passed through as a man-of-war she did so in defiance of treaties. That is the broad issue. and beside, if such futile excuses as that the Russian captain was unacquainted with the significance of the broad arrow on the *Malacca's* consignment of ammunition falls to the ground. The Russians have been trying for years on one pretext or another to break down the neutrality of the Dardanelles. Vessels of the Volunteer Fleet pass through, sometimes as hospital ships, another time as transports with time-expired men on board. Any excuse serves. It is satisfactory to hear from Lord Lansdowne that the Government considers this state of things "intolerble" and has lodged a "strong protest" against it, and should such "regrettable incidents" recur it is to be hoped that strong measures may take the place of strong protests.

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The news of the assassination of M. de Plehve horrible though it be, has caused little surprise except, perhaps, that the Russian police should have failed to protect him. It is but two years since his predecessor in the office of Minister of the Interior was also assassinated, and M. de Plehve was promoted from the office of Secretary of State for Finland. Since that time his influence over the Czar is said to have been almost unbounded, until the Russian reverses in the war with Japan and his failure to suppress the revolutionary movement which of late has sprung into fresh life somewhat weakened his position. The part he played in the atrocious Kishineff massacres is well known, and is possibly a factor in his death.

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Matters are not going well with Russia at the seat of war. General Kuropatkin's modest bulletins are interesting and instructive. After an action in which the valour and determination evinced by the Russian troops receive, it is inferred, their due reward, the Russian Commander for some unexplained, but all sufficient, reason finds it desirable to withdraw his successful troops to a position some distance in the rear of that which they had so ably defended. The last of these strategetic movements occurred at Ta-shi-chiao, and the Japanese now occupy the town. It is just four years since the Russians thought fit to occupy the treaty port of Neu-Chiang and completely usurped the functions of the local authorities. To-day the Japanese are in possession, and a new order of things is established, the advantages of which will soon be manifest.

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Various items. The last performance has taken place in the Surrey Theatre, which for over a century has been the home of melodrama on the south side of the river. The old building was filled to overflowing, and at the close of the performance, the lessee, Mr. George Conquest, expressed the regret with which he was closing the doors of the old Surrey in consequence of the conditions the L.C.C. sought to impose on him, which would reduce the seating accommodation of the theatre by one half. Private Perry, of the Canadian Rifle team and the winner of the King's Prize, is to be congratulated. For the second time the chief prize goes to the Dominion. Private Hayhurst having won it in 1895. The Bisley Meeting of this year is noticeable for the success of Britons from Beyond the Seas. The gold medal goes to Canada; the silver medal has been won by a Missionary from India; New Zealand takes the Kholapore Cup, and Natal the Mappin Prize, while the St. George's goes to Nova Scotia. It is to be hoped that next year the Australian Commonwealth will be in less parsimonious mood and will incur the expense of sending a team to Bisley. Mr. Scholes, the winner of the Diamond Sculls at Henley, had a triumphant reception on his return to Toronto, where the Mayor presented him on behalf of the city with a magnificent service of tableware. The Recorder in charging the grand jury at the Old Bailey on Monday referred to the charges against private detectives in connection with the Pollard divorce case, and advised them to return true bills against each of the defendants, to the end that the case might be fully investigated before a petty jury. The Recorder opined that, judging from the number of private detective agencies existing in London, the business of "shadowing" people for divorce proceedings must be extremely lucrative. In consequence of an application before Mr. Justice Ridley, it has been arranged that the case shall stand over until the October Sessions, in the event of a true bill being found; the recognisance of the defendants being considerably enlarged meanwhile. Carter, who is accused of having stolen some of the Nelson relics from Greenwich, has been charged before the Recorder and pleaded not guilty. The case was postponed until the next Sessions in the hope that some evidence respecting the rest of the missing property may be forthcoming, Carter kindly promising meanwhile to consider whether he will help the police by divulging further particulars of the theft.

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A new species of flying machine has been devised by the inventor of the Holland Submarine. The new invention takes the simple form of a double set of wings, to be attached to the person of the would-be aërial traveller, who will thereby go like a bird. Does the Nonconformist Conscience (a very big C. please, Mr. Editor) inculcate passive resistance to the bonds of matrimony? The L.C.C. statistics just published tell us that of the people married in London last year only four and a half per cent. were Nonconformists. The Thames Conservancy Board had before them at their last meeting the report of their Upper River Committee with reference to complaints of the disorderly conduct of persons on board the large launches either let to parties or plying for hire, and it is satisfactory to know that the Secretary has been instructed to call the attention of owners of launches for hire to said complaints, and request their assistance in checking the annoyance, which is undoubtedly a serious and increasing one. Mr. Herbert Campbell was buried at Abney Park last Friday. There was a large gathering of the music hall and theatrical profession, and the number and beauty of the wreaths was unusual. Had it not been for his long connection with Drury Lane pantomime Mr. Camphell's name would hardly have been known to West End theatre-goers. As it was, it was a familiar name under Sir Augustus Harris's management. Justice was tempered with mercy in the sentence Mr Justice Bray passed on Mr. George Marshall for appropriating £19,000 belonging to the Duke of Newcastle for whom he acted as agent. The crime was aggravated by the story of the hotel robbery of the missing notes, and the sentence of five years' penal servitude cannot be said to be excessive, even when the age and position of the prisoner are taken into consideration.

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The prizegiving to the *Worcester* cadets by the Prince and Princes of Wales was a pleasant function, carried out in perfect weather. The Prince in his speech reminded the cadets that Admiral Togo, whose fame as a Naval Commander stands so high just now, served for eighteen months on board the *Worcester*. A Silver Cup, the gift of a hundred and seventy-eight of his colleagues, has been presented to Mr. Spencer Charrington in commemoration of the twenty-five hours sitting of the House of Commons, 19th to 20th July, when he, at the age of eighty-six, voted in nineteen divisions and remained in attendence until the rising of the House. An example which many of his party would do well to follow—even at a distance. Mr. Swift Macneill's tender heart is still concerned about the caning of lads in the Navy and his last question is as to whether they are informed before they join what they may expect. Mr. Pretyman, with his Eton recollections fresh upon him, heartlessly responded that "all boys expect to be caned."

ONLOOKER.

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ASSAM'S MID-MOUNTAIN RANGE.

THE diversion of traffic from old roads to the new routes opened by the railways in these hills is already beginning to have effect in emboldling game to approach nearer the former partially deserted ones, and as these ancient tracks wind round about and through isolated woods, the sportsman will find what he is in quest of without having to go so far from the beaten track as formerly, at least in the hills, although matters are different down in the plains; deer especially appreciating the more open spots, where they can look well round, so baffling their prowling enemies. Villages again are being drawn towards the fresh lines of communications, the patches of old cultivation thus abandoned, with the light second growth forming snug quarters for all sorts of animals to lie perdue in. Were it possible to stop grass firing there would be no finer stalking grounds, while the valleys intersecting them, have fine open glades of waist high grass, interspersed with moss covered outcrops of quartz and sandstone rock, in the crevices of which the botanist may revel in the wealth of pitcher plants, anœstochitis, C. crystdo and other ground orchids. Many of these ravines are traversed by built stone causeways from which the hunter can sweep extensive fields with his binocular, though it is almost needless to say he must, in such an exposed position, be pretty circumspect in his movements, for in the clear mountain atmosphere animals can see immense distances, the human form being instantly detected where gesticulation out of the ordinary is indulged in. On the other hand, the sportsman, in addition to an extensive field for observation, can use the numberless cromlechs that are grouped about as coigns of vantage for approaching his quarry, all wild beasts hereabouts being accustomed to these heavy monuments.

Although sambhur and other larger animals seldom come up into these valleys until the monsoon is about due, the short grass, much resembling that known as *sabi* in the Central Provinces, gives cover to the pretty little mouse and hog deer, although I am in doubt as to classifying the creatures found with either. He or she, then, stands about eighteen inches shoulder height, a true deer of dark chocolate color, white belly with tiny six-tined horns; it is neither spotted or striped as the true mouse generally is. It lies close if no great noise is made in wading through the grass, and when roused runs off in a zigzag manner, necessitating considerable skill to secure it with ball, success being better assured with buckshot. The good snapshot hunter gets his chance with bullet now and again, as these little chaps bound high in the air when encountering a fallen log or other obstacle, frequently also, when obtaining what they deem a safe distance, springing onto a rock and looking round as if to ascertain the cause of disturbance. As a torrent, great or small, tumbles through every ravine, the sides of it should be adhered to when after this game, but if the field proves blank, one may make pretty certain that dholes are about, but so close do these skulking brutes lie that one may pass through a pack without being aware of their presence.

Should there be a village in the glen the hunter may just as likely as not drop on a leopard, for large herds of goats are kept, proving an inducement for the spotted beauty to remain in the small woods all the year round. Tiger are seldom seen in the spring, though more to the westward, where cattle supplant the *buckri*, he also lurks; it is just as well therefore to be provided with ball cartridge in case of an encounter with one or the other. Except on the Assam side hares are rarely seen, and then only when the valley opens direct into the plains; birds also mostly remain in the lowlands till later in the season, but on a short trip from the village of Jarain, some eleven miles south of the Iaai subdivision, to Nong-Krem, a two days' journey, I got six of the small deer, sighted three black bears, securing half a dozen bronzewing pigeons without diverging from the path in the least—the Mungat Valley adding to the bag three others and a couple of bamboo partridge in the Dingling, next day. Quite sufficient to confirm the certainty that a sojourn of a week in either would well repay the sportsman of moderate aspirations.

The scenery is something to be remembered, especially looking down from Jarain, as the spurs jutting out from the main ranges are well wooded half way up, contrasting with the rugged red and grey rocks above them; while the bottom of the glen is a mass of bright green verdure, the torrents rushing down the centre in a series of cascades, eventually whirling round a most romantic promontory into the Sylhet plains at a village called Darrung. Other birds there were in the timber, but being pressed for time there was none to spare in beating, though many feathers of the polyplectron were come upon in the undergrowth of the woods. My men, all from Jarain, informed me that in the rains all deer and many (*massoi*) metna seek refuge in the Mungat from the flooded terai. And as this tallies with what the people in and about the Lakat Bazar aver as to the migration of the animals found in their neighbourhood in the cold weather, this ground, to which attention has never been drawn before, should prove a grand one for exploration, either in the hot weather, or just before the end of the rains in late September. One or more of those small waterproof tents, weighing but 40lbs., would be necessary in the latter month.

In the Dingling there may be some fishing, but in the other torrent I could see nothing. Black squirrel seemed plentiful enough, while the pied dyal, the hoopoo and several of the prettily plumaged little birds figured by Goodwin Austen appear to find a home in these glens. At the eastern end of the Dingling good goggles would prove of service, for the glint off the pure crystal rocks gets absolutely painful when one is outside the sheltering timber. Even the people of the country in traversing the place protect their eyes with a shade improvised from dock or plantain leaves. The whole of May might be divided between these two glens, and he who found such a sojourn monotonous would be a hard one to please, for the artist, geologist, botanist, sportsman, or one requiring a rest from business cares could each and all find occupation or relaxation. These places are but the type of many in these hills, and as the country is now being opened up such should receive the patronage of those in search of fresh fields and pastures new. Nongkrem is but nine miles S.-E. of Shillong, if the tourist wishes to try the trip the other way round, and he can either return the same way to the station or get down from Jarain to the plains at Janitiapur thence to Sylhet.

SYNTENG.

Having vainly attempted to disperse the crowd around one of the bald men in Paris who hire out their bare scalps for advertisement purposes, an ingenious policeman walked up to him and said: "Are you stamped?" "I don't understant the joke," replied the man.

Thereupon the policeman examined his head carefully, and telling him he would soon show him it was no joke, arrested him, says the "Figaro," on the charge of being an unlicensed advertisement to which the official stamp had not been affixed as required by French law.

Fishing.

THE KUMAON LAKES IN 1904.

The habits of the Mahseer in these beautiful Tals have altered so much during the past few years, that sportsmen who visit Bhim Tal in the expectation of enjoying fair fly fishing, are likely to be sadly disappointed.

The salient features of these hill lakes are clear water and rocky shores; numerous trees close to, often indeed actually overhanging the crystal water, and last, owing to the protecting hills, a general absence of strong breezes. The above conditions are all eminently favourable to surface feeding; and as there is seldom wind to blow insects far those flies which fall into the water, do so close to the edges. This is the reason why the fly fisherman in the Kumaon Tals casts his fly close to the shore.

As nearly all the surface food is found along the edges of the lakes, it follows that if the Mahseer are so harried as to make them distrustful of venturing into shallow water during the day time, they will eventually give up feeding at the surface, except just at dusk.

This is what has actually occcured, Bhim Tal and Nankuchia Tal have been tremendously over-fished. Natives by dozens have been wont to sit along the rocky shores of the former lake and in order to economize ground-bait, throw in stones in the belief that it attracts the fish. Numerous boats circle round the banks, while the occupants wildly flourish lengthy ringols, and DREAM they are fly-fishing.

What have been the consequences? Now no self-respecting Mahseer in Bhim Tal ever goes near the shore until it is dusk. The stopping of all *atta* fishing, which is to come into force next year is not sufficient remedy; for in Nankuchia Tal where bottom fishing is already prohibited, the fishing is likewise poor. Continual fly fishing, especially by poor performers, also deteriorates the fishing. I have observed that the little hill Barils swarm in Bhim Tal in spite of the Mahseer. I would, therefore, suggest that the big Indian trout (Barilios Bola) be introduced into the Kumaon Lakes, and given a thorough trial. If these excellent fish could be thoroughly established, the fly-fishing would be immensely improved. Also why should not Rohu be introduced, they would not interfere with the Mahseer and would improve the bottom fishing. The licence to fish is at present two rupees a month for each lake. This simply encourages natives to fish for the market, as Mahseer fetch six annas a pound in Naini Tal. A clever fisherman could readily make thirty or forty rupees a month.

I would propose that the rate be raised to fifteen rupees a month, but this sum to make one free of the three lakes Bhim Tal, Nankuchia, and Sath Tal.

Atta fishing to be permitted on the island in Bhim Tal, and for two hundred and fifty yards along the bank on the Dâk bungalow side. Limits to be marked with posts.

Also to be permitted in Nankuchia Tal, but not in Sath Tal. (In Nankuchia there are so few places for *atta* fishing that it can do no harm.)

Throwing of stones into the water to be strictly prohibited. British non-commissioned officers and soldiers to be allowed to bottom or fly fish free in Bhim Tal within the prescribed limits, and in Nankuchia, but only to fly fish in Sath Tal.

Fish, under a certain length, say 11 inches, to be returned: anglers to have this length marked on their rods.

Barilius Bola and various Labeo and Cirrhina to be introduced and given a thorough trial.

A Fishery Inspector with a thorough knowledge of the subject, to be put in charge for a few years until the lakes have been got into a satisfactory condition.

All boats on the lakes to be Government ones, and shikaris to be licenced and to wear badges.

The fish in Bhim Tal still take *atta* well, and there is no difficulty with this bait in making good bags.

I examined into the methods of the professional native fishermen, and soon found that certain alterations and refinements in tackle resulted in enormously increased bags: as, however, *atta* fishing is to be stopped, it is superfluous to describe my little improvements; nor perhaps would it be advisable to let out dodges which might assist the native fishermen who supply the Naini Tal market. Instead of that I will describe a really sporting method of fly-fishing at dusk, which will still bring fish to bag from these persecuted lakes. The fishing should be from the shore, and the angler should wear tennis shoes so as to move as quietly as possible. Just at dusk the Mahseer come to the edges to feed on flies and beetles which fall in numbers on the water. The fisherman's tackle should consist of a tapered fly cast, the gut at the point being as fine as he cares to use. At the end of the cast is a tiny double hook. The angler should provide himself with a bottle of beetles, flies, grasshoppers, etc. The little double hook is inserted between the shoulders of the insect, and it is cast like a fly, any fair fly fisher can throw the natural fly after a few minutes practice. At dusk the Masheer take a live fly boldly, and if they miss it will rise again and again, until a good shot is made. This is infinitely better sport that the poaching dodge of using a white cotton fly with a thick cast from a boat. This latter is a poaching dodge; there is no skill in it, and one does not even see the fish rise; the fly is taken under water. I am sorry to say that most of the fish said to have been caught with a fly in the Kumaon lakes, are really poached in the dark with this white cotton invention. I ask any true angler, can throwing a short line with a big white fly towards the shore, and drawing it towards one under water, the whole operation being performed in pitch darkness, be dignified by the name of fly-fishing? This is a method of getting fish which I should like to see sternly prohibited.

Using the live fly at dusk, I frequently got good fish; my best taken in Nankuchia was just under three pounds. The tales of large fish in the Kumaon lakes must be received *cum grano*: the best Mahseer taken during the month I was at Bhim Tal, was a five and a half pounder caught by a fisherman staying in the Dâk bungalow, with *atta* off the island. My own two best (also from the island, with *atta*) were three pounds each The average weight of an adult Mahseer in Bhim Tal is one and three quarters to two and a half pounds Very few fish reach three pounds, and still fewer exceed that weight.

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A REAL GOOD COUNTRY-BRED.

THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Seeing your correspondent J. B.'s querry as to country-breds and the Viceroy's Cup I may remark I ran a country-bred horse named Tangri in 1890 or 1891 for the Ceylon Turf Club Plate against several good horses, Australian and English, distance 2 miles and won the same to the surprise of most sportsmen. If you refer to the records you will find weight and runners up.

H. DRUMMOND DEANE.

PRESENTATION TO MR. D. COATS NIVEN.

On Saturday, the 6th instant, an interesting meeting took place at the Town Offices of the Oriental Gas Company, No. 25, Chowringhee (Calcutta), when the staff and workmen met to take farewell from Mr. D. Coats Niven, who some time ago relinquished the post of Engineer and Manager to the Gas Company after 21 years' service. It being impossible under the special exigencies of the Company's operation for all the staff to be present, the several departments sent their delegates as well as the senior members of the clerical staff.

Mr. J. C. Watson, the present Engineer and General Manager of the Company in giving expression to the feelings of those present referred to the long connection of Mr. D. Coats Niven with the Oriental Gas Company, and also Mr. Niven's many acts of generosity to the staff and workmen as well as outside cases of distress to which he ever lent a willing ear. Severances were always painful, but one thing was certain, Mr. Niven's thoughts and sympathies would always be with India, where so many years of his life had been spent. So far his work was finished, but in the old country his thoughts would revert to Calcutta and no one would begrudge the well-earned years of repose to which Mr. Niven was now looking forward. Those present would often reflect upon the acts of kindness of their long time friend, Mr. Niven, with whom they had been so closely associated. Although long delayed owing to the severe illness of the recipient he had the greatest pleasure in presenting to Mr. Niven on behalf of the staff and workmen, an illuminated and framed address, together with a gold watch and chain as a token of their respect with best wishes for his future happiness and welfare. It was not so much the value of the gift but the unanimity with which the idea of the testimonial was taken up and the readiness with which the collection was made by all concerned. Mr. Niven had always displayed a tendency to give rather than to receive, and his natural modesty had ever been shown on this occasion, for so soon as it was intimated that it was their wish to present him with some token of their regard, he first reluctantly, and afterwards gracefully, consented to accept the sign of their good-will. Mr. Watson on behalf of them assembled wished Mr. Niven all health and prosperity and trusted the gift presented to him would always call up pleasant recollections of Calcutta. (Applause.)

Mr. Niven in reply said he was touched by the kind remarks that had been made, and assured those present that he would not easily forget their good wishes. Some time ago the Directors of the Company gave him a handsome inkstand with a cheque which he highly valued as a token of their esteem, and this in conjunction with the valuable gifts now presented to him would make every thing complete. He was very pleased to know that Mr. Watson had succeeded him, and he knew of no one better fitted or more capable of carrying out the work entrusted to him. He had known Mr. Watson for over seven years, and had always found him a very excellent co-adjutor and he knew the best interests of the Company were in safe hands. He asked all to support Mr. Watson to the best of their ability, and to strengthen his hands in every possible way. As a shareholder he would always watch the progress of the Company and would always be pleased to hear of their prosperity. Already he could see signs of advances in all directions and would ever be on the watch to hear of the Company's success. He took leave of them all with regret; but it was unavoidable, as naturally, in the course of time, the older men had to give place to the younger, and it was only right it should be so. Continuity of management was the correct course, and Mr. Watson by understanding the business was able to take full charge without unnecessary dislocation and trouble. He was soon leaving India and would carry with him the presents they had so generously given him, and would always value them and the spirit in which they had been offered. Hearty applause followed, and the meeting separated.

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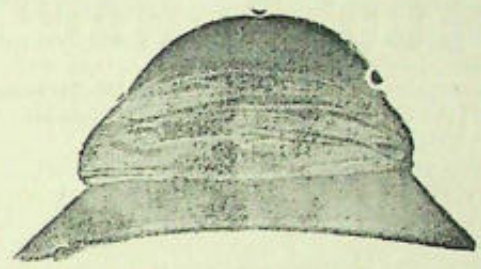
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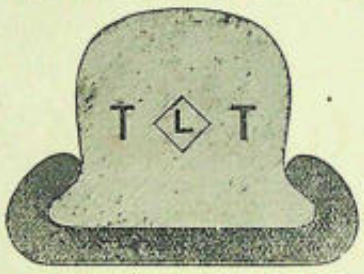
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Poona Fourth Extra	"	20	
" Fifth "	"	25	
" Sixth "	"	27	
" Seventh "	Sept.	3	
" Eighth "	"	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	"	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	504
Quetta Autumn Meeting	"	20, 22, 24	
Calcutta Monsoon Third	August	20	
" " Fourth	Sept.	10	
" " Fifth	"	17	
Ootacamund Hunt	"	15 & 17	
Mussoorie Autumn	"	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Lucknow Autumn Sky	"	25 & 27	82
Jubbulpore Autumn	Nov.	1 & 3	
" Open Gymkhana	"	5	
Umballa Autumn	"	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky	"	15, 17, & 19	626
Sonepore	"	23, 25 & 27	
Lucknow Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
" (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra	"	10	
" Second "	"	17	
" First Meeting	"	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	"	27	
Lahore X'mas	"	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	Dec.	15, 17, 20	
Dibrugarh	"	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting	"	14 & 31	
" Third Extra	"	28	
" Fourth "	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Poona Races ..	Second ..	.. 23rd August.
	Final ..	– 6th September.
Calcutta 4th Monsoon ..	–	– .. 6th September.
" 5th " ..	..	.. .. 13th September.
Ootacamund Hunt ..	First ..	– 1st September.
	Second ..	.. 10th September
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana ..	First ..	– 10th September.
	Second ..	.. 1st October.
	Third ..	.. 15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn ..	First ..	.. 10th September.
	Second ..	.. 1st October.
	Third ..	.. 15th October.
Army Cup ..	Third ..	– 1st October.
	Final ..	.. 15th November
Civil Service Cup ..	Third ..	– 15th September
	Fourth ..	.. 1st December.
	Final ..	– 20th January.
Umballa Autumn ..	Second ..	– 17th September
	Third ..	.. 28th October.
Calcutta First Extra ..	..	– .. 6th December.
" Second "	..	.. .. 13th "
" First Meeting ..	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	.. 30th "
" Second " ..	First ..	.. 30th November
	Second ..	.. 7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn ..	First ..	– .. 12th September
	Second ..	.. 19th "
	Third ..	.. 26th "
Lahore X'mas ..	Second ..	.. 1st November.
	Third ..	.. 1st December
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	Second ..	.. 15th September
	Third ..	.. 8th November.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	.. 30th "
" " Second "	First ..	.. 1st November.
	Second ..	– 2nd January.

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Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes .. – ..	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap – .. –	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.) –	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) .. –	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ miles) .. –	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) – ..	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong) ..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs) .. –	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1¼ miles) .. –	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs) –	Friday, 11th November.
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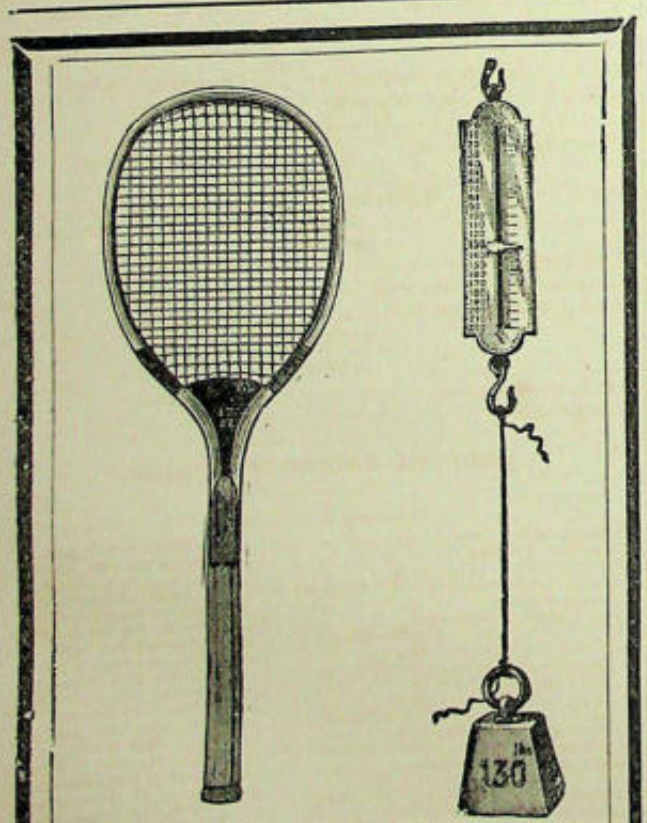
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CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

STEWARDS :

HON. MR. A. A. APCAR,
MR. W. GARTH,
MR. G. B. PARIS,
MR. H. T. PETER,
Stewards of the Calcutta Turf Club.

Judge : MR. E. C. APOSTOLIDES.
Starter : MR. R. G. BATES.
Time-taker : MR. GEO. JAMIESON.
Offg. Secretary : MR. G. B. DEAKIN.

Second Meeting, Saturday, 13th August 1904.

The racing this afternoon was marred by the wretched weather. The rain came down in torrents before the races and there were showers at intervals during the rest of the afternoon. The going was, of course, very heavy, the hurdle track being for the most part under water. Fields ruled small, the Fort Plate and the Pony Hurdles being the only two races in which place money could be obtained for the third horse. There was a large attendance in spite of the inclement weather, and the public were rewarded with an interesting afternoon's sport. Proceedings opened with the Fort Plate, for which Second Thought was the tip and, though carrying top weight, she won easily. The Pony Hurdles was considered a gift for Shylock at the weights, and Mr. Rodocanachi's horse made no mistake, winning comfortably by two lengths. Kittylea went out an odds on favourite in the August Plate and coming through, had no trouble in beating her field. The Hunters' Plate brought out five, of whom Planet II. was considered a good thing. Sylvia fell at the fourth hurdle, and Blue Bell, who had been in front the whole journey, romped home. An objection against the winner for going the wrong side of the first flag at the top bend was upheld and the race given to Odin. There was nothing in it for the Monsoon Plate but Clynder, and she might have won had her rider not committed an error of judgment and overlooked the well known racing axiom that the finish of a race is not the place where one can ease one's mount and expect to set her going again when she is collared. The last race provided another big upset. Thunder Cloud was most fancied, but could not do better than fourth, Euryalus coming away at the finish securing the verdict by a length and a half. The Totalisator paid Rs. 230 on this win ! Details :—

THE PONY PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2, and other ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. B. B's b aus m Second Thought, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr Galstaun 1
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Irish, 9st. 8lbs. ... O'Niel 2
Mr. Cunningham's b cb g Moonlight, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Cahill 3
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aust m Perfect. 10st. 11lb. ... ... Mr. Deakin 0
Mr. W. Bartlett's b aus m Mademoiselle, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Howie 0

(Winner trained by Walker.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 19 to win, and Rs. 13 and Rs. 14 for places.

BETTING : Evens Second Thought, 4 to 1 Irish, 6 to 1 Perfect, 8 to 1 Mademoiselle, 12 to 1 Moonlight.

Moonlight went away at the start, but was caught at the turn by Second Thought, who took command in the straight and won easily by two lengths, Irish beat Moonlight for second place by half a length. Time—1min. 32⅘secs.

PONY HURDLE RACE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to third. A High-weight Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. About one mile, over six flights of hurdles.

Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus g Shylock, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Shelldrake 1
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b or br aus g Good Chap, (dec. 2lbs.) 9st. ... ... Mr. Evers 2
Mr. T. Uphill's br aus g Norman, 10st. 10lbs. Howie 3
Mr. G. B. Mackellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Hard 4
Mr. B. Allen's b sth afr g Young Rake, 10st. Mr. Smith 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Rezia, 9st. 10lbs. Mr. Dudley 0
Mr. S. G. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. J. D. Marshall's dk b aus m The Owl (dec. 2lbs.), 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Bloss 0

(Winner trained by Norton.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 22 to win, and Rs. 19, Rs. 51 and Rs. 84 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Shylock, 5 to 1 each Yuletide and Rezia, 6 to 1 Moss Rose, 8 to 1 Norman, 10 to Good Chap, 12 to 1 each Young Rake and The Owl.

The Owl was first away, followed by Shylock, Norman and Young Rake. At the turn Good Chap and Moss Rose began to come up to Shylock and The Owl. The latter dropped back before the bend and Shylock coming away won by two lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 9⅘secs.

THE AUGUST PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High-weight Handicap Hurdle Race for horses. About one mile and-a-half, over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea, 11st. ... ... Shelldrake 1
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob, 9st. 6lbs. ... McCallum 2
Mr. A. J. Craven's bk aus g Road Metal, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Johnson 3
Mr. S. Hudson's br e g Belmeath, 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Dudley 0
Mrs. S. Fraser Nash's b aus g Macedon (dec. 3lbs.), 9st., ... Wall 0

(Winner trained by Norton.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 17 to win, Rs. 14 and Rs. 17 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Kittylea, 5 to 1 each agst. Bob and Road Metal, 6 to 1 Belmeath, 15 to 1 Macedon.

Road Metal showed the way to the hospital corner, with Kittylea and Bob close up ; at the fourth hurdle Kittylea went to the front and in spite of a great effort by Bob, kept there to the end of the journey winning easily by five lengths; same distance between second and third. Time—3 mins. 36⅘secs.

HUNTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 350 to the winner. Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A Hurdle Race for *bonâ fide* Paperchase horses that have never won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race, or Steeplechase, value Rs. 550 or upwards. C. W. A. and C. raised 2. G. R.'s. Penalties—Winners of a Hurdle Race or Steeplechase value Rs. 200 or over, once 7lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Allowance—Horses that have never won a Hurdle Race or Steeple-chase value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. About one mile and a half, over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin, 10st. 10lbs ... ... Mr. Evers 1
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Planet II., 10st. 10lbs. Mr. Dudley 2
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Whisper, 10st. 10lbs. Mr. Cowper 3
Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's b aust m Sylvia, 11st 13lbs ... ... Mr. Turner fell
Mr. Deakin's gr aus m Blue Bell II., 10st. 10lbs. Mr. Smith disq.

(Winner trained by Owner.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 46 to win, Rs. 14 and Rs. 13 for places.

BETTING : Evens Planet II., 3 to 1 each agst. Odin and Blue Bell II., 6 to 1 Sylvia, 10 to 1 Whisper.

Blue Bell was quickest away with Sylvia and Odin as her nearest attendants. At the fourth hurdle Sylvia came down, Blue Bell and Odin were close together till the home turn where the former came away and won by ten lengths. Time—3mins. 31secs. An objection against the winner for going the wrong course was upheld and the race given to Odin.

THE MONSOON PLATE. Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs 150 to the second, and Rs 100 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr T G Evers' b aus m Sunshine 8st. 10lb. Owner 1
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 10st. 10lbs. Mr Galstaun 2
Mr. Deakin's b aus g Invincible, 8st. 7lbs. ... Hard 3

(Winner trained by Owner.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 59 to win.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Clyder, 2 to 1 agst Invincible, 6 to 1 Sunshine.

Invincible took them along to the mile where Clynder went ahead and had the race in hand. Her rider was cantering in when Sunshine, nicely ridden by Mr. Evers, came with a rush and gained the verdict by a length. Time—1min. 29secs.

THE FORT PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For horses that have never won a Flat Race, Huddle Race, or Steeplechase value Rs. 50 or upwards. W. A. and C. 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Euryalus, 9st. 3lbs., Mr. Dudley 1
Mr. B. B.'s ch e m Reinzette, 9st. 11b ... Mr. Galstaun 2
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Howie 3
Mr. B. Allen's b aus m Thunder Cloud, 9st. 11b. ... ... Regan 0
Mr K. M. Hamilton's b e m Pierrette, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. Sullivan's ch aus m Pubna, 9st. 3lbs. Wall 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore, 9st. 3lbs. Mc Call 0
Mr Rees' gr aus g Quicksilver, 9st. 3lbs. W. White 0
Mr. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil, 9st. 3lbs. ... Shelldrake 0

(Winner trained privately.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 230 to win ; Rs. 25, Rs. 19 and Rs. 16 for places.

BETTING : Evens Thunder Cloud, 4 to 1 agst. Morris, 6 to 1 Reinzette, 8 to 1 Euryalus, 10 to 1 each Pierette and Daffodil, 12 to 1 the others.

Quicksilver showed out at the start, then Thunder Cloud went to the head of affairs and led into the straight, here Morris and Reinzette got on terms with her, but Euryalus came away and won by a length and a half ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 32secs.

POONA THIRD EXTRA MEETING

STEWARDS :

C. A. B. BEATTY, ESQ.
LT.-COL. B. C. BROOME.
COL. G. H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
W. L. HARVEY, ESQ., I.C.S.
THE HON'BLE MR. A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND, I.C.S.
Clerk of Scales :—MR. CURSETJEE DHUNJEE HAW.
Judge :—COLONEL G. H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
Starter :—MR. A. O'GORMAN.

Saturday, 13th August 1904.

THE PONY HURDLE PLATE—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Hurdle Race for Ponies 14-2 and under, new measurement, which have never won Hurdle Race value Rs. 200 or over, 14-2 to carry 11st 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner since 31st March 1902, race value Rs. 150 or over : once, 5lbs. ;

twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Allowances—C.-B.'s 18lbs.; Arabs 28lbs. 1¼ miles over 6 flights.

Lt.-Col Hazelton's b aus g Patrician, 14-0½, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 1
Mr. Mahomed Ally's br aus m Nautilus, 14-1, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Bond 2
Capt. Grogan's b aus g Rifleman II., 14-0, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Morrison 3
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's b aus m Annie Laurie, 14-0½, 10st. 3lbs. ... Fenton 0
Major G. Moore's b e m Faustine, 14-0½, 10st. ... ... Egan 0

BETTING: Evens Nautilus 5 to 2 agst. Patrician, 6 to 1 Rifleman, 11,, 10 to 1 Annie Laurie, 12 to 1 Faustine.

Won by six lengths; Faustine a length behind. Time.—2mins. 39 secs.

THE MAIDEN HURDLE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Horses which have not won Hurdle Race value Rs. 200 or over W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March. 1902 race value Rs. 150 or over: once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 18lbs, Allowance—Horses which have never started for Hurdle Race value Rs. 100 or over, 7lbs. 1¼ miles over 6 flights.

Major G. Moore's ch aus g Daroji, aged, 10st. ... ... A. Hoyt 1
Mr. Locke's g aus g Badger, aged, 10st. ... L. C. Hoyt 2
Mr. A. W. P.'s ch aus g Fitzeros, aged, 10st. Egan 3
Mr. W. Bass' br aus g Stoddart, aged, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Bryan fell
Mr. T. L. Robert's br aus g Dumbell, aged, 10st. ... ... Bond fell
Mr. H. B. Pike's b e m Vixen, aged, 10st. Capt. Anderson 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Stoddart, 5 to 2 Fitzeros, 3 to 1 Dumbell, 6 to 1 Badger, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths; a neck separating second and third. Time—2mins. 32secs.

THE BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab Ponies 13-3 and under landed since 1st July 1903. 13-3 to carry, 8st. 12lbs. W. I. Penaltie; —Winner, race value Rs. 150, or over; once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs. oftner, 14lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. S. A. Wahed's ch a h Dilerjung, 13 3, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Robinson 1
Mr. A. A. Amer's ch a h Caravan, 13-2¾, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Murphy 2
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Calcutta, 13-2, 8st. 11lb. ... ... Foster 3
Mr. Abdul Razak Nasroolla's bl a h Sabig, 13 2¾, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Native 0
Mr. Ali Bin Talib's g a h Roomy, 13-2¾ 8st, 10lbs. ... ... Native 0
Mr. J. Jacob's g a h Chiragh, 13-3 8st 6lbs. ... ... Native 0
Mr. Henry's g a h Gendorme, 13-3, 8st, 6lbs. ... ... King 0
Mr. Syed Rasheed's ch a h Shahoon, 13-3, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Etul 0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's bl a h Black Prince, 13-2¾, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Elliott 0
Messrs. P. Framjee and G. H. Noormahomed's b a h Superior, 13-2¾, 8st. 3lbs. Heeroo 0
Mr. W. Moran's g a h Young Gazelle, 13-2, 8st 11b. ... ... Bond 0
Mr. Peel's g a h Grey Ghost II, 13-2¾, 8st. Lalu 0
Mr. Abdool Kadar Hajee's ch a h Sublime, 13-2¾, 8st. ... ... Kamad 0
Mr. Yussuff Yunasee's b a hYerbo, 13-2¾, 8st. ... ... Melsom 0
Messrs. Dervish and H. Sulleman's b a h Akyab, 13-2¾, 7st. 11lbs. ... ... Syed 0
Messrs S. A. Aziz and S. A Hamid's g a h Shah Alum, 13-2, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. A. S. Oomer's g a h Defiance, 13-2, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Native 0
Mr. Nassar Abdoola's b a h Shirazi, 13-1¾, 7st. 2lbs. ... ... Kanai 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Calcutta, 5 to 1 Dilerjung, 6 to 1 Roomy, 8 to 1 Shah Alum, 12 to 1 each Black Prince, Young Gazelle, Grey Ghost, Sublime, and Yerbo, 15 to 1 Caravan, 40 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 10¼secs.

THE MONSOON PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Grey Fox, 13-2, 8st. 12lbs. ... Foster 1
Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 13-3, 7st. 10lbs. Heeroo 2
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 13-3, 7st. 9lbs. ... A. Hoyt 3
Mr. F. M. Garda's b a h Narunjee, 14-0, 10st. Potter 0
Aga S. Shah's g a h Achilles, 13-3¼, 9st. 6lbs. Robinson 0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's g a h Little Joker, 13-1¼, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... Bond 0
Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's g a h Tigris, 13-3¼, 8st. 11b. ... ... Morrison 0
Mr. F. M. Garda's br a h Kour Saheb, 13-3¼, 8st. ... ... Elliott 0
Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's g a h Nainawa, 13-3¼, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Turn of Luck, 14-0, 7st. 11lbs. ... ... Murphy 0
Aga S Shah's b a h Arabistan, 13¼, 7st. 6lbs. Kamad 0
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h False Start, 13-3¼, 6st. 12lbs. ... ... Nama 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Achilles, 5 to 1 Tigris, 6 to 1 each Mooreed and Arabistan, 7 to 1 each Grey Fox, Nainawa, Turn of Luck, and Hermit, 12 to 1 the others.

Won by one length and a half; a neck separating second and third Time—1min. 25secs.

THE HOPEFUL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs which have not won flat race value Rs. 50 or over. W. A. Reduced 3lbs. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. A. R. Amer's b a h Arabian Flag, 4yrs., 8st. ... ... Heeroo 1
Captain Bayford's g a g Borderer, aged, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Morrison 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Hadur, 4yrs., 8st. ... ... Kamad 3
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's ch a h Deserter, 13-3¾, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Bond 0
Mr. Peel's ch a h Syndicate, 8st. 8lbs. ... Lala 0
Major F. Edwards g a h Majestic 6yrs., 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
Mr. J Anthony's b a h Saizar, 13-3¾, 8st.... 3lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. S. A. Wahed's br a h Sword, 14-0, aged, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Kanai 0
Mr. Faraj bin Sanad's b a h Young Mosumma, 13-3¼, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs. ...H. J. Morrison 0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Mudmie, 14-0, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Murphy 0
Mr. Mahomed Shamlan's g a h The Emperor, 13-3¼, 8st 3lbs.... ... Native 0
Mr. D. Bomanjee's g a h Royal Blood, 4yrs, 8st. ... ... Native 0
Mr. Finch's b a h Arab Maid, 13-3½, 8st. ... Elliott 0
Mr. H. B. Pike's b a m Bandit II., 13-3½, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ... ... King 0
Mr. Abdulla Farras' b a b Regular, 6st. 12lbs. ... ... Dhondi 0

BETTING: 1½ to 1 agst. Hadur, 4 to 1 Saizar, 6 to 1 each Deserter, Borderer, and Arab Maid, 8 to 1 Sword, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by one and three-quarters of a length; three quarters of a length separating second and third. Time—1min. 42⅘secs.

THE WELTER PLATE.—Winner, Rs 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 50 or over since 31st March 1902. W. A. and C. raised 2st. 5 furlongs.

Mr. T. L. Robert's ch aus g Moroney, by Merrimu Rosebud, aged, 11st ... Mr. Deane 1
Major G. Moore's br e g Half-a-Crown, 5yrs., 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. H B. Pike's bl aus g Musketeer, by Straham, 6yrs., 11st. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. Marshall Read's ch aus g Sweet William, by William Tell, 11st. ... Capt. Meynell 0
Mr. Locke's br aus g Carlton II., aged, 11st. ... ... Owner 0
Messrs. Guest and Dawn's ch aus m Mignonette, aged, 11st. ... ... Mr. Dawn 0
Mr. J. Alston's br aus g Dundonald, aged, 11st. ... ... Owner 0
Major G. Moore's br aus m Mimosa, aged, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Mr Dryan 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. each Sweet William, and Half-a-Crown, 4 to 1 Carlton, 5 to 1 Musketeer, 6 to 1 each Moroney, Mignonette, and Dundonald, 12 to 1 Mimosa.

Won by three quarters of a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 6⅘secs.

THE BANGALORE RACES.

FIRST EXTRA DAY.

Saturday, 13th August 1904.

SOME good sport was witnessed at the first extra day's racing in Bangalore. Fields were quite fair and finishes sometimes close. Musketeer won his race in great style and will win in better company than he met here. The attendance was very moderate, evidence of the rapidly waning Bangalore season, but the weather was pleasant and the afternoon's sport was altogether a success. Details:—

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Capt. A. S. Toogood's g a g St. Gris, 9st. 6lbs. ... ... Meah Jan 1
Mr. S. W. Webster's b a g Derision, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Col. Armstrong 2
Major N. M. Smyth's g a h Diamond Rose, 9st. 5lbs. ... ... McQuade 3
Mr. R. Neave's br a h Mintmaster, 8st. 12lbs. Owner 0
Mr. Jacob Sait's g a h Jacob, 6st. 10lbs. ... Gooloo 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on St. Gris, evens Diamond Rose, 4 to 1 Derision, 10 to 1 Mintmaster, and 20 to 1 Jacob.

Derision got away after one false start, and led from St. Gris and Diamond Rose until the distance. Here St. Gris challenged and getting the best of a good finish won by half a length: a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 12⅗secs.

THE LOWER PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses that have never fetched more than Rs. 1,000. Weights—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

The Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Sister, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Burns 1
Major A. C. Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Thompson 2
Capt. Unthank's ch aus m Firecat, 7st. 3lbs. Bennett 3
Mr. R. Anketell; Jones' ch aus g Grand Duke, 9st. ... ... — Meah Jan 0
Mr. A. C. Tate's g aus g Wadhurst, 8st. 6lbs. Gooloo 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Sister, 4 to 1 each agst. Grand Duke, Scissorman, and Firecat, and 6 to 1 Wadhurst.

After a considerable delay Sister jumped away with a clear lead of Scissorman, the latter being well in front of Wadhurst. Mr. Apcar's mare rapidly left her field and won with consummate ease by three lengths from Scissorman, the latter being the same distance in front of Firecat who beat Wadhurst for third place on the post. Time—1min. 6⅘secs.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For ponies Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Major N. M. Smyth's b e g Laurier Rose, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Koops 1
Kumara Rajah of Pittapore's b aus g Shield, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Gooloo 2
Mr. A. West's ch aus m Firebrand, 9st. 5lbs. McQuade 3
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' br aus g Swiveller, 9st. 13lbs. ... ...Col. Armstrong 0
Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Meah Jan 0
Major A. C. Hamilton's ch e h Astrologer, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Thompson 0
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Bennett 0

BETTING: Evens Swiveller, 3 to 1 agst. Tight Rope, 4 to 1 each Firebrand, Dandenong, and Laurier Rose, 6 to 1 Shield, and 10 to 1 Astrologer.

Laurier Rose got the best of a fair start, with the rest close together. When fairly in the straight Shield improved his position and Firebrand also came through. The favourite was early beaten and Laurier Rose won comfortably by a length and-a-half; half a length between second and third. Time—51⅘secs.

THE BANGALORE PLATE.—Rs 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs,25. For horses. Weights—Handicap. 7 furlongs

Mr. D. Devaraj Urs' br aus g Musketeer, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Meah Jan 1
Major H. C. V. Harrison's ch aus g De Wet, 7st. ... ... Gooloo 2
The Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b e g Simon, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Burns 3
Major F. C. Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher, 6st. 10lbs. ... ... Bennett 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Musketeer, 3 to 1 each agst. De Wet and Simon, and 4 to 1 Kingfisher.

Musketeer quickly established a clear lead from Kingfisher with De Wet next and Simon last. Coming round the turn for home Simon momentarily improved his position, but the weight told and he died away in the straight. Musketeer won without being challenged by a length from De Wet, the other two finishing almost together about four lengths further back. Time—1min. 35secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For *bonâ-fide* Arab polo ponies. Weights—Handicap. 3 furlongs.

The Hon. Mr. A. Thellusson's g a h Charley II., 9st. 8lbs. ... . Capt. Randall 1
Capt. Day's g a h Squib, 10st. 11b. ... Owner 2
Mr. T. G. Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Mr. P. L. Reeves 3
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Major Dougall 0
Captain E. G. R. Peel's b a h Bayleaf 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Charley II., 4 to 1 each Delight, Bayleaf, and Squib, and 10 to 4 Baronet.

After Baronet had run the course once in a false start, the lot got fairly well away and a great race resulted in the favourite getting up in the last stride and dead-heating with Squib, Baronet being a length and-a-half behind the dead-heaters.

In the run-off the betting was 3 to 1 on Charley II. who won easily by two lengths.

WELLINGTON GYMKHANA RACES.

Tuesday, 6th August 1904.

THE Gymkhana Race Meeting organised by the officers of the 1st Durham Light Infantry and Depôt details came off at Wellington to-day, under favourable condition. The weather was simply delightful, cool, and pleasant throughout the evening the card presented six races, all drew fair fields and some excellent sport was witnessed. Major Nason, D. S. O., Commandant of the Depôt, Captain Toogood, Cantonment Magistrate, Captain Northey, D. S. O., of the 1st Durham Light Infantry, and Mr. Shrief were the stewards, while Major Elwes was the starter, Captain Northey, judge, and Mr. Freel, clerk of the scales. Quartermaster-Sergeant Garside kept a totalisator and did some good business, while Mr. Mehraban, of Poona, kept a Table of Anchor and Crown, which was well patronized by the military element. The fine band of the Regiment, under the *baton* of Mr. A. Hind, furnished music. Major Buck, Officer Commanding the 1st Durham Light Infantry, was "At Home" on the ground, and the Sergeants and N.-C. O. had their own tents, where they received their friends. Details:—

A HURDLE RACE FOR ARAB PONIES.—Catch weights over 11st.—1 mile 4 flights.

Capt. Agnne's ch a h Redspider ... Lieut. Phillips 1
Capt. Unthank's ch a h Red Gauntlet ...Capt. Unthank 2

Also ran: Lieutenant Whitby's ch a h Michy.

Whitby having met with an accident while at the first hurdle, the race was between Redspider and Red Gauntlet. Redspider went off with a lead and won by a length.

Totalizator paid Rs. 3.

A HUDRLE RACE FOR WALER PONIES.—Catch weights over 11st.—1 mile 4 flights.

Capt. Unthank's g aus m Sappho ...Capt. Unthank 1
Capt. Northey's g aus m Bustle ... Lieut. Shrief 2
Lieut. Hamilton Grace's br ar g Vivandier Lieut. Hamilton Grace 3

Also ran: Captain Toogood's b aus g Soft Soap.

Won by a length; a short neck between second and third.

Totalizator paid Rs. 16.

CLUB POLO PONY SCURRY—Catch weights over 11st.—3 furlongs.

Lieut. Turner's g a h Cormorant ... Lieut. Turner 1
Lieut. Richardson's g a h Herbert ...Lieut. Richardson 2

Also ran: Lieutenant Gillespie's br a h Picaroon, Lieutenant Whitby's b a h Bayleaf, and Captain Cochrane's g a h Promotion.

It was a walk over for the winner. Totalizator paid Rs. 3-8.

ARAB POLO SCURRY.—Catch weights over 11st. 3 furlongs.

Lieut. White's b a h Shifter ... ... Lieut. White 1
Capt. Unthank's b a g Great Auk ...Capt. Unthank 2
Capt. Cochrane's b a g Purch,... Capt. Cochrane 3

Also ran:—Lieutenant Turner's ch ab Mossy Face, Lieutenant Richardson's g a b Pilsener, and Lieutenant Tyndale's b a g Bay Rum.

This was an excellent race. Shifter jumped off with the lead with Great Auk second and Purch following Great Auk, and in this order they passed the winning post.

Won by a length. Half a length between second and third. Totalizator paid Rs. 20.

A DISTANCE HANDICAP FOR POLO PONIES.—Catch weights over 11st. 3 furlongs.

Capt Sellar's Heather ... ... Lieut White 1
Capt. Gabbett's Soft So-p ... ...Lieut. Gillespie 2
Capt. Unthank's ch ab Red Gauntlet ...Capt Unthank 3

Also ran: Lieutenant Franklyn's g g Pickford, Captain Gynne's b c b h Somali, Captain Toogood's b ah Chinee, Lieutant Whitby's br an Balabar, Lieutenant Garsiar's ch ab Dalmati, Lieutenant Phillip's ch eb m Better Days and Lieutenant Franklns g a h Dum-Dum.

Won by two lengths and three lengths between second and third.

Totalizater paid Rs. 6.

WALER SCURRY.—Catch weights over 11st. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Unthank's g aus m Sappho ... Capt. Unthank 1
Capt. Toogood's ch aus m Ambrosino ... Capt. Toogood. 2
Lieut. Hamilton Grace's ch aus g Corbett Lieut. Hamilton Grace. 3

Also ran: Lieutenaut White's ch aus m Motley.

Ambrosino gave a good deal of trouble at the start. Shappho won by a length. Totalizator paid Rs. 10.

MADRAS GYMKHANA RACES.

Tuesday, 9th August 1904.

AFTER two postponements on account of the weather, the first of the Gymkhana Race Meetings held during the hot season was brought off to-day on the Island, before a fairly large gathering, the public, other than members of the Gymkhana, being admitted on payment of the very moderate entrance fee of Re. 1, and all had unusual opportunities of backing their fancy, for in addition to the usual Rs. 2 Totalisator there was the unwonted luxury of a bookmaker. The pretty Island Course was looking its best after the recent rains, though the going was a bit heavy, especially at the bend leading into the straight where the flood water lodges. There were no accidents, however, though the timing of the races was a bit on the slow side. It was a favourite's day, the popular fancy coming off in every event. In the Island Cup, Comet and Harkaway were too classy for the rest of the field and too good for Skittle meetings. They swamped all opposition and had the race entirely to themselves; but on the whole a good and interesting afternoon's sport was provided. Appended are details:—

MAIDEN STAKES.—Rs. 39 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. For horses that have never won a race. Catch weights over 12 stone. ½ mile.

Rajah Venugopaul's br aus g Fountain, 12st ... ... A. P. Symond 1
Mr. A. H. Steele's b aus g Kuroki, 12st ... Owner 2
Mr. A. L. Clover's b aus g Buckshot, 12st Owner 3

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BETTING : 6 to 4 on Fountain, 3 to 1 Buckshot, 5 to 1 Kuroki. A good start ; Fountain took up the running at once, but immediately after gave place to the other two. In the straight he came again and won hard held by a length. Totalisator paid Rs. 2-14.

THE TYRO STAKES.—Rs. 39 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. For poines 14-2 and under that have never started for a race. W. I. Weights—Australians or English 14-2 to carry 13-0 ; Arabs or C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11-0. 3 furlongs.

Major Logan-Home's br aus g Ercles, 12st. 2lbs. ... ... Capt. Symons 1
Mr. H. U. C. Campell's sk aus m Magpie. 12st. 2lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. A. L. Clover's b eb m Gritz, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Farran 3
Also ran : Blazes, 12-2.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Ercles, 3 to 1 each Blazes and Gritz, 5 to 1 Magpie.

Eccles lead from start to finish and won easily by a length ; same distance between second and third. Totalisator paid Rs. 8-12.

THE ARAB STAKES.—Rs. 39 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. For Arab ponies 14 1 and under. W. I. Weights—14-1 to carry 11-7. Penalties Winners of Rs. 500 or over, once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 20lbs. ¼ mile.

Major Bell's b a h Matussan, 10st. 6lbs. Capt. Clarke 1
Major Logan-Home's g a g Claude Duval, 11st. 11b. ... ... Capt. Symons 2
Mr. A. L. Clover's g a h, Panther 10st. 12lb Mr. Farran 3
Also ran : Burgundy 11-7.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Matussan, 4 to 1 the rest.

A good start. Matussan was always in front and won pulling up from Claude Duval. Totalisator paid Rs. 2-14.

THE ISLAND CUP.—Rs. 39 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. For Horses, Weights, Handicap. Race Course.

Mr. T. B. Derham's br aus g Comet, 13st ... Capt. Clarke 1
Major Logan-Home's br aus g Harkaway, 10st ... ... Capt. Symons 2
Mr. J. B. Cunliffe's br aus m Flickamaroo, 13st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. W. Johnston 3
Also ran : Shamrock, 10-7 ; Euclid, 10-7; Crimea, 10-7.

A good start, Harkaway bying last a long way, all the rest together. On the far side Shamrock went away with a great burst, but at the three furlongs Comet and Harkaway came through and had the issue to themselves, the former winning with plenty to spare. Totalisator paid Rs. 2-10.

THE CURZON STAKES.—Rs. 39 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. For Australian and English ponies 14-1 and under. W. I. Weights.—Australians and English ponies 14-1 to carry 11-7 Penalties—Winner of a race value Rs. 200 or over, once 10lbs., twice 14lbs., oftener 21lbs. ¼ mile.

Major F. C. Logan, Home's br aus m Nipcat, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Capt. Clarke 1
Mr. W. H. Oakes' b aus m Tulip, 11st. 7lbs. Capt. Symons 2
Mr. H. U. C. Campbell's sk aus m Magpie, 11st 7lbs ... ... Mr. Steele 3
Also ran : Stella, 10-9 ; Ninepins, 11-1.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Nipcat, 4 to 1 each Tulip and Magpie, 6 to 1 the rest.

Run in the dark, but Nipcat had no difficulty in winning.

BELLARY RACES.

Second Day, Thursday, 4th August 1904.

THE meeting came to an end to-day with a very successful afternoon's sport. There were seven races on the programme, of which Mr. Casson won three. He won the Club Stakes with Eager, the Horse Substitution Handicap with Timoor, and divided first with the same horse in the Bellary Stakes. Captains Matthew and Jeffreys secured two wins, with Two Step. The Fort Stakes proved a walk over for Mr. Hannyngton's Joey. Major Thring and the officers, 27th Light Cavalry were. "At Home." Details :—

THE BELLARY STAKES.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10. A hurdle race for horses. 1¼ mile over seven flights,

Mr. Casson's b aus g Timoor, 11st. 6lbs., Owner } Divided.
Mr. Hannyngton's b aus g Advance, 12st., Owner }

THE FORT STAKES.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10. A hurdle race for ponies. 1 mile over six flights.

Mr. Hannyngton's b aus g Joey 10st. 4lbs., Capt. Dent, w. o.

THE CORONATION HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10. For all ponies 14-2 and under, which ran on the first day. Prizes presented by Mr. Forbes I. C. S. 6 furlongs.

Capts. Matthew's and Jeffreys' b aus m Two Step, 10st. 12lbs., ... Capt. Jeffreys 1
Mr. Williams' b aus g None Such, 12st. ... Mr. Strickland 2
Capt. Henderson's br aus g Hartree 11st. ... Mr. Casson 3

BETTING : 4 to 1 on None Such, 3 to 1 agst. Two Step, and 7 to 1 Hartree.

LOTTERY : None Such, Rs. 82; Two step, Rs. 22; Hartree Rs. 10 Net value Rs. 283.

Won comfortably by one and a half lengths from the favourite bad third. Time—1min. 31secs.

THE CLUB STAKES.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10. For Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under which ran on the first day. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Casson's b a p Eager, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Capt. Days' g a p Squib, 10st. 5lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. de Hoghton's g a p Sufdar, 11st. ... Strickland 3
Also ran : Whiskey.

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Eager and Squib, 3 to 1 Sufdar, and 7 to 1 Whiskey.

LOTTERY: Eager, Rs. 62; Squib, Rs. 28; Sufdar, Rs. 26; Whiskey, Rs. 8. Net value Rs. 292.

Won easily by a length. Time—1min. 12⅘secs.

THE HORSE SUBSTITUTION HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10. A handicap for horses. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Casson's b aus g Timoor, 11st. 10lbs. Genl. Mahon 1
Mr. Casson's b aus g Jasper, 11st. 3lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Hannyngton's b aus g Advance, 12st. ... ... Owner 3
Also ran : Kildemoch.

BETTING : 6 to 4 Jasper, evens Timoor, 3 to 1 agst, Advance and 4 to 1 Kildemoch.

LOTTERY : Mr. Casson's stable Rs. 100, Advance Rs. 20 Kildemoch and Roxborough each Rs. 12.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

POLO HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 10. A handicap for all Polo ponies which have not won on the first day. 4 furlongs.

Capt. Matthew's and Jeffreys' b aus m Two Step, 11st. 11b., ...Capt. Jeffreys 1
Capt. Day's g a p Squib, 10st. 11lbs. ...Owner } Dead
Mr. Lake's g a p Sober Sides, 10st. 9lbs. Mr. Casson. } heat.
Also ran: Birdcatcher 11st. 7lbs., Joey 10st. 13lbs., Trump 10st. 7lbs., Whiskey 10st. 5lbs., March 10st. 11b., and Marsala 9st. 4lbs.

BETTING : Evens Two Step, 2 to 1 each agst. Birdcatcher, Squib and Sober Sides, 4 to 1 Joey, 6 to 1 each Trump and Marsh, and 8 to 1 each Whiskey and Marsala.

LOTTERY : Two Step, Rs. 62; Squib, Rs. 46; Marsh and Trump, each, Rs. 20; Birdcatcher, Rs. 10; Joey, Marsala, and Whiskey, each Rs. 6. Net value Rs. 440.

Won by two lengths. Dead heat for second place. Time —57⅘secs.

A MATCH.—Rs. 50 a side. Catch weights. Owners up. 110 yards.

Mr. D. Williams' b aus g None Such 1
Mr. Irwin's b aus g Blowmatite 2
Won by half a length.

THE CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner a cup value Rs. 32 presented by Mr. Ebrahim Salt, and Rs 17 added from the Fund, second Rs. 10. For all ponies which have run but not won at the Meeting. Starting declaration to be made half an hour before time advertised for the race. ½ mile.

Mr. Walker's br aus g Marvel, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Lake's g a p Sober Sides, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Casson 2
Mr. de Hoghton's g a p Sufdar, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Strickland 3
Also ran : Blowmatite 11st. 3lbs., Bayonet 8st. 10lbs., Won easily. a short head between and third.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Marvel, evens Sober Sides, 2 to 1 agst. the rest.

LOTTERY : First choice Rs. 110, Fied Rs. 20, second choice Rs. 32, third choice Rs. 20, fourth choice Rs. 14. Net value Rs. 447.

COLOMBO AUGUST RACES.

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Starter:—MR. F. J. WRIGHT.
Timekeeper:—MR. C. W. BOOTY.
Secretary:— MR. F. W. WALDOCK.

First Day, Saturday, 6th August 1904.

THE meeting opened to-day in splendid weather and before a large attendance. An attractive card of six races was discussed, the big event, of course, being the Governor's Cup. Mr. Farquharson secured the Cup this year with Prince Lyon, Regalia II. who ran second last year, taking third place to-day. Mr. Farquharson had a real day out. He won the Desert Stakes with Tirah, the Maiden Purse with Creditor, the Bachelor's Purse with Kingfisher, and in conjunction with Mr. Borrett, the Omnium Stakes with Muriel. Mr. Bonaparte Wyse's Reply was first in the Lawn Stakes. Penton steered four winners. Details :—

OMNIUM STAKES.—Value Rs. 400, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. For ponies, 14-2 and under. Weight for inches ; 14-2 to carry 10st 7lbs. Penalties. Winner once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener 10lbs. Allowance. Maidens allowed 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Borrett and Farquharson's Muriel, 11st. ... ... Penton 1
Mr. C. C. Mee's Redstone, 10st. 6lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. R. Cotesworth's Winnie, 10st. 2lbs. ... Smith 0

Won by a length and a quarter. Time—1min. 22⅘secs. The Rs. 2 Totalisator paid even money.

BETTING : 5 to 1 on Muriel, 8 to Redstone, 6 to 1 Winnie.

THE LAWN STAKES.—Value Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second horse (if five start) for horses. Weight. Handicap. 7 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 25.

Mr. L. Bonaparte Wyse's Reply, aged, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Morrison 1
Mr. C. W. Booty's Charity, 4yrs, 7st. 12lbs. Smith 2
Mr. D. H. William's Gabelle, 5yrs., 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Penton 0

Won by a neck amidst general enthusiasm. Gabelle, who was made the favourite on the totalisator, was nowhere. Time—1min. 37secs. The Totalisator paid Rs. 6.

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Charity, 2 to 1 each Gabelle and Reply.

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.—Value £59 sterling. Presented by His Excellency the Governor with Rs. 2,000 added, out of which the second horse is to receive Rs. 300. For Horses. Weight for age and class. Distance round the race course, about 1½ miles.

Mr. R. J Farquharson's Prince Lyon, 5yrs., 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Fisher 1
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Rapier, 6yrs., 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Smith 2
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Regalia II., aged, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Penton 0

Won by three lengths. Time—2min. 17secs. The Total Paid Rs. 8.

DESERT STAKES.—Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. For Arab Ponies, 14 hands and under that have never won a race value Rs. 1,200. Weight for inches ; 14 hands to carry 10st. Penalties. Winner once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Allowance, Maidens allowed 7lbs. 5 furlongs. Frist entrance, Rs. 20 ; second entrance, Rs. 30.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Tirah, 10st. 10lbs. Penton 1
Dr. Fairlie's Sirur, 10st. 7lbs. ... Lansdowne 2
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Jena, 9st. ... ... Smith 0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Pilgrim, 9st. 4lbs. Fisher 0

Won by a length and a quarter.

BETTING : Evens, Tirah and Sirur, 5 to 1 agst. Pilgrim, 6 to 1 Jena. Time—1min. 10⅘secs. Totalisator paid Rs. 2.

THE MAIDEN PURSE.—Value Rs. 1,500, of which Rs. 150 to the second horse. Rs. 500 presented by the lawyers of Colombo and balance from the Fund. For maiden horses. Weight for age and class raised 1st. 1 mile. First entrance, Rs. 40 ; second entrance, Rs. 50.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Creditor, 5yrs., 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Penton 1
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Sacristan, 2yrs., 8st. 5lbs. ... ... Smith 2
Mr. C. C. Mee's Anvil. 5yrs., 9st. 12lbs. ... Owner 3
Mr. D. H. Williams' Wizard, 3yrs., 9st. 9lbs. Morrison 0
Mr. James' Helmet, 3yrs., 9st. 9lbs. ... Fisher 0

Won on the post by a head. Three lengths separated Sacristan and Anvil. Time—1min. 49⅘secs. Totalisator paid Rs. 5.

BETTING : 6 to 4 each agst Creditor and Sacristan, evens Helmet, 4 to 1 Anvil, 5 to 1 Wizard.

BACHELOR'S PURSE.—Value Rs. 600, and Rs. 100 to the second horse. Presented by the bachelors of Colombo. For horses which have never won a race value Rs. 700. Weight for age and class raised 1st. Allowance—Maidens allowed 7lbs. 6 furlongs. First entrance, Rs. 30 ; second entrance, Rs. 40.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Kingfisher, aged, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Penton 1
Mr. D. H. Williams' Goya, 3yrs., 9st. 4lbs. ... Mr. Murland 2
Mr. R. M. Andree's Caloola, aged, 11st. 3lbs.... Fisher 0

Won comfortably by two and a half lengths, a bad third. Time—1min. 20⅘secs. Totalisator paid Rs. 3.

BETTING : 2 to 1 each Kingfisher and Goya, 3 to 1 Anster, 8 to 1 Caloola.

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A. J. J. PFEIFFER,
Assistant Manager.

CALCUTTA ;
12th August 1904.

Second Day, Thursday, 11th June 1904.

Six races figured on to-day's programme, and a large attendance witnessed some good racing. The Turf Club Cup was won by Mr. D. H. Williams' Goya, the same owner's Afreet securing the Planters Purse. Mr. C. C. Mee also had two wins, Redstone, winning the Cinnamon Garden Stakes and Kisme, the Carlyon Stakes. Details :—

CINNAMON GARDEN STAKES.—Rs. 750, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. For ponies 14-2 and under. Weight—Handicap. 5 furlongs. First entrance Rs. 25 ; Second entrance Rs. 35.

Mr. C. C. Mee's Redstone, 9st. ... F. Smith 1
Messrs. Borrett, and Farquharson's Muriel, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Penton 2
Mr. R. Cotesworth's Winnie, 8st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Murland 3
Mr. W. J. Keat's Fortunatus, 9st. 7lbs. ... Wiles 0

BETTING : Even Muriel and Redstone, 6 to 1 each agst. Fortunatus and Winnie. Totalisator Rs. 4.

Won by one and a quarter length. Time—1min. 7½secs.

PLANTERS' PURSE.—Rs. 500 and Rs. 500 added, out of which the second horse is to receive Rs. 150, and the third horse Rs. 50. Winner to be sold for Rs. 1,000. For horses, Gentlemen riders' Weight—Welter Handicap. 1 mile. First entrance Rs. 40 ; Second entrance Rs. 60. The Hampden Whip, value £8 sterling, will be presented to the rider of the winner by the Club.

Mr D. H. Williams' Afreet, 11st. 9lbs Mr. Farquharson 1
Mr. Eric Watson's The Greek, 9st 9lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. C. C. Mee's Anvil, 9st. 7lbs. ... Owner 3
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Devoted, 10st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Murland 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Afreet, 5 to 1 agst The Greek, 6 to 1 each Devoted and Anvil. Totalizator paid Rs. 3.

Won by half a length two lengths separating the second and third. Time—1min. 50½secs

CARLYON STAKES.—Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. For Arab ponies, 14 hands and under. Weight—Handicap. 6 furlongs. First entrance Rs. 25 ; Second entrance Rs. 35.

Mr. C. C. Mee's Kismet, 7st. 4lbs. ... R. Morrison 1
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Jena, 8st. ... F. Smith 2
Mr. Farquharson's Tirah, 10st. 9lbs. ... Owner 3
Mr. D. H. Williams' Silver One, 9st. 10lbs. Penton 0

BETTING : Evens Silver One, 6 to 4 agst. Kismet, 2 to 1 Tirah, 4 to 1 Jena. Totalisator paid Rs. 11.

Won by a quarter of a length, an indifferent third.—Time—1min. 27secs.

THE TURF CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, and Rs. 200 to the second horse for horses Weight—Handicap 1¼ miles. First entrance Rs. 75 ; Second entrance Rs. 120.

Mr. D. H. Williams' Goya, 8st. 12lbs. ... Penton 1
Mr. Herbert's Rapier, 10st. 4lbs. ... Smith 2
Mr. Rosebery's Anster, 9st. 2lbs. ... Fisher 3
Mr. Williams' Gabelle ... ... Mr. Murland 0

BETTING : Evens Goya. 2 to 1 Rapier, 6 to 1 Anster and 8 to 1 Gabelle. Totalisator paid Rs 3.

Won by a length after a good finish. Time—2mins. 47secs.

MAIDEN DERBY.—Rs. 750, and Rs 150 to the second horse, and Rs. 75 to the third horse. For horses which were Maidens on the 1st January, 1904. Weight : Handicap. 6 furlongs. First entrance Rs. 35 ; Second entrance Rs. 50.

Mr. Herbert's Sacristan, 7st. 8lbs. ... Smith 1
Mr. James's Helmet, 9st. ... ... Penton 2
Mr. C. W. Booty's Charity, 8st. 12lbs ... R. Morrison 3

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Sacristan, 4 to 1 each agst. Helmet and Charity.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3. Won hard held by two lengths —1min. 19secs.

FLYING STAKES.—Rs. 500. For horses. Winner to be sold for Rs. 800 Weight—Handicap. 5 furlongs. First entrance Rs. 25 ; Second entrance Rs. 35.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Kingfisher, 10st. 9lbs. Owner 1
Mr. R. M. Andree's Caloola. 10st. 2lbs. ... Smith 2
Mr. Mack's Wingfield, 9st. 12lbs. ... Lansdown 3
Mr. D. H. Williams' Wizard, 7st. 4lbs. .. R Morrison 0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Kingfisher, evens Wingfield, 2 to 1 Wizard, 4 to 1 Caloola. Totalistor paid Rs 4. Won by three quarters of a length ; a bad third. Time—1min. 5⅘secs.

Third Day, Thursday, 11th August 1904.

The attendance was small to-day and fields poor, but the racing was interesting and the weather fine. The Channer Stakes, the most important race of the day went to Prince Lyon the Governor's Cup winner, while Sirur repeated his victory of last year in the Garrison Cup. Details:—

THE CLUB STAKES.—Rs 500, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. For all ponies 14-2 and under. Weight—Handicap. 6 furlongs.

Mr. C. C. Mee's Redstone 9st. 2lbs. ... Lansdown 1
Messrs. Borrett's and Farquharson's Muriel, 10st. ... ... Penton 2
Mr. R. Cotesworth's Winnie, 7st. 10lbs. ... Smith 3

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Redstone, 6 to 4 each agst. Muriel and Winnie. Totalisator Rs. 4.

Won hard held by three lengths. Time—1min. 20⅘secs.

HAVELOCK COURSE STAKES.—Rs. 750. For horses. Winner to be sold for Rs. 1,000. Weight—Handicap. Round the Race Course, about 1¼ mile.

Mr. Eric Watson's The Greek, 8st. ... Morrison 1
Mr. Rossebery's Anster, 10st. ... ... Fisher 2
Mr. D. H. Williams' Gabelle, 8st 13lbs. ... Mr. Murland 3
Mr. D. H. Williams' Afreet, 11st. ... Penton 0

Creditor, Devoted, and Redstone were scratched.

BETTING : Evens Afreet, 6 to 4 agst. Anster, 2 to 1 The Greek, and 6 to 1 Gabelle. Totalisator Rs. 7.

Won by one length. Time—1min. 21⅘secs.

GARRISON CUP.—Rs. 500. Presented by the Officers of the Garrison of Ceylon and Rs. 350 added from the Fund, and Rs. 150, to the second horse. For Arab ponies entered at the Meeting. Weight—Handicap. 6 furlongs.

Dr. J. B. Fairlie's Sirur, 10st. 7lbs. ... Lansdown 1
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Jena, 8st. 7lbs. ... Smith 2
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Tirah, 10st. 12lbs. Penton 3
Mr. D. H. Williams' Silver One, 8st. 12lbs. Mr. Murland 0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Pilgrim, 7st. 12lbs. Morrison 0
Mr. C. C. Mee's Kismet. 7st 8lbs. ... David 0

BETTING : Evens Sirur, 5 to 2 agst. Tirah, 3 to 1 Jena, 4 to 1 each Pilgrim and Silver One, and 6 to 1 Kismet. Totalisator Rs. 6.

Won easily. An objection to the winner was very properly overruled. Time—1min. 26⅘secs.

MAIDEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 600, and Rs. 75 to the second horse For all horses which were Maidens on 1st January 1904. Weight. Handicap. 1 mile.

Mr. D. H. Williams' Goya, 10st. 7lbs. ... Penton 1
Mr. C. W. Booty's Charity, 7st. ... Morrison 2
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Sacristan, 8st. ... Smith 3
Mr. C. C. Mee's Anvil, 8st. 8lbs. ... Lansdown 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Goya, 6 to 4 agst. Charity, 2 to 1 Sacristan. and 4 to 1 Anvil. Totalisator Rs. 4.

Won by a nose. Time—1min. 46secs.

CHANNER STAKES.—Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 100 to the second horse. For horses. Weight—Handicap. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Prince Lyon, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Fisher 1
Mr. Mack's Wingfield, 7st. 9lbs. ... Smith 2
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Kingfisher, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Penton 3
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Rapier, 10st. 2lbs. ... Landsdown 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Prince Lyon, 5 to 2 agst. Rapier, 3 to 1 Kingfisher, and 5 to 1 Wingfield. Totalisator Rs. 3.

Won easily. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

OMNIUM HANDICAP.—Rs. 500. For all horses which have not won a race value Rs 500. Weight—Handicap. 1 mile.

Mr. James' Helmet, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Fisher 1
Mr. L. B. Wyse's Reply ... ... Lansdown 2
Mr. Williams' Wizard ... ... R. Morrison 3

Won by 1¾ lengths. A bad third.

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

ON Thursday Regan was first out with young Rake, jumping the two pony hurdles in front of the stand, but going out very wide before approaching the third hurdle. With only one beacon in evidence, the course marking here is a little puzzling, and so I should think little Regan found it. However, the remainder of the course was well negotiated, no rapping of hurdles, as on the first go.

Norman from Smallman's next went the course, and as is this pony's wont, put up a real clean bit of work, and he will want all the taking down that's going.

Mr. Raban on his old favourite Naiades, did a nice comfortable school in view of her coming encounter with the redoubtable Kittylea, Belmeath, Road Metal, etc.

Bell Brand (Howie), and Thundercloud had a rattling set to the "Cloud" apparently having it her way this time, and I look for her to improve upon her last rather annoying show.

Hello (Hard), Flash (Toe) from the same stable, put in a fast bit of going.

Mr. Chater had out Western Queen, doing a bright gallop with Not Yet. These ponies seem to be out more for the fun of it than anything else, as two of the meetings will have passed without an entry from Mr. Galstaun's stable.

Road Metal (Johnson), Mirage (native), and Moonlight (Cahill) went out together, but of course came home considerably separated. First the black, going freely, then the pony Mirage, whipped in by Cahill on the country-bred. The gallop was a mix up, without the possibility of a deduction.

Mr. Galstaun did a characteristic bit of work on Clynder, accompanied by a chestnut from Mr. Dass' string.

Hard had out Fusilier and Mademoiselle and W White went by on Calm.

Mr. Dudley went by to quick time on Planet, accompanied by Belmeath, and Bob was trotted by.

Second Thought (Mr. Galstaun) put up a smart five furlongs along with Walker on Reinzette, and Hard slipped Sylvia over a short course.

Maid of Kent (Mr. Wilmot) and Odin put in a useful bit of work.

Moss Rose (Mr. McCall), and Rezia (Mr. Dudley) went a sprightly three furlongs across the open, followed by Wall on Macedon with Johnson on another.

The trio, Quicksilver (White), Euryalus (Mr. Dudley), and Tadmore (Mr. S. McCall) wound up an interesting morning's work, so far as I saw, with a good dash across the stretch by the tank, of which Mr. Dudley appeared to get the best.

Though racing was on in the afternoon, there was not the usual bustle about things on Saturday morning, the gusty, cyclonic wind that blew, and a threatening sky overhead set many conjecturing as to how the day would pan out, and the work generally put through was more of the pipe-opening order, than anything else.

Most of Mr. Bert Allen's string confined themselves to a trot down the Serpentine, where the frolicsome English mare Natalina, popped Howie over her head.

Hard went a very taking extender across the open on Naiades. In marked contrast, did Macedon go by a few minutes later.

Hard exercised Fusilier, and Flash (Toe) was out a bit later. Mademoiselle had a breather in view of her contract for the afternoon; ditto Thundercloud.

Mr. McCall slipped Moss Rose along on her own, and Mr. Dudley, a little later, paid similar attention to Rezia.

Johnson went very fast on Road Metal. I'm told the black can only get three furlongs, after that he can go no faster than you can kick an old hat, or a man in boots can travel. If he does as well as some men in boots I wot of, he'll not run all his races alone.

W. White was out on Calm, and went by pretty calmly.

Next a cavalcade of new 'uns came along; they looked like a scouting party, or going to a muster or on a cut out job. The sort of thing that takes a bit of riding!

Regan was out on Hello, and Mr. Galstaun went twice round on Not Yet, putting in a fast finish. Clynder, Second Thought, and Reinzette were also worked.

The course being open, there were a number of racing candidates early on the track on Tuesday, but the morning was oppressively close. A sporting match that was to have come off between the Maid of Kent and Mascot over a five furlongs sprint, had, in consequence of the course being shut, to be postponed, just when quite a little gallery had gathered in anticipation of witnessing one of those pleasing little finishes, that our talented G. R.'s not unfrequently furnish us with.

Mr. Bert Allen's and Frank Smallman's strings were early at it. Bell Brand pacing by with Howie up, reminding me somewhat of that gay old deceiver Loch Arden, who, in all probability, has retired on his laurels (?). Bell Brand strides along freely enough by himself, giving one the impression of having the ability to put paid to his account in the near future.

Hard had out Flash, accompanied by Fusilier, a native in the saddle, dusting along a smart five furlongs. Trollop lolloped by, piloted by a native. He does not impress me as likely to do much more than blow, and this he does all right.

Kellnerin (O'Neil), Pylara (native), and Profit (Bloss), went a quick six furlongs, but were giving nothing of their form away, easing up, as they approached the stand. The same may be said of Daffodil, Shylock, and Daphne. Wall, on Macedon, had Pubna for a companion.

Howie shoved Hello along top speed about which there is nothing alarming, and he's not likely to squander any field he elects to take on. W. White raced Florence by in good taking style. Not Yet (Mr. Chater), Rosalea (Cahill), Western Queen (Galstaun) came fast away from the five furlongs, the black mare in command the whole distance, with Western Queen well up.

Miss Beryl (O'Neil), and Blue Bell (Bloss), put in a nice taking gallop; also Walker on Second Thought.

Stelliform went a rapping course over a few flights, in rather ragged form. In sharp contrast was Naiades, with Hard up; the mare jumping like a kangaroo, and getting well away with the running.

Mr. Dudley on Tadmore with two others from Mr. Dass's string, did a gallop, finishing before getting to the stand and then cantered on.

O'Neil had out Footlight. This pony is said to be a flyer, but in the absence of her owner in England, nothing like racing is contemplated till the cold weather. Mr. Galstaun on Clynder after letting Reveille (Walker) go away as he liked, came home in a trot.

Mr. Pugh on March, Cheer Up (Mr. Stewart), and Mr. Maurice Turner on Gauntlet, wound up an interesting morning's work, with a good dingdong go right up the course, from away past the bend.

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TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

BEAZLEY.
Parole
Cerise

MR. BERT ALLEN.
Coal Queen
Pat C
Natalina
Young Rake
Stelliform
Go-Bang
Wivenhoe
Geebung
Missile
Glenista

MR. A. N. DASS.
Clynder
Trollop
Merry X'mas
Euryalus
Rezia

MR. DUDLEY.
Planet
Snapshot
Stepma
Lone Hand
Belmeath

MR. EVERS.
Sunshine
Flamingo
May B
Blair Athol
Mignon

MR. GALSTAUN.
Western Queen
Not Yet
Vanguard
Rosalea
Shooting Star
The Griffin
The Captain

MR. MCCALL.
Moss Rose (probably)

D. NORTON.
Kittylea
Perfect
Shylock
Black Patch
Sweet Talk
Daffodil
Blue Bell
Invincible
Golden Tip
Whiff

M. RABAN.
Naiades
Autocrat

F. SMALLMAN.
Hello
Harold
Pylara
Bell Brand
Norman
Fusilier
Mademoiselle
Thundercloud

WALKER (training at Ballygunge).
Second Thought
Revellie
Reinzette

J. WALL.
Macedon

MR. COWPER.
Yuletide
First Guide
Whisper
Mocassin
Pierrette
Good Chat

MR. REES.
Oom Paul

H. WISHART.
Road Metal
Actress
East Ferry
Irish
Corick
Ratheoon
Twilight
Kelnerrin
Fotheringay
Morris
Footlight
Thunder Queen
Winklet

MR. TURNER.
Maid of Kent
Winterlea
Mascot
Marsh
Cheer Up
Odin
Cardigan Boy

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

Third Meeting, Saturday, 20th August.

THE MIDDLETON PLATE.—Five furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Euryalus.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore.
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up.
Mr. B. Allen's b aus m Thunder Cloud.
Prince Wasif Ali Mirza's b aus g Flash.
Mr. G. B. Paris' b e g Winklet.
Mr. Holme's br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. T. G. Ever's br aus m May B.

SMALL PONY HANDICAP.—Five furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Rezia, 14-0.
Mr. Galstaun's br aus m Rosalea, 13-3½.
Mr. Galstaun's b aus m Not Yet, 13-3½.
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Western Queen, 13-3½.
Mr. B. Allen's bk aus m Coal Queen, 13-3½.
Mr. Cecil's bk aus m Miss Beryl, 13-3½.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Mr. S. T. Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 14-0.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus m Blue Bell, 13-2½.
Mr. H. P. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 13-3½.
Mr. B. B.'s b cb h Reveille, 14-1.

THE KIDDERPUR PLATE.—Seven furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Euryalus.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Hello.
Mr. H. E. Smith's bk aus g Pylara.
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Profit.
Mr. G. B. Paris' ch e m Kellnerin.
Mr. T. G. Ever's b aus m Sunshine.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b e m Pierette
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades.

THE PONY PLATE.—Six furlongs.

Mr. Cunningham's b cb g Moonlight, 14-1½.
Mr. Galstaun's b aus m Not Yet, 13-3½.
Mr. W. Atkinson's b aus g All Fours, 14-2.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's dk b aus m The Owl, 14-0½.
Mr. B. Allen's b sth af h Pat C., 14-1.
Mr. T. Uphill's br aus g Norman, 14-2.
Mr. Cowper's b e g Mocassin (a), 14-0½.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus m Perfect, 14-0½.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus g Shylock, 14-1½.
Mr. G. A. Pybus' bk aus m Calm, 14-1½.
Mr. B. B.'s b aus m Second Thought, 14-1.

AMATEUR PLATE.—Five furlongs.

Mr. G. B. Mackellar's b aus g Orphan Boy, (a).
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up (6 yrs.).
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's gr aus m March.
Mr. G. A. Wilmott's b aus m Maid of Kent (5 yrs.).
Mr. A. Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet.
Mr. C. A. Scaramanga's b aus g Nicotine.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b e m Pierette (4 yrs.).
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil.
Mr. Rees' gr aus g Quicksilver.
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Planet II.
Mr. A. J. Craven's bk aust g Road Metal (4 yrs.).

THE ELLENBOROUGH PLATE.—About 1¼ miles over 7 furlongs.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin.
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades.
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea.
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Mulwala.

Races to Come.

PROGRAMME OF THE JUBBULPORE RACES, 1904-1905.

AUTUMN MEETING
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 1ST AND THURSDAY,
3RD NOVEMBER 1904,
Under C. T. C. Rules, of Racing.
PATRON:
THE HON'BLE MR. LELY, C. S. I.,
STEWARDS:

H. CRUMP ESQ., I. C. S. | C. CLEVELAND, ESQ. I.C.S.
CAPT. BAILEY, D. S. O. S. LANC. REGT. | E. BLENKINSOPP, ESQ.,
MAJOR PRENDERGAST, S. Lanc. Regt. | F. J. PRESTON, ESQ. I.C.S.

Honorary Secretary:—F. J. PRESTON, ESQ.
Judge and Clerk of the Scales:—MAJOR PRENDERGAST, S. Lanc. Regt.
Clerk of the Course:—H. F. HALLIFAX ESQ., I.C.S.
Handicapper:—CAPT. BAILEY, D. S. O., S. Lanc. Regt.

FIRST DAY.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 50. For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 12 stone. W. I. Distance—5 furlongs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902 of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Allowances.—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs.

THE SECRETARY'S PURSE.—Winner, Rs. 200, presented by F. J. Preston, Esq., second Rs. 50. For ponies 14-2 and under.—14-2st. to carry 12-3lbs. W. I. Distance, 6 furlongs. Allowances.—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 500, allowed, 7lbs., Rs. 200 14lbs, Rs 50, 21lbs. not cumulative.

THE NERBUDDA HURDLE RACE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second Rs. 50. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, and others 14-1 and under. Arabs 11-2 to carry 11st. C-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st. others 14-1 to carry 12 W. I. Distance, 9 furlongs, 8 flights. Penalties.—Winners, since 31st March 1902 of a hurdle race, or of a steeplechase value Rs. 150 or over once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a hurdle race, or steeplechase value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200, second Rs. 50. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, and others 14-0 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs., others 14-0 to carry 12st. 3lbs., W. I. 5 furlongs.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 second Rs. 50. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have not won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 12stone. W. I. 1 mile.

CLOSED RACE AS PER GENERAL CONDITION 14.

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S CUP.—Winner a cup value Rs. 500, of which Rs. 200 presented by the Hon. Mr. Lely, C. S. I., rest from the Fund. second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 9lbs., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 9lbs., 7 furlongs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902 of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs.

Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs.

SECOND DAY.

THE MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200, second Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, and others 14-0 and under. 6 furlongs.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—Winner, Rs. 500, presented by members of the C. P. Commission, second Rs. 50. A Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200, second Rs. 50. For Arabs 14-1 and under. 1 mile.

THE JUBBULPORE STEEPLECHASE.—Winner, Rs. 200, presented by the Officers of the South Lancashire Regiment, second Rs. 50. A Handicap Steeplechase for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and others 14-1 and under. about 1¼ miles.

THE SEHORA PLATE—Winner, Rs. 200, second Rs. 50. A Handicap for ponies 14-0 and under that ran the first day, and that have never up to the time of starting won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 5 furlongs.

THE HUNT RACE.—Winner, Rs. 200, second Rs. 50. For *bona fide* Hunters Pigstickers, and Chargers. Catchweights over 11st. 7lbs., 1 mile.

(Certificates from Hunt Secretaries, or Commanding Officers will be required.)

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. All entrance money goes to the Fund subject to Rule 139. In no case will the winner receive more than Rs 199, except in the case of the Civil Service Cup and Chief Commissioner's Cup. Should the entrance money exceed Rs. 199 the surplus will be divided between the second and third in the proportion of 2 to 1.

2. First entries, Rs. 10, close 10 P. M., 10th September 1904.
Second entries, Rs. 15, close 10 P. M., 1st October 1904.
Third entries, Rs. 20, close 10 P. M., 15th October 1904.

STARTERS FIVE IN ADDITION.

3. Rs. 5 course fees will be charged for every horse running at the meeting.

4. (*a*) No entries will be accepted unless accompanied by full amount of such entries. Cheques and drafts must be made payable to the Honorary Secretary, Jubbulpore Races.

(*b*) In W. I. races, the height, and whether old or new measurments must be stated: new measurement means ponies measured after the 31st March 1899.

(*c*) Only C. T. C. and W. I. T. C. certificates of measurement will be accepted. Ponies without these certificates will be measured in accordance with Rule 89. Ponies holding certificates of measurement previous to 31st March 1899 will be penalised 7lbs.

5. If there are less than six entries in *bonâ fide* separate interests in a Race, the race may be declared void under Rule 140.

6. Mares and Geldings allowed 3lbs. in all races except handicaps.

7. Starting declarations must be placed in the box in the Club, by 7 P.M., the day before the race.

The declaration must state the name of the race, the name of the horse, the weight to be carried, and the name of the jockey, and must be accompanied by the jockey's fees for a losing mount, and for any arrears due. Starting teclaration forms will be supplied.

8. Handicaps will be published at the Club by 12 noon the day before the race.

9. Every person running a horse in colours other than those declared or registered in his own or assumed name without submitting not later than the day before the meeting a written declaration of the colours which will be used will be fined Rs. 10 in respect of each horse so run.

10 Licensed jockeys penalised 7lbs. in all races including handicaps.

11 Owners and trainers entering at the meeting will receive a free ticket of admission.

12 All telegrams to be confirmed by letter.

13 All communications to be addressed to the Honorary Secretary, Jubbulpore Races, Jubbulpore, and not by name.

14 The closed race is for ponies that are the *bonâ fide* property of residents of the Central Provinces and the Berars on the 1st September 1904; *bonâ fide* means that no interest whatever exists with any person not qualified to enter. Unless there are at least six first entries in separate interests this race will be thrown open

NOTICES.

1. Lotteries will be held at 9-30 P. M. the evening before each day's races.
90 per cent to the winner.
10 per cent to the Fund.

2. Admission to stand and enclosure, Rs. 3 per day. Second enclosure, Re. 1 per day. Paddock, Rs. 2 per day extra. Ladies free except to paddock.

3. Programmes free on course.

4. There will be a totalisator on the course. Tickets, Rs. 2 each.

5. Settling day, for losers, Monday, 7th November 1904.

F. J. PRESTON,
Honorary Secretary, Jubbulpore Races.

PROGRAMME OF THE JUBBULPORE OPEN GYMKHANA RACES.

STEWARDS:

H. CRUMP, ESQ., I. C. S. | C. CLEVELAND, ESQ., I. C. S.
CAPTAIN BAILEY, D. S. O., S. LANC. REGT. | E. BLENKINSOPP, ESQ., I. C. S.
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Honorary Secretary:—F. J. PRESTON, ESQ.

Judge and Clerk of the Scales:—MAJOR PRENDERGAST, S. LANC. REGT.

Clerk of the Course:—H. F. HALLIFAX, ESQ., I. C. S.

Handicapper:—CAPTAIN BAILEY, D. S. O., S. LANC. REGT

Saturday, 5th November 1904

THE POLO PONY SCURRY.—Of Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For *bonâ-fide* polo ponies. Arabs and Country-breds 14-1 to carry 11st; others 14-1 to carry 12st. 10lbs. W. I. 2½ furlongs.

(Certificates from Polo Secretaries will be required to the effect that ponies entered have been regularly played since the 1st January 1904.)

THE PIGSTICKERS' PLATE.—Of Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For all *bonâ-fide* Pigstickers, Hunters, or Chargers. Catchweights 11-7. The winner of the Hunt Race at the Jubbulpore Races of the 3rd November to carry 7lbs. more than was carried in that race. 9 furlongs.

(Certificates from Hunt Secretaries and Commanding Officers will be required.)

THE VISITORS' PLATE.—Of Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 the second. A Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under that ran at the Jubbulpore Meeting of 1st and 3rd November 1904. 5 furlongs.

THE STAND PLATE.—Of Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A Handicap for Arabs that ran at the Jubbulpore Meeting of 1st and 3rd November 1904. 1 mile.

THE JUBBULPORE PLATE.—Of Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A Handicap for Arabs and Country-breds that have not won at the Jubbulpore Meeting of 1st and 3rd November 1904. 6 furlongs.

THE BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Of Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A Handicap for ponies that have never won Rs. 49. 5 furlongs.

CONDITIONS.

1. The races will be held under C. T. C. and local rules.

2. First entries, Rs. 5, close 10 P.M., 10th September 1904.
Second entries, Rs. 10, close 10 P.M., 1st October 1904.
Third and final entries, Rs. 15, close 10 P.M., 15th October 1904.
All entrance money and fees go to the Fund.

3. Rs. 2 course fees will be charged for every horse running at the meeting, and Rs. 2 for every pony measured. The measurements previously granted for ponies running at Jubbulpore Meeting and Gymkhanas 1903-1904 will be accepted.

4. (*a*) No entries will be accepted unless accompanied by full amount of such entries, cheques and drafts must be made payable to the Honorary Secretary, Jubbulpore Races.

(*b*) In W. I. races the height, and whether old or new measurements, must be stated: new measurement means ponies measured after the 31st March 1899.

(*c*) C. T. C. and W. I. T. C. of measurements accepted, ponies without these certificates can be measured locally for the meeting only, on application to the Honorary Secretary. Ponies holding certificates of measurement previous to the 31st March 1899 will be penalised 7lbs. For the Polo Scurry I. P. A. C. certificates will be accepted.

5. If there are less than six entries in *bonâ-fide* separate interests in a race, the race may be declared void.

6. Mares and Geldings allowed 3lbs. in all races except handicaps.

7. Starting declarations must be placed in the box in the Club by 12 noon the day before the race.

The declaration must state the name of the race, the name of the horse, the weight to be carried, and the name of the jockey, and must be accompanied by the jockey's fees for a losing mount, and for any arrears due. Starting declaration forms will be supplied.

8. Handicaps will be published at the Club by 12 noon the day before the races.

9. Every person running a horse in colours other than those declared or registered in his own, or assumed name, without submitting not later than the day before the meeting, a written declaration of the colours which will be used, will be fined Rs. 10 in respect of each horse so run.

10. Licensed Jockeys penalised 7lbs. in all races including handicaps.

11. Owners and trainers entering at the meeting will receive a free ticket of admission.

12. All telegrams to be confirmed by letter.

13. All comunications to be addressed to the Honorary Secretary, Jubbulpore Races, Jubbulpore, and not by name.

14. No second money will be given unless there are five or more starters.

NOTICES.

1. Lotteries will be held at 9-30 P.M. the evening before each day's races.
90 per cent. to the winner.
10 per cent. to the the Fund

2. Admission to stand and enclosure, Rs. 2. Second enclosure, Re. 1. Paddock, Rs. 2 per day extra. Ladies free except to paddock.

3. Programmes free on course.

4. There will be a totalisator on the course. Tickets Rs. 2 each.

5. Settling day Monday, 7th November 1904.

F. J. PRESTON,
Hony. Secy. Jubbulpore Races.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged, and measured a Calcutta, on 30th July 1904, by the Official Measurer: —

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Doris	b aus m	Messrs. Powell Bros.	Aged	12-2¾	For life.
Ginger-bread	ch aus m	Mr. Geo. W. Mac-Millan	4	13-3¼	31st March 1905.
Kumari	b aus m	Mr. R. M. Roy	Aged	14-2	For life.
Queen of the West	b aus m	Mr. W. S. Tong	6	13-3¾	For life.
Sunny Jim	b aus g	Mr. Geo. W. Mac-Millan	Aged	14-0¼	For life.
Wait-a-bit	b aus g	Messrs. Powell Bros.	6	14-0¾	For life.

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 29th July*, 1904.

THE TURF.

WINDSOR JULY.

OF late racegoers have become so accustomed to the hard going that it was indeed an agreeable surprise to find that the enterprising lessees of Windsor, rising superior to all natural difficulties, had provided a track for the meeting, which commenced on the 22nd instant, which afforded really excellent going. For fully three weeks the Messrs. Frail had daily had a pumping engine hard at work pouring a copious supply of water on to the track, and they are to be congratulated on the success which has attended their efforts. The weather was not so oppressively hot as usual, the sky being dappled with masses of fleecy clouds, which acted as a welcome screen between the thirsty earth and the sun, who only blazed through at intervals. The attendance was well up to the average for this meeting, which invariably clashes on the opening day with the concluding stage of Liverpool.

THE ROYAL PLATE of 263sovs. for two-year-olds. Five furlongs.

Mr. de Wend-Fenton's b or br c Vedas, by Florizel II—Agnostic, 9st. 2lbs.	G. McCall	1
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's br f., by Tarporley—Sweet Mart, 8st. 11b.	O. Madden	2
Mr. C. J. Merry's b f Barnassie, 8st. 6lbs.	K. Cannon	3
Mr. M. J. Gadola's Vieux Jeu, 8st. 9lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. T. Simpson Jay's Irish Bride, 8st. 6lbs.	Hardy	0
Mr. H. Lindemere's Romulus, 8st. 6lbs.	Lynham	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's c, by Isinglass—Landrail, 8st. 4lbs.	Miller	0
Capt. F. Forester's g, by Islington—Miss Hoyden, 8st. 11b.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. E. Hobson's Eastern Pride, 8st. 11b.	Toon	0
Mr. T. Cannon's Chrysomela, 7st. 12lbs.	Smyth	0
Mr. J. S. Crawford's Sherlock Holmes, 8st. 11b.	Randall	0
Lord Carnarvon's Dispute, 7st. 12lbs.	J. H. Martin	0

(*Winner trained by Robinson.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Vedas, 6 to 1 agst. Sweet Mart filly, 10 to 1 Barnassie, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won easily by half a length; three lengths dividing the second and third. Dispute was fourth, Vieux Jeu fifth, Landrail colt sixth, Irish Bride seventh, Chrysomela eighth, and Romulus, who was left at the post, brought up the rear.

THE ETON HANDICAP of 262sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr. T. Clyde's b c Colcu, by Hackler—Cedula, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. (inc. 5lbs. ex.)	J. H. Martin	1
Mr. C. Hibbert's b m Lucinda, 6yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	J. Dillon	2
Mr. E. A. Wigan's b g Lapsang, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	B. Dillon	3
Mr. W. Bass's Wet Paint, 5yrs., 9st.	Hardy	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Pradella, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. Ledlie's Thoas, 5yrs., 8st. 5lbs	Trigg	0
Mr. C. D. Marnes's Royston, 5yrs., 7st. 6lbs.*	Butchers	0
Mr. E. J. Hobbs's Usher, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	Toon	0
Mr. A. Walton's St. Enogat, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	Plant	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Grewsil.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Lapsang, 100 to 30 Colcu, 5 to 1 Royston, 6 to 1 Pradella, 100 to 14 Lucinda, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a head, with Lapsang third, six lengths away. Pradella was fourth, Usher fifth, Thoas sixth, Wet Paint next, and Royston last.

As was the case thrice previously this week, at Leicester and Liverpool, the last race at Windsor on the 23rd instant fizzled out to a walkover, but runners were numerous in the other five events, and if the racing was of unpretentious character it was as diverting as could be expected. The executive must have been well pleased at the patronage accorded them by the half-holiday element, and the members also attended in strong force, so that Messrs. Frail were amply rewarded for their enterprise in transforming an arid and sun-dried track of ground into a verdant expanse of elastic turf by means of artificial irrigation. The air was close, and heavy thunder clouds brooded above, but the threatened downpour did not materialise.

THE JULY HANDICAP of 350sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. H Escott's b f Hai, by Ayrshire—Melona, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.*	Butchers	1
Mr. C. Bibbert's b c Scotch Cherry, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	Trigg	2
Sir W. Ingram's b h Cottager, 6yrs., 9st.	K. Cannon	3
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Papola, aged, 8st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. E. H. Polehampton's Thunderbolt, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	Randall	0
Mr. W. bass's Lychnobite, 5yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	Hardy	0
Mr. C. Levy's St. Rollox, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs.*	Saxby	0
Mr. F. R. Fry's Gallant Blue, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Griggs	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Scotch Cherry, 7 to 2 Cottager, 9 to 2 Hai, 6 to 1 each Thunderbolt and Gallant Blue, 10 to 1 St. Rollox, and 100 to 8 each Lychnobite and Papola.

Won by half a length; two lengths between the second and third. Gallant Blue was fourth, Thunderbolt fifth, Lychnobite next, and Papola last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 9⅘secs.

THE THAMES HANDICAP of 185sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr. F. R. Hunt's ch g Bridle Road, by Rightaway—Benbecula, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.*	C. Halsey	1
Mr. T. Worton's b g Epping Green, 4yrs., 6st. 9lbs.*	Reynolds	2
Mr. A. H. Ruston's b g Early Bird, 4yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	Jarvis	3
Mr. R. H. Henning's Briar Patch, 4yrs., 9st. 6lbs.	Bullock	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Altnabreac, 6 yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	Miller	0
Col. H T. Fenwick's Felo de Se, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	W. Lane	0
Lord Carnarvon's El Maestro, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	Martin	0
Mr. F. Cobb's Honours, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.*	Butchers	0
Mr. J. Hammond's Dead Heat, 5yrs., 7st.	Plant	0
Mr. H. Braime's Cherry Club, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.)	Trigg	0
Lord Savile's Damosel, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs.*	Saxby	0
Mr. W. G. Steven's c, by Bentworth—Lady Jummy, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs.	East	0
Mr. H. S. Mitchison's Lewisia, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs. (car. 6st. 6lbs.)	Griggs	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. El Maestro, 5 to 2 Honours, 6 to 1 Early Bird, 7 to 1 Felo de Se, 8 to 1 Briar Patch, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three parts of a length; a head divided the second and third. Altnabreac was fourth, Lady Jummy colt fifth, El Maestro sixth, Briar Patch seventh, Damosel eight, Honours ninth, and Cherry Club last. Time, by Benson's chronograph. 1min. 2secs.

ASCOT.

Ascot is itself again. The floods of last year, which transformed the course into a treacherous swamp and brought desolation to its beautiful gardens, are forgotten in a feeling of gratitude which we all must share to the elemental god who spared us so much on the 26th instant. Granted that we are not always wont to associate leaden clouds with Ascot week, but, then, an overcast sky has its compensations. A tropical sun in a blue firmament on a June day in the open becomes a little too aggressive, and the result is that the lawns at the back of the grand stand are inconveniently crowded by those who love to bask in the shade of its umbrageous oaks and spreading firs, or seek the sheltered side of the giant rhododendrons which are the pride of the officials. To-day the weather conditions were perfect.

THE GOLD VASE of 760sovs.; weight for age, etc. Two miles.

Mr. S. B Joel's ch h Bachelor's Button, by Winkfield—Milady, 5yrs., 9st. 8lbs.	Halsey	1
Mr. J. Buchanan's b c Hands Down, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	E. Wheatley	2
Major Eustace Loder's b f Hammerkop, 4yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	W. Lane	3
Mr. G. Faber's Fermoyle, 5yrs., 9st. 8lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's Lord Rossmore, 4yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	B. Dillon	0

(*Winner trained by C. Peck.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Hands Down, 5 to 2 Hammerkop, 9 to 2 Bachelor's Button, 6 to 1 Lord Rossmore, and 10 to 1 Fermoyle (offered).

Won easily by a length; a length and a half divided the second and third. Lord Rossmore was fourth. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 28⅘secs.

THE COVENTRY STAKES of 1,809sovs. for two year olds; colts 9st., fillies 8st. 11lbs. T.Y.C. (last five furlongs and 144 yards of the Hunt Cup Course).

Lord Rosebery's ch c Cicero, by Cyllene—Gas, 9st.	D. Maher	1
Mr. de Wend-Fenton's b or br c Vedas, 9st.	W. Lane	2
Duke of Portland's b f Pamflete, 8st. 11lbs	M. Cannon	3
Mr. H. Martino's The Gull, 9st.	B. Lynham	0
Lord Carnarvon's O'Donnell, 9st.	H. Pike	0
Mr. L. Brassey's Joyous, 8st 11lbs.	K. Cannon	0
Mr. R. C. Garton's f, by Velasquez—St. Lucia, 8st. 11lbs.	O. Madden	0

(*Winner trained by P. Peck.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Vedas, 6 to 4 Cicero, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths; three lengths between the second and third. St. Lucia filly was fourth, Joyous fifth, and O'Donnell last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 18⅕secs.

THE ASCOT STAKES (Handicap) of 1,945 sovs Two miles.

Mr. G. Miller's ch g Merry Andrew, by Xury—Merry Foot, 5yrs., 7st. 6lbs.* ..	Rollason	1
Mr. D. J. Pullinger's b h Pure Gold, by Bend Or—Maryland, 5yrs., 6st. 8lbs. (car 6st. 10lbs.)	Butchers	2
Mr. Alec Taylor's ch m Pradella, by Tarporley—Poppy, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs. ...	O. Madden	3
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's Prestwick, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	Plant	0
Mr. W. Goodchild's Scullion, 6yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	D. Maher	0
Lord Ellesmere's Kroonstad, 4yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	Halsey	0
Mr. P. P. Gilpin's Roe O'Neill, 4yrs., 8st 5lbs	W. Lane	0
Mr. H. Bottomley's Wargrave, 6yrs. 8st. 5lbs.	J. Hare	0
Mr. H. E. Beddington's D'Orsay, 4yrs., 8st 11b	Griggs	0
Mr. B. Ellam's Switchcap, 4yrs., 7st 13lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Lord Carvarnon's Mountain Rose, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. E. H. Polehampton's Thunderbolt, 4yrs. 7st. 9lbs. (car 7st. 10lbs.) ...	B. Dillon	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Sandboy, 4yrs., 7st 9lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. L. deRothschild's Bowery, 5yrs., 6st. 11lbs*	A. Sharples	0
Mr. C. Russell's Florinda, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	E. Pratt	0
Mr. A. James's Jupiter Pluvius, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs. (car. 6st. 13lbs.) ...	Miller	0
Mr. B. Chan's Beauquemare, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	Bellhouse	0
Mr. B. Stott's Sir Laddo, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs,	Heppell	0
Mr. W. Low's Imari, 3yrs., 6st. 4lbs.* ...	Saxby	0
Mr. W. A. Jarvis's Goring Heath, 3yrs., 6st. 6lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Sir F. Johnstone's Percussion, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs.	East	0
Mr. H. E. Randall's Love Game, 3yrs., 5st. 12lbs.*	Hunter	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 100 to 12 agst. Sandboy, 10 to 1 Roe O'Neil 100 to 9 Wargrave, 100 to 9 D'Orsay, 100 to 8 Kroonstald 100 to 8 Mountain Rose, 100 to 8 Pradelia, 100 to 8 agst, Jupiter Pluvius, 100 to 8 Percussion, 100 to 7 Pure Gold, 20 to 1 Merry Andrew, 20 to 1 Scullion, 20 to 1 any other.

Switchcap, on the inside, settled down with a slight lead of Prestwick, Imari, Wargrave, Pradella, and Pure Gold, with Thunderbolt, Percussion, Jupiter Pluvius, and Roe O'Neill heading the middle division and Beauquemare whipping-in, to the turn out of the straight, where Prestwick went on well clear of Switchcap, Pradella, Imari, and Pure Gold, Beauquemare being still last, behind Florinda and Love Game. As they swung into the Swinley Bottom, Imari took second place, with Love Game, Sandboy, Pure Gold, and Pradella next in advance of Thunderbolt, till about half a mile from home, where Pradella joined Prestwick, and the pair cut out the work from Imari, Pure Gold, Thunderbolt, and Merry Andrew. Turning into the straight, Prestwick dropped back beaten, and Pradella came on from Pure Gold, Merry Andrew, and Prestwick, but she was passed below the distance by Merry Andrew, who won easily by half a length; six lengths between second and third. Prestwick was fourth, Jupiter Pluvius fifth, Sandboy sixth, Roe O'Neil seventh, Wargrave eighth, Percussion ninth, Sir Laddo tenth, Bowery eleventh, Florinda twelfth, Imari next, and Switchcap last, except Beaquemare, who figured a long way in the rear throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 22⅗sec.

THE PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES of 1,875sovs, for three year olds; colts 8st. 10lbs., fillies 8st. 5lbs., with penalties and allowances. New Course (about one mile and five furlongs).

Duke of Westminster's br c Rydal Head, by St. Frusquin—Rydal, 8st. 3lbs. ...	M. Cannon	1
Mr. J. Musker's ch c Admiral Breeze, 8st. 13lbs.	O. Madden	2
His Majesty's b c Chatsworth, 8st. 3lbs.	H. Jones	3
Mr. Douglas Baird's Mousqueton, 8st. 13lbs.	H. Aylin	0
Lord Penrhyn's Peroration, 8st. 13lbs. ...	K. Cannon	0
His Majesty's Ortolan, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Watts	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Ivan, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Griggs	0
Mr. J. H. Houldswoth's Castello, 8st. 3lbs.	Halsey	0
Lord Rosebery's Jolly Beggar, 8st. 3lbs. (car. 8st 4lbs).	D. Maher	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Topiary, 7st. 12lbs.	G. McCall	0

(*Winner trained by J. Porter.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Rydal Head, 5 to 1 Mousqueton, 7 to 1 Peroration, 8 to 1 Admiral Breeze, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Castello was fourth, Topiary fifth, Ivan sixth, Mousqueton next, and Ortolan last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 48⅘sec.

GOODWOOD.

The rain for which trainers and agriculturists had so earnestly prayed throughout the current month was very sparing in its favours on Monday night, and the country folk looked askance at the sunny skies, fearing a continuance of the drought. They were put out of suspense, and it was the turn of racegoers to regard the situation with apprehension when the clouds that hung like a fleecy shroud over Trundle Hill on the 24th instant began to discharge their content about breakfast time. Nor was the visitations of the temporary character that the optimists projected, showers fell at frequent intervals during the afternoon, and the conditions were almost as dismal as they had been a twelvemonth ago. The ladies of the Royal party were unhappily deterred from putting in an appearance, but the King and Prince of Wales honoured the proceedings, and strength of the company exceeded expectations. The going was in grand order, but in point of quality the sport was disappointing.

THE LAVANT STAKES of 715sovs. for two year olds; colts 8st. 12lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs.; penalties and allowances Five furlongs.

Mr. A. James's ch c Golden Gleam, by Bend Or—Fascination, 8st. 9lbs. ...	H Jones	1
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's ch c Brother Bill, 9st. 2lbs.	G. McCall	2
Mr. J. L. Dugdale's br f Lowland Lady, 8st. 9lbs.	W. Lane	3
Mr. A. Belmont's Semite, 8sti 12lbs. ...	K. Cannon	0
Duke of Portland's Tom Boyce, 8st. 12lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Sir J. Thursby's Stand Off. 8st. 12lbs. (car. 9st.)	Mr. G. Thursby	0

(*Winner trained by R. Marsh.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Brother Bill, 4 to 1 agst. Golden Gleam, 100 to 12 Lowland Lady, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won an exciting race by a head; three-quarters of a length separated the second and third. Tom Boyce was fourth and Semite last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2⅘secs.

THE GOODWOOD PLATE (handicap) of 710sovs. Two miles.

Mr. W. Hall Walker's b c Sandboy, by Ravensbury—Sandblast, 4yrs., 7st 6lbs.	G. McCall	1
Lord Penrhyn's br g Haresfield, by Donovan—Haresfoot, 6yrs., 7st. 4lbs. (car 7st. 6lbs.)	O. Madden	2
Mr. S. B Joel's ch h Bachelor's Button, by Winkfield—Milady, 5yrs., 9st. 10lbs. (in. 10lbs. ex.)	W. Halsey	3
Lord Cadogan's b m Elba, by Prisoner—Simoom, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	D Maher	0*
Major Eustace Loder's b f Hammerkop, by Gallinule—Concussion 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	W. Lane	0
Mr. G. Miller's ch g Merry Andrew, by Xury—Merry Foot, 5yrs. 7st. 12lbs.*	Rollason	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's b c Hands Down, by Meddler—Handspun, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs *	Butchers	0
Mr. H. J. King's br h Prince Florizel, by Florizel II.—Good Hope, 5yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	R. Jones	0
Mr. A Knowles's b g Truefitt, by Earwig—True Art, 3yrs., 6st. 11b. (car. 6st. 2lbs.)	Plant	0

*old apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. Robinson.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Hammerkop, 85 to 20 Sandboy, 85 to 20 Hands Down, 8 to 1 Haresfield, 8 to 1 Merry Andrew, 100 to 12 Elba, 10 to 1 Bachelor's Button, 100 to 7 Prince Florizel, 20 to Truefit (offered).

The running was made by Elba from Sandboy. Prince Florizel, Truefitt, and Hands Down, with Hammerkop and Bachelor's Button next, and Haresfield bringing up the rear, for about half a mile, when Bachelor's Button dropped back last behind Hammerkop. So they ran till reappearing into view a mile from home, when Elba was followed by Sandboy and Merry Andrew, these being well clear of Hammerkop, Hands Down, and Haresfield, the whipper-in now being Prince Florizel behind Truefitt, but six furlongs from home Sandboy shot out clear of Merry Andrew, who in turn was three or four lengths in front of Elba, with Haresfield next and, making the remainder of the running, resisted the challenge of Haresfield who took second place below the distance, and won by three parts of a length: four lengths separated the second and third. Hands Down was fourth, Merry Andrew fifth, Prince Florizel sixth, Elba next, and Truefitt last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 3mins 47secs.

The success of an outdoor social festival like Goodwood is almost wholly dependent on the weather and after the dismal experience of yesterday a fine day for the decision of the Cup was hailed with exultation. The penultimate stage of the gathering is always celebrated as a public holiday and the local folk turned out in unwonted strength a special incentive being forthcoming in the presence of Royalty. The arrival of the King and Queen accompanied by the Prince of Wales, Princess Victoria and the Duke of Sparta and preceded by liveried outriders was the signal for a loyal demonstration, a huge throng of eager sightseers congregating outside the Royal enclosure and cheering themselves hoarse. The conventional attire of Bond Street was again the order of the day amongst the occupants of the enclosures and the scene was sombre compared with that afforded by Trundle Hill in the background, the heights being dotted with pleasure seekers in their brightest costumes. The glory of the July sun remained undimmed throughout a typical midsummer afternoon and a slight improvement was noticeable in the character of the sport.

THE PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES (post sweepstakes) of 2,400 sovs. for two-year olds; colts 9st., fillies 8st. 11lbs., with allowances. 6 furlongs.

Duke of Devonshire's b f Full Cry, by Flying Fox—Lady Villikins, 8st. 11lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Sir J. Miller's b f Amitie, 8st. 5lbs. ...	D. Maher	2
Mr. Raphael's br f Graceful, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Halsey	3
Mr. J. B. Joel's Pure Crystal, 9st. ...	B. Lynham	0
Duke of Westminster's Tankard, 9st. ...	M. Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by Goodwin.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 each agst. Full Cry and Amitie, 4 to 1 Graceful, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by a head; two lengths divided the second and third. Pure Crystal was fourth. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 16⅗secs.

THE GOODWOOD CUP of 1,570sovs.; weight for age, etc. 2 miles and a half.

Mr. D. Faber's b c Saltpetre, by St. Simon—Billow, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs ...	W. Lane	1
His Majesty's b c Chatsworth, 3yrs., 7st. 11b.	Trigg	2
Mr. J. Musker's ch c William Rufus, 4yrs., 9st. 2lbs, ...	O. Madden	3
Lord Wolverton's Flor di Cuba, 4yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	H. Jones	0
Lord Ellesmere's Dark Lantern, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	Plant	0

(*Winner trained by Baker.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Chatsworth, 5 to 2 Saltpetre, 11 to 4 William Rufus, 20 to 1 others (offered).

Chatsworth was the first to leave the paddock, and he was followed in the parade by Flor di Cuba, Dark Lantern, and Saltpetre, with William Rufus bringing up the rear. They cantered in the same order, and, the race being started by the flag by permission of the Stewards, there was a break away before the signal was given. Flor di Cuba whipped round and settled down a hundred yards in the rear of Dark Lantern, who showed the way to Saltpetre and William Rufus to the turn out of the straight, when Chatsworth took third place, Flor di Cuba pulled his way into fourth position, and William Rufus dropped into the rear. About a mile from home Flor di Cuba was beaten and dropped back last, and Saltpetre took close order with Dark Lantern, the pair being attended by Chatsworth to the straight, where Saltpetre drew out clear of Chatsworth and Dark Lantern and, making the remainder of the running, won easily by three lengths; four lengths divided the second and third. Dark Lantern, nearly a furlong behind, was fourth, and Flor di Cuba, who knocked down a man who ventured into the course, walked in with the crowd. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 4mins. 57⅗secs.

To-day's card at Goodwood did not look anything like so attractive as that of yesterday, and many who had been present earlier in the week absented themselves.

THE GORDON STAKES of 1,000sovs. for three-year-olds; second to receive 50sovs. Old Mile.

Mr. P. P. Gilpin's Delaunay, by Fortunio—Pet, 9st. 7lbs.	W. Lane	1
Mr. A. L. Duncan's Extradition, 9st. 3lbs.	Maher	2
Mr. J. Musker's Admiral Breeze, 9st. 7lbs.	Madden	3

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 10 to 1 on Delaunay, 100 to 6 agst. Admiral Breeze 20 to 1 Extradition (offered).

Won in a canter by two lengths; a head separated the second and third.—Time, 1min. 44⅘secs.

THE NASSAU STAKES of 30sovs. each, 10ft., with 200sovs. added, for three year-old fillies; maidens allowed 5lbs.; second to receive 100 sovs. Gratwicke Stake Course (one mile and a half).

Major Eustace Loder's Pretty Polly, by Gallinule—Admiration, 9st. 8lbs. ...	W. Lane	1
Duke of Westminster's King's Favour, 8st. 5lbs.	M. Cannon	2
Lord Ellesmere's Dark Lantern, 8st. 5lbs.	Halsey	3

(*Winner trained by Mr. Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 33 to 1 on Pretty Polly, 40 to 1 agst King's Favour, 50 to 1 Dark Lantern (offered).

Won in a canter by five lengths; bad third. Time—2mins 41⅕secs.

THE CHESTERFIELD CUP (handicap) of 400sovs. (a cup value 125sovs. and the remainder in specie), added to a Sweepstakes of 15sovs., each, 5ft.; second to receive 50sovs. Craven Course (one and a quarter miles).

Mr. F. Taylor's Union Jack, by Suspender—Gloriola, 4yrs., 8st. 13lbs. ...	Halsey	1
Mr. H. J. King's Whistling Crow, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	H. Jones	2
Mr. J. B. Joel's Dean Swift, 3yrs. 7st. 2lbs.	Trigg	3
Mr. Horatio Bottomley's Wargrave, 6yrs., 8st. 11b.	W. Lane	0
Lord Carnarvon's Mountain Rose, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. T. Corns's Rightful (7lbs. ex.), 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	A. Sharples	0
Mr. Jersey's Vergia, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs. ...	Saxby	0

(*Winner trained by Gurry.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Union Jack, Whistling Crow, and Wargrave, 100 to 14 Vergia, 8 to 1 Rightful, 10 to 1 Mountain Rose, 100 to 8 Dean Swift (offered).

Won a great race by a head; a length between the second and third. Wargrave was fourth; Rightful fifth, and Vergia last. Time—2mins. 10⅗secs.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(COMPILED FROM 21ST MARCH TO 22ND JULY.)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unplaced	Percentage.
Madden, O. ...	424	86	67	52	219	20·28
Lane, W. ...	386	80	72	55	179	20·72
Maher, D. ...	206	62	34	27	83	30·09
Halsey, W. ...	322	52	41	49	180	16·14
Wheatley, E. ...	247	42	41	41	123	17·00
Dillon, B. ...	180	36	23	15	106	20·00
Trigg, C. ...	330	34	34	47	215	10·30
Randall, H. ...	149	31	20	29	69	20·80
Griggs, William ...	327	31	42	34	220	9·48
Sharples, A. ...	152	25	32	12	83	16·44
Jarvis, J. ...	170	23	11	16	120	13·52
Cannon, M. ...	207	23	31	31	122	11·11
Jones, H. ...	164	21	27	21	95	12·80
Butchers, G. F. ...	167	19	15	26	107	11·37
Heppell, T. ...	96	18	7	6	65	18·75
Cannon, K. ...	176	18	19	16	123	10·22

CRICKET.

SUSSEX *vs.* SURREY.—Played at Brighton on 21st, 22nd, and 23rd July. Drawn. Although Marlow, for whose benefit this match was played, has seldom represented Sussex of late years, he was one of the most useful men on the side for several seasons, and everybody was pleased that the weather was so good as to induce spectators to go to the match. Ranjitsinhji re-appeared in the Sussex team, but Tate was left out; from the Surrey side Hayes and Lees were absent, Sussex made 391 runs during the day for the loss of only three wickets, but although in the absence of Lees the Surrey bowling was very weak the batting was hardly up to Sussex form. True, C. B. Fry played one of his long innings, and was only batting for three hours and fifty minutes for his 181, while Ranjitsinhji made 93 not out, but there seemed a want of enterprise during the day which made the cricket seem slow. Fry's hits included a six and twenty-one fours. During his partnership with Vine 202 runs were put up for the first wicket in two hours and a half, and by the time that Vine was out there was not much sting left in the bowling. On Friday Ranjitsinhji added 59 to his overnight total; altogether he was at the wickets for three hours and a quarter for his 152. C. L. A. Smith, Newham and Brann all played well, and at lunch time the innings was declared closed. Afterwards Surrey lost six wickets for 213, Baker, Holland, Raphael, and Lord Dalmeny only making 14 runs between them. But Hayward kept in for three hours, and playing delightful cricket all the time, made 106, while Moulder helped him to put on 74 runs for the fourth wicket. At the end of the day Davis hit so hard that he made his 47 not out in a little over half an hour. When the game was resumed on Saturday Surrey, with four wickets in hand, still required 217 runs to save the follow on, so that their position was not very satisfactory. So well did Killick bowl on Saturday morning that he took the remaining six wickets for 32, and Surrey being 334 runs behind, of course had to follow on. Baker was caught in the slips in Relf's first over, and then Holland and Hayward made a splendid stand. At lunch time they were still together with the score at 137, and almost immediately after lunch Hayward reached his hundred for the second time in the match. He did not survive much longer, and fell with the total at 167, of which he claimed 112. He played a most attractive innings, and was batting for only an hour and forty minutes. His first 43 were made out of 50 in three quarters of an hour, Holland also played a great game, and Moulder did well, but at half-past four o'clock there still remained more than a hundred runs to be knocked off before Sussex could be put in again. At this critical time Raphael and Lord Dalmeny played a most plucky game, and increased the score from 225 to 301 before they were parted, and their stand was simply invaluable. Raphael kept up his wicket for two hours and a half. Both men were dismissed before Surrey was quite safe, and there was still a possibility that Sussex might win. But Nice and Steadman proved equal to the occasion, and the match was drawn.

SUSSEX

C. B. Fry, c Holland, b Davis ...	181	Relf, b Davis ...	19
Vine, c Davis, b Gooder ...	65	W. Newham, not out ...	39
Killick, c Steadman, b Gooder	9	G. Brann, c Baker, b Moulder	27
K. S. Ranjitsinhji, c Davis, b Moulder	152	Leach, b McDonell ...	18
C. L. A. Smith, b Gooder...	39	Cox, not out	0
		B. 24, lb. 5, nb. 1 ...	30
		Total (8 wkts.) ...	*579

Butt did not bat | * Innings declared closed.

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hayward, c and b Killick ...	106	c Leach, b Ranjitsinhji	112
Baker, b Relf	4	c Ranjitsinhji, b Relf	0
Holland, c Butt, b Cox ...	1	c and b Ranjitsinhji ...	59
J. E. Raphael, st Butt, b Vine	7	c and b Cox ...	56
Moulder, b Killick ...	29	c Relf, b Cox ...	26
Lord Dalmeny, b Killick ...	2	c and b Cox ...	35
Davis, c Brann, b Killick ..	52	c Butt, b Relf ...	19
H. C. McDonell, c and b Killick	18	b Relf	6
Stedman, not out	8	not out	3
Nice, st Butt, b Killick ...	0	not out	11
Gooder, b Killick ...	1		
B. 5, lb. 1, w. 2, nb. 3 ...	11	B. 15, lb. 6, nb. 2 ...	23
Total ...	245	Total (8 wkts.) ...	350

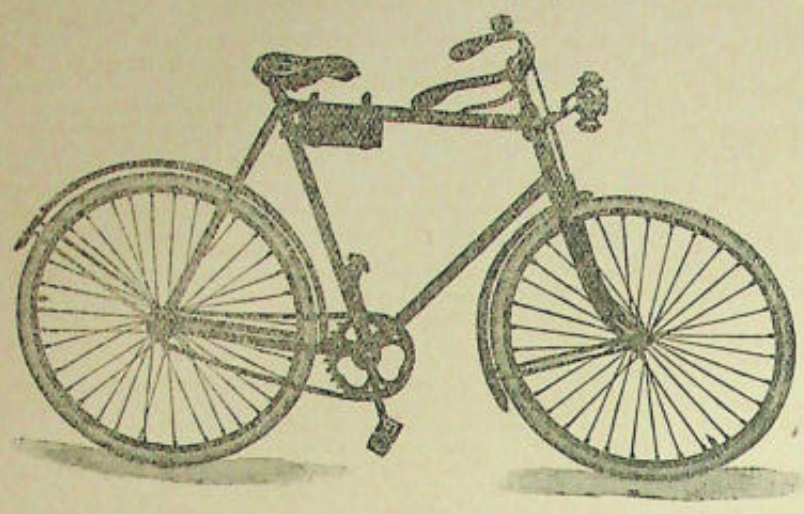
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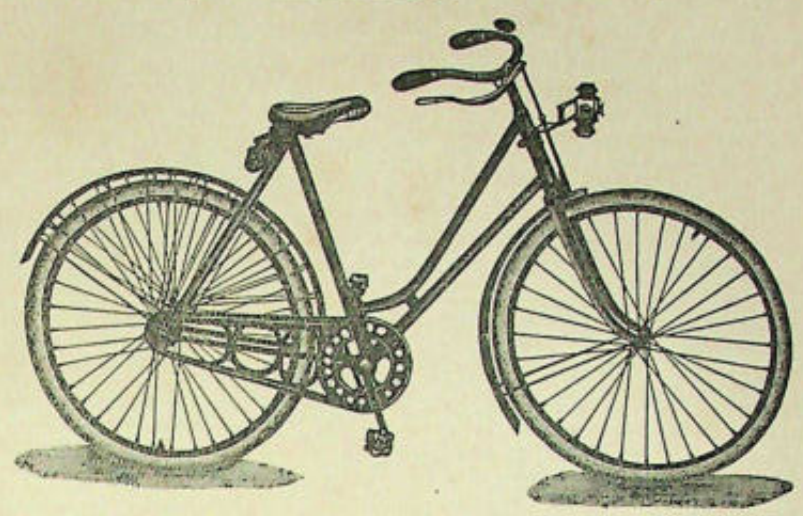
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Nice ...	30	1	117	0	Moulder ...	16	1	66	2
McDonell ...	51	8	120	1	Raphael ...	4	0	25	0
Gooder ...	40	5	130	3	Holland ...	3	1	4	0
Davis ...	28	5	74	2	Dalmeny ...	1	0	9	0
Hayward ...	1	0	4	0					

Dalmeny delivered a no-ball.

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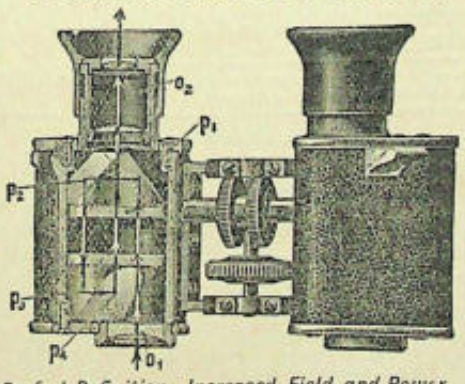
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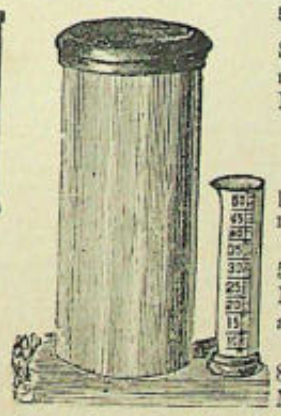
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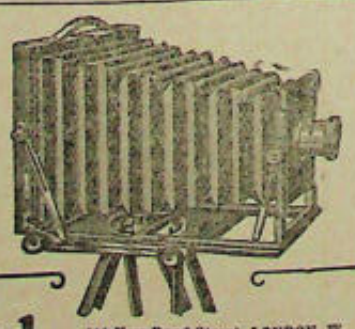
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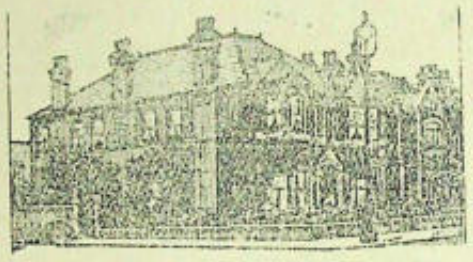
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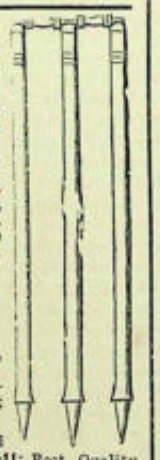
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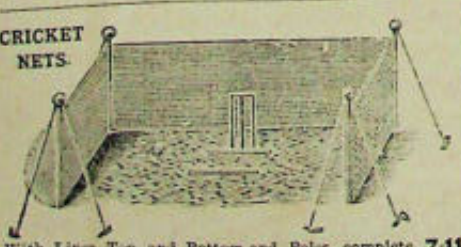
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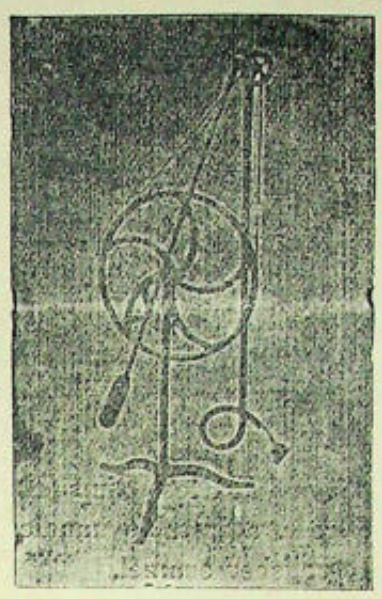
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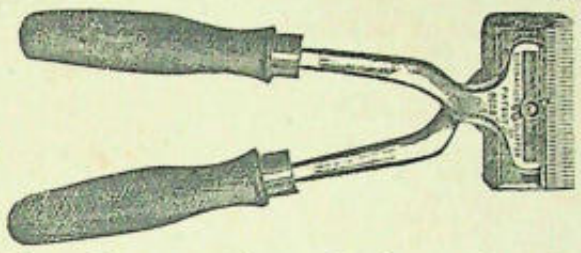
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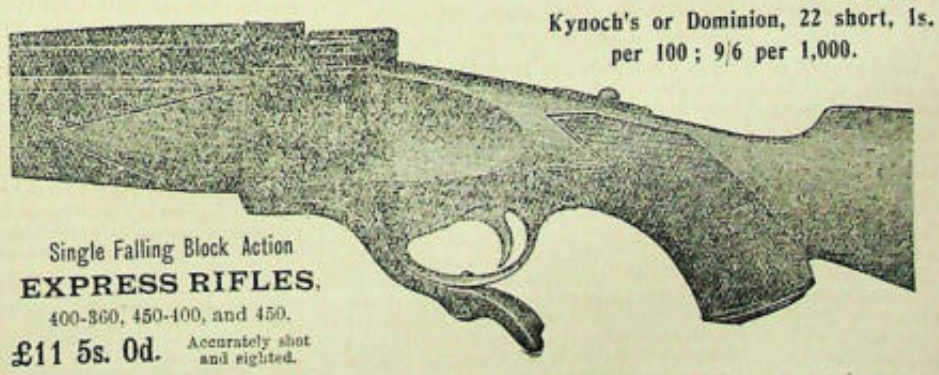


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Cox	...	40	10	116	1			35	7	78	3
Relf	...	20	13	26	1			25	9	52	3
Vine	...	21	7	39	1			10	6	23	0
Leach	...	4	2	6	0			3	0	11	0
Killick	...	12·3	2	47	7			26	7	168	0
						Ranjitsinhji		21	8	55	2

Cox bowled a wide and two no-balls, Leach one wide and one no-ball, and Killick two no-balls.

WARWICKSHIRE *vs.* HAMPSHIRE.—Played at Edgbaston on 21st, 22nd and 23rd July. Warwickshire won by an innings and 154 runs. Major Poore has not been long in showing that he can make runs despite his long absence from first class cricket. He was batting for two hours against Warwickshire on the first day of the match, and although in that time he only made 52, he was evidently beginning to feel at home for some time before he was out, and it is to be hoped that in the course of the next month he will play some brilliant cricket. Hampshire needs his help very badly. Although the wicket was good the Hampshire men were not very successful with the bat, but Evans, Captain Palmer, Bowell and Stone all made useful scores. Warwickshire made 95 for the loss of one wicket before stumps were drawn. Quaife played a splendid innings on Friday, and was at the wickets for four hours and three-quarters, during which he made 193 by beautiful cricket. Several other men did very well indeed, and when stumps were drawn the total was 521 for nine wickets, or 306 runs on. Rain fell heavily on Friday night, and the Hampshire men had to face a most unpleasant situation, for as it was obvious that the wicket would prove very difficult the Warwickshire captain at once declared the innings closed, leaving Hampshire to make 306 runs with Hill absent ill. Rain fell twice during the day, but the Hampshire team is nowadays the sport of fortune, and it was not to be expected that sufficient rain would descend and save them from defeat. The batsmen struggled bravely against adversity, but in vain.

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
Webb, b Byrne	...	18	c Fishwick, b Santall	...	4
Bowell, b Santall	...	25	b Santall	...	7
E. M. Sprot, c Smith, b Whittle	...	3	c Moorhouse, b Hargreave		38
W. H. B. Evans, c Santall, b Hargreave	...	38	c Fishwick, b Hargreave	...	20
Major R. M. Poore, l-b-w, b Whittle	...	52	c Whittle, b Hargreave	...	4
A. J. L. Hill, b Santall	...	3	absent ill	...	0
Capt. Palmer, b Byrne	...	24	c Lilley, b Santall	...	34
Llewellyn, c Smith, b Whittle	...	4	c Fishwick, b Hargreave	...	2
Langford, c Byrne, b Santall	...	2	c & b Hargreave	...	16
Stone, not out	...	31	not out	...	11
T. A. Chignell, c Santall, b Byrne	...	10	c Quaife, b Santall	...	3
B. 1, lb. 4	...	5	B. 10, lb. 1, w. 2	...	13
Total	...	215	Total	...	152

WARWICKSHIRE.

T. S. Fishwick, c Bowell, b Chignell	...	50	Lilley, b Sprot	... 48
Kinneir, c and b Llewellyn		44	Whittle, b Sprot	... 2
Hargreave, c Webb, b Chignell	...	22	Santall, not out	... 47
			Smith, not out	... 11
			Moorhouse, c Hill, b Chignell	... 2
A. C. S. Glover, b Evans	...	48	B 7, lb. 5, w. 3, nb 1	... 16
Quaife, c Stone, b Chignell		193		
J. F. Byrne, c & b Hill	...	38	Total (9 wkts)*	... 521

*Innings declared closed.

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hargreave ...	16	6	41	1		34	16	61	5
Byrne	14·2	3	38	3		3	1	8	0
Whittle ...	15	7	31	3		8	5	14	0
Santall... ...	21	3	52	3		23	7	50	4
Moorhouse ...	3	2	4	0		3	1	6	0
Quaife	14	0	44	0					

Santall delivered two wides.

WARWICKSHIRE.

Langford ...	19	5	48	0	Chignell ...	42	6	106	4
Llewellyn ...	19	3	71	1	Hill ...	12	0	56	1
Evans ...	30	4	96	1	Bowell ...	6	1	25	0
Sprot ...	13	4	44	2	Webb ...	25	3	59	0

Langford bowled one wide, Sprot two wides, and Evans delivered one no-ball.

LANCASHIRE *vs.*, ESSEX.—Played at Old Trafford on 21st 22nd and 23rd, July. Lancashire won by ten wickets. The wicket in this match was somewhat fiery, and as the Lancashire bowlers were far more capable of making use of it than their opponents, their side had much the best of the game. At the same time luck had no small share in the result, and if Essex had been fortunate instead of unfortunate the Lancashire first innings would have only produced a small total. As it was Lancashire began by losing Maclaren for a single, and then Spooner and Tyldesley made such a valuable stand despite the way in which the ball occasionally got up, that 166 runs were scored for the second wicket in an hour and forty minutes. Tyldesley played very bright and attractive cricket, while Spooner showed great caution and steadiness. After this partnership there was such a change in the fortunes of the game that six wickets were down for 205. Sharp and A. H. Hornby then began a long and productive partnership by demoralising the field by means of short runs; they were together for an hour and three quarters, during which they increased the total by 177 runs. Thus, thanks to four men, Lancashire had a fine total when the innings came to an end. Essex had to bat for less than a quarter of an hour, but they were at sea with the bowling of Kermode and Brearley and lost Fane, Sewell and Keigwin for 26. Heavy rain fell during the night, and the ball kicked more than ever. It was very difficult to make runs against good bowling, and McGahey alone succeeded in scoring over 20 in the first innings. As Essex were 322 runs behind they had to follow on, and when the day's play ended their total in the second innings was 303 for seven wickets, so that they were only 19 runs on. For a time the batsmen could do very little better than in the first innings, and three wickets fell to Brearley for 32 runs. But gradually the wicket was becoming easier, and when it was too late to save their side batsmen had some chance to distinguish themselves. The turning point of the innings came during the partnership of McGahey and Carpenter, who deserve the very greatest credit for putting on 76 runs at a time when the bowlers were in such great form. After their partnership ended the bowlers were becoming a little tired, while the wicket did not help them much, and the Essex men gave an excellent account of themselves Keigwin played a fine defensive innings, and late in the day Freeman batted so finely as to raise great hopes for his future. When stumps were drawn Keigwin was not out 64. On Saturday Essex saved the innings defeat by 5 runs.

LANCASHIRE.

A. C. Maclaren, b Reeves	1	A. H. Hornby, c Douglas, b Buckenham	...	89
R. H. Spooner, c Carpenter, b Buckenham	... 86	Kermode, b Buckenham	...	3
Tyldesley, c Keigwin, b Sewell	... 87	W. Brearley, b Buckenham	...	2
Hallows, b Buckenham	... 1	Worsley, c Fane, b Reeves		4
H. G. Garnett, c Russell, b Buckenham	... 1	Byes	...	20
Cuttell, c Russell, b Reeves	... 10	Total	...	411
Sharp, not out	... 107			

Second innings: Maclaren, not out; 5; Hornby, not out extras, 1. Total (no wicket), 6.

ESSEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. F. Fane, c Maclaren, b Brearley	2	b Brearley ...	16
Sewell, c Maclaren, b Kermode	12	c and b Sharp ...	6
P. A. Perrin, c Hallows, b Brearley	13	c Spooner, b Brearley	3
R. P. Keigwin, b Brearley ...	3	b Brearley ...	64
C. H. McGahey, c Worsley, b Brearley	24	c Worsley, b Sharp ...	66
Carpenter, b Kermode ...	12	c Hallows b Brearley	47
Freeman, b Brearley ..	2	c Garnett, b Kermode	66
Reeves, b Brearley ...	5	c Hornby, b Kermode	8
J. W. H. T. Douglas, not out ...	9	c Worsley, b Brearley	0
Russell (E.), b Brearley ...	6	not out	25
Buckenham, c Cuttell, b Brearley	0	c Spooner, b Brearley	5
		B. 15, lb. 1, w. 2, nb 3	21
Total	89	Total ...	327

LANCASHIRE.

First innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second innings.	O	M.	R.	W.
Buckenham ...	27	5	101	6					
Reeves ...	34·5	3	130	3					
Douglas ...	11	0	47	0					
McGahey ...	6	0	31	0					
Keigwin ...	4	0	32	0					
Sewell ...	8	0	29	1					
Freeman ...	7	0	21	0					
					Fane ...	0·4	0	5	0

ESSEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kermode ...	17	7	33	2	...	31·2	14	106	2
Brearley ...	16·1	5	51	8	...	30	6	100	6
					Sharp ...	20	6	73	2
					Cuttell ...	12	7	14	0
					Hallows ...	6	3	13	0

Kermode bowled two wides and one no-ball, and Sharp two no-balls.

SURREY *vs.* SOMERSETSHIRE.—Played at the Oval on 25th, 26th, and 27th July. Somersetshire won by an innings and 43 runs. There was not much cricket at the Oval on Monday, for owing to rain in the previous night, play did not begin until half-past two, while two showers interrupted the game so much that the available time was only two hours. Somerset had to do without the services of Braund and Poyntz, while there were several changes in the Surrey team, among them being the re-appearance of Abel, who made a brilliant catch at point which disposed of L. C. H. Palairet. After the rain the wicket played a little queerly at first, but gradually became easy, and in the time available for play on the first day, Somerset scored 147 runs for the loss of four wickets, the five men who batted all making over 20 runs. When stumps were drawn Woods was not out 37. On Tuesday, after a downpour on the previous evening, the wicket was soft and easy, and Woods and Martyn made excellent use of their opportunities. While they were together for an hour and a half they increased the total by 121 runs. They both played determined cricket and both made some fine hits. Woods survived until just before lunch, when, after an innings which lasted for nearly three hours, he was l.-b.-w. for a brilliant 123. He took his risks and at times was fortunate, but it was a fine innings and invaluable to his side. He hit two fives and twelve fours. The total was then 308 for seven wickets, and as the pitch was beginning to become difficult, the innings was declared closed, which showed excellent judgment on the part of the Somersetshire captain. Surrey met with disasters very soon. With the total at 10 Hayward was l.-b.-w. and at 13 Hayes was caught at point. Abel and Holland then made a useful stand and meeting with some good luck put on 57 runs in three-quarters of an hour. Three wickets were now down for 70 and at 74 Hayes was out. Sheppard played good innings, but no one else helped Abel, and Surrey had to follow on with arrears of 192 to knock off. This time Abel and Hayward revived memories of the combination which used to be so successful, but when they seemed likely to make a long stand together Hayward was out, with the total at 48. Before another run had been made Hayes was bowled, but the disasters ended here as far as Tuesday's play was concerned. When stumps were drawn the total was 61 for two wickets, Abel not out 26. Yesterday, three more wickets soon fell and half the side were out for 102. Meanwhile Abel had been playing a splendid uphill game, showing all the resourcefulness for which he has been famous for so many years, and he survived until the total was 139, of which he claimed 65. He was batting for two hours and a quarter, and he made a magnificent effort to save a beaten side. After Abel's dismissal the end was not long delayed, and Somersetshire gained a well-deserved victory. In the course of the morning Robson took five wickets for 12 runs. In the first innings of Surrey Hedley bowled exceedingly well.

SOMERSETSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. C. H. Palairet, c Abel, b Lees	25	H Martyn, c McDonell, b Lees	60
Major W. C. Hedley, c Stedman, b Sheppard ...	21	F. M. Lee, not out ...	9
Lewis, st Stedman, b Lees ...	34	Robson, c Stedman, b Hayes	4
P. R. Johnson, b McDonell...	25	B. 5, lbs. 2 ...	7
S. M. J. Woods, l.-b.-w, b Hayes	123	Total (7 wkts.)...	*308

H. S. Burrington, Cranfield and North did not bat.
*Innings declared closed.

SURREY.

First Innings		Second Innings.	
Abel, c and b Hedley ...	48	c Martyn, b Cranfield	65
Hayward, l.-b.-w, b Hedley ...	2	b Robson ...	24
Hayes, c Lee, b Cranfield ...	3	b Robson	0
Holland, c and b Hedley ...	22	c Lewis, b Robson ...	9
L. V. Harper, c and b Hedley	0	c Hedley, b Cranfield	10
R. A. Sheppard, not out ...	29	c Palairet, b Robson ...	8
Lees, c Lee, b Cranfield ...	1	c Johnson, b Hedley ...	16
Stedman, c Palairet, b Cranfield	0	c Lewis, b Cranfield ...	2
H. C. McDonell, b Hedley ...	0	not out	2
Gooder, b Hedley ...	0	c Hedley, b Robson ...	1
Smith, run out	7	c Burrington, b Cranfield	7
Byes	4	Byes	5
Total	116	Total	149

SOMERSETSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees ...	34	5	99	3	Gooder ...	2	0	7	0
Smith ...	19	3	70	0	McDonell ...	14	2	37	1
Sheppard ...	14	1	65	1	Hayes ...	7·5	0	23	2

SURREY.

First Innings	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	13	2	50	3		13·4	5	25	4
Hedley ...	16·5	1	55	6		15	1	1	1
Lewis ...	4	2	7	0		1	1	0	0
					Robson ...	20	4	52	5
					North ...	1	0	6	0

LANCASHIRE *vs.* GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—Played on the Aigburth Ground, Liverpool, on 25th, 26th, and 27th July. Lancashire won by an innings and 79 runs. Rain had made the wicket soft and easy on the first day of this match. Play was interrupted for over half an hour by a rainstorm, and at five o'clock was given up for the day, owing to a further downpour. Lancashire scored 222 for the loss of half their wickets. Spooner and Garnett put up 58 for the first wicket, but at 64 two wickets were down. Tyldesley was then joined by Hallows, and before these two men were separated the total was increased by 108 runs. They both found the bowling sufficiently difficult to make them cautious, but they played good cricket. As there was a strong probability that more rain would fall, it seemed that by winning the toss Lancashire had done an excellent thing. The anticipations of heavy rain during the night were realised, and when the game was resumed shortly after twelve the light was bad, but the wicket was not yet very difficult. Sharp and Hornby both played fine cricket, while Findlay made a very useful score, so that Gloucestershire had to face a total which, as the wicket was getting more difficult, semed very large. The first Gloucestershire wicket fell in the first over, and although Spry and Wrathall played well for the second wicket, seven men were out for 78, Thomas and Brownlee then made a stand, but when the innings came to an end Gloucestershire were 221 runs behind. In the follow on they lost three wickets for 99, Thomas playing a fine defensive game for an hour and a half; he was not out 46. Yesterday three wickets fell in a few minutes, and at the end of an hour Lancashire were easily victorious.

LANCASHIRE.

R. H. Spooner, b Dennett ...	32	A. H. Hornby, c Jessop, b Dennett	...	52
H. G. Garnett, c Spry, b Huggins	29	Cuttell, c Board, b Brownlee	...	0
Tyldesley, c Board, b Dennett	55	W. Findlay, c Brownlee, b Dennett	...	23
Hallows, c Board, b Huggins	40	Kermode, c and b Dennett ...	...	5
L. O. S Poidevin, c Thomas, b Dennett	12	W. Brearley, not out	...	0
Sharp, c Huggins, b Brownlee	74	B. 14, lb. 4, w. 4, nb. 2		24
		Total	...	346

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Spry, c Garnett, b Hallows...	21	b Hallows	10
Sellick, b Hallows ...	0	st Findlay, b Hallows ...	4
Wrathall, c Cuttell, b Hallows	28	c Brearley, b Cuttell ...	28
Board, b Hallows ...	3	c Hallows, b Cuttell ...	13
G. L. Jessop, c Findlay, b Hallows	0	b Kermode	1
Langdon, c Spooner, b Kermode	15	b Cuttell	2
F. E. Thomas, not out ...	17	b Hallows	47
L. D. Brownlee, st Findlay, b Hallows	26	c Findlay b Cuttell ...	1
P. G. Robinson, b Cuttell ...	5	st Findlay, b Hallows ...	19
Huggins, b Hallows ...	3	not out	0
Dennett, c Tyldesley, b Hallows	0	c Poidevin, b Cuttell ...	5
Byes ...	4	Extras ...	12
Total ...	125	Total ...	142

LANCASHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Dennett ...	45·3	12	125	6	Robinson ...	3	0	7	0
Huggins ...	33	4	117	2	Thomas ...	6	0	28	0
Jessop ...	5	2	13	0	Brownlee ...	7	1	21	2
Spry ...	5	0	11	0					

Dennett bowled one wide and Huggins three wides and two no balls.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hallows ...	21	2	10	50	8	15	5	40	4
Brearley ...	1	0	4	0					
Cuttell ...	12	4	39	1		24·1	4	59	5
Kermode ...	8	2	28	1		12	4	31	1

OTHER MATCHES.

On the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd instant at Beckenham Kent beat Somerset by eight wickets On the 25th, 26th, and 27th July at Leyton Warwickshire beat Essex by eight wickets. The following matches were abandoned.—Yorkshire *vs.* Gloucestershire, played at Dewsbury on the 21st, 22nd, and 22rd instant; Notts *vs.* Leicestershire, played at Leicester on the same dates; Yorkshire *vs.* Notts played at Bradford on the 25th, 26th, and 27th July; Sussex *vs.* Derbyshire, played at Derby on the same dates.

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BATTING AVERAGES. (14 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Tyldesley	24	3	1,710	225	81·42
Fry, C. B.	26	2	1,925	226	80·20
Iremonger	25	1	1,600	272	66·66
Ranjitsinhji, K. S. ...	22	3	1,328	166*	69·89
Hayward	41	4	2,242	203	60·59
Quaife (W. G.) ...	25	3	1,323	200*	60·13
Jones, A. O.	27	4	1,366	187	59·39
Hirst	29	2	1,357	157	57·66
Perrin, P. A.	24	3	1,170	343*	55·71
Jackson, Hon. F. S. ...	17	2	784	158	52·26
Spooner, R. H.... ...	27	3	1,175	126	48·95
Evans, W. H. B. ...	19	1	861	115	47·83
Raphael, J. E.	27	0	1,276	201	47·25
Knight	27	4	1,078	203	46·86
Sharp (J.)	19	5	641	107*	45·78
Palairet, L. C. H. ...	21	0	923	203	43·95
Tancred, L. J.	16	1	663	106	44·20
Glover, A. C. S. ...	20	2	786	124	43·61
Foster, H. K.	26	0	1,113	118	42·80
Marsh, J. F.	16	3	548	172*	42·15
Denton	32	2	1237	105	41·23
Warner, P. F.	18	2	654	106	40·87
King (J. H.)	36	4	1,303	128	40·71
Hallows	20	3	680	137*	40·00
Hayes	38	2	1,425	275*	39·58
Mitchell, F.	21	2	738	102*	38·84
Rhodes	28	2	1,002	195	38·53
Tunnicliffe	31	1	1,158	139*	38·43
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	26	2	904	145	37·66
Ollivierre, C. A. ...	27	1	976	229	37·53
Maclaren, A. C.... ...	25	4	788	166	37·52
Hill, A. J. L.	16	1	534	117	36·93
Seymour (Jas.) (Kent) ...	26	3	847	136*	36·82
Wood, C. J. B.	33	3	1,103	110	36·76
Cuttell	18	3	550	128	36·66
Kinneir	22	1	763	152	36·33
Wynyard, Capt. E. G. ...	17	0	613	147	36·05
Wright, L. G.	27	0	936	140	35·66
Fishwick, T. S.	24	0	856	113	35·65
Wilson, F. B.	18	3	529	75	35·26
Coe	27	4	797	103	34·65
Humphreys, E. (Kent) ...	25	1	803	131	33·45
Jessop, G. L.	22	0	735	206	33·40
Sewell (E. H. D.) ...	29	2	894	181	33·11
Gunn J.	27	2	817	95	32·68
Poidevin, L. O. S. ...	23	1	717	103	32·59
Whittle	21	3	577	104	32·05
Carlisle, K. M.	18	2	512	114*	32·00
Marsham, C. H. B. ...	16	2	757	161*	31·95
Storer	25	3	700	110	31·81

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES. (28 wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Schwarz, R. O. ...	109·3	15	391	31	12·61
Cuttell	665·4	226	1,357	77	17·62
Hearne (J. T.) ...	780·4	211	1,887	105	17·97
Kotze, J. J.	447	93	1,409	78	18·06
Brearley, W.	546·4	86	1,728	88	19·63
Hallows	575·5	178	1,248	65	19·75
Haigh	560·4	133	1,542	78	19·76
Smith (W. C.) (Surrey) ...	327·5	80	911	47	20·02
Napier, G. G.... ...	421·4	104	1,211	59	20·52
Kermode	291	79	845	42	20·11
Sinclair, J. H. ...	371·5	71	1,325	64	20·70
Myers	329·5	64	976	47	20·76
Tate (F. W.) (Sussex) ...	298·1	67	836	40	20·90
Rhodes	716·2	217	1,614	76	21·23
Dennett	487·2	123	1,321	62	21·30
Hesketh-Prichard, H. ...	520·1	120	1,602	75	21·36
Blythe	579	103	1,567	72	21·76
Fielder	470·4	93	1,472	66	22·30
Gill (G.)	313·1	56	1,005	45	22·33
McDonell, H. C. ...	419·2	93	1,096	49	22·36
Allsopp	427·2	100	1,329	59	22·52
Odell, W. W.	731·2	201	898	83	22·86
Arnold	574·3	118	1,687	73	23·10
Hirst	619·1	121	1,696	73	23·23
Wass	757·2	165	2,256	95	23·74
Bird (Worcestershire) ...	296·1	55	864	36	24·00
Lees	814·4	199	2,138	89	24·02
Reeves	524·3	105	1,639	68	24·10
Lockwood	212·5	30	724	30	24·13
Fairservice	291·2	77	895	37	24·18
Relf	746·2	222	1,731	71	24·38
Bestwick	588·4	142	1,792	73	24·54
Cox	838·5	220	2,016	81	24·88
Braund	655·5	98	2,219	89	24·93
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	399·3	40	1,647	62	24·95
Gunn (J.)	726·5	203	2,024	80	25·27
Warren	568·4	91	2,009	77	26·09
Trott (A. E.)	483·5	89	1,593	61	26·11
Moorhouse	389·1	86	1,135	43	26·39
Huggins	416·4	116	1,176	44	26·72
Cranfield (Somerset) ...	389·3	64	1,238	45	26·91
Douglas, J. W. H. T. ...	272·1	54	865	32	27·03
Hayes	346·3	72	898	33	27·21
King (J. H.)	685·4	173	1,813	65	27·89
Wilson (G. A.) (Worcestr.)	355·5	39	1,292	46	28·08
Whittle	288·1	75	832	29	28·68
Buckenham	470·1	84	1,466	51	28·74
Martin, E. G.... ...	304·1	63	874	29	30·13
Evans, W. H. B. ...	315·5	64	1,085	34	31·94
May, F. R.	269·3	36	968	30	32·26
Hargreave	672·5	183	1,697	52	32·63
Gooder	454·4	91	1362	41	33·21
Llewellyn	383·2	68	1446	43	33·62

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Relative Positions to 28th July.

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	18	14	0	4	14	100·00
Yorkshire ...	19	8	1	10	7	77·77
Notts	15	6	3	6	3	33·33
Sussex ...	15	4	2	9	2	33·33
Kent	12	5	3	4	2	25·00
Leicestershire ...	14	5	4	5	1	11·11
Middlesex ...	9	3	3	3	0	—
Warwickshire ...	11	4	4	3	0	—
Derbyshire ...	14	5	6	3	—1	— 9·09
Somerset ...	11	4	7	0	—3	— 27·27
Surrey... ...	18	4	8	6	—4	— 33·33
Gloucestershire ...	11	2	5	4	—3	— 42·85
Worcestershire ...	11	2	5	4	—3	— 42·85
Essex	14	2	8	4	—6	— 60·00
Hampshire ...	10	0	9	1	—6	—100·00

ATHLETICS.

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE *vs.* HARVARD AND YALE.—America won the rubber and that, too, in no uncertain manner, at the Queen's Club on Saturday afternoon. It was the third meeting for athletic supremacy between the representatives of Oxford and Cambridge and Harvard and Yale and our friends from across the Atlantic came through with flying colours to the extent of six events to three. There was no fluke or luck attached to the victory, either. England might, perhaps, with the exercise of a little more judgment, have secured another race, but this would have made no difference to the actual result, and the young gentlemen from the other side of the water deserve all the credit one can give them for the brilliant all-round form they displayed and for the way in which they avenged the defeat inflicted by the Blues on the same ground five years ago. It was on 22nd July 1899, that Oxford and Cambridge beat Harvard and Yale at Queen's Club by five events to four. At Berkley Oval, New York, on 25th September 1901, the Americans made the score even by defeating the Englishmen by six events to three, and now they have, as stated, clinched the business and established their superiority beyond all doubt by making an aggregate for the three meetings of 16 events to 11. Although some very fine things were done on Saturday, the meeting suffered when compared with that of five years back. The weather was dull and uninviting and the attendance though good—something like 6,000—not up to the standard of that seen in 1899. His Majesty the King, who it was hoped would again honour the proceedings, was not present, while the last day at Bisley accounted no doubt for the absence of many who would otherwise have found their way to the enclosure at West Kensington. As crowds go now-a-days at athletics it was a goodly gathering, and, needless to say, representative to a degree. Americans were much in evidence, located chiefly in the grand stand near the members' entrance, and from here came the chant of victory at each success gained by the visitors.

ONE HUNDRED YARDS.

W. A. Schick, jun., Harvard 1
R. W. Barclay, Trinity College, Cambridge, and Private School 2
D. J. Torrey, Yale 3
H. H. Chipman, Trinity College, Oxford, and Malvern ... 4

The positions from the stand were Barclay, Torrey, Chipman, and Schick, jun. After the usual preliminary canters Wilkinson fired the men away. Barclay was the quickest off the mark, but Schick was soon in his stride, and before twenty yards had been covered he was level with the Cantab, who in turn was hotly pressed by Torrey, Chipman being last. At half distance the order was Schick, Barclay, Torrey, and Chipman. At this stage the Harvard captain looked from the Press seats to be about a yard in front. A score further on the order was unaltered. Schick improved his position, and finishing in grand fashion, won by three yards, although the official verdict made it a yard and a half. Barclay beat Torrey by a foot only, the latter defeating Chipman by a yard and a half. Time, 9⅘secs., which equals A. F. Duffey's British record of 20th July 1901. The figures were greeted with loud applause, and Schick, who had been indisposed on Friday night, was warmly congratulated on all hands.

RESULTS.

		Secs.
1899	J. R. Quinlan, Harvard	10
1901	N. H. Hargrave, Yale	10⅖
1904	W. A. Schick, jun, Harvard	9⅘

ONE MILE.

H. W. Gregson, Christ's College Cambridge, and Oundle 1
C. C. Henderson-Hamilton, Trinity College, Oxford, and Glenalmond 2
A. R. Welsh, Trinity College, Cambridge, and Rugby ... 3
C. B. Alcott, Yale 0
C. D. Hill, Yale 0

Acting under orders Welsh started to cut out the work, closely followed by Gregson, Alcott, and Henderson-Hamilton, with Hill bringing up the rear. When 500 yards had been covered, Gregson went up to the leader and completed the first lap just clear of Welsh, while Henderson-Hamilton had deprived Alcott of third place. Hill being some distance behind his fellow collegian. The Oxonian, who was striding out in beautiful style, now quickened and passed Welsh just before half a mile had been covered, the Yale pair being quite outpaced. Gregson continued to show the way and entered up on the last circuit with a lead of ten yards. Drawing steadily away from the Dark Blue and Welsh, with Alcott toiling hopelessly in the rear, the Cambridge President, amid very hearty cheers, sailed home in fine style a winner by fully twenty yards; forty yards divided second and third, and eighty yards separated third and fourth. Times:—

	M.	S.
First lap	1	22
Second lap	2	57
One mile	4	21⅕

RESULTS.

		M.	S.
1899	A. Hunter, Cambridge	4	24
1901	F. G. Cockshott, Cambridge	4	26⅕
1904	H. W. Gregson, Cambridge	4	21⅕

HIGH JUMP.

G. F. Victor, Yale, 6ft. 0⅛in. 1
*E. E. Leader, Trinity College, Cambridge, and Charterhouse, 5ft. 10⅛ins. 2
*C. S. Doorly, Selwyn College, Cambridge, and Trinidad, 5ft. 10⅛ins. 2

* Signifies a dead-heat.

In this event Leader was disappointing, as although jumping just over 6ft. in practice he now failed to get beyond 5ft 10⅛ins. His partner, Doorly, however, improved on his previous work to the extent of tieing with the Cambridge first string. Victor, jumping with the half turning movement in the air common to Americans, cleared 5ft. 11ins., 6ft. and subsequently 6ft. 0⅛in. He made several attempts to add an additional inch but was not successful.

RESULTS.

		ft.	in.
1899	A. N. Rice, Harvard	6	0
1901	J. S. Spraker, Yale	6	1⅛
1904	G. F. Victor, Yale	6	0⅛

HALF-MILE.

H. E. Holding, Oriel College, Oxford, and Tonbridge ... 1
K. Cornwallis, University College, Oxford and Haileybury 2
H. B. Young, Harvard 3
R. R. Parsons, Yale 4

This produced a very fine struggle between the Dark Blue couple. From the crack of the pistol, Holding commenced to make the running at a slow pace from Cornwallis and Young, with Parsons last. At the quarter Holding was about five yards to the good, with neither of the Americans appearing at all dangerous. Thus they ran until nearly two hundred yards from the tape, when Cornwallis put on a fine sprint, cut down Holding, and entered the finishing straight some two yards ahead. But Holding was not done with. He hung on to Cornwallis with amazing tenacity, and it soon became evident that the pair would make a great race of it. The battled desperately for every foot, but with Cornwallis faltering ever so slightly thirty yards from the post, Holding drew level in another ten yards. Running on splendidly, the old Tonbridge boy achieved a remarkable success by two feet; fifteen yards divided second and third, Parsons, from whom much had been expected, being badly beaten off. Times:—

	M.	S.
Quarter-mile	0	59
Half-mile	1	56⅕

RESULTS.

		M.	S.
1899	H. E. Graham, Cambridge ...	1	57⅕
1901	Rev. H. W. Workman, Cambridge ...	1	55⅘
1904	H. E. Holding, Oxford ...	1	56⅕

QUARTER MILE.

E. J. Dives, Harvard 2
R. W. Barclay, Trinity College, Cambridge, and Private ... 3
C. B. Long, Yale 1
T. B. Wilson, Pembroke College, Cambridge and Charterhouse 4

This was the race of the afternoon. Neither team was exactly confident as to the issue, and of the four men probably Barclay was slightly the favourite. Long and Dives were very evenly matched, having beaten each other in turn. Barclay had the inside station with Long and Wilson next, Dives being on the outside. It was a stiff battle all the way. At the start Barclay led Long by about a yard for the first hundred, then rounding the first corner very smartly the Yale man just forced his head in front, but a superb effort on the part of the Cantab enabled him to regain command. The pair ran neck and neck for a time, but Barclay was first to round the corner into the home straight. Instead of keeping his berth he now swerved into the middle of the track, but though manifestly tiring kept on with magnificent pluck. Loud cries went up for Barclay, who was still fighting out every inch with Long. However, all unperceived, Dives crept up on the inside, and twenty yards from the post shot past both, reaching the tape two feet ahead of Barclay who beat Long by a similar margin. Time—49⅕secs.

RESULTS.

		Secs.
1899	C. G. Davison, Cambridge	49⅖
1901	E. C. Rust, Harvard	50
1904	E. J. Dives, Harvard	49⅕

THROWING THE HAMMER (16lbs.)

T. L. Shevlin, Yale, 152ft. 8ins. 1
E. L. Glass, Yale, 132ft. 7⅕ins. 2
M. Spicer, Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and Ley's School, 111ft. 7ins. 3
B. M. Tomlinson, University College, Oxford and Wellington, 101ft. 7⅕ins. 4

Each competitor had four throws. Shevlin recorded 152ft. 8ins., 148ft. 11⅕ins., 150ft. 0⅘in., and 148ft. 1⅕in. Glass did 142ft. 8⅕ins., 122ft. 6ins., 125ft. 11⅖ins., and finally 132ft. 3⅕ins. Spicer's first throw of note was 109ft. 7ins. which he followed with 111ft. 7ins. (his best) and 106ft. 6⅕ins. Tomlinson's initial throw was not measured. At his second attempt the hammer flew 103ft. 3ins., at the third 104ft. 7⅕ins., while the last was only 98ft. 5ins.

RESULTS

1899 W. A. Boal (Harvard), 136ft. 8⅕ins.
1901 W. A. Boal (Harvard), 136ft. 8ins.
1904 T. L. Shevlin (Yale), 152ft. 8ins.

HURDLE RACE (120 Yards).

E. J. Clapp, Yale 1
F. W. Bird, Harvard 2
F. H. Teall, Sidney-Sussex College, Cambridge and Dulwich 3
A. M. P. Lyle, Trinity College, Oxford and Fettes ... 4

Of the quartette, Bird was the quickest away with Clapp a good second. This couple soon had the race to themselves. The Harvard man took the first six hurdles a shade in advance of Clapp, but at the seventh both rose simultaneously. They were level until the last obstacle had been negotiated, but on the run in the Yale captain proved the faster winning by six inches. Teall finished a good third four yards away. Time—15⅕secs.

RESULTS.

		Secs.
1899	F. B. Fox, Harvard	15⅖
1901	J. H. Converse, Harvard	15⅖
1904	E. J. Clapp, Yale	15⅘

LONG JUMP.

L. J. Sheffield, Yale, 21ft. 10⅕ins. 1
D. R. Ayres, Harvard, 21ft. 8⅕ins. 2
G. Le Blanc Smith, University College, Oxford and Radley, 21ft. 6⅕ins 3
T. Leach, Brasenose College, Oxford and Winchester, 18ft. 11⅕ins. 4

Leach suffering from a recent strain was quite out of form and as a consequence could record nothing better than 18ft. 11⅕ins. Le Blanc Smith was perhaps the neatest in style of the four competitors. In five attempts his best jumps were 20ft. 6ins., 21ft. 1in., and 21ft. 6⅕ins. Sheffield was also somewhat off colour with 21ft. 1in. and 21ft. 6⅕ins. but his fifth leap 21ft. 10⅕ins. proved the winning one. Ayres did 21ft., 21ft. 7⅕ins., and at his third effort 21ft. 9⅕ins.

RESULTS.

		ft.	in.
1899	G. C. Vassall, Oxford ...	23	1
1901	J. S. Spraker, Yale ...	22	4
1904	L. J. Sheffield, Yale ...	21	10⅕

TWO MILES.

M. H. Godby, Christ Church Oxford and Winchester ... 7
A. R. Churchill, Caius College, Cambridge and Harrow... 2
W. A. Colwell, Harvard 3
A. King, Harvard 4
H. W. Gregson, Christ's College, Cambridge and Oundle 0

The last event was looked upon as a certainty for the Blues, Churchill being the fancied candidate, but to general surprise, Godby, who could only get third to the Harrovian in March at the Inter-'Varsity Sports, carried off premier honours very easily. At the outset Churchill took the field along, with Gregson and Godby in close attendance, Colwell running in good style about five yards behind the Oxonian. The order for the first lap was Churchill, Gregson, and Godby and though the second named had one or two turns in front Churchill was at the head of affairs at the completion of the second lap, with Godby lying third scarcely two yards away; Colwell was ten yards in the rear of the latter, with King already going badly. At the mile Gregson dropped out, and Churchill went on from Godby, Colwell now being some twenty yards off third. Half way round the circuit the Oxonian went in front for the first time, the fourth lap seeing him possessed of a five yards lead. At this juncture Churchill showed signs of distress, suffering apparently from stitch in the side, and in consequence Godby speedily widened the gap. Recovering somewhat the Cantab kept pluckily on his way, though of course pursuit was hopeless. Maintaining an easy action and fine stride till the end Godby accomplished the best performance of his athletic career. He won by eighty yards, while Churchill finished about forty yards in front of Colwell, who had failed to make up much leeway by the Cantab's temporary trouble. King finished fully 200 yards behind his fellow-Collegian.

The intermediate times were as follows:—

	Leader.	M.	S.
First lap ...	Churchill ...	1	20⅕
Second lap ...	Churchill ...	3	3
Third lap (one mile.)	Churchill ...	4	45
Fourth lap ...	Godby ...	6	29
Fifth lap ...	Godby ...	8	11
Sixth lap (two miles)	Godby ...	9	50

RESULTS.

		M.	S.
1899	* H. W. Workman, Cambridge ...	15	24⅕
1901	H. W. Workman, Cambridge ...	9	60⅕
1904	M. H. Godby, Oxford	9	50

* This race was three miles.

ROWING.

DOGGETT'S COAT AND BADGE.

Although there is very little in the fact that Tom Doggett desired to commemorate the Hanoverian succession to the throne now-a-days, the fact that he did so through the famous orange livery and silver badge, worn on the left arm, has had no small bearing on professional rowing and the ambitions of young water-

men all among the river Thames. It need hardly be repeated that Doggett was an Irish comedian and a favourite of George I., and by his will left a certain amount of money for six "jolly young watermen" to row, the course to be from London Bridge to two boats moored off Chelsea Pier, a distance of about four miles and a quarter. As trustees of the livery and badge, he named the Fishmongers' Company, and that body, accepting the responsibility of the bequest, has entered thoroughly into the spirit of the race by not alone adding substantial amounts to the wager but by managing the race and arranging the preliminaries and all details as only a city company can. It is only due to the memory of Doggett to state that the race has produced some fine oarsmen, and even in recent years such grand scullers as W. G. East, who has the honour of being bargemaster to His Majesty the King; Tom Green Barnes; H. Messum, Richmond; little and popular Wag Harding, Chelsea; Bill Barry, undoubtedly one of the best scullers of the lot; his brother Ernest, who may in a year or two compete for championship honours; and Alf Brewer, son of mine host at the Duke's Head, Putney, 'Gus," one of the staunchest supporters of professional rowing in the country. Although the race should properly take place, according to the terms of the will, on 1st August, the Bank Holiday, of course, interfered with this arrangement, and Mr. Wrench Towse, clerk of the Fishmongers' Company, most advisedly advanced the date. Although rain fell slightly in the morning, the weather for the event was most favourable, and along both embankments, as well as on the several bridges and finish, huge crowds witnessed the contest, one of the best seen for years. Prior to the ancient struggle, which, for the second time in over thirty years, was won by a Lambeth lad, W. A. Pizzey, the Fishmongers' Company entertained a large number of guests at luncheon at the hall. Of course, many prominent oarsmen were present, amongst other the amateur champion, Mr. St. George Ashe (T. R. C.), Mr. Guy Rixon (K. R. C.), Mr. T. A. Cook (O. U. B. C.), Mr. B. Rixon (T. P. C.), etc. As to the actual race there were originally eleven entries, but only ten competed in the preliminary heats, first and second in each of the three qualifying for the final. The winner, after his good race on Monday, was fancied somewhat, and his victory was decidedly popular, as he rowed with race pluck and judgment, although at the same time the favourite Gobbett, gave his followers a good run for their money. For the race the officials were: Manager, Mr. J. Wrench Towse; starter, Mr A. Pocock (Bargemaster to the company); distance judge, Mr. Alf. Farmer.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOX-HOUNDS.

AUNDH, celebrated for its ford across the river and as being the habitat of that majestic troop of cavalry—the Governor's Body-guard—was the place of meeting for the 4th. Government House and the Gunner contingent from Kirkee naturally turned out in force and His Excellency who is evidently a very keen sportsman was present. Among the others who swelled the glad throng were, I am told, Mr. and Mrs Arthur Lucas Colonel Channer, Colonel Bull, Colonel Richard Owen. Colonel Hume Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beatty, Mr Enthoven. Mr. and Miss Anderson, Mr. and Mrs Sheppard, Colonel Lucas, Major Strange, two Major Englands, Mrs. Sheringham, the Master's wife, Lady Cox, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Cameron. Mrs. Jameson, and scores of other good and true people. The Botanical Gardens, which I hear used to hold a jack or two in bygone years, has consistently proved blank this season and is apparently not a fashionable resort for the little grey rovers now a days and on this occasion it in no way belied its ill repute. Moving on into the demesne hounds were thrown into a patch, a cover where no less than a brace of jack broke away. Hounds at first got on to one which broke back for the Botanical Gardens, but the hard road and the horses foiled scent and in response to holloa from one of the whips the Master harked back and clapped hounds on to the line of the other jack who had raced away as if for the high lands of Bamburda. Reaching the Clock Tower on the other side of the Government House grounds hounds were clearly in doubt and even a cast by the Master apparently failed to recapture the line, so that scent must for some unaccountable reason have been atrociously bad and nothing more could be made of the line. The Master failed in this effort for blood, then worked back towards the Botanical Garden to see if peradventure he could have vengeance at any rate on the victorious jack's mate, but hounds had no luck this day. A long cast at a venture through the fields and round towards Bamburda was no more successful and so closed an uneventful morning—saving indeed for that excellent—but I believe sadly short-sighted sportsman of the Indian Civil Service who failing to see the gap (which I hear His Excellency most thoughtfully had cut) in the wire fencing round the demesne, went slap at the wire with the not unnatural result of coming an almighty crowner. It looked, I am told, a terribly nasty spill for a few moments, as horse and rider were tied into knots and Mr. Enthoven got out of it comparatively cheaply with a somewhat badly cut face.

Wagolei is, I gather, a very favourite meet with the really sporting contingent though its distance from Poona proper—9 miles—chokes off the fainter hearted, who find it difficult to steal the necessary extra half hour from the night's rest. Mrs. Beatty who seldom seems to miss a hunt or fails to be in the first flight when out was, I hear, the only lady who turned up; and among the somewhat select few who put in an appearance I can only hear of Colonel Bull, Colonel Channer (both as keen as mustard and always hang up with hounds however fast or long the run may be I am told), Colonel Money (Military Secretary to Sir Archibald Hunter), Major Hopwood and Major Chesney and everyone apparently was delighted to see two thrusters from the Bombay Hunt, Messrs Donald Graham and Harter, an ex Master, and a present whip, present to enjoy the good thing. A move was made towards some small patches of sugarcane from the third of which a jack was promptly evicted. His first effort to escape by seeking refuge in a sugar-cane patch half a mile or so further one was speedily frustrated and realizing that safety lay only in flight he straightway accepted the inevitable and pointed for the Moola - Mootha river. But he could not harden his heart to plunge into the flowing torrent and jerking in some cactus he changed his course and steered straight for the hill near Wagole over three miles off. Crossing the road to Ahmednagar someone tallyho-ed the jack away but he must have been still full of runningas, racing away he eventually beat hounds and made good his point. I have had to trust to scraps picked up from different sources, but from every side I hear the same account that it was quite one of the most enjoyable and fastest runs of the season, made all the more enjoyable by having to negotiate several little stone walls (apparently peculiar to this portion of the country) *en route*. It was, with the two entremely brief checks alluded to, galloping the whole time. The time "is authentically recorded" as 7 miles in 34 minutes, which I have heard one or two men suggest was almost too good to be true, though I must hasten to add that in each instance the doubters were men who were *not* out and who were obviously a bit sore at having missed so brilliant a thing. On the other hand I am told both distance and time are as near as need be. No one, I hear, went better throughout this run than Mrs. Beatty, Colonel Bull, and Colonel Channer. After a short spell to refill the bellows hounds were taken to a sugarcane cover not far from Wagole where a jack was found and a most cheery little gallop of nearly 10 minutes ensued when scent failed and Colonel Sheringham most wisely held that hounds had done enough. On the whole it seems to have been one of the most sporting mornings of the season and those who lost it through slothfulness and laziness have been a bit sore ever since. Even my old time-battered typewriter has been "click clacking" at a gallop with me as I tap out these humble chronicles and almost got out of hand for a moment now and again.

On Thursday, the 11th, the well-known Bund Bridge was the meet and a fairly large field including His Excellency who seldom misses a meet anywhere within a reasonable distance of Ganeshkhind. The first try was in some sugarcanes near the river bank and after that the extensive *babul* grove which often, I believe, holds a jack, and in no way belied its reputation for hounds soon began getting busy and drove their jack to the Sappers and Miners' earthworks. Here he was apparently headed and wheeling round ran along the river in the direction of the Bund, taking refuge in some sugar-cane which hounds had drawn on their way. Quite half an hour was spent in ousting this not very stout hearted jack out of his temporary sanctuary and when he at last hardened his pluck and made a dash for sweet liberty, a horseman who ought to have known better temporarily arrogated to himself the functions of a greyhound. Criticism on this ambitious effort has been free and unappreciative. Indeed I gather that the members of the hunt are unanimous in being satisfied with the efforts of their hounds and that any similar encroachments on the duties of those noble animals by two-legged aspirants will be distinctly resented in future. *Verb. Sap. Sat.* There seems to have been considerable satisfaction at the jack escaping and one can only hope that he lives to give a better run—under more favourable auspices. Chaste Diana—evidently offended at such attempted sacrilege of the sport she holds so dear—was unpropitious and so ended a not very brilliant morning.

SCARAMOUCH.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

THERE was another bye day on Saturday (6th instant), the meet being at the Rifle Butts at 7-45 A.M. It was a fine bright morning but there was only a small field out. The first draw was through Hanging Shola and hounds found there, but it was quite ten minutes before we could induce the jack to break. When at last he came out at the west side of the Shola hounds were close behind him. He crossed the stream and pointed at first for the Black Bridge, but soon swinging to the right he went up to the Connemara Road, which he crossed. On nearing the top of the ghaut he again turned to the right and then stopped in a patch of thick covert, when hounds over-ran him.

As soon as they roused him again he went down the ghaut parallel to the Seegur Road, but, being hard pressed, went to ground in some rocks where hounds got in and killed him. He was a very large old dog jack. A fresh jack was on foot at the top of the ghaut and there was some difficulty in preventing hounds from hunting him. We then drew Brooklands blank and, as scent was not very good (for no apparent reason as it seemed a perfect hunting day) we came home.

On Monday (8th) the meet was at Bees' Corner, the morning being fine but with a very cold wind. There was a fairly large field out. We drew the upper part of Baikie, starting from the crossing and going upwards and hounds spoke to a line, which they just managed to carry across the road but could make nothing more of it as it was very stale.

The Master took them on through Rallywood, in the hope of hitting it off again, but without success. We then drew the lower part of Rallywood and hounds spoke to a line, which brought them to the crossing at the head of Blackmoor Vale, where they checked. The Master cast them up hill to the left and they picked it up again and went over the top of Newmarket to the corner of Bluegums, where they were again at fault. The Master tried through the covert and round the bottom and then over to the head of Rawlings' Nullah. Here they hit off the line either of the hunted jack or another and went away fast, pointing at first for Governor's Shola. Swinging to the right, however, they went up into Martyn's Shola. Here there was another jack on foot. The hunted jack took the body of the pack out at the top of Martyn's Shola and over the saddle towards the Yemakal Valley, then right handed along the slopes to the foot of Briar Shola where we lost him. The other jack went back to Governor's Shola with two and-a-half couple of hounds hunting him and he beat them there. The Master then drew parallel to the Pykara Road as far as the ridge above Toda Coffee Shop Shola and back north of the old Pykara Road, without finding again. Hounds found two porcupines in Bracken Covert and several were stuck with their quills The high wind made scent indifferent all the morning.

On Thursday (11th) the meet was at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar and it was a cold windy morning. We first drew the swamp above Pamela's Crossing and then Briar Shola, both blank although there was a touch of scent here and there. From the swamp below Wapshare's Hare Shola hounds took a very stale line into Wenlock Shola, but could not make any more of it. Between this and Chemmund there were fresh marks of pig and for a moment it looked as if we were in for trouble, but the Master hurried hounds into the open below Chemmund without mishap. We then drew on down the Yemakal Valley and crossed the line of a jack, which had apparently gone into Chemmund, so we did not persevere with it. After drawing for about two miles up the Pykara River a large boar was viewed out of a nullah and the Master thought the neighbourhood too dangerous to go on drawing. Hounds were, therefore, taken back by Briar to the Home country, and we found in Rawlings' Nullah. The jack took us into Bluegums and after running a ring there broke at the bottom and went across to Staircase He went up to the top side and turned along it towards Herbert Plantation, but, doubling short back, came out at the bottom again and went over to Rawlings' Nullah and then back to Bluegums. Here hounds gave him no rest, and after running another ring he came out again on the Rawlings'-Nullah side and went to ground in a water course. As soon as we got hounds away he bolted and again went into Bluegums, where hounds hunted him up and down for at least an hour until he at last beat them.

BLUE GUM.

Polo.

BELLARY SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.

ON the 27th ultimo three more games were played before a large gathering.

GYMKHANA *vs.* FREEBOOTERS.—*First Chukker.*—The Freebooters got away and Bagnall nearly scored, then the Gymkhana got possession and Lake scored a goal. The Gymkhana kept up the attack but failed to score and the Freebooters coming away with a rush hit a subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The Gymkhana had the best of the Chukker and Morphew scored a goal.

Final Score: Gymkhana 14 goals 2 subs. Freebooters 16 goals 3 subs Teams:—

GYMKHANA.	FREEBOOTERS.
1. Lieut. Wise. Leic. Regt.	1 Sowar Abdulla Beg.
2. Lieut. Waller, R.A.	2. Lieut. Bagnall, 74th Punjabis.
3. Major Morphew, R.A.M.C.	3. Mr. Handcock, P.W.D.
Lieut. Lake, A.V.D. (*Back*).	Mr. Hannyngton, D.S.P.(*Back*).

MUSKETRY SCHOOL *vs.* 27TH L.C. ("B" TEAM).—*First Chukker.*—Percy Smith went away at the start and hit a goal, which Wallace followed up by two goals and a subsidiary. Then the Cavalrymen got going and hit a goal and one subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The 27th were playing in good form but neither team scored. *Final Score:* Musketry School 7 goals 1 sub. 27th L.C. "B" Team, 18 goals 3 subs. Teams:—

MUSKETRY SCHOOL.	27TH L.C. ("B" TEAM.)
1. Capt. Strickland, Essex Regiment	1. Lieut. Jackson.
2. Jeffreys, D.L.I.	2. Ressaldar Md Khan.
3. Percy Smith, S.S.C.	3. Lieut. Wace, 26th L.C.
Lieut. Wallace, D.L.I. (*Back*)	Major Thring (*Back*).

LEICESTER REGT. *vs.* 27TH L.C. ("A" TEAM).—*First Chukker.*—The Cavalrymen had the best of the opening exchanges and three goals were scored in quick succession by Torrie, Henderson, and Walker. The Leicesters then attacked and Davies hit a goal, Henderson replying with a subsidiary for the 27th.

Second Chukker.—The 27th got away at once and Henderson hit a goal, Torrie added another shortly after and Casson put on a subsidiary. The Leicesters scored a minor point before time.

Final Score: 27th L.C. "A" Team 7 goals 5 subs. Leicester Regt. 12 goals 1 sub. Teams:—

27TH L.C. ("A" TEAM.)	LEICESTER REGIMENT.
1. Lieut. Casson.	1. Lieut. Henderson.
2. Capt. Henderson.	2. Lieut. Davies.
3. Lieut. Torrie.	3. Lieut. Hare.
Lieut. Walker (*Back*).	Capt. Dent (*Back*)

On Friday the 29th ultimo the Tournament was continued, another large attendance being present. The weather was wretched.

LEICESTER REGT. *vs.* 27TH L.C. "B" TEAM.—*First Chukker.*—After a good run by the Leicesters Thring got the ball and took it down, Mahomed Khan putting through. Hare then hit a goal for the Leicesters.

Second Chukker.—An even period, resulting in a goal to each team.

Final Score: 27th L.C. "B" Team 20 goals 3 subs. Leicester Regt. 14 goals 1 sub. Teams as before.

FREEBOOTERS *vs.* MUSKETRY SCHOOL.—*First Chukker.*—The Musketry School secured a minor point, and there was no further scoring during the period.

Second Chukker.—The Musketry School attacked and pressing hard scored two goals. Jeffreys and Wallace being responsible.

Final Score: Musketry School 10 goals 2 subs Freebooters 16 goals 3 subs. Teams as before.

GYMKHANA *vs.* 27TH L.C. "A" TEAM.—*First Chukker.*—Torrie hit a goal for the 27th, who had several more shots at goal all of which failed.

Second Chukker.—Henderson hit a subsidiary and a goal, and Torrie added another goal. Lake played a fine game at back for the Gymkhana

Final Score: 27th 10 goals 6 subs. (11 goals 2 subs.) Bellary Gymkhana, 14 goals 2 subs.

The Tournament was continued on the 5th instant when three more games were decided. Mr. Handcock was unable to play for the Freebooters having strained his side. His place was taken by Mr Irwin.

GYMKHANA *vs.* MUSKETRY SCHOOL.—*First Chukker.*—This was a very fast and even chukker and there was no scoring till near the end Lake hit a goal for the Gymkhana.

Second Chukker.—The game continued very even and the Musketry School put on a goal.

Final Score: Musketry School 11 goals 2 subs. Gymkhana 15 goals 2 subs.

LEICESTER REGT. *vs.* FREEBOOTERS.—*First Chukker.*—The Leicester Regiment got away but failed to score. Off-side against their opponents, however gave them a free hit from which a goal was scored: another was put through from a scrimmage shortly after

Second Chukker.—The Leicesters got on and hit a goal. They continued to press and put on a goal and three subsidiaries before the close of the chukker:

Final Score: Leicesters 18 goals 4 subs. Freebooters 16 goals 3 subs.

27TH L.C. ("A" TEAM) *vs.* 27TH L.C. ("B" TEAM.)—*First Chukker.*—"A" team had it all their own way and put on 4 goals and 3 subs.

Second Chukker.—"A" Team continued to outplay their opponents and put on another 4 goals and 1 sub.

Final Score: "A" Team 20 goals 2 subs. "B" Team 20 goals 3 subs.

The last games in the Tournament were contested on the 6th instant when the 27th L.C. "A" Team came out victors with 32 goals 2 subs. The "B" Team was second with 24 goals, and the Leicester Regiment third with 19 goals 1 sub. The Tournament has been a great success and Mr. Lake, A. V. D. the Honorary Secretary, is to be congratulated on the result. Mrs. Jermyn presented the Cup to the winning team.

LEICESTER REGT. *vs.* MUSKETRY SCHOOL.—*First Chukker.*—The Musketry School got away and Percy Smith hit a minor point and a goal Then Hare scored a subsidiary for the Leicesters. Off-side was given against the school but there was no scoring and they managed to put through another goal.

Second Chukker.—This was evenly contested but the Musketry School obtained a goal.

Final Score: Leicester Regiment 19 goals 1 sub. Musketry School, 14 goals 3 subs.

FREEBOOTERS *vs.* 27TH L.C. ("A" TEAM.)—*First Chukker.*—The Cavalry had matters all their own way and hit 6 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

Second Chukker.—Again the cavalry rushed away and obtained 5 goals and 2 subs.

Final Score: Freebooters 16 goals 3 subs. 27th L.C. "A" Team 32 goals 2 subs.

27TH L.C. ("B" TEAM) *vs.* BELLARY GYMKHANA.—*First Chukker.*—A fast Chukker ended in a goal for the 27th and a minor point for the Gymkhana.

Second Chukker.—Another fast period, "B" Team playing in fine form put on 2 goals and a subsidiary.

Final Score: 27th L.C. "B" Team 24 goals Gymkhana 16 goals 3 subs.

Rowing.

THE WORLD'S SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

AFTER all the "blow" on both sides, the long talked—of and much discussed meeting between Towns and Tressider came off at Sydney and resulted in a very easy win for Towns.

After half the distance had been covered the race was a procession, the champion rowing easily. Coolness, science, and experience won the race. Tressider admitting that he was beaten by a better man.

Tressider won the toss, and chose the southern side. It was a beautiful start. Tressider, rowing 35, led by a few feet from Towns who was rowing 36. After 300 yards had been covered Tressider led by half a length. Heading for the mile point, Tressider was three-quarters of a length to the good. The champion was then sculling a beautiful stroke with any amount of power. Inch by inch he lessened his rival's lead: Tressider, whose style had less life in it, tried gallantly to maintain an advantage, but his strokes were evidently without power at the finish. Half way across the bay Towns had decreased the lead to half a length, and with a splendid spurt the champion's boat drew level before Blaxlands was reached, which is the end of the first mile, which was got over in 6 minutes 30 seconds. A great race followed for the next quarter of a mile. With a splendid spurt Tressider brought matters almost on an equality, and a tremendous

race ensued. Towns was sculling in such a self-contained manner that the hopes of Tressider's supporters sank lower and lower. The men passed the gasworks 11 minutes, 23 seconds, with Towns two lengths to the good. It was evident that Tressider was a beaten man when less than a mile and three-quarters had been covered. From this out the champion increased his lead easily. At Cabarita there were nearly four clear lengths between the boats. Tressider was rowing a wide course at this point. Towns steadied down after passing Cabarita, watching his opponent, and content to maintain the lead or increase it but slightly. Encouraged by the shouts of the spectators on the crowded steamers, Tressider roused himself for a final effort and for a furlong his best form was again shown, but Towns covered the rest of the distance at a medium rate, and passed the finishing post fully 15 lengths ahead of Tressider. The time was 21 minutes 48 seconds, and the distance, 3 miles 300 yards.

PREVIOUS WINNERS.

1854	J. Messenger beat T. Cole, P. to M. (Nov. 20) ...	24	25
1857	H. Kelley beat J. Messenger, P. to M. (May 12) ...	24	30
1859	R. Chambers beat H. Kelley, P. to M. (Sept. 25) ...	25	25
1860	R. Chambers beat T. White, P. to M. (Sept. 18) ...	23	15
1863	R. Chambers beat G. W. Everson, P. to M (April 14)	25	27
1863	R. Chambers beat R. Green, P. to M. (June 16) ...	25	25
1865	H. Kelley beat R. Chambers, P. to M. (August 8)	23	26
1866	H. Kelley beat Hamill, on Tyne (July 4) ...	38	29
1866	H. Kelley beat Hamill, on Tyne (July 5) ...	—	—
1866	R. Chambers beat J Sadler, P. to M. (Nov. 22) ...	25	4
1867	H. Kelley beat R. Chambers, on Tyne (May 6) ...	31	47
1868	J. Renforth beat H. Kelley, P. to M. (Nov. 17) ...	23	15
1874	J. H. Sadler beat R. Bagnall, P. to M. (April 17)	24	15
1875	J. H. Sadler beat R. W. Boyd, P. to M. (Nov. 15)	28	5
1876	E. Trickett beat J. H. Sadler, P. to M. (June 27)...	24	45
1877	R. W. Boyd beat W. Nicholson, on Tyne (March 19)	25	40
1877	R. W. Boyd beat J. Higgins, P. to M. (May 28) ...	28	24
1877	J. Higgins beat R. W. Boyd, P to M. (Oct 8) ...	24	10
1878	J. Higgins beat R. W. Boyd, on Tyne (Jan. 14) ...	foul	
1878	J. Higgins beat W Elliott, P. to M. (June 3) ...	24	38
1878	W. Elliott beat R. W. Boyd, P. to M. (Sept. 17) ...	foul	
1879	W. Elliott beat J. Higgins, on Tyne (Feb. 17) ...	22	1
1879	E. Hanlan beat W. Elliott, on Tyne (June 16) ...	21	21
1880	E. Hanlan beat E. Trickett, P. to M. (Nov. 15) ...	26	12
1881	E. Hanlan beat E. C. Laycock, P. to M. (Feb. 14)	25	41
1882	E. Hanlan beat R. W. Boyd, on Tyne (April 3) ...	21	25
1882	E. Hanlan beat E. Trickett, P. to M. (May 1) ...	28	0
1884	E. Hanlan beat E. C. Laycock, on Nepean River, N. S. W. (May 22)	———	
1884	W. Beach beat E. Hanlan, on Paramatta River, N. S. W. (Aug. 16)	———	
1885	W. Beach beat T. Clifford, on Paramatta (Feb. 28)	26	0
1885	W. Beach beat E. Hanlan, on Paramatta (Mar. 28)	22	51
1886	W. Beach beat J. Gaudaur, P. to M. (Sept 18) ...	22	29
1886	W. Beach beat Wallace Ross, P. to M. (Sept. 25) ...	23	5
1886	G. Perkins beat N. Matterson, on Thames (May 24), English Championship	27	26
1887	G. Bubear beat G. Perkins, on Tyne (Feb. 7), English Championship	32	34
1887	W. Beach beat E. Hanlan, on Nepean (Nov. 26) ...	19	55½
	(W. Beach resigned "World's Championship" to P. Kemp.)		
1888	W. Ross beat G. Bubear, P. to M. (Feb. 13). English Championship	23	16
1888	P. Kemp beat T. Clifford, on Paramatta (Feb. 11)...	23	47½
1888	P. Kemp beat E. Hanlan, on Paramatta (May 5) ...	21	26
1888	P Kemp beat E. Hanlan, on Paramatta (Sept. 28)	21	25
1888	H. Searle beat P. Kemp, on Paramatta (Oct. 27) ...	22	43½
1889	H. Searle beat W. O'Connor, P. to M. (Sept. 9) ...	22	42
1890*	J. Stanbury beat W. O'Connor, on Paramatta (June 23 and June 30)	———	
1891	J. Stanbury beat J. M'Lean, on Paramatta (April 28 and July 7)	———	
1892	J. Stanbury beat T. Sullivan, on Paramatta (May 2)	17	26½
1893	G. Bubear beat H. Hosmer, P. to M. (Jan. 30) ...	27	25
1893	T. Sullivan beat G. Bubear, P. to M. (Sept. 25) ...	22	30
1895	C. R. Harding beat T. Sullivan, on Tyne (Feb. 16)	21	15
1895	C. R. Harding beat T. Sullivan, P. to M. (Sept. 9)	22	59
1896	J. Stanbury beat C. R. Harding, P. to M. (July 13)	21	51
1896	J. Gaudaur beat J. Stanbury, P. to M. (Sept. 7)...	23	1
1898	W. A. Barry beat G. Towns, P. to M. (Sept 25) ...	23	23
1899	G. Towns beat W. A. Barry, P. to M. (May 1) ...	24	2
1900	G. Towns beat J. Wray, P. to M. (Sept 10) ...	22	40
1901	G. Towns beat J. Gaudaur, on Lake of the Woods, Canada (Sept. 7)	20	30

* Not Championship Race.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, 29th *July* 1904.

IF I were asked who were the finest cycle riders in the world I would reply without the slightest hesitation—the London newspaper distributors. As old a stager of the wheel as I am, frequently turn sick and frightened as these riders rush through the heart of the city amidst the traffic with their canvas bags of newspapers slung over their shoulders. To appreciate their cleverness and daring, one must picture the streets of London, the side roads and crossings and the main arteries crowded with a ceaseless stream of traffic comprising every description of vehicles, from the errand boy with his truck to the heavy omnibus or railway delivery vans. Add to this wheeled vortex, the hurrying, scurrying pedestrians who thread their way in and out across the stream of traffic, frequently suddenly emerging from behind some cart right in the very course of the newspaper-boy. In spite of all the dangers that surround them these distributors rush at full speed from the regions of Fleet Street to their appointed station in the Metropolis, where small crowds of newsboys await their arrival and help themselves from the canvas bag whilst the rider is in motion; indeed, these men rarely dismount but swing round again for the return journey to the publishing offices, there to await the next edition. The way they dodge in and out of the traffic, swerving round this van, dashing between two buses, then crouching down to pass beneath a horse's head, is simply wonderful, and people often stop to watch them speed along through the maze of traffic expecting every moment to see them come to grief.

The British Empire Championships were held last Saturday on the Gosforth track, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and the 7,000 spectators were treated to some excellent racing by the English and Scottish representatives. These Championships were introduced in 1901 with the object of riders affiliated to the three Unions—the National Cyclists' Union, the Scottish Cyclists' Union and the Irish Cyclists' Association—all competing together for the Championships of the three countries. Unfortunately just on the eve of the first meeting the Irish body took offence at the disqualification of two of its best men by the officials of the N.C.U. and S.C.U. and withdrew from the triple agreement, remaining outside ever since. Ere, however, this letter leaves the shores of England, it is more than probable that the dispute will have been settled and a new agreement signed between the three Unions. But to the Championships. Three events were decided, *viz.*, the quarter mile, one mile and five miles championships, and for the first time since their institution one of these fell to a Scottish representative. Dan Flynn, who is the successful rider to bring to his country an honour which had almost been despaired of, is riding extremely well this season; in the quarter mile event he finished a good second, in the mile he was only just defeated in his heat, and in the five miles he achieved the grandest ride of his life by winning after a hard fight with J. S. Benyon. Benyon won the quarter mile, and another promising rider H. D. Buck of the Anerley B.C., won the mile, defeating in his heat the London Champion A. L. Reed and the Scotchman, James Haig.

Early this year whilst riding a motor bicycle near Newcastle, a Mr. Williams was run into by a locomotive at a level crossing and sustained serious injuries. At the Durham Assizes, he claimed £10 compensation from the owners of the colliery where the engine was working. It appears from the evidence that high hedges by the road-sides hid from view the crossing, and when Mr. Williams approached no warning was given of the approach of the engine, it cutting across the road before he had time to pull up. Of course the defendants tried to put the blame on the cyclist, alleging that he was the cause of the accident and that there had been no negligence on their part. The jury, however, found for the cyclist and awarded £60 damages and costs, £20 more than what he claimed for.

One does not frequently hear of a racing man making a fraudulent entry when filling up an entry form for a race, but an instance has just come to light where this was done. A good rider in James Carter was charged at the Leicester County Police Court on remand with obtaining a clock valued £2 10·0 by means of false pretences. He had entered for some races at Wigston on 2nd July and had given wrong information respecting his previous performances, with the result that he was allotted a start of eighty yards instead of being placed on scratch. The entry had also been made under a false name. It was urged in defence that it was the first time he had ever gone astray and that he was induced to do so on this occasion owing to his wife's illness and pressing debts. He was again remanded on bail.

Since motor cycles have made their appearance on the roads the practice of riders of push bikes being towed has extensively grown, in spite of the warnings as to the dangers attaching this procedure which the cycle and motor press have from time to time given. No doubt it is extremely pleasant riding up hill and down dale without working, but the enjoyment is fraught with considerable danger should anything amiss occur. Only this week, a cyclist who was being towed by a motor cyclist by some means or other fell off his machine and was dragged a considerable distance before the motor bicycle was brought to a standstill. The cyclist was dangerously injured and is lying in a precarious condition. If one must indulge in the practice, the safest way is for the cyclist to hold the tow-line in his hands.

Motorists are to-day hurrying down to Southampton and Portsmouth and from there taking boats across the Solent to the Isle of Wight. There they will discard their cars and the hot dusty roads and watch the British International Motor Boat Cup Race which is to be decided to-morrow over a 7·7 knot course from Ryde Pier head to Osborne and back. Their Majesties the King and Queen have intimated their intention to watch the race, which is sure to attract a very fashionable crowd of spectators. The first race for the Cup was held last year in Queenstown Harbour and resulted in a win for Mr. S. F. Edge's boat the Napier Minor. England will be represented by three boats, France by a like number and America by one, and as all the boats possess engines of high horse power, a very fast race is expected.

In the Motor Car Act which came into force at the commencement of this year a kindly clause is inserted enabling any person charged under the Act and fined 20s and upwards to appeal to the Quarter Sessions. What consideration to be sure, but at what a price the appeal is obtained! The Motor Union reports that so far this right has been taken advantage of by eight motorists, with the result that the rulings of the lower courts have been reversed in six cases. In only two instances, however, have the Quarter Sessions allowed motorists costs, which in an appeal of this description is pretty considerable, so much so that the four unfortunate automobilists who had to pay their own costs were mulct in costs varying from £60 to £150. They really paid these amounts to disprove charges of which they were afterwards found to be innocent.

COTTERPIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* POONA GYMKHANA.—The first of the two annual matches between the two Gymkhanas was concluded on the 13th instant, resulting in a win for Bombay by 10 wickets. Bombay batted first and put up 323, Messrs. Powell (55), A. Langhorne (52), Milne (43), Coombs (41), and Major Carnegy (34), all making useful scores. Poona compiled 210, the chief scorer being Captain Greig who made 108 in faultless style. They followed on and could only score 121. Captain Greig (40) and French (38) doing best. With 10 runs to make Bombay had no difficulty in winning. Score :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. A. H. S. Aston, c Thew, b Umfreville ...	24	not out ...	8
Mr. A. Y. P. Langhorne, c Butler, b Greig ...	52		
Major Carnegy, l-b-w, b Umfreville ...	34		
Mr. S. N. Powell, b Butler	55		
Mr. Philbrick, c Thew, b Stevens ...	25		
Capt. J. A. D. Langhorne, c Greig, b Stevens	3	not out ...	1
Mr. J. S. Milne, c Stevens, b Hartley ...	43		
Mr. E. E. Coombs, b Hartley	41		
Mr. J. L. Ainsworth, c Dickson, b Stevens ...	0		
Mr. Douglas, b B. M. Carroll	3		
Mr. Carroll, not out	13		
Extras	30	Extras ...	1
Total ...	323		10

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. Greig, b Carroll ...	108	b Milne, ...	40
Mr. Wilkins, b Ainsworth		l-b-w, b Milne ...	0
Hon. H. D. Butler, c and b Ainsworth ...	0	st. Philbrick, b Ainsworth	8
Lieut. H. B. Hartley, c Carroll, b Coombs ...	16	b Milne	0
Mr. Dickson, l-b-w, b Ainsworth	1	c and b Ainsworth ...	0
Mr. B. M. Carroll, c Langhorne, b Ainsworth ...	10	b Milne	0
Mr. Kennedy, b Coombs	14	b Ainsworth	15
Capt. Umfreville, not out	9	b Milne	0
Col. Stevens, c Carroll, b Milne	16	not out	3
Mr. Thew, c Philbrick, b Coombs	0	b Ainsworth	8
Mr. French, b Milne ...	2	c Aston, b Milne ...	38
Extras ...	26	Extras ...	9
Total ...	210	Total ...	121

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
POONA GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Col. Stevens	26	10	76	3
Capt. Greig	24	7	72	1
Capt. Umfreville	19	6	56	2
Mr. Carroll	10	2	35	1
Mr. Hartley	11	2	38	2
Hon H. D. Butler	11	9	26	1

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

	1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Mr. Coombs ...	24	47	3	3	6	3	0	0
„ Ainsworth ...	20	75	2	4	44	14	0	4
„ L. Carroll ...	11	36	3	1	3	17	0	0
„ Milne ...	7	26	2	2	12	47	0	6

Milne delivered two no-balls. Ainsworth bowled a wide.

CRICKET AT POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* BARONET C. C.—This annual two-days' fixture was played on the 8th and 9th instant. Rain interfered with the game on the second day and the match ended in a draw. Score :—

BARONET CRICKET CLUB.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
B. D. Gagrat, b Greig ...	9	b Greig ...	32
D. C. Mistry, b Stevens ...	5	c and b Greig ...	0
J. P. Masana, c Umfreville, b Steven	9	c Umfreville, b Greig ...	4
D. Cowasji, c Thew, b Stevens	5	not out ...	4
N. M. Mody, c sustitute, b Stevens	5	not out ...	6
K. A. Iranna, st Kearsey, b Stevens	4	did not bat.	
S. F. Madon, st Kearsey, b Greig ...	7		
K. S. Kapadia, c Hazelton, b Stevens	1		
N. C. Bapasola, st Kearsey, b Greig ...	2		
D. N. Writer, b Stevens ...	4		
S. M. Kaka, not out ...	0		
Extra ...	1	Extra ...	1
Total ...	52	Total ...	47

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt Greig	15	5	28	3
Col Stevens* ...	11·3	5	23	7

*Bowled one no ball.

POONA GYMKHANA.
1st Innings.

Capt Greig, c Bapasola, b Kapadia ...	1
Mr. A. D. Wilkins, c Gagrat, b Madon ...	11
Capt Umfreville, b Madon	0
The Hon B. D. Butler, c Bapasola, b Kaka ...	33
Mr. Kearsey, b Writer	7
Mr. Thornton, st Masana, b Kaka ...	44
Col Stevens, not out	20
Capt Holbrooke, not out	2
Col Hazelton ... Mr. Thew ... Capt Cooper ... did not bat	
Extras ...	16
Total ...	134*

* Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Kapadia	12	2	31	1
Mr. Madon	13	4	30	2
Mr. Writer	2	0	17	1
Mr. Iranna	7	2	19	0
Mr. Kaka	8	0	21	2

CRICKET AT RAJKOT.

RAJKOT GYMKHANA *vs.* AHMEDABAD GYMKHANA.—Played at Rajkot on the 5th and 6th instant. The home team won by 64 runs. Score :—

RAJKOT GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. C. A. Kincaid, l b w, b C. Pegge	3	b F Pegge ...	51
K. S Vajubha, c Devitt, b Gallagher	2	c C. Pegge, b Gallagher	6
Capt. Savile, b C. Pegge ...	2	Phillips, b C. Pegge ...	13
K. S. Takhaji, c Grove, b C. Pegge	21	b C. Pegge ...	2
Mr W. R. Souter, b Pegge ...	0	b Devitt	25
Capt. Bennett, c Grove, b C. Pegge	12	c F. Pegge, b Phillips	33
Col. Kennedy, b Gallagher ...	5	b C. Pegge ...	44
Mr. F. W. Allison, st. Grove, b F. Pegge	18	b C. Pegge ...	9
Mr. H. Stanley, b Gallagher...	6	b C. Pegge ...	15
Mr. J. T. Kerby, not out ...	3	b Phillips	2
Mr. J. E. B. Hotson, l b w, b F. Pegge	0	not out	1
Extras ...	4	Extras ...	30
Total ...	76	Total ...	231

AHMEDABAD GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. W. A. Hirst, b Lakhaji	2	c and b Allison ...	10
Mr. F. Pegge, c Kennedy, b b Lakhaji	0	c Kennedy, b Lakhaji	2
Major Clifford, b Lakhaji ...	38	c and b Vajubha ...	8
Mr J. E. C. Dukes, b Lakhaji	3	b Vajubha	13
Mr. R. M. Phillips, b Lakhaji	5	c Bennett, b Vajubha	8
Mr. C. Pegge, b Lakhaji ...	62	c and b Vajubha ...	2
Capt. Grove, b Lakhaji ...	0	l b w, b Vajubha ...	31
Mr K. H. Devitt, b Lakhaji ...	13	c and b Vajubha ...	2
Bombr Gallagher, c Lakhaji, b Stanley	0	b Allison	0
Mr. J. T. Scotson, run out ...	0	c Stanley, b Vajubha ...	6
Mr. J. C. Husbands, not out ...	0	not out	6
Extras	20	Extras ...	12
Total ...	143	Total ...	100

CRICKET AT QUETTA.

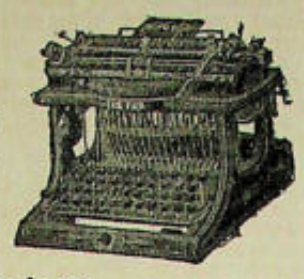
QUETTA *vs.* SUKKUR.—A team from Sukkur went up to Quetta but were beaten by six wickets. Deas and Pearce bowled well for the home team, while J. H. Curtis was top scorer with 48. Score :—

SUKKUR.

1st Innings		2nd Innings.	
R E Gibson, c Harcourt, b Pearce	12	c Fleming, b Deas ...	6
Sardharam, c Stevenson, b Pearce	26	c Harcourt, b Deas ...	1
N. M. Dinshaw, c Deas, b Pearce	15	c Fleming, b Deas ...	11
V. H. Willson, b Deas	2	c Fleming, b Deas ...	11
P. R. Cadell, l-b-w, b Pearce	28	c Williams, b Fleming	16
R. F. McCulloch, c and b Pearce	2	Absent, ill, ...	0
A. F. Thorpe, c Lane, b Deas	6	c Stevenson, b Deas ...	15
R. Hannah, b Deas ...	2	b Deas	2
G. W. Mears, b Deas ...	0	b Fleming	0
N. J. Mobed, c and b Pearce ...	15	not out ...	13
G. M. Davis, not out ...	5	st Williams, b Deas ...	9
Extras ...	6	Extras ...	17
Total...	119	Total...	101

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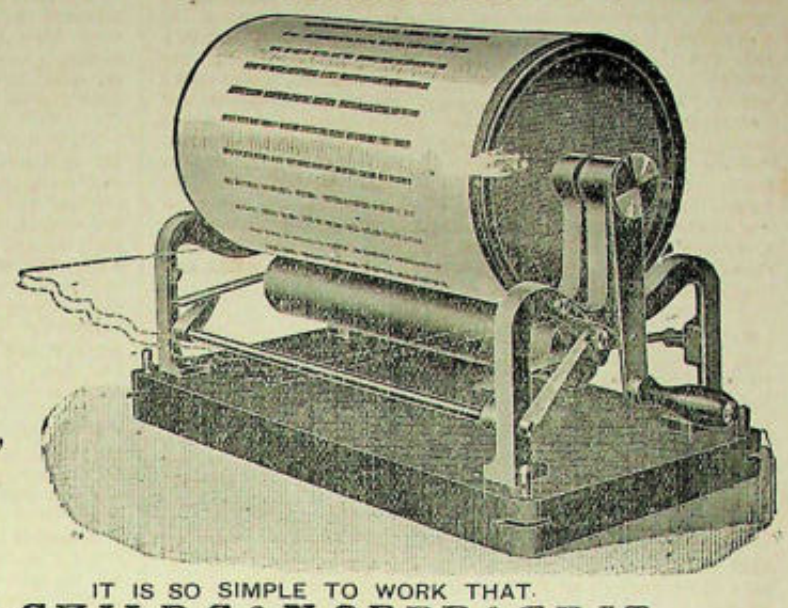
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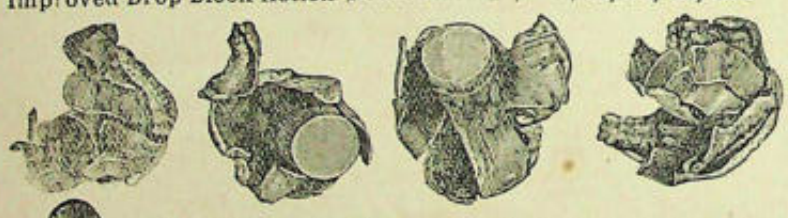
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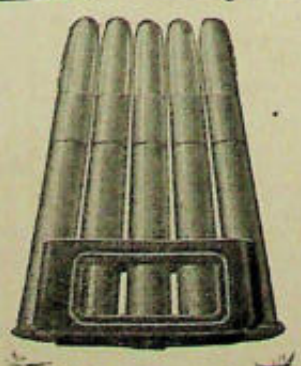


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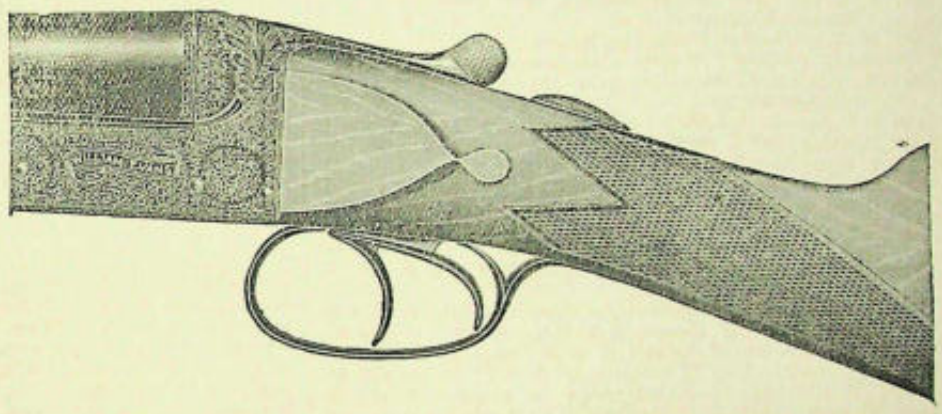
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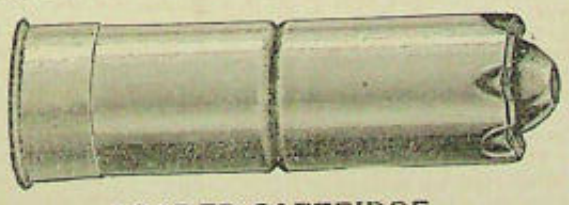
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G. H. Stevenson, b Dinshaw	... 3	not out	...	7
A. G Fleming, run out	... 15	b Mobed ...	...	8
G. Vernon Harcourt, c and b Dinshaw	... 0			
J. H. Hawley, b Dinshaw	... 2			
F. M. Beaty, c Mobed, b Dinshaw	21			
V. G. Sarel, b Mobed	... 4			
W. R. Pearce, not out	... 10	c Hannah, b Mobed	...	33
G. Williams, run out	... 4			
Extras	... 6			
Total	...139	4 wkts	...	28

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

MARRIED *vs.* SINGLE.—This match was played on the 11th instant and resulted in a win for the married men by 111 runs. J. G. Tait played a fine innings and put up a hard hit 117. Score :—

SINGLE.—1st Innings.			
Capt. Gunter, c Rolland, b Standage	...	...	13
H. . Harris, b Rolland	...	...	5
P. L. Moore, b Standage	...	...	23
G. H. Raleigh, b Standage	...	...	2
K. Ridpath, b Copeland	...	...	23
G. J. G. Hanson, c and b Copeland	..	...	22
J. G. Bell, C. Jollie, b Standage...	...	...	1
H. J. H. Dawson, c and b Rolland	...	...	20
W. W. Brown, c and b Jollie	...	...	0
E. S. Handcock, b Jollie	...	...	1
R. L. Galloway, not out	...	...	12
Extras	...	...	2
Total	...	...	124

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Standage ...	19	47	3	4
Rolland ...	11	34	0	2
Copeland ...	9	29	1	2
Jollie ...	3	12	0	2

MARRIED.—1st Innings.		
J. G. Tait, st Hancock, b Hanson	...	117
Srinivasa Rao b Harris	...	16
Rev. W. A. Lowsley, c Harris, b Browne	...	5
Capt. Copeland, c Moore, b Browne	...	30
Capt. Wall, b Raleigh	...	4
R. Moss-King, b Hanson	...	15
Capt. Standage, st Hancock, b Hanson	...	5
Major Jollie, b Hanson	...	5
Capt. Scott-Elliott, b Hancock	...	9
Capt. Dredge, b Raleigh	...	1
C. S. Rolland, not out	...	19
Extras	...	17
Total	...	255

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Gunter ...	3	16	0	0
Harris ...	8	42	0	1
Ridpath ...	2	13	0	0
Browne ...	4	30	0	2
Dawson ...	5	23	0	0
Hanson ...	5	40	0	4
Moore ...	1	10	0	0
Raleigh ...	4	42	0	2
Hancock ...	3	3	0	1

CRICKET AT DARJEELING.

SENIOR OFFICERS *vs.* SUBALTERNS.—Played on "The Shrubbery" ground on Thursday, 11th August, "The Subalterns" gaining a meritorious victory by the substantial majority of 94. Fortunately the day proved fine, and with the exception of a small shower at tea time a full day's play was indulged in. There was a large number of people present, the ladies of Darjeeling being in strong force, while the fine band of the Royal Fusiliers discoursed sweet music during the afternoon. The Senior Officers won the toss and commenced their innings with Captains Clarke and Smallwood, who both played sound cricket and the century was hoisted before they were separated. The innings terminated shortly before lunch for the fair total of 209.

Mr. Peel and Mr. Quinan opened the Subalterns' innings, but the latter was sent back when he had made only 5, and an adjournment was made for lunch. On resuming Messrs. Peel and Dyer completely mastered the Seniors' bowling, and before Mr. Dyer was dismissed by one of Major Menzies' tricky lobs they had placed victory well within the reach of their side. Messrs. Uzielli and Mackenzie made useful scores, and Mr. Leake finished up with some Jessopian smiting for his 44. He made 20 from four balls in one over from Major Menzies, and half a dozen calls he sent over the boundary down the khud. Mr. Uzielli bowled very successfully, capturing 7 of "The Seniors" wickets at a cost of 12 runs each. The following were the scores :—

SENIOR OFFICERS.	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. Clarke, b Leake	... 56	c Leake, b Uzielli	...	34
Capt. Smallwood, b Uzielli	... 58	c Leake, b Uzielli	...	15
Capt. Hill, c Peel, b Uzielli	... 28			
Major Menzies, b Waller	... 6	b Uzielli	...	11
Capt. Maidlow, c and b Waller	1			
Capt. Alexander, b Uzielli	... 11	not out	...	25
Major J. B. Buchanan, not out	24	c Quinan, b Uzielli	...	17
Capt. Clough, b Uzielli	... 4			
Capt. Chrystie, b Uzielli	... 10			
Capt. Stone, b Uzielli	... 0			
Major Bird, b Uzielli	... 0	c Caldwell, b Waller		9
Extras ...	... 11	Extras	...	9
Total	.. 209	Total for 5 wkts.		120

SUBALTERNS. 1st Innings.			
Mr. J. Peel, c and b Smallwood	...	...	115
Mr. E. P. Quinan, b Hill	...	...	5
Mr. B. A. S. Dyer, b Menzies	...	..	61
Mr. T. J. Uzielli, b Menzies	...	...	21
Mr. K. L. Mackenzie, b Smallwood ..		...	28
Mr. S. E. Waller, run out	...	...	17
Mr. C. F Leake, b Hill ...	...	...	44
Mr. V. Caldwell, b Hill ...	...	...	0
Mr. E. G. S. Malone c Chrystie, b Hill		...	6
Mr. R. H. Pibon, run out	...	..	0
Mr. G. C. B. Buckland, not out	...	...	3
Extras ...	...	...	19
Total		...	313

CRICKET CHAT.

MR. H. D. SEWELL, the old Madras cricketer and Essex county player, together with T. B. Nicholson and B. Jayaram, two contemporaries of his in the middle and later "nineties" were included in the London county team that met Warwickshire on the 14th, 15th and 16th July. None of the trio came off in the first innings, their scores being 7, 2, and 5 respectively. In the second innings Nicholson made 73 not out top score for the side the highest innings the old Cliftonian has played in first-class cricket Jayaram made 19, but Sewell again failed to reach double figures. Playing for his county against Derbyshire two days later in that wonderful match which ended in the defeat of Essex by nine wickets after they had put up 597 runs in the first innings Sewell was only able to contribute 10 to the large total, but in the second innings when his side collapsed before the Derbyshire attack he made 41 out of the total of 97 He also did a bit of bowling in this match, taking one wicket for 31 runs Ranjitsinhji made 28 and 29 in the match between an England XI and the South Africans. In the match between London County and the M. C. C. and Ground he was included in the former team together with B. Jayaram and T. B. Nicholson and the trio between them made only 24 runs. The first named, however, came off with the ball, taking four wickets in the first innings of M. C. C. for 63 runs Major R. M. Poore made his first appearance for Hampshire this season in the match against Worcestershire on the 18th, 19th and 20th and scored 16 and 11. He did better in the opening day's play in the following match against Warwickshire on the 21st, making 53 top score for his side as the result of two hours' batting. W. B. Bailey, the old Wellingtonian and Gurkha Brigade cricketer, playing for Incogniti against Henley scored 35 and captured three wickets. Major C. E. Greenway, the old Calcutta cricketer, playing for the same side scored 12. Against Beckenham the last-named player scored 0 and 33 and against Kensington Park he compiled 54, while against Mr. Palmer's XI he made 19. W. B. Bailey made 35 in the latter match. B. Jayaram playing for London County against Forest Hill made 38, top score for his side, but in a later match against Brixton Wanderers was not so successful, being dismissed for 6. Captain R. E. E. Krikenbeck, the Bombay player, made his first appearance for Surrey Club and Ground on 16th July against Brixton Wanderers and scored 12.

Last week against the Poona Young Cricketers in a two days' match the Gymkhana fared disastrously, especially in the first innings and lost the match by six wickets. It is true that Greig, Carroll (B. M.), and Hartley were all absentees, but on the other hand the side had the assistance of J. L. Ainsworth, the Bombay player, who is bowling so well this season and F. H. D. Joy the old Wykehamist and Oxford University cricketer who made a promising first appearance in a match at Bombay a few weeks ago. The bowling with these two players and Umfreville was therefore stronger than in any match this season played by the Gymkhana. Although the Gymkhana enjoyed the advantage of first knock on a good wicket they fared so badly that the whole side was out for 67, of which two batsmen, Thornton and Sutton-Rich, contributed 34 between them. The Young Cricketers introduced a bowler named Mehendale who took six wickets in the first innings for 28 runs and seven in the second for 66 runs. The Gymkhana gave a better display in the second innings, but for their total of 164 they had mainly to thank A. D. Wilkins (50) who should have a good chance of playing for the Presidency, Joy (33), and Umfreville who was absent in the first innings (29). who between them contributed 112. Ainsworth and Joy hardly came up to expectations with the ball, the old Marlburian's figures being five wickets for 73 runs and the old Wykehamist's four wickets for 64 runs.

The Karachi Parsees have fallen from their high estate and following a crushing defeat at the hands of the Karachi Gymkhana they suffered a second defeat in their match with the Sind volunteers by three wickets and 66 runs.

Two old opponents in the Ahmedabad Gymkhana and the Rajkot Gymkhana met at Rajkot last week in a two days' match which was won by the home team by 64 runs. The brothers C. and F. Pegge who with Major Clifford, J. E. C. Jukes, W. A. Hirst, and Captain Grove are the best cricketers in Ahmedabad this season, all did well in one innings or the other for their side, and the fine all-round cricket shown by C. Pegge in particular deserves special notice. He made 62 in the first innings and captured ten wickets in the match, five in the first innings of Rajkot for 37 runs. Seven of his wickets were clean bowled. Major Clifford (38) and Captain Grove (31) who are in charge of the detachment of the Cheshire Regiment stationed at Ahmedabad showed good cricket in the first and second innings respectively. Pegge had an off day and J. E. C. Jukes only made 16 runs in the match. The Rajkot team gave their supporters a bad fright in getting out for 76 in the first innings, of which total K. S. Lakhaji (21), F. W. Allison (18), and Captain Bennett (12) contributed 51 between them. In the second innings, however, C.A Kincaid of the I. C. S., who I should mention, joined the great army this week, came to the rescue of his side, contributing an excellent 51, his fourth innings over the half century this season. His claims to selection on the Presidency team are really very strong and I think if selection goes by merit he should get in before several Poona players whose names have been mentioned in this connection. He is not altogether unknown to Bombay and Poona players as three seasons he accompanied the Kathiawar team and made a fine century against the Bombay Gymkhana. They are very keen in Rajkot on cricket, both Europeans and natives, and hardly a day passes that a match of some kind is not played. In a twelve aside match with the Rajkumar College the Gymkhana who had not the assistance of Kincaid had the best of the draw which ensued.

In a game between the Dharwar Gymkhana and the local Hindu Club I notice that J. Monteath, the old Cliftonian and candidate for Presidency honours, made two useful scores of 29 and 43, the totals of his side being 86 and 106 for 8 wickets. The Hindus won on the result of the first innings by 31 runs.

Rain spoilt what might otherwise have been an interesting game between Bangalore Gymkhana and the Carabiniers last week. The latter did remarkably well to get eight Gymkhana wickets for 73, before rain stopped play, Ladbrooke obtaining five of them for 31 runs. *Apropos* of Bangalore cricket a school boy named Gillespie in a recent match between the Central College and St. Joseph's College performed the hat trick and captured the last five wickets of the Central College for 1 run. Cricket statisticians please note.

A match played at Quetta between the Gymkhana and the Supply and Transport Corps, the latter being assisted by Captains Deas Sarel, and Lane will have a particular interest for Bombay Presidency cricket-lovers by reason of the success of Curtis who has received an invitation to play for the Presidency. Going in first for the Gymkhana he carried his bat out for 148. the innings being declared on the fall of the eighth wicket for 301. His score included 24 fours. Against Deas' bowling this was a very fine performance and confirms the report that he is one of the best bats in India. Lieutenant Fleming (35). F. T. Pearce (32), and Sergeant Gamer (40 not out) were also in good form in this match. Deas took four wickets for 61 runs. The Supply and Transport Corps, gave a feeble batting display, being disposed of twice for totals of 37 and 51. Deas and Lane failed in both innings and Rowe (21) and Sarel (15) were the only batsmen who reached double figures. B. F. Vernon-Harcourt, Fleming, and Pearce bowled well for the Gymkhana, Harcourt taking five wickets for 24, Pearce nine for 40, and Fleming six for 17. The first century of the Minor season has fittingly enough fallen to the bat of Captain E. Saulez who has a longer connection with Indian cricket than anyone else in the station. Playing for an Indian Army XI *vs.* "C." Squadron 10th Royal Hussars he put together 148 not out, exactly the same score made by Curtis at Quetta on the same day. The next highest score on the side was 22. Captain H. P. Strong who last season scored heavily at home in club cricket was playing for the Indian Army but made a blob. For the "C." Squadron Sergeant Moon (38) and Corporal Edwards (35) were the highest contributors, H. P. Chaplin losing his wicket after he had made 14 through bad judgment in running. He has been run out three times this season just as he was getting set.

The most important fixture of the Poona Gymkhana so far was when they met the Baronet Club from Bombay, a club which is considered the strongest amongst the Parsee clubs. The first day of the match was a blank unfortunately owing to rain, so that there was never any chance of finishing the match. The visitors had first knock and failed badly against the bowling of Colonel Stevens and Captain Greig. The former took seven wickets for 23 runs, his best performance with the ball this season and one which is followed up with similar success at Bombay this week when the Poona Gymkhana meet the Bombay Gymkhana should give him a strong chance of being selected to play for the Presidency. Greig who bowled unchanged with Stevens took the other three wickets for 28 runs and when the Baronet went in for their second innings he captured all of the three wickets that fell for 15 runs. His record for the match was therefore six wickets for 43 runs. He, however, for the second time in ten days failed with the bat and is certainly not in the same form that he was before he went on active service The principal contributors to the Gymkhana total of 134 for six wickets were G. Thornton (44) who I regret to see is not one of the Poona team visiting Bombay this week, the Hon. B. D. Butler (33) and Colonel Stevens (20 not out). Captain Umfreville made a blob while A. D. Wilkins made 11. The Parsees having only made 52 were 82 behind when they began their second innings and had knocked off 47 of these for three wickets when rain again stopped play and the game was left drawn The batting of the Parsees was very weak, but the bowling with Kanadia, Madon, Writer and Kaka was fairly strong. A. H. C. Kearsey, who the Poona critics think has indisputable claims to play for the Presidency, kept wicket very finely, stumping three batsmen and not giving away a single bye.

The Parsee team to meet the Presidency next week has been selected, all but one man who will probably be a bowler. The ten selected are :—Dr. M. E. Pavri, D. D. Kanga, H. D. Kanga, R. P. Meherhomji, P. F Colahawalla, J. M. Raja, senior, A. H. Mehta, J. N. Mody, M. D. Bulsara, D. C. Daruwalla. K. M. Mistry of Patiala is unable to play and on the whole the team though fairly strong in bowling should Mehta and Bulsara be in form—neither of them have done anything this year can hardly be said to inspire confidence regarding the batting.

A match at Kamptee on the 6th August between the Nagpur Gymkhana and the Royal Field Artillery was won by the former by 30 runs. The totals were 86 and 56 and the only Nagpur batsmen who reached double figures were K. Ratnam (16), Leftwick (18 not out) and Cocoanut (13). Ali Hasan, the famous bowler, was not assisting Nagpur. Ceylon cricket, as a rule, has not much interest for Indian cricket lovers, but the big match of the year, Colombo *vs.* Up-country, has for Madras cricketers, at least, an interest almost as great as the Presidency-Parsee Match. The teams on paper this year were very strong, Colombo including in their eleven T. Leese, the old Wykehamist, A. J. Symons the old Rugbeian, W. E. M. Paterson, G. R. Waldock Captain M. Greer, R. W. Forbes, and E. G. B. Lover, most of them well known to Madras cricket. The Up-country eleven was even stronger on paper and included Mr. P. H. Papillon, the old Sherburnian, A. L. and G. H. Gibson, both of them old Wykehamists, J. MacTier, T. Y. Wright and H. B. T. Boucher. Up-country led on the first innings by 15 runs, the totals being 181 and 166 respectively. T. Y. Wright (50) and G. H Gibson (42 not out) were the principal contributors to the Up-country total towards which A. L Gibson, probably the best bat in the team, only contributed 6. West, Leese and Forbes were the chief scorers for Colombo with 27, 24 and 20 respectively. Colombo compiled 235 in their second innings, Paterson (56), Forbes (56) Waldock (31) West (29) and Walker (23 not out) making the bulk of the runs. Up-country fared badly when they went in again against the bowling of Lover who took six wickets for 23 runs, and only A. L. Gibson (23), Wright (21 not out), and Papillon (12) made double figure scores in the total of 124, forty of which were extras. Colombo won by 96 runs.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

RUGBY IN CALCUTTA.

CITY *vs.* UNITED SERVICE.—These teams met on the City ground on the 18th instant the home team winning by 19 points to 3. The Services played hard, Captains Moberley and Gardiner and Lieutenants Szczepanski and Stevenson being most conspicuous, but they were unfortunate in not scoring. In the half Claydon Ewing, and Brown, got over with tries one of which was converted. After the interval the Services pressed and put in some good runs, and at length Mortimer scored a try. The place failed and the home team again broke away, and Hemmingway and Grieff obtained tries. Brown converting the first one. The City team thus won by 2 goals and 3 tries (19 points) to a try.

KING'S OWN *vs.* CALCUTTA.—The King's Own were to have played the West Ridings on Saturday last, but the Dum Dum team, owing to a late train arrived after six o'clock when the fort team had come over to the Calcutta ground for a game. The King's Own started the game but Calcutta brought the ball back and obtaining a free for an off side tackle, Martelli placed a goal. Play followed in midfield then the Calcutta forwards took the ball down and Siddons getting possession ran in with a good try. No goal resulted and the game ruled fairly even till the interval On resuming the King's Own kept the ball in the home twenty-five and after some hard scrummaging Ray got over with a try. The kick failed, but the game continued to be well contested till off side against the visitors gave Calcutta another free, and Martelli placed another goal. Even play followed till the end, Calcutta being victorious by 2 penalty goals and a try (9 points) another to a try (3 points).

CALCUTTA *vs.* CITY.—This match was played on the Calcutta ground on the 16th instant, the home team having an easy win. The visitors kicked off and taking the ball down had rather the best of matters for a time. At last the home forwards got away and Barns crossed the line with a try. No goal resulted, but after some scrums in midfield Calcutta came down again and Cumberlege scored a try, Martelli adding the major points The City were then kept on the defensive and the home team once more rushed through, Barns being credited with another try. The place failed, but Calcutta was back again in the visitors' 25, and Cumberlege got over with a fine try. Martelli did the needful and the interval arrived with Calcutta leading by 2 goals and 2 tries to *nil*. On resuming Calcutta pressed and an attempt to drop a goal by Martelli was frustrated, he being collared before he could kick. The visitors had very little of the play, but Martelli got over with two more tries for Calcutta. Neither of these were improved upon and Calcutta won by 2 goals and 4 tries (22 points) to *nil*.

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Cheshire B. ...	10	7	1	2	32	5	16
H. M. S. *Perseus* ...	11	5	3	3	12	16	13
R.G.A. ...	9	4	1	4	13	3	12
Rovers ...	9	1	4	4	8	15	6
Gymkhana ...	10	1	8	1	5	29	3
Telegraph ...	11	1	10	0	8	34	2

FOOTBALL NOTES.

FROM the few engagements that the Calcutta F. C. have kept during the week it is clear that none of the local teams can cope successfully with the strong XV they are likely to put into the field this season.

There was some talk a short while back of getting together a team picked more or less from members of the C. F. C. and calling it a Ballygunge team.

There are many men who just miss their place in the first fifteen, who, formed into a team, would give their more fortunate brethren all the practice they need, and if results justified expectations might even enter for the Tournament.

Grayburn is still playing back while Dick is having a spell at three-quarter back. He is the safest man after Newton at back, and it will be a great pity if he is played out of his position.

The three-quarter line is innuitely superior this year to last, and when the final selection is made, Barnes, Siddons, Ismay, and Martelli will probably be found doing duty there.

Of the quartette, I consider, Siddons the most consistent performer: he is speedy and his tackling is always effective. Ismay and Martelli are both brilliant at times, the former is inclined to try and do too much himself, and the latter while sometimes taking a pass cleverly also muffs at other times in unaccountable fashion. Barnes, the new man, kicks and passes with discrimination and his weight will stand him in good stead against a side of tommies like the Welsh.

Calcutta have at last found what they have wanted for a couple of seasons, *viz.*, a good half back to partner MacDonald. Cumberlege comes with a big home reputation having been a reserve for Durham county. He made his debut in Calcut a rugger in a game against the U. S., and, though perhaps a little out of condition, shewed resource and made many openings for his backs besides getting home himself on two occasions.

In this particular game the forwards played exceedingly well. The men packed and followed up throughout, and to them is greatly due the credit of the heavy scoring. Le Cocq, a new comer who appeared in the pack, struck me as being of the useful sort.

Calcutta's engagement with the Customs fell through as the latter could not raise a team and had to scratch at the last moment. The King's Own who were also disappointed by the late arrival of their opponents, played Calcutta a "friendly" on their ground. It poured with rain nearly the whole of Saturday and spoiled what should have been an afternoon's good rugger.

The C. F. C. started with fourteen men and soon after lost Dunlop who very unluckily broke his arm; with two forwards short they still had the upper hand in the scrums, which goes to prove that their is no lack of shoving capacity in the pack this year which last season contained too many men, who shone in the open to the detriment of honest hard work in the scrum.

Martelli placed two excellent goals from difficult angles and should go very near again winning the place kicking competition which was inaugurated at the end of last season. The three-quarter line did all that was required of them. Ismay being away, Siddons ran in with a pretty try after a bout of passing which Cumberlege initiated. MacLeod and Berridge made welcome re-appearances and made their presence felt among the scrummagers.

On the whole the chances of the premier club once again having a first rate fifteen look roseate enough, and the struggle that must ensue with the West Ridings in the Cup will be a sight worth seeing.

In their meeting with Calcutta the Services gave by no means an indifferent display, notwithstanding the fact that their line was crossed seven times. Outside the scrum they are very nippy and Lonsada, the speedy little winger, made some dodgey runs and kicked judiciously into touch at critical moments. Marshall, who really plays for his Regiment, was the pick of the halves. The forwards from want of practice packed loose and did not infuse that spirit into their movements which characterised their play last year. Moberley, Szczepanski, Scott, and Gardiner did their best to keep the scrum together and did sound work, the first-named being a really good man.

On Saturday they played some new men against the City who gave them a good game and a beating. Stevenson, Moberley and Gardiner made good forwards, while Hume Spry, and Garstin made valuable additions to the back line.

I hear there is every chance of Loudon and Margery turning out later in which case with Dr. Wilson back again amongst the scrummagers their Cup team will be considerably stronger than the ones they are at present placing in the field.

The Customs in their match with the soldiers in the Fort have proved conclusively that they are only a shadow of the team they were last year. There seems to be no new blood and but for a couple of brilliant exceptions, Rowe and Maitland, are a very poor lot indeed. As it was the fifteen that played the soldiers were raised from all points of the compass, while on Saturday they could not muster one at all. In my opinion they would be better advised if they broke up and threw in their lot with one of their neighbours, say the City, for a season at least.

There is absolutely no use in a large number of indifferent teams entering for the senior competition who have not the ghost of a chance at surviving the first round, while the amalgamation of a couple of clubs would produce a strong fifteen and better serve the interests of football in Calcutta.

Anderson, who plays back ought to do well once he has realised the responsibility at his position. He intermingles his play with too much soccer; I have often seen him take a flying kick at the leather when the opposing forwards are bearing down on him, instead of picking up or falling on the ball as circumstances necessitates. He is a fine kick and tackles better than most and with a little care would be a valuable asset to any side

The King's Own are coming on very well and in their games during the week have given more than mediocre displays. The officers, of whom there are five playing, are the mainstay of the team and there are one or two soldiers who seem to know the game.

The three-quarter line with Lieutenant Baker and Private Basonet is fairly strong; but the passing of the soldiers is erratic; there seems to be too much anxiety to get rid of the ball without any ground being gained.

Lieutenant Marshall makes an excellent half-back, but is not sufficiently supported by his partner. The forwards, among whom Lieutenants Ray, Scott, and Gribbin, figure conspicuously are smart and dribble well in the open and play a hard game throughout.

By their victories over the Services and a scratch team of Calcutta the City are to be counted as the best among the local clubs bar the C. F. C. whom they meet this week.

The Tykes only beat them after a well contested game by a few points.

The game was marred by rough play on both sides. The Civilians were the greater delinquents in this respect and the methods employed by some of them are not calculated to ensure the game being played in an amicable and sportsman-like spirit. This defect can easily be rectified under the captaincy of Williams and in the remaining fixtures the City ought to give a much better account of themselves.

Lees is playing back very well, and Warden, Hemingway, Schaumberg, and Brown make an excellent line

Of course Williams dominates all the play outside and plays a sterling game at half, but his partner Street has lots to learn yet.

Grief is a really good forward and would improve his play by appealing less frequently. If the Customs do join this club, they will have two of the finest halves in Calcutta, Rowe and Williams, and will receive reinforcements in other departments

The team from Dum Dum have only played one game here and were unfortunate enough to miss their engagement with the King's Own, thanks to a late train.

In the City match they seemed to be going as strong as ever, but their superiority in the scrum was not as marked as is usually the case. From all accounts the players at Dinapore are a first rate combination and a draft which came out contained some men who have made their mark on the rugger fields of Yorkshire. Armenian College gave Calcutta B team quite a good game early last week, it did one good to see these sturdy little fellows holding their own in the tight scrums against their so much heavier opponents. Apear and Simons helped in the back line and the former got over with a brilliant try after running away from the rest of this field.

As was to be expected the B team won with some points in hand.

SCRUM.

Golf.

GOLF AT TRICHINOPOLY.

MIXED DOUBLES.—This match was played on the 6th instant and resulted in a win for Capt. Kauntze and Mrs. Dalrymple-Hay. Scores:—

Mrs. Dalrymple-Hay ...	51 – 3 = 48
Capt. Kauntze ...	
Mrs. McIntosh ...	54 – 3 = 51
Mr. McIntosh ...	
Mrs. Thomas ...	63 – 4 = 59
Mr. Leman ...	
Mrs. Hewetson ...	61 + 2 = 63
Mr. Bice ...	
Mrs. Stirling ..	64 – 1 = 63
Mr. Lawrenson ...	

GOLF IN POONA.

MONTHLY MEDAL.—Played at Yerrowda on the 12th instant, with the following result:—

LADIES.

	gr. han. nett.
Miss Orr Patterson... ...	62— 7—55
Mrs. R. Anderson	60+ 1—61
Mrs. Forbes	75—10—65
Mrs. Bell	77—11—66
Miss Lee Harwood ...	86—18—68
Mrs Searle	88—18—70

Four players sent in no return.

MEN.

W. L. Cameron	89—10—79
Major Anderson	80—scr—80
H. Bromley	96—12—84
D. Davison	105—10—95

Two players sent in no return.

Hockey.

HOCKEY AT DARJEELING.

THE EROOM CUP.—On Saturday, the 13th instant, St. Joseph's College, North Point, played their last tie for the Eroom Cup. The venue was the School ground. The game was a very interesting one, but though the Military played gamely to the end, the School defence was too strong to allow of a goal being scored The boys were repeatedly on the attack and in the first half put in 4 goals. After the interval they added 5 more thus finishing winners by 9 goals to *nil*. This victory gives St. Joseph's the Cup. They are the only team that have an unbroken record through the Tournament. They have beaten each team in turn and have only had 2 goals scored against them with 29 in their favour. They beat St. Paul's School by 2 to 1; the Jalapahar team by 7 to 1; the Nondescripts by 11 to *nil*, and now the Royal Fusiliers by 9 to *nil*.

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

Handicapper and Stater.—MR. H. P. HENDERSON.
Hony. Secry.—MR. W. GOVAN.

Friday, 12th August 1903.

THREE LENGTHS HANDICAP.—The final in this event was swum at the baths this afternoon with the following result:—

A. Siddons (3 secs. start; time, 1min. 19½secs.) ...	1
K. M. Kennedy (8 secs. start; time, 1min. 24½secs.) ...	2
W. S. J. Wilson (16 secs., start; time, 1min. 32½secs.) ...	3

The Two Lengths Handicap is fixed for to-morrow evening.

The Story Teller.

THE CAPTURED CLUB.

"We are dainty little fairies
Ever tripping ever dancing
We indulge in our vagaries
In a fashion most entrancing.

Iolanthe.

It is but proper that the public should have the true version of the recent occurrences at Cyclonegunge, and I write to solicit on behalf of the Europeans of the male persuasion the sympathies of all India, and to seek for my much ill used sex, the advice and support of all true men Smallpox and cholera have we always with us, and with all of us we too have got used to the plague lost letters, false cases; but what are all these to the terrible event which has just befallen us here. Coming as it has done after such peaceful times, it is all the harder to bear. This is our grievance that we, the lords of creation are no longer allowed to take our ease at our inn, otherwise our Club. It has been raided, ruthlessly raided, and by whom? Not by an enemy, nor by the police not even by Congress, for then we could have withstood the matter to the death; or borne defeat in silence. No, it was left for the sweetheart of our desires, and the wives of our bosoms to do this thing. Without further complaint I will now state the plain facts of the case.

The hot weather began most auspiciously. With the call of the "Brain fever" bird the ladies of the station one and all took flight for the hills, not one remained.

North and South and East and West.
They went to where they better dressed.

So we men were left to follow the devices of our own hearts. What a delightful time we did have. We settled down to that last rubber of "Bridge" in peace none daring to make us afraid. Not as heretofore interrupted by female forms flitting across the card room doorway murmuring. "Dearest aren't you nearly finished, its half past eight" or "Fred, you know we are dining out to night" or most pathetic of all "Dad, I am so hungry." Then those nice little reunions! What cosy evenings at Carp's, the Collector's. What hilarious nights at the chota bungalow, when none knew which flowed the more freely the whiskey or the soda? What lovely dawns we witnessed at Mr. Brown's, what time that brazen one, the sun, once looked down upon us unashamed and saw a "No trumper" thrice redoubled e'er he was clear of the horizon. As for the Chummery words fail to depict the constant reckless play that went on there, at any and all hours. Marred by no thought of having our losses talked about, and comforted by sumptuous suppers, every declaration was doubled on principal. I heard that even the "Soi-disant" head of the station, the Lord High Sub

Junta Walla himself once so far unbent as to take a glass of claret after dinner one evening. Knowing his frugal an economical mind it is difficult to believe, and as I was not present I will not vouch for its truth. Even the "Cat and Fiddle," a local private dak bungalow, left off "*dishing*" their *spoons* and tried to put on an air of *chaste* innocent enjoyment. Alas! and alas! all these things came to an end. Yes, and indeed it was through a lass. Now unfortunately, all or almost all our women folk had gone to the same hill station and amongst them the two Miss MacNacthings with their Governess. All three being under the charge of Mrs. Lord High Sub Junta Walla, who undertook to look after them in consideration of poor impecunious MacNacthing paying three-fourths of the expenses. This Governess, Miss Tyler, had left a love lorn swain in Cyclonegunge, a youth not long out from home, who sat a horse like a tailor, and who thought he could play "Bridge" because his losses never mounted to a hundred a month. He corresponded with her, and wishing to show how her absence affected him, and that he was not like other men, callous to the absence of their sweethearts and wives, he lost no opportunity of reporting to her what good times we were all having; but that he had not the heart to join in the merry goings on she, being so far from him. He dwelt at length on the enormity of married men gambling, and carefully entered into every detail of all our innocent gaieties. He told of Carp's losses. How Brown's syce had had to lead home histum-tum, with his master well corded up to the seat to prevent his falling out, and of Steel's champagne dinner.

Now it so happened that one day three or four of our station ladies were sunning themselves together in the little band-stand on the Mall of their hill retreat, when the post-peon passed by. Knowing them all he delivered to each her budget of letter there. With mutual apologies they were soon deep in their husband's letters. Shortly emerging therefrom with self-congratulatory smiles. That is all but Mrs. Steel.

"Poor dear fellows they cannot get on without us" warbled Mrs. Brown. "Yes, poor things" cooed. Mrs. Carp. "Dear Jack seems heart broken." "Heart broken!" Shrilled Mr. Steel "I know that John will feel heart broken when he gets my next letter. Fancy, in moving into the new house the Raj built for us, he has allowed the champagne sent over by the Raja for our house warming next month, to be carried over in open cases; not a straw cap amongst the lot and two dozen are smashed."

Just then a gasping "Oh" followed by a hysterical shriek of laughter from Miss Tyler, interrupted and caused her companions to think she was ill. Now, she too had received a letter from her mash, detailing as I have before said not only Steel's champagne dinner and its consequences to Brown; but also how "Poker" had been started and how Drills with his curious good luck won heavily from the Lord High Sub Junta Walla. I do hope my readers will forgive this long name. The fact is, it would give dire offence to the gentleman were I to curtail it. There is a story told of an impudent Deputy Magistrate who had his promotion stopped for two years because he proved that the proper name was simply "Junta Walla," without the Sub. Well as I was saying Mr. Leek's letter not only contained details of that dinner, but gave the sequel to it which doubtless had caused Miss Tyler's fit of laughter.

The letter went on to say that next day Steel saw his khansama taking away the empty champagne bottles, and forbade it. He ordered the khansama to have them artistically re corked, and wired in the bazaar The servant smelt a rat; every one new poor Steel was in mortal terror of his wife, so when the re-corked and tin-foiled bottles were brought to him, and he smashed them and told the man to keep the upper portions and show them to the *mem saheb* on her return, the servant promptly remainded an increase of pay, and the dismissal of the under kidmatghar (Mrs. Steel's pet man), whom he proposed supplant by his own nephew. Steel thus found himself between the devil and the deep sea, for if he complied, the kit would peach, and if not the khansama would.

Now Miss Tyler between whom and Mrs. Steel no love was lost, on recovering from her laughter without considering that other matters were disclosed, and only wanting to show what a tyrant Mrs. Steel must be to drive her husband to such tricks, and to generally "debash" her; impulsively thrust her letter into Mrs. L. H. S. J. Walla's hands with a sobbing giggle of "Read it out, oh! do read it out."

Nature had built that lady on a tall and generous scale, evidently intending her for a charming and genial mother of many. Art, however, in the shape of her husband had stepped in, surrounding her with an atmosphere of calm friged official priggishness with which Sub Junta Walla always wrapped himself and his belongings. This, though at times the ordinary mortal would show out, had frozen her till she had become nearly as priggish as her lord. After a glance through the letter, she remarked, in her husband's best Sessions court manner "Ladies, I think this is hardly the place or the time to read out such a communication, and as it seriously affects more of us than are here, the better course will be to convene a meeting. Will you ladies take tea with me this afternoon, and in the meanwhile I will write to the rest of us up here to be present." Saying which she rose and left. It must be confessed that Mrs. L. H. S. J. W. is still a graceful woman despite a considerable tendency towards embonpoint, not to say downright fat.

Tea time came, and found all the ladies of Cyclonegunge assembled in full conclave. It was not, however till all had finished their second cup that the important letter was produced and read out. As each man's name turned up exclamations of horror, not unmixed with desire for revenge, found expression from his spouse.

"What" exclaimed Mrs. Drills, "Won five hundred rupees did he? and the wretch positively refused to buy me a Rickshaw, his excuse being that there had been no card playing to speak of, and that he had had no luck of the few games there had been. "It can hardly be called ordinary card playing It occurs to me that its proper designation is, gambling." Frigidly observed Mrs L. H. S. J. W. keenly alive to the fact that her frugal minded husband wound certainly cut down some of her allowances to meet the loss.

"Oh the deceitful brute" shrilled Mrs. Brown "He wrote to me that he had been too unwell to leave the house for days." Just fancy I was nearly thinking of going down to nurse him.

"Why,—why,—who hoo why" stammered and sobbed Mrs. Carp. "Jack wrote that he had not seen a soul for a week. Oh I can never never trust him again."

When, however, Steel's falsing up empty bottles, his quarrel with the khansama, and dismissal of Mrs. Steel's pet kit, had been read out and then his version of the accident to the bottles given by Mrs. Steel, the silence grew ominous. Colder and colder grew Mrs. Steel's light blue eyes till they glittered like a snake. Thinner and thinner became the already too thin red line of her lips. Her square jaw clinched; a hectic sport appeared on each prominent cheek bone, as she recounted the version written to her. When it was over "Well" she snapped out "what are you all going to do about it. If, you don't do anything I shall."

Whether the other ladies thought, that poor old Duffer Steel's life was in danger and that by co-operating with her they might prevent man slaughter, I cannot say; but in a short time they had all sworn a solemn league and covenant to help her, and themselves at the same time to revenge. The first vote they passed was to keep the knowledge of the contents of the letter secret, and when, with the approaching cold weather they returned to Cyclonegunge surely men could not have had to all seeming humbler and more charming wives.

Now the club was in need of funds to repair the dancing floor, and there was some talk of raising the general subscription. This the bachelors (prompted as we afterwards discovered by their several mashes) objected to, and they said they thought that the ladies ought to pay *full* rates for their tennis and badminton and also for their tea. A meeting to decide this was fixed. It was unfortunately only found out when too late that two married officials would be in camp then. Steel never got an intimation, though the Secretary swore he posted one to him. As, however, Mrs. Steel always opened her husband's post bag, its non-delivery to Steel is accounted for. Mrs. Sub Junta Walla's little girl had a tooth growing wrong, and as she herself was in too delicate a state of health to travel, her husband had to take the child to Calcutta, strange to say on the very day of the meeting. The bachelors easily carried their proposal and the ladies had to pay.

Shortly after this the ladies started playing "Bridge" to fill in time while waiting for their husbands. The Secretary began to remark on the extra expense of cards and lights, as the reading-room could hardly be used for cards. After some bickering, it was voted that the ladies be made to pay for their cards and their husbands had to submit, as they one and all declared they would no longer wait till all hours for dinner while their ruder halves played "that last rubber." before dinner, unless they too could find amusement. Well, as I have said the ladies were made to pay, but then came the battle of Armageddon. It had been carefully planned out, and prepared for, as had all the foregoing matters. The ladies held a mass meeting.

A committee of married ones was appointed, each spin was quietly taken in hand and spoken to by them and solemnly assured that unless she did her best for the movement, and at least induce her mash to vote as they wished her chances of making a good marriage or indeed a marriage at all in that station would be nil, as not only the committee but all the married women had pledged themselves to prevent it by and means either fair or foul. Now there are many little matters about most girls which a man once married makes the best of, but which would have put him off proposing had he known in time; so the girls promised as desired, all but Miss Tyler. She was inclined to resent the advice of the committee, the more by reason that Mrs. Steel was on it, for the latter like most rigid economists always sponged whenever it was possible, and poor old MacNacthing was her most frequent victim. Under the pretence of looking after his dear motherless girls she would come and quarter, not only herself in his house, but invite friends to come too and that for long periods. It was at such times as there that she and Miss Tyler clashed. Miss Tyler had come of very decent people and was well connected and felt her come down in the world, when at her father's death she had had to become a Governess, and so was the less inclined to put up with Mrs. Steel's unwarrantable interference, who, if report said true have been but a shop girl in Calcutta before her marriage.

Matters came to a cliax one day when Mrs. Steel had lost her temper with Miss Tyler and had ordered her to leave the room. MacNacthing had been appealed to and Mrs. Steel had packed up and left. However, she has not a woman to forget, and, when the young lady showed signs of restiveness at the committee meeting she saw her chance. Miss Tyler was reminded that perhaps a little gossip might cool off the young civilian she had so nearly captured. At this she flamed up "she was afraid of no stories, no true ones, could be told about her and as for false ones why Mr Leek was much too astute to be taken in by such."

At this juncture Mrs Steel held up an old washing account book and said:—

"I do not suppose, ladies', that Miss Tyler will deny her handwriting. She pays her dhobie by the piece, and I ask would a man care to marry a girl whose economy so far outstrips her cleanliness as to limit her weekly wash to——"

Here Miss Tyler fell in a dead faint and as she did so contrived in falling to give Mrs. Steel a terrific kick on her knee-bone, which had serious after results; that however is on another line of rails.

The ladies' meeting was succeeded by a letter, signed by the requisite number of members requesting the Honorary Secretary to call a special General Meeting to discuss whether ladies should be given votes or not. Ten days was the usual time between the despatch of such notice and the day fixed for the meeting, but on such a momentous question the Secretary decided a full fortnight should be allowed. The ladies openly discussed the matter, they canvassed for votes in the most unblushing way, and of course they had the married men with them to a man. Their arguments were sound. Why should their husbands have to pay double? If they had to pay for tennis, badminton, cards, everything in fact the same as the men, they could no longer be considered guests. If they paid for things they had a right to vote about them, and if they could not vote why should their hubbies be made to pay double, and so forth, and so on. Of course after a few days it was soon pretty well-known, who would vote for, or against the ladies. The bachelors far outnumbered the married men and as was to be expected a large majoirity of them were against the ladies these were mostly railway men living at the neighbouring railway head-quarters It had been decided, as the discussion might prove lengthy, to hold the meeting after dinner, and there was to be a supper after it, at the cost of the defeated party. The hour fixed was 9-45 P.M. sharp and the railway men were coming in by special train to arrive at 9 30 P.M.

Now I have never been able to find out if it really was a case of the stars in their courses fighting against "Sisera." In otherwords, pure luck or whethery there was not a deus ex-machina. We all know the French proverb. "What woman wishes God wishes." Women certainly did wish for the detention of that train, so perhaps the Gods did take pity as that train never arrived at Cyclonegunge; but, I "hae ma doots." Four miles out from the station there is a level crossing, and the carriage of a heavy boiler on its way to a neighbouring factory, had broken down with its load at this crossing, the boiler lying right across the rails. Nothing could be done; it was night and no assistance to be got. The carters had fled from fright for they had no business to be travelling at night.

It was fortunate for the special that the gate-keeper not only kept his head, but had by the greatest chance two extra railway lanterns left at his gate by some trolly men to be handy on their return journey at dusk. They had not turned up, so when the special came along it had the ample warning of three red lights placed well up the line to prevent accidents. These, of course, stopped it, and then the cause was investigated. There was nothing else possible but to return and send a breakdown van with Jacks to remove the obstruction. Three of the youngsters, however, volunteered to stay there till the arrival of the van. The train, with the rest of them, had barely started on its way back then a man emerged from a hut close by, and said that he was bringing his master's tumtum from dak into the station and he felt sure that if the *sahebs* needed it his master, who was a native pleader, would have no objection to their using it. The offer was at once accepted and the three were soon on their way in the dogcart to Cyclonegunge Now it was curious that dogcart being there, and a still more curious point is that these three men, though all along protesting against the ladies having votes, yet at the last moment voted solid for them

Well whatever difference of opinion there may have been afterwards about the breakdown there was none about Mrs. Plaster's dinner. She had a big one on, openly and avowedly to try and gain over, even at the eleventh hour, such recalcitrants as still held to their determination to vote against the ladies. At the same time Mrs. Plaster made it clearly understood that the acceptance of the invitation entailed no obligation to vote one way or the other, only, if mild persuasion could induce anyone to side with the ladies, well and good. So the Innocents went down to their doom. Mrs. Plaster was blessed with one of those dispositions that smiled on you the more the more angry she was with you. In the phraseology of her friends; and she had some, as her dinners were frequent and good; she was such a charming sweet woman, and that evening she was as smooth as oil and sweet as honey. The dinner was a great social triumph. During its courses, arguments, smiles, blandishments, all were tried, and used in vain on those wrong headed men who still were against the fair sex. Even the threat that they might be cut by every lady had no effect.

"At any rate drink our healths in a parting glass just to show you won't bear animosity if we win," pleaded their hostess, as they all trooped out of the dining-room with the ladies, for there was no time to sit over the wine that evening. This the men were only too willing to do, and at Mrs. Plaster's bidding the old khansama brought a curious old liqueur bottle and a salver of glasses; and filled a glass for each as they stood grouped round Mrs. Plaster, while she proposed "To animosity." This little ceremony over, all went off to the club which was but just across the road. There they met the rest of the station and mofussil members, except, of course, the railway contingent and a few planters, who living in their direction had stopped *croute* to dine with them.

A quarter to ten o'clock was announced by the Honorary Secretary but no railway men had turned up.

"The meeting ought to begin at once" exclaimed Mrs. Steel. The bachelors looked uneasy.

"Oh I say" called out Youngbody. "We will be frozen out without them, give them a little grace."

"Yes Yes, let it be a decided triumph or a decided defeat, don't let us snatch at it." purred Mrs Plaster. "Give them to the hour."

During this wait, the uneasiness of one or two of the men began to increase.

"I,er, I think I'll just go down the road and see if I can hear them coming" mumbled old McNacthing. 'Youngbody come along too. They were no sooner out of hearing then McNacthing said:—

"Drive me home like a good chap will you, I did not like to let on but I have been awfully sick and I feel as if I had cholera. When I get home I, sign you a proxy'll I've stamps there and you can return and act for me."

Just then the three railway men turned up and in the midst of a flood of enquiries and explanations, Youngbody's and McNacthing's departure was not noticed.

Well the meeting began and after a few preliminaries the motion of the evening was proposed, and some really excellent speeches were made. In the middle of Steel's (it was really his wife's, for he never had two ideas to put together, and could not have put them together if he had got them) Mr. Rush begged permission to withdraw as he felt seriously unwell and indeed it was self—apparent. As he passed through the reading-room where all the ladies sat listening to the proceedings, he received much commisseration from them, Mrs. Plaster, whose guest he and McNacthing, Youngbody, and others had been, hoping with much solicitude that his dinner had not disagreed with him.

Mr. Leek who had also been one of her guests suddenly discovered that it was much later than he thought and that having some special morning work he could not sop longer and tendered a proxy which he had hastily written. Exception was taken to it as it was not stamped and during the heated wrangling over that point, Leek slipped through the reading room, when Mrs. Plaster commended him on his early habits. Miss Frills scowled at her as she did it. Miss Frills afterwards married Leek, when, of course, the true inwardness of that last toast at Mrs. Plaster's was explained, and there is now open and deadly feud between the two families. At last the point was put to the vote, it resulted in a walk over for the ladies. Four men away from illness, Youngbody had been taken ill at McNacthing's and so far from returning with a proxy he taken to his bed. The railway men absent: all but three, who ratted in at the eleventh hour. The remnant left to vote against the ladies felt like the survivors of some awful shipwreck, and were so knocked out of time by their defeat that they did not stop to the supper, where the victorious ones did themselves so well that it might have been thought they were welcoming home a defeated British General.

No sooner were the powers to vote conferred than the ladies called a second general meeting and elected a purely feminine committee, with Plaster as Secretary, and having fairly captured the club proceeded to frame a new set of rules.

No alcoholic drinks to be served before noon.

No member to be served with more than two such drinks on the same afternoon.

No game of cards to be begun after 7-15 P.M.

All lights to be put out at 8 P.M. punctually, no matter what game was in progress.

No game to be begun or continued unless there were at least two men left to sit and talk to the ladies.

No games allowed at all on Saturday night. It was to be given up to round games and music with the ladies.

The club would not open on Sundays. What need to proceed further, let us draw a veil over the sorrowful rest of it and as we cannot move the billiard tables or tennis courts, we have to grin and bear it but its precious hard. We had one satisfaction however Poor old McNacthing who had taken a second glass of the liqueur Mrs. Plaster produced for her no animosity toast, nearly died, when he did recover he did Plaster to the tune of five thousand Rupees damages in a civil suit. We all say that we ought to place it in the general fund we are getting up to send the ladies to England. What do you think Mr. Editor. Any way I have my own private bottle at the club kept behind the "Game birds of India" on the second shelf of the first almyrah, so if you visit us you know where to find it.

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THURSDAY, 25th AUGUST 1904.

SHOES.

A DISCUSSION on the subject of plates for race horses which took place in a Home sporting daily some little time ago tempts us to enquire whether the search after the most suitable shoe for the turf ever led enterprising trainer to try the effect of the aluminium shoe. Shoes of this metal were used in the Russian cavalry some ten or eleven years back and were favourably reported on by the authorities at Petersburg who averred that aluminium "preserved the hoof" better than iron, wore so much better that they could be used over and over again, and were only one-third the weight of iron. The high character given these shoes in Russia led, if we remember rightly, to an enquiry in Parliament as to the intentions of the War Office to experiment in the same direction, and to the reply that no change was contemplated. There is reason to suppose that the aluminium shoes did not sustain the test of prolonged use in Russia: at all events there is no word about them in Captain Hayes' *Horses in Russia*: and we may be very sure that such a matter would not have escaped the notice of so able a horse-master.

Horsemen have contrived to make iron shoes answer for about fifteen centuries now, probably for much longer, and there is little chance that any radical change will ever be made in our method of shoeing, in material at all events; the changes in form and mode of application to the hoof have been numberless, but for the normally round hoof the ordinary shoe holds its own. It is curious to trace the changes that have been made in the shape of the shoe. The earliest known European example is that which was taken from the grave of Childeric who died in the middle of the fifth century; thanks to the ancient heroic custom of destroying a leader's charger for burial with him a shoe of Childeric's horse remains for our information: and with the exception that it is about twice the width of the modern shoe and was pierced for eight nails there is no very remarkable difference between this fifth century shoe and that of to-day. At a much later date the horse-shoe underwent considerable change. In that rarely visited and little known Museum under the Guildhall in London is a very instructive collection of early horse-shoes which have been unearthed from time to time by the diggers of foundations in the city. Among these are several examples of shoes of the thirteenth and fourteeth centuries: and the shape of these seems to indicate that the horsemasters of those days had modelled their horse-shoes on the Oriental plan: it is not straining the probabilities too far to suggest that they owed something to the experience gained in the Crusades, for the make of these shoes distinctly recalls the oval, or ovoid, plate with a hole in the middle which is the shoe used in Asia Minor, Syria, and adjacent regions to this day. It would appear that the nails employed at this period were less reliable than could be wished, for many of these old shoes are pierced for no fewer than twelve nails: another inch of metal, or less in some cases would convert these shoes into the quoit shape and make them in all respects similar to the Syrian and Arab shoes. The quantity of iron it was thought necessary to put on a horse's hoof seems to have been gradually reduced during subsequent periods but it is somewhat curious to observe that there is exceedingly little said about shoeing in the litera-

ture of the ages when the hackney or road horse was practically the only means of transport in England. "Homage" from early times often took the form of a set of horse shoes: a fact which some writers erroneously as we venture to think, have held to mean that high value attached to horse shoes in the middle ages: an assumption controverted by every established fact. In Cromwellian times the ordinary shoe was a heavy and clumsy attachment, and it is to be noted that in Stuart times we find first mention of light shoes or racing plates. Richard Blome in his "Gentleman's Recreation" published in 1686 refers to the likelihood of making a horse restless by putting on him "light shoes" the evening before a match. Thus does an old seventeenth century writer anticipate the discernment of modern authorities who hold that experienced horses can form a very good idea of the approach of a race day and who cite the effect of "plating" in much the same sense as Richard Blome. Unfortunately our ancestors who were addicted to racing paid a great deal more attention to "Dyet and sweats" than to shoeing: and thus while we have minute instructions concerning the use of canary, beer, cordials, fresh eggs, horse bread, and other comestibles we have no particulars about the weight and make of shoes for "running horses": we do not even know whether they were put on hot or cold.

The roads on which much of our riding and driving are done in this country are so much less wearing to shoes than the macadam universal in Europe that the question of hot *vs.* cold shoeing does not disturb us: we are content that the *nahlband* shall go his own way provided he does not prick his patients and refrains from too lavish a use of the drawing knife. The advantages of hot shoeing over cold have been fiercely debated in Europe from time to time, but the advocates of the latter have never succeeded in proving their case and an experiment on a large scale was made at the French cavalry depôt Saumur in the year 1840, when a certain Mons. Riquet, a veterinary surgeon of the Army pressed upon the military authorities the merits of cold shoeing. The military authorities of the Continent have ever shown themselves of open mind when such propositions are offered them and Mons. Riquet was allowed to organise a series of experiments which extended over three years. He divided the horses in the cavalry school at Saumur into two lots, one of which was shod hot and the other cold. It was found that "cold shoes" were cast in the proportion of about 3·20 to 1 "hot shoe," the experiment involving the wear of over 22,000 shoes altogether. Some years later another French Army "vet." Mons. Ambret, made an experiment on the horses of the cavalry regiment to which he was attached: he was a zealous advocate of cold shoes, and had the whole 650 horses under his care shod cold: the result was the loss of from 55 to 60 shoes cast per month, during a season of marches and manœuvres. The hot shoe system was then adopted and proved so greatly superior that Mons. Ambret appears not to have had the moral courage to publish results: the fact that hot shoeing was resumed and has continued ever since speaks for itself.

As regards the make of shoes, style of surface which shall give the horse the safest footing ingenuity has been busy for very many years. In countries where frost need not be provided for, the shoe that answers for sun-baked soil well answer all the year round. Even as the shoe which answers on macadam will answer on grass. The problem which the ingenious devisers of shoes have never yet solved and which they seem to have given up in despair if the patent announcements be any guide to their achievements, is to invent a shoe which be equally satisfactory on wood pavement, macadam, asphalte, and rubble paving: though this last barbarity we think is now seldom to be found in the same City as asphalte and wood-block. This is essentially a question of town shoeing, and when we consider the different fashions in which these different methods of street making respond to changes of weather we can feel no surprise at the failure of the ingenious to get abreast of the difficulty. In a single mile of streets in London, nay in half a furlong if we seek without great diligence, the horse must pass from asphalte to wood and from wood to macadam; and back again: too often to show by a heavy fall that the shoes which serve well enough on one surface are dangerous on its neighbour. Were it not for the defective system of street cleansing which permits the mud of the macadam and the foul grease of the wood, to spread *per* wheel and hoof to the adjacent surface and thus mercifully provide a few steps of mixed surface for the horse to pass from one to the other, falls would be even more frequent than they are.

A Bookmaker in the North of England was once matche to run a sprint race with a well-known ped. The bookie, although well up in his own business, knew next to nothing about foot racing. One day a friend of his who had heard about the match, said to him:

"Well, Bill, they tell me you're sure to get beat. This lad can do 'evens.'"

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LONDON, *23rd August 1904.*

Lord Derby's br f VERDIANA, by Blue Green—Tyne Lily, Maher 1
——— RENNAISANCE, Lane 2
Mr. C. Perkins's b c COLDSTREAM, by Wolf's Crag—Princess Ludwig II., Randall 3
——— ALANTINE .. 0
Mr. E. C. Clayton's br c HIGH HAVENS, by St. Frusquin—Flower of Wit ... 0
Lord Crewe's b f MARLIACEA, by Martagon—Flitters 0
Mr. R. W. B. Jardine's f, by Queen's Birthday—Sweetoriar 0
Lord Harewood's c, by Sanfoin—Zenana ... 0

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LONDON, *Wednesday, 24th August 1904.*

Mr. J. C. Sullivan's b c WAR WOLF, by Wolf's Crag—Annora, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs. Higgs 1
Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's bk f PALMY DAYS, by Trenton—Pallanza, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs., Maher 2
Major Eustace Loder's b f HAMMERKOP, by Gallinule—Concussion, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs., Lane 3
Mr. H. Bottomley's b h WARGRAVE, by Carbine—Warble, 6yrs., 8st. 3lbs. ... 0
Mr. W. Bass's br g WET PAINT, by St. Frusquin—Red Enamel, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ... 0
Mr. J. Buchanan's b c HANDS DOWN, by Meddler—Handspun, 3yrs.. 7st 8lbs. ... 0
Mr. C. Trimmer's ch m ARALIA, by Quæsitum—Carmine, 6yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ... 0
Lord Wolverton's b c FLOR di CUBA, by Florizel II—Doonbrae 4yrs., 6st. 8lbs. ... 0
Mr. W. Low's ch c IMARI, by Rightaway—Winsome Charteris, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs., ... 0
Mr. J. F. Appleyard's b c GIVEN UP, by Winkfield—Surrender, 3yrs., 6st 7lbs. ... 0

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1889	Mr. A. James's Dog Rose ...	6	7	12	J. Woodburn	18
1890	Lord Hartington's Margel ..	3	7	6	G. Barrett...	22
1891	Mr. B. Cloete's Unicorn ...	3	6	2	O. Madden...	24
1892	Duke of Devonshire's Marvel	5	8	8	R. Colling ...	30
1893	Mr. Manton's Medora ...	3	6	12	Huxtable ...	19
1894	Sir. J. B. Maple's Gangway	4	8	7	Bradford ...	21
1895	Mr. A.F. Basset's Wise Virgin	3	6	6	Toon ...	22
1896	Mr. J. Ryan's Chasseur ...	4	8	5	Rikeaby ...	24
1897	Mr. M'Calmont's Amphora	4	8	8	M. Cannon ...	23
1898	Mr. J. Jewitt's Altesse ...	4	8	4	M. Cannon ...	15
1899	Mr. H. Bottomley's Northern Farmer ...	5	7	6	F. Finlay ...	19
1900	Mr. J. Drake's Royal Flush	a	7	13	J. Reiff ...	19
1901	Mr. A. M. Singer's O'Donovan Rossa ...	4	7	0	G. Gibson ...	28
1902	Lord Carnarvon's Mauvezin	6	8	2	H. Lewis ...	23
1903	Mr. G. A. Prentice's Dumburton Castle ...	3	7	4	O. Madden ...	21

"When I was a cabin boy," said an elderly sailor, "I often used to wonder, seein' birds thousands of miles out to sea, what they done for fresh water when they got thirsty. One day a squall answered that question for me It was a hot and glitterin' day in the tropics, and in the clear sky overhead a black rain cloud appeared all of a sudden. Then out of the empty space, over a hundred sea birds came dartin' from every direction. They got under the rain cloud and they waited there for about ten minutes, circlin' round and round, and when the rain began to fall they drank their fill. In the tropics, where the great sea-birds sail thousands of miles away from shore, they get their drinkin' water in that way. They smell out a storm a long way off; they travel a hundred miles, maybe, to get under it, and they swaller enough raindrops to keep them goin'."

Sporting Notes.

FOR the Third Calcutta Monsoon Meeting the weather once more proved unkind to the unfortunate race-goer, for after almost a week of fine weather, down came the rain as punctual as clock work in time for the first race. It was too late, however, to do more than make things uncomfortable for riders and spectators, and the going was very fairly good, and a great deal lighter than on the two former days. The attendance was much as usual, but fields were small throughout the day with the exception of the Small Pony Plate and the Amateur Plate for which nine and eight respectively turned out. We were treated to some good racing, but it was a regular outsider's day, and with the exception of one favourite and one second favourite the books appeared to have a good thing over almost every race. The solitary favourite who got home was Miss Beryl in the Pony Plate; she led throughout and won with the greatest ease from Rezia and Good Chap.

In the second race, the Ellenborough Plate, Kittylea and Naiades were almost equal favourites, the former being at a slightly shorter price. A small field of four being made up by Odin and Bob. Kittylea and Odin led over the first two flights, after which the gelding assumed command, Kittylea close up and Naiades whipping in some eight or ten lengths behind. At the flight by the Ellenborough the brown mare drew up and Odin fell back. Kittylea still led over the last two flights, but Naiades managed to catch her in the run in and landed the verdict by a length and a half.

Seven were weighed out for the Middleton Plate and Winklet was made a strong favourite, Morris being also a good deal fancied. The winner, however, turned up in the rankest of outsiders, namely Flash who jumped off in front and led from end to end, and though he ran very green when it came to a finish, Hard succeeded in squeezing him home a length in front of Winklet with May B a similar distance away third. An objection against Flash for crossing Winklet near the distance was overruled.

The tote paid Rs. 109 over this winner which was not a particularly big dividend all things considered.

The Pony Plate drew a field of six only, and here again the result was wholly unexpected. On paper it looked a good thing for Perfect, but the winner turned up in Moonlight, who was first out of the gate and making the pace a regular cracker, obtained so long a lead that he was never caught. At the same time it is more than likely that Perfect would have won had not her rider made sure of the leader coming back to him, and consequently delayed going in pursuit until just too late. An objection, we learn, has since been raised to Moonlight on the ground that he is not a country-bred, but an Australian pony. The objection was still under investigation when we went to press.

The best field of the day was that for the Amateur Plate which numbered nine, Planet was the popular selection, but once again the public were wrong, and a comparative outsider in Pierette, won very comfortably by three lengths from Daffodil. Quicksilver, true to his name, was first away and led to the big tree where he was replaced by Daffodil, Mr. Hamilton's mare coming through to the front at the distance.

Only six faced the machine for the last race, of whom one was Naiades, out for the second time. Kellnerin had the call of the market, though Pylara was also heavily backed. The former led for the first three furlongs where Pylara and Naiades took up the running until round the turn when Sunshine came to the front and staying on won easily by a length from Pylara, with Hello a length away third. Details appear elsewhere.

Calcutta racing men, particularly Mr. Bell Irving's friends, will be interested to hear that Metalwing, who was sent to England less than a year ago, won his first race at Irvine, beating eight others in the August Welter Handicap (one mile), carrying 8st. 11lbs. and having made all the running, got home by a length. We congratulate our friend on his success and the horse's old trainer "Mr. Cowper" who we hear was lucky enough to have his bit on him. Commenting on this race *The Sporting Chronicle* writes: "Metalwing was surrounded by considerable mystery at Irvine yesterday. Nobody seemed to know anything about him or his antecedents, but at the same time, coming out for the August Welter Handicap under the guidance of J. McCall he was at one time a good favourite. His merits, whatever they were, had to be taken on

trust, but as events worked out there was solid ground for the support. Although he did give an exhibition of buck jumping at the gate in which McCall shone to advantage he, on moving up to the barrier, managed to jump right into his stride just as the tapes went up. The result was he soon established a commanding lead, and going away as if he liked it was never threatened and won easily."

Ceylon Sportsmen will again be represented at the Calcutta Races. This year we hear of several horses and ponies as probably coming up from Colombo, among them Gabelle, Regalia II., Goya, Prince Lyon, who won the Governor's Cup the other day, Rapier, Sacristan, and The Tart.

Mr. Fred. Greenhill, we see, will soon be putting another fine lot of English thoroughbreds on the Indian Market. At the Cobham Sale he bought a yearling bay or brown colt by Trenton—Lady Sterling for 100 guineas; Handelilian, a two-year-old colt by El Diablo—Galatia; Insurrection, a two-year-old gelding by The Rush—Riotus; Child Adopted, a two-year-old brown filly by Abercorn—Nandine; Bigamy, a two-year-old bay filly by Hopbine or Doblius—Gozo, and a filly by Trenton—Blew. If these and the rest he is getting together are up to the quality of his last shipment they will be good enough.

The Doorga Poojah Concession ticket announcement made by the Bengal-Nagpur Railway in our Special Advertisement Columns to-day is one which will concern sportsmen who about that time contemplate a holiday and a shoot.

We remind our readers of the Calcutta Light Horse Gymkhana fixed for Saturday next on their ground opposite the Stores in Chowringhee.

Just before the last received English mail left London the *Racing Calendar* published the flat-race fixtures for 1905. The campaign is to open at Lincoln on 27th March and end at Manchester on 26th November. On 11th April is to begin the Newmarket season, and for once in a way the October Meeting, so called, commences in the month from which its name is derived. The Two Thousand Guineas will be run on 3rd May and the Cambridgeshire on 1st November. All the Turf world will muster at Epsom on the last afternoon of May to witness the contest for the Derby, and the St. Leger day is 13th September. At Ascot a beginning is to be made on 20th June and at Goodwood on 1st August.

First entries for the Lucknow Autumn Sky Meeting close on Thursday next, the 1st September.

Lord Alington, who died last February, by his will bequeathed £100 each to the Queen and the Duchess of Connaught; a set of waistcoat-buttons to the King; a portrait of Lady Zetland to Viscountess Newport; £7,500 and all his racehorses, furniture, etc., to his wife, Lady Augusta Alington: £100 to Lady Rosaline, daughter of Lord Lucan; £300 to his butler, Richardson; £200 to his coachman, Golledge; and an annuity of £30 to his nurse, Ann Maria Seignior; £4,000 to his daughter, the Hon. Mabel B. Corbett and £1,000 each to his other daughters. He left the residue of his estate to his son. The total value of the estate is returned at £43,751 13s. 2d., including £12,849 7s. 6d. in net personalty.

Truth professes to have excellent authority for contradicting the report that the Prince of Wales has decided to start a racing stud. The circumstantial tale as to the horses presented to the Prince by His Majesty, and as to others privately purchased for him at Newmarket, are all fictions.

FAST TIMES ON THE ENGLISH TURF.

		M.	S.
One mile	*a* Caiman	1	35½
Rowley Mile (1m. 11yds.)	*b* Galtee More	1	40⅖
One mile and a quarter	*c* Housewife	2	1⅗
One mile and a half	*d* Roseburn	2	30⅘
"	*e* Almscliffe	2	32⅖
"	*f* Bend Or	2	40
"	*g* Landrail	2	34
"	*h* Carbiston	2	37⅗
"	*i* Santoi	2	31
"	*j* Avidity	2	30⅗
"	*k* King's Courier	2	31⅕
"	*l* Florizel II.	2	59⅕
One mile and three-quarters	*m* Master Willie	0	56⅗
Five furlongs	*n* Master Willie	1	7⅕
Six furlongs	*o* Bachelor's Button	2	17⅗
One mile and three furlongs	*p* Blue Diamond	0	56⅗
Five furlongs	*q* Le Buff	0	56⅕
Five furlongs			

a At Lingfield, 13th July 1900. *b* Two Thousand. Previous fastest, 1min. 42⅕secs. by Marco in Payne Stakes, Newmarket, 16th May 1895. 1min 42⅖secs., by Kirkconnel and Isinglass, and 1min. 42⅕secs., by Amphion, who carried 10sts. 11lb. in the March Stakes in 1891. *c* At Brighton, in Brighton Cup, 3rd August 1904. *d* Chesterfield Handicap Doncaster, 20th May 1904. *e* Great Northern Handicap, York, 17th May 1904. *f* At Epsom in the Gold Cup 1881. *g* At Doncaster, 8th September 1899. *h* At York, in Duke of York Stakes, 23rd August 1899. *i* At Hurst Park, in Great Whitsuntide Handicap, 27th May 1901. *j* At Doncaster, in Alexandra Plate, 13th September 1900. *k* At Hurst Park, in September Handicap, 22nd September 1900. *l* At Manchester, in the Cup, 7th June, 1895. *m* At Epsom, 1st April 1903. *n* At Epsom, in Royal Stakes, 6th June 1901. *o* At Liverpool, 22nd July 1904. *p* At Epsom, 27th May 1903. *q* At Epsom, 28th May 1903.

The Kulu Correspondent of the *C. and M. Gazette* records an extraordinary shikar story. It seems that a certain Gujar was grazing his buffaloes about sunset, when suddenly a couple of bears put in an appearance, one a monster the other about half-grown. They started stalking one of the buffaloes, that was somewhat separated from the others. He never thought they would be able to kill it, so lay low and watched their operations. They approached from different directions. At first the buffalo seemed to think it great sport, and chased them when they came too near him. All this time the big bear used now and then to run up to the little one and appeared to be giving him directions how to proceed. The little one gradually drew the buffalo towards a drop of about fifty feet. When the buffalo again made a rush at it the big bear, seeing his opportunity made a rush from behind, and over went the buffalo, breaking its neck at the bottom. The little bear was first on the carcase and thought he was going to have his share, but the big bear coming up gave him a couple of cuffs on the head and drove him away. The Gujar was horror-struck, but wishing for revenge, drove the other animals home and set out in quest of the local shikari.

By this time the moon was shining brightly, and when they came within some distance of the scene of the encounter they heard great growling and roaring going on, and thought that the young bear had returned for his share, instead of which they saw a large leopard and the bear at it tooth and nail. The sight was such an uncommon one that they waited within striking distance, the shikari knowing that he could take his shot whenever he liked, as one or other animal was sure to return to the kill. After a time the leopard, feeling he was getting the worst of it, gave a huge growl and fox-like seemed to subside as if dead. The bear sniffed at his enemy, long and lovingly, and after giving him a few more blows with his paws proceeded to enjoy the repast from which he had been disturbed. Before the men could recover from their astonishment, the leopard was up and on the bear's back, when, taking him at a disadvantage, he soon turned him over and got him by the throat. Then there was a regular "rough and tumble" for some minutes, but the bear could not free himself from the leopard, who clung like a leech to his throat, sucking away his life-blood. At last the bear fell dead, and as the leopard rose, the shikari gave him a bullet behind the shoulder rolling him over dead. Then arose a dispute, as the shikari claimed both skins with a view to the Government reward of Rs. 8 for each, Rs. 16 in all. So it was finally agreed that they should return in the morning; but the Gujar set a friend to work in the night, so when they returned at daybreak the bodies were there but the bear had been carefully skinned! The Gujar and shikari at once went away and filed civil suits against each other, and this weighty case is now in court.

In Germany, dogs are divided into three classes. The first-class includes dogs that are kept merely as pets by people in good circumstances. In the second-class are all sporting dogs—that is to say, dogs used actually for shooting and hunting; whilst the third-class comprises dogs used for drawing carts, etc., and for farmers' purposes. The first-class dogs have to pay a tax of 20 marks, or equal to our £1; the second-class ten marks, or 10s.; and the third-class 5s. per annum. The plan seems a fair and reasonable one, and, as there are no exemptions, every dog is well looked after.

This anti-gambling crusade is not confined to the purists and the newspapers observes an American Exchange. Business houses and corporations employing large numbers of people have taken the matter up, and orders have been issued by many firms to the effect that employés visiting race tracks and pool rooms will be discharged. The surety companies furnishing bonds for persons occupying positions of trust are refusing to write bonds for race goers on any terms. These acts on the part of business men are having their effect and racing is rapidly losing its position as the greatest of sports. There is nothing strange that such a condition of things should obtain. Whenever any sport falls into the hands of those whose only interest in it is the opportunity it affords them to gamble, it deteriorates and soon arouses the antagonism of organized society.

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A sad drowning accident, of which long shore gunners might well make a note, occurred on the 16th instant at Cannanore. From a brief account of the tragedy which has reached us we learn that Lieutenant R. G. Lascelles, of the Durham L. I. went out along the beach to shoot curlew. He shot a bird, which dropped into the sea and was drifting out when he stripped and plunged in after it. The only person present was the bandy driver, who says he begged Mr. Lascelles not to go in as the coast was dangerous. He says his master swam out for a short distance, suddenly rose in the water, and then sank. The bandy driver waited a few minutes, and as his master did not rise again he ran across to the barracks and gave the alarm. In a very short time search parties were out, but up to dark the body had not been recovered.

Mr. Lascelles' death has given everyone a terrible shock, as he was popular with everyone, and the greatest sympathy is felt for his relations and also his regiment.

Though we should, perhaps, not be strictly accurate in describing whisky as "the wine of the country" in so far as India is concerned, we have little doubt that its consumption exceeds that of any other liquor out here. Almost every well-known brand has its patrons and most of us aspire to the knowledge that teaches which to avoid and which to absorb. Among the latter we have no hesitation in including (and placing high on the list) Messrs. Hyam and Company's "Royal Club Blend" of which an advertisement elsewhere gives full details and which is guaranteed to be eight years old, andone of the chief advantages claimed for it by the producers is its absolute uniformity of quality. The "Royal Club Blend" is medically certified to be not only pure, but a positively safe and wholesome stimulant. Again, the very fact that it was the brand selected for the Field Forces in Africa, and the further fact that it is patronised by the majority of the Regimental Messes at Home and abroad, to say nothing of its prominence at the leading West-end Clubs, is sufficient to establish its reputation.

To the purity of its flavour and its mellowness we can ourselves testify: we believe it to be a genuine spirit of the highest class. We may also remark that the whisky is perhaps not so well known out here as it might be, but we are told that Messrs. Hyam and Company (whose address is in their advertisement) desire to open negotiations with an Indian buying Agent—a chance for someone to do business.

Many of our readers especially those whose occupations or tastes tend towards engineering, surveying, mathematical and metereological work or scientific research should lose no time in becoming possessed of a copy of Messrs. P. Orr and Son's latest catalogue and price list of instruments necessary to such matters. It is very well got up and well illustrated, while the prices quoted seem to us to be extremely moderate.

Our Poona correspondent writes:—Talking of Alec Marsh reminds me that that genial songster has just been the hero of a joke which is too good to keep to this side of India. In the exuberance of humour he laid a pitfall into which some pompous bounder floundered on all fours to the huge delight of all Poona. This interfering idiot thought it worth his while to actually write to the *Deccan Herald* to the effect that while at Dhond station he saw in the remark book amongst other signatures, "most of them belonging to eminent and titled men," that of Alec Marsh and that after his name were the letters D. P. G. O. C. "What I would like to know, Sir, is Mr. Marsh the possessor of a title, and if not by what right does he sign the letters after his name? I need hardly add, Sir, that the gentleman in question is guilty of a very grave fault if he has assumed a title or honour to which he has no right." This enterprising idiot signed himself C. I. E. One must presume that he is of the number of the "eminent and titled men" authorized to do so. If so, it certainly helps us to understand the reluctance some really eminent men have to being enrolled in that distinguished Order. But retribution fell on "C. I. E." by the genial singer falling on him with a letter to the same paper explaining that while at the station in question either from his "somewhat extensive appearance or distinguished manner evidently mistook a poor wandering minstrel for a person of some importance" and so "solely to avoid hurting his feelings" he signed the book adding the letters D. P. G. O. C. as he considered himself entitled to them when at home in London, viz., "Daily Passenger General Omnibus Company."

And now people are endeavouring earnestly to identify "C. I. E." who must be devoutly praying that the earth may open and swallow him up.

More than one moral may well be deducted from the recent match between the Bombay and Poona Gymkhanas. One at any rate is that no eleven can hope to make a decent bid for victory without reasonably good bowling, and the other is that one even brilliant man cannot lift the odd ten out of mediocrity. How feeble was the Poona trundling may be judged from the fact that the Bombay XI who probably don't claim to be smashers, were able to accumulate the very useful total of 323. How "one man" a team Poona really was was painfully exemplified by the fact that out of the 210 with which Poona responded Captain Greig was responsible for 109. Consequently the Poona representatives were requested to take the floor again and did badly, securing but 121, of which the inexpressible Greig contributed 40. Miller 6 for 47 and Ainsworth 4 for 14 did the havoc referred to.

Scarcely recovered from the above defeat, the poor Poona Gymkhana received a further sadly severe chastisement from the Bombay Hindoos. That the latter were a tough lot to tackle everyone knew. The Bombay Hindoos can put a remarkably warm XI into the field, and there are many who cold that the Parsees cannot longer with any decency or respect to themselves refuse to meet them without giving strong grounds for the suspicion that they dread risking defeat. Without attempting to argue that the Poona Gymkhana XI as at present constituted affords any supreme test of efficiency, the decisiveness with which the Hindoos defeated them cannot be ignored. Taking advantage of their luck with the spin of the coin, the Hindoos wisely took possession and were not deprived of the privilege till they had amassed 326, of which K. A. Date contributed 118 not out and C. V. Mehta 80. To this Poona could only reply with 171, of which the trusty "one man," Captain Greig, was responsible for 100 not out. This, of course, necessitating the ignominy of a follow one and the "one man" on this occasion failing (as the greatest must fail at times) the rest collapsed for a miserable total of 69, and the Hindoos won by an innings and 63. Poona is scarcely likely to contribute many members for the Presidency match.

That unlucky horse Milos met his end the other morning on the Poona course. Ill fortune has dogged him ever since he arrived last year with a great reputation for sprinting over in Australia. First of all he fell ill. Then getting the better of a native riding boy called Sodah, the hapless fellow threw himself off and fractured his skull against the rails. Showing no return for the heavy sum paid for him it was believed that he was just beginning to show some of his real form when dashing into the railings beyond the Grand Stand he broke his neck on the spot, the native riding boy being hurled, I believe, over the railings on to some brushwood and having a most providential escape.

The fourth extra meeting afforded a most pleasant afternoon's racing and passed off without a hitch of any description, reflecting great credit on Mr. Cursetjee Dhunjishaw's organizing capability, as also on his handicapping power, for the public found the task of finding the pea as difficult as ever. Thirteen faced the gate for the first event, that sterling little pony Moreed struggling home once more to victory admirably handled by A. Hoyt.

That beautiful little racing machine Veera, one of the shapeliest Australians of the 14-hand class now running had no great difficulty in defeating the speedy La France even over her favourite distance, but the 14-hand class seems the one class of which there are no great numbers on this side, and the executive will probably compel them to run among the 14-1 lot till they can lay claim to quantities sufficient to justifiy claiming races for themselves.

In the Desert Handicap for Arabs over 1 mile Captain Bayford, A.-D.-C., had the proud distinction of supplying second and third with his beautiful pony Avatar and his greatly improved Borderer, Ali bin Amer's Young Kohinoor depriving them of premier honours.

The well-known Firecracker was served up very hot for the Summer Plate over 1 mile with the pleasant galloping weight of 7st. 3lbs., old Tubal Cain having the steadier of 10st. That fine horse struggled most gamely under his burden, but could get no nearer than third, the speedy Blue Blood (to the bottom of whose form the handicapper has evidently not yet got) winning very comfortably at the end.

The blood little chestnut pony Mint won over 5 furlongs from the ever-green and gallant Governor, and little Trahan got quite an ovation for the admirable manner in which he handled the winner, and one can only hope it is the beginning of a very successful career.

The closed races continue to fill in the most pleasing manner, no less than a full dozen ponies, several of them of very high quality, going out and once again a brace of General Officers, "Mr. Locke" and "Mr. Bryan," were in the pigskin. Gladstone, a very handsome blood pony, the property of the former, was made a warm favourite but failed, despite his eminent pilot's service, to secure even a place, though I shall be surprised if he does not win a race before long. The winner turned up in Mr. Bass' brown English mare Filbert, ridden in the most workmanlike manner by the other General Officer referred to, and it was all the more creditable as he was, it was reported, riding in great pain from a broken rib, fractured in his fall on Stoddart in the hurdle race on the previous Saturday. Major Moore on his English pony Lady Jess was a good second, and Mr. Orr Paterson on Free Trade, lately purchased from Mr. A. W. P., a fair third. Mr. O'Gorman's starting was excellent and sweet music was discoursed by the most excellent band of the 123rd Rifles under the *bâton* of M. Frediliis.

Athletic Notes.

THE Dalhousie Football Club have started an athletic section, which is to include tennis and cricket. The following office-bearers were elected:—Mr. Greig, Captain, Mr. Butland, Vice-Captain, Mr. Wheeler, Secretary, Mr. T. Walsh, Ground Secretary, and Messrs. Turnage and Stewart, Joint Financial Secretaries. The annual dinner of the Club has been fixed for the 10th proximo.

We are indebted to the courtesy of the Honorary Secretary, Calcutta F. C., for a list of the Club's Rugby fixtures which we publish in the usual place.

All sportsmen should get a copy of the last number of the *Literary Review*, published by Messrs. A. J. Combridge and Company of Bombay.

The final in the Naini Tal six-a-side football tournament was played on the 11th instant between "A" Team of the York's Band and "A" Team St. Joseph's College, the latter winning by a goal to *nil*. This is the fourth year in succession that the College have won this tournament.

Among important cricket results at Home last week are the following:—Kent beat Worcester by nine wickets, Essex beat Leicester by nine wickets, Middlesex beat Surrey by 2 wickets, Kent beat Hampshire by eight wickets, the matches between Sussex and Yorkshire, Worcester and Gloster, and Notts and Lancashire were all drawn. The following matches were abandoned:—Yorkshire *vs.* Essex, Lancashire *vs.* Middlesex, Sussex *vs.* Hampshire, and Derbyshire *vs.* South Africans.

Coaching and practice for the next regatta of the Calcutta Rowing Club is keeping several of our local oarsmen pretty busy just now. For the Senior Fours there are three crews made up as follows:—

No. 1.—D. Carvill *Bow*, W. C. Burke 2, J. A. Tassie 3, and N. G. Pritchard *Stroke*.

No. 2.—P. Blumenthal *Bow*, G. Innes Watson 2, Captain R. P. Wilson 3, and J. M. LeCocq *Stroke*.

No. 3.—H. W. Hales *Bow*, G. Peddie 2, L. R. Carter 3, and C. V. Green *Stroke*.

So far there are but two crews in for the Hoare Cup and two for the Senior Pairs, for both of which entries close on Saturday, the 27th instant.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—The dates for the Presidency match have been altered to the 24th, 25th, and 26th in order that Thursday, the 25th, which is a Bank holiday, may not be the last day. This change will prevent my being able to wire more than the first day's play. The Presidency team has been selected with the exception of one player and to the no small surprise of local cricket lovers includes no less than six Bombay Gymkhana representatives. After the feeble display the Poona Gymkhana gave on the Bombay wicket and the poor account they are giving of themselves at Poona at the time of writing against the Bombay Hindus

it is hardly to be wondered at that only two Poona representatives, and those the only two in the team that visited Bombay last week that have had any real experience of the Bombay wicket have been selected. The inclusion of so many local players in the team has naturally given the greatest satisfaction, and I think for the Bombay match at all events the Committee has acted very wisely in preferring to rely more on local players who are accustomed to the vagaries and tricks of the slow wickets we get here, rather than on up-country players who have to play on wickets—matting for the most part—that are fast and true. For the Poona match up-country cricketers should have prior claims to selection.

Among the passengers who arrived from England by the mail on Saturday were B. Jayaram, the well-known Mysore cricketer, Captain C. Hutchinson, the Northern India cricketer, the Hon'ble Mr. J. P. Hewett and Captain R. S. Phillips, who are also well known in connection with Indian cricket.

The usual weekly mounted sports, although the number of competitors who entered for the various events was larger than any previous week this season, do not call for any special notice. A football race and a race not on the programme arranged between Mr P. F. Fischer's Dart and Mr. Rummell's Tyke, riders up, should have been the most interesting events of the afternoon, but unfortunately in the latter event Mr. Rummell's saddle slipped round at the start, and the rider coming off, Mr. Fischer was left to finish as he pleased.

A rugger game between the Gymkhana and the Casuals on Monday afternoon did not provide much excitement, the game, which was won by the Gymkhana by 2 dropped goals and 5 tries to *nil*, being of a most uneven nature. I begin to despair of the Casuals showing any real improvement, as instead of gaining by experience, their play seems to have deteriorated. The Harwood League games, which have furnished so much interest this season, have nearly reached an end, and of the four games played last Saturday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday that between the Royal Garrison Artillery and the Cheshire "B" Team was perhaps the best. The R. G. A., after a splendid struggle, won by 1 goal to *nil*. Another good game was that between the *Perseus* eleven and the Cheshire "A" Team which ended in a pointless draw. The game between the Rovers and Gymkhana resulted in a win for the former by 2 goals to 1, while that the same eleven and the Telegraph also resulted in a victory by 5 goals to 2. The *Perseus* and Telegraph elevens have played their last game in the League, while the other teams have each to play one game.

The Bombay Gymkhana have after all entered a team for the Poona Junior Polo Tournament and the following team has already left for Poona :—No. 1, J. St. J. Graham ; 2, L. Barraclough 3, W. E Crum ; 4, M. Cornish.

The entries for the Durand Football Tournament which begins at Simla on the 14th proximo, are as follows :—

The Gordon Highlanders, Black Watch, Royal Scots Fusiliers, South Staffords, North Staffords, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, Oxford Light Infantry, Bedfords, The Queen's, Royal Irish Rifles, Somerset Light Infantry, Simla Volunteers and the Simla New Club.

The Calcutta Rugby Football League, we are glad to see, is *un fait accompli* ; our congratulations to Messrs. Martelli and Baker who have been mainly instrumental in starting it. Some details regarding its inauguration appear among our Football Notes. As yet no *pucca* rules have been drawn up ; but pending their appearance we understand the competition will be run on the following lines :—

1. Each player shall play for one club only in the League.
2. The return matches of the present fixture lists shall be League matches ; only one round being played.
3. The referee shall be agreed upon by both teams. The home club will nominate a referee and advise their opponents of their selection. In the event of non-agreement, the committee will select a referee.
4. The committee shall be composed of the secretaries of the various clubs in the League. A win shall count 2 points and a draw one point. In the event of two teams tieing on final points, the match will be played off.
5. In the event of any team being unable to turn out on dates as fixed, notice must be given to the opponents by 12 o'clock noon on the day fixed for the match. The date of replay in this case shall be settled by the team receiving such notice, and the reply must be within four days. In the event of no notice of inability to play being given, the team failing to appear shall forfeit the match entirely.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 5th August 1904.*

Last Monday's Bank holiday is said to have been, so far as London is concerned, one of the quietest on record. The engaging gambols of 'Arry and 'Arriet being less in evidence than heretofore ; chiefly no doubt in consequence of the exceptionally fine weather which drew them further afield. In spite of the weather the London and South-Western Railway traffic was slightly below that of last year. The popularity of Brighton as a holiday resort is patent from the fact that on Sunday and Monday nearly 15,000 day excursion tickets were issued for Brighton and Worthing as against 4,000 for Portsmouth, Bognor, and Littlehampton, and the same number for Bexhill, Hastings, Eastbourne, and Seaford. The authorities of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway report that between Friday and Sunday inclusive 2,450 cycles were despatched from their London stations. The London and North-Western Railway notes the great increase in the sleeping accommodation now required by "long journey" passengers, particularly by the Scotch trains from Euston. On the nights of 27th, 28th, and 29th July, they made up no fewer than 742 beds. Another feature in the holiday traffic is the rapidly increasing number of excurtionists to France. Chiefly to Dieppe, Rouen, and Paris, by the Newhaven route. Of holiday programmes in London, one of the most attractive is that at the Royal Italian Circus (formerly Hengler's). Signor Volpi's extraordinary skill as an animal trainer, and the clever and amusing "monkey pantomime" appeal to animal lovers of all ages, and bid fair to enjoy a long run of popularity. The performance at the Hippodrome is also worth seeing. The leading equestrian turn is supplied by M. Salamons Regie "fire horse," an exceedingly beautiful and clever creature. There is a troop of clever fox terriers in eccentric dresses, but in the tropical weather we are now enjoying the most attractive turn is "Siberia" with its snow showers and winter scenery which make one feel cool even to look at.

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Whether there is to be, or is not to be a General Election this autumn is a question that is agitating the mind of many an anxious M. P. and candidate at the present moment. The impression was strong immediately after Mr. Chamberlain's speech in the house last Monday that a dissolution in October or November was a certainty, and many were the instructions wired to election agents on the strength of it. We have it on the high authority of C. B. that in view of recent by-elections Mr. Balfour should be moved to resign or dissolve by "the patriotism of the citizen, the wisdom of the statesman, and the honour of the gentleman." It is hardly to be expected that Mr. Balfour's standard of patriotism, statesmanlike wisdom and honour should satisfy the "citizen" who traduced our soldiers in the field, the "statesman" whose conception of wisdom is a more or less successful attempt at sitting on the fence between Messrs. Clifford and Redmond, and the "gentleman" whose honour has not required him to rebuke by so much as a single word of disapprobation the gross mendacity which has disgraced his party at the recent by-elections, and that he will not rise to C. B.'s exalted level in the present instance is to be desired. The prospect of Mr. John Morley at the Colonial Office—by no means an impossible choice in the event of Radical majority at the General Electinn—is not one to be viewed with equanimity. (By-the-way rumour hath it that Mr. Lloyd George has fixed his affections on that particular office in the Cabinet he is so fitted to adorn ; and the alarming interest he has lately evinced in Colonial matters lends some colour to the report.) Before the Government dissolves there is work for it to do. Another attempt to pass an Aliens' Bill should be made, and Unionists—Irish Unionists specially—will have just cause of compliant if a Redistribution Bill be not brought in, and the over representation of Ireland remedied. The new Parliament, let it meet when it may, will contain an unusually large number of new faces, as almost each day brings an announcement that yet another member has decided not to stand again. Although the Secretary for War will not contest West Belfast again the report that the close of the present Parliament will see his retirement from public life seems to be premature to say the least.

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Mr. Adolf Beck is singularly unlucky. To possess a "double" is in itself not a cause for congratulation, as not unlikely to lead to complications, but when that "double" is an unusually ill-conducted mem-

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Telegrams—"Hercules," CALCUTTA.

ber of society the consequences are almot certain to be serious, as the unfortunate Mr. Beck has found. A more remarkable story has seldom been unfolded even at Bow Street, where queer stories must be all in the average day's work, and it is far and away above the average "Shilling Shocker." In 1895 Mr. Beck was arrested in London on the complaint of a woman who said he had robbed her, and as nine other women, who came forward with like accusations against him, swore positively to his identity, he was, after a trial lasting four days, convicted of robbing the ten women and sentenced to seven years penal servitude. At the time he disputed the evidence of identification, and while he was in prison he sent several petitions to the Home Secretary, who saw no cause for interfering with the sentence, and Beck was not released until he had served five years and a half of his sentence. And now comes in the remarkable part of the story. A few months ago Beck was again arrested on the complaint of a woman who said he had robbed her in Tottenham Court Road. Again other women identified him as the man who had defrauded them, and again—after a long trial at the June Sessions—he was convicted. While awaiting sentence, fate did him a good turn—the "double" who gave the name of William Thomas, but who is really a Jew named Meyer—was arrested on a charge of defrauding women, and the investigations that followed proved beyond all reasonable doubt that Beck had twice been wrongfully convicted. Meyer (or Thomas) who on his own confession has been carrying on these frauds for nearly thirty years, being the guilty person. The question of identification when it rests solely on the evidence of persons of the lower classes, and particularly of women is to be distrusted. Fifteen women swore positively to Beck being the man who had robbed them and yet the newspapers only report that "there is doubtless a certain resemblance between the men." No doubt the fact that they both stayed at the same hotels, and that their handwriting is remarkably alike, added weight to the women's evidence, and was an additional bit of bad luck for Beck. His Majesty's "free pardon" has been granted to Beck, and some compensation will probably be awarded to him.

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The company at the prize giving at Coopers Hill, the other day, testified by hearty cheers its agreement with the supposition thrown out by Sir William White that possibly some among his hearers might doubt the wisdom of the decision arrived at by the powers that be, anent the closing of the College at an early date. The Session just closed was the thirty-third, and the report read by Sir John Ottley shows that never, during its career, has the College been in a more satisfactory state. Sir William White emphasised the great works which is being done in India by civil engineers, and expressed the hope that although one chapter in the history of the College might be closing, its special features might in some way be perpetuated. A distinctly funereal air pervaded the meeting, many of those present believing it to be the last function of the kind at Coopers Hill.

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The death of General Sir Michael Biddulph, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, in his eighty-second year, places a picturesque and historically interesting post at the King's disposal. Black Rod's duties are now-a-days for the most part of a ceremonial kind, but in the good old days, when impeachments were in vogue the "Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod" had the custody of those impeached, and it is still his duty to execute orders for the commitment of persons charged with breach of privilege. Should occasion now call for his services in this line it is highly probable that "Black Rod" would counsel take with the Serjeant-at-Arms of the Commons, whose experience in such affairs is (thanks to the irrepressible Irish member) of more recent date. Until a few years ago "Black Rod's" salary was two thousand a year, and a capital residence in the House of Lords. Of late it has been a thousand a year, without a house, and I have an impression that further economies are contemplated. Nevertheless Sir Michael Biddulph's successor—whoever he may be—is doubtless to be congratulated. The appointment is usually given to a naval or military officer of some distinction and of a certain age. Sir Michael himself was a famous "Gunner," whose deeds of prowess in the Crimea and Afghanistan were known throughout the British Army; yet on his first appearance in the House of Commons he suffered so severely from "stage fright" that he forgot the words of the formal message which he had to deliver. Imagination refuses to conjure up the dire results—the whole machinery of Parliament might have been brought to a dead stop—if a Member sitting near at hand had not publicly prompted him. It is said that "Black Rod" long guarded himself against a similar mishap by carrying his message, neatly written out, in the crown of his cocked-hat.

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From two articles lately published—one in the *Pall Mall Magazine*, the other in the *English Illustrated*—it is obvious that the state of the British Drama, past, present, and to come, arouses considerable interest. Mr. Walkley, in the *Pall Mall Magazine*, appears to find an occult connection between the state of the drama in Great Britain and the vintage of champagne—a theory which at least has the merit of novelty to recommend it. He, therein tells Mr. Archer that he began to believe in the renaissance of the British Drama in 1889, "as great a year for drama as for champagne," and both these great authorities agree that the renaissance culminated in Mr. Pinero's "second Mrs. Tanqueray" in 1893 "another excellent vintage year." The two critics, at one up to that date, are henceforward no longer in agreement, Mr. Walkley declining to continue his belief in the renaissance, while Mr. Archer continues staunch. Mr. Walkley avers that we are going down hill, with the speed of the most reckless of motors, and cites as confirmation thereof the number of musical plays which have ousted the serious drama. Mr. Archer maintains that the dramas so ousted were Adelphi melodramas, three-act farces, and other trifles which will never be missed; and, moreover, that we have three notable dramatists at the present time for every one we had ten years ago. To which statement Mr. Walkley makes retort that in that case the notable dramatists either fail to write notable dramas, or managers decline to produce them; and in deepest gloom he demands "What has become of Ibsen?" And echo answers "What?" That the average musical comedy is silly and vulgar Mr. Archer cheerfully admits, but that it is not wholly without its uses, he contends, since it has cleared out, not only the aforesaid Adelphi melo-drama, but opera bouffe, and the "idiotic British burlesque." Mr. Walkley, still refusing to be comforted for the loss of his Ibsen, is of opinion that Old Gaiety burlesque is to be preferred to musical comedy. And so on, and so on. "When doctors disagree," etc.

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The articles in the *English Illustrated* deal chiefly with three questions which have been debated times out of number, and are no nearer a solution than they ever were. What would be the most practical and effective way of giving a new impetus to the drama? Would a State-aided theatre and conservatoire benefit or be detrimental to dramatic art? And would the abolition or reform of the censorship advance the interests of the drama? Out of the thirty-five authorities quoted only five are optimistic as to the present state of the dramas, and most of them are clearly in favour of the establishment of State-aided theatres and schools of acting. But it is significant that many of those who enjoy the blessings of such State-aided institutions concur in condemning them. The chief argument in favour of the retention of the censorship is that we could ill spare anything that is not only humorous in itself, but the cause of humour in others.

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Reports from St. Petersburg do not point to a speedy or satisfactory settlement of the questions at issue between the Russian Government and ours. The protests our Ambassador has raised against the sinking of the *Knight Commander*, have proved fruitless so far; and Russia is said to show no disposition to accede to any British representations except in regard to the *Malacca*. From Washington we hear that she intends to insist on her right to send Volunteer cruisers through the Dardanelles transforming them into warships at sea. With regard to the question of contraband, the latest proposal from St. Petersburg is that an International Commission shall be appointed to examine neutral ships before they reach the Red Sea. The Commission to sit at Port Said. The acts of Russian aggression have no doubt been committed with the laudable intention of diverting attention from their home troubles which are thickening. General Schauman, the father of Eugen Schauman, who shot General Bobrikoff, has been under arrest since the end of June, and although nothing whatever has been discovered to connect him with the assassination of the late Governor-General, he was secretly removed to St. Petersburg last week, without being allowed to communicate with his family, and has been confined in the dungeons of the Fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul. Certain revolutionists who were found guilty last Wednesday at Warsaw of having killed four policemen have been remanded to an asylum for medical examination; the inference being that the postponement of sentence is due to the fear of a revolutionary outbreak. That the position of the Emperor becomes daily one of increasing anxiety and danger is evident. Rumours are current in Vienna that "a Palace revolution" is imminent, as the only means of avoiding a general upheaval.

Various items. Mr. F. Goodall, R.A., whose long illness ended fatally last week, had more than his share of the ups and downs of fortune. From the age of thirty-one when he was elected an associate of the R.A.—becoming a full member about ten years later—until he had passed three score years and ten, his life was an unbroken record of success—artistic and material. Universal sympathy was felt for him in the heavy financial trouble which darkened the last years of his long life, and the feeling that but scanty justice had been meted out to him was general. "What is espistaxis"? Mildly asked Mr. Plowden, the Marylebone Police Court Magistrate the other day when a man charged with being drunk and disorderly, and who had managed to get a cracked skull, was brought up before him. Doctor's certificate stated that interesting patient is suffering from "drink, wound on head, and espistaxis." Humane Mr. Plowden hesitates to sentence fellow-creature, however erring who is suffering from such a serious—perchance mortal and painful—affliction. In absence of any one enlightened enough to answer his question he consults dictionary, and therein finds that "espistaxis" being interpreted is neither more nor less than bleeding of the nose. Tableau six weeks' imprisonment for interesting patient, and a request that the doctor will write in English for the future.

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The sale of Lord Anglesey's effects began at Anglesey Castle last Friday, when the dogs and guns were disposed of. With the exception of the toy Pomeranian, none of the dogs fetched high prices. Fifty five guineas was given for Ireland Bee Bee, the purchaser, it is said, being Lord Anglesey. A black pug for which he had paid £250 fetched only £10, and £5 was the highest bid for a Chow Chow. The sale of the contents of Anglesey Castle is expected to last four or five weeks. A warm welcome has been given by the Glasgow Corporation to the Scottish Rifles who left Glasgow for the South African War fourteen hundred strong, and returned only six hundred all told. Few regiments have a better record of hard work well done. The arbitrator in the claim brought against the Ecclesiastical Commissioners by Messrs J. Lyons and Co. for the loss of their leasehold interest in wine cellars under St. Philip's Church, Regent Street, which is about to be demolished, has issued his award. The loss on the removal of the wine was estimated by Messrs. Lyons at 25 per cent. The total amount of the claim was £16,000, and the award gives Messrs. Lyon £10,400. The appeal case, Dakhyl *vs.* Labouchere before the Master of the Rolls and Lords Justices Stirling and Mathew, has resulted in an order for a new trial. The *Truth* libel action was heard before the Lord Chief Justice and a special jury, which awarded the plaintiff £1,000 damages and from the verdict and judgment the defendant has now appealed on the ground of misdirection. The Government has just purchased King's Castle grounds in Fifeshire, which commands a view of the entire entrance to the Forth, and it is to be used as an observing station. It is understood that there is a scheme for great additions to the fortification along with the construction of the naval base at the Forth Bridge.

ONLOOKER.

Shikar.

"SPORT AT AN INDIAN COURT IN THE FORTIES."

STAG HUNTING WITH DECOY STAGS.

No. I.

IT was private business that took me first to the Court of Nazir Ali Shah, the King of Gholampore. Being curious to see what an Indian monarch was like, I obtained an audience through a friend at Court.

Subsequently, being given the hint privately, I asked for, and was accorded a post in the household of His Highness the King, and thus witnessed, and indeed participated in all the details of his private life.

Hence I found myself one of the party that accompanied the King in the winter of 184—on a week's shooting expedition.

"We shall have deer-stalking, pigsticking and tiger-hunting"—had said his Majesty, with enthusiasm, "before we return to Gholampore," and so we journeyed northwards, to where this game was to be found!

The enormous attendance that the king required made travelling *then* a very different matter to nowadays, and our progress was far from rapid! The trained stags, used as decoys, were brought with us, the hawks likewise, for we were to have hawking too; the cheetahs, came in wagons with their keepers and attendants. There was the king's harem, of course, containing his wives, his singing and dancing girls, their servants and their attendant female sepoys, forming an army of covered conveyances in themselves; there was the body-guard, in its flaunting livery of blue and gold; there were elephants bearing tents and baggages;—there were camels and horses in

abundance, some for riding and some as beasts of burden! Add to all this our train, consisting of elephants, horses, and palanquin, and you can imagine that our advance was more like the march of an army, than the progress of a simple hunting party!

Having reached a point where deer abounded, we halted, and it was determined that deer stalking was to be the order of the day,—deer-stalking of two different kinds: First, with the decoy stags; second, with the trained cheetahs.

The use of the trained stags as they were employed in Oude, I've never heard of before or since, and it may be imagined with what interest I followed the day's sport

Close in the neighbourhood of our encampment was a fine open country, and adjoining that a forest teeming with game. Nothing could have been better adapted for the sport in view.

The beaters were sent in to the forest, and with great care and skill they contrived to drive the deer without alarming them, or rousing their suspicions, towards the point of the jungle, where we under cover could watch them in the open, and see the trained stags work.

On the edge of the open the whole herd congregated, protected by the most powerful and warlike of its males. Now was the time, and our trained stags,—some ten or twelve of that finest and most powerful males to be had —trotted gently across the open ground.

As the deer saw them, the guardian males of the herd advanced to meet them, and in a few minutes, whether their intention had been peaceful or otherwise, the wild and the tame animals were locked together head to head, antler to antler fighting with the utmost fury.

We now made our appearance in the open on horse back, and came towards the scene of the contest. The rest of the herd, who were still waiting on the edge of the jungle, scampered off, leaving their warriors to fight it out. These, of course, were too much engaged to observe us.

Meanwhile a party of native horsemen riding carefully round unnoticed, got between the wild stags and the forest. I watched them, wondering what their object could be, but I was not long left in doubt, and it was with a thrill of horror that I saw them accomplish their (to my mind) brutal task. Once having got between the combatants and the wood, they crept silently and rapidly up behind the wild stags, and with one skilful cut of their long knives the poor beasts fell hamstrung.

It was brutal! and one felt a wave of pity for the noble animals as they fell helplessly on the ground, unable to continue fighting and pushed down by the decoy stags.

The tame animals were called off in a moment; and the training exhibited by them was little short of marvellous. Not one of them pursued his victory; their work was done, and, like well-trained dogs, each obeyed the voice of his keeper, and was led off, many of them bearing evidence in gaping wounds and gored chests that the fight had been no sham.

They were led past as we rode up, and beautiful they looked, capering over the ground as if proud of their exploits, tossing their fine heads and stamping and sometimes looking as if a little more fighting would not come amiss, this time with each other The contrast presented by the overthrown wild animals was a pitiable one. Their whole soul and energy was concentrated in their eyes, and as we rode from one to the other of the fallen warriors their gaze followed us intently and as if reproaching us for the foul means used to overthrow them.

It was simple butchery that ham-stringing, and I heaved a sigh of relief as the king gave the order for their throats to be cut; nothing else was possible under the circumstances, but to put them out of their misery.

One feels a certain amount of pity for the hare when a whole field—men, horses and dogs—turns out to course it in England, but never have I felt such a sense of choking pity for any hunted animal as I felt for those mute, large-eyed, noble stags as they lay there looking reproachfully at us.

This was the only use I saw made of the decoy stags, but I was told how they are also used when they wish to take the wild stags alive and uninjured.

They proceed in the same way, except that the men advance from behind, armed with nets and ropes and not with knives. Their task is one of difficulty and danger. Two men come up to each of the wild animals: the net is skilfully thrown over the head of the stag and he is upset by a sudden jerk. Should he catch sight of the men beforehand and turn on them, or should the jerk not be sufficient to upset him, and he attack the men, their lives are in imminent danger.

It is also a ticklish matter to throw the net completely over the wild without entangling the antlers of the tame stag and the men require to watch their opportunity and be as quick as lightning in seizing the one second when the two animals separate to make a fresh rush at each other.

The net having been successfully thrown and the animal fairly entangled and on the ground, the difficulty is not yet over, for the strength these beautiful beasts exhibit with their delicate legs and graceful little bodies is marvellous: they struggle frantically and require four and five and sometimes more men to hold them down until they have been roped and bound down beyond all chance of escape. They kick and plunge with such desperate energy that there is great danger of their straining, or even breaking their legs during the process of being roped,—and when they are finally carried away in carts, it is still with men sitting on them to keep them quiet. Having got them safely home, the poor beasts have to be kept without food and water, sometimes for several days on end, until their spirit is broken and they will allow themselves to be handled without resenting it. They are then handed over to the tender mercies of their tame comrades, in much the same way as wild elephants, before their actual training as decoy stag can be undertaken.

As I said before, however, I didn't see this way of using the trained stags; and as we all rode homewards, the king in high good humour at the success of his first day's sports, I felt that my soft-heartedness was out of place, and turned my thoughts with pleasurable anticipation to the excitement of the cheetah hunt, which had been promised for the following day.

N. C.

THE PROPOSED GAME LAWS.

The following interesting letter has been circulated.—

TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE NILGIRI GAME AND FISH PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION,

GENTLEMEN,—The Nilgiri District has its Game Laws and its Game Association and on the plateau reside many Europeans keen and watchful to see that offences are not committed, or if committed are punished. On the slopes and lower elevations, however, where the nurseries exist that chiefly supply the plateau and where dwell the great stags which alone can keep up a stock of trophies worthy of shooting, the poaching and systematic slaughter, and the trade in fish and venison are known only to the few who are familiar with the facts, from having visited these jungles frequently.

The neighbouring Coimbatore District which for a long distance marches with the Nilgiris and which I think is one of the best districts in India, has of late years imposed a fee for license to shoot, but no close season is prescribed for the reason that the Authorities find themselves, with their existing Forest Staff, powerless to enforce it.

Experiments have been made on the Nilgiri slopes by the employment of native game watchers, but as these were usually appointed to act singly the men were naturally afraid to do their work, afraid of Elephants, afraid of making themselves obnoxious in places where they could very easily be harmed, even done to death, with little chance of the crime being detected, afraid of fever and afraid of being alone in the wilder parts. They simply stuck to the public roads, and were (with one exception) absolutely useless.

I have for many years realised that to efficiently protect the Game and Fish of these two fine Districts and any adjacent district that might, we all hope, be brought under preserving regulations, in this Presidency, an European Officer familiar with the country and the people of the wilder and more remote and jungly portions could, with a light and portable camp and a small and carefully selected staff, paid as far as possible by results, do a vast deal of good.

Without such an officer to regulate and supervise and to lend confidence to the staff, attempts to preserve, outside the mere Nilgiri Plateau are futile.

He should work hand in hand with the Forest Department and the Police and the Game Association. He should be about the forest for at least nine months of the year, making unexpected swoops upon places where information had been given that poaching was rife. He should be up and down the river banks, removing weirs, dams, cruives, etc., etc. He should be armed with magisterial powers and so enabled to take up cases on the spot and punish any offenders whom he might find *In flagrante delicto.*

He should be in a position to pay rewards for vermin destruction as he goes around, and so save the destroyer a long wait for his reward or a long journey to realise it, both of which are discouragements.

He should be able to offer small rewards for information of a reliable nature lending to convictions, and pay these promptly.

He should keep, and every month or so, submit to the Game Association, and to Collectors of the Districts protected, a diary showing what he had done and conveying any information collected on his tour.

He should destroy, or confiscate, all nets, traps, and falls that he might come across.

He should claim to see every gun license in the Districts under his supervision and have the power to confiscate guns unlicensed.

It should be his duty to recommend to Collectors the closure of any portion of any District that had been unduly shot over.

N. B.—To show the urgent necessity of this I may say, I have just returned from a trip to a neighbouring forest where every bungalow and chattram was occupied by a shooter or recently had been, and where one sportsman avowed to me that his bag was:—

5 Bison.
9 Chetal.
7 Bush Antelopes.
1 Bear.
1 Boar.
and other things.

In the same vicinity a companion of his had been shooting and carried away (so the D. F. O. told me he has heard officially):—

6 Bison.
13 Cheta, etc., etc.

The total bag for these two guns alone was therefore some 11 Bison and 22 Chetal a cruel indent on a area of 15 miles radius or less. Other animals were shot (*which were not taken away*).

In and about the same area two more bulls were shot by others and many bulls and cows and other game wounded and missed.

I am well aware that the Nilgiri Game Association could not afford to pay even the modest remuneration that such an officer and his subordinates would require, but I think experience would prove that *a portion* if the cost would be money well spent by the Association and if my scheme commends itself to the Association the Government of Madras might be asked to assist.

The Incumbent should on no account be allowed to, himself, shoot beyond the limits permitted to any license holder; (were it not that the work would be so uneventful and lonely I would suggest that he should not shoot game at all) and it is obvious that a limit should be set in Coimbatore District and rigidly enforced, and at once.

I have this matter very much at heart and if the Association thinks with me that real good could be done by an energetic and zealous officer I propose that they recommend the scheme to Government.

Having the time, the inclination, and the health to carry out the duties (and they would, if performed as I would hope to see them done, form no light or easy task). I beg to offer my services for say a year or two as a tentative measure, and I engage neither to neglect the work nor to abuse the powers that might be given me.

I would merely add that I *think* I am now familiar with the outlying jungles of a greater area in the two Districts mentioned than any white man of my acquaintance and that I have done a very considerable amount of game protection on my own account and destroyed an enormous amount of poaching appliances in use both against Game and Fish.

If you think I can be of any use to the public in general and to sportsmen in particular I beg you will further this scheme.

For precedent, an Officer has been appointed in Mysore for similar work.

To avoid all risk of a feeling that too much to help, or to mar the chances of intending visitors to these Districts for sport, I would suggest that the Incumbent should be called upon to give an assurance that no such help directly or indirectly, would be afforded. Nor any information whatever as to chances of sport and in this connection I would go further and have it made plain, by notification attached to licenses, that no assistance whatever should be sought for—or would be given by the Officer.

Finally, my desire—and it is shared by many—is to preserve the Game and Fish *we have* and prevent the reckless waste of both now going on.

I am, Yours Faithfully,
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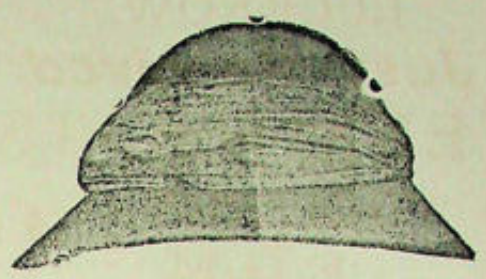
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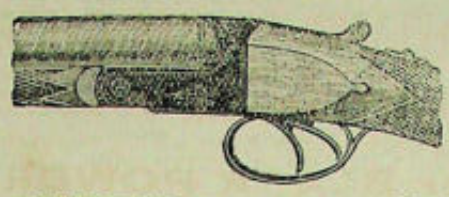
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Bangalore Extra Days	August	27	
Poona Fifth Extra	"	25	
" Sixth "	"	27	
" Seventh "	Sept.	3	
" Eighth "	"	17	506
Poona Races and Steeplechases	"	21, 24, 26, 28	
		Oct. 1, 3 and 8	
Quetta Autumn Meeting	"	20, 22, 24	
Calcutta Monsoon Fourth	Sept.	10	
" " Fifth	"	17	
Ootacamund Hunt	"	15 & 17	
Mussoorie Autumn	"	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Lucknow Autumn Sky	"	25 & 27	82
Jubbulpore Autumn	Nov.	1 & 3	
" Open Gymkhana	"	5	
Umballa Autumn	"	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky	"	15, 17, & 19	626
Sonepore	"	22, 25 & 27	
Lucknow Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
" (Army Cup)	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra	"	10	
" Second "	"	17	
" First Meeting	"	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	"	27	
Lahore X mas	"	27, 29 & 31	
Toligunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Rawalpindi Sky	Dec.	15, 17, 20	
Dibrugarh	"	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting	"	14 & 31	
" Third Extra	"	25	
" Fourth	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

oona Races	Final	—	6th September.
Calcutta 4th Monsoon	—	—	6th September.
,, 8th ,,	—	—	13th September.
Ootacamund Hunt	First	—	1st September.
	Second	..	10th September
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana	First	—	10th September.
	Second	..	1st October.
	Third	..	15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn	First	—	10th September.
	Second	—	1st October.
	Third	—	15th October.
Army Cup	Third]	—	1st October.
	Final	..	15th November
Civil Service Cup	Third	—	15th September
	Fourth	—	1st December.
	Final	—	20th January.
Umballa Autumn	Second	—	17th September
	Third	—	28th October.
Calcutta First Extra	—	—	6th December.
,, Second ,,	—	—	13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First	—	1st November.
	Second	..	30th ,,
,, Second ,,	First	..	30th November
	Second	..	7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn	First	—	12th September
	Second	—	19th ,,
	Third	..	26th ,,
Lahore X'mas	Second	..	1st November.
	Third	—	1st December
Meerut Autumn Sky	Second	—	15th September
	Third	..	8th November.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First	..	1st November.
	Second	..	30th ,,
,, ,, Second ,,	First	..	1st November.
	Second	—	2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.

Kashmir Tournament	Begins 29th August.
Poona Junior Tournament	Now on.
Poona Open Tournament	Begins 22nd September.
Naini Tal Tournament	Begins 26th September.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club 3rd Regatta	3rd September.
Ditto The Power Cup	October.
Madras B. C. Regatta	3rd September.

RACQUETS.

Club of W. India Tournament	21st to 27th September.

FOOTBALL.

Rugby Union Challenge Cup (Calcutta)	Begins 13th September.
Bombay Rovers Tournament	Begins 9th September.
Durand Tournament (Simla)	14th to 27th September.
Bombay Gymkhana Rugby Tournament	From 26th Sept. to 1st Oct

GOLF.

Kashmir Upper India Tournament	Now on.
R. W. I. G. C. Tournament (at Nassik)	In September.

HOCKEY.

Poona District Tournament	Begins 29th August.

CRICKET.

Bombay Presidency (Poona)	13th, 14th, and 15th Sept.

SHOWS.

Poona Horse Show	29th & 30th September.
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show	26th December.
Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show	30th September.

SWIMMING.

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Plunge Handicap	26th August.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Great Yorkshire Stakes (1 mile 6 furlongs)	Thursday, 25th August.
Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.)	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 2furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

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Third Meeting, Saturday, 20th August 1904.

OF course this afternoon's racing was not going to be let off without rain. It was wet from the start of the first race till proceedings were half way through, when it cleared up and the weather ruled fine for the rest of the evening. It was not a favourite's day by any means, Miss Beryl and Naiades being the only popular fancies who came through. In the Middleton Plate Flash, an 8 to 1 chance, obtained the verdict. An objection was lodged against him for crossing, but the Stewards overruled the objection. The Amateur Plate was won by Pierette and the Kidderpore Plate by Sunshine, another outsider in Moonlight coming through in the Pony Plate. Naiades and Kittylea divided favouritism in the Ellenborough Plate, the former winning comfortably by two lengths. Miss Beryl was the tip for the small Pony Handicap and making no mistake won easily. Details :—

SMALL PONY HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14-0 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Cecil's bk aus m Miss Beryl, 12st. 10lbs.	O'Neil	1
Mr. A. N Dass' baus m Rezia, 10st. 2lbs.	Mr. Dudley	2
Mr K. M. Hamilton's b or br aus g Good Chap, 8st. 12lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus m Blue Bell, 8st. 7lbs. (dec. 1lb.)	Mr. Evers	0
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Not Yet, 10st.	Hard	0
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Western Queen, 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. S. T. Dutton's ch aus m Golden Tip, 9st. 12lbs.	Mr. Deakin	0
Mr. B. Allen's bk aus m Coal Queen, 9st. 8lbs.	Howie	0
Mr. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 9st. 2lbs.	W. White	0

(*Winner trained by Wishart.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 25 to win, Rs. 15, 26, 74 for places.

BETTING : Evens Miss Beryl, 5 to 1 Golden Tip, 6 to 1 each Rezia and Western Queen, 12 to 1 each Blue Bell and Little Doris, 15 to 1 each Not Yet and Good Chap, 20 to 1 Coal Queen.

After a long delay at the start, owing to the fractiousness of Little Doris, they were got going, Miss Beryl showing the way ; then Blue Bell took command and led to the turn, here Miss Beryl again went to the front and won easily by a length and a half ; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

THE ELLENBOROUGH PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High-weight Handicap Hurdle Race for horses. About one mile and a half, over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades, 10st. 9lbs.	Hard	1
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea, 11st. 8lbs.	Shelldrake	2
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin, 9st.	Mr. Evers	3
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob, 9st. 7lbs.	McCallum	0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 32 to win, Rs. 13 and 14 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Naiades and Kittylea, 10 to 1 each Bob and Odin.

Odin and Kittylea led over the first hurdle, then the former went to the front and showed the way to the new stand, where Kittylea went up to him and they raced together with Naiades coming up. Coming round the turn Odin was out of it and Naiades had caught Kittylea ; the latter gained a slight advantage at the penultimate hurdle, but Naiades came away and won by two lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 23⅕secs.

THE MIDDLETON PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 500 or upwards, since 31st March 1902. 5 furlongs.

Prince Wasif Ali Mirza's b aus g Flash, 8st. 9lbs.	Hard	1
Mr. G. B. Paris' b e g Winklet, 9st. 7lbs.	O'Neil	2
Mr. T. G. Evers' br aus m May B, 8st. 12lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. b. Allen's b aus m Thundercloud, 9st. 10lbs.	Regan	0
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris 9st. 4lbs.	Howie	0
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth, 9st.	Bloss	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore 8st. 10lbs. (dec 2lbs.)	Mr. Dudley	0

(*Winner trained by Smallman.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 109 to win, Rs. 46 and 16 for places.

BETTING : Evens Winklet, 2 to 1 agst Morris, 8 to 1 Flash, 10 to 1 each Thundercloud, May B and Tadmore, 12 to 1 Jacinth

Flash was first away, with Winklet and May B next, and led into the stright ; here Winklet came through, but could not pass Flash who kept in front and won by a length ; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅖secs. An objection against Flash for crossing was overruled.

THE PONY PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Cunningham's b cb g Moonlight, 8st.	Cahill	1
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus m Perfect, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Deakin	2
Mr. B. B.'s b aus m Second Thought 11st.	Mr. Galstaun	3
Mr. T. Uphill's br aus g Norman, 9st. 13lbs.	Regan	0
Mr. W. Atkinson's b aus g All Fours, 10st.	Sid White	0
Mr. J. D. Marshall's dk b aus m The Owl, 8st. 12lbs.	Mr. Evers	0

(*Winner trained by Shaw.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 64 to win, Rs. 13 and 17 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst Second Thought, 3 to 2 Perfect, 6 to 1 Moonlight, 8 to 1 All Fours, 12 to 1 each Norman and The Owl.

Moonlight led at the start and at the bend was a good way in front of Second Thought. On entering the straight Perfect came up with Second Thought and they both went after Moonlight, who kept on, however, and won by half a length; Perfect second, a length in front of Second Thought. Time—1min. 26secs.

AMATEUR PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 75 to the second. For horses which have never won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race or Steeplechase of the value of Rs 50 or over; the property of Members of the C. T. C., Bengal Club, U. S. Club, Tollygunge Club, Calcutta Polo Club, New Club, or Saturday Club or Officers at present serving in the Presidency District, or Members of the Calcutta Light Horse. C. W. over 11st. G. R.'s. 5 furlongs.

Mr K. M. Hamilton's b e m Pierette, 11st	Owner	1
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil, 11st.	Owner	2
Mr. A. Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet, 11st.	Mr. Turner	3
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's gr aus m March, 11st.	Mr. Pugh	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up, 11st.	Owner	0
Mr. W. O. Rees gr aus g Quicksilver, 11st.	Owner	0
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Planet II., 11st. ...	Owner	0
Mr. A. J. Craven's bk aus g Road Metal, 11st.	Mr. Tanner	0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 52 to win, Rs. 23 and 19 for places

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst Planet II, 3 to 1 Daffodil, 5 to 1 Pierette, 6 to 1 Gauntlet, 8 to Cheer Up, 10 to 1 Road Metal, 12 to 1 each March and Quicksilver.

Quicksilver showed the way to the turn where Daffodil took command, but at the distance Pierette came right away and won easily by three lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 52secs.

THE KIDDERPORE PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs 100 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for horses. 7 furlongs.

Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus m Sunshine, 9st.	Owner	1
Mr. H. E. Smith's bk aus g Pylara, 9st. 8lbs.	Howie	2
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Hello, 9st. 12lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Euryalus, 9st. 6lbs.	Dudley	0
Mr. G. B. Paris' ch e m Kellnerin, 9st. 4lbs.	O'Neil	1
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades, 8st. 12lbs.	Mr. Galstaun	0

(*Winner trained by owner.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 54 to win, Rs. 35 and 30 for places.

BETTING: Evens Kellnerin, 5 to 2 agst. Pylara, 6 to 1 Euryalus, 10 to 1 each Hello and Naiades.

Kellnerin took them along to the four-furlong post where Naiades and Pylara went to the front. On entering the straight Sunshine shot ahead and won by a length; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 42secs.

QUETTA THIRD SKY MEETING.

Saturday, 13th August 1904.

THE third sky meeting took place this afternoon, before a small attendance. A programme of seven events was successfully carried through. Mr. O'Hara's stable secured two wins, the Honarary Secretary himself riding four winners, Captain Hislop was credited with a couple of wins and Captain Ready's Toofan also accounted for two races. The racing was good and all arrangements excellent Details:—

TRIAL STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-0 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Hislop's Roburite, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. O'Hara's Federation, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	2

Also ran: Faras, 11-2.

Won by a head.

GARRISON STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner. A handicap for all maiden ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Greer's Auric, 11st.	Mr. O'Hara	1
Mr. Anderson's Grace, 10st. 8lbs. ...	Capt. Hislop	2

Also ran: Songstress, 10-4.

Won comfortably by two lengths.

COLONIAL STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner. Rs. 20 to the second and Rs. 10 to the third. For all ponies 14-2 and under that have been regularly ridden or driven by a lady and that have never won a race of any description value Rs. 50. 3 furlongs.

Mrs. O'Hara's Gingerbread, 11st. ...	Mr. O'Hara	1
Capt. Greer's Conceit, 11st.	Owner	2
Capt. Wooldridge's Sirdar, 10st. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Grey Dawn, 11-0; Widgeon, 11-0; John Jorrocks, 11-0; The Boy, 11-0.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third.

ORIENTAL HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. ½ mile.

Capt. Ready's Toofan, 11st.	Owner	1
Mr. Haggard's Heathen, 9st. 11lbs. ...	Mr. Hore	2
Mr. O'Hara's Golden Eagle. 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Alexis, 11-7; The Monk, 10-0; Songtress, 11-4; Bridge, 10-13.

Won by four lengths easily; half a length separating Heathen and Golden Eagle.

RAILWAY STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second and Rs. 13 to the third. For Arab and C.-B ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-0 and under that have never won a race of any description, gymkhana or otherwise. 3 furlongs.

Mr. O'Hara's Margaret, 11st. 11lbs. ...	Owner	1
Capt. Gray's Cherry, 9st. 4lbs. ...	Capt. Moore	2
Mr. Leah's Grass Widow, 10st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Jamil, 10-13; Rasheed, 10-4; Faras, 11-2.

Won by two lengths from Cherry; two lengths between second and third.

CITY STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for all horses. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Hislop's Motion, 11st. ...	Owner	1
Capt. Benwll's Aureole, 12st. 12lbs.	Major Patterson	2
Mr. Giles's Oxide, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Menzies	3

Also ran: Beggarmaid, 10-7; Welfare, 10-0; Nameless, 10-7; Lady Alicia, 10-7; Queenie, 10-7.

Won by twenty lengths; five lengths separating the second and third.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second and Rs. 10 to the third. For all *bona fide* polo ponies. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Ready's Toofan, 11st.	Owner	1
Capt. Hislop's Roburite, 11st. ...	Owner	2
Capt. Greer's Conceit, 11st.	Owner	3

Also ran: Bridge, 11-0; Najib, 11-0; Makere, 11-0; The Nun 11-0; Rasheed 11-0.

Won comfortably by two lengths; a neck between second and third.

COLOMBO AUGUST RACES.

STEWARDS:

HON. MR. A. G. LASCELLES, K. C. | COL. W. L. BALFOUR, R. A.
MR. S. PAYNE GALLWEY. | MR. F. L. CLEMENTS.
MR. F. C. ALLEN. | MR. W. M. FORSYTHE.

Official Handicapper and Clerk of the Scales:—MR. F. J. HADDEN.
Judge:—COL. W. L. BALFOUR, R. A.
Starter:—MR. F. J. WRIGHT.
Timekeeper:—MR. C. W. BOOTY.
Secretary:—MR. F. W. WALDOCK.

Fourth Day, 14th August 1904.

ANOTHER interesting day's sport brought the Colombo races to a close. The finishes were exciting, the two matches being most interesting. Mr. Farquharson secured four wins and Mr. Herbert two. The Fort Plate was won by Mr. Herbert's Rapier. Details:—

MILITARY HANDICAP.—Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. For all ponies 14-2 and under. Weight—Handicap. 1 mile.

Messrs. Barrett's and Farquharson's Muriel, 10st. 2lbs.	Penton	1
Mr. C. C. Mee's Redstone, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Owner	2
Mr. W. J. Keat's Fortunatus, 8st 10lbs. ...	Fisher	0
Mr. R. Cotesworth's Winnie, 7st. 11b. ...	Morrison	0

BETTING: Evens Redstone, 6 to 4 agst. Winnie, 2 to 1 Fortunatus, and 3 to 1 Muriel.

Totalisator Rs. 5.

Won by quarter of a length. Time—52secs.

OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 750, with Rs. 100 to the second horse. For horses. Weight—Handicap. 1 mile.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Prince Lyon, 5yrs., 12st. 2lbs.	Penton	1
Mr. Mack's Wingfield, aged, 7st. 11lbs. ...	Smith	2
Mr. James' Helmet, 3yrs., 8st.... ...	Morrison	0

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Prince Lyon, 3 to 1 agst. Wingfield, 6 to 1 Helmet.

Totalisator Rs. 2.

Won by three lengths hard held. Time—1min. 45½secs.

A MATCH.—Rs. 500 a side with Rs. 250 from the fund and Rs. 100 from Messrs. Beattie Bros. 5 furlongs.

Mr. C. C. Herbert's Sacristan, 2yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	Smith	1
Mr. D. H. Williams' Goya, 3yrs., 9st. 7lbs....	Penton	2

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Goya, 3 to 1 agst. Sacristan.

Totalisator Rs. 6.

Won a grand race by half a length. Time—1min. 4secs.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. For Arab Ponies, 14 hands and under. Weight—Handicap. 1 mile.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Tirah, 10st. 7lbs.	Penton	1
Mr. D. H. Williams' Silver One, 7st. 4lbs.	Morrison	2
Dr. J. B. Fairlie's Sirur, 11st. 4lbs. ...	Lansdown	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Sirur, evens Tirah, 6 to 4 agst. Silver One.

Totalisator Rs. 5.

Won a well-timed race by two lengths, same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 56½secs.

FORT PLATE HANDICAP.—About Rs. 3,000 presented by the Merchants and Bankers of Colombo, of which 15 per cent. will go to the second horses, and 10 per cent. to the third horse. For horses. Weight—Handicap. Round the Race, course, about 1¼miles.

Mr. C. C. Herbert's Rapier, 6yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	Smith	1
Mr. D. H. Williams' Gabelle, 5yrs., 7st. 11b.	Morrison	2
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Regalie II., aged, 10st.	Penton	3
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Creditor, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	Fisher	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Rapier, evens Creditor, 4 to 1 agst. Regalia II., 10 to 1 Gabelle.

Totalisator Rs. 3.

Won by three-quarters of a length. Time—2mins. 19½secs.

A MATCH.—Rs. 1,000 a side. Conditions—F. Smith to ride The Greek at lowest riding weight. 1½ miles.

Mr. D. H. Williams' Afreet, aged, 10st. ...	Penton	1
Mr. Eric Watson's The Greek, aged, 8st....	Smith	2

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Afreet, 5 to 4 agst. The Greek.

Totalisator Rs. 3.

Won in a canter. Time—2mins. 47½secs.

FAREWELL HANDICAP.—Rs. 500. For horses which have not won a race value Rs. 1,000 since 1st January 1904. Weight—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Kingfisher, aged, 1st. 7lbs.	Penton	1
Mr. C. W. Booty's Charity, 5yrs., 7st. ...	Morrison	2
Mr. R. M. Audree's Caloola, aged, 10st. ...	Smith	0
Mr. L. Bonaparte Wyse's Reply, aged, 9st. 4lbs.	Lansdown	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Caloola, 6 to 4 agst. Charity, and 3 to 1 Kingfisher.

Totalisator Rs. 8.

Won comfortably by a length and a quarter. Caloola and Anster were nowhere. Time—1min. 4½secs.

LOSERS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 500, and Rs. 100 to the second horse. For all horses that have started and not won a race at the Meeting. Weight—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Mack's Wingfield, aged, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Lansdown	1
Mr. D. H. Williams' Wizard, 3yrs., 7st. ...	Morrison	2
Mr. C. C. Herbert's Devoted, aged, 8st. 6lbs.	Smith	0
Mr. R. M. Andree's Caloola, aged, 9st. 10lbs.	Native	0
Mr. Rosebery's Auster, aged, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Fisher	0

BETTING: Evens Anster 3 to 1 agst. Wingfield, 4 to 1 Caloola, 5 to 1 Wizard, and 6 to 1 Devoted.

Totalisator Rs. 5.

Won a good race by a length. Time—1min. 4½secs.

MEERUT FIFTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

Tuesday, 16th August 1904.

THE Fifth Open Gymkhana was brought off to-day and a capital afternoon's sport was witnessed. Details:—

MAIDEN CUP.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and other maiden ponies 14 hands and under. 4 furlongs.

N. Baker Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 11st....	Capt. Fail	1
Pte. Pope's b a g Hercules, 10st. 3lbs. ...	Pte. Bott	2
Mr. Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 9st. 11b.	Kanhai	3
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b a h Bloodstone, 8st. 3lbs.	Baichan	0

Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time—60secs.

TUM TUM RACE.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. For all ponies 14-1 and under. Ponies must be capable of going in harness if required by the Stewards. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st., other 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of Gymkhana once, 7lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Winners of Gymkhana Race this year 4lbs. in addition to the above penalties. Ponies that have never won a race of any description allowed 5lbs. 3 furlongs.

Col. P. K. L. Beaver's g a g Faisal, 8st. 11b.	Baichan	1
Mr. C. J. Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. Wells	2
Sub-Condr. Stephen's b a g Bobs II., 10st. 9lbs.	Corpl. Banks	3
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb h Remount, 10st. 9lbs.	Kanhai	0
M. Imdad Ali's wh cb g Allif, 9st. 11lbs....	Native	0

Won by three-quarters of a length, three lengths between second and third. Time—45secs.

KADIR STAKES.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all horses, chargers or pigstickers, the property of officers in His Majesty's Army or Civil Service. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Carton de Wiart's b aus g Gong (late Cowboy), 11st.	Owner	1
Mr. R. P. Well's b aus m Industry, 9st. 12lbs.	Owner	D.H.
Mr. E. C. Anstey's b aus g Sir Archie, 9st. 3lbs.	Baichan	D.H.
Maj. William's b aus g The Bishop, 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. Knaggs (bolted)	0

Won by three lengths from Industry and Sir Archie, who dead heated for second place. Time—1min. 28secs.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under that have not won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 4 furlongs.

Capt. Fail's b aus g John J. P. 10st. 3lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Carton de Wiart's ch aus m Double Keys, 11st.	Owner	2
N. Baker Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 10st. 7lbs.	Pte. Bott	3
L. Mahra's rn cb m Elmas, 10st. 3lbs. ...	Kanhai	0

Won by one and a half lengths, half length between second and third. Time—59secs.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all *bond-fide* polo ponies, the property of officers in His Majesty's Army or Civil Service. 3 furlongs.

Major Blakeney's ch cb g Gulab, 8st. 10lbs.	Baichan	1
Mr. C. J. Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 10st. ...	Mr. Wells	2
Mr. R. V. Pollok's b aus g Cavalier, 9st. 10lbs.	Suddul	3
Mr. H. K. Sadler's b aus m Blackberry, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. R. P. Well's b a g Bosky, 8st. ...	Native	0

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

BANGALORE SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 20th August 1904.

THE following are the results of a good afternoon's sport on the second extra day's racing in Bangalore.

THE PARK PLATE—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25.

Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 9st. 9lbs.	Capt Randall	1
Kumara Raja of Pittapore's b aus g Shield, 10st 8lbs.	Major Dougall	2

BETTING: Evens Shield and 6 to 4 agst Dandenong.

The two ran together all the way, but when it came to racing, the non-favourite on the rails held the other safe and won by a length. Something, however, was palpably wrong with Major Dougall's girths or his mount should have won. Time—42secs.

THE CUBBON PLATE—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses. ¼ mile.

The Hon. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Sister, 9st. 12lbs.	Penton	1
H. H. The Sultan of Johore's b aus g Carolan, 8st. 11lbs.	Koops	2
The Hon. A. A. Apcar's br aus g Spec, 8st. 11lbs.	Bennett	3
Major F. C. Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher 9st. 10lbs.	Capt. Randall	0
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Grand Duke, 8st. 2lbs.	Meahjan	0
Mr. A. C. Tate's g aus g Wadhurst, 7st. 5lbs.	Gooloo	0

BETTING: Evens Sister, 6 to 4 agst Carolan, 6 to 1 each Kingfisher and Spec and 10 to 1 each Grand Duke and Wadhurst.

One false start took place during which Wadhurst ran the course. When they got away, Sister cantered at the head of her field to the distance where her jockey led her out and she won in a walk by two lengths, a neck between second and third. Time—53secs.

THE MYSORE PLATE—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. 1 mile.

Mr. A. West's ch aus m Firebrand, 8st. ...	Koops	1
Mr. S. W. Webster's b aus m Flight, 7st. 7lbs.	Meah Jan	2
Mr. A. P. Symond's bk aus m Cleopatra II, 9st. 12lbs.	Col Armstrong	3

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Firebrand, evens Cleopatra II, and 2 to 1 agst Flight.

Cleoptra II made running from Firebrand for half the distance when he was beaten and Firebrand won by a length and a half from Flight; fourth lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 50⅘secs.

THE ARAB PLATE—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. ¾ mile.

Mr. S. W. Webster's b aus h Derision, 9st. 5lbs.	Meah Jan	1
Capt. A. S. Toogood's g a g St. Gris, 9st. 13lbs.	Major Dougall	2
Mr. R. Neave's br a h Mintmaster, 8st. 3lbs.	Bennett	3
Major N. M. Smyth's g a h Diamond Rose, 9st. 1lbs	Koops	0
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 8st. 13lbs.	Lansdown	0
Mr. T. G. Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 8st. 6lbs.	Nataswamy	0
Capt. E. J. R. Peel's g a h Charlie II, 8st.	Abbas Sheriff	0
Mr. L. H. Queripel's g a h Quince, 7st. 7½lbs.	Gooloo	0

BETTING: Evens Derision, 5 to 2 each agst. St. Gris and Delight, 4 to 1 Diamond Rose, 5 to 1 each Mintmaster and Charlie II, 8 to 1 Baronet, and 10 to 1 Quince.

A good race honestly won by Mr. Webster's little pony who galloped out to the last stride. St. Gris also ran a good pony under the top weight, but the only other animal worth looking at was Mintmaster, though Charlie II. for a time flattered his backers. *Verb Sap.* Back Mintmaster next Saturday. Time—1 min. 27⅗secs.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses. Weights, Handicap. 1 mile.

Mr. D. Deraraj Urs' br aus g Musketeer, 9st. 2lbs.	Lansdown	1
H. H. The Sultan of Johore's b aus g Massachusetts. 6st 12lbs	Koops	2
Major A. C. Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 7st.	Bennett	3
The Hon. A. A. Apcar's b e g Simon, 10st. 3lbs.	Burns	0
Lieut.-Col. Armstrong's b aus g Knight Templar. 9st. 4lbs.	Owner	0
Major H. C. V. Harrison's ch aus g De Wet, 7st. 10lbs.	Gooloo	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Massachusetts, 2 to 1 Musketeer, 3 to 1 De Wet, 4 to 1 Knight Templar, 5 to 1 Scissorman, and 6 to 1 Simon.

Won by Ausheteer from start to finish, and Musketeer, who has been eulogised before in these notes, will win in real good company before he has done. He carried a fairly big weight right through, and made all his own running over a mile. Time—1 min. 46⅘ secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25.

Major Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane, 12st.	Capt Randall	1
Capt. E. J. R. Peel's b aus m Rose II, 10st. 4lbs.	Capt. Day	2

Mr. R. Anketell-Jones's ch aus g Tight Rope, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Knight 3
Lieut-Col. J. Desaraj Ur's br aus g Swiveller, 12st. 10lbs. ... ... Lansdown 0
Major N. M. Smy's b e g Laurier Rose, 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Major Dougall 0
Major R. C Hamilton's ch e g Astrologer, 11st. 9lbs. ... . Mr. Webster 0
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' b aus g Badger, 10st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Watson 0
Major Lawley's ch aus g Black Michael, 10st Owner 0

BETTING : Evens Swiveller and Laurier Rose, 4 to 1 agst Mary Jane, 6 to 1 each Astrologer and Tight Rope, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won in a canter by three lengths ; half a length between second and third. Time—40⅘secs.

POONA THIRD EXTRA MEETING.

STEWARDS:

C. A. B. BEATTY, ESQ | COL. G. H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
LT.-COL. B. C. BROOME. | W. L. HARVEY, ESQ., I.C.S.
THE HON'BLE MR. A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND, I.C.S.
Clerk of Scales:—MR. CURSETJEE DHUNJEESHAW
Judge:—COLONEL G H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
Starter:—MR. A. O'GORMAN.

A MAIDEN PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200 ; second Rs. 100 ; third Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab Ponies 14 hands and under new measurement 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. Penalties. Winner since 31st March 1902, race value Rs. 150 or over : once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 9st. 5lbs. ... A. Hoyt 1
Mr. S. A. Wahed's ch a h Dilerjung, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Robinson 2
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Turn of Luck, 9st 7lbs. ... ... Murphy 3
Mr. F. M. Garda's br a h Kour Saheb, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Potter 0
Mr. Mahomed Shamlan's g a h False Start, 9st. 11lb. ... . Melsom 0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's b a h Malabar, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Heeroo 0
Mr. A. A. Amer's g a h Lachin, 8st. 11lbs. Native 0
Mr. Jaroola bin Talib's g a h Kismut, 8st. 11lbs. ... . Nama 0
Mr. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff, 8st. 6lbs. ... Kamad 0
Mr. T. R. Badger's ch a h William Rufus, 7st. 8lbs. .. .. Elliott 0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Calcutta, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Foster 0
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan, 7st. 8lbs. ... Dhondi 0
Mr. J. Jacob's g a h Gulistan, 7st. 7lbs. Native 0

BETTING : 3 to 1 Mooreed, 6 to 1 each agst. Calcutta and Dilerjung, 8 to 1 Turn of Luck, 10 to 1 Zurriff, 12 to 1 each False Start and Erhan, 20 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length ; one length and-a-half between second and third. Time—1min. 25⅕secs.

THE SMALL PONY PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200 ; second Rs. 100 ; third Rs. 50. A Handicap for Ponies 14 hands and under. ¼ mile.

Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s ch aus m Veera, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Melsom 1
Mr. Finch's br aus m La France 9st. 10lbs. Potter 2
Mr. Guest's b aus g Don John, 7st. 5lbs. ... Hoyt 3
Mr. A. W. P.'s b aus m Nanette, 8st. 4lbs. Murphy 0

BETTING : Evens on La France, 3 to 2 agst. Veera, 4 to 1 Don John, 5 to 1 Nanette.

Won by three lengths ; a length separating second and third. Time—51⅘secs.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200 ; second Rs. 100; third Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arabs. 1 mile.

Mr. A. R. Amer's g a h Young Kohinoor, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Heeroo 1
Captain Bayford's g a h Avatar, 8st. ... Foster 2
Captain Bayford's g a h Borderer, 7st. 9lbs. ... ... Murphy 3
Mr. F. M. Garda's b a h Narunjee, 9st. 7lbs. Elliott 0
Mr. Peel's g a h Precious, 8st. 2lbs. ... Robinson 0
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Bendigo, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's ch a h Faithful 7st. 5lbs. ... ... Dhondi 0
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's b a h Smasher, 7st. 4lbs. ... Hoyt 0
Aga. S. Shah's b a h St. Gatien, 7st. 3lbs. ... Kamad 0
Prince Fatch Sing's b a h Duldul, 6st. 12lbs, ... Etul 0

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Young Kohinoor, 4 to 1 Precious, 5 to 1 Avatar, 6 to 1 Narunjee, 8 to 1 Smasher, 10 to 1 Borderer, 20 to 1 the others.

Won by one length and three-quarters ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 55⅕sec.

THE SUMMER PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200 ; second Rs. 100 ; third Rs. 50. A Handicap for Horses. 1 mile.

Mr. Mehta's br aus m Blue Blood, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Melsom 1
H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's br aus g Firecracker, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... Kamad 2
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus g Tubal Cain, 10st. ... .. Foster 3
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Glen Albyn, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Bond 0
Mr. T. R. Badger's br c g Thomond, 8st. 8lbs. ... .. Elliott 0
Mr. Galstaun's b n a h Riverside II., 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Aga S. Shah's b aus g Prestwick, 7st. 10lbs. Heeroo 0
Mr. Peel's b aus g Planet, 7st. 6lbs. ... Murphy 0

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Tubal Cain, 3 to 1 Firecracker, 5 to 1 Blue Blood, 6 to 1 each Riverside, Prestwick, and Planet, 12 to 1 the others.

Won by one length and a quarter ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 45⅘secs.

THE MIDGET HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200 ; second Rs. 100 ; third Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arab Ponies 13-3 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s ch a h Mint, 6st. 12lbs. ... Trahan 1
Mr. Percy Fischer's ch a h Governor, 8st. 2lbs. Robinson 2
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Grey Fox, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Foster 3
Aga S. Shah's b a h Oriental, 8st. 8lbs. ... Kamad 0
Messrs G. K. and D. D.'s g a h Dispute, 8st. Melsom 0
Mr. Lock's g a h Euphrates, 7st. 8lbs. ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's b a h Malabar, 8st. 2lbs Heeroo 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Euphrates, 4 to 1 each Grey Fox, Oriental, and Governor, 6 to 1 each Malabar and Mint, 7 to 1 Dispute.

Won by one length and a half ; a head separating second and third. Time—1min. 9⅕secs.

THE CLUB PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200 ; second Rs. 100 ; third Rs. 50. A Welter Handicap for Ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. W. Bass' br e m Filbert, 11st. ... Mr. Bryan 1
Major G. Moore's b e m Lady Jess, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's ch aus g Free Trade, 12st. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. J. J. Pawson's ch e m Tight Lace, 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Capt. Stewart Balmain's g aus m Lady Dean, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Dawn 0
Lt.-Col. Hazelton's b aus g Patrician, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. Locke's b aus g Galdstone. 11st. 11lb. Owner 0
Mr. W. Bass' b ch g Tam Bing, 10st. 10lbs. Mr. Jameson 0
Mr. J. Alston's b aus m Temptress, 10st. 6lbs. .. .. Owner 0
Mr Graham's ch aus m Shotsilk, 10st. 5lbs. ... . Owner 0
Major G. Moore's b e m Faustine, 9st. 13lbs. ... ... Mr. Deane 0
Lt.-Col. Kettlewell's b e m Richesse, 9st. 8lbs ... ... A. Hoyt 0

BETTING : 2½ to 1 agst. Filbert, 6 to 1 each Tight Lace, Lady Dean, Particlan, and Lady Jess, 10 to 1 each Free Trade and Richesse, 12 to 1 each Tam Ring and Temptress, 15 to 1 Faustine, 20 to 1 Shotsilk.

Won by three quarters of a length ; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅕secs.

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

ALTHOUGH Thursday was a bit on the close side, there was little else to complain of ; in fact, an interesting morning's work was the result. McCallum on Bob, however, supplied a disturbing element by the persistent manner in which he cantered along on the course proper while other horses were coming on three abreast at racing pace. McCallum is certainly new to Calcutta, but as a printed circular has been placed in the hands of all the owners and riders, strictly forbidding the practice complained of, the infringement was a little surprising.

Miss Beryl (O'Neil), Irish (Bloss), Blue Bell (native), opened the ball from the 6 furlong post, racing away on equal terms followed by Mr. Deakin on Golden Tip and Daphne (native), who put up a quick 7 furlongs. The evergreen Kittylea with Shelldrake in the saddle, came along a good mile.

O'Neil on Mr. Paris' Kellnerin seemed to have the measure of Pylara, ridden by the stable boy, in their 7-furlong argument ; and Flash (Howie), Fusilier (Regan) went a smart 5-furlong bout. The same jockeys later on paid attention to Thundercloud and Norman, all from Smallman's.

Second Thought (Walker) came from the 5 furlongs in her usual taking style.

Daffodil was sent along by Shelldrake, about a mile, easing up though before coming under close observation.

Winklet (O'Neil), Jacinth (Mr. Holmes), Morris (native) and the old Beau (Bloss) had a dust up, honours resting with the former.

Cahill brought Moonlight along to quick time, with Calm (Toe) on her quarter.

White was on All Fours, trying conclusions with Yuletide.

Mr. Deakin on Perfect, Shelldrake on Shylock and Johnson on Pubna, after putting in a bit of smart travelling, had to ease down at the finish, owing to the leisurely movement of McCallum on Bob referred to previously.

The comic element was supplied by a most astounding piece of horsemanship on the part of a native who rode Florence. I wonder how owners allow such wallopping exhibitions. The good looking Footlight was doing easy exercise under the experienced guidance of O'Neil.

Quicksilver (Mr. Rees), Euryalus (Mr. Dudley) and Tadmore (native) came quickly away from the culvert side, pulling up by Kugleman's tree.

Cheer Up (Mr. Pugh), Odin (Mr. Wilmot), Road Metal (Mr. Tanner) and March (Mr. Stewart) came the pace right up the straight a good full 4 furlongs, most of the heads being in check.

Next Mr. Dudley took out Rezia a good fast working gallop, alighting and leading his charge back across the open.

Oom Paul (Mr. Rees) made his first appearance this morning, probably in view of a cut in at the last meeting.

Reveille (Walker), Little Doris (White) put in a fast gallop, the first named in command.

Moss Rose (Mr. Dudley) and Not Yet (Mr. Galstaun) wound up the morning, with a fairly even exchange of 3 to 4 furlongs.

On Saturday quite a number of candidates were on the move from a little after daylight, the first being that early bird, Mr. Bert Allen. His string was doing gentle exercise off the course, down by the Yacht Club, though Mr. Harold Smith put Young Rake over four flights of the pony course, but had to dismount on the far side, to arrange his numda from which point he cantered back to the opening by the big tree, not overpleased with his ride. Hello, Thundercloud (Howie) and Flash from Smallman's, did a dash across the open about which there was nothing particular.

Naiades did a taking gallop under Hard's pilotage, and her free striding augured well for her sporting owner, who was about due a win.

I see Johnson has Macedon now in hand, and wonder if he'll infuse any pace into this hair trunk; the morning's work certainly gave no indication of this, as it was as mournful as usual.

Norman (Howie) with Mademoiselle for a companion, went a school. The former I think from the way he has been shaping, cannot possibly be far off a win. He's a clinking bit of stuff.

Mr. Gregory watched his new purchase Stelliform putting in a bit of jumping, under Howie's guidance. The first two flights were clouted a bit, but the other two he was put at were taken all right. This horse will improve.

Mr. Dudley slipped Planet along a pipe opener with another, in view of his little contract for the afternoon. Later the same gentleman sent Euryalus a quick spurt, Mr. Galstaun on Shooting Star, acting as a buffer. Mr. Dudley and his equine charges are on very friendly terms I see

Mr. Hamilton had a brush up on Good Chap and Mr. Galstaun took Clynder round.

White was out on Oom Paul This horse will be giving us a sample of his form in September, by which time he will be about the ticket.

Bell Brand (Howie) was well in evidence, putting in an attractive piece of work.

The going on Tuesday was certainly soft after the previous night's rain, but as the morning was on the whole fine, the various strings in training were at it from the amateur camp by the hospital, and the new stand, Mr. Dudley's pitch by the big tree right on to the Ellenborough. On the latter course Wishart had a goodly number at work, ridden by O'Neil and Shelldrake all doing gentle exercise. Mr. Rodocanachi's were also putting in their little bit of work.

Among the horses working on the town side, I noticed Pat C. (Regan) putting up a bit of travelling, and young Rake, same rider, being treated to a twice round, going fast on the upland by the tank. Mr. Bert Allen had as a lieutenant Griffin, the new trainer, who has just arrived with Barney Allen's new ones, for the cold weather campaign. The other ponies from this stable were doing medium to slow exercise. The same remark applies to Smallman's horses. Autocrat was shoved over a bit of the course, to slow time.

Bellmeath (W. White) and Planet (native) were spurted a bit across the open. I fear the first named has not trained on as anticipated, and will be reserved for the big meeting, and Planet has simply gone off, and cannot be got to put up a race. This is very annoying to Mr. Dudley, who is such a 'grafter," but he'll be getting his turn I think yet, with Bellmeath, at all events.

Johnson, who now has charge of Pubna and Macedon, had them both out, and administered a pretty stiff dose of work to the latter. He says he is a great, big, gross horse, and requires plenty of work. The twice round, fairly fast in the heavy going was certainly not a mere breather, as the horse's constitution indicated upon returning to his stalls.

Johnson goes on to Poona a little later to ride Mr. Apcar's second string jumpers in their engagements. He's a good horseman, having matriculated in the right school, the Western District of Victoria, and he ought to get plenty of riding.

I noticed O'Neil going round on Miss Beryl, later the longtailed Bob put in a good twice round, with a native boy in the saddle, Florence following suit.

Little Regan was out on Mademoiselle down the Yacht Club way.

Some of the new ponies per S S *Gracchus* were being put under the standard preparatory to the official measurement that will be on at the new stand next Saturday morning.

But the *bonne bouche* of the morning, was the report of the objection Mr Rodocanachi, owner of Perfect, has laid against Moonlight. The latter was entered and run in the 6-furlong Pony Plate last Saturday as a C. B., while it is alleged that the horse is an Australian. The matter is still *sub judice*.

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Entries for Races.

THE ST. LEGER.

THE St Leger Stake of 25sovs each, for then three-year-olds ; entire colts 9st, and fillies 8st 11lbs; the owner of the second horse to receive 300sovs, and the third 100sovs out of the stakes ; Old St Leger Course (about one mile, six furlongs, and 127 yards).—222 subs Closed 16th September 1902.

Admiral Breeze, ch c by Velasquez—Sea-breeze, Mr J Musker's.
Airlie, b c by Ayrshire—Lady Ermine, Lord Farquhar's.
Ajax, b c by Flying Fox—Amie, M E Blanc's.
Almscliff, b c by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead. Lord Harewood's.
Andover, br c by Rightaway—Sister Lumley. Mr F Alexander's.
Apelles, b c by Marcion—Bonny Lizzie, Mr Vyner's
Arran Brown, br c by St Serf—Butterfly, Mr L Brassey's.
Auk, b c by Orme—Rosalia, Mr F Gretton's.
———ch c by Ayrshire—Pace-egger, Lord Derby's.
Baikal, b c by Brio—Bravarde, M M Ephrussi's.
Barbette, ch f by Avington—Breach, Mr H Sandford's.
Barcadaile, ch c by St Frusquin—Geraldine, Mr C Perkins's.
Beau Soleil, b c by Le Roi Soleil—La Neivre, Baron de Rothschild's.
Bedlington, br c by Childwick, dam by Prison—Doreux, Mr C Perkins's.
Bobrinksi, br c by Kingston—Katherine II, Mr Foxhall Keene's.
Bohemian, b c by Florizel II—Unrefined, Mr J H Locke's.
Bolsover, b c by Orme—Clatterfeet, Duke of Portland's.
Boss Boy, ch c by Kendal—Sea Air, Mr J Lewis's.
Brabazon, b c by St Simon—Mueme Duke of Portland's.
Braeside, b c by Enthusiast—Scene, Mr J H Houldsworth's.
Burgundy, b c by Isinglass—Burgonet, Duke of Devonshire's.
Bushmead, b g by St Hilaire—Instinct Sir George Farrar's.
Cades, b c by Cyllene—Lorette Mr C D Rose's.
Cambo, b c by Orme—Cambushinnie, Mr Ernest Dresden's.
Cantrae, br g by Ladas—Modwena, Duke of Portland's.
Capt Cook, ch c by Love Wisely—Melanesia, Mr Wallace Johnstone's.
Capulet, br c by Kendal—Capucine, Mr Frank Gardner's.
———c f by Carbine—Stream of Gold, Mr W Bass's.
Castellar, b f by Florizel II—Coahla, Mr T Simpson Jay's.
Castello br c by Florizel II—Caserta, Mr J H Houldsworth's.

Challenger, b c by Isinglass—Meddlesome, Mr S Darling's
Charmus, b c by Orme—Galcottia, Mr. Fairie s.
Chatsworth, b c by Persimmon—Meadow Chat. His Majesty's.
Chicken Skin, ch f by Persimmon—Fauchett, His Majesty's.
Cinquefoil, ch c by Sainfoin—Countess Macoroni, Sir J Miller's.
Clonmell, b c by Florizel II—Jernor, Mr Richard Croker's.
Coronation Reef, b c by Bend Or—Don't, Mr J B Joel's.
Count Hannibal, b c by Saint Simon—Anxiety, Duke of Portland's.
Crow Fair, ch c by Crowberry—Minthe, Mr Vyner's.
Darley Dale, b c by St Simon—Ismay, Duke of Portland's.
Dividend, br c by Blairfinde—Income, Mr J Gubbin's.
Donaria, br f by Donovan—Trance, Mr Reid Walker's.
Donovard, b c by Donovan—Barley Water, Mr J Rutherford's,
Duc du Maine, ch c by Le Roi Soleil—Hampton Duncer. Baron E Rothschild's.
Fairy Martin ch f by Martagon—Queen of the Spring, Col E W Baird's.
Fiancee, bf by St Frusquin—Wise Virgin, Lord Falmouth's.
Flamma, b f by Florizel II—Hand Grenade, Lord Stanley's.
Flower of May, b by Florizel II—Mary Seaton, Mr George Faber's.
Flower Seller, ch c by Florizel II—Curbstone, Mr R H Henning's.
Forbidden Fruit, ch c by Persimmon—Quetta, Duke of Westminster's.
Foxa, b f by Flying Fox—Risque Tout, M E Blanc's.
—— b f by Freemason—Mine d'Or, Mr A Stedall s.
Fruit Picker, ch c by Persimmon—Chatelaine, Mr Russel's.
Galapas, b c by Trenton—Black Duchess, Mr L Brassey's
Glenamoy, ch c by Gallinule—Alice Morgan, Mr J Lewis's.
Gloriana, br f by Ladas—Avillon, Lord Rosebery's
Go Ban, b f by Best Man—Galinne, Mr Wallace Johnstone's.
Golden Lady, ch f by Melton—Golden Wings, Mr J Musker's.
Golden Touch, Cyllene—Dame Masham, Lord Wolverton's.
Gouvernant, ch c by Flying Fox—Gouvernante, M E Blanc's.
Grisaille, b f by St Gris—Wild Ivy, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
—— b c by Hamburg—Pastorella, Mr J R Keene's.
Hark, ch c by Martagon—Listen, Sir E Cassel's.
Harper, b c by Savils—Harpist, Mr J S Curtis's.
Henry the First, br c by Melton—Simena, Sir J Musker's.
Herbert Vincent, b c by St Simon—Stubhampton, Mr Richard Croker's.
Heronry, ch f by Marco—Dame Heron, Mr R S Sievier's.
Hi Hi, b g by Trenton—Lady Sterling, Mr Lionel Robinson's.
His Majesty, ch c by Melton—Silver Sea, Lord Derby's.
Hong Kong, br c by Queen's Birthday—Merry Wife, Mr G A Prentice's.
——ch c by Horoscope—Handmaid, Mr J R Keene's.
Huntley, b c by Tarporley—Aboyne, Mr Arthur James's.
Huntroyde, b f by Martagon—Hunting Queen, Sir John Thursby's.
Inverkeithing, ch c by Kendal—Primrose Mr C Perkins's.
——b f Isinglass—Sweet Duchess, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Ivan, ch c by Love Wisely—St Ia, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Janet's Choice, b f by Kendal—Jennifer, Lord Falmouth's.
——b c by Janissary—Jersey Lily, Mr W Bass's.
Jasper, b c by Hastings—Priceless, Mr A Belmont's.
——ch f by Jeddah—Lete, Mr J W Larnach's.
——b f by Jeddah—Phosphorous, Mr J W Larnach's.
Jedburgh, ch c by Jeddah—Postscript, Mr J W Larnach's.
John O'Gaunt, b c by Isinglass—La Fleche, Sir John Thursby's.
Jolly Beggar, b c by Velasquez—Manchline, Lord Rosebery's.
Kilbirnie, br f by Kilcock—Blairfettie, Mr Reid Walker's.
King Cole, ch g by Royal Sovereign—Queen Anne, Mr S W Humby's.
King's Favour, br f by Persimmon—Phantassie, Duke of Westminster's.
——br c by Kingston—Royal Gem, Mr J R Keene's.
Kirkby, b c by Royal Hampton—Mrs Butterwick, Duke of Portland's.
Lady Bagdad, br f by Rightaway—Bagdad, Mr H Barnato's.
Lady C b f by Ladas—St Cecilia, Sir Daniel Cooper's
Lady Wishfort, br f by St Frusquin—Maid Marian, Lord Crew's.
Lancashire, b c by Kingston—Calico, Mr J R Keene's.
Lancet, b f by Galeazzo—Blade, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
Landing-Net, b c by The Weaver—Dip, Lord Harewood's.
Landsman, br c by Ladas—Red Virgin, Mr Reid Walker's.
Laurel Crown, br c by Ladas—Snood, Duke of Devonshire's.
Le Givre, b c by Le Roi Soleil—Fresca, Baron de Rothschild,s.
Leucadia, b f by Martagon—Santa Maura, Mr Douglas Baird s.
Lord of the Valley, br c by Hastings—Lady Violet, Mr A Belmont s.
Love Potion, b c by Love Wisely—April Morn, Sir E Cassel's.
Magistrate II, ch c by Hastings—Lady Margaret, Mr A Belmont's.
Marcienne, b f by Royal Hampton—Feminait, Mr J W Smith's.
Marguerite de Valois, b f by Ladas—Queen of Navarre, Mr E Foster's.
Melverly, bl c by Gallinule—Corby Witch, Mr C T Pulley's.
Mem Sahib, c f by Ladas—Merle, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Monsieur, b c by Gardefeu—Mddle de Chantilly, M J de Bremond's.
Montem, br f by Ladas—Kermesse, Lord Wolverton's.
Morganglass, b c by Isinglass—Molly Morgan, Lord Dunraven's.
Mousqueton, b c by Carbine—Musa, Mr Douglas Baird's.
Navarre, gr g by Grey Leg—Navaretta, Mr W Raphael's.
Nettleworth, b f by Ravensbury—Auf Weiderschen, Mr M T Martin s.
Nine Pin, II b c by Hastings—Nineveh, Mr A Belmont's.
Orgueil, ch c by Pride—Lady Orme, Sir E Vincent's.
Omrah, b f by St Serf—Bona Fide, Mr J B Joel's.
Orme Shore, ch c by Orme—Vriginia Shore, Mr Russel's.
Ortolan, b g by Orme—Leveret, His Majesty's.
Paratola, b f by Florizel II—Curve, Mr H J King's.
Pam ch c by Isinglass—Pamela, Duke of Devonshire's.
Pennacook, ch c by Whittier—Handmaid, Mr Russel's.
Perchant, br c by Persimmon—Larolina, His Majesty's.
Perfect Love, b f by Persimmon—Perfect Dream, Lord Wolverton's.
Perpetual, b c by Chittabob—Ste Perpetua, Mr R S Sievier's.
Peroration b c by Persimmon—Pannonia, Lord Penrhyn's.
Persil, b f by Persimmon—Ways and Means, Sir E Cassel's.
Piari, b f by Persimmon—Nunsuch, His Majesty's.
Plato, br c by Love Wisely—Simola, Mr T B Miller's.
Plinlimmon, b c by Persimmon—Laodamia, His Majesty's
Pretty Polly, ch f by Gallinule—Admiration, Major Eustace Loder's.
Prince Vladimir, b c by Donovan—La Reine, Lord Fraguhar's.
Queen Beauty, ch f by Persimmon—Princess Anne, Sir R Waldie Griffith's.
Ravenshoe, b c by Newhaven II—Concertina, Sir Daniel Cooper's.
Ravilious, b c by Ravensbury—Yours, Mr J B Joel's.
Red Robe, b c by Royal Hampton—Charm, Mr Arthur James's.
Retrieve ch c by Orme—Seek and Find, Mr R H Henning s.
Rhodanthe, b f by Aurum II—Primrose Day, Lord Durham's.
Rose of Mute, ch f by Melton—Kyleshu, Mr J Musker's.
Rydal Head, br c by St Frusquin—Rydal, Duke of Westminster's.
Sabina, b f by Isinglass—Saltire, Mr R A Oswald's.
St Amant, b c by St Frusquin—Lady Love Rule, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
Saint Arnaud, br c by St Simon—Arnsheen, Mr Douglas Baird's.
St Denis, b c by St Simon—Brooch, Mr S B Joel's.
St Elgar, ch c by St Frusquin—Eira, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
St Felix, b c by St Simon—Gayglass, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
——ch f by St Frusquin—Bridget, Lord Derby's.
St Kilda, b c by St Simon—Bonny Morn, Mr J Buchanan's.
St Magnus, b c by St Frusquin—St Bride, Mr Leopold de Rothschild's.
St Primus, b c by St Simon—Circlet, Duke of Portland's.
——b c by St Serf—Corday, Captain Greer's.
Sanroque, b c by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, Sir J Miller's.
Santa Claus, b c by Isinglass—Santhia, Sir J Miller's.
Santry, br c by Gallinule—E P Lord Carnarvon's.
Savanaka, b c by Isinglass—Barbara Mr S Darling's.
Sertorious, b c by St Serf—Beulah, Mr L Newmann's.
—— b c by Sir Hugo—Fretwork, Lord Bradford's.
Slinkaway, ch f by Juggler—Foxstones, Mr George Thursby's.
Sulphur, ch c by El Diable—Wakeful, Mr H Barnato's.
Sweeper, b c by Ben Brush—Fairy Shipper, Mr J R Keene's.
Taiaut, b c by Le Hardy—Betronwa, M Camille Blanc's.
Tasso, ch c by Orme—Arcadia, Mr C D Rose's.
Toledo, b c by Laveno—Tierce, Major Eustace Loder's.
Topiary, b c by Orme—Plaisanterie, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's.
Tracas, b c by Matchmaker—Toil and Trouble, Sir E Vincent's.
——br c by Trenton—St Mildred, Mr J R Keene's.
Tripping, br f by Kingston—Bonny Gal, Mr J R Keene's.
——b f by Tyrant—The Blythe, Mr W M G Singer's.
Ulrique, br f by St Frusquin—Reverse, Mr W Raphael's.
Vergia, b f by Prisoner—Petrovna, Mr Jersey's.
Vesper, br f by St Frusquin—Limasol, Mr L Brassey's.
Victoria Day, ch f by Queen's Birthday—Excellence, Mr H Lindemere s.
Weatherwise, b c by Love Wisely—April Fool Sir E Cassel's.
Week End, ch f by Rightaway—Samedi, Mr J B Joel's.
Wild Blast, ch c by Wildfowler—Trumpet, Mr A J Schwabe s.
Wild Willow, b c by Ladas—Marsh Marigold, Mr J Buchanan's.
Wily, ch c by Love Wisely—Elly, Lord Cadogan's.
——b c by Wolfs Crag—Carolside Mr W M G Singer's.

Sport in England.

(From Our Own Sporting Correspondent.)

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THE TURF.

HURST PARK.

NEITHER the close of the London season nor the general exodus to the seaside for the summer vacation exercises a deterrent effect upon the attendance for the August Bank Holiday Meeting at Hurst Park, for numbers of folk must always remain in the metropolis, and they are practically all on pleasure bent. It was a huge concourse that assisted at the proceedings on the 1st instant, and they were treated to enjoyable sport amidst typical midsummer conditions. The course yielded excellent galloping, and runners were plentiful.

The Hurst Park Holiday Handicap of 785sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. C. Hibbert's b m Lucinda, by Sir Visto—Sister Lucy, 6yrs., 7st. 11lb. ...	Trigg	1
Mr. J. A. Miller's b f Muriel II., 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	2
Mr. C. Hibbert's b c Scotch Cherry, 4yrs., 7st. 11lb.*	Butchers	3
Mr. Creet's Killeevan, 8yrs., 7st.* ...	Saxby	0
Lord Carnarvon's Valenza, 6yrs., 9st. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Lancashire, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	D. Maher	0
Mr. Keswick's Alderman, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	W. Lane	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Hymenæus, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	Griggs	0
Duke of Portland's The Scribe, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Lord Rosebery's Catscradle, 3yrs, 6st. 10lbs.	Plant	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

Betting: 5 to 2 agst. Muriel II., 7 to 2 Killeevan, 6 to 1 Scotch Cherry, 7 to 1 Catscradle, 10 to 1 each Alderman, Hymenæus, and Lucinda, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won an exciting race by three-parts of a length; two lengths divided the second and third. Killeevan was fourth. Catscradle fifth, Lancashire sixth, Alderman seventh, Valenza next, and Hymenæus last. Mr. C. Hibbert declared to win with Scotch Cherry. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 4⅗secs.

The August Two-Year-Old Selling Plate of 188sovs.; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; winner to be sold for 100sovs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. A Gold's b f Princess Sagan, by Perigord—Dorcas, 8st. 11lbs.	W. Lane	1
Mr. J. F. Hallick's b g Bellator, 8st. 11lbs.	B. Lynham	2
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing's b c Rockthrush, by Misselthrush—Mascara, 9st. ...	J. H. Martin	3
Capt. Bewick's Borromee, 8st. 11lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Sir Ivor E. Hughes's Gallop On, 8st. 11lbs.	Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by F. Pratt.*)

Betting: 7 to 4 agst. Princess Sagan, 3 to 1 Borromee, 7 to 2 Gallop On, 6 to 1 Bellator, and 10 to 1 Rockthrush (the Mascara colt) (offered).

Won by three lengths; two lengths divided the second and third. Gallop On was fourth close up. The winner was sold to Mr Wilkinson for 300 guineas. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 3⅘secs.

The Summer Two-Year-Old Plate of 164sovs.; colts 9st.; fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs. Penalties and allowances. 5 furlongs.

Mr. C. J. Merry's b f Barnassie, by Ayrshire—Lady Candahar, 8st. 11lbs. ...	W. Lane	1
Mr. W. B. Purefoy's ch g Enceladus, 8st. 11lbs.	B. Dillon	2
Major J. D. Edwards's b c Kingbird, 9st. ...	D. Maher	3
Mr. C. Lawman's Subdued, 8st 11lbs. ...	B. Lynham	0
Count de Bresson's Pacha, 8st. 7lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. H. de Lindemere's Tullamore, 8st. 7lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. S. Peebles's c, by St. Gris—Silver Ray, 9st.	Halsey	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Bombay, 8st. 7lbs. ...	J. Dillon	0
Mr. T. Worton's Scrambler, 8st 7lbs. ...	Murray	0

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

Betting: 6 to 4 agst. Enceladus, 7 to 2 Bombay, 5 to 1 Kingbird, 11 to 2 Barnassie, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three-quarters of a length; two lengths separated the second and third. Bombay was fourth, Tullamore fifth, Pacha sixth, Subdued next, and Scrambler last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 2⅘secs.

BRIGHTON.

Brighton, always full in the early days of August, is filled to its utmost capacity at the present moment, and the influx of holiday makers continues day by day. The early trains from London were packed to overflowing, and there are signs that the second half of the Sussex fortnight will enlist the suffrages of racegoers to a wider extent than did Goodwood week. Certain it is that the meeting has seldom opened under more favourable auspices than upon the present anniversary. The attendance in all departments was on a flattering scale; White Hawk Hill was bathed in brilliant sunshine throughout the afternoon, and a keen breeze from the sea kept the temperature within reasonable limits. A heavy storm during the night had rendered the galloping in capital order, and fair sport was witnessed.

The Brighton Stakes (Handicap) of 437sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr. S. Hill Wood's br m Maisie II., by the Deemster—Ophelia, 6yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	B. Dillon	1
Mr. R. H. Henning's br c Foundling, 3yrs, 8st. 7lbs	* Halsey	2
Mr. A. James's br g Shellmartin, 5yrs., 7st. 11lb.	Griggs	3
Mr. H. Sleath-Skelton's Happy Slave, 5yrs., 8st.	Butchers	0
Lord Ellesmere's Gower, 4yrs., 8st. 11lbs....	W. Lane	0
Mr. J. Hammond's Astolat, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	Saxby	0
Duke of Portland's Caro, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs. ...	Trigg	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Clements.*)

Betting: 6 to 4 agst. Foundling, 7 to 2 Happy Slave, 6 to 1 Astolat, 8 to 1 Shellmartin, 100 to 12 Caro, 9 to 1 Gower, and 100 to 8 Maisie II (offered).

Won by two lengths; half a length between the second and third. Happy Slave was fourth, close up, Caro was fifth, and Gower last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 34secs.

The Corporation Plate, of 271sovs. for two-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies 8st. 11lbs. Penalties and allowances. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. S. M. Nolan's ch f Lady Honora, by Laveno—Bellavalley, 8st. 11lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	1
Mr. A. P Cunliffe's b g Shanid Aboo, 9st. 3lbs.	B. Dillon	2
Lord Dunraven's b f Descombe, 8st. 3lbs.	Griggs	3
Mr. J. Barrow's Gallinago, 8st 9lbs. ...	W. Lane	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Sickle 8st. 3lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Sweet Clover, 8st. 11lbs....	J. Jarvis	0

(*Winner trained by Greuzil.*)

Betting: 11 to 8 each agst. Shanid Aboo and Lady Honora, 10 to 1 Gallinago, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by two lengths; three lengths separating the second and third. Sweet Clover was fourth and Sickle last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 5⅖secs.

The haze that portends fierce heat overhung the coast line on the morning of the 3rd instant, and the promise of a hot day was fulfilled to the letter. Down in the town of Brighton there was little air stirring after the sun had focussed itself upon the maze of modern tenements, but on the summit of White Hawk Hill a gusty wind blew fitfully up from the Channel, and the vitalising influences of the sea breeze had an exhilarating effect upon the vast concourse of spectators, who swarmed in thousands over the downs. With one exception the fields did not exceed ordinary limits, but there were sufficient runners for spectacular purposes, and the sport went with a swing.

The Brighton Cup, value 495sovs., for three-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; with allowances. One mile and a quarter.

Sir J. Miller's br g Housewife, by Bread Knife, dam by Napsbury—Landlady, 8st. 11lb (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	D. Maher	1
Mr. L. de Rothschild's ch f, Catgut, 8st. 11lbs.	K. Cannon	2
Sir E. Cassel's br f Lanfine, 8st. 11lbs. ...	W. Halsey	3
Mr. S. M. Nolan's The Arrowed, 8st. 4lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Flower Seller, 7st. 11lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
His Majesty's Piarri, 7st. 8lbs.... ...	Griggs	0

(*Winner trained by Blackwell.*)

Betting: 6 to 5 on Housewife, 5 to 1 agst. Lanfine, 6 to 1 The Arrowed, 10 to 1 Flower Seller, 100 to 9 Catgut, and 20 to 1 Piarri (offered).

Won easily by a length from Catgut, who robbed Lanfine of second place close home; three-parts of a length divided the second and third. Flower Seller was fourth. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 1⅘secs.

The Sussex Plate (Handicap) of 274sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr. H. J. King's br m Mimicry, by Mimic—The Gowan, 5yrs., 8st. 3lbs. ..	H. Jones	1
Mr. G. Thursby's b m Indian Corn, aged, 8st 9lbs.	W. Lane	2
Mr. A. Stedall's b g Marsden, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	J. Jarvis	3
Mr. W. H. Schwind's Hackenschmidt, 3yrs., 8st.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. E. Dresden's Verus, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs.*	Saxby	0
Mr H. E. Randall's Begone, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	Hardy	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Vincula, 3yrs, 7st. 4lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. Bellamy's Mixed Powder, 4yrs., 7st. ...	Trigg	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted

(*Winner trained by Leach.*)

Betting: 11 to 8 agst. Indian Corn, 4 to 1 Marsden, 5 to 1 Begone, 8 to 1 Hackenschmidt, 10 to 1 Verus, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by a length and a half; two lengths divided the second and third. Verus was fourth, Vincula fifth, Begone next, and Mixed Powder last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 10secs.

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BOVRIL

From a spectator's standpoint the meeting which concluded yesterday must rank as one of the most enjoyable ever celebrated on the breezy uplands that dominate the town of Brighton.

Uninterrupted sunshine and exhilarating airs were associated with each stage of the fixture, and the gathering wound up under typical mid-summer conditions. When racing was resumed the downs were once more thronged with pleasure-seekers; across the valley the harvesters toiled laboriously in the semi-tropical heat, and away in the distance the sea, alive with white-winged craft, sparkled and scintillated in the blinding glare. It was not until the programme was half run through that the sky became over-cast and a thunderstorm hovered overhead, but happily it was not until the entertainment had concluded that rain began to fall. The Brook-side Plate, won a twelve months ago by Orme Shore, gave rise to some brisk speculation, and Amalgamation and Descombe were inseparable on the 9 to 4 mark when the lot of eight were despatched to an excellent start. Mr. Randall's filly, in receipt of 9lbs., had run Bancroft to a head at Goodwood, and though the form did not amount to much, she proved capable of holding her own in this company, scoring readily by three lengths from Monsieur Beaucaire. Descombe is the Desmond—Combine filly. She ran third to Lady Honora and Shanid Aboo on Tuesday, and could do no better than occupy a similar position to-day.

THE BRIGHTON HIGH-WEIGHT HANDICAP of 442sovs. One mile.

Sir E. Vincent's b f Donnetta, by Donovan—Rinovata, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs. ...	W. Lane 1
Mr. J. B. Joel's b h His Lordship, 5yrs., 9st. 7lbs.	B. Lynham 2
Mr. G. Edwardes's ch c Nutwith, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	B. Dillon 3
Mr. J. A. Miller's Muriel II., 4yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	W. Halsey 0
Mr. J. Tyler's Goodrest, 6yrs., 8st. 7lbs. ...	J. H. Martin 0
Mr. Ed. Lamb's Capot, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs. ...	Hardy 0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Camphor, 3yrs., 8st. 11lb.	J. Dillon 0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's f, by Isinglass—Sweet Duchess, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs. ...	Griggs 0

(*Winner trained by R. Day.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Muriel II., 7 to 2 Donnetta, 4 to 1 His Lordship, 7 to 1 Goodrest, 100 to 12 Nutwith, and 100 to 8 any other (offerd).

Won easily by a length; four lengths divided the second and third. Muriel II. was fourth, Camphor fifth, Goodrest sixth, and Sweet Duchess filly last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 36⅘secs.

THE SOUTHDOWN PLATE of 197sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile.

Mr. G. Edwardes's ch c Aspendale, by Fortunio—Uncertainty, 3yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	D. Maher w.o.

(*Winner trained by Major Edwards.*)

THE CLIFTONVILLE PLATE of 177sovs., for two-year-old fillies; 8st. 9lbs. each; with penalties, etc. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. S. M. Nolan's ch f Lady Honora, by Laveno—Bellavalley, 9st. 2lbs. ...	J. H. Martin 1
Mr. A. Stedall's br f Amychen, 8st. 12lbs.	J. Jarvis 2
Mr. E. Lamb's ch f Cosette, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Trigg 3

(*Winner trained by Grewsil.*)

BETTING: 8 to 1 on Lady Honora, 10 to 1 agst. Amychen, and 20 to 1 Cosette (offered).

Won easily by four lengths; six lengths divided the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 7secs.

CRICKET.

RUGBY *vs.* MARLBOROUGH.—Played at Lord's on 27th and 28th July. Marlborough won by nine wickets. On the first day of this match Marlborough had much the best of matters, for they scored 358, and dismissed four of their opponents for 127. For this good position they were largely indebted to their captain, A. P. Scott, who, going in first, made 155 in four hours by excellent all-round cricket, his hits including thirteen 4's. But Ireland and Butterworth also deserved well of their side, both playing a very good game indeed. The partnership between Scott and Butterworth for the first wicket produced 153 in an hour and three-quarters, and there was not much sting left in the bowling when they were separated. At lunch time the score was 214 for two wickets, and Scott only required a single to make his hundred. The partnership for the third wicket between Scott and Ireland was responsible for 140 runs in about an hour and-a-half. The Marlborough tail did very little, for Tripp, who had previously bowled lobs without any effect, went on again with slow round arm, and took five out of the last seven wickets for 30 runs. There was nothing remarkable in the batting of the Rugbeians until Chadwick and Burton came together for the fifth wicket, when the bowling was fairly mastered. When stumps were drawn at half-past six instead of seven, on account of the bad light, Chadwick was not out 21, and Burton not out 53, the unfinished partnership having produced 86 runs in about an hour. On the next morning these two men remained together until their entire partnership had increased the total by 145. They were both dismissed at the same total, 186, after being together for an hour and fifty minutes. There were now hopes that, thanks to their fine play, their school would easily save the follow on, but the tail did very little, Scott taking the last three wickets for 10 runs. In the follow on Burton again played fine cricket, among his hits being four on-drives to the boundary off successive balls from Scott. Sloman also played an excellent game, but the large individual total which was required was not forthcoming, although the innings defeat was saved. Marlborough had to make 67 to win, and so boldly did Milton hit that the runs were bowled off for the loss of one wicket.

MARLBOROUGH.

A. P. Scott, b Gordon ...	155	L. A. N. Slocock, c Rowe, b Tripp	6
H. M. Butterworth, c Tripp, b Burton ...	78	N. T. White, c Buault, b Tripp	3
N. W. Milson, b Burton ...	11	G. C. Phillips, not out ...	4
G. H. Ireland, c Rae, b Gordon	67	H. C. Burt, c Beattie, b Gordon	1
H. J. Goodwin, c and b Tripp	4	B 13, lb 2 ...	15
E. L. Goodman, b Tripp ...	14		
L. M. Robinson, b Tripp ...	0	Total ...	358

Second innings.—Butterworth, b Tripp. 0; Milton, not out, 49; Phillips, not out, 5; B 11, lb 2—Total (1 wkt.) 67.

RUGBY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H. N. P. Sloman, b Robinson	3	c White, b Goodwin ...	52
J. G. Rae, b Robinson ...	19	c White, b Scott ...	4
T. Bowring, st. White, b Goodwin	10	c Goodwin, b Scott ...	20
B. M. Chadwick, c and b Phillips	46	c Phillips, b Goodman ...	10
G. C. Tripp, st. White, b Robinson	5	c Goodwin, b Phillips ..	21
D. C. F. Burton, ht wkt., b Goodwin ...	88	l-b-w, b Goodwin ...	48
J. E. Gordon, c & b Goodwin	3	b Butterworth... ...	0
K. T. Cox, c Goodwin, b Scott	14	c Ireland, b Goodwin ...	17
C. E. Buault, not out ...	17	b Goodwin — ...	9
H. F. Beattie, b Scott —	0	c and b Goodwin ...	0
F. C. Rowe, b Scott ...	0	not out ...	1
B 17, lb 1, w 1, nb 2,	21	B 9, lb 10, w 2 ...	21
Total ...	221	Total	203

MARLBOROUGH.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beattie ...	13	0	66	0	6	2	18	0
Buault ...	12	1	40	0	1	0	10	0
Bowring ...	14	1	40	0	0·2	0	1	0
Gordon ...	22	6	53	3				
Tripp ...	22	1	71	5	6	2	8	1
Burton ...	21	4	59	2	2	0	9	0
Chadwick ...	4	0	14	0	3	1	8	0

RUGBY.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Burt ...	14	3	45	0	13	5	21	0
Robinson ...	21	5	52	3	4	1	13	0
Goodwin ...	22	3	54	3	16·5	4	46	5
Phillips ...	9	4	19	1	9	1	32	1
Goodman ...	9	4	20	0	13	7	17	1
Milton ...	1	1	0	0				
Scott ...	8·5	3	10	3	24	9	42	2
Butterworth ...					5	3	11	1

Burt bowled two no balls, Robinson one wide, and Goodman two wides.

SURREY *vs.* NOTTS.—Played at the Oval on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd August. Notts won by two wickets. Although this match was not played for the benefit of any player, the Surrey committee gave permission that a collection should be made on the ground on behalf of Robert Abel, whose benefit match, some years ago, was more or less of a failure. A very large crowd assembled, and as it happened they saw some of the most interesting cricket of the season. Surrey went in first, and on a not very easy wicket began very badly indeed—so badly that when Abel, Baker, Hayes, and Holland were all out the total was only 25, and as Hayward was not playing on account of a strain, things began to look exceedingly bad for the home team. But at this critical period Raphael and McDonell played so plucky a game that they put on 59 runs for the fifth wicket, Raphael's innings was perhaps the best of the day. Things looked better, but Surrey men were again disappointed, for the seventh wicket fell at 105, and the eighth at 133. But then there came the surprise of the innings, and Nice and Leveson-Gower put on 94 runs for the ninth wicket by the most attractive batting of the day. They occasionally made a risky hit, but on the whole they batted in a masterly manner, and Leveson-Gower at times delighted everybody by his clever placing of the ball. Thanks to these two men the Surrey total was much larger than had been anticipated. Notts had to bat for an hour and ten minutes. Unfortunately neither Iremonger nor A. O. Jones was able to appear in the Notts team, and in their absence the batting seemed very feeble. J. Gunn played a fine innings of 35 not out, but Lees bowled with great judgment, and when stumps were drawn four wickets were down for 65. On Tuesday morning Hardstaff and J. Gunn, realising that their side was in a bad position, played a most cautious game, and the former was at the wickets for an hour and ten minutes for his 11 runs. Gunn at one time took about an hour to make nine runs. Anthony remained with him for about an hour and-a-half during which 89 runs were put on, and at lunch time the total was 190 for six, Gunn being not out 94. Eventually Gunn's long and valuable innings came to a close after he had been batting for four hours. Thanks largely to him Surrey only had a lead of 19 runs, and on going in a second time, lost Baker with the total at 19. Raphael then joined Able, who played really brilliant cricket, and scored 30 out of the first 36 runs, and then he was bowled for 32 the total was only 40. Afterwards Raphael played another fine innings, and McDonell seemed well set when he was thrown out, but on the whole the batting was disappointing. At the end of the day Leveson-Gower made a very plucky effort to put a better appearance on the game, and when stumps were drawn he was not out 25, with the total at 161 for 8 wickets, so that Surrey were 180 runs on. Leveson-Gower could not get anyone to stay with him or the total might have been much larger, for he was again showing excellent form. Notts had to make 197 to win. For some time it seemed that this task would offer no difficulty, for after W. Gunn was out at 34, John Gunn and George Gunn increased the score to 100 by lunch time without being separated. Thus everything pointed to quite an easy victory. After lunch the two Gunns went steadily on, and 157 went up after the innings had lasted for two hours and-a-half. With only 40 more runs to make, and nine wickets in hand, no one dreamed that there would be a desperate fight before the match was won. But a change occurred in the fortunes of the game. With the total unaltered John Gunn was caught at point, having helped George to put on 123 for the second wicket in a little more than two hours. With the total at 167 two more men were out, including George Gunn who had played an invaluable innings of 86, which had lasted for two hours and three-quarters. Then Dixon and Hardstaff remained together until, with six wickets in hand, only a boundary hit was required to give Notts the victory. At this period of the game Hayes bowled Dixon and Anthony. But there were still four wickets to fall, and it seemed impossible that the result could be in doubt much longer. With a single added Oates was bowled by Nice, and when Hallam was l-b-w after another run had been made, the crowd was in the highest state of excitement, for although it was very long odds that with two wickets still in hand Notts would make the two runs required, there was just the bare chance that they might fail. Wass came in and scored a single, thus making the totals equal, and at last Hardstaff, who had been playing a very safe game, made the winning hit, and Notts were victorious by two wickets. Hayes took the last three wickets for seven runs in two overs and four balls.

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Abel, b J. Gunn ...	1	b J. Gunn ...	32
Baker, c Hallam, b Wass ...	1	c Day, b Wass ...	0
J. E. Raphael, l-b-w, b Anthony	40	b J. Gunn ...	41
Hayes, b J. Gunn... ...	17	c Oates, b J. Gunn ...	7
Holland, c Hallam, b Wass ...	0	c Day, b Wass ...	15
H. C. McDonell, c W. Gunn, b Wass	26	run out	23
H. Budgen, run out ...	2	c Hallam, b Wass ...	1
Lees, b J. Gunn	30	c J. Gunn, b Wass ...	11
Nice, b Wass	61	b Wass	5
H. D. G. Leveson-Gower, c Hallam, b Day	50	not out	34
Strudwick, not out ...	0	c Day, b Wass ...	7
B 8, lb 3	11	Bye	1
Total — ...	239	Total	77

NOTTS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
W. Gunn, c Strudwick, b Lees	14	c Hayes, b Nice ...	22
G. Gunn, b Lees ...	0	b Nice	86
J. Gunn l-b-w, b Hayes ...	100	c Budgen, b Nice ...	44
Day, b Lees, ...	4	b Nice	4
J. A. Dixon, c Hayes, b Lees	0	b Hayes	7
Hardstaff, c Hayes, b Nice ...	11	not out	20
Anthony, c McDonell, b Nice	49	b Hayes	0
Oates, not out	18	b Nice	1
Hallam, l-b-w, b Lees ...	1	l-b-w, b Hayes ...	1
Wass, l-b-w, b Hayes ...	7	not out	1
Pennington, b Hayes ...	0		
B 10, lb 6 ...	16	B 4, lb 5, w 1, nb 1	11
Total — ...	220	Total (8 wkts.) ...	197

SURREY.

First Innings.					Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wass ...	28·5	6	89	4	28·4	4	87	6
Gunn, J.	25	4	70	3	24	4	59	3
Hallam ...	11	5	18	0	4	0	13	0
Pennington	11	3	17	0	3	0	10	0
Day ...	2	1	7	1	2	0	7	0
Anthony ...	9	2	27	1				

NOTTS.

First Innings.					Second Innings.*			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees ...	39	20	63	5	22	3	58	0
Budgen ...	22	2	63	0	3	0	7	0
Nice ...	18	2	49	2	21	4	62	5
McDonell ...	7	3	13	0	4	1	14	0
Hayes ...	8	2	16	3	17·4	3	46	3

Hayes bowled one wide, and Nice delivered one no-ball.

* It will be noticed that there is a mistake of a run in the bowling analysis in the Notts' second innings, but the runs to each bowler are as given on the card of the match.

MIDDLESEX *vs.* SOMERSET.—Played at Taunton on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd August. Middlesex won by an innings and 15 runs. So completely did the Middlesex batting outclass the Somerset bowling on Bank Holiday that 443 runs were scored by the visitors at the rate of more than a hundred per hour. The chief feature of the day's cricket was the partnership for the second wicket between G. W. Beldam and J. Douglas, who took the score from 10 to 201 before being separated. Douglas was batting for two hours, and played well all round the wicket, some of his hits being particularly good. His brother, who played first-rate cricket, helped Beldam to put on 111 for the third wicket in less than an hour. Beldam played a splendid innings, which included twenty 4's; he was batting for two hours and three-quarters, and made his highest score of the season by beautiful cricket. Hunt played a fine and determined game, and, with Hearne as a partner, put up 55 for the last wicket. Somerset had to go in for twenty minutes, and lost a wicket for 18. On Tuesday Somerset fared rather badly, but the tail to some extent redeemed the failure of the first five men, who could only account for 60 between them. Martyn was at the wickets for nearly an hour for his 43, and Daniell played exceedingly good cricket, putting on 60 runs for the last wicket in partnership with Cranfield. Somerset had to follow on, and lost their first five wickets for 103 runs. Johnson played a fine game, but could get no one to stop with him. The tail did very little, and at a quarter past six Middlesex were victorious. Johnson was batting for an hour and-a-half for his excellent innings of 74. In the Somerset second innings Napier and Wells both bowled very well indeed.

MIDDLESEX.

P. F. Warner, b Braund ...	4	Trott, b Cranfield ...	1
J. Douglas, c Palairet, b Cranfield	114	R. W. Nicholls, st. Martin, b Cranfield	10
G. W. Beldam, c Martyn, b Cranfield	141	G. G. Napier, c and b Braund	0
R. N. Douglas, c Johnson, b Braund	50	Hearne, c Robson, b Cranfield ... —	20
M. W. Payne, b Braund ...	5	B 2, lb 2, w 1 ...	5
C. M. Wells, c Robson, b Cranfield	17	Total	443
J. H. Hunt, not out ...	76		

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Lewis, c Wells, b Beldam ..	8	b Napier	1
Major W. C. Hedley, b Wells	13	b Trott	19
P. R. Johnson, b Wells ...	3	c Napier, b Wells ...	74
L. C. H. Palairet, b Hunt ...	19	b Napier	25
Braund, b Wells	10	c Trott, b Napier ...	1
Robson, b Trott	37	c and b Wells ..	1
S. M. J. Woods, b Trott	22	c Napier, b Wells ...	15
H. Martyn, c R. Douglas, b Wells	45	b Wells	10
F. M. Lee, b Trott ...	16	b Napier	9
J. Daniell, c Trott, b Napier ...	43	not out	12
Cranfield, not out	17	c R. Douglas, b Trott	5
B 14, lb 1 ...	15	B 6, lb 1, nb 1 ...	8
Total ...	248	Total ...	180

MIDDLESEX.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	37·2	6	146	6	Robson ...	16	1	65	0
Braund ...	37	3	154	4	Lewis ...	8	2	44	3
Hedley ...	6	2	16	0	Palairet ...	2	0	13	0

Braund bowled one wide.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.					Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne ...	16	3	44	0	5	1	18	0
Trott ...	20	3	63	3	12·2	2	46	2
Beldam ...	2	1	2	1	6	1	15	0
Wells ...	27	4	87	4	12	0	40	4
Hunt ...	12	1	37	1				
Napier ...	0·4	0	0	1	16	6	53	4

Napier delivered a no-ball.

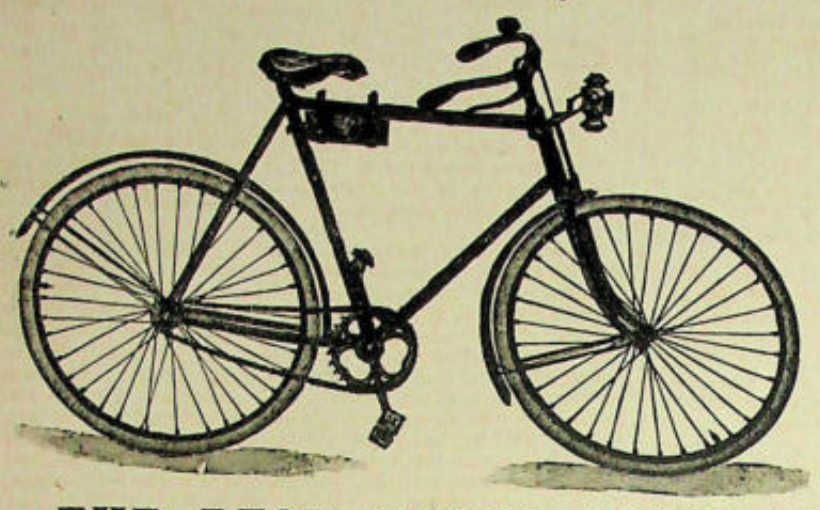
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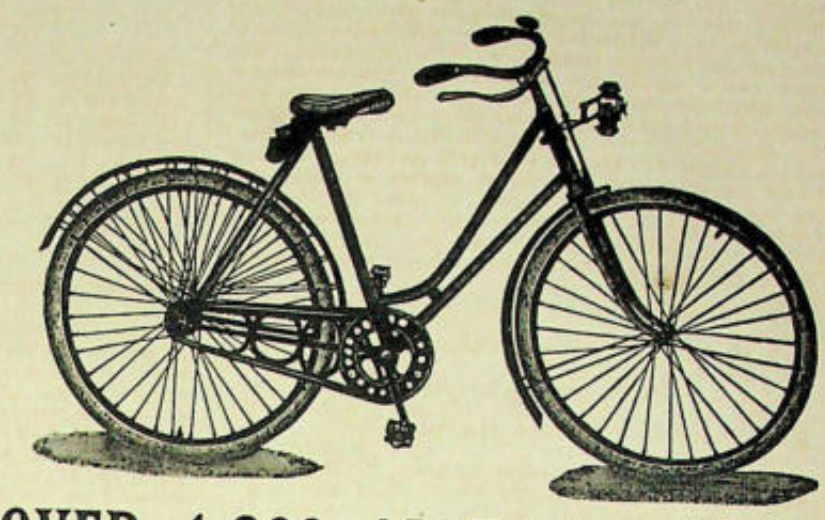
KENT *vs.* ESSEX.—Played on the St. Lawrence Ground on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd August. Kent won by 220 runs. So many good players were at the service of the Kent committee for this match that it was decided to leave out Alec Hearne, a proceeding which seems a little like a mistake. Essex were in much the same position with regard to Buckenham, who, however, in the absence of Tremlin was wired for. Kent were batting nearly the whole of the first day, but before stamps were drawn Carpenter and Fane put up 55 for Essex without being separated. Dillon and Humphreys put up 74 for the first wicket in a little over three-quarters of an hour, and for the fourth, with Day, Mason made 135 in a little more than an hour and-a-half. Day played a most attractive innings, among his hits being sixteen 4's. Another long partnership, producing 107 runs in an hour, ensued between Mason and Blaker, both of whom were eventually run out. Mason made his third hundred in successive innings by excellent cricket: he was batting for about three hours. The tail did not do much. On Tuesday, Fane was promptly dismissed, but McGahey helped Carpenter to increase the score by 59, and to bring the total to 122, when he and Carpenter as well as Freeman were all disposed of. Afterwards Turner and A. P. Lucas put on 67 for the sixth wicket by very good cricket indeed, and as Douglas and Reeves made useful scores, the total was only 60 behind that of Kent. Before stumps were drawn Kent lost four wickets for 86, Day being not out 31. Yesterday Blaker and Day put on 91 runs in an hour, having made 19 while together on the previous evening. After this things did not go well for Kent, who, nevertheless, were able to give Essex the task of making 314 in three hours and three-quarters, a task which proved altogether too great for them.

They have cycle thieves even in South Africa, and the Kaffirs have been suspected, and in so many cases proved guilty, that a new law is being put in force which only permits Kaffirs to ride bicycles painted yellow. Others will avoid this colour, but surely it is possible to obtain yellow "paint" in South Africa, and the purloined black might soon become yellow, but all the same if a black (or brown) is seen on a black bicycle, he would have to explain things.

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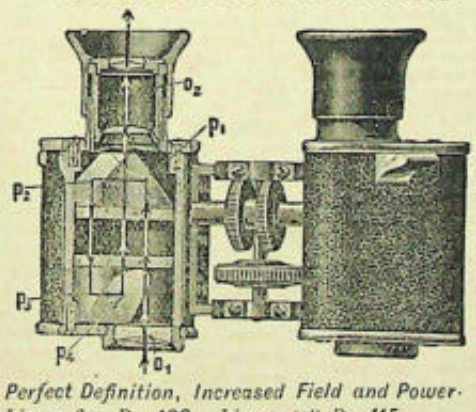
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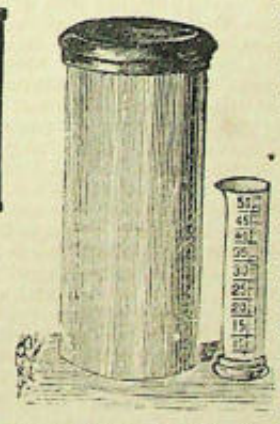
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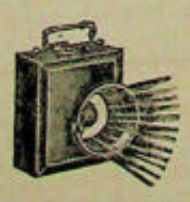
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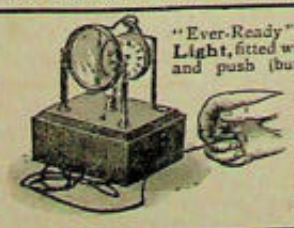
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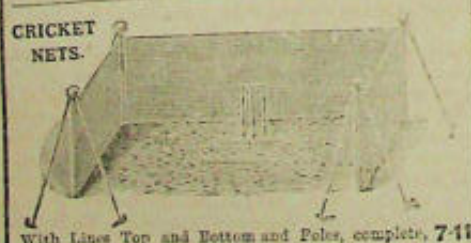
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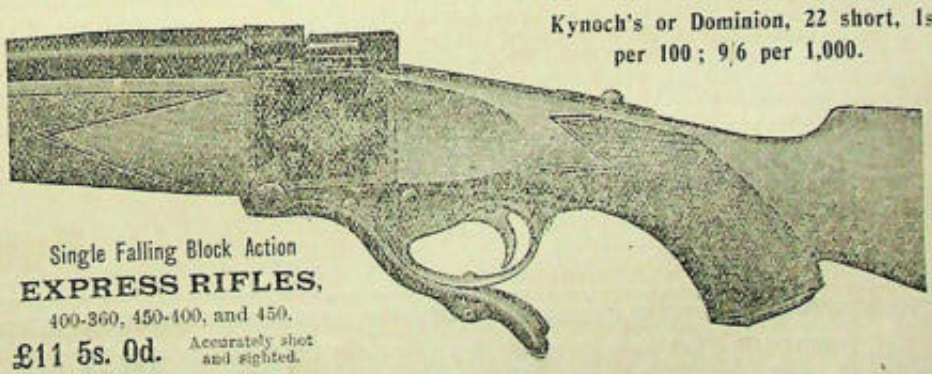
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Seymour (James), b Reeves ...		4	b Buckenham ...		9
S. H. Day, c Lucas, b Douglas		81	c Douglas, b Keigwin...		65
J. R. Mason, run out ...		133	b Reeves		3
R. N. R. Blaker, run out ...		14	c Keigwin, b Reeves ...		62
C. H. B. Marsham, b Reeves...		0	c Fane, b Buckenham		17
Huish, c Lucas, b Buckenham		1	c Perrin, b Reeves ...		13
Fairservice, c Lucas, b Reeves		6	not out		22
Blythe, c Carpenter, b Buckenham...		13	b Reeves		8
Fielder, not out		0	b Reeves		7
B 27, lb 10, w 1 ...		38	Extras ..		17
Total	...	392	Total	...	253

ESSEX.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
F. L. Fine, c Seymour, b Fielder		19	c Huish, b Fielder	...	20
Carpenter, b Fairservice...		66	c Huish, b Fielder	...	18
C. H. McGahey, c Seymour, b Mason		23	c Dillon, b Fielder	...	4
P. A. Perrin, l-b-w, b Fairservice		17	c Huish, b Fielder	...	0
E. J. Freeman, c and b Fairservice ...		0	b Fairservice ...	...	1
A. J. Turner, c Huish, b Blythe		75	c Seymour, b Blythe	...	19
A. P. Lucas, b Mason ...		44	c Huish, b Fairservice	...	0
J. W. H. T. Douglas, c Huish, b Dillon ...		30	b Fairservice ...	...	7
R. P. Keigwin, c Mason, b Blythe... ...		8	c Dillon, b Fielder	...	13
Reeves, c Huish, b Blythe		27	c Marsham, b Fielder	...	2
Buckenham, not out ...		0	not out ...	...	6
B 19, lb 1, w 1, nb 2		23	Extras ..		4
Total	...	332	Total	...	94

KENT.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Reeves ...	39	10	144	4		32·4	12	83	6
Douglas ...	20	8	29	2		3	0	13	0
Keigwin ...	11	1	46	0		4	0	19	1
Carpenter ...	3	1	8	0					
McGahey ...	7	1	28	0					
Freeman ...	2	0	6	0					
Buckenham...	13	3	53	2		31	3	121	3

Carpenter bowled a wide.

ESSEX.

First Innings.	O.	M	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fielder ...	22	2	68	1		14·2	2	45	6
Blythe ...	30·3	8	73	3		6	3	9	1
Mason ...	22	8	62	2		9	3	15	0
Fairservice ...	27	9	65	3		17	7	21	3
Humphreys	10	4	16	0					
Dillon ...	6	1	25	1					

Fielder delivered two no-balls and one wide.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

THE LEICESTERSHIRE MATCH.—Played at Leicester on 1st, 2nd and 3rd August. South Africans won by an innings and 1 run. The visit of the colonial team attracted a large crowd to the cricket ground on Monday. The visitors had very much the best of the first day's play, for after disposing of Leicestershire for 171 they made 203 for the loss of only two wickets. Sinclair and Kotze both bowled remarkably well. The South Africans lost Shalders with the total at 5, but Tancred and Hathorn then took charge of the bowling and put on 181 in about two hours and a quarter before they were separated. Tancred played a beautiful game and made his fourth hundred of the tour. When stumps were drawn Hathorn was still unconquered with 82 to his credit. He increased his score by 46 on Tuesday, his entire innings having lasted for three hours and-a-half, while his hits included twenty 4's. Towards the end of the innings Halliwell and White played wonderfully good cricket and added 154 to the total for the eighth wicket. Halliwell was batting for an hour and three-quarters for his brilliant 88. White played a very fine game. Leicestershire had to go in against a balance of 298, and De Trafford and Wood put up 88 for the first wicket in a little over three-quarters of an hour, and King, Coe and R. T. Crawford also played well. But when stumps were drawn, with the total at 199 five wickets were down, and nearly a hundred runs still required to save the innings defeat. Gill played a vigorous innings yesterday, and scored 62 runs in thirty-five minutes, but his side just failed to save the innings defeat.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
C. E De Trafford, b Sinclair		17	b Middleton ...	...	57
C. J. B. Wood, b Kotze ...		16	b Middleton ...	...	34
King, b Kotze		6	b Kotze ...	...	44
Whitehead, lbw, b Sinclair...		53	b Kotze ...	...	6
Coe, b Middleton ...		27	b Sinclair ...	...	21
R. T. Crawford, c Shalders, b Sinclair		13	c Tancred, b Kotze	...	44
Gill, b Sinclair		8	b White ...	...	62
W. W. Odell, st Halliwell, b Sinclair		3	c Halliwell, b Kotze	...	14
Toon, c White, b Kotze ...		13	b White ...	...	0
Allsopp, b Sinclair ...		0	not out ...	...	0
Whiteside, not out ...		1	b White ...	...	0
B 8, lb 4, w 2 ...		14	Extras	...	10
Total	...	171	Total	...	292

SOUTH AFRICANS.

L. Tancred, st Whiteside, b Odell ...	...	109	J. H. Sinclair, b Odell	... 0
W. Shalders, b Odell ...		1	G. White, b King	... 80
M. Hathorn, c Whiteside, b King ...	...	128	E. Halliwell, not out	... 88
J. Middleton, c Crawford, b Allsopp ...	...	4	S. Horwood, b King	... 0
S. Snooke, b Allsopp		18	J. Kotze, l b w, b King	... 22
F. Mitchell, c Whitehead, b Odell ...	...	10	B 5, lb 1, nb 3	... 9
			Total	... 464

LEICESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	Second Innings.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	16·5	1	54		3	29	5	98	4
Sinclair ...	16	3	65		6	12	3	31	1
White ...	5	1	16		0	8·4	1	47	3
Middleton	11	3	22		1	22	1	100	2
				Snooke	4		3	6	0

Kotze and Middleton each bowled one wide.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Gill ...	16	1	76	0	Coe ...	9	0	35	0
Odell ...	33	6	125	4	Toon ...	7	0	27	0
Allsopp	19	4	60	2	Crawford	3	0	19	0
King ...	24·2	3	82	4	Whiteh'd	5	1	31	0

Gill bowled three no-balls.

OTHER MATCHES.

On the 28th, 29th and 30th July at Leyton, Middlesex beat Essex by ten wickets; Lancashire beat Worcestershire by 192 runs at Old Trafford; the matches between South Africans and Yorkshire (at Hull), Surrey and Hampshire (at Southampton), Notts and Derbyshire (at Welbeck Abbey) and Sussex *vs.* Somerset (at Bath) were all abandoned. On the 1st, 2nd and 3rd August Gloucester beat Sussex at Bristol by 168 runs; Hampshire beat Derbyshire at Derby by nine wickets; the matches between Yorkshire and Lancashire (Hirst's benefit at Leeds) and Warwick and Worcester (at Worcester) were drawn.

GOLF.

THE CALCUTTA CUP.

The fifth and semi-final rounds of the Calcutta Cup, which is competed for by Royal and ancient members, took place at St. Andrews yesterday in fine golfing weather. None of the leading players are left in the struggle which detracts considerable interest from the final stage. In the fifth round Mr. Macallum led throughout in his match against Mr. Oldham, while in the second tie Mr. Gollan, after being two up at the turn, gave nothing away on the homeward journey, eventually winning by 3 and 2. Mr. Armour had also a very easy task in defeating Mr. Rutherford. Messrs. Gollan and Macallum had a stiff match in the semi-final round. They were all square at the turn, and the match was carried to the last green, where Mr. Macallum claimed victory. Results:—

FIFTH ROUND.

Mr. A. R. Macallum (1) beat Mr. A C. Oldham (6) by 5 and 4.
Mr. Spencer Gollan (1) beat L. I. Percival (3) by 3 and 2.
Mr. W. T. Armour (3) beat Mr. G. M. Rutherford (2) by 4 and 2.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mr. Gollan beat Mr. Macallum by one hole.
Mr. Armour a bye.

FINAL.

The final took place to-day when Messrs. A. R. Macallum and W. T. Armour halved the match.

SWIMMING.

A GREAT CHANNEL SWIM.

The records made by Captain Webb and Montague Holbein in their long distance Channel swims from Dover to Ramsgate previous to attempting their cross-Channel swims, were beaten yesterday by Mr. John Albert Weidmann, a native of Dover, who accomplished the extraordinary feat of swimming from Dover to Ramsgate in six hours. The task was undertaken and carried through with an entire absence of elaborate preparations and feeding. Weidmann left Dover Beach at 11-15 A.M. in a rowing boat manned by four oarsmen and in charge of boatman William Saunders. He was accompanied by Mr. A. G. Hunt, who lent his boat, the *Favourite*, for that purpose, Mr. B. Harland, of the Dover S. C., Mr. P. Lasbery, Mr. F. Kidd, a representative of the *Dover Standrad* and two others. Rowing out to the lightship off Dover Bay, about a mile and a half from the shore, the party waited for the flood tide to start. The swinging of the lightship at 11-30 indicated that the flood tide had commenced, and at 11-35 Weidmann plunged into the sea with a hearty send-off from his friends, and started off at a good pace with the breast-stroke. Weidmann used no preparation whatever upon his body, and protected his head and neck from the blazing sun with a white canvas brimmed hat. Weidmann was for many years engaged as a seaman in the Australian Service and is of simple habits. To the surprise of his friends he brought no food or drink with him. He said he had taken a "square" meal for breakfast and would require no more from the time he entered the water till he left it. He started off with about 30 strokes to the minute, which he increased later and made an average of 34 to the minute. Weidmann is a powerful and fast swimmer, and he kept the men very busy at the oars. In a quarter of an hour he had cleared the bay, and within the half hour he was off the Convict Prison on Dover Cliffs, keeping about a mile and a half from the short. From here the tide strengthened considerably, and he ploughed along in grand style. By half-past twelve he was off the South Foreland, and half an hour later he was swimming through St. Margaret's Bay. From here to Deal the south-westerly breeze increased. A fair wind helped the swimmer greatly, and he made capital progress. There was a "popple" on the sea which frequently broke over the swimmer's face, but he said it did not distress him. Deal Pier was passed in 2hrs. 52mins from the start and then some of those who had been in the boat swam with Wiedmann, but it was very difficult to keep pace with him. From Deal to Sandown, thence across the shallow waters of Pegwell Bay, Weidmann made splendid progress, swimming with clockwork precision, and reached Ramsgate at 5-30 in the evening. Half a mile from the entrance to Ramsgate Harbour Weidmann was much elated at his success, and was heartily cheered by his friends as he clambered into the boat unaided. To the surprise of all, he appeared as fresh as when he entered the water while he rubbed himself down and dressed himself without assistance. When he left the water he was given some brandy and port wine, having taken nothing throughout his marvellous feat of endurance. Weidmann, who was a friend of Captain Webb's, is about thirty-five years of age, of medium height, and turns the scale at a little over 13st. He informed a Dover correspondent who accompanied him that he had only been training three weeks for an hour a day, and that he hopes to attempt to swim across the Channel.

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Hunting.

THE OOTACAMUND HUNT.

ON MONDAY (15th instant) the meet was at Kandal Cross Roads, the weather being hot and still. There was a fairly large field out. The first draw was along the marshy ground that runs in the same direction as the long swamp, up the back of Bagman. Hounds picked up a line at once, which they hunted at no great pace but very steadily over the swamp and past Rees' Corner, through Dairymaid Shola and down to Fairlawn Road. In the nullahs above the road there were too many jacks afoot to hope for much sport, so the Master took the first opportunity for stopping hounds. We then trotted back and drew Druid Shola, Jackal Shola and Rallywood all blank, though at the bottom of the last there was a stale line. We kept on towards Newmarket and about half way down hounds opened on a line. The run that followed was over a most unusual line. Crossing the Blackmoor Vale, hounds ran up the west side of Bagman and then swinging to the left skirted the bottom of Mills' Covert and went nearly down to the Municipal Stream, above which they checked. Hitting it off again they went away at a tremendous pace, turning to the right up the side of the swamp between Bagman and the first New Covert. Here the Master viewed the jack in front of them. On reaching the south shoulder of Bagman the Master was told that there were two jacks in front of us and immediately afterwards they divided. Part of the pack swung down to the bottom of Jackal Shola and killed their jack there. The rest hunted through the top of Jackal Shola and over the road into Monkey Shola, then out again, leaving Rallywood on their right and over the hill to Bluegums. Here they hunted their jack for a long time, bustling him up and down until at last the Master viewed him away seemingly dead beat, towards Porlock Wood. Leaving this on his left he took us into Governor's Shola and lay down in the thick bracken. Hounds roused him again and pressed him hard, but he kept going and held his own in front of them through Governor's Shola, from end to end, through Shaw's Plantation and on to Bamboo Shola, where they lost him. During this run no fewer than four sambur went away at different times across the line, but hounds never left the line of their jack. It was a trying day for hounds, on account of the heat.

On Thursday (18th) the meet was at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar at 7-45 A.M. The day was bright and there was a heavy dew, but it was very hot, in spite of a cool breeze. A fairly large field was out. The first draw was along the swamp above Pamela's Crossing and from here hounds spoke to a line. It was very stale, however, and they hunted it slowly to the Pykara Road a little short of the 7th Milestone. It was no use wasting our time further on this, so we crossed the swamp from the shola, and from the head of the Dartnmoor Valley a jack went away in view. He took us at a rare pace past Windy Gap and Wapshare's Hare Shola, through Wenlock Wood and Khed Shola, to the saddle above Toda Coffee Shop Shola. Here he was twice headed by people on the road and there was a check for a moment, giving him time to get another lead of hounds. Turning into Toda Coffee Shop Shola he ran through it, and at the Coffee Shola took to running the path, which he followed to its junction with the Pykara Road, and then followed the road. Just short of the Pykara Plague Camp, he turned sharp to the right and saved his brush by going to ground in the earth below the Camp, where we left him. It was a very fast and enjoyable run.

We then moved off below Rock Shola and drew along the banks of the Pykara River. Below Dormer the Master viewed three jacks out of a nullah and laid hounds on, but they turned up to Dormer at once and he had to stop them. After drawing a longway up the Yemakal Valley without finding again the Master turned towards home and on the hill where the single Bluegum tree grows hounds picked up a line. This they hunted with a very indifferent scent to the bottom of Bacon Wood and on entering this it was found that several jacks were on foot. One broke out on the Briar Shola side and another was halloaed away on the Chemmund side at the same moment. Only five couple of hounds came to the Master's horn and these hunted their jack as far as Yemakal Shola, where they lost him. Another part of the pack went to Timmy's halloa and ran through Chemmund and on to the Pykara River before they could be stopped. A third lot came out near the bottom and ran their jack to ground in the big earth below the single Bluegum tree. Captain Fife then collected hounds and came home. There was an excellent scent early in the morning, but it weakened greatly as the morning wore on.

BLUE GUM.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

I HAVE no need from all I can gather to make any excessive demand for red letters wherewith to chronicle the hunt of the 14th of August. Dighi was the meet and, bearing in mind that it is little short of 9 miles, quite a large field of sportsmen, and more than one sportswoman, all keen for a gallop struggled out of bed in that "darkest hour that comes before the dawn" so as to be 10 miles from home before six o' the morning. Dighi lies about a mile from one of the celebrated sister hills to the nearer of which hounds were taken and "hoie'-ed" on to its steep side covered with, as far as I can make out, shrubs and grass and the ubiquitous boulder. If it is true that two solid hours were expended in drawing the one hill cover it is perhaps not to be wondered at that most except the keenest began to get impatient, even the varied assortment of quarry including a brace of hill foxen and a sounder of pig failing to arouse waning enthusiasm. Some say a jack was on foot, but between evidently bad scent and the impregnable fastnesses hounds were unable to drive their varmint friend into the open. It was not, so far as my information goes, till nearly half-past eight that a move was made towards the Indriani river, some miles on the further side of the hill, and the intervening country appears to have been monotonous and devoid of incident. Several small crops were drawn blank and it was not till quite late and till the ever-increasing heat had rendered scent a forlorn hope that hounds hustled either two or three jack out of a small cover of garden land but could make nothing of either or any of them and the temporary hope was blighted in the bud. The general impression seems to be that much valuable time was misapplied though of course it is ever easy to be sagacious after it is all over. And so experienced a Master, as Colonel Shringham must be given credit for knowing what he is about. But it is at any rate well to be borne in mind by all caterers for the public that in one sip of the bitters of life one is (unreasonably though it may be) apt to forget the sweets one has quaffed. One depressing day tends to make mortal man forget the good ones that have gone before and in this Indian hunting one can sometimes apparently do more than "deserve success" one can "command" it.

On the 18th a fairly large field headed by Lord Lamington assembled at the Railway Crossing on the Ganeshkhind Road, but it is sad to find that "some one had blundered" and that a previously advertised meet afterwards altered had not been cancelled from the list of engagements published in the local *Thunderer* and consequently several keen people assembled at the first-named spot several miles away. Matters like this do not tend to swell subscription lists. Among those who happily know of the alteration were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lucas, Major and Mrs. Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. Beatty, Mrs. Sheringham's the Master's wife, Lady Cox, Mrs. and Miss Anderson, Colonel Channer, Mr. du Barslay, Captain Meynell in attendance on His Excellency and a few others including I hear strangers whose name I haven't been able to get. Drawing through some garden land near the Railway line which proved blank a jack wasifound in "Channer's Covert" which, it may be remembered, provided so stout a jack on a previous occasion. But alas the glorious scent which tended to such a brilliant run in that instance was absent and instead of racing away hounds had to worry it out patiently at a moderate pace. Through the outskirts of the Government Botanical Gardens the jack went and then swung suddenly to the left for some reason known best to himself towards the plain of Pashun. Scent I here improved for a time and hope ran high but after reaching the Body-Guard lines unaccountably (after the manner of that strange mystery—scent—) failed altogether and hounds had to own that they could make nothing of. A pleasant little hunting run full of interest and lasting about 10 minutes from find to check.

Then a move was made for Pashun, where a jack was viewed stealing away and owing to the dryness and hardness of the ground hounds had all they could do to work out the line. This they seem to have done admirably taking the line past the embankment and so up the hills beyond. Getting into grass land scent improved considerably but once more failing hounds had to be taken home. This was, I am told, a most pleasant little bit of rough hunting, and on the whole it was a most sporting morning and everyone went on their way homewards rejoicing.

SCARAMOUCH.

Mr. F. S. Kelly attributes his defeat in the "Diamonds" to the fact that he endeavoured to train himself this year. He hopes to challenge in 1905, and pursue a very different policy. M'Yes.



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POONA JUNIOR TOURNAMENT.

	1st Ties.			2nd Ties.	3rd Ties.	4th. Ts.
29th Lancers	...	...	...	Monday 22nd.	Friday 26th.	Final Wednesday, 31st.
Freebooters	...	...	...			
93rd Highlanders	...	...	...	Tuesday 23rd.		
Connaught Rangers	...	...	...			
Bombay Gymkhana	...	...	...	Wednes-day 24th	Friday 26th.	
33rd Cavalry, "A"	...	...	...			
R. E. "A"	...	...	...			
1st Dragoons	...	...	...			
R. E. "B"	...	...	...	bye	Monday 29th.	
R. A.	...	...	...	bye		
26th Cavalry	...	...	...	bye		
33rd Cavalry	...	...	...	bye		

FREEBOOTERS *vs.* 29TH LANCERS.—The tournament opened on the 22nd instant with the meeting of the above teams. The weather conditions were excellent, the ground in good order and the attendance a large one. The game between the Connaught Rangers and the 93rd. Highlanders which had been fixed for the same day fell through, the Rangers having scratched.

First Chukker.—Play ruled very even and was carried on in midfield, but towards the end of the period the Lancers put in a good run resulting in a subsidiary. *Score*: 29th Lancers 1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—This was another very even chukker, the ball being taken up and down the field without any change in the scoring.

Third Chukker.—The Freebooters got possession and rushing down hit a subsidiary: on the ball being hit in they secured it once more and added a second minor point. The Freebooters kept the ball in the Lancers' territory till Burton broke away and hit a goal for the 29th. *Score:* 29th Lancers 1 goal 1 subsidiary, Freebooters 2 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—Play was fast all through the period, but there was no further scoring.

Fifth Chukker.—The 29th got the ball and confining play to their opponents' half and put the ball through. Then the Freebooters returned to the charge but the ball went wide. The Lancers got away again and Birch hit another goal, the game thus ending in a win for the Lancers by 3 goals and 1 subsidiary to 2 subsidiaries. Teams:—

29TH LANCERS.	FREEBOOTERS.
Lieut. W. S. Clerke Burton.	Lt. Kearsey.
Capt. V. K. Birch.	Mr. Swifte, I. C. S.
Lt. C. G. H. Henderson.	Capt. Meynell, A.-D.-C.
Major D. S. Buist (*back*).	Capt. Boileau, R. E. (*back*).

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* 33RD CAVALRY.—These teams met in the first ties on the 23rd instant, a large and fashionable gathering being present. The Cavalry men outplayed their opponents throughout, keeping them almost entirely on the defensive, and eventually winning by 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 2 goals. Messrs. Graham and Crum scored the Gymkhana goals by a couple of fine runs. The Cavalry played a splendid game, their forwards displaying great dash. Teams:—

33RD Q. O. LIGHT CAVALRY.	BOMBAY GYMKHANA.
Capt. H. R. Hopwood.	Mr. J. Graham.
Lieut. F. H. B. Passy.	Mr. Barraclough.
Capt. M. H. Anderson.	Mr. W. E. Crum.
Major F. J. M. Edwards (*back.*)	Mr. Cornish (*back.*)

Umpires.—Major England and Captain Hewlett.

ROYAL DRAGOONS *vs.* ROYAL ENGINEERS ("A" Team).—This game was also played on the 23rd instant and was evenly and hotly contested, the Engineers winning by 4 goals and 6 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary.

First Chukker.—The Sappers got away quickest and put on 3 subsidiaries in quick succession before the Dragoons got going. *Score*: R. E. 3 subs.

Second Chukker.—The Dragoons had found their feet by this time and getting on hit a goal. The Engineers put on 2 goals and a subsidiary before the close of the period. One of these goals is the subject of dispute for it was scored between the sound of the Time-keeper's trumpet and the Umpire's whistle. *Score*: R. E. 2 goals and 4 subsidiaries. Dragoons 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—Fast play ended in a minor point to the Dragoons. *Score*: R. E. 2 goals and 4 subsidiaries. Dragoons 1 goal 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—Play in this *chukker* was most exciting. The Dragoons rushed away and hit 2 goals, the Sappers adding two minor points. *Score*: R. E. 2 goals 6 subsidiaries. Dragoons 3 goals and 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The R. E. had the best of matters and getting on hit 2 more goals, thus winning by 4 goals and 6 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary. Teams:—

ROYAL DRAGOONS.	R. E. ("A" TEAM).
Capt. B. E. P. Leighton.	Major J. P. Brewin.
Capt. H. D. McNeile.	Capt. A. G. Bremner.
Capt. Hon. A. Hamilton Russell.	Major Leslie.
Capt. Hon. C. H. C. Guest, *Capt.*	Col. G. C. P. Onslow, *Capt.*

Umpires: Colonel Kettlewell and Major England.

Who is the "biggest bicyclist?" is the latest query, but says a writer in the *C. T. Gazette* I think the claim of O'Connor, at present in the employ of Palethorp's—the famous sausage firm, I presume. O'Connor's height is 7 feet 2½ inches; the frame of his bicycle, built by Messrs. Paskell, of Spring Hill, Birmingham, is 84 inches (the average size is 24-26 inches), and the distance from saddle to pedal is 45 inches, but the wheels are only 30 inches. Needless to say, O'Connor creates a great sensation wherever he appears, especially as he is a well built good-looking young man.

Rowing.

HENLEY ROWING OF THE LAST HALF CENTURY.

NOW that Henley Regatta is over, and with it first class rowing for this year, writes an "Old Light Blue" in *The Field*, will you allow one who rowed there and won the Grand Challenge and Stewards' cups to spin a yarn on the rowing of the last half century? If rowing be the grandest and most unselfish of British sports, certainly Henley is the centre of it, and that not only for Great Britain but for the whole world. And yet how little appears in your columns about the good old days—when various men and sets of men made their mark and, for a time, carried all before them, only in their turn to be beaten by younger oars, or, if wise, to retire unbeaten into private life.

The first set of victorious oars, whose tanned and wirey forms I still see before me winning the Grand and Stewards' in 1857, were the men of the Loudon Rowing Club, then in its prime—Playford, senr., Casamajor, Nottidge, and Payne. They were considerably older than University men, and rowed like watermen—the body work a little uneven, backs not all flat, but the oars in perfect time, and feathering like one man; and how they did work!! They were defeated by a fine Cambridge crew in 1858 but in 1859 they defeated both Universities, and since that day no University boat has appeared at Henley, it being made plain that the time at the disposal of the University after the May races is not sufficient to weld together the different styles of the college boats so as to send up to Henley a real 'Varsity boat. In this year, 1859, the great London and Argonaut four, which was supposed to be equal to any four of professional watermen, was defeated by a Third Trinity crew by 1ft., after one of the finest races ever seen.

Mention should next be made of the Oxford Etonian Club, in the years 1866-1871, the heroes of those days being Willan, Wood, Jack Hall, and Jim Tinné; and though I am not an Oxford man, I look upon them as oars of the highest type. Their long, easy swing forward, quick recovery of hands, and instantaneous "catch" in the beginning of the stroke brought them victory in the Grand five out of the six years, and in the Stewards' for three. Then I may refer to a period of success for London again, under the leadership of Gulston from 1871 to 1877, and with his name should go those of Long and the younger Playford. Four times in these years they won the Grand, and for eight years running they won the Stewards', and for four years the Pairs. For eight years following Henley knows not anything striking, till in 1886 and 1887 Trinity Hall from Cambridge flashes upon the aquatic world, and walks off with everything, and that in record time, under the leadership of Bristowe, with Swann and Landale at his back. In 1891 Leander comes to the front, and in eleven years wins the Grand nine times, and in those years old and sometimes present University men occupy the thwarts. First they are filled almost entirely by Oxford men of the type of Guy Nickalls, Fletcher, and Kent, and latterly by Cambridge men such as Goldie, Dudley Ward, Payne, and Etherington Smith, thus marking the ebb and flow of 'Varsity rowing from one University to the other.

From 1902 to the present day the heroes of the regatta have been Third Trinity, Cambridge, and on them seems to have fallen the mantle of the Oxford Etonian Club of forty years ago But, grand as their rowing has been, misfortune haunts them every year, and sickness or accident has never failed to jeopardize their Henley chances, till this year, in despair of success under their own name, they have given their services to Leander. Let us hope that fortune will smile upon the young members that are left, and that with the help of some goodly recruits from Eton, they may still leave their doings on the Henley records, in their own names, for many years to come.

It is curious in this brief record of the past to notice the various men or sets of men, that for several years, have been head and shoulders over the rowing men of the day, and have, in several international contests with America, Canada, Holland, and Germany, been always able to establish the fact that if England has its peers in cricket and football, it has never yet found its equal in amateur first-class rowing, of which the Universities and Henley are now the mainstay. This imperfect sketch of the past may lead to some interesting recollections from other and better hands.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *5th August 1904.*

LAST Monday, the first Monday in August, was duly held in this country as a public holiday, and whilst some wheelmen toured the country in all quarters of the compass others raced at the numerous meetings held in almost every town of importance on the last summer holiday of the year. It would be impossible in the space at my disposal to even lightly dwell upon each meeting, I must pass them over, and confine myself to such meetings that boasted the entry of one of the leading riders of the day. The best meeting in London was at Putney, the Putney Athletic Club providing an interesting and varied programme in which flat racing was intermixed with cycling events. But handicaps figured prominently, the only scratch race being the ten-mile event for the "Rawson" Challenge Cup in which ten riders faced the starter. It was a good race in which last year's winner—E. S. Montgomery—was only beaten on the post by A. Halsall, a fellow clubman.

At the Crystal Palace track the six hours' race for the classic "Dibble" Shield was decided, but what a miserable *fiasco* it proved compared to earlier tussels for this historic trophy. In the days when the Shield was competed for in a twelve hours' race and C. G. Wridgway, Dick Palmer, and Frost made the spectators frantic with excitement, one could sit the full twelve hours out without feeling weary, but in last Monday's race half an hour was quite long enough to devote to the racing, if such it could be termed. Had G. A. Olley, who holds two shares in the trophy, started with the others, then the contest might have been worthy the name of a race for he would have proved a rival to Leon Meredith who from start to finish showed his superiority of the other three starters—E. L. Hornstead, B. Jones and A. J. Rice—ultimately winning with 128 miles 800 yards to his credit. The second man turned up in Jones over eight miles behind.

On Saturday at Barrow-in-Furness, the second batch of National Cyclists' Union's championships were decided consisting of three events for professionals over distances of quarter, one and five miles and two for amateurs over five and twenty-five miles. The results of the professional events, however, rested with four riders—H. Jenkins, H. B. Howard, Tom Davies and Tom James, the quarter mile falling to Jenkins with Davies second and Howard third; the mile to Jenkins again, Howard second and James third, and the five miles to Howard, James and Jenkins, but this latter event was declared off as the riders had exceeded the time limit. In the five miles championship for amateurs a very fine finish was witnessed between Leon Meredith and A. L. Reed, the two being so close together when crossing the tape that no one but the judges were able to place the men, they doing so to the benefit of Meredith. Another good race—only amateurs in this country can give the spectators a good exhibition of riding—was the twenty-five miles amateur championship won by A. E. Wills in 1hr. 9mins. with Meredith second and a local man W. S. Ramsay, third.

But enough of cycling, let's glance at the motoring world and see what automobilists have been doing during the holidays. I find that they have been busy both on the sea and on the seashore; the International Motor Boat Race having been decided on the Solent on the Saturday and a well organised meeting at Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex, on Bank Holiday. I will deal with the race on the Solent first since it resulted in a second win for this country, Mr. S. F. Edge with his *Napier Minor* repeating his performance of last year and carrying off the International Cup, this too in spite of competitions from France and America. After four races had been decided, the boats left in for the final were *Trefle a-Quatre* (France) and *Napier Minor* (England) possessing engines developing 82 h.-p. and 55 h.-p. respectively, yet the English boat covered the course of 7·7 knots in 23mins. 3secs., the time occupied by the French boat being 1min. 24 secs. longer. The final race was closely watched by their Majesties the King and Queen from the Royal Yacht anchored near the finishing mark, His Majesty taking a keen interest in the race.

At Bexhill-on-Sea, one of the best three days' automobile meetings ever held in this country took place, the programme consisting of races for touring cars on the private track along the sea front—the property of Earl De la Warr; competition for the best appointed vehicles; motor cycle races; procession of florally decorated cars; a battle of flowers and a Gymkhana; indeed, members of the automobile world journeyed down to Bexhill with the intention of thoroughly enjoying themselves, and they did it, with no mistake. Although the track only measured a kilometre and terminated with a hill, and the competitors in the races only drove touring cars some very good times were recorded, one car with five passengers aboard covering the course at the rate of forty-five miles an hour. The meeting attracted such enormous crowds of visitors to the town, much to the towns folks delight, that it is pretty certain to be an annual fixture in future if not a more frequent institution.

The Council of the Cycists' Touring Club have had under consideration for some time the increasing dangers to cyclists of side-slip caused by the increase of tram lines, and the methods now adopted of cleansing and watering the roads. There is no doubt that a large number of accidents, many of them fatal, due to side-slip has contributed to the decline of cycling in and near the large towns. The Council of the Cyclists' Touring Club has therefore resolved to organise a series of trials for the discovery of some device which shall reduce, if it does not altogether remove, the dangers of side-slip on bicycles. The Club has voted the sum of £400 for expenses in organising the trials and for prizes so as to encourage inventors, cycle manufacturers and others to devote considerable attention to the matter Fuller particulars will be announced later, but in the meantime it is to be hoped that inventors will devote their attention to the subject, so that when the trials are held some effective contrivance to overcome the bug-bear of cycling will be forthcoming. There is money in a good idea.

For their own safety, cyclists will have to consider the question of carrying a rear light on their machines to denote their whereabouts to traffic overtaking them. Before the advent of motor cars and motor cycles, the wheelman had no superior on the road in the matter of speed and the need for a rear light was not felt, but now that quicker moving vehicles have put in an appearance it is essential that the silent moving bicycle should make its presence known by displaying a red light in the rear. No doubt many wheelmen will resent the extra light and use it as the ground for another growl against motorists, but although they may delay the day for adopting the rear light it is bound to come, if not voluntary, by the Act of Parliament.

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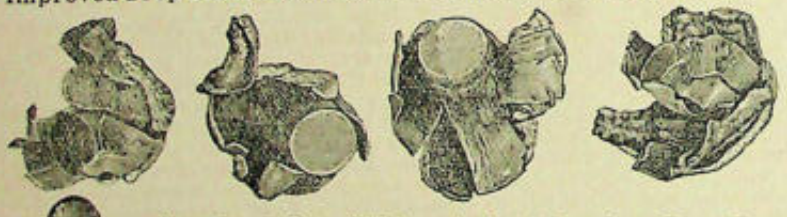
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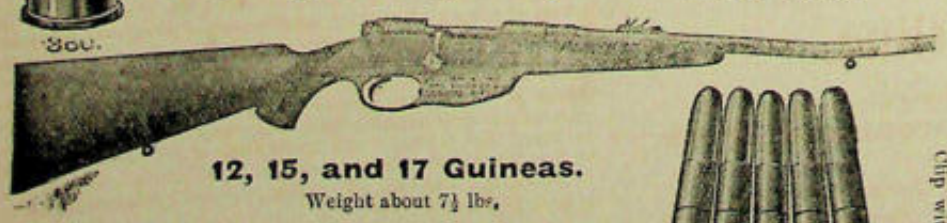
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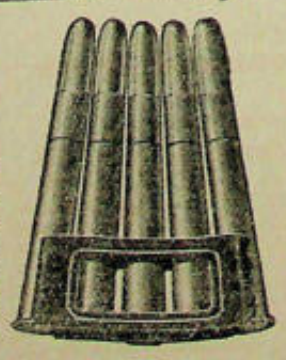


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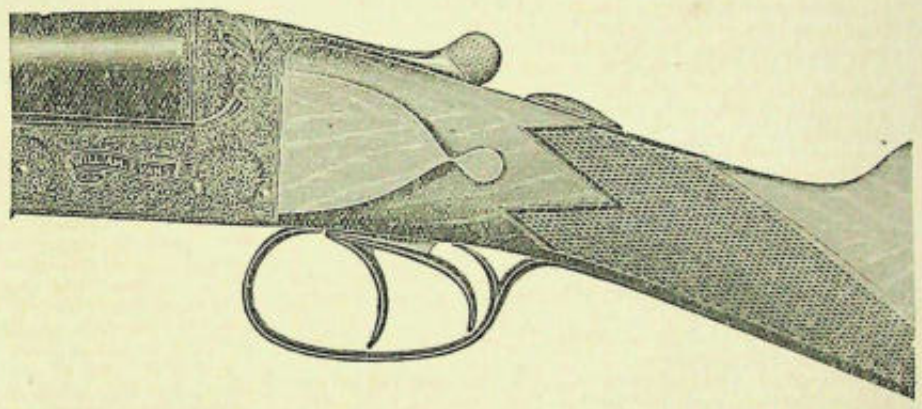
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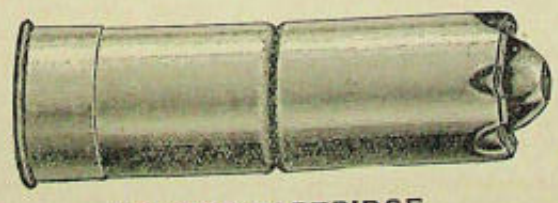
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Cricket.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY

GYMKHANA RESERVES *vs.* CATHEDRAL SCHOOL (PAST and PRESENT).—This match was played on the Gymkhana ground on the 18th instant and resulted in a win for the school by 31 runs. Score :—

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. Steinhoff, st Gratwicke, b Douglas	10	b Gratwicke	22
Mr Phillips, c Selby, b Douglas	4	not out	9
Mr. George, c Gratwicke, b Douglas	33	b McDonald	6
Mr. Stevenson, c Dawson, b Marsh	2	b McDonald	17
Mr. Ward, b Douglas	3	b Gratwicke	2
Mr. Roberts, b Douglas	0	ct Selby, b Gratwicke	4
Mr. Hildreth, c Fischer, b Marsh	10	b Gratwicke	11
Mr. Spilling, not out	17	c Bead, b Douglas	1
Mr. Garrick, b Douglas	0	c Dawson, b McDonald	0
Mr. Esai, b Douglas	4	not out	15
Mr. G. Savage, c Reid, b Douglas	6	did not bat.	
Mr. G. Hildreth, b McDonald	6	did not bat.	
Extra	1	Extras	4
Total	90	Total	91

GYMKHANA RESERVES.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Lieut. Belby, c Garrick, b Ward	20	b Stevenson	0
Mr. P. F. Fischer, c George, b Ward	0	b Ward	0
Lt. Douglas, c Hildreth, b Ward	0	c Roberts, b Stevenson	0
Mr. T. J. Reid, b Hildreth	3	not out	23
Mr. Dawson l-b-w, b Hildreth	4	b Ward	0
Mr. Gratwicke l-b-w, b Hildreth	3	c and b Ward	12
Capt. McDonald, b Roberts	8	c Stevenson, b Ward	11
Mr. E R. Fischer, run out	0	c and b Ward	6
Lt. Hamilton, not out	22	b Ward	13
Lt. Marsh c Roberts, b Ward	1	b Ward	8
Comdr. Wilson, c Roberts, b Stevenson	5	b Stevenson	6
Extras	4	Extra	1
Total	70	Total	80

PRESIDENCY *vs.* PARSEES.

By Special Telegram.

The Presidency match commenced to day (24th inst.) in bright weather. The Parsees won the toss and, batting first, ran up 194. Colabawalla and H. Kanga made a good stand for the first wicket ; but with 50 up Kanga had to retire being injured. Coombs, Greig, and Deas each obtained three wickets for 51, 51, and 50 runs respectively. The Presidency gave a most awful exhibition, being all disposed of for 48 runs. The Parsees in their second innings made 12 without loss. The following are the scores :—

THE PARSEES.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
F. Colabawalla, c Philbrick, b Coombs	32	not out	4
H. D. Kanga, c Langhorne, b Deas	48		
D. D. Kanga, c Carroll, b Greig	4		
D. C. Daruwala, c Carroll, b Deas	16		
D. Raja, b Deas	4		
A. B. Saklatwalla, run out	29		
Dr. M. E. Pavri, l-b-w, Greig	0	not out	8
A. H. Mehta, c Carroll, b Coombs	17		
Lalla, c Greig, b Coombs	12		
M. D. Bulsara, not out	14		
R. P. Meheromji, b Greig	7		
Extras	11		
Total	194	Total	12

THE PRESIDENCY.

Capt. J. G. Greig, b Bulsara	4
Lt. A. Langhorne, b Mehta	0
Lt. B. M. Carroll, run out	10
Lt. H. F. Chaplin, c Raja, b Mehta	4
Capt. A. D. Langhorne, c Kanga, b Mehta	0
Capt. Deas, b Bulsara	4
Hon. W. G. C. Codogan, c Colabawalla, b Bulsara	0
Mr. A. H. S. Aston, not out	16
Mr. E. E. Coombs, c Kanga, b Bulsara	2
Mr. A. L. Ainsworth, b Bulsara	4
Lt. J. Philbrick, absent	0
Extras	4
Total	48

CRICKET AT POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* BOMBAY HINDUS.—This match ended on the 19th instant in a win for the visitors by an innings and 86 runs. They had first knock and put up 326, Date (118 not out) and Mehta (80) being in fine form. The Gymkhana scored 171 in their first venture, Captain Greig contributing 100 not out. Following on they were dismissed for 69. Score :—

BOMBAY HINDUS.

1st Innings.

Agaskar, b Greig	6
P. K. Telang, c Stevens, b Greig	21
G. R. Banda, b Greig	6
Talpade, b Greig	16
Baloo, c Thew, b Greig	21
C. V. Mehta, b Hartley	80
K. A. Date, not out	118
Dhargalkar, b Greig	25
Pursotum, b Greig	7
G. E Khote, b Hon. Butler	2
Thakur, l-b-w, b Greig	2
Extras	22
Total	366

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. Greig, not out	100	b Talpade	6
Mr. Hartley, b Banda	0	c Agaskar, b Baloo	23
The Hon B. D. Butler, l-b-w, b Baloo	5	c Mehta, b Baloo	0
Maj G. A. Leslie, c Baloo, b Mehta	0	b Baloo	4
Mr. Noake, c Date, b Mehta	5	l-b-w, b Baloo	7
Capt. Umfreville, b Baloo	15	c Mehta, b Baloo	18
Col Hazelton, b Baloo	2	b Baloo	1
Col Stevens, c Agaskar, b Baloo	23	l-b-w, b Baloo	1
Mr. Thornton, b Baloo	9	c Purshotum, b Baloo	4
Mr. Yates, b Date	2	b Mehta	0
Mr. Thew, b Date	4	not out	0
Extras	6	Extras	5
Total	171	Total	69

CRICKET AT NAGPUR.

NAGPUR GYMKHANA *vs.* BILASPORE.—This match was played on the 13th instant and resulted in a win for Nagpur. Score :—

NAGPUR GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. Hullah, b Creais	7	b Chabulal	5
Mr. Cleveland, b Chabulal	13	b Chabulal	23
Mr. Stanyon, b Creais	5	b. Creais	0
Mr. Fagan, b Chabulal	4	b Creais	20
Mr. Ratnam, b Creais	1	c Daly, b Creais	1
Capt Howden, b Chabulal	5	c Law, b Creais	0
Capt Goring-Jones, c Creais, b Kelly	49	not out	2
Mr. Slocock, c Daly b Creais	27	b Creais	3
Mr. Craddock, c Considine, b Chabulal	2	b Chabulal	0
Mr. Maw, c Creais, b Kelly	0		
Mr. Wilford, b Kelly	4	not out	0
Mr. Cowie, not out	0	run out	12
Extras	6	Extras	2
Total	123	Total	68

BILASPORE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. R. Creais, c Ratnam, b Fagan	0	not out	1
Mr. Considine, b Fagan	5	c Wilford, b Hullah	11
Mr. Chabulal, b Ratnam	9	not out	14
Mr. Daly, c and b Fagan	8	st Cowie, b Hullah	3
Mr. Kumerswamy, b Ratnam	19	run out	5
Mr. Philbrick, c and b Goring-Jones	15	c and b Slocock	0
Mr. Kelly, b Goring-Jones	13	b Hullah	8
Mr. Basten c and b Ratnam	1	c Goring-Jones, b Slocock	6
Mr. W. Creais, c Ratnam	1	b Slocock	1
Mr. Ryan, not out	3	did not bat.	
Mr. Law, b Ratnam	1	did not bat.	
Mir Pasha, b Slocock	0	did not bat.	
Extras	6	Extras	6
Total	81	Total (for 7 wkts.)	55

CRICKET CHAT.

THE mail papers to hand this week show that K. S. Ranjitsinhji was in great form in Sussex's matches with Surrey and Derbyshire. In the former he made 152 and took two wickets for 55 runs and in the latter compiled 82, not out before the innings was declared closed. E. H. D. Sewell has struck on a bad patch and in his last four innings for Essex has only been able to score 21 runs. Major R. M. Poore, who has come into the Hampshire team for the rest of the season in his second match against Warwickshire, scored 52 and 4. Captain K. B. Mathew-Lannowe of the Queen's Regiment, the well-known Northern Indian cricketer, scored 26 and 44 for Free Foresters *vs.* Mr. Cripps' XI on 18th and 19th July. The Hon. C. Prettie of the Rifle Brigade, another Northern India player, made 2 and 25 for the Green Jackets against the same XI. Captain H. S. Poyntz, who will be coming out to India next year, made 85 and 45 for Somerset *vs.* Kent on 21st, 22nd and 23rd July top score in each innings. T. G. M. Harris, the Bombay Presidency player, scored 9 for Eastbourne *vs.* Sutton. H. O. C. Beasley who played a fine innings against the Authentics in India in 1903, made 24 not out for Old Westminsters *vs.* Hampstead. Major C. E. Greenway, the old Calcutta cricketer, has not been in luck's way lately. Playing for Incognity *vs.* Lythe Hill he made a blob and against Lessness Park could only make 4.

The return match between Nasik and Igatpuri from at Nasik last week resulted in a second victory for Nasik by nine wickets. The scoring on both sides was curiously uneven, Connell (66), Crofton (30) and Extras (17) being responsible for 113 of the home team's total of 128. The first innings of Igatpuri only realised 46 and the second 88. Finch (32), Williams (19), and Burns (15) contributed 66 of the latter total between them. Lazarus bowled extremely well for Nasik, taking twelve wickets ten of them clean bowled. Westerly and Wade divided the wickets for Igatpuri.

The match between Quetta and Sukkur, which was won by the former by six wickets, furnished some very interesting cricket. Quetta's victory was mainly the outcome of J. H. Curtis' batting and Captain L. M. R. Deas' bowling, two players whose doings in the cricket field are invested with a peculiar interest to Western India cricket lovers. Curtis made 48 in the first innings, the highest score in the match and Deas took eleven wickets for 65 runs, eight of them in the second innings for 39 runs. To a great many cricket lovers in India the name of J. H. Curtis, one of the very best bats in India, is not very familiar, partly for the reason that his first few years' service were spent in Burma and partly because his fine batting performances in Quetta cricket during the last few seasons have rarely been published. As a matter of fact he is one of the finest batsmen ever turned out by Clifton College which eleven he captained in 1894 and played for in the three preceding years. This fine form attracted the attention of the Gloucestershire executive who invited him to play for the county which he unfortunately could not find the time to do. He is a powerful and brilliant bat and plays in a masterly fashion, especially when cutting and driving.

The Quetta eleven was a very strong side on paper and beside Curtis and Deas included G. H. Stevenson the old Haileyburian, A. G. Fleming, the old Fettesian, Captain H. A. Lane Captain V. G. Sorel, F. M. Beatty, and W. R. Pearce. Stevenson was in the Haileybury elevens of 1893 and 1894. Lane (22), and Beaty (21) in the first innings and Vernon-Harcourt (43 not out) Deas (37) and Pearce (33) in the second innings all batted well for Quetta, while for Sukkur P. R. Caddell, the old Oxford rugger blue (28 and 16), Sardharam (26 and 1), N. M. Dinshaw (15 and 11) and N. J. Mobel (15 and 13 not out) were all in evidence. The Sukkur team included V. H. Wilson, the old Radleian and Lahore cricketer and R. E. Gibson, the old Wykehamist, but neither of them did much.

Details of two matches played by the Nagpur Gymkhana have reached me. In the first match which was played at Kamptee against the Royal Scots C. R. Cleveland, the old Oxford rugger blue, contributed a fine 78 to the total of 227 made by his side. Ratnam the native crack, also doing well with 62 not out. The highest score in the match was, however, made by Lieut. Farquharson for the Royal Scots who completed 87 not out and carried his bat through the innings. The second match was played at Nagpur and was against Bilaspore and also resulted in a victory for Nagpur in the first innings. Captain Goring-Jones was the highest scorer with 49, the only other batsmen who scored 20 being Cleveland (23), Slocock (21) and Fagan (20) all for Nagpur. Karachi Gymkhana without F. L. Sprott totalled 162 against the Sind Volunteers, G. W. Wilson (72), and Captain Price (61) making nearly all the runs. O. M. Barnes (six wickets for 36) and G. B. Newton (four for 17) bowled with irresistible effect for the Gymkhana and dismissing their opponents for 74. Captain Price has, I believe, received an invitation to play for the Presidency against the Parsees this week, but will not be able to undertake the long journey to Bombay.

A return game between Dhulia and Bhusawal resulted in another victory for the former station who won by an innings and 33 runs. L. E. Maitland Kirwan, who has been in great form with the bat this season and is unquestionably the best bat in the whole of the Khandesh and adjoining districts played a fine innings of 50. Five other men reached double figures and with 18 extras the total mounted up to 168. Bhusawal were dismissed for totals of 39 and 96. C. S. Campbell of the I. C. S. (12 and 19) being the only batsman on the side who got double figures in both innings.

Bangalore cricketers are having a most successful season and only one thing was wanted to add to the pleasures of the season and that was a century from one or other of the many fine batsmen stationed here this year. This feat was accomplished on the 11th instant by J. G. Tait who playing for the Married *vs.* the Single compiled 117 out of the total of 235 made by his side. The Benedicts won easily by 111 runs thanks to Tait's brilliant performance with the bat and some good bowling by Captain R. F. Standage, Captain Copeland and Major Jollie.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

CALCUTTA FOOTBALL CLUB.

RUGBY FIXTURES, 1904.

DATE.		AGAINST.	GROUND.
1904			
August	6th	West Ridings	Away.
,,	8th	Armenian College*	Home.
,,	9th	United Services	Do.
,,	10th		
,,	11th	City*	Away.
,,	12th		
,,	13th	Customs	Home.
,,	15th	La Martinière*	Do.
,,	16th	City	Do.
,,	17th		
,,	18th		
,,	19th	Hornets*	Do.
,,	20th	West Ridings	Do.
,,	22nd		
,,	23rd	King's Own	Do.
,,	24th	Armenian College*	
,,	25th		
,,	26th	Ballygunge Buddhas	
,,	27th	City	Away.
,,	29th	Hornets*	Do.
,,	30th	Armenians	
,,	31st	Customs	Home.
Sept.	1st	La Martinière*	Do.
,,	2nd		
,,	3rd	United Services	Do.
,,	5th		
,,	6th	Armenians	
,,	7th		
,,	8th	City*	Do.
,,	9th		
,,	10th	King's Own	Do.
,,	12th	Cup Ties Commence	Do.

Those marked * are "B" Team matches. Other "B" Team fixtures will be arranged.

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Honorary Secretary, C. F. C.

RUGBY IN CALCUTTA.

KING'S OWN *vs.* UNITED SERVICES.—This game was played on the Calcutta ground when the Fort team beat the Services by 2 goals and 3 tries to a try. The opening play was even till the King's Own broke away and a good bit of passing resulted in Bassett crossing the line : Scully converted. From the kick off Szczepanski got possession and scored, the place failing. The Services pressed for a while, then the King's Own got away once more and from a scrum near the United Service line Lieutenant Ray got over. Scully failed to add the extra points and the interval arrived with the King's Own leading by a goal and a try to a try. On changing ends the Service forwards did some good work. Captains Gardiner and Moberley and Lieutenant Szczepanski being most conspicuous, but the King's Own once more came through and Ashworth ran over with a try. This was not improved upon, a try by Lieutenant Scott also meeting with an unsuccessful place kick a little later. The King's Own continued to play in good form and Lieutenant Marshall scored their fifth try. Scully doing the needful. The Services were thus beaten by 19 points to 3.

CALCUTTA B TEAM *vs.* HORNETS.—These teams met on the Calcutta ground on the 18th instant, the play not being of a very interesting order. The game resulted in a pointless draw and was a scramble throughout. V. S. Apcar had the misfortune to break his ankle.

CUSTOMS *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—This game was played on the Customs ground on the 19th instant, and resulted in a win for the West Ridings by 11 points to 6. The game was a scrambling one : the soldiers had the best of the scrums but were not so good "outside." In the first half they put on two tries, which were not improved upon. Roberts and Reeves crossing the line, and in the second half Coldwell scored a try just before time, Morris adding the extra points. For the Customs Maitland and Fitzgerald scored tries, the place kick failing on both occasions.

CALCUTTA *vs.* KING'S OWN.—The game between these teams was played on the Calcutta ground on the 23rd instant, when the home team won by 2 goals and a try to a goal. Play was not up to the usual standard. The King's Own started and after a series of scrums in their own territory the visiting forwards got away and Morgan scored a try, Scully converted. Then the ball was taken down by the home team and following lengthy scrums in the Soldiers' 25, Heilgers got over with a try. Martelli was successful with the place and the teams changed ends on even terms. In the second-half Calcutta gave a better display and Ismay got away with a couple of good runs. They kept the ball in their opponents' territory and from a scrum McDonald got over. The place failed but a good dribble by the forwards soon after enabled Curtis Hayward to score a try, adding the extra points himself. Calcutta thus won by 13 points to 5.

CALCUTTA RUGBY LEAGUE.

CALCUTTA *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—The Rugby League opened last Saturday when these teams met on the C. F. C. ground. The home team had the best of matters throughout, and after rather a one sided game were victorious by 36 points to 4.

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Shortly after the start a smart bit of passing by the Calcutta three-quarters took the ball down and Siddons got over with a try, which Martelli converted. On resuming the visitors broke away and Reeves passed to Coldwell who dropped a fine goal. Calcutta once more got going and led by Curtis Hayward took the ball into the Ridings' territory. Here Siddons again secured and put on another try. Martelli adding the extra points. Following on some scrums in midfield Ismay got away with a fine run and another try resulted. Martelli was successful with the place. Another good bit of combination by the forwards resulted in Heilgers scoring. Martelli kicked his fourth goal and Calcutta crossed over leading by 20 points to 1. In the second-half the home team kept the soldiers in their own twenty five and Siddons, Curtis Hayward, Dick and McDonald all got tries. Siddons converting his own, and Heilgers. McDonald's try Calcutta thus won by six goals and 2 tries (36 points) to 1 dropped goal (4 points).

FOOTBALL NOTES.

LAST week saw the inauguration of the Calcutta Rugby League and marked an important epoch in the history of the game in Calcutta. Mr. W. S. Burke has presented a Cup to be played for in league competition which this year will be decided in one round only, as the season is too far advanced to admit of return games.

The Calcutta Soccer League, instituted some years back, has had the desired effect of raising the standard of play all round, and if in a few years time the same can be said of this new venture we shall be pleased.

The C. F. C. fully maintained their superiority over all teams by defeating City and West Ridings during the week, and it seems that the more formidable the team the bigger is the winning margin. In the first game, though not at full strength, Calcutta outclassed their opponents in every department except perhaps at half-back; here Williams' brilliancy was balanced by the sound judgment and resource of Cumberledge. The latter was the most prominent man on the field and played a much finer game than he has done up to now. He gave an altogether finished exposition of the half-back game and did one or two things which I have not seen attempted here before. Towards the end of the second period and in the enemy's "25" the ball was sent out of the scrum; on seeing no one favourably placed to receive, he rushed straight through the pack himself and was over with a try before the opposition had time to realise what had become of the ball. This is an excellent ruse and well timed, ought to succeed as often as it is tried.

Barnes did very well as long as his side was attacking, I doubt it he would be of much service when it was acting on the defensive as his tackling is slovenly; although he scored twice in this game his tries were not without an element of luck. If he took Dick's place forward—this is his position—the latter could go back without weakening the scrummaging line.

Siddons, Martelli and Ismay are still going strong, though the first-named had not much to do in the City game. The forwards once more played splendidly and it was well worth watching the efforts of Curtis, Hayward, and Heilgers especially in the loose when they repeatedly led combined rushes into the enemy's territory.

Calcutta won their first Rugby League game in handsome fashion against the West Riding's by 57 points to 4. When all played so well it would be invidious to particularise, but there is no doubt that this satisfactory result was due to the brilliant and safe display given by the people outside the scrum.

The King's Own improve every game and the way they disposed of a strong team of United Service men augurs well for good things in the future.

In this game the soldiers' forwards appeared to great advantage getting out the ball frequently and wheeling the scrum effectively at times. Lieutenant Marshall was the best half on the field and was never at a loss with the ball and passed most unselfishly. Marsden did much better than usual and ought to keep his place in the team. Their's is a very workmanlike three-quarter line; Lieutenant Baker, Basonett, Scull and Asworth all participated in pretty bouts of passing which on two occasions resulted in scoring. Private Basonett is the best of the bunch, he kicks well and fields safely, besides possessing fair turn of speed. Lieutenant Baker plays in good style and knows the game thoroughly; his only fault is that his punting is a trifle weak, Scully and Asworth are usually depended on to do good things, and the former is evidently the place kick of the side. Perhaps the Fort team's weakest point is back, though on Saturday Wilson, with his long returns, was unlucky in just missing finding touch by inches on several occasions. The forwards, like those of the West Ridings, are a level lot and play much the same game as their brothers in arms. Smart packing, quick breaking up and combined rushes are their chief charateristics

Contrary to expectation City put up a poor fight in the game against the C. F. C. They played good rugger at the commencement and for a time held their ground and something more. After this they seemed to lose their heads, superior weight and combination soon wore them down and for the remainder of the game there was only one team in it. It is difficult to ascribe any reason for the poor exhibition given by this team of whom much was expected, unless it was the tame play of the three-quarters who greatly missed Warden. Templeton who might make a fair forward gave a miserable display at wing, besides indulging in a deal of unnecessary "scragging." Time after time he missed excellent chances of finding touch from opposite returns or starting bouts of passing by continually making "marks." Making one's "mark" is very useful and at times when judiciously done leads to an increase in the score: this sort of thing can be easily over done, however, as was the case in the game under notice, when not in one instance was any real advantage gained thereby.

That fine player Schaumberg made some spirit attempts to retrieve the fortunes of his side, but he was too feebly supported to do much. Nearly all the half-back work fell on the capable shoulders of Williams who played in clinking style throughout, his feint passing and sporting tactics being fine to watch. Street played an improved game, but he must learn to remain on side as by not strictly adhering to this rule he might let his side down at any moment. There was more cohesion in the forward line, they packed smartly and shoved like Trojans in the scrums, but the heeling out was poor and the hard work in the pack was minimised by indifferent footwork in the open. Grieg, Cunliffe, Roberts, and Oakley put in a deal of unostentatious work forward, and it was a pity that their endeavours did not meet with more success. Lees played his usual cool game at back and saved the situation many times by clever punting.

The Services, though not by any means at full strength yet, have not been doing badly this week. Their weakness is very pronounced at half while Pillingson is not so safe at back as his side could wish. The three-quarter line is fairly strong. Lonsada and Garstin are the best of the quartette. The former plays a spirited game and his kicking is quite classy. Garstin, who is a valuable addition to the side is speedy, fields safely and tackles faultlessly as was seen in the game against the King's Own when he collared Marshall in the nick of time after he had evarded all opposition.

The forwards are a dashing lot and work splendidly. Captains Gardiner and Moberly are hosts in themselves and show up extremely well especially in the loose dribbles. Szczepanski and Stevenson are also fine scrummagers, and when the Service men have unearthed two good halves the team will be quite up to last year's standard which is saying a good deal. Playing the City on Saturday they managed to get home by a try, after a fairly well contested game, which at any rate on paper, stamps the King's Own a better team than City, which certainly was not the case at the beginning of the season.

The soldiers' team from Dum-Dum have rather disappointed their supporters since last these notes appeared After just winning against a team like the Customs they were drubbed in hollow fashion by a strong combination of the C. F. C. The first encounter produced play of a wild and scrambling description and for once the Tykes threw their science to the winds and trusted more to superior strength and weight. Had the weather been wet and the going heavy the scoring sheet, especially in the Calcuta game, would not have told so mournful a tale.

The Ridings' play the "kick and rush" game very effectively; a wet ball and heavy ground favour their style and make them almost invincible under these conditions. The soldiers were outclassed at back and were non-plussed by the masterful passing and combination of the opposing halves and three-quarters. In the tight packs they had, perhaps, the better of the argument, but were badly beaten in the open and this inferiority had much to do with the large score against them. Reeves, as usual, did what he could at half and opened out the game for those behind him very well. Morris and Caldwell did best in the second line of defence the latter dropping an excellent goal. Their team, however, is certain to do well in the Cup and latest account of the team at Dinapore describe them as a scorching hot lot.

The Customs made their second appearance this season in a game against the Ridings with a complete if somewhat raw fifteen and gave an improved display. Rowe and Maitland again did most of the work outside the scrum and Anderson did better at full-back. The forwards have not learnt the value of combined dribbles, but pick up the ball much too frequently. This style of play is hopeless, as a player is always held before he has gone far, moreover it leads to continual scrummaging which is unsatisfactory.

Early last week the game between Calcutta "B" and La Martiniére was noticeable if only for the fact that some distinguished soccer men turned out for the first time. H. Sherman and H. Cooper made effective halves, although the latter must have put out the scrummagers at times by his wrong words of command. The boys tackled fearlessly and played very pluckily, but could make no impression on their weighty opponents. The Armenian College had it pretty well their own way in the Junior Rugby Cup last year, but their old rivals La Martiniére are likely to run them to a short head when next they meet in competition.

The Hornets played a team of a cosmopolitan character on the C. F. C. ground and emerged therefrom with a pointless draw to their credit. The game was poor beyond description and at times rough: I was sorry to notice a three-quarter on the side who displayed unpleasant pugilistic tendencies. This I understand was the first and last appearance of the Hornets this season: next week will see the revival of the combination known as the "Old Armenians."

TOUCH.

FOOTBALL IN BOMBAY.

THE HARWOOD LEAGUE.

The following table shows the results to 22nd instant.:—

Clubs.	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Goals. For	Goals. Agst.	Pts.
Cheshire, A. ...	11	8	0	3	28	2	19
Cheshire, B. ...	12	8	2	2	34	6	18
R. G. A. ...	10	5	1	4	14	3	14
H. M. S. Perseus ...	12	5	3	4	12	16	14
Rovers	11	3	4	4	15	16	10
Gymkhana ...	12	1	10	1	6	32	3
Telegraph ...	12	1	11	0	10	39	2

Golf.

GOLF AT AJMERE.

AS at most places in India, the royal and ancient game flourishes in the heart of Rajputana, a new course of thirteen holes has recently been laid out and opened for play. The links are peculiarly well situated and constitute, in many respects an ideal golf course, a splendid panoramic view is obtained of the whole of Ajmere and its environs, while the physical features of the country over which the course is laid, result in a variety of hazards which necessitate accurate play if one is to get round in anything approaching a decent score. The links bid fair to become very popular.

A close and exciting contest took place between Major Mead and Captain Sangster from Nasirabad and Captain Dawson and Mr. Bramley from Ajmere on the 14th instant. The interest in the game never flagged from start to finish, and eventually Nasirabad won by one stroke on the last hole. Appended are the scores, and it is hoped that many more such friendly games may be played. When the grass is grazed down the course should be in first-class order.

		NASIRABAD.	AJMERE
1st	hole ...	5	4
2nd	,, ...	4	5
3rd	,, ...	4	4
4th	,, ...	7	6
5th	,, ...	8	5
6th	,, ...	6	6
7th	,, ...	4	4
8th	,, ...	7	7
9th	,, ...	6	7
10th	,, ...	4	3
11th	,, ...	7	5
12th	,, ...	5	6
13th	,, ...	3	4
	Total ...	65	66

It was hoped there would be time to play a second round, but this was not so, only five holes could be replayed. Scores:—

		NASIRABAD.	AJMERE.
1st	hole ...	5	3
2nd	,, ...	3	4
3rd	,, ...	4	5
4th	,, ...	5	6
5th	,, ...	4	5
	Total ...	21	23
Total for 18 holes	...	86	89

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE ISLAND CHALLENGE CUP.—The final tie in this competition was replayed on the 18th instant between O. J. Sykes and F. M. Robinson. Sykes won by three up and two to play as the result of some brilliant golf, his score for the first seven holes

being 4, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5. The following are full details of the competition:—

First Round.

C. E. Ross (4) beat J. P. Davidson (1) scratched.
O. J. Sykes (3) beat D. Dewar (5) by 4 up and 3 to play.
A. M. Urquhart (3) beat J. M. Brown (scr.) by 2 up and 1 to play.
F. M. Robinson (3) beat R. Meredith (3) by 2 up and 1 to play.

Second Round.

Sykes beat Ross by 3 up and 1 to play.
Robinson beat Urquhart by 3 up and 2 to play.

Final.

Sykes beat Robinson by 3 up and 2 to play (after a tie).

MADRAS *vs.* BANGALORE.

This match has been arranged for the 27th instant at Bangalore, twelve a side. Madras will be represented by the following team, which ought to render a good account of itself:—Colonel Benson, I. M. S., Major Thomson, R. A. M. C., and Messrs. Brown, Hooper, Greig, Sykes, Corlett, Urquhart, Balston, C. E. Ross, Dewar and A. N. Other.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

21*st July* 1904.

THERE has been a strange lull in any very important events in the golfing world of late. The Pros have been busy playing here, there, and everywhere with the same apparently automatic skill, and the course of the West Herts Club at Cassiobury Park afforded the Southern Section of the Professional Golfers Association a splendid test of skill in the qualifying competition by 36 holes medal play for the very substantial money-prize tournament in October next scarcely to the surprise of most people, who knew that ever since his victory at Sandwich Jack White, the Open Champion, has been far from well, he was not among the first sixteen, and consequently has not qualified. With 2 bad holes of 7 and 6 his otherwise good round in the morning, was not in the running, and in the afternoon he did even worse. The heat was intense and seemed to affect White more than any of the others to the detriment of his game. The best round was accomplished by Tom Yeoman, the Seaford Pro, who did a 71, but the distinction of securing the lowest aggregate in the two rounds belonged to Toogood, the West Essex professional, his first round being 72 and his second 74=146. Next to him came James Braid, whose long game was simply marvellous, and J. H. Taylor who showed all his deadliness of approaching to perfection in 148, and following hard on these came Henry Vardon with an aggregate of 149. The tie for sixteenth place was played off between W. Hunter and T. Charles, when the former was successful by a put on the home green. Over the Manchester Golf Club Course at Old Trafford, on Wednesday, 13th July, the Northern Section of the same association held in conjunction with their Annual Tournament, the qualifying competition for places in the News of the World Match Play Tournament to be held at Richmond on 4th October. The best score was returned by the old familiar Ex-Champion A. Herd going out in the marvellous score of 33, his in coming holes showed a decided falling off with a score of 40 making his round 73—which he again repeated in the afternoon and carried off the Challenge Cup presented by the Leed's Golf Club. The best round of the day was made by P. J. Gaudin, of Manchester, whose score of 70 was made up as follows: Out, 5, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3, 4=35. Home, 3, 5, 5, 4, 3, 5, 4, 3, 2=35 with a 77 for his first round, his aggregate was only one stroke more than Sandy Herd's 146. It is curious to note that the winning total of the two sections were identical, *i. e.*, 146, which may perhaps go far to demonstrate to what a pitch of accuracy the game has been brought to by the first class players of the day.

Death has removed two well-known Golfers in the course of the last week. One, Mr. W. J. MacGeagh, an official of the County Down Club at Newcastle, and a most interested member of the Irish Golf Union. Though no great player, his keenness in the game, did much to encourage others, and he was also at one time a constant contributor to golfing literature. In Ireland his loss will be deeply felt. The other golfer, whose sudden death we have to record, is Mr. T. C. Glover, of Elie, father of the ex-Scottish Champion, Miss Glover. After returning from a busy career in India, Mr. Glover settled at Elie and took up golf, and it was mainly to the great encouragement she received from her father that Miss Glover's triumph and success as a player are due. Mr. Glover was present at the recent Ladies Championship at Troon, and died quite suddenly at Earlsferry.

On Saturday, 23rd July, yet another 18-hole course is to be opened. This is the Romney Sands Golf Club lying west of the famous Littlestone Links, and the course planned and carried out by Paxton, lies over a large tract of land reclaimed from Father Neptune in what is called the "Hoy," a small bay over which the sea flowed at spring tides only, but which after untiring exertion, stupendous labour, and enormous expenditure of money, the owner of the Littlestone Estate has succeeded in reclaiming and which is now many acres of fine pasture and golf land. Jack White, Harry Vardon and J. H. Taylor will play over the new course when the official opening will take place preceded by a big luncheon at the Grand Hotel. On Monday, 25th, an open Amateur Competition will be held. This New Club is in no way whatever connected with the Littlestone Golf Club whose two magnificent Links are so world famed.

Yet another Rubber Cored Ball is before the public; this one is called the "Allaway," is manufactured under special license from the Improved Golf Balls Company, Limited, costs the moderate sum of 1s. is rubber cored, highly elastic, floats in water, drives splendidly both with and against wind, putts true, does not lose its shape or paint, and will stand any amount of knocking about. What more can male or female desire. From personal experience I should recommend the Allaway Ball highly, and it is, moreover, a British industry, and as such should be supported. This Ball can be obtained direct from Messrs. A. and D. Padon, 13, St. Andrew's Square, Edinboro, who also undertake to re-cover rubber cored balls at the reduced price of 7s. per dozen, and are really as good and reliable as any ball in the market.

At Ashdown Forest, in Sussex, there is always something of interest going on. On 7th July the Annual Mixed Foursome Competition was held over the Long Course when Miss Buckhouse and Mr. T. Stanley Whitfeld were winners of the prize for best gross score in 88 which, with a deduction of 24 strokes, equalled the nett returns of Mrs. Whitfeld and Mr. H. J. Fisher. The first five couples all won something, so generous and rich are the dwellers in this Forest. Mrs. Naish and Mr. Hyde won the first Sweepstake, Mrs. Crawford and Mr. Naish the second Sweepstakes, and Miss Jeddere Fisher and Mr. J. Swainson the prize for best 9-holes coming in. Then the Harrogate Golf Club brought to a happy conclusion on Saturday, 9th July, a three days' open meeting (the first of its kind promoted by the Club.) The meeting was chiefly remarkable for the signal successes of Captain Graham, who won the Harrogate Cup and other prizes. On the first day a Ladies' Medal Competition and Mixed Foursomes were played Miss M. E. Story with 102 less 12'90 won the prize for the former, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ridley carried off the handsome prize for the mixed events. Miss K. G. Moeller and Captain Graham did an excellent round of 81. The next best gross score to their's being 88 returned by Miss and Mr. Kirk. On the second day a qualifying round and first match round for the very beautiful Harrogate Cup were played, the finals of which were ultimately contested by Captain Graham and Mr. R. S. Bachouse, when the former won by 3 up and 1 to play.

A big match of 25 players a side was played at Leven on Saturday, 9th July, between the Leven Thistle and St. Andrew's Clubs when the home won by 14 matches to nine, two ending all square. The two Auchterlonies and Herd played for St. Andrew's, but all lost their matches. In fine weather the Annual Open Amateur Tournament for the Borough of Hythe, Kent, Challenge Trophy was played. In the semi-finals Mr. Barry Hythe beat Mr. Thornton (Insurance Club, Edinboro), by 4 up and 2 to play. Mr. Gregory (Beckenham) beat Colonel Martin (Deal) by 3 and 2. In the finals Barry beat Gregory by 3 and 1, a close fight.

Meanwhile The Army Cup Competition goes on apace, and several matches in the first round have been decided. In the encounter between the 1st Royal Scots and the 1st Scots Guards the former won hands down by 15 points to *nil*. The following represented the two regiments:—

1ST ROYAL SCOTS.		1ST SCOTS GUARDS.	
Capt. Maclean	7	Mr. Dalrymple Hamilton	0
Major Wemyss	3	Capt. Ingleby	0
Capt. Davidson	1	Major Adams	0
Mr. Anderson	4	Col. McGregor	0
Total	15	Total	0

On dit (and as for "on dits," one cannot vouch for their veracity) that the British Amateur Championship Cup is not being treated with the consideration and respect that it deserves. The trophy seems to have been carelessly and badly packed, has in consequence been badly dented and does not stand firm on its base. As an official of the Ladies' Golf Union, I have often been privileged to travel with the Ladies' Trophy to the scene of the forthcoming championship, and unless I had seen with my own eyes the veneration and extreme care with which their Cup is conveyed, I should never have believed it. The precious pieces of silver adorned with 12 winners' names is wrapped in cotton wool and biege, it is placed first in its own inner shell, and this casket is packed in a strong water-proof brass-bound zinc-lined square box, locked, insured, and the key kept and guarded by the Honorary Secretary of the Union herself. Now the American and British Amateur Champion appears to have attached little importance to the emblem of his greatness in the shape of the Cup he took away from Britain, or may be he has carried away so many vessels of silver that he has grown careless of their value and callous of their wellbeing, but in whatever state this valuable Trophy may be, next spring will see it once more in the British Isles, and let us hope some Islander may be able to keep it here!

4th August 1904.

Situated in the extreme south-east corner of our "tight little Island," may be discerned a small, very very small bay between Dungeness Point and Littlestone, this is called "Romney Hoy." Only in very recent maps is this tiny bay left out, for it is only within the last year or so that the enterprising, indomitable owner of the Little Stone Estate has accomplished his stupendous undertaking of reclaiming some 200 acres from Father Neptune's voracious clutches. It is on this reclaimed land that the Romney Sands Golf Links are now laid out, and on Saturday, 23rd July, the inaugural meeting was held. As recently as November last the 18 hole course was pegged out by Peter Paxton and for the opening Jack White, Harry Vardon and J. H. Taylor were united to take part in a professional Tournament with the local professional James Paxton as the fourth player. The Open Champion was unfortunately owing to his complete breakdown (which has necessitated his cancelling all his engagements) unable to accept the invitation and Tayler was also an unavoidable absentee. Rowland Jones of Wimbledon Park and Peter Paxton of Hanger Hill were asked to fill the vacant places and in brilliant weather the two Paxtons paired together and Vardon and Jones, the local man showed fine form going out, but at the 15th hole he seemed to lose his game entirely and took 4, 5, 6 for the last three holes, his uncle never once in the forenoon played his game and eventually destroyed his card. Both Vardon and Jones played well through the green and off the tee, but their putting was very uncertain. Each was out in 40, and by coming home each in 41 they tied in 81 for first place.

Luncheon at the Grand Hotel, Littlestone, followed before the afternoon's play which consisted of a four ball foursome was begun. In this Vardon and Peter Paxton were coupled together against Jones and James Paxton. Vardon's game was brilliant throughout and he quite overcame his weakness on the green so apparent in the mornings round. He accomplished the first 9 holes in 5 under 4's and he and his partner eventually won the match by 3 up and 2 to play. The details of the scores are as below:—

H. Vardon and Peter Paxton	Out 4, 4, 4, 4, 2, 4, 3, 2, 4 = 31		
	In 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 4, 4, 3, 4 = 37	=	68.
R. Jones and J. Paxton	Out 4, 4, 5, 4, 3, 3, 3, 3, 4 = 33		
	In 5, 6, 3, 4, 6, 4, 4, 3, 4 = 39	=	72.

It must be noticed that going out Jones and Paxton did a very unusual thing in holing four holes in consecutive 3's, and the match was all square at the turn and also it is remarkable that in the first 9 holes Vardon and his partner got 2 *twos*. The course though short is very sporting and some of the holes away out towards what is called "Greatstone Point" are very fine ones, the bunkers being particularly formidable and the greens large and true. Within half a mile of the Romney Sands Golf Club, are the two famous 18 hole courses of the Littlestone Golf Club and now with a 3rd Links opened so near, the extremely difficult task of providing caddies and accomodation to the members (over 1,000 in all) of the two clubs exercising the brains of the officials of both clubs. The population of the Ancient Cinque Port own Romney scarce exceeds 1,300 and the gay seaside resort of Littlestone consists of one long row of stuccoed houses more than half of which are tenanted privately and a few private residences scattered here and there.

Switzerland is starting yet another golf course, this is at Valais, some 4,200ft. above sea level. The course is only 9 holes, but is extremely sporting with naturally formidable bunkers (and one can imagine the nature of a hazard in this mountainous country!) The turf is good, but as yet the greens and tees leave much to be desired, which time, and the tread of the golfer alone will improve, the fees are low, for the Club wants members, who will find most excellent accommodation at moderate prices and the Honorary Secretary, M. Kaehn, Hôtel Forêt, Morgius (Valais) Switzerland, will be only too pleased to supply any further information.

Further experience of the excellence of the B. B. B. Rubber cored balls induces me to recommend them to all who are uncertain which ball to adhere to, it is really much wiser to get one particular sort and if approved of, to stick to it always for better or for worse, and with the great variety of balls now in the market one is very apt to become influenced by one's partner for the time being, who may be playing a good game, with some special ball one which we ourselves have not tried, these B.B.B. balls, of which there are two makes—the "Darnley" and the "B. B. B." are very elastic and yet do not lose their shape, the paint does not chip or wear off and they fly well with or against the wind, they can be obtained direct from the makers, Forth Street, Pollokshields, Glasgow. In the return match between Yorkshire and Nottinghamshire at Sheffield on 14 July the Home County carried all before them winning every match. In the 1st round Yorkshire was 44 holes up, and the afternoon's play brought their total up to 83 holes as against 5 for Notts.

There is a great deal of discussion going on at present, on the subject of Play on Commons—Mitcham Common, over which Princess Golf Club exercise right of monopoly, with certain existing rights acquired legally of which they cannot be dispossessed without compensation. A suggestion has been made to the following effect: That Golf Links be laid out on Hampstead Heath, below Jack Straw's Castle, also on Farthing Down near Mitcham by Purley Station, and in Epping Forest, these courses to be laid out by the Corporation of the City of London who own all these spaces, and that a small charge for the upkeep be made to every player, and a bye-law passed that no one shall play without paying and acquiring a legal Ticket.

The Corporation of Manchester are considering the advisability of laying out an 18-hole course in Heaton Park; this scheme bids fair to be carried through unanimously, and other big cities will doubtless follow the example of Cottonapolis, but when will London golfers be up and doing, the greatest city in the world without its Municipal golf course. Of the many "Championships" of the British Isles which have now come to be looked forward to by the majority of good players, perhaps of all the Irish "Open" is the most popular, especially with the Scotch golfers. The *cenue* of this year's meeting is the County Down Club at Newcastle, that very beautiful links situated below the cloud topped Mourne Mountains. The competition commences on Monday, 29th August, and continues throughout the week. Although boasting of many first-class players of the male sex, the Emerald Isle has never yet succeeded in carrying over to Erin the Amateur Championship, but though her lads have not done this, the lassies have over and over again proved themselves quite invincible, more power to them! and the Ladies' Golf Union Championship Cup has many a time and oft crossed and recrossed St. George's Channel, tho just now reposing peacefully in a Cheshire Club!

The Welsh Championship of 1904 will be held at the Ashburton Club's Links near Pemoury, during the last week of August. It is only within the last week or so that Braid and Harry Vardon visited this club and played a match displaying their usual almost automatic skill when Vardon completing his round in 77 to Braid's 79 won by 2 holes up.

Many Lady golfers would be interested to hear that the well-known lingerie firm of Sykes Josephine et Cie in Regent Street have now started a Parisian dress making branch, the style excellence of cut and finish and the extreme durability and adaptability of this firms goods are too well known to need eulogism; always courteous, punctual and reliable they are extremely and justly popular and for tropical climates they make a great speciality in their materials.

Once again is the ever-recurring never—settled vexed question of caddies before us: that these little urchins are very essential to the comfort and general happiness of the golfer is certain, they are practically indispensable and this being the case it is as well to face the question of devising a really good system for the Government and control of these necessary evils, so that when old enough, their training as caddies will not have unfitted them for the serious walks of life, for, at present the game exercises on the lads as great an attraction as upon the players themselves, and very frequently they prefer as they grow into men the precarious living picked up on the links to the drudgery and regular pay at an office. At many clubs the caddy question is becoming a very serious one—particularly at the large seaside club where during the week the links are practically empty but where there is for the week end an enormous influx of visitors and members who expect to find each one a boy and are very much aggrieved and annoyed should there be any deficiency. Some golfers would rather give up their round than carry their own clubs and on saying this I refer more especially to men, for ladies are quite accustomed to dispensing with the luxury of a caddy and the majority of their sex would certainly not dream of giving up the round because no caddy was forthcoming.

There are many links in England where Sunday play is permitted but where caddies are not allowed to be employed, but at the majority of courses, especially sea-side ones the Saturday and Sunday are very lucrative and remunerative days for any and every able-bodied man or boy with or without a knowledge of the game. Much could be written on this subject, but space forbids, and time alone will show whether the supply will meet the growing and ever-increasing demand for these human beings "who would fardels bear."

M. E. S.

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

Friday, 19th August, 1904.

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TWO LENGTHS SEALED HANDICAP.—This competition was brought off at the Baths this evening with the following result:—

1. L. Prike, time 52⅖ secs. less 7 secs. start = 45⅖
2. W. Govan, time 45¼ secs. scratch = 45¼.
3. K. Kennedy, time 50½ secs. less 4 secs. start = 46½.
4. F. B. Prike, time 57½ secs. less 10 secs. start = 47½.
5. F. G. Watts, time 64⅘ secs. less 17 secs. start = 47⅘.
6. A. L. Clarke, time 55½ secs. less 8 secs. start = 47½.
7. W. S. J. Willson, time 57½ secs. less 9 secs. start = 48½.
8. A. Siddons, time 48½ secs. scratch = 48½.
9. G. H. Harnack, time 57½ secs. less 8 secs. start = 49½.

SWIMMING GYMKHANA AT LAHORE.

The second Swimming Gymkhana was held at the Baths on the 14th instant and some good sport was witnessed. The first event on the card was a diving competition in which excellent form was shown. Fremantle won, with Crocker second. The 120 yards (6 lengths) handicap of which the preliminary heats had been swum on the previous evening, resulted in a win for Trevor (20 secs) Moir, (18 secs) was second. Mackenzie was disqualified for an accidental foul, when he seemed to have the race in hand. The plunging competition was secured by Lomax with Coley a good second.

The 40 yards (2 lengths) scratch race, both in the preliminary heats and final, was very closely contested, and Mackenzie's win was well deserved, his time in the preliminary heat being exceptionally good. 1st heat, Fremantle and St. John (dead heat). 36½ secs. 2nd heat, Mackenzie (1). Coley (2). 33 secs. Final, Mackenzie (1). Coley (2). 35 secs.

The Mussack Fighting and the Peg and Sun Race afforded considerable amusement. The former was won by Wolley and Crocker was an easy winner in the latter.

The Kennel.

HINTS ON BREEDING.

PARADOXICAL as it may appear, it is nevertheless a positive fact, that whilst breeding dogs is to a certain extent a lottery, a man is at the same time almost sure to succeed in the long run if he adheres to the proper methods which command success. The great and only course to follow is to breed from healthy stock and to stick to blood. By adopting the latter expression, it is intended to impress upon the mind of the novice the important and uncontrovertible fact, that though experimental and fantastic crosses may occasionally succeed in individual cases, such things in the vast majority of cases bring disappointment in their train, and result in the undoing of many years of careful breeding. An unhealthy dog or bitch ought never to be bred from unless under the most exceptional cases, by anybody who has conceived the very laudable ambition of establishing a strain of his own, for, as must be obvious to the meanest capacity, the infirmities of the parents will probably



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appear amongst their descendants, if not in the first, at all events in some subsequent generation.

This is still more likely to be the case amongst inbred dogs, and in establishing a strain there must be a certain amount of sibbing, *i.e.*, inbreeding resorted to when it is desired to fix the type. Opinions differ a good deal as regards the best way to proceed in the inbreeding line, but speaking generally, experience has shown us that putting father to daughter or mother to son is preferable to breeding brother to sister. Of course, it must be patent to the merest beginner that a continuous system of close inbreeding, or even practising the same for a couple of generations, would affect the stamina, constitution, and size of the family, and consequently an outcross of some kind is absolutely necessary. When this is resorted to, as it very often must be, it is wise to seek for a suitable animal which belongs to a different branch of the original strain from which the parents of the family for which the cross is being sought has come; in fact, a distant relative though not a full blooded one.

Due observance should, of course, be paid to the points which it is desired that the puppies should possess, and it is reasonable to hope that the perfections of the one parent may obliterate the failings of the other—hence the greatest of all reasons for advocating the advantages of judicious inbreeding, as when a certain strain is known to possess peculiar characteristics of its own which are strongly marked, it is not likely that these characteristics will be affected if a distant member of the family is used as a cross, as they will be if outside blood is introduced.

It should always be remembered that when a type is not strongly impressed upon a strain, an outside cross is just as likely to produce the bad points of both parents in their offspring as the good ones, and hence the desirability, one might say necessity, of fixing certain characteristics, which can only be accomplished by judicious sibbing.

The stud dog or the brood bitch, which above all others are to be shunned for breeding purposes, are great prize winners of doubtful parentage. In the first place, these animals may be the results of the rankest flukes in the way of crosses; or secondly, they may possess—a generation or two back, or perhaps even more—a strain of blood which might introduce some most objectionable failings into a strain. Consequently, the dog breeder who means to be successful must be ever on his guard against the good-looking flat-catcher, and if he is a cautious man he will look ahead and look back as well as at the present. Once get a cross of objectionable blood into your strain—and it is remarkable, if the matter is followed up, how often the blood of two families which are good in themselves will fail to nick with each other—and there is no saying when or where it will crop up. Possibly the effects of the bar sinister may not appear for years, and this is the greatest misfortune that could fall upon a breeder, as, believing himself to be safe, he may have got the taint into the blood of every member of his kennel during the interval; but when it does show itself it may prove to be the undoing of years of thought. Crosses, to put it plainly, should be well considered, and to the man who takes the trouble to make the proper inquiries there is generally some useful information to be derived from the experiences of others.

Speaking generally, it is not desirable that a bitch should be bred from until she is about eighteen months or so of age. Individual animals, of course, vary in the extent of their development, but the offspring of quite immature dams are seldom robust in constitution, or altogether satisfactory, no matter how good looking they may be. In the case of Bulldogs and large-headed varieties, which are by their formation difficult puppies to be brought into the world, it is unwise to allow a bitch to remain so long unbred from that the bones and muscles connected with the passage through which the puppies pass become set, and so difficult to relax. Therefore the bitches of such breeds may be allowed a litter at an earlier age than others, but after the first one they may be given a rest for at least one heat.

So long as his energies are not overtaxed, a dog may be used for service when he is a year old, or even under. Occasionally it is for his benefit that this should be so, but it is not likely to be otherwise than unbeneficial to his subsequent development if his subscription-list is other than a very limited one, until he is at least eighteen months old.

Amongst the many trials which beset the dog owner who goes in for breeding is the possession of a valuable and well-bred bitch which has earned for herself the unenviable distinction of being either barren or a shy breeder. Such an animal is a most disappointing acquisition to any kennel, and unfortunately, there is no infallible remedy that can be suggested. It may be mentioned, however, that some five-and-twenty years a correspondent of one of the sporting papers related that he had been successful in obtaining puppies from more than one bitch that had borne the reputation of being non-breeders, and he described his method of procedure. It was to reduce the strength of the bitch by blood-letting almost to the point of fainting, and then, without delay, introducing her to the dog. The idea, it must be admitted, is not attractive, and very possibly it may be entirely fallacious, but the present writer adopted it in the case of a Greyhound bitch which was a pronounced non-breeder, and she presented him with a litter of six. The experiment was not repeated as the bitch in question was sold; and under any circumstances should any owner of a presumably barren bitch think of trying it, he should avail himself of the services of a veterinary-surgeon to perform the operation of blood-letting, else it may be found impossible to check the bleeding. Possibly the case referred to above was of the nature of a coincidence, and the Greyhound bitch would have bred under any circumstances, but the circumstances were as described, and she did not suffer in any way, either at the time as the bleeding was apparently quite painless, or in her future life.

A stud dog or brood bitch which is overburdened with a load of superfluous flesh is far less likely to produce stock than one which is in good hard condition at the time of service, and the more healthy and active lives such animals lead the greater probability of their offspring being strong and vigorous. No doubt many puppies have been bred in the midst of unwholesome surroundings and under very disadvantageous circumstances, but taken as a general rule, it is the offspring of the parents who are in sound condition that make the most healthy dogs, and which in their turn beget the best constitutional puppies.

Lastly, it may be suggested that autumn and winter whelped puppies are not usually so well developed dogs as those which are born at other times of the year, this being due to the fact that their earlier existence is not associated with warmth and sunshine, which are so essential to the welfare and growth of all young animals.—*Stockkeeper.*

The Naturalist.

THE CAGING OF WILD BIRDS.

WITH the possible exception of bird-trimmed millinery, and the consequent slaughter of plume birds in breeding-time, nothing is the cause of so much cruelty to wild birds as the caged-bird business, with all that it entails.

A great deal is urged on behalf of the caging of birds. It encourages "a love of birds," we are told; they are pets with ladies and children; they must be happy because they go on living and singing and are saved from their natural enemies; their presence gladdens and refines the slum; and so on.

But, apart from fancy and false sentiment, what are the facts of the matter in regard especially to the British wild bird? The character of the bird-catching trade and the extent to which it is still carried on in fields and hedgerows, and in practically every piece of common or open land where there are still any birds worth catching, are realized by few persons, even though they may live near some favoured resort and see rough-looking gentry with the familiar apparatus, pass their doors every Sunday morning, or meet, and instinctively avoid them about country lanes and commons. In the open season the catcher has little let or hindrance, save in counties where the list of birds protected throughout the year is carefully framed, so that he cannot, while netting the unprotected linnets take protected redpolls "by mistake," or goldfinches "by accident;" and where the police and the R. S. P. C. A. officers are vigilant in enforcing the orders. Even in close time he has no difficult task in evading the law, or in getting behind it by securing the easy co-operation of some small farmer who will "let" him the land for the purpose.

The catcher goes to work with his decoy birds and his nets or lime, most of the "work" being done by the miserable little decoys, surely the most hapless of bird victims! Since the Act of 1900 was passed the decoy has been brought under some sort of protection, and needs it badly enough.

The wild birds are caught by the dozen or the hundred; the hens probably have their necks wrung, the cocks are thrust into cages or boxes, and are either taken to the dealers in a neighbouring town or despatched by rail to some large centre, spending possibly hours in transit. A dozen in a Hudson's soap box, with some seed, but no water, is recommended by a careful dealer anxious for the safety of birds on long journeys. In the big town those which survive are consigned to the familiar cell-cages ("It's kinder to give 'em small cages; they'd beat themselves to death in bigger ones") on the dealer's dark shelves, or round about his window, in as foul an atmosphere as Paradise Court, Petticoat Lane, would seem to a Swiss mountaineer. Of the reduced number which reach the dealer alive, perhaps one in six survives to find a purchaser. Or it may be they are sold off at some Saturday night auction and distributed in paper bags, as vividly pictured in the pamphlet entitled "A Linnet for Sixpence," just published by the Society for the Protection of Birds.

Once sold, what fate awaits them? What fate is likely to await the delicate, fluttering wild thing sold for a few pence in the back street? There is, of course, the very small percentage which the defenders of caging have ever in view, those which are bought by well-intentioned private persons and safely broken into the strange new life. Are even these fortunate few placed as a matter of course in aviaries where captivity may be made as endurable as possible? Well, no, that is out of the question, only the rich have aviaries; but, it is argued, they must be happy because they sing! That is to say, they continue, unless utterly broken-hearted, to exercise the one bird-faculty left to them—to cry aloud for the warm sunshine, the green shade, and the never-seen, ever delaying mate, even though they can never be understood by a single listener and never answered in their own mystical language. And by and by they cease beating their wings against the bars, peck at the seed or other food in the seed-box that replaces the hundred varieties of dew-sweetened meat in the meadow, and hop up and down, up and down, on the monotonous perches, and are "merry."

The wild birds most extensively caged are the skylark, the linnet, and the chaffinch. The harshened trill of the lark is a common city sound, not "at heaven's gate," but from some public-house or mews; of all birds there is none whose caging is more repugnant to the man with an comprehension of wild bird life. The linnet is less often seen or heard. It is not pleasant to surmise what becomes of the tens of thousands that suffer transportation from their furzy homes to the galleys and hulk of cagedom. The chaffinches are in many cases the property of men with "a hobby" for birds; that is to say, a hobby for "bird races," handicap singing competitions, over which bets are made and money won. These are the birds which are taken "out for a walk" or to enjoy the fresh air (closely tied up in black cloth or brown paper), where they may hear their wild mates, and thus improve their fading songs or serve as decoys for snaring others. It has long been the practice to blind these "pets" of the East-ender, so that, unable to see and be terrified by their human surroundings in the public-house, they may suppose their competitors are wild kin calling to them from the green boughs. The custom is rendered illegal by the Wild Animals in Captivity Act, but its illegality has probably not succeeded in abolishing it. Larks are kept for the same purpose. In Huddersfield, says the *Standard* of 26th May 1904, there is an association which "promotes the singing of larks":—

"Captive birds are trained by being taken in boxes into the fields, where they are left to pick up the notes of free birds as best they can. Competitions for prizes have this week been held at various public-houses, the birds singing for ten minutes or so without a break . . . . In this way some £6 or £7 has been distributed, and the contests have proved an infinite source of amusement. The association has been in existence about thirty years, and this year the hobby of lark singing has been encouraged by some thirteen "Sings."

The encouragement of the 'hobby," however, is no doubt in many cases only a means to an end, *viz.*, to promote gambling, and perhaps the police might have something to say to this, especially when the "competition" takes place on licensed premises.

The three species named, however, are far from exhausting the number sought for caging. The goldfinch has been, we know, almost exterminated in many counties owing to its popularity as a cage bird, though now somewhat recovering its place thanks to the Protection Acts and Orders. Any country walk will discover sullen jackdaws, starlings, magpies, moping within wicker frameworks; ragged blackbirds and thrushes and restless bullfinches slung at the doors of cottagers who hear hundreds of free song birds all day long, yet who must have their captives. But the chief incentives to the business are the cage bird clubs, which, like the singing handicaps, bring the powerful stimulus of competition and gain to bear upon the matter. These clubs are said to be on the increase up and down the country, twenty new ones having been formed within the past few months; and they promote the caging of almost every British bird, however unsuitable for the purpose. In the middle of Close Time the fanciers' journals abound with advertisements of "cock night ingales" (a bird difficult to keep in health, and one that, like all migrants becomes very restless and unhappy at the approach of migration time); chiffchaffs and willow wrens, those delicate little wanderers from overseas; flycatchers, wheatears; "English cock goldfinches," "larks, champion songsters;' "cock brown linnets, nice red breasts, caught February catching season"; redpolls, twites, buntings, greenfinches, robins, blackbirds, and thrushes, and so on, and so on, and even ravens and kestrels. To prove that there is any breach of the letter of the law in manifest breaches of its spirit, it must be shown that the birds are "recently taken." There are many ways in which the dealer who finds it convenient to replenish his stock in Close Time can render such proof difficult if he chance to be dropped on; and in the "catching season" he is master of the situation.

The most amazing part of the business is that we English people as a nation countenance this wholesale onslaught upon the wild-bird life—the brightest and cheeriest wild life—of the country, with all its attendant illegalities and brutalities, carried on by those who have not the ghost of a claim to their living loot; thereby making ourselves partners of the slave-raiders, and responsible for all that bird catcher, bird dealer, and bird fancier are suffered to do.

In addition to British birds, immense numbers are imported from other lands to serve as show birds, decorations or pets in England. A few weeks ago (3rd May), the newspapers reported the arrival in London of a steamer from Australia with a cargo of 14,000 birds from various parts of the colony, which were being sold to fanciers and dealers. That a bird is "foreign," is with some people enough to excuse or commend its caging. But a bird is a bird the world over; even a cage-bred one never entirely loses the passion for liberty, the powerful instinct of flight, which are the glory of free bird life.—*Bird Notes and News.*

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

A MEETING of the members took place at the Society's rooms, on Thursday, the 18th August Rev. F. Dreckmann, S. J., presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following new members since the last meeting was duly announced:—Captain A. E. Hamerton, R.A.M.C. (Ferozepore); Dr A. F. G. Kerr (Chiengmai, Siam); Mr. W. C. (Ferozepore); Dr A. F. G. Kerr (Chiengmai, Siam); Mr. W. T. Page, F.Z.S. (London); Mr W. N. Edwards (Majuligghur, Sootea P. O Darrang, Assam); Mr. J. D. Stuart (Minbu, Burma); Mr. E. Steiner (Bombay); Mr. M. G. Sykes, I.C.S. (Cuddalore, Madras Presidency); Mr. G. A. D. Stuart (Nellore); Mr. H. Calder (Rangoon); Mr. Felix L. Dames (Berlin, Germany); H. H. the Rajah of Dhar, (Dhar C. I.); Mr. T. Moore (Russellkonda, Ganjam District); Major J W L. Elgee (Bangalore); Mr. C. Lucas (Bombay); Mr. Norman A. Macleod (Jaffirbund, Lalla P.O); Captain. J. H. Dickson (Quetta); Lieutenant A G. Lyell (Lansdowne); Lieutenant H. W. Long, R.A.M.C. (Jullundur); Mr. S. A. Wood. I.F.S. (Lollem S. Shan States); the Professor of Zoology, Madras Christian College

(Madras); Mr. F. W. Chanter, C. E. (Bombay); Major L. P. Chapman, R. E. (Bombay); Mr. Cassamali Jairajbhoy Peerbhoy (Bombay); Mr. C.H. Stowell (Grant Road, Bombay); Mr. W.W. Bulkley (Jeypore); Mr. G. Marjoribanks, I. F. S. (Belgaum), Colonel F. W Trevor, R. A M. C. (Bombay); Mr. A. S. Lawrie (Russellkonda) Ganjam District); and Mr. M. Crampton (Russellkonda, Ganjam District); and Mr. R. C. C. Carr, I.C.S. (Chittoor, N. Arcot District).

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

Mr. H. M. Phipson, the Honorary Secretary, acknowledged receipt of the following contributions to the society's collections:—

Contribution.	Description.	Contributor.
A collection of named moths from Darjeeling.	.....	Mr. G. A. Miller.
1 Indian Sloth Bear (alive).	Melursus Ursinus	Mr. H. P. Le Mesurier.
2 Tiger Cubs (alive).	Felis tigris.	Major F. W. C. Jones, R.A.M.C.
A collection of Fresh Water Fishes from Lucknow.	.....	Major A. T. Newnham, F.Z.S.
1 Changeable Hawk-Eagle.	Spizaetus limnaetus,	Mr. H. H. Clutterbuck, I.F.S.
1 Bonelli's Eagle.	Hieraetus fasciatus.	" "
A collection of Spiders from Ganjam.	.....	Mr. C.E C Fischer, I.F.S.
1 Scaly Ant-eater (alive)	Manis pentadactyla.	Mr. J. Black.
Eggs of the Upland Pipit.	Otocorys sylvanus.	Mr. F. Field.
A Clutch of Eggs of the White-crested Kalij Pheasant.	Gennaeus albicristatus.	Mr. F. Field.
1 Snake.	Gongylophis conicus.	Capt J. S. Oxley, I.M.S.
4 Cobras (alive).	Naia tripudians	Col. W. B. Bannerman, I.M.S.
11 Phoorsas.	Echis carinata ...	Col. W. B. Bannerman, I M.S
1 Ground Snake.	Eryx johnu ...	Major H. D. Merewether.
1 Snake.	Tropidonotus plumbicolor.	Mr. D. A. Macmillan.
4 New Species of Mouse-Hares.	Ochotona wardi ...	Col. A. E. Ward.
Some Lepidoptera from Quetta District.	.....	Mr. Neville Eliot, R.A.
3 Chukor Partridges from Arabia (alive)	Caccabis chucar ...	Major F.V. Whittal.
14 Growing Cocos de Mer nuts from Seychelles.	Lodoicea Sechellarum.	Mons. R. Dupont.
1 Malay Bittern.	Gorsachius melanolophus.	Mr. J. B. Russell.

Minor Contributions.—Mr. F. Napier, Captain G. M. Morris, Mr. J. W. Watson, and Mr. Bapu W. Telang.

The following constribution to the library has been made:—The Manual of Plague, by Major W. E. Jennings, M. D., I.M.S., by the author.

PROPOSED PUBLIC MUSEUM.

The correspondence between the Proposed Museum Committee and the Bombay Natural History Society was placed before the meeting, and the following extract shows the opinion of the Committee on the subject:—

"We are strongly of opinion that the Government of Bombay should possess a Scientific Museum in this city, and that a trained staff should be engaged from Europe with the object of carrying on research in every branch of Natural History commencing with those which have a conspicuous economic value, but we think it would be worse than a mistake to undertake the formation of such an institution unless ample funds for endowment as well as for building are provided.

"A museum as a mere exhibition of natural history specimens is, in our opinion, of very little value, but as the head-quarters of a scientific staff engaged in research, and containing working collections from which knowledge may be obtained, it then becomes an institution of enormous value to the State For instance it is obvious that as a maritime people we ought before this to have done something to improve the coast fisheries of India, but nothing practical can be done in this direction until we possess a more complete knowledge of the marine fauna. At present we know nothing of the migration of sea fishes, or the periods and places at which they breed, and such knowledge can only be obtained by means of systematic collections made by trained naturalists.

"To possess such a museum, therefore, it is necessary to consider what will be the working expenses of the scientific staff as well as the probable cost of a building to contain collections and laboratories.

"The Government of Bombay state in the resolution that they can see their way to 2½ lakhs towards the erection of a museum, but they do not say that they are prepared to meet the heavy recurrent expenditure which would be necessary to provide for the requirements of a scientific museum staff. To ascertain what these expenses would amount to we can only refer you to the report of the Calcutta Museum for 1902, in which the working expenses considerably exceeded half a lakh per annum irrespective of the gazetted salaries.

"The erection of a building that would be suitable for a museum, as well as a public library (see Government Resolution) on a conspicuous site in Bombay would cost, we should think, three or four times the amount mentioned in the resolution.

"The Bombay Natural History Society, which consists of about 900 members throughout India, Burma, and Ceylon, possesses very valuable collections gathered from the whole of the Oriental region, but they are essentially working collections and are not suitable for public exhibition, the object of the Society being in the direction of research rather than display, as is shown by the character of its publications.

"We note that it is intended to restrict the collections in the proposed museum to the area of the Bombay Presidency, but if it is the intention of the Government to undertake scientific research in all branches of local natural history, this Society will be in a position to render material assistance, and will, we need hardly say, be willing to do so."

A PRINCELY OFFER.

The Honorary Secretary stated that His Highness the Rao Saheb of Cutch had offered to subscribe Rs. 1,000 a year, for three years, to this Society, if it could see its way to engage an expert from Europe to make a marine zoological survey of the Bombay Coast, including the Gulf of Cambay and the Runn of Cutch. The cost of such an undertaking would, it was thought, amount to about Rs. 22, 000, or say Rs, 7,500 a year, for a period of three years, and the task was consequently beyond the powers of this Society unless generous support, such as that offered by H. H. the Rao of Cutch, were forthcoming from others. The Committee of the Society had already addressed letters pointing out the advantages of such a survey, to all the States which possess a sea frontier on the Kathiawar and Konkan Coasts.

GOVERNMENT GRANT.

The Honorary Secretary stated that the Government of Bombay had made a grant of Rs. 2, 500 to the Society for the present year and that they had been good enough to promise to continue the grant (provided funds were available) so long as the Society continued to publish the results of its investigations and researches on subject, of public utility.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Government of Bombay for its assistance.

COLOURED PLATES.

The Honorary Secretary stated that orders for the following coloured plates, for the Society's journal, had been placed in the hands of their London cromo-lightographers:—8 plates of Ducks; 1 Plate of Moths; 4 Plates of Snakes; 4 Plates of Orchids; and 3 Plates of Cuckoo's Eggs. Total 20 Plates.

The cost of these Coloured Plates would be about as 350 each (or Rs. 7,000 in all) so that it was most important that the Society should obtain as many new members as possible in order to provide the funds for these useful illustrations.

PAPERS READ.

The following papers were then read and discussed:—1. Sexual Colour-dimorphism in Birds, by D. Dewar, I. C. S.; 2. The Ancestry of the Horse, by L. C. H. Young, B. A.; 3. New Species of Indian Hymenoptera, by Major C. G. Nurse, F. E. S.; 4. The Enemies of Butterflies, by E. H. Aitken; 5. The Himalayan Nutcracker, by Colonel W. Capper, D. M. E. in India; 6. The Asiatic Two-horned Rhinoceros, by Major G. H. Evans, A. V. D., F. L. S.

The Story Teller.

MY FRIEND THE WELSHER.

THE following curious cricketing incident, with its remarkable sequel, was brought again to my recollection by the fact that my old *confrère* Alfred Shaw, has lately once more been heard of in the cricket world. Writes "Straw Hat" in *Sporting Sketches*. It was in the "sixties" that Alfred first made his mark as a cricketer of note, and, oddly enough, although he bowled sufficiently well to place his name well in the second flight of trundlers, he began his remarkable career with every sign of turning out a brilliant bat-man.

In those days I was a bit of a bat, and a very straight bowler, just under medium pace, with a natural twist from the off. At that time there were few bowlers who could command the off-break; but there were many, of whom Shaw was one, who had the natural twist from leg. One wet afternoon upon the Grantham ground, I initiated Alfred into the mysteries of the off-screw. He saw the deadly use that might be made of it and forthwith set to work to practise the twirl over the fingers, and to add the new wrinkle to the list of his already dangerous devices.

I may state that, before the weight of adipose matter caused a too sudden disappearance from the river and the cricket-field, it was my annual custom to spend the long vacations on tour in the Midlands. Occasionally I would go on rambles with the powerful team engaged and invited by Sir H. B——, or I would join one of the strong clubs in the vicinity of the lace county, and make short outings to the neighbouring towns and villages strong enough and willing to play us. The Midland counties Diamonds, Notts Commercial, Mapperley Park, the Free Foresters, and the West of Scotland, under Colonel Buchanan, were amongst the teams who occasionally met us; while Boston, Sleaford, Radcliffe-on-Trent, and Newmark were always down upon our list of places to be visited.

The strongest of these towns was, no doubt, Newark-on-Trent. They possessed a wicket-keeper who "kept" for Nottingham, namely Hogg—bats such as Slater, the Smiths, father and son, the two Chattertons, who had done battle for England, and Messrs. Dolphin, Heppinstall, and Riddell, the last-mentioned being a bowler who could "stick up" a batsman pretty often.

About the year 1875 I gave up active cricket, took to myself a wife, and settled down quietly in Surrey, at a town noted in the annals of racing. Rather more than twelve months ago the sergeant of police of our division called to tell me that some welshers had been caught, and that they were to be brought before the magistrates on the following Monday.

"I know, sir, that you like to hear a good case or two, so if you can come in I'll reserve a seat for you near the bench"

So spake the officer, and to him I gave a ready assent, little dreaming that I should be called to testify as to the character of one of the accused upon that day It was Rock Sand's year and the two welshers, "bookie" and clerk, had been guilty of disappearing just before the decision of the great event. They were discerned, however, on the top of the hill, running wide of each other. The infuriated mob gave chase immediately, and the two would-be flyers were taken, and, after much difficulty, safely housed in the cells.

The charge was read over on the following Monday, soon after I made my appearance in the court. The prosecutor was present, and stated that he had backed the winner; but that, when he went to tender his ticket, the public were engaged in smashing the box and stand of the welshers, and that the men themselves had gone. He had caught sight of the bookmaker's clerk amongst the crowd; but at the particular instant that he saw him the man had turned, and, diving into the throng, disappeared.

The case was strong against the prisoners. My friend the sergeant had known the elder of the twain as a welsher for several years. He was called "Bell-wire Billy," on account of his numerous escapades. He had had one arm broken, a jaw smashed, and, moreover, he bore a mark upon the back of his neck which indicated what would have been his fate if his pursuer, upon that occasion, had but once fixed his iron hand upon his collar. He pleaded guilty upon being asked by the bench if he had anything to say; but the younger man, against whom there were no convictions, and who had given a correct address, put in a plea of not guilty, and addressed the magistrates when asked if he had anything to say.

"I had an idea, your honours," he began, "that I should like to make a book at the races, and so advertised for a partner. This man, of whom I knew little or nothing, answered my advertisement, and we agreed to put £50 each in the book. I gave him money and undertook to do the clerking. While the Derby was being run, I went off to get a drink, and making my way back after the race—to pay out, or rather to check the tickets—found that the other prisoner had decamped with the satchel and that the crowd was smashing the box and the stand. Knowing what I should get if recognised, I took to my heels and ran until captured by the officers. It was all my money in the satchel, and the prisoner, no doubt, meant doing me, if he had got away, as well as the others. My home, as the sergeant has stated, is in Newark. I have ample means, and intended carrying on the 'book' in an honourable manner."

The bench then put their heads together, and the chairman, addressing the younger man, asked him if he could call anyone in support of his statement, or as to character.

"If your honours would grant an adjournment I could easily prove what I assert, and there is a gentleman now in the court, who knew me some years ago, who could bear out my statement that I am, at least, respectable."

"Well, tell him to step up, and we will hear what he has to say."

You may guess my astonishment when the prisoner, turning in my direction, called upon me, as "the gentleman with the straw hat," to testify as to his respectability. Everybody, of course, turned their eyes in my direction, and my friend the sergeant laughingly informed me, as he directed me into the witness-box, that I was "in for it now."

"Now," said the presiding magistrate, "ask the witness any questions you like, after he is sworn."

Sworn I was, and then my questioning began.

"Have you ever seen me before to-day?"

"Never," was my reply, "to the best of my recollection."

"Were you not, say twenty five years ago, playing cricket in the Midlands?"

"I was," I replied, now becoming interested.

"Did you not, about that time, under the captaincy of Alfred Shaw, visit the town of Newark in Nottingam?"

"I did."

"Do you remember playing against that town, which put an eleven into the field composed of such men as Hogg, Slater, the Chattertons, Smith, and others?"

"I perfectly remember it."

"You played a good inninga upon that occasion?"

"I think I scored about 40 runs."

"Do you recollect anything extraordinary during your innings?"

"I remember cutting an off, ball of Slater's hard to point, and striking that fie'dsman on the left side of his forehead, and the ball then going away to the boundry for three runs."

"Would you be surprised to hear that I was the 'point' upon that occasion?"

"Your worship" continued the prisoner pointing to his forehead, 'the ball cut me to the bone; but I little thought that the mark, which I shall carry to my graves, would be the means of perhaps saving me from a felon's prison."

I looked at the man in astonishment, while the magistrates, police officers, and spectators craned forward to see the convincing proof of the man's "respectability."

"My head was bandaged," continued the prisoner, "and I took my place once more in the field, and I caught the gentleman out the same over. Is that correct, sir?"

I was compelled to admit that such was the case. The prisoner then made an earnest and somewhat eloquent appeal to the magistrates, at the conclusion of which I spoke a few words supporting the man's statements. The bench, assisted by the Clerk of the Court, then held a short consultation, after which the chairman addressed the prisoners. The older of the twain, the confirmed welsher, was summarily disposed of, his sentence being twenty-one days. Then the younger man was sternly admonished to be more careful in future as to the parties whom he associated with. In consideration of the good character which he evidently formerly possessed, and of the remarkable evidence which had been given in his favour, the case against him would be dismissed; but he was to bear in mind that he had had a very narrow escape from a severe sentence. He might go.

At the conclusion of the magistrate's speech there was some slight applause from the body of the court which was, however, immediately suppressed. Outside the court house several of the spectators shook the "welsher" by the hand, and congratulated him as he came forward to thank me.

A few days after I received a letter from him expressing his obligations to me for the service I had rendered him. At the same time, also, a hamper, containing many of the good things, which the thrifty folk of Nottingham are skilful in preparing, also arrived. At the last Epsom meeting, just previous to St. Amant cantering home by himself, I was strolling over the hill, making a note or two for future use, when I espied my friend, at the receipt of custom, apparently having a very good time of it, for, as I stood by until business became slack, I could hear the Gouvernant and John o' Gaunt men placing their dollars on their fancies. On this occasion he did not leave his pitch for a drink; but he had one brought for us, and as he paid out to his first customer over St. Amant he stole a sly glance at me. "Not any more Rock Sand for me sir," he remarked, *sotto voce*. "That was a very near squeak indeed."

Chess.

STAUNTON CHESS CLUB.

CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION.

ON Friday evening, the 19th instant, the members assembled to present the Cup the to the winner, Mr. R M. Ross, who with 11 wins, 1 draw and 1 lost game, carried off the trophy after a keen and interesting struggle extending over four months. Mr. Ross is a well-known exponent of the game and samples of his play may be found in some standard English works on chess. He was closely followed by Mr. Edmund Robertson another noted Calcutta players, with 11 wins to his credit. Following these, in order, came Messrs. W. D Barrow, W. H. Taylor, Dr. Pearse, A. W. Figgis, A. Shrager and W. Bussinius. The remaining members of the club who entered for the competition were unable to finish their games.

The Cup remains in the possession of the winner for 12 months.

After winning the Derby of 1839, Bloomsbury did not figure very prominently in the after events for which he ran; yet in the following season's Cesarewitch he was allotted no less than 9st. Even with this big weight there was plenty of money for him, and the fact of his starting at tens proved that the four-year-old had been very heavily supported by someone or other.

It was not known who was to ride Bloomsbury. When, therefore, on the night previous to the big race, it was found that the services of Jim Robinson—through an accident happening to the horse he was engaged to ride—could be had, Ridsdale was advised to engage the fashionable middle-weight. The owner of Bloomsbury, however assumed a very mysterious air when approached on the subject, but would not give his counsellor any definite answer.

"I haven't engaged a jockey for Bloomsbury," said Ridsdale some hours later, when again questioned about taking advantage of Robinson's liberty, "because I knew I could pick and choose at the weight, and I didn't want anyone to know beforehand who was to ride You might go and get Jim for the horse as he is disengaged; but don't say anything about it."

Trusting he would be first in the field, the gentleman who was thus addressed hurried off to find the well-known rider.

"Robinson," he remarked, on meeting the object of his search "you'll be on Bloomsbury tomorrow."

"No, I shan't," was the startling reply; "I've just been engaged for Clarion."

Eventually Sam Chifney had the leg-up Despite his heavy weight, Ridsdale's horse was always going well, and at the distance appeard to be winning cleverly, if not easily: but a few strides short of the post his steadier of nine stone told its tale, and he began to hang somewhat. Before Chifney could straighten his horse something flashed past him, and Bloomsbury was second beaten on the post. Defeat under these circumstances was galling in the extreme, but when Ridsdale realised that his good thing had been upset by Robinson's brilliant riding on Clarion, the blow was too much for him, and even those who blamed could not forbear but pity this man of usually iron nerves.

Had Robinson been claimed for Bloomsbury it is highly improbable that Clarion would have won. Chifney would have been unable to do the weight, and all the other jockeys of note being engaged, a stable lad must have been the *dernier ressort* and as it was readily acknowledged that few other horsemen could have got Clarion home, it was not surprising that Ridsdale wept. It is the last plunge attempted by the owner of Bloomsbury who, broken in spirit and pocket, eventually retired from the Turf, and speedily became almost forgotten.

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I have referred to the advantages the motorist gets. I will mention another advantage these oils have to those whom the motorist passes, *viz.*, the absence of the fried-fish-shop smell so often noted. Several persons have been very much struck by the absence of smell; even when the car has been standing for some time with the engines running, no trace of offensive odour has been apparent to the bystanders.

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THURSDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER 1904.

AN OLD "RUFF."

A PLEASANT and interesting hour may often be spent with an old "Ruff's Guide," by the lover of racing, and the writer, having occasion to refer to the "Ruff" of the spring of 1878, letting his eye glance at pages here and there, has found much of interest to arrest and keep his attention, and so to while away, not unprofitably, an afternoon in the rains. The subject of reference was to decide a wager as to whether Sefton, the winner of the Derby in 1878, had won a race as a two-year-old, a question which was answered in the negative, the then unnamed son of Speculum having competed on four occasions without a win, his best performance having been his first, when he ran second in the valuable Hurstbourne Stakes at Stockbridge. From Sefton the mind naturally turned to the other classic winners of 1878, Pilgrimage, who won both the Guineas, and Jannette, the heroine of the Oaks and the St. Leger. The latter as a two-year-old was unbeaten, her record being three "walk overs" and four wins, including the Richmond Stakes, at Goodwood with Sefton among the unplaced, and the Criterion Stakes, the great Fred Archer always being in the saddle. She, however, never met Pilgrimage whose achievements were at least equal to hers, for they ended with victory in the Dewhurst Plate, the only defeat being in the Middle Park Plate where Pilgrimage was placed third. The report of the Dewhurst Plate concludes with a note as follows: "Before the race an objection was raised to the qualifiaction of Pilgrimage on the ground of incorrect nomination, she having been entered for a race in the First October Meeting as by The Palmer only, instead of by The Earl or The Palmer. The stewards after deliberation declared the nomination for the Dewhurst Plate to be valid, the filly having been correctly entered with her name and full pedigree for the Oaks, which closed some time before." A lucky purchase was Pilgrimage for the celebrated Captain Machell, for it appears from the list of blood stock sales in the Volume that two days before her first race she was sold to him at the Newmarket September Sales for the ridiculous price of 190 guineas.

Other sales noted in the list are of no little interest, such as Vedette, the sire of Galopin and Speculum, who was knocked down at 50 guineas; but then he was already twenty-three years old and doubtless was not of much further service at the stud; and Moorhen, dam of Gallinule and therefore paternal granddam of the wonderful and unbeaten Pretty Polly of the present and past seasons, fetched but 150 guineas, though she was then no more than four years old. Another sale appearing in the list, but very different to those already mentioned, was that of Hampton, then a five-year-old, who changed hands at 7,200 guineas, and well must he have been worth it considering that amongst his children have been Perdita II., (dam of Persimmon, Volodyovski, etc.) Ayrshire and Ladas, both Derby winners, Sheen, winner of the Cesarewitch and other good races, together with a host of others. Hampton lived to attain the ripe old age of twenty-five and died so recently as 1897 from rheumatism. His age has often been exceeded by celebrated sires, for example Rosicrucian lived till he was twenty-

six, and Hermit, the Winner of the Derby of 1867, for three years longer, while the great Touchstone who was foaled in 1831 lived to see the early days of 1861. It is recorded that when a few years ago the remains of Touchstone were exhumed in order that his skeleton might be set up at Eaton, it was discovered that he had an extra rib on each side ; this very remarkable fact recalls to the mind that Domain, a horse actually in training now at Arundel, has two short horns which lately made their appearance and are now quite prominent. The price realised by Hampton, however, was topped by that of Scottish Chief for whom 8,000 guineas was given, and if his record as a sire is not equal to that of Hampton, yet he gave us such as Thistle, the dam of the triple crown hero, Common, and violet Melrose, dam of Melton, and Victorious.

Some queer names are to be found in the Index, such as Winslow's Soothing Syrup, Split the Wind and My Nannie O, but none of them are quite so terrible as Here-I-go-with-my-eye-out of many years ago or Let-go-the-Painter, a name bestowed by Mr. Corlett of the *Sporting Times* on a now two-year-old colt belonging to him, who has actually won his first race. There are many names, too, of horses now in training, such as St. Emilion, Jongleur, Portcullis, Flotsam, Cossack, etc., which shows how little trouble owners give themselves to think of a name which shall be at once appropriate and original. A new rule of the Jockey Club has recently been made prohibiting the repetition of the names of classic winners or celebrated horses which will do much to prevent this duplication of nomenclature in future, and it is to be hoped that a very wide interpretation will be given to the words "celebrated horses" and that it will not be confined merely to horses of the reputation of a St. Simon but rather that it will be held to keep sacred names of popular favourites or sensational performers like Victor Wild, O'Donovan, Rossa, and Bendigo.

The year 1877 was the year of Silvio's Derby and St. Leger, and reference to the two races shows that at Doncaster among his thirteen opponents there were but two out of the field of sixteen whom he defeated at Epsom, which is quite a noteworthy thing; and it was also one of the very few years when the Grand National Steeplechase was won by a five-year-old, Mr. F. G. Hobson's Austerlitz (owner up) winning with ease from his fifteen opponents. The Brocklesby Stakes was then run over four furlongs as were most of the early races for the youngsters, a practice which will now probably be resumed in consequence of the new rule which was fully discussed in this column a few weeks ago.

Among the celebrated horses which died during the year may be mentioned Baron Rothschild's Favonius (Parmesan—Zephyr) who won the Derby of 1871 and who therefore passed away at the early age of nine, but not without having left his mark in the Stud Book by getting when he was only four years old from Lady Langden, then also only of this young age, a Derby winner in Sir Bevys, which in its way is quite unique. Parmesan, the sire of Favonius, and also of another Derby winner, Cremorne, died in the same year too, as did Knight of Karstone of the less well-known issue of the great Pocahontas ; while during the year Bend Or, Illuminata, dam of Ladas, and Muncaster first saw the light of day.

One might go rambling on indefinitely, but enough has been written to show that "the harvest of the quiet eye" can be fully enjoyed, even if one's companion is nothing more than an old "Ruff."

Special Telegrams.

THE GREAT YORKSHIRE STAKES.

(From our own Correspondent.)

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London, *Thursday, 25th August 1904.*

Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's br. c CASTELLO, by Florizel II—Caserta, Madden... ... 1
Duke of Westminster's br c RYDAL HEAD, by St. Frusquin—Rydal, Cannon ... 2
Mr. C. Perkins' ch c INVERKEITHING, by Kendal—Primrose, Randall 3
Mr. L. Brassey's b c GALAPAS, by Trenton—Black Duchess 0
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1889 Houndsditch 3y 6st. 11lb. (11)
1890 Silver Spur 4y 8st. 5lb (10).
1891 Alloway 4y 8st. 11lb. (14)
1892 Springtime 4y 7st 11lb. (14)
1893 Chesterfield 5y 9st. (9)
1894 Bushey Park 5y 8st 12lb (16)
1895 Bard of Avon 4y 7st. 8lb. (12)
1896 Drip 3y 7st. (7)
1897 Carlton Grange 5y 7st. 12lb. (9)
1898 Locarno 3y 6st. 5lb. (11)
1899 Calveley 4y 8st. 7lb. (12).
1900 Osbech 5y 8st. 12lb (6)
1901 Balsarroch 3y 6st. 6lb. (11)
1902 Templemore 4y 7st 10lb (13)
1903 Cliftonhall 4y 7st. 11lb (10)

Sporting Notes.

WE have received a copy of the programme for the next Tollygunge Gymkhana to be held on the 3rd instant. It contains five events and looks to have all the makings of a fair day's sport. The "open" race this time takes the form of a 5-furlong flat race for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50. There should be no doubt of this filling satisfactorily.

There is also a steeplechase which it is to be hoped will draw a field, a 7 furlong for maiden horses, a mile handicap for ponies 14-1 and under and a 6 furlong for horses which have not been entered during the last year for a race value Rs. 51 or over.

This last which is entitled the "Novice Stakes" might perhaps from the wording of its conditions have been more appropriately named the "Pensioners' Plate," as it will not unlikely prove a sort of reunion of long-forgotten race horses, hauled out to prove that there is life in the old dog yet.

Entries for this Gymkhana not having filled well the time was extended till last evening—too late for us to include them in this issue.

An extra race has been included in the programme, the terms of which are follows : "A Handicap Flat Race for all horses, the property of members of the Calcutta Light Horse : Ladies' nomination. Distance 5 furlongs." Step forward, please, all ye "Pumpkin" and "Thread and Needle" warriors !

The prospectuses of the fourth and fifth Calcutta Monsoon Meetings are out. They are practically the same as last year and include two open hurdle handicaps, one closed jump race for hunter class, and two pony hurdle races. All these should fill fairly satisfactorily. The open flat race on the 10th is a 5-furlong handicap, and no open flat race appears in the programme for the 17th, its place being taken by a selling race for horses entered to be sold for Rs. 1,500. This will no doubt draw a good field, but we cannot help thinking that the upset price is too high and that it would have been better if reduced to Rs. 1,000 or even Rs. 750. Selling races in India are seldom selling races in anything more than the name, as it is the exception rather than the rule to see any bid made for the winner.

There is also a closed flat race for horses each day of 6 furlongs each, one for horses which have not won Rs. 450 and the other Rs. 750 since 31st March 1902. These seem somewhat odd sums to select and one is prone to wonder what is the *raison d'être* of the odd fifty in each case, but no doubt the conditions will fulfil the object in drawing a field of horses of much about the same class. The 14-1 class have still two more chances to distinguish themselves over 5 furlongs and the big ponies are to have another run over the same distance at the next meeting.

The first entries for the Umballa Autumn Meeting are published in the usual place, and most promising they are. Second entries close on the 17th instant.

Another paperchase in connection with the Madras Gymkhana was held on the 20th ultimo, the meet being at Stirling's Road. A field of about thirty were sent away to a good start. Robinson showed the way to the bund of the Nungumbaukum Tank, where he overrode the paper, and Yorke, Elwes and Strouts took command. A sharp right and left turn, a water jump, then along the railway to the tannery, skirting this on to the Kodambaukum Road, past the village and then open country to the big Banyan Tree. Yorke was first into the open with Elwes and Robinson next, followed by Braithwaite, Strouts, and Steele. Then Elwes began to go up to the leader and kept with him for a space, eventually going to the front and winning comfortably by six lengths. Robinson was third, the same distance behind Yorke.

The Calcutta Light Horse brought off their Gymkhana last Saturday on the *maidan*. The weather conditions were fair and the little rain that fell helped to cool the atmosphere. The events, six in number, were successfully carried through and provided interest and amusement to a large gathering of spectators, there being no counter-attraction to thin the attendance. Colonel Wheeler, 6th Cavalry, Major Taggart, D.S.O., 15th Hussars, Major Palin, C.V.R., Major Cartwright, C.A.V., Major Apostolides, C.L.H., and Captain Jackson, Adjutant, King's Own, acted as judges. Major Apostolides and the officers and members of the C.L.H. dispensed their hospitality from a large *shamiana* and the Town band supplied the music. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Caddy at the conclusion of an enjoyable afternoon. Appended are the winners. A section of the C.L.H. contested the tent-pegging with the Calcutta Polo Club. Major Taggart for the Polo Club took a peg in the first and third runs and T. S. M. Smith did the same for the Light Horse, but the Polo Club kept better formation, showed better style and were judged winners. The Riding and Jumping Competition was won rather easily by Trooper Ralli on True Blue ; T. S. M. Westmacott on Cossack and Sergeant-Farrier Rees on Quicksilver being placed next in order. Trooper Harvey was first home in the Saddle, Cigar and Umbrella Race, but having lost his *topee* was disqualified, and Tooper Macdonald was declared winner. The Needle and Thread Competition was won easily for Miss Cubitt by Captain Pugh. The Pumpkin Race attracted twelve competitors and was run off in two heats, Lance-Sergent. Graves and Sergent Antram qualifying for the final, which was won by the former. The Menagerie Race was most exciting. The goat steered by T. S. M. Smith just beat the monkey attended by Lance-Corporal. Hossack on the post, but both were disqualified and Corporal Jackson's Goose secured the award. Other competitors were rabbits, fowl, a game cock, and a frog.

The advertisement regarding the Tollygunge Club Tenth Annual Horse, Dog, and Cattle Show appears further on. The date, as we announced some time ago, is Monday, the 26th December, a public holiday.

In the usual place will be found the second entries for the Poona Races and Steeplechases; they are not numerous. We remind our readers that third and final entries close on Tuesday, 6th September.

Our Poona corresspondent writes :—It is good to be able to report that young Mr. Ross, who for so long lay in such a critical state as the result of his serious accident at polo and caused such anxiety to his friends, has at last "turned the corner" and is

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A racquet tournament is to be held at the court of the Club of Western India between the 21st and 27th of September and includes Open Doubles, Open Singles, Handicap Doubles and Singles, Mixed Doubles and finally Singles for Racquet markers of whom there are as need scarcely be pointed out excellent examples, three or four at least being I hear sons of the once celebrated Poona Club marker now on the retired list, one of them being the brilliant player who so ably upheld the glory of Indian racquets last year in England.

Quite a feast of racing we have had, though racing men never seem to suffer from a surfeit of it, nor need they when the feast is served up in such luxurious courses as the W. I. T. C. provide. On Thursday the usual six were on the card, but a seventh was provided owing to a dead heat of which in due place. Jimmy Robinson, whom everyone is delighted to see riding with every ounce of his old dash, was indubitably the main factor in Dilerjung's victory.

In the Intermediate Plate those who had on the previous day effected a *coup* on Mr. Bass' English mare Filbert took rather a knock, as Foster riding a very admirably timed race on Olga just did for Hoyt on the favourite, and it is believed that the ring were not overpowered with sorrow at the result.

Titus II once more showed what a sterling pony he is and one wonders more and more at the folly of the advice which induced the owner to start him in that fatal race just before the Army Cup which apparently otherwise must have been the greatest gift for him. There must have been bitter repentance following it.

Old Tubal Cain with 10 stone won quite comfortably as was commonly expected, but the bonne bouche of the afternoon was provided in the one mile race for maiden Arabs wherein Arabian Flag with J. Robinson up, and starting at 7 to 1, made a dead heat of it with Berlin, Kamad in the saddle, starting favourite at evens. The owners elected to run it off after the last event, the joint possessors of Berlin putting Melsom up *vice* Kamad, and unless the former was tied down by injudicious instructions it is a question whether in this instance the alteration served any good purpose. Melsom's tactics of leading Robinson a very slow run race would seem to have been all in favour of the newly-landed Arabian Flag, any lack of seasoning in whom a severe run race would have discovered. Inside the distance Robinson drew up level and it is no disparagement to any jockey to say that in a ding dong set to the demon usually has a pound hidden away somewhere for emergencies. He had on this occasion and by the most artistic effort just squeezed the Flag home by a short head amidst intense excitement. I hear the joint owners of Berlin dissatisfied with the defeat have asked for and been accommodated with a match for Rs. 1,000 to be run during the big meeting. If so it will be a most sporting event and will be watched with much interest.

Once more the closed race provided a full dozen starters—a most healthy sign and to add to the sportingness of it the winner turned up in a 10 to 1 chance. Harpagos ridden by Mr. Pawson of the 12th Lancers for his brother officer Mr. Badger.

Seven events were on the card for Saturday, including two hurdle races. Reasonable weight fails to minimise Patrician's beautiful hurdling and with 11st. 4lbs. ridden by A. Hoyt he won fairly comfortably giving 2st. and 2lbs. to the second. The same successful jockey also steered the winner in the Horse Hurdles in Major Moore's Daroji. In this event we were at the last hurdle treated to quite a marvellous bit of gymnastics. Fitzeros with Captain Casson in the saddle came down, the sporting young G. R. happily escaping with nothing more than a shaking. Gnullo in cleverly avoiding the fallen horse swerved off and pecked unseating Morrison and it seemed impossible that he could recover, but by some miracle he regained his place in the saddle in a strangely short time and raced after the leader and the Australian jockey received quite an ovation on returning.

Robinson rode a fine race once more on Dilerjung the third victory of this pair this season. But best of the afternoon to lovers of blood horses was the beautiful field of fifteen that turned out for the All Horse Handicap and Mr. Cursetjee completely mystified the public who were in the most complete quandary. An acute contingent, however, had a soft thing in Epitome who showed herself a veritable flier over 5 furlongs and ridden quietly by Elliott won almost in a canter in 1 minute 3 seconds.

Melsom rode a clever race on the Arab pony Yerbo swooping down on the heavily backed Random in the last fifty yards. Then Money Spinner, whose distance is evidently a mile, led from start to finish, ridden in the rogue's badge, and won cleverly from the good looking Avatar, a candidate for Army Cup honours.

The afternoon's sport was brought to a conclusion with, as usual, the closed event, in this instance a Welter Handicap for all Horses. Seven accepted their allotted burdens, the winner turning up in the veteran Dumbbell steered by Mr. Deane and winning by some lengths from Stoddart, who had the services of "Mr. Bryan." So ended two very pleasant days' racing.

The brown roan All Fours has been re-named Lollipop, and Major Berryman's Hopeful is now Hopeful II.

The Sonepore Open Polo Tournament begins on the 23rd November and is open to all teams from Regiments, Stations, and Districts.

First entries for the Lucknow Autumn Meeting appear in our Turf columns to-day. We remind our readers that second entries close on the 1st October.

Our Behar Correspondent, after a prolonged silence, for which we suppose we must blame *mahai* and other indigo operations, has weighed in with a budget of Behar Gossip which will be found further on.

The dates fixed for the Rangoon Autumn Meeting this year are 29th November and 1st and 3rd December, entries closing on the 29th October and 15th and 22nd November. The programme consists of 18 events, the total value of which is advertised as Rs. 11,000. The second and third extra meetings take place on 22nd October (entries closing on 1st and 15th October), and 12th November (entries closing 24th October and 5th November).

The Murree Dog Show has been fixed for the 22nd instant, though it was feared that owing to the prevalence of rabies in the station the show would not take place this year.

One of the best known figures on the Turf thirty years ago was Mr. Chaplin. Though a great patron of racing, his policy did not always commend itself to those who had the true interest of the sport at heart. By the bookmakers he was positively disliked, and as he usually contrived to get the best of them, it was not surprising if the members of the Ring shouted when some contemplated *coup* failed to give them the severe shaking which was intended.

Mr. Chaplin's *début* on the Turf was made under the ægis of Captain Machell and it was asserted by many that the pupil eventually proved himself to be even smarter than his astute tutor. Though a professed enemy to *finesse*, Mr. Chaplin's commissions were always "worked" to the best advantage, as his conduct at the Newmarket Second Spring meeting of 1875 proved. He had a colt named Rosinante, who made his *début* in a Maiden Plate at that meeting. Mr. Chaplin was asked by many bookmakers with whom he was in the habit of doing business if he would back his horse. To all their inquiries he replied in the negative, and eventually had several small sums on another gentleman's animal which was favourite in the same race.

When the "bookies" found that Rosinante was not backed by his owner, they came to the conclusion that the colt was either very moderate or only "out for an airing." Thinking that Rosinante was "safe," the Ring desired to lay him, and most tempting prices were offered. Just at this time Mr. Chaplin's commissioner set to work, and backed the colt for all that could be got on. Needless to say, he succeeded in getting some fine prices, 1 000 to go several times, followed by ten to 1 to a good sum, being obtained before the horse touched a short price. Rosinante won in a canter, and the bookmakers then wondered why they had not "tumbled" to Mr. Chaplin's game.

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Athletic Notes.

RUGBY players will read with interest an article reproduced elsewhere entitled "Behind the Scrum" written by Mr. J. E. Crabbie, the Scotch International three-quarter back.

The third regatta of the Calcutta Rowing Club, originally fixed for the 3rd instant, has been postponed to Saturday, the 10th.

A good performance in pedestrianism was put up at Orregum, Kolar Gold Fields, the other day, the occasion being a walking match in connection with the civil branch of the Royal Army Temperance Association on the Field. The distance was seven miles on a hilly road, and fifteen competitors completed the course. Mr. Kent walking in splendid style was first in, his time being 1 hour 13 minutes ¾seconds, a fine performance, when one considers the hilly nature of the roads.

The following are the ties in the Rampur Football Challenge Cup at Naini Tal : (*a*) York's Band *vs.* Rovers ; (*b*) Depôt B. *vs.* St. Joseph's College ; *byes* Depôt A. and Diocesan School ; (*c*) Winners of (*a*) *vs.* Winners of (*b*) ; (*d*) Depôt A. *vs.* Diocesan School. *Final.* Winner of (*c*) *vs.* Winner of (*d*).

The death of Mr. Herbert Jenner-Fust, of Hill Court, Gloucestershire, in his ninety-ninth year, removes one of the most venerable and historic figures of the cricketing world, as well as one of the most active and genial of country gentlemen. Mr. Herbert Jenner (as he was then). of Trinity Hall, was captain of the Cambridge eleven in the first match between the two universities that was ever played ; besides playing for Eton against Harrow, and for the Gentlemen against the Players repeatedly, he was captain of the M.C.C. as long ago as 1831. He did not stop playing cricket till he was well over seventy, and kept up to the very last a keen interest in every form of country pursuit.

In an interesting note on wicketkeeping, *The King* says that to Huish, of Kent, belongs the unique record of having literally kicked a man out. In Kent *vs.* Australians at Canterbury, 1902, he dismissed Duff by taking a flying kick at the ball, which travelled right up to the wicket at the bowler's end, and hit it before Duff made good his ground. Surely an incident which would not be repeated in a hundred years. The writer also gives the following hint for saving the hands at the wicket. Place a thin strip of raw beefsteak across the palms of the hands at the bass of the fingers inside the inner glove and next to the skin. The "give" of the beef is said to be a sure preventative of bruised palms.

One of the most important British athletic meetings of the year was that which was held on Saturday, the 6th ultimo, by the Glasgow Rangers' Football Club, at Ibrox Park, Glasgow. Among the entrants were such famous athletes as J. W. Morton, 100 yards champion ; A. F. Duffey, 100 yards ex-champion ; H. A. Hyman, of Pennsylvania University ; J. S. Westnew, of the New York A. C. ; B. J. Blunden, half-mile ex-champion; J. McGough, Scottish champion ; George Butterfield, the Darlington crack ; T. R. Nicholson, hammer-throwing champion; Denis Horgan, weight-putting champion ; T. L. Shevlin, who won the hammer-throw for Harvard and Yale against Oxford and Cambridge at Queen's Club recently ; P. O'Connor, long-jump champion ; C. Leahy, another famous jumper ; R. L. Watson, 440 yards champion ; W. H. Welsh, the Scottish International footballer and runner ; and R. S. Stronach, the hurdles champion. In the matter of quantity the entry was equally remarkable, as for the open sprint alone 209 runners sent in their names, and no fewer than thirty preliminary heats had to be contested. Duffey and Morton shared the scratch mark, but were drawn in different heats. Duffey failed to qualify, but Morton got through and ran in the final, in which, however, he could only finish fourth. It was noticeable, too, that each of those who finished in front of him had a short mark, J. P. Stark winning with 2½ yards start, which was the advantage given to the crack quarter-mile, R. L. Watson, who finished third. A wonderful performance was accomplished by T. R. Nicholson with the hammer, that fine athlete putting in a throw of 169ft. 8in., which is a British record.

The defeat of Billington by Eric Forsyth in the Half-mile Swimming Championship at Swindon on the 6th August came as somewhat of a surprise. However, Billington was hardly expected to do so well at this distance as in shorter events. According to the reading of the race, it must have been a great struggle, for there was never more than ten yards between them. The pace that they travelled is indicated by the winner's time—12mins. 23secs.—the second fastest ever accomplished in the race. When Cavill put up the marvellous record of 11 mins. 50⅗secs., Billington was only about a second slower. On Saturday his time was 12mins. 39secs., and as the Coate reservoir at Swindon has the reputation of providing fast times, it can only be assumed that Billington is not so good a swimmer as he was.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes :—The opening day's play in the Presidency, Parsee match at Bombay this year will long be remembered by Presidency supporters as the most dismal in the whole series of these matches by reason of the inglorious exhibition given by their side. The wicket, which at the start bumped a bit, gradually became worse as play progressed, and when the Presidency were batting was giving the bowlers considerable assistance, but, still, that cannot be accepted as an explanation for the utter collapse of the Europeans, none of whom ever looked like making any prolonged stay at the wicket. To the large number of European spectators, including a strong contingent from Poona and other district stations, the spectacle afforded by the Presidency innings must have been the reverse of pleasant. It was not a case of "the delightful uncertainties of the game," but a sorrowful procession of batsmen beaten before they came in. I have seen bad rots in my time, but there has usually been at least one redeeming feature in innings of that kind. Not so, however, in this case, as even Aston, who by desperate hitting managed to make 16, never looked settled for a long stay at the wickets. There is not a shadow of doubt that winning the toss and batting first gave the Parsees a big advantage, but that does not in the very least explain the *debâcle* that followed when the Presidency had to bat. The last three Parsee batsmen managed to put on 58 runs and there could not have been much difference in the state of the wicket when they were batting and when the Presidency were in. Must the failure of the Europeans then be attributed more to the deadliness of the Parsee bowling than to the state of the wicket ? I am afraid the question must be answered in the affirmative, as there was no other reason why a side including such good bats as Greig, Cadogan, Carroll, Chaplin, Deas, Aston, and the Langhornes should only be able to make 44 runs between them. The feeble response and consequent disappointment of the Presidency to the Parsee total of 194 was in some measure softened by the success of their bowlers when the Parsees went in again. Bowling as he had never in his life done before, Coombs on a wicket that was growing more difficult every over completely demoralised the Parsee batsmen and had the proud distinction of accomplishing one of the best performances with the ball ever recorded in these matches by a Presidency bowler. He captured eight wickets for 32 runs on the second morning, and at one time his analysis read—13 overs, 6 maidens, 25 runs, and 7 wickets. This performance was absolutely the only redeeming feature in the cricket of the Presidency and raised the hopes of Presidency supporters who had visions of Greig knocking up a century in the second innings, and of some at least of the other batsmen coming off. The cheap dismissal of the Parsees in their second innings left the Presidency with 221 to make to win. Unfortunately for their hopes the Presidency second innings had not been in progress a quarter of an hour before a series of disasters befel that luckless team, which proved to be the forerunners of a worse collapse than the first innings. It was a most painful exhibition to watch that innings, and it was with a positive sense of relief that Presidency supporters saw the last wicket fall after the innings had lasted exactly one hour. Five men did not trouble the scorers at all, and the other six between them could only account for 35 runs, which with 5 extras brought the total to 40. Aston, who made 9 not out for the second time in the match, was able to claim top score and his aggregate of 25 runs (not out in both innings) represented nearly a third of the runs made from the bat by his side. Captain Deas bowled with great judgment and his three wickets for 50 runs in the first innings was a very good performance. In the second innings, although he took no wickets, he kept the runs down and the Parsee batsmen treated his deliveries with the greatest respect. He bowled 20 overs, 10 of which were maidens and only had 20 runs scored off him. Grey showed a glimpse of his true form with the ball and was credited with four wickets in the match for 69 runs. The chief feature of the cricket shown by the Parsees was the fine bowling of Mehta and Bulsara, who were not changed during the match. The first named proved as effective as ever and had nine wickets for 36 runs, the best thing he has ever accomplished in a Presidency match. Bulsara who bowled his fastest, obtained eight wickets for 43 runs, and has only on one previous occasion done better. The batting of the Parsees was not as brilliant as usual and only H. D. Kanga, N. B. Saklatwalla, and M. E. Pavri played anything like free cricket. This victory of the Parsees now places them one ahead of the Presidency.

Two disappointed teams have returned to Bombay: one the polo team which was very unfortunate in having to meet such a formidable quartette as the side that represented the 33rd Cavalry in the opening round of the Junior Tournament at Poona, and the other a team of golfers who had gone up to Nasik to try conclusions with the local men with the most disastrous results, the men from the capital not having a look in.

Interest in the Harwood League matches during the week was confined to the meetings between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Cheshire "B" Team and the Cheshire "A" Team and the Royal Garrison Artillery. The first of these games resulted in a victory for the Cheshire "B" Team by two goals to *nil*, but they had not things all their own way by any means, the Gymkhana team playing a better game than I have seen them play this season. It was their last League match as well as the Cheshire's. The game between the R. G. A. and the Cheshire "A" Team, on the result of which depended

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the placing of the second team in the League, attracted a large number of spectators, considerable interest being taken in the play. The Cheshires throughout had the best of the game and won by three goals to *nil*. Only one more match remains to be played, between the R. G. A. and the Rovers, but as the result, whichever way the game ends, cannot alter the positions of the teams in the League table, not much importance attaches to it. The Cheshire "A" and "B" Teams are first and second, respectively, and the Cup winners have throughout the season displayed fine form.

Rugger doings have been confined to two matches: one between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Casuals, which the former won by a goal and three tries to a goal, and the second between the Gymkhana and the United Services, which the latter won by a goal and two tries to two goals.

The Rovers' Football Tournament will be more than usually interesting this year by reason of the calibre of some of the teams which have entered. In addition to the Cheshire Regiment, whose team must be one of the best in India, if not the very best, entries have already been received from the following teams:—The Calcutta F. C., whose appearance in Bombay for the first time since the tournament was instituted will give great pleasure to football lovers; the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who are a warm side; the Middlesex Regiment, who hold a record hardly less brilliant than that of the Cheshires; the Seaforth Highlanders, who rumour has it can put a team nearly as strong as a home league side in the field; the R. G. A. (Colaba), H. M. S. *Perseus*, the Rovers, the South Lancashires, the Warwickshire Regiment, the Royal Scots, the Shropshires, the York and Lancasters, the Bombay Gymkhana, the 10th Hussars, and the East Yorkshires. It is probable that several other teams, including the East Lancashires, the R. A. (Poona) and the Telegraph (Bombay) will enter in which case the entries will be the largest in the history of the tournament.

The Gymkhana cricket eleven met the B. B. and C. I. Railway in a return match on Saturday, and for the second time baulked their powerful opponents, the game being left drawn very much in favour of the Railway. The chief features of the cricket shown by the Railway were the excellent innings played by Baloo, the famous slow left-hand bowler, who put up 65, top score, in faultless style; A. L. Smith, who was batting in excellent form when dismissed for 21, and the bowling of K. A. Date, who took five wickets for 21 runs. The Gymkhana, who had six of the side that played for the Presidency in their team, compiled exactly 100 for the loss of eight wickets; Captain J. A. D. Langhorne (22), S. N. Powell (18), E. E. Coombs (22), and A. K. Aston (16) all reaching double figures. Coombs, in addition to batting extremely well, captured five wickets for 52 runs, while Powell obtained three for 16.

Among the important cricket results at home last week are the following:—Somerset beat Surrey by seven wickets, Middlesex beat Kent by one wicket, Surrey beat Gloucester by 119 runs, Yorkshire defeated Somerset by an innings and 152 runs, Hampshire beat Warwickshire by 40 runs, Kent beat the South Africans by 104 runs, Middlesex beat Sussex by 9 wickets, Lancashire beat Derbyshire by 131 runs. The following matches were drawn:—Worcestershire *vs.* Leicestershire, Gloucestershire *vs.* Yorkshire, London County *vs.* Warwick, Leicestershire *vs.* Lancashire, and South Africans *vs.* Sussex.

The World's Boxing Championship at San Francisco resulted in a win for Jim Jefferies, who defeated Monroe in the second round.

The proposed visit of the Bombay Rugby team to compete in the Calcutta Rugby Challenge Cup has fallen through owing to the business engagements of most of the representatives of the team. The Calcutta Football Club, however, are sending across a Soccer team to Bombay, which will shortly be on its way. As at present arranged the following players will represent the C. F. C:—(*Goal*) Dods or Vlasto; (*backs*) Gahan and Baker; (*half-backs*) Maunder, Crawford and Ansell; (*forwards*) H. Sherman, J. Macdonald or V. Cooper, H. Cooper, V. Sherman and Lieutenant E. P. Cudlip—a strong combination which ought to render a good account of itself.

There is some talk of the Colombo contingent, who at Xmas are to visit Madras on cricket and other things bent, finding their way up to Calcutta. They may rest assured of a right warm welcome, for our local golfers, oarsmen, cricketers *et hoc* are prepared to take them on and give them a good time generally.

The inaugural run of the Bengal Automobile Association was held on Sunday morning, when several motorists turned out. The *rendezvous* was at the Dufferin statue, where photographers, professional and amateur, were almost as numerous as the motorists. Having submitted to the ordeal of the snap shot and the large camera, on an Eiffel Tower like erection, they filed off, and had a most enjoyable run to Titaghur, refreshing themselves *en route* at Emerald Bower, the garden house of Maharaja Jotendra Mohun Tagore. They breakfasted at the Kinnison Jute Mill, Titaghur, with Mr. Archy Birkmyre, and after a round or two of golf and some other items in the way of *divertissement* the party returned to Calcutta without a fatal accident.

Our Bangalore Correspondent writes:—Cricket is *the* game in Bangalore at present and a couple of really interesting games have been played since I last wrote. The first of these was between Belgaum and the Bangalore Gymkhana, in which 126 by the home team (Standage 29 and Jollie 21) was answered by 107 by Belgaum (Manson 27 and Copplestone 26). These two batsmen were also the most successful trundlers for the visitors, whilst for Bangalore Standage and Udal did best. In the second innings of Bangalore a great stand was made by Harris and Standage, the former hitting hard for 46 and the latter playing a really good innings for 73. Udal also subsequently made things lively, and the total reaching 215, the visitors wanted 235 to win when they went in a second time. They were by no means done with, however, and whilst most of the side added something to the general account, Copplestone again did his side yeoman service with a finely played 75, being also responsible for the dismissal of five Bangalore batsmen and holding two catches. A fine all-round cricketing performance indeed. An interesting match ended in a win for Bangalore by 36 runs

Then came the game between a very strong Gymkhana team and the Essex Regiment, the former having the "England returned" Jayaram, who signalised his re-appearance in Indian cricket after his visit to England, by scoring 128 marred by only one difficult chance at square leg when he had made about 30. His brilliant strokes to the off, and his late cutting was as noticeable as ever, and in company with Captain Wall (51) he added over 200 runs before the first wicket fell. The Gymkhana declared with a total of 304 for five wickets, four of which went to Mr. Cooper for 34 runs, and left their opponents 2¼ hours for play. With more pluck than judgment, perhaps, the Essex batsmen went for a win, and scoring well all round they totalled 233 runs, the last wicket falling just before the call of time. This left the "Gym" winners by 71 runs, but had they played a more cautious game the Essex men would almost certainly have made a draw of it. They were beaten, but decidedly not disgraced.

Two minor matches which have been decided were between the Survey of India and Bishop Cotton's School, and the Bangalore Gymkhana and St. Joseph's College. Batting first, the Gymkhana did not take their cricket too seriously against St. Joseph's, but let drive at almost everything. The rate of scoring was quite abnormal and Cooper hit up 102 runs to his own bat in 45 minutes, scoring 22 off five consecutive balls from Baillie. The hits were 6, 4, 4, 6, 2. The boys played a plucky uphill game and going in against a total of 296, amassed 164 (J. Pereira 43 and F. de la Nougerede 26). The Survey of India easily beat Bishop Cotton's School by an innings and 14 runs, scoring 109 (Roy 43), whilst Cottons could only muster 35 and 60. Roy for the Survey took twelve wickets in the two innings for 51 runs.

The victory of Mr. A. R. MacAllan in the Calcutta Cup at St. Andrew's, besides being an exceedingly creditable one to that young player himself seeing that he only had one stroke of a handicap to help him, will be regarded as particularly appropriate by Anglo-Indian Golfers, for Mr. MacAllan, who is a subaltern in the Cameronians, has played a lot of golf since he came out to India to join his regiment and has improved his game considerably. He came down to Calcutta and competed in the Indian Golf Championship of 1901, but did not succeed in qualifying for the match play, though in the following year carried off the Cashmere Championship at Gulmarg, which by the way, is on for decision now. We hope that we may see Mr. MacAllan down again for the Championship at X'mas time this year, on his St. Andrew's form he ought to stand a very good chance of winning it.

"The result of the recent match between the Bombay Presidency and the Parsees (which will be found detailed elsewhere in our columns), shows up European cricket on the other side very unfavourably

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Telegrams—"Hercules," CALCUTTA.

especially seeing that the Parsees were without K. M. Mistre decidedly their best man and that a good many of their cracks are by no means so young as they were, writes a correspondent. It was recognised, however, that this year's Presidency team was found to be a weak one, and the double failure of Captain Greig, a somewhat unique experience, we fancy in his Indian cricketing annals, must have taken out all the heart of his colleagues. Still 48 and 40 are miserable totals, and the only redeeming feature of the match from the Presidency point of view was the splendid bowling of Mr. E. E. Coombs, who took 3 wickets for 51 runs and 8 for 32, though for the Parsees A. H. Mehta with 9 for 36 and M. D. Bulsara with 8 for 43 bowled throughout the match and quite eclipsed this performance; great things with the ball were hoped from Mr. J. L. Ainsworth, a new acquisition, but either luck was dead against him or the old Malburian must have gone off considerably since he carried all before him on P. F. Warner's American tour of 1898, and actually headed the Lancashire bowling averages in 1899, though he only played in a very few matches for his county.

The members of the Calcutta Racket Club have recently had their east court in Chowringhee thoroughly done up with new walls and floor, etc., by the India Patent Stone Company, Limited, and it ought now to rank among the very best courts in India. It is proposed to hold two handicap tournaments, Singles and Doubles, in it during September and October, and most satisfactory entries have been received for both events, so that with the results being considered very open, some interesting play should be seen. It is good to note such a revival of interest in this splendid game which has been languishing somewhat in Calcutta during the last few seasons.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 12th August 1904.*

THE first of the grouse are already in, the game dealers' windows moving us to respect for the energy which produces the birds dead so soon after the clock struck twelve last night. We do not enquire into the mystery, we accept it as proof of enterprise and ask no questions. The torrid heat gave place to steady rain yesterday, and not before rain was wanted for the trees have been shedding their browned leaves in despair and the parks are as your maidan in April for colour. We welcome the rain, all of us that is who remain in town; but the faces peering from baggage laden growlers are long and dejected.

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We are not going to abandon the position we have taken up in regard to the *Knight Commander*. Reuter will have told you as as much no doubt, but perhaps Reuter did not add that there are symptoms of the long patience of the public wearing thin. This question of what does and what does not constitute contraband of war. Russia may have been very conciliatory and reasonable, but if that theory that biscuits other than sweet are contraband of war (presence of which on board a neutral may, under circumstances, justify Russia in sinking her) be a specimen of her reasonableness the prospect of agreement on this vital point seems remote. Meantime the P. and O. and other prominent steamship lines are refusing all cargo for Japan and receiving none for ports beyond Shanghai: which has had the effect of driving this trade into German hands. British commerce will not put up with much more of this sort of thing. What, one would like to know, has a Russian cruiser to do with a *homeward bound* steamer 25 miles south of Finisterre that she should call upon that steamer (the B. I. S. N. Co.'s *Manora*) to hoist her ensign?

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The agreement between the Porte and Russia, whereby the Volunteer fleet vessels are permitted to pass through the Dardanelles, is another matter that does not make for pacific settlement. The Turkish consent has been given on the verbal promise of the Russian Ambassador that these vessels will not hoist the man-of-war flag in place of the Mercantile after passing through, and will not carry munitions of war. It is not so long since Russia told the World frankly that it was no concern of Britain or Turkey what flag her vessels flew or what metamorphoses they might undergo when once through the Bosphorus. The new Baltic Fleet, we learn from Berlin, will put to sea on Tuesday next, sixty vessels in all: it is calculated that the voyage to Port Arthur will occupy 169 days: what it may find to do when it gets there is another matter. Meantime the British Navy is seriously occupied manœuvring around the coast of Ireland.

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Particulars of her New Bureau of Information concerning Prisoners of War have been published by Japan. The regulations are conceived in a spirit of enlightenment and humanity that do the Japanese infinite credit. The Russian War Office for reasons of its own, will not give information to relatives concerning dead, wounded, and prisoners: the Japanese Bureau endeavours to repair this by publishing every ten days, through the French Minister at Tokio, a list of prisoners taken and such details as are possible concerning dead Russians buried. Among other duties, this Bureau collects all property found on the dead and catalogued for return to relatives, if possible.

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His Majesty's Opposition created a sensation last Friday night by walking out of the House in a body when it found that a brutal Chairman of Committee would not allow it to play the game of obstruction. The Welshmen objected to the proposition that the Education Board should do the work of local bodies which prefer to "passively resist" by withholding their salaries from schoo teachers and coals from schoolroom grates: so they made a scene of a sort formerly familiar on the Irish benches and "walked out." I cannot understand why their departure is to be regretted or reproached: they went avowedly because they were not allowed to obstruct business; and their departure enabled the Government to push on a very essential measure. Walking out seems to me a proceeding that deserves every possible encouragement as one eminently calculated to facilitate business and spare us floods of futile and undignified talk.

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Mr. Arnold Forster made his supplemetary speech on the re-organisation of the Army on Monday, dealing with the Militia and Volunteers. The latter force needs delicate handling, but that it wants mending is hardly to be denied. The proposition is to get rid of that curious anomaly the inefficient Volunteer and make the efficient more efficient. So with the Militia: Mr. Arnold Forster proposes to eliminate, by process of test, units or parts of units which are not fit to take their place in the fighting line. The result will be a smaller force of Volunteer and Militia, but—it is hoped—a force on which more reliance as a fighting machine can be placed. The chief difficulty, to the eye of the mere onlooker, is that of increasing the efficiency of the volunteer. The really enthusiastic volunteer who eagerly devotes every hour he can spare to mastering the intricacies of his business is something of a rarity: he forms at all events the smallest percentage of the 348,000 which *Whitaker's* gives as the total of the force. The enthusiast is the willing horse, and will no doubt submit gladly to be wrought up to a pitch of efficiency that will make him a really valuable item in the scheme of Defence: but how many of them are there? I am moved to this enquiry by perusal of a paper published by the National Service League which states that over 100,000 volunteer officers and men have resigned since Mr. Brodrick's scheme for their regeneration.

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The decision of the Lords in favour of the Free Church of Scotland has struck Presbyterian Scotland dumb. When, on 31st October 1900, the vast majority of Free Churchmen joined hands with the United Presbyterians to form the United Free Church of Scotland, it never struck them that they might be leaving their endowments behind, and they took a very high tone with the Faithful who declined to join the combination and remained Free Churchmen. The latter consists of 28 ministers, who for the most part have Gaelic-speaking congregations: with these lies victory and "the pious accumulations of 67 years" amounting to over five millions. You can form some idea of the condition of affairs produced by the Lords' decisions from the cases of Glasgow and Edinburgh. In Glasgow 103 congregations out of a total of 105 joined the United Free Church. In Edinburgh (and Leith) 55 congregations out of 56 joined it: and these 158 congregations have now not one legal place of worship nor a manse among them: all are the property of the church represented by the three congregations who remained Free Church. The twenty-eight ministers—who must regard their position with its new and unprecedented wealth and responsibilities with qualified gratification: have now the onus of administering Divinity Colleges, Mission and other Funds: and how the twenty-eight propose to get through the enormous amount of work thus thrown upon them is a question that will take some answering. The leaders of the Free Church, it is understood, have proposed terms on which they would be prepared to negotiate with the United with a view to settlement. The terms are not conspicuously generous: but the victors would be much more than human could they at once forget and forgive the treatment they received at the hands of the majority in 1900. Each of the twenty-eight, it now appears, received warning to vacate his manse and church. What will probably happen is that the "United" will disunite and a vast proportion of the congregations will follow the cash and become Free again.

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Refused the official inquiry into the circumstances of his resignation, Sir Charles Eliot explains them in a long letter to Tuesday's *Times*. He was undoubtedly placed in a very difficult position by Lord Lansdowne. The whole trouble seems to have grown out of the difficulty of reconciling colonisation or farming schemes with native rights. Sir Charles Eliot granted two applications for 32,000 acres each after due enquiry into the native right question and satisfying himself that there would be no undue interference: and just as the agreements were signed by the Commissioner, Lord Lansdowne telegraphed ordering their cancellation on the ground that native rights would suffer. The authority on the spot being thus overridden and his discretion flouted, it is hard to see what he could do consistently with his own self-respect and the efficient discharge of his duty but resign, and that Sir Charles Eliot did. The fact that Lord Lansdowne had granted a syndicate a trifle of 500 square miles on terms so favourable that Sir Charles had objected is an incident which does not appear to improve the case of the people at the Foreign Office.

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The gist of the report made by the Lords Committee which was appointed to enquire into the administration of the Chantrey Bequest is made public to-day. It is a "facer" for the Council of the Royal Academy: those who have administered the Trust are "acquitted of anything like corruption" (!) but are told plainly that they showed too constant a preference for their own exhibitions. The creation of a new purchasing body is recommended, but in as much as this suggests subsituting for the P. R. A. and Council, a Committee of three consisting of the resident, an R. A. nominated by the Council and an A. R. A. nominated by the associates, would not seem as though this "reform" is much more than nominal. The Academy is also recommended to make regulations whereby the principal artistic societies in England and Scotland, should be invited regularly to report to the new Committee the existence of important works of Art. This is the last unkindest cut of all: but when we consider that the Forty have had their way with Sir Francis Chantrey's money since 1877, and have not succeeded in carrying out the intentions of the festator, it is manifestly time that they received advice from authorities outside.

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It is to be hoped that this report will not be quietly pigeon-holed according to what we have learned to regard as the Natural Law governing the fate of such documents. The Lords Committee anticipate this by embodying suggestions whereby their scheme may be carried out, and as they deal with that delicate entity a Trust Fund, there is hope that the report will be productive of fruit. The new purchasing body might be created by the Charity Commissioners, by Act of Parliament or by the courts on application of the Trustees. As the second is tedious and wofully uncertain, and the Trustees may be depended on to "sit tight," the first plan seems to be the most practicable.

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The much discussed motor boat race from Calais to Dover come off on Monday. Twenty-one vessels of various classes, cruisers, fishing boats and racers started, only one, the *Napier Minor*, a 73 horse-power racer being under British colours. Interest naturally centred on the racing contingent, and truly the motor launches made us open our eyes. The *Mercides IV*, 39 feet 4 inches long with an 80 horse-power engine won, doing the journey in seven and two-fifths seconds over the hour as good a record as the best of the speedy channel mail boats. The sea was perfectly smooth which was well for the success of the event for I should be sorry to adventure far from shore in most of these craft more particularly the winning boat. The English craft was second in 1 hour 5mins. 25⅘secs.: she might have won had she not sustained a mishap to her engine which brought her to a dead stop when a mile out. This boat made far more fuss going through the water than did the winner, but she gave one the impression that she was far more seaworthy.

The sanitary authorities on the West Coast of Africa continue their study of your ever-present friend the mosquito, and have lately been investigating his taste in the matter of colours. I cannot, with some years of experience in the East, say that the results of these investigations carry conviction to my mind. The enquirers bred mosquitoes in a large gauze tent: and they found that "when an investigator entered the tent in dark grey flannels the mosquitoes settled on him, but never did so if he were clad in white." These West African mosquitoes, I conceive, must be ill-educated insects: for I am confident you will agree with me that white drill has no terrors for the average mosquito in the East: and that he will dine with equal appetite off the whitest of wrists and tanned-est of knuckes.

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There is practically nothing to record this week concerning theatres: only seven remain open, to wit the Adelphi, Criterion, Prince of Wales's, Shaftesbury, Gaiety, Daly's and Apollo. During the hot, close evenings people prefer Earl's Court which has been doing good business. The Great Wheel has been baited with £5 notes to tempt patronage: the method is to roll an order for £5 in a piece of paper, throw the twist into one of the carriages at random: and advertise that this will be done every Saturday. Last Saturday the fiver lay in a carriage all day even unto after dark before it was found.

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The Strange Case of the late Bob Haggard is still before us. Five propositions have been offered to the popular novelist to explain the occurrence: (1) that his own spirit or sub-consciousness travelled to the scene of the dog's death and saw what happened: or (2) that the telipathic information (delayed in transmission) came from a human who saw the death of the dog: or (3) that it was a case of deferred telepathy, Bob's communication acting upon Mr. Rider Haggard's mind hours after the dog had been killed: or (4) that his own clairvoyance was the cause: or, finally (5) that the nightmare, not to use the term disrespectfully, was caused by a visit from Bob's astral body. The last of these most commends itself to Mr. Haggard, though be frankly confesses his non comprehension of what an astral shape, canine or otherwise, may be: his own idea is that his nightmare was due to "some non-bodily but surviving part of the life or of the spirit of the dog:" which I take it for practical purposes is as functional as an astral body (whatever that is). Mr. Haggard does not break new ground when he propounds the theory that Bob possessed the equivalent of that immortal constituent called in humans the soul: and he clearly leans to the conviction that Bob in spirit communicated with him on the night of his death. Many people have written to him giving particulars which seem to prove the possibility of telepathic communication between man and dogs, horses, cats and even birds. It is not for us to deride: let us have it that we are not yet come to the end of Knowledge, and that eventually light may be shed on these dark matters.

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A FORTNIGHT AFTER BURREL.

IN May last year I found an opportunity of paying a short visit to a remote corner of Kumaun where burrel (*Ovis nahura*) are fairly plentiful, if one knows where to look for them. I had paid a flying visit to the same locality four years before, but on that occasion was only able to spend two days on burrel ground, and though I saw four good rams altogether, the only chance I got was at a single ram going straight away from me at fully 300 yards distance up the hill side, when I was completely "blown" by having had to scramble some 500 feet up a shaley nullah at an altitude of nearly 15,000 feet above sea level in a vain attempt to cut the ram off as he came up a converging nullah. As it was I came pretty close to bagging him, for my bullet pinged into the shale right between his hind feet.

On the present occasion after bagging three good tahr on the way up I reached the outskirts of burrel ground on 16th May and camped close down by the main stream, the bed of which is here about 10,000 feet above the sea. There was still a good deal of snow lying, down as low as 12,000 feet and the burrel had not yet gone up to their summer feeding grounds, so I had good hopes of finding them fairly close at hand.

I was off at the first signs of dawn next morning, and accompanied by my orderly and a local shepherd went up the side nullah behind camp. We had not climbed more than 2,000 feet when we saw four burrel feeding above some precipitous rocks about 1,000 yards away on our right across a wide ravine, and had just started the stalk, which did not look very promising owing to the difficulty of getting above the sheep, when we sighted another flock of a dozen or more containing at least one good ram so far as we could see, feeding on an open grassy ridge about three-quarters of a mile in front and a good deal above us. There were some rocks conveniently situated on the ridge with a spur running down towards us, behind which we should be hidden from view, and as the wind was favourable and the stalk looked a fairly easy one we decided to go for this second lot instead.

Everything went all right till we were within a few hundred yards of the rocks, when suddenly a heavy snow storm came on and the wind began to get unsteady. However, we went on hoping for the best, but unfortunately lost our bearings in the blinding snow, with the result that we blundered right on a small lot of four out of the flock, that were sheltering behind a low rock. They bolted down the slope but pulled up to look back after going about 60 yards. It was impossible to make out anything clearly and I had never seen a burrel "in the flesh" at close quarters before, I but caught a glimpse of what looked like fair horns on one of them so let drive. The bullet caught him fair behind the shoulder as I subsequently found, but he went on and a running shot whistled over his back. However he then began to stagger and fell dead after going 30 yards. The other three galloped on down the slope and a little lower down were joined by a single beast with what seemed to be a very good head indeed and all speedily banished into the driving mist and snow. On going down to the fallen beast I was disappointed to find that his horns were so small as to be not worth keeping. However, it was my first burrel, and I consoled myself with the thought that the skin and meat would both be useful in their respective spheres As the weather was rapidly getting worse we made tracks straight for home, the local man carrying the burrel on his back, and after a long and rather difficult descent over fresh snow already lying several inches deep got into camp about 9 A.M. all drenched to the skin.

Nothing could be done on the 18th or 19th on account of the weather. It was beautifully fine on the 20th and I was out for nine hours on the hill side, but had a terribly trying time in the deep snow, and though I saw plenty of burrel including some good rams I never got a fair chance, and returned to camp pretty well exhausted and with both my companions suffering from slight snow blindness.

I shifted camp a few miles further up the main stream on the 21st, and as the weather continued fine practically all the fresh snow was melted by that evening. We made a very early start next morning up the ridge behind camp, and almost as soon as it was light enough to see discovered a flock of seven, including one good ram, feeding in a hollow about 1,000 yards higher up the steep slope we were ascending. They were almost in a straight line above us, and the wind was still blowing down the hill but was likely to change round before long, so I laid my plans accordingly. Descending a little we managed to get a low bank between us and the burrel and then kept straight along the hill side for about half a mile. Then we struck up the hill obliquely towards the burrel, making for a rocky mound a little above the place where we had last seen them. Everything went like clockwork and in about an hour we found ourselves close under the mound. Here we left the local man, whom we had only brought to show us the ground as he had no idea of stalking, and taking the mannlicher from the orderly I crept quietly on ahead over the flat top of the mound. Nothing was visible from there, but on going up a little further and peering over into the hollow beyond I discovered a small ram feeding quietly within 80 yards of me and then found the big one standing broad side on a little nearer and slightly lower down. With infinite caution I got into a sitting position and then suddenly the big ram's suspicions were aroused and he turned his head and looked up straight at me, so I had to fire at once. The position was an awkward one as I had to crane forward to get the sights properly on to him and consequently my bullet hit him too high and too far back but luckily injured his spine and disabled him instantly. The others hearing the report rushed pell mall down the slope and as they were all ewes or young males I let them go. Meanwhile the big ram was making desperate efforts to drag himself down the slope with his forefeet, his hind-quarters trailing behind, so to put the poor beast out of his pain I gave him another behind the shoulder and dropped him dead. On going down to him I was delighted to find that he was a very old ram with good horns though extraordinarily chipped and battered about by old age and fighting. The right horn measured 23 inches and the left 21½ inches, the girth of each being 10½ inches. Had they been perfect both would certainly have measured not less than 24 inches. After wiping out the rifle I made straight for camp, which lay in sight about 3,000 feet below and was in by 8-30. The ram when brought in scaled 134lbs. on a Salter's spring balance, allowing 2lbs. for loss of blood which had been very heavy owing to the terrible wound made under the spine by my hollow-pointed bullet. I shifted camp higher up again next day and was then detained for two days, waiting for a bridge over the main stream to be repaired, so that I was not out again till the 25th. I spent both the 25th and 26th in pursuit of a large flock containing two good rams, which I discovered a long way above camp, but I could find no means of getting nearer to them than 400 yards, and finally at the end of the second day they got my wind and bolted. On our way back to camp after this fiasco we put up a very large hare on a small flat near the stream which drained the side nullah we were in. He stopped about 120 yards off, so as I intended going in a different direction next day and therefore did not mind disturbing the ground. I opened fire at him with two or three solid bullets I happened to have with me, and at the second attempt, the whistle of the first bullet having apparently only dazed him, managed to knock him over. He was of immense size, with a thick woolly coat of the same colour as the ordinary hare of the plains, and the local people were much astonished when we brought him into camp, never having seen a hare before in that neighbourhood.

On the 27th I tried a small nullah close to the place where I had missed the ram four years before. On the way up we came across the tracks of a snow leopard only an hour or two old. On reaching the ridge at the top of the nullah just after sunrise we sat down in the snow to prospect and very soon discovered two big rams feeding among some low bushes about 1,500 yards away on the slope of a tremendous precipice running down towards the main stream. One was a magnificent fellow with a peculiarly dark neck and fore quarter, the other being much lighter though his horns looked nearly as big. The wind was favourable and the ground practicable though difficult, but instead of carrying out my own ideas and making a long round so as to approach the game from above, I foolishly listened to the orderly and struck down into the ravine, trusting to reach the shelter of an intervening spur without being seen. We had not gone 50 yards, however, before the wary brutes spotted us, and though we lay like logs for half an hour and the rams at length seemed satisfied and appeared to have gone off behind a projecting rock feeding quietly, when we at last reached the spot after some severe climbing, they had vanished completely, and after a fruitless search and a long scramble down some rather dangerous precipices we had to give them up and return to camp.

I had arranged to move camp several miles further up the main nullah on the 28th, and accordingly started at 4 A.M. well ahead of the coolies and servants in the hope of seeing something on the way. After we had gone about two miles, just as it was getting light and while I was still riding my pony quietly up the steep narrow goat track dignified by the name of a road in those parts, a low whistle from my orderly behind caused me to slip off my pony's back with the utmost precipitation, and I then learnt that the orderly had caught a glimpse of several burrel feeding on a bushy slope about 400 yards above the road. How we had escaped being seen by them was a mystery. The pony was quickly dragged out of sight below the road, and the orderly and I after going ahead a little to get the wind right struck up the slope for a quarter of a mile and then doubled back towards the sheep. There being no rocks or broken ground anywhere near, from behind which I could fire, we had to trust to the shelter of the bushes and stalk right into the middle of them. At length I scaught sight of the head of a good ram showing above a bush 40 yards in front of me and the next moment he was rolling down the slope with a broken back. At the same time five other sheep, including two rams, jumped up like rabbits in various places above and in front of me. The first shot at the nearest ram missed, but the second caught him in the neck and knocked him over dead. I then fired a snap shot at the other ram as he vanished over a low bank and could have sworn that he rolled over too, but on going to the spot could find no sign of him and presently saw him topping a ridge above and apparently going sound. A parting salute failed to reach him and I then went down to the first ram and finished him off with a shot between the shoulders from behind. His horn only measured 21 inches, but were very massive, perfect, and symmetrical. The second ram only taped 18½ inches and I should have let him go if I had had any opportunity of gauging his size properly beforehand.

With two beasts to be skinned and cut up I decided to postpone moving camp till next day and sent back word accordingly. The two animals when brought into camp weighed 130 and 118 lbs., respectively.

Camp was duly shifted next day, but we saw only ewes on the way. It was bitterly cold at night, the tent being pitched on a wind-swept ridge nearly 15,000 ft. above sea-level.

On the 30th I had a hard day's work trying to get near a flock of 25 burrel containing several shootable rams in a wide corrie on the other side of the river, but got nothing better than a severe headache and dizziness from the high elevation we reached.

The 30th was my last day out, as I had to start on my return journey on 1st June. We were off at dawn and went up a very likely looking nullah just opposite camp. We had only gone a short way when we discovered about 20 burrel feeding slowly down the steep slopes to our right about half a mile ahead. There were four big rams amongst them and one of these was by far the finest I have hitherto seen, his splendid horns curving right back past his shoulders. After examining him carefully for a long time with a powerful telescope and comparing him with two good rams already shot, I put his horns down at not less than 27 inches. We lay quietly behind a rock for two hours waiting for the flock to feed over a low ridge in front. At length the coast seemed clear except for three ewes away on our right which we managed to dodge, and we made for the ridge as hard as we could go. I was already picturing myself laying the tape over those 27 (or even perhaps 30!) inch horns, when to our horror we discovered that the big ram had not crossed the ridge after all, but had lain down alone on a slab of rock just below it on our side. However, we were still 500 yards off and providentially he had not seen us. We lay still for another hour and a half not knowing exactly what to do, and at last I

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decided to see whether I could not get within range by going to the upper end of the low bank behind which we were sheltering and then warming myself down through the bushes. I managed to gain 150 yards by going as the serpent does but could get no further as the ground then became more open and the ram's vigilance never relaxed. I was weighing the chances of a shot, when suddenly I felt the wind at my back. "Now or never" I thought, for the ram would have been off in another few seconds. Using the 200 yards' sight and taking a full bead I let drive with perfect steadiness, but alas! I had underrated the powers of my trusty Mannlicher in that thin atmosphere and my bullet merely grazed the ram's back knocking out a fistful of hair, and splintered the rock beyond. An inch lower and it would have cut his spine in two! He was off over the ridge in a moment without giving me another chance and two running shots at smaller rams that broke back along the bottom of the nullah also missed. There was nothing more to be done and we crawled slowly and sorrowfully back to camp. Three weeks later I was back in civilisation once more, but I still dream of those glorious horns and the very first opportunity that comes will certainly see me back in that nullah again!

C. S.

THE GAME PROTECTION BILL.

AN INDIAN PLANTER'S VIEWS.

THE following is a petition recently addressed to the Collector of the Nilgiris by an Indian planter and cultivator at Ootacamund:—

With reference to the G. O. No. 597, of 8th June 1904, regarding Game and Fish Preservation Bill and in accordance with the paragraph "Forest No. 18 of page 15" therein, I beg to lay the following before you for such consideration as you may deem fit to bestow upon it. I am a planter as well as a cultivator on a small scale and cannot think that my views (based as they are on no inconsiderable personal experience) will go unconsidered and unsupported. The matter is one of vital issues to planters like myself with small means and with practically no influence, and hence, this representation which, for that reason, I have no doubt, will be given the consideration it merits, so far as the Nilgiri District is concerned.

That there is any wanton destruction of birds of plumage on these hills, those who know the District will not readily admit, and that any legislation in this respect for the preservation of these birds wi l be resisted by sensible people can hardly be supposed. They do no injury to crops or plants, and probably, there is advantage to be gained in their preservation.

That a General Game Law for the whole of India is necessary or not, I am not in a position nor is it needful for me to discuss here, I only pray that whether a General Law or particular local laws are adopted, they may be so framed as not to bear harshly on the poor cultivator or planter. The Government of India have very justly enunciated the principle that "the protection of the cultivator's crops is a consideration to which all others must give way." On these hills that cultivators like myself often suffer seriously in the damage done to their crops, plants, etc., by the ravages of wild animals, such as pigs, porcupine and sambur is a matter of common experience. These animals (especially the first two) are an enemy to potato cultivation, and the injury done by porcupine to tea plants and plantain trees is considerable. Although potato cultivation is being taken up here in increasing proportions, it will be seen that such cultivation is mostly confined within the Municipal limits, the reason being that in the outlying places, which are open to the ravages of wild animals, there is want of protection to the cultivator. In these circumstances, if the cultivator expects that he should not be prohibited from shooting or destroying the animals, so long as he confines himself within the radius, say, of a mile from his own land or plantation, it is what equity requires and what the Legislature ought to grant, without the hindrance of any fee or of taking out any special licenses.

Further, the cultivator's cattle are occasionally attacked by tigers, panthers, hyænas, or wild dogs, and if in such an emergency, he is to go in quest of a license-holder, his position becomes a most irksome one, and it will not be too much to ask, therefore, that he should be given a free hand in such a contingency to shoot or kill the wild beast.

It would be a pity if Government were to insist on planters or cultivators, such as I have mentioned, to take out licenses and to be made amenable to the Game Laws, even though the question, as it affects them, be one of private lands and the protection of private interests. It would be a heavy demand on their purse, which is none too heavy, they being mainly dependent on cultivation for their livelihood. If, however, Government thinks it neither justifiable nor expedient to exclude the poor cultivator from the operation of any general laws on the subject, it may, at least fix the fees to be paid by him according to his limited means. In this connection, I may perhaps be permitted to observe that any concession granted to natives will not be misplaced. Their temperaments are proverbially mild, and wanton cruelty to animal life is hardly among their vices. [This is quite a new idea to us, our experience going to prove that fiendish cruelty to animals is a leading *trait*.—ED., *I. F.*] They are either agriculturists or cultivators, and on these hills, there are no native tribes who net, snare or shoot animals for the purposes of sale, so that there is hardly any ground for the belief that natives destroy game. On the other hand, instances are not wanting, if I may say so, of some European residents going out three or four times a week throughout the season with ten to fifty dogs and ten to fifty men beating every scrub or shola and slaughtering game without hesitancy. These sportsmen, I hope may not be considered rash in saying, are primarily responsible for the destruction of Game on these hills, but, if any difficulty arises they shift the blame on to the poor native cultivator or to men occupying a subordinate position, such as clerks, who take out licenses and go out shooting occasionally in the open season, with no pretensions to beaters or dogs, bagging, perhaps, a jungle sheep or fowl, in order to relieve the dull monotony of their routine desk life.

Such are my views on the subject, and I humbly pray that your usual sympathy with, and solicitude for, the interests of the poor will incline you to take a favourable view of this representation, and to suggest to Government such modifications of the Regulations as will not bear hardly on small cultivators or planters like myself, and in this connection, I beg, with your permission, to subjoin a scale of license fees, which in my humble opinion, will meet all requirements :—

Class.	Small game. Rs.	Large game. Rs.	Fishing. Rs.
For sportsmen, who visit India for the purpose of sport (shooting) and European residents who have no official duties, and constantly go out shooting.	20	20	20
Government and Commercial Officers, including the Military.	10	10	10
Poor class European, Eurasian or native official (clerks) including Non-commissioned Officer or Soldier.	5	5	5
Land owners and cultivators, who depend upon cultivation for their livelihood.	2½	2½	2½

Finally, Sir, I humbly ask you to remember that in a matter of legislating for all classes what will suit the rich may be quite inconvenient or hurtful to the poor, and the latter must look up to Government for special treatment.

PATIALA STATE.

GAME PROTECTION NOTIFICATION.

THESE rules apply to all Residents, State subjects, and officials of Patiala State and to all Visitors.

A.—FISHING.

2. All fishing rights in the Giri and Asni Rivers have been made over to the Giri Fishing Association.

B.—SHOOTING.

No person may shoot in Patiala Territory, unless he is in possession of either (1) A gun license, or (2) A game license.

3. Gun license shall be granted to respectable zamindars for protection of their crops under the rules made by the Council of Regency and shall not entitle the licensees to kill any kind of game, provided that nothing in this section shall prevent the owner of a field from doing all that is absolutely necessary to protect the crop thereon.

4. Game license shall be granted to Residents, State subjects and officials by the Superintendent of Shikar, Patiala State, on payment of a fee of Rs. 20 for the current season; or Rs. 5 for a period lasting from one to five days. Persons holding game licenses shall be entitled to shoot all kinds of small game (but not leopard, panther, lynx, bear, antelope, and deer) in any part of the Patiala State, except the Darbar preserves mentioned in Section 7.

Visitors desiring to purchase game licenses, should apply to the Political Agent, Phulkian State and Bhawalpore.

5. Deer of all kinds, leopard, panther, lynx, and bear may not be shot without special permission in writing to be obtained on application to the Political Agent, Phulkian States and Bhawalpore. Such special permission will only be given to applicants who have already been granted game licenses under Section 4.

6. A close season shall be observed throughout the Patiala State as detailed below.

During this season no one shall destroy, net or capture in any fashion, any of the birds or animals mentioned in the list below; or take the eggs of any of these birds, or offer any such bird or animal for sale.

Bird or Animal (English name).	Bird or Animal (Vernacular name).	Close Season.
Sand-grouse (all kinds)...	Bhat titar	15th March to 31st August (inclusive).
Partridge (all kinds) ...	Titar, Kala titar, Ban titar, Chikor, Chakra ...	
Bustard	Tookdow	
Florican	Houbout	
Jungle Fowl... ...	Lal Murgi	
Pheasant (all kinds) ...	Kalij, Kukra, Murgi, Kuka, Kalesha, Kuklas, Plash, Chair, Chir, Lanj, Ratnal, Manal, Bodar Jagu ...	
Hare	Khargosh, Pharla ...	
Males of—		
Antelope	Kala Hiran	
Ravine Deer ...	Chinkara	
Hog Deer	Para	
Barking Deer ...	Kaakr	
Sambhar	Maha Sambhar	
Musk Deer ...	Kastoora Mushknafa ...	
Gooral	Ghoral, Ghol	
Serow	Aimu	
Oorial	Oorial	
Females of—		
Deer, Antelope (all kinds)	...	Whole year.
Males and Females of :—		
Peafowl	Mor	
Monkey	Bandar, Langur... ...	
Parrot	Tota	
Blue Bull	Nilgai	
Pig	Suar...	

7. The Darbar preserves which are strictly closed except to those to whom special leave may be given, are as follows :—

A.—IN THE PLAINS.

Bahadurgarh, Kauli, Sanaur, Bhunerheri, Moti Bagh, Mojal and Kheri, together with the ground within a four mile radius of any of these birs.

B.—IN THE HILLS.

Pinjore (Raitan and Ajmeregarh), Kandeghat, Chail, together with the ground within a four mile radius of any of these birs.

8. Officers Commanding British Regiments stationed in India, may apply for one or more game licenses in the name of the Regiments for the use of Non-Commissioned Officers and men. These will be granted on the payment of a fee of Rs. 20 for each license. Such a license shall authorize a party of not more than three Non-Commissioned Officers and men to shoot game in Patiala Territory. This section shall not apply to Special Permits under Section 5.

9. (1) Any person committing a breach of these rules shall be punished with a fine not exceeding Rs. 25 for the first offence, with a fine not exceeding Rs. 50 for the second offence, or for third or subsequent offence with a fine not exceeding Rs. 50 or with imprisonment not exceeding one month or with both.

(2) In the case of a shikari he will be liable to the forfeiture of his license for one year.

(3) When the offender is not a State subject the case shall be immediately reported to the Political Agent.

10. Any shikari who wilfully commits or abets the commission of an offence against the rules, or fails to report such infringement shall be liable to the forfeiture of his license and to a fine not exceeding Rs. 25 or imprisonment not exceeding one month or with both.

11. All offences against these rules will be tried by the ordinary State Court.

PART III.

RULES ABOUT SHIKARIS (CONTROL, &c., &c.)

(1) All Shikaris will in future be registered and licensed annually under the rules.

(2) Sportsmen are particularly requested not to give presents to the Shikaris and to report all irregularities on their part to the Superintendent of Shikar.

(Sd.) RANBIR SINGH,
Kunwar Sahib of Patiala.

Fishing.

FISHING IN BALUCHISTAN.

BEFORE coming to Baluchistan I made a short pilgrimage to Tangrote on the 22nd July chiefly to see the place and also on the offchance of a break in the rains having allowed the water to clear. But I found the Jhelum much discoloured and the Poonch of the consistency and appearance of strong cocoa without any milk in it. It may, however, interest some of your readers to know how to get to Tangrote and what arrangements are necessary.

One can either rail to Jhelum which is 22¾ miles from Tangrote bungalow or else rail to Dina which is about 16 miles. Both are stations on the North-Western Railway. I chose the latter route and having previously wired to the station master, who is a most obliging baboo, to ask the chowdry to arrange for transport I found coolies and riding ponies ready on my arrival.

The road from Dina as far as Shaikhupur is unmetalled, but pretty fair, and the distance four miles. Here there is a civil rest house on the right bank of the Jhelum, containing furniture, but no crockery or khansamah. From Shaikhupur to Tangrote is 12 miles along a rough track. At Tangrote is a bungalow containing four large rooms with bath-rooms attached and furnished. There is also a khansamah who in addition to food will provide soda water if one day's previous notice be given him. He has however, no license to sell beer or spirits. The *nirrick* rate for coolies from Dina to Tangrote is eight annas and for riding ponies twelve annas.

Now-adays it is almost unnecessary to add that substantial *bakshcesh* is expected, nay even demanded in addition. The customary rate for a boat to fish from is I believe one rupee for diem. A shikari claims eight annas a day and his under strapper who catches small fish four annas daily. A fishing license in accordance with the Kashmir fishery regulations is necessary and can be obtained from the Post Master, Tangrote.

Formerly I understood that the ordinary five rupee license for Kashmir entitled the holder to fish at Tangrote, but I believe this place has since been excepted and a special license costing ten rupees for a period of ten days or twenty rupees for the season must now be taken out. There is no telegraph, and a post only every other day. The bungalow is on the right bank of the Jhelum immediately opposite the junction of the Jhelum and Poonch. By using the bungalow as head quarters one cannot go very far afield. So any one going to Tangrote for any length of time would be well advised to take tents. The charge for a room in the bungalow is one rupee daily.

The return journey is most comfortably performed by boat. A boat with a crew of three and capable of holding two passengers and a considerable amount of kit will take one down to Jhelum for six rupees and to Shaikhupur for three rupees. Larger boats at higher prices are obtainable. From Shaikhupur the remainder of the journey to Dina must be done by coolies and ponies. I would not advise anyone to attempt the upward journey by boat as the current is very strong and the rate of progress consequently painfully slow.

The outlook at Tangrote being as I had expected at this time of year hopeless, I railed down to BabarKachh, a station half way between Sibi and Harnai on the Quetta line. Its height above mean sea level is 817 feet and the heat at this time of year very severe. At the station there is a furnished waiting room consisting of one room and bathroom, but no supplies of any sort are available, everything having to be obtained from Sibi. The river is the Beji, a small shallow stream in a wide stony bed, which every hundred yards or so forms good pools well stocked with fish. Owing to the heat I only fished the three pools nearest to the station. There are about half a dozen varieties of fish exclusive of minnows, but I do not think any of them run much over fifteen pounds in weight. I regret to say that I can only assign names to three varieties, namely, Mahseer, fresh water sharks and eels. Higher up the river I believe that Mahseer only will be met with, leaving small fish, such as lesser barils out of the question. At any rate in April one year two of us fished the river many miles above Babar Kacht at a place called Pazzha and in seven days' fishing killed upwards of a hundred fish up to 13lbs. in weight, all of which were Mahseer, and never touched a fish of any other kind.

I found the river in fair order, but not quite clear, so after giving both fly and spinners a trial, I used nothing but a fair sized single hook with two split shot pellets eight inches above it on which I placed hooked through the lip small fish either alive or dead as I happened to have them.

A twelve-foot split cane rod by Hardy and a silex reel with a hundred yards of the lightest dressed silk line and single medium gut completed my preparations. I think there is rather a tendency to use both reel lines and gut of unnecessary stoutness. Provided both are *sound* I consider that the finer they are used within reasonable limits the better. I don't think that even a powerful salmon rod can pull more than about 7lbs. on a dynamometer when tested to its utmost and long before that point is reached the reel will have revolved and consequently eased the strain. In my five days' fishing at Babar Kachh I used only one collar of medium salmon gut and it is still sound. Of course I always test all gut each day before fishing and when I have time make collars, etc., myself.

The following is the result of my five days at Babar Kachh. I only fished for a comparatively short time, both morning and evening owing to the extreme heat. A native told me that I could ensure better results and less discomfort if I went out after nightfall with a lantern, etc., etc. I acknowledged his truthfulness praised his artfulness and deplored his moral declension.

But it requires a strong mixture of civilisation and vested interests to generate in the savage mind an appreciation of the quality of such offence.

July 26th evening	Mahseer	5, 2½,	11lbs.
	Shark	... 6	
	Unclassified	4, 2	
		Total ...	20½lbs.
,, 27th morning	Mahseer	... 9, 3,	
	Shark	... 10, 4	
	Unclassified	... 8, 4½	
		Total ...	40½lbs.
,, ,, evening,	Mahseer	... 5, 1½	
	Shark	... 7 5	
	Unclassified	.. 4, 3½, 2	
		Total ...	28lbs
,, 28th morning,	Maheeer	... 7, 3½, 2	
	Shark	... 8	
	Unclasified	... 5, 3	
		Total ...	28½lbs.
,, ,, evening,	Mahseer	... 3, 3, 2½, 2	
	Unclassified	... 2, 2, 2	
	Eel	... 1	
		Total ...	17½lbs
July 29th morning,	Mahseer	... 8, 2, 1½, 1	
,, ,,	Unclassified	... 8, 6,l 4. 2½	
		Total ...	33lbs.
,, ,, evening,	Mahseer	...3, 3, 3, 2, 2, 1	
		Total ...	14½lbs
,, 30th morning,	Mahseer	... 8½	
	Shark	... ½	
		Totai ...	9lbs.
,, ,,	Evening Mahseer	... 4½	
		Total ...	4½lbs.

Total 51 fish weighing 196lbs.

The above of course is nothing as fish and fishing go and is only intended to shew that even in July in certain parts of Northern India fishing may be had. I also lost a certain number. One fish in particular took out about 45 yards of line one rush and broke my shood round a rock. This was my only breakage.

In some of the larger and deeper pools there are crocodiles but of no great size. I have never heard of one having been shot.

The heat was a trifle too much for real enjoyment. The pleasantest months for fishing are March and October during which one can camp out with comfort and be certain of good sport.

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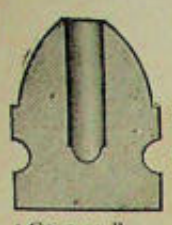
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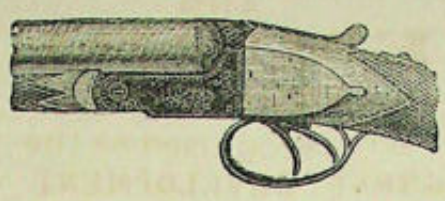
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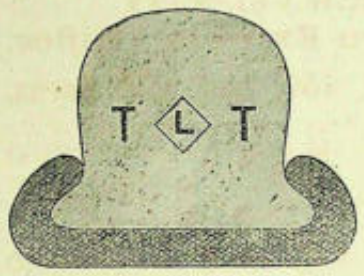
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Poona Seventh Extra ..	Sept.	3	
,, Eighth ,, ..	,,	17	
Poona Races and Steeplechases	,,	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 5	506
Quetta Autumn Meeting ..	,,	20, 22, 24	
Tollygunge Club, Third Gymkhana	,,	3	
Calcutta Monsoon Fourth ..	,,	10	
,, ,, Fifth ..	,,	17	
Ootacamund Hunt ..	,,	15 & 17	
Mussoorie Autumn ..	Oct.	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn ..	,,	4 & 6	625
Dehra Dun	,,	10 & 12	
Darjeeling	,,	17 & 19	
Lucknow Autumn Sky ..	,,	25 & 27	82
Rangoon Second Extra ..	,,	22	
,, Third ,, ..	Nov.	12	
Jubbulpore Autumn ..	,,	1 & 3	272
,, Open Gymkhana	,,	5	273
Umballa Autumn ..	,,	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	,,	15, 17, & 19	626
Sonepore	,,	23, 25 & 27	
Rangoon Autumn ..	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn ..	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
,, (Army Cup)	Dec.	1	
Calcutta First Extra ..	,,	10	
,, Second ,, ..	,,	17	
,, First Meeting ..	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
,, ..	,,	27	
Viceroy's Cup	Dec.	15, 17, 20	
Rawalpindi Sky ..	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Lahore X'mas ..	Jan.	2 & 7	
Tollygunge Steeplechase ..	Jan.	21, 23, 25	
Dibrugarh	,,	10, 12, 14	
Dacca	,,	14 & 21	
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	,,	28	
,, Third Extra ..	,,	4	
,, Fourth ,, ..	Feb.		

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Poona Races	Final ..	..	6th September.
Calcutta 4th Monsoon ..	..	..	5th September.
,, 8th ,, ..	..	..	12th September
Ootacamund Hunt ..	Second ..	..	10th September.
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana ..	First ..	..	10th September.
	Second ..	..	1st October.
	Third ..	..	15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn ..	First ..	..	10th September.
	Second ..	..	1st October.
	Third ..	..	15th October.
Army Cup	Third ..	..	1st October.
	Final ..	..	15th November
Civil Service Cup ..	Third ..	..	15th September
	Fourth ..	..	1st December.
	Final ..	..	20th January.
Rangoon Second Extra ..	First ..	..	1st October.
	Second ..	..	15th October.
Rangoon Third Extra ..	First ..	..	24th October.
	Second ..	..	5th November.
Umballa Autumn ..	Second ..	..	17th September
	Third ..	..	28th October.
Rangoon Autumn ..	First ..	..	20th October.
	Second ..	..	15th November
	Third ..	..	22nd November
Calcutta First Extra ..	..	..	6th December.
,, Second ,,	..	..	13th ,,
,, First Meeting ..	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second .	..	30th ,,
,, Second ,, ..	First ..	..	30th November
	Second ..	..	7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn ..	First ..	..	12th September
	Second ..	..	19th ,,
	Third ..	..	26th ,,
Lahore X'mas ..	Second ..	..	1st November.
	Third ..	..	1st December
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	Second ..	..	15th September
	Third ..	..	8th November.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	30th ,,
,, ,, Second ,,	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.	
Kashmir Tournament	Now on.
Poona Open Tournament	Begins 22nd September.
Naini Tal Tournament	Begins 26th September.
Sonepore Open Tournament	Begins 23rd November.
ROWING.	
Calcutta Rowing Club 3rd Regatta	10th September.
Ditto The Power Cup ..	October.
Madras B. C. Regatta	3rd September.
RACQUETS.	
Club of W. India Tournament	21st to 27th September.
FOOTBALL.	
Rugby Union Challenge Cup (Calcutta) ..	Begins 12th September.
Bombay Rovers Tournament	Begins 9th September.
Durand Tournament (Simla)	14th to 27th September.
Bombay Gymkhana Rugby Tournament ..	From 16th Sept. to 1st Oct
GOLF.	
Kashmir Upper India Tournament	Now on.
R. W. I. G. C. Tournament (at Nasik) ..	In September.
HOCKEY.	
Poona District Tournament	Now on.
SHOOTING.	
Calcutta Revolver Club.	
Disappearing Target	3rd September.
Sixth Monthly Meeting	10th September.
Second Moving Target	24th September.
CRICKET.	
Bombay Presidency (Poona) ..	13th, 14th, and 15th Sept.
SHOWS.	
Poona Horse Show	29th & 30th September.
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show	26th December.
Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show	30th September.
Murree Dog Show	22nd September.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Champagne Stakes	Tuesday, 6th September.
Great Yorkshire Handicap	Tuesday, 6th September.
The St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yds.) ..	Wednesday, 7th Sept.
Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles)	Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles) ..	Saturday, 24th September
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong) ..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1¼ miles) ..	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs) ..	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1¼ miles) ..	Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Birmingham Dog Show	25th November.

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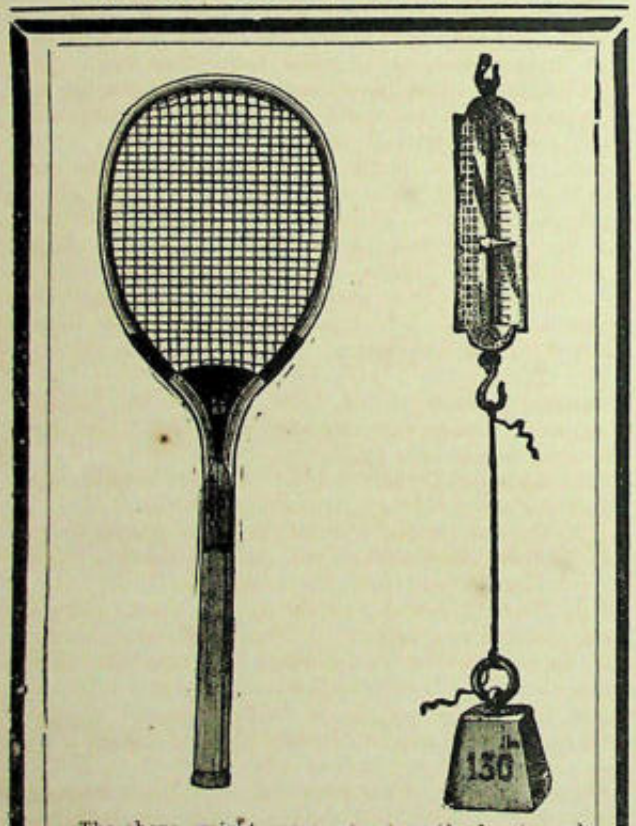
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POONA FIFTH EXTRA MEETING.

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Judge :—COLONEL G. H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
Starter :—MR. A. O'GORMAN.

Thursday, 15th August, 1904.

THE meeting was brought off to-day in warm weather and before a fair attendance. The racing was good and some excellent finishes were witnessed. The Maiden Plate produced a dead heat between Berlin and Arabian Flag, the latter winning in the run off by a head. Details :—

THE MAIDEN LILLIPUT PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab Ponies 13-3 and under, new measurement, 13-3 to carry 8st 12lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner since 31st March 1902, race value Rs. 150 or over : once 4lbs ; twice 7lbs ; three times 12lbs ; oftener 18lbs. Allowances—Ponies which have not won a race value Rs. 50 4lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. S. A. Wahed's ch a h Dilerjung, 8st. 13lbs	Robinson	1
Mr. Yussuff Punassee's b a h Yerbo, 7st 10lbs.	Melsom	2
Mr. A. A. Amer's ch a n Caravan, 7st. 13lbs.	Murphy	3
Mr. A. W. P's g a h Random, 8st. 13lbs. ...	Native	0
Aga S. Shah's b a h Bruiser, 7st. 10lbs. ...	Kamad	0
Mr. Mahomed bin Talib's g a h Umber, 8st. 2lbs.	Foster	0
Mr. T. R. Badger's ch a h William Rufus, 8st.	Elliot	0
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's g a h Cleverman, 8st.	Kunia	0
Mr. Abdool Kadar Hajee's ch a h Sublime, 7st. 10lbs.	Heeroo	0
Messrs S. A. Aziz and S. A. Hamid's g a h Shan Alum, 7st. 4lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Major Stisted's ch a h Modesty, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Trahan	0

BETTING : Evens Dilerjung, 5 to 1 agst Caravan, 6 to 1 each Umber, Yerbo, and Shah Alum, 7 to 1 Modesty, 10 to 1 Sublime, 15 to 1 each Rufus, Cleverman, 30 to 1 each Random and Bruiser.

Won by a head ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 27secs.

THE INTERMEDIATE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus m Olga, 8st. 10lbs.	Foster	1
Mr. W. Bass's br e m Filbe ...lbs. ...	A Hoyt	2
Mr. Mahomedally's br aus m Nautilus, 7st. 5lbs.	Heeroo	3
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Ping Pong, 9st. 6lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. J. J. Pawson's ch e m Tight Lace, 7st. 10lbs.	Elliot	0
Capt. Bayford's b aus m Rosie Ball, 7st. 2lbs.	Trahan	0
Capt. Stewart Balmain's g aus m Lady Dean, 6st. 9lbs.	Kamad	0

BETTING : Evens Filbert, 2 to 1 agst Olga, 6 to 1 Nautilus, 10 to 1 Ping Pong, 12 to 1 Tight Lace, 15 to 1 each Rosie Ball and Lady Dean.

Won by a neck ; a length and a quarter between second and third. Time—1 min. 18¼secs.

THE LITTLE ARAB HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arab ponies 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Maydwell's g a h Titus II, 10st ...	A. Hoyt	1
Aga S. Shah's g a h Achilles, 9st ...	Robinson	2
Mr. A. R. Amer's g a h Young Kohinoor, 8st 4lbs	Murphy	3
Mr. F. M. Garda's b a h Narunjee, 9st. 7lbs	Native	0
Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's g a h Tigris, 8st 7lbs	Nama	0
Mr. R. R. S's g a h Officer, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Native	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A Nanjee's g a h Farewell, 8st. 4lbs	Foster	0
Mr. Artin A Essayie's g a h Little Joker, 8st	Heeroo	0
Mr. R. R. S's ch a h Mint, 7st. 13lbs ...	Native	0
Mr. F. M. Garda's br a h Kour Saheb, 7st. 13lbs.	Elliot	0
Mr. C. A. B. Beatty's g a h Vasco, 7st. 2lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr Nassar Abdulla's g a h Clever Boy, 6st. 13lbs	Kamad	0
Mr Mustapha bin Talib's ch a h Faithful, 6st 10lbs	Trahan	0
Mr S A Wahed's g a g Sweetlips, 7st 11lb...	Native	0

BETTING : 5 to 1 agst Titus, 5 to 2 Achilles, 7 to 1 Tigris, 6 to 1 Farewell, 5 to 1 Kour Saheb, 8 to 1 Vasco, 10 to 1 Officer, 12 to 1 each Young Kohinoor and Mint, 30 to 1 each Narunjee, Clever Boy, Faithful and Sweetlips.

Won by three quarters of a length ; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 9secs.

THE MIDSUMMER PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,000 or over, since 31st March 1902. 7 furlongs.

Messrs M Goculdas and A Nanjee's br aus g Tubul Cain, 10st	Foster	1
Aga S Shah's b aus g Prestwick, 7st 10lbs	Kamad	2
Messrs G K and D D's bl aus m Overture, 6st. 10lbs	Melsom	3
Mr Mehta's br aus m Blue Blood, 9st. 2lbs	Murphy	0
Mr Roy's b aus g Fotheringay, 8st 9lbs	Robinson	0
Messrs. P. B. Avasia and C. Bleach's b e g Testwood, 8st 7lbs	A Hoyt	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus h Idler, 8st 6lbs	Elliot	0
Mr. Curmer's b aus g Rossi, 7st 10lbs ...	Trahan	0
Aga S. Shah's br aus m Shotover, 7st. 9lbs	Heeroo	0
Mr. A. W. P's ch aus g Fitzeros, 6st 6lbs ...	King	0

BETTING : 4 to 1 each Tubal Cain and Prestwick, 4 to 1 Blue Blood, 5 to 1 Shotover, 6 to 1 Overture, 10 to 1 each Fotheringay Fitzeros, and Testwood, 15 to 1 each Idler and Rossi.

Won easily by two and a half lengths ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 32⅘secs.

A MAIDEN PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50 For Maiden Arabs W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties.—Winners since 31st March 1902 race value Rs. 150 or over : once, 5lbs ; twice 10lbs ; three times 14lbs ; oftener 18lbs. Allowances.—Horses which have not won race value Rs. 50 or over 4lbs. Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. Curmer's b a h Arabian Flag, 8st. 4lbs. ..	Robinson	1
Messrs. G. K. and D D's b a h Berlin, 6st. 5lbs.	Kamad	2
Captain Bayford's a g Borderer, 8st. 6lbs.	Murphy	3
Mr. S. A Wahed's g a h Skylark, 7st. 8lbs.	Heeroo	0
Captain Darley's g a h Hailstorm II, 8st. 5lbs	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. D. Bomanjee's g a h Royal Blood, 7st. 6lbs	Native	0
Messrs. G. K. and D D's b a h Bendigo, 7st. 4lbs	Melsom	0

BETTING : Evens Berlin, 4 to 1 Bendigo, 7 to 1 each Arabian Flag, Hailstorm and Borderer, 10 to 1 each Skylark and Royal Blood.

A good race ended in an exciting finish of a dead heat.

Three lengths between second and third. Time—1 min 53secs. This was run off later with Melsom on Berlin, and was won by Arabian Flag by a head.

THE SUBALTERNS' STAKES.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, which have not won flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 14 hands to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. T. R. Badger's g a g Harpagos, 11st. 11lb.	Mr. Pawson	1
Major Edwards' g a h Kazban, 11st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	2
Mr. Maydwell's b a h Bumblepuppy, 11st. 6lbs.	A. Hoyt	3
Capt. Bayford's b a h Hail Fellow, 11st. 7lbs.	Capt. Maynell	0
Mr. D. Graham's b a h Haji, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Major Jameson	0
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's br a h Bikanir, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. V. K. Birch's g a g Iman, 11st. 11lb.	Owner	0
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's b a h Playful, 11st 11lbs	Capt. Cassim	0
Major Edwards' b a h Imperialist, 11st. 11lb.	Mr. H. Anderson	0
Mr. W. L. Maxwell's g a h Sirocco, 10st. 3lbs.	Major England	0
Major G. Moore's bl a h Dachshund, 10st. 3lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. W. H. Anderson's g a h Surban, 10st. 5lbs.	Mr J. Anderson	0

BETTING : 4 to 1 Kazban, evens Hail Fellow, 2 to 1 each Haji and Sirocco, 5 to 1 Surban, 10 to 1 each Bikanir, Harpagos, Iman, Playful and Imperialist.

Won by half a length ; three quarters of a length between second and third. Time—56⅘secs.

POONA SIXTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 27th August, 1904.

THE following are results of this afternoon's racing :—

THE PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap Hurdle Race for Ponies. 1¼ miles over 6 flights.

Lieut.-Col. Hazelton's b aus g Patrician, 11st. 4lbs.	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. J. J. Pawson's bl aus m Busy Bee, 9st. 2lbs.	Bond	2
Mr. Mahomedally's br aus m Nautilus, 9st. 6lbs.	Egan	3
Mr. Alston's b aus m Temptress, 9st. 7lbs.	Thomson	
Capt. Grogan's b aus g Rifleman II., 9st.	Syed	0

BETTING : Evens on Patrician, 3 to 1 Busy Bee, 5 to 1 Nautilus, 10 to 1 Rifleman, 12 to 1 Temptress.

Won by ten lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—2 mins. 34secs.

THE HURDLE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap Hurdle Race for Horses. 1¼ miles over 6 flights.

Major G. Moore's ch aus g Daroji, 10st. 4lbs.	A Hoyt	1
Mr. T. L. Roberts' ch aus g Moroney, 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. Deane	2
Messrs M. Goculdass and A Nanjee's ch aus m Gnullo, 10st. 12lbs.	Morrison	3
Mr. A. W. P.'s ch aus g Fitzeros, 9st. 7lbs.	Capt. Cassim	0

BETTING : 5 to 2 each agst. Daroji and Moroney, 2 to 1 Gnullo, 4 to 1 Fitzeros.

Won by three lengths ; same distance separating second and third. Time—2mins. 28secs.

THE NEW ARAB MAIDEN PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab Ponies 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1903. 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties.—Winners of a race value Rs. 150 or over : once, 4lbs. ; twice, 7lbs ; oftener 14lbs 6 furlongs.

Mr. S. A. Wahed's ch a h Dilerjung, 8st. 6lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff, 8st. 3lbs.	A. Hoyt	2
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Calcutta, 7st. 5lbs.	Melsom	3
Mr. A. W. P.'s g a h Krupp, 9st. 11lb. ...	Murphy	0
Mr. Faraj bin Sanad's b a h Young Mosumma, 8st. 5lbs.	Noormahomed	0
Col Kazim Beg's b a g Kazim Pasha, 8st. 5lbs.	Bond	0
Aga S. Shah's b a h Bruiser, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Kamad	0
Mr. Nasar Abdulla's b a h Shirazi, 6st. 6lbs.	Nama	0

BETTING : Evens on Dilerjung, 3 to 1 Calcutta, 6 to 1 Zurriff 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a head ; one length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 26secs.

THE ALL HORSE HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Horses 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Moran and McNab's b aus m Epitome, 7st. 10lbs.	Elliott	1
Mr. Roy's b aus g Fotheringay, 7st. 9lbs.	Kamad	2
Messrs. G. K. and D. D's b aus g Roscommon, 7st 6lbs	Melsom	3
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus h Vigorous, 10st.	Morrison	0
Messrs. Galstaun and Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian, 9st. 11lbs.	Mumford	0
Mr. Finch's b e m Court Belle, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Bond	0
Mr. J. Gove's b aus g Kingston, 9st 2lbs ...	Egan	0

Mr. Galstaun s b aus g Springlock, 9st. 11lb... ... ... Robinson 0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A Nanjee's ch aus h Progredior, 9st ... ... Foster 0
Mr. Kelso's ch e g Child's Guide 8st 12lbs Heroo 0
Mr. T. R. Badger's br e g Thomond 8st 9lbs ... ... Dhondi 0
Mr. A. W. P's b aus g Fire Up 7st 8ibs ... Murphy 0
Mr. Peel's b aus g Planet 7st 7lbs ... Wahan 0
Mr. Laksmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum 7st 5lbs ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. Curmer's b aus g Rossi, 6st 8lbs ... Native 0

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Epitome, 4 to 1 Fire Up, 6 to 1 each Springlock and Progredior, 7 to 1 Roscommon, 8 to 1 each Child's Guide and Fotheringay, 10 to 1 each Thomond, Vigorous and Gum, 12 to 1 Kingston, 20 to 1 the others,

Won by two lengths ; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 3secs.

THE SECOND NEW ARAB MAIDEN PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab Ponies 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1903. 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties : Winner of a race value Rs. 150 or over : once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener 14lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Yusuff Yunasee's b a h Yerbo, 7st. 4lbs. Melsom 1
Mr. A. W. P.'s g a h Random, 8st. 3lbs. ... Murphy 2
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h False Start, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 3
Mr. John's ch a h Medina, 8st. 9lbs. ... Elliott 0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's g a h Eed, 8st. 8lbs. ... Foster 0
Mr. Jaroola bin Talib's g a h Kismut, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Nama 0
Mr. Najee bin Syed Rasheed's ch a h Salama, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Heroo 0
Mr. A. Razack's g a h Cardigan, 8st. 2lbs. Robinson 0
Mr. Abdool Gany's b a h Jan Alam, 7st. 7lbs. ... ...Noormahomed 0
Mr. Nasar Abdulla's g a h Cleverman, 7st. 7lbs. ... ... Kanai 0

BETTING. Evens on Random, 3 to 1 Yerbo, 5 to 1 Eed, 6 to 1 Cardigan, 10 to 1 False Start, 20 to 1 the others.

Won by three quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time.—1 min. 28 secs.

THE NEW LAWN HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arabs which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1902. 1 mile.

Col. Kavanagh s g a h Money Spinner, 8st 11lb ... ... Heroo 1
Capt. Bayford's g a h Avatar, 8st. 8lbs. ... Robinson } dead
Prince Fateh Singh's b a h Duldul, 6st. 10lbs. ... ... Wahan } heat
Messrs G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... A Hoyt 0
Mr. F. M. Garda's br a h Kour Saheb, 8st. Elliott 0
Mr. A. M. Amer's b a h Young Hudban, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Native 0

BETTING : 3 to 2 agst. Avatar, 2 to 1 each Moorced and Money Spinner, 10 to 1 Kour Saheb, 12 to 1 the others.

Won by two and a half lengths. Dead heat for second place. Time—1min. 22secs.

THE SERVICE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Welter Handicap for Horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. T. L. Roberts' br aus g Dumbbell, 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Deane 1
Mr. W. Bass' br aus g Stoddart, 11st. 5lbs. Mr. Bryan 2
Major Bertie Moore's br e g Half-a-Crown, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Maj. G. Clay's b aus g Miracle, 11st. 4lbs. Capt Casson 0
Mr. Punnett's br aus m Nancy Till, 11st. 11lb. Owner 0
Major Edwards' ch aus m Runaway Girl, 10st. 11lb. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. Marshall Reid's ch aus g Sweet William, 9st. 10lbs. ... Capt. Wove 0

BETTING : 3 to 2 agst. Dumbbell, 3 to 1 Stoddart, 6 to 1 each Nancy Till, Half-a-Crown and Sweet William, 12 to 1 the others

Won by two and a half lengths ; two lengths between second and. third Time—1 min. 22secs.

SECUNDERABAD FUTTEH MAIDAN GYMKHANA.

Friday, 26th August 1904.

AN open catch weight meeting was held at the Futteh Maidan Gymkhana which was, as everything always is at the Futteh Maidan, a great success thanks to the ever energetic Secretary Captain Bonifacio. The weather was fine and the fields were fairly good. Mr R. C. L. Cary acted as Starter and Mr. Hugh Gough, always prominent at Hyderabad meetings, was Judge: Details :—

THE NOVICES' SCURRY.—Rs. 25. For Arabs which have never started in a race of any description. C.W. 2½ furlongs.

Capt. Bahman Jung's g a h Neelum ... Amir Khan 1
Mr. Shah Mirza Beg's ch a h Goolkund ... Jan Mahomed 2
Mr. Nader Ali's b a h Moquim ... Shark Mahbub 3

Also ran : Mr. St. Pollett's b a h Black Prince ; Mr Mirza Mahoomed Beg's b a p Mahmood, Mirza ; Nawab Musheer Jung's g a p Ushruff, Bahu Sing ; Nawab Hussun Dost Khan's g a h Turab, Mr. Mooshtak Hussain ; Nawab Furkhunda Hussain Khan's g a h Moosahib, Saye.

All ran as placed throughout, the winner easing up near the post. Time—37½secs.

THE ALL COMERS' PURSE.—Rs. 30. For all ponies 14-2 and under, that have not won a race of the value of Rs. 5. Weight C. W. over 10st. 7lbs. 4½ furlongs.

Sergt-Major Stewart's g a g Wait a Wee ... Saye 1
Major R. H. Hayes' ch aus m Topsail ... Capt. Roome 2
Abdul Karim's ch cb m Moxie (late Jumeela) ... ... Sufdar Khan 3

Also ran : Mr. A. T. Walker's g aus g Richard, owner ; Mr. Kadur Beg's b aus g Bravo. owner.

Won easily. Time—1min. 7½secs.

THE MONSOON STAKES.—Rs. 40. For horses that have not won a race the value of Rs. 5. Weight C. W. Over 11st. 5 furlongs.

Mr. St. J. Pollett's b aus m Lady Colightly ... ... Saye 1
Mr. R. Blake's b w m Bonny Kate 2
Capt. Oosman-ud-Dowlah's b w g Count... Owner 3

Won easily by two lengths ; a bad third. Time—1min. 14½secs.

THE TRY AGAIN PLATE.—Rs. 30. For Arabs, which have started, and have not won a race of the value of Rs. 5. Weight C. W. over 10st. 2lbs. 3½furlongs.

Mr. Rajah Khan's g a p Sultan III ... Mr. Griffiths 1
Mr. A. Bellingham's b a p Michael ... Owner 2
Mr. Shah Mirza Beg's g a h True Blood ... Sufdar Khan 3

Also ran : Mr. Webster's b a g Toreador, Saye ; Sergeant Major Stewart's g a g Wait a Wee ; Mr. Shaik Anwar's g a h Anwar, owner ; Mr. Roscoe Allen's b a h Saracen II., Bahu Sing ; Nawab Musheer Jung's g a h Ushruff.

Won easily by a length ; a length between second and third. Time—46½secs.

THE WIND UP FLUTTER.—Rs. 20. For Polo Ponies with I. P. A. certificates, that have never won a race of the value of Rs. 5. C. W. 2 furlongs.

Major R. H. Hayes' ch aus m Topsail ... Capt. Roome 1
Mr. St. J. Pollett's g a h Upstart ... Saye 2
Capt. Oosman-ud-Dowlah's b a p Hayter ... Owner 3

BANGALORE RACES, THIRD EXTRA DAY.

Saturday, 27th August 1904.

ALTHOUGH at first it seemed as though the Bangalore third extra meeting would be something of a fizzle, substitution races were successful in producing a fair afternoon's sport. Except in the second race actual favourites did not win, and the noticeable points of the racing were not numerous. Musketeer won his third successive race at these meetings and fully endorsed the remarks which have already been made in these notes concerning him, for although run to a length by Massachussetts he was only in receipt of a pound instead of 10lbs. as was the case last Saturday, had a furlong further to travel, and was made so much use of that he led throughout the nine furlongs, and came into the straight nearly six lengths ahead. He is real good second class. The finish between Dandenong, Swiveller and Rose II was a fine one. Results of the racing :—

THE LAL BAGH PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs 25. For horses that have started and not won at the first and second extra meetings. Weights—Handicap ½ mile.

Major A. C. Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Lansdowne 1
H. H. the Sultan of Johore's b aus g Carolan, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Koops 2
The Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Spec, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Penton 3
Major F. C. Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Capt. Randall 0

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Carolan, 2 to 1 Spec, 4 to 1 Scissorman, and 5 to 1 Kingfisher.

Scissorman led throughout and won easily by two and-a half lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—52⅘secs.

THE KOLAR PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For ponies 3 furlongs.

Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Capt. Randall 1
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' br aus g Swiveller, 12st. 11b. ... ... Lansdowne 2
Capt. E. J. R. Peel's b aus m Rose II, 10st. 10½lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Major N. M. Smyth's b e m Laurier Rose, 11st. 11b. ... ... Col. Armstrong 0
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Major Dougall 0

BETTING : Evens Dandenong, 2 to 1 agst. Rose II, 3 to 1 each Laurier Rose and Tight Rope, and 4 to 1 Swiveler.

Tight Rope got the worst of a fair start, the remainder of the field racing together almost throughout. A short head only divided Dandenong from Swiveller, with Rose II the same distance behind the latter. Time—40½secs.

A MATCH.—Rs. 50. ¾ miles S. C.

Major Logan Heme's ch aus m Mary Jane, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Randall 1
Mr. S. W. Webster's br aus m Flight, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 2

BETTING : Evens.

Mary Jane led by four lengths until the six furlong post, where Flight joined issue and they were neck and neck at the last jump. The chestnut, however, seemed to have most left in her and going away won easily by two lengths. No time taken.

THE ULSUR PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For horses. Weights—Handicap. 9 furlongs.

Mr. D. Devaraj Urs' br aus g Musketeer, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Lansdowne 1
H. H. The Sultan of Johore's b aus g Massachusetts, 9st. 13lbs.... ... Koops 2
The Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b e g Simon, 9st. 7lbs .. ... Penton 3
Lieut.-Col. Armstrong's b aus g Knight Templar, 8st. 8½lbs. ... ... Owner 0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Massachusetts, evens Musketeer, and 4 to 1 each Simon and Knight Templar.

Musketeer was at once away, and streaked along as though he had only half a mile to travel. He looked like spread-eagling his field and coming in alone, but tired slightly coming up the hill which enable Massachusetts to make up a lot of ground. Nevertheless Musketeer won by a length with perhaps a bit in hand; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 5⅖secs.

THE PONY SCURRY.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. 3½ furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Lansdown 1
Mr. S. W. Webster's b aus h Derision, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Major Smyth 2
Mr. Jacob Sait's g a h Jacob, 7st. 11lbs. ... Meah Jan 3
Capt. E. J. R. Peel's b a h Charlie II, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Randall 0
Mr. Aga Mahomed Jaffer's b a h Far East, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Sheriff 0

BETTING : Evens Charlie II, 2 to 1 each agst. Derision and Delight, and 8 to 1 each Far East and Jacob.

Practically a match between Delight and Derision the pair racing together in front the whole way. Delight won by the half length lead he had obtained at the start. Jacob was one and-a-half lengths behind Derision. Time—51⅖secs.

THE CHARGER RACE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For *bonâ fide* chargers. Weights—Catch weights over 12st. 2 miles.

Mr. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Grand Duke, 11st. ... ...Major Dougall 1
Capt. W. E. Watson's br aus g Ramilles, 11st. ... ... Mr. Knight 2
Mr. L. H. Queripel's b aus g Quicksilver, 11st. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. Compton's br aus g Tours, 11st. ... Mr. Webster 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Grand Duke, 2 to 1 each agst. Tours and Ramilles, and 4 to 1 Quicksilver.

Quicksilver made running with the favourite second till three-quarters of a mile from home, when the latter went by and won easily by four lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Time—4mins. 9⅕secs.

MEERUT SIXTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

STEWARDS :

COL. P. K. L. BEAVER.
COL. G. COCKBURN, D.S.O.
MAJOR S. D. BROWNE, R.A.
MAJOR W. BLACKENEY.
MAJOR C. L. HAMILTON.
MAJOR L. E. KENNARD.
CAPT. J. R. GAUSSEN, D.S.O.
CAPT. A. COURAGE, 15th "The King's" Hussars.

Saturday, August 27th, 1904.

TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 32, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-I and under. 3 furlongs.

N. Shah Mohamed Khan's gr cb m Silver Princess, 9st. 5lbs. (car. 9st. 8lbs.) ... Kanhai 1
L. Mehra's rn ch m Elmas, 9st. 12lbs. (car. 10st. 11b.) ... ... Jokhoo 2
Major Blackeney's ch cb g Gulab, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 10lbs), ... Baichan 3
N. Baker Ali Shah's gr a g Magnus, 10st. 3lbs. (car. 10st. 4lbs.) ... ... Pte. Bott 0
Sub-Condr, Stephen's b a h Bobs II, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Native (bolted)

Won by one and-a-half lengths ; a head between second and third. Time—43secs.

N.-C. OFFICERS' STAKES.—Rs. 32, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all ponies, the property of N.-C. Officers and men of His Majesty's army. Winners Rs. 20, second Rs. 10 if six start. 4 furlongs.

Pt. Pope's b a g Hercules, 12st. 7lbs. ... Pte. Bott 1
Sergt. Haupper's b a g Dame, 11st. 11lbs... Corpl. Banks 2
Sergt. Harepper's ch a g Shotrie, 9st. ... Corpl. Moris 3
Mr. Grey's g cb g The Butter, 10st. ...S. C. Stephens 0

Won by half a length ; bad third. Time—61secs.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 32, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all *bonâfide* Polo ponies, the property of Officers in His Majesty's army or Civil Service furlongs.

Mr. R. V. Pollok's b aus g Cavalier, 9st. 4lbs. (car. 9st. 7lbs.) ... ... Baichan 1
Mr. H. K. Sadler's br aus m Blackberry, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. C. J. Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 10st. 4lbs. Mr. Wells 3

Won by three lengths ; same distance between second and third. Time—35secs.

NOVICE RACE.—Rs. 32, and Rs. 10 to second. For all ponies and under that have never won a race of any description Gym-14-1 khana or otherwise. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11-0 W. I. ; others 14-1 to carry 12 7 W. I. 3 furlongs.

Major Luther's br a g Wee Macgregor, 8st 12lbs' (car. 9st. 11b.) ... Baichan 1
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb h Remount, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Capt. Fail 2
Sub-Condr. Stephen's b a h Bobs II, 11st. ... ... Corpl. Banks 3
Mr. J. D. Posten's g a g Greenhorn, 10st. 11lbs. (car. 11st. 3lbs.) ... Owner 0
Mr. R. P. Well's ch a g Blue Ruin, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Owner 0
M. Fazel Ahmed's gr cb m Khurshed, 9st 10lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.) ... Jokhoo 0

Won by half a lengths ; same distance between second and third.

CLUB STAKES.—Rs. 32, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs

N. Shah Mohamed Khan's gr cb m Silver Princess, 9st. 5lbs. (car. 9st. 7lbs.) ... Corpl. Banks 1
N. Baker Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Pte. Bott 2
Pte. Pope's b a g Hercules, 10st. ... Owner 3
M. Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labrynth, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 9st.) ... ... Kanhai 0

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

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

LAST Wednesday being a sort of off morning, I turned my attention to a look over the amateur camp.

Mr. Cowper on Hailstorm did the jump course, Mr. Evers on Whisper accompanying him, and later Mr. Pugh on March, Shelldrake on Cheer Up, Orphan Boy (Toe), Flamingo (Mr. Evers) and Actress went round the course, taking all the jumps well if I except Cheer Up who came down at the last obstacle.

I also noticed Hard on Mr. Mackellar's Yule Tide, and a native on Good Chap, doing once round, lepping clean.

Thursday was clear enough, with a blue sky overhead, but the going was very soft, and consequently the course was not open. Mr. Bert Allen and Griffin had their lot on the move early, and Howie gave a good full course to Young Rake, who jumped well and showed good pace too. This stable deserves a smile from that fickle jade Miss Fortune, as they have come a long way aracing and most probably the ponies will be fitter by the next time they face the starting machine or the flag. Coal Queen, who is as pretty as a picture, looks fitter each time I see her, and when at the top of her form, will be giving her connection a turn. Then there is Pat C., who had just put in a fast bit across the open with Regan in the saddle, and Natalina who I hope will touch her true form before our little meetings close. I noticed Pylara with this string, Mr. Harold Smith evidently having changed the horse's quarters.

Stepma (native) spurted a bit, followed by Tadmore (Toe) and Trollop (native) who went fast ; the latter labouring hard to keep up.

Toe later had Clynder out for a smart canter, whilst Hard put Fusilier through his morning's work.

O'Neill came round on Footlight keeping more to the road footpath than coming out on the course. It will repay punters to keep their eyes on this nag.

Bell Brand (Howie) and the pony Norman, ridden by Hard, essayed a couple of flights of the horse hurdles. The first flight they cleared like a bird, but Bell Brand rapped the second hard enough to bring it down Howie's charge, who jumped very big in the first instance, appeared to take off too far, and so floored the second hurdle.

Saturday being fine, the track was opened with the result that a good hour's work was put in ; but the usual gathering of the sporting fraternity hied them to the new stand where pony measurement was on, and it was also on the *tapis* that the pony Moonlight was to be in evidence, to go under the standard, and a professional opinion was to be taken as to nationality, a well known shipper having expressed himself pretty clearly on the subject.

Most of Mr. Bert Allen's ponies were at fast work, Regan and Howie doing all the riding. Coal Queen moved in her usual taking style across the open, followed by Pat C., Stellanarain, Geebung, and later Mr. Galstaun on Not Yet, went a smart, 5 furlongs, with Howie on Natalina, on the course proper making way for Blue Bell (Mr. Harold Smith) and Daffodil with Shelldrake in the saddle, the former coming away from the culvert, and picking up the latter put four flights of the horse hurdles behind them in a business-like manner, the grey to the fore, until pulling up near the new stand.

Mr. Deakin came along on Golden Tip from the 5-furlong post, followed by another from Wishart's. Mr. Dutton's pony just now is in real big buckle, and I look for his going one better than the last effort when next under sailing orders.

Bloss put in a good 6-furlong on the Arab steed Pekin with no dallying by the way.

That attractive mare, Footlight, was exercised by O'Neill, and is looked upon as a most likely packet for investment when she strips for the fray.

Daphne (Shelldrake) and Mr. Harold Smith on Shylock, put in a good bit on the pony hurdles course in a workman-like manner. These two knights of the pigskin, afford a good object lesson in hurdle jumping, being past masters in the art.

Mr. Cowper's First Guide (native) in company with another were at it up the straight from away past the bend.

Toe worried that hair trunk, Maccedon, right round the course. Mr. Pugh on March went a good gallop in company with Mr. Kenneth Hamilton's Pierette, a native up, and as we have had a taste of the latter's quality, no reminding is required when putting down the pieces the next time of asking.

Pubna, after being put through his facings at the gate, came away from the 6 furlongs with Regan as pilot. Up to the present I have recognized nothing particular about this horse's pace, and when he has run, he has finished by himself—down the course.

Flamingo (Mr. Evers) and Actress (native) went a good jumping course, Mr. Pugh's grey operating in her well-known style.

Mr. Wilmot was out on Odin, and a well-known rider remarked as they went past "this horse will be worth at least a shop investment when next out with the colours up."

Walker had out Reveille, galloping down the straight, right from the opening by Mr. Dudley's pitch Beazley had out the disappointing Parole, and later Cerise. When are these nags going to show us their form, or have they none to show?

Tuesday was quite one of the best mornings we have had on the course this season.

Mr. Bert Allen's Young Rake and Coal Queen put in a useful course, which was followed by Daphne (Native), Perfect (Mr. Deakin), and Shylock (Shelldrake). They came along a brisk rattle from the five furlongs, the deal being Mr. Deakin's way.

Toe on Flash, and a native jockey on Fusilier, came the pace five furlongs, honours resting with the first-named.

A very smart six furlongs was then put in by Mr. Holmes on Gauntlet, Bloss on Profit, and O'Neill on another. They went a spanking course, and so full of running was Profit that Bloss did not get him eased up till well on a fresh journey. What's going to stop this horse showing a clean pair of heels to his field, in his next contract I don't know, unless it's Bell Brand.

Mr. Galstaun on Not Yet, took on Norman and Mademoiselle, ridden by natives, for five furlongs and had none too much the best of the argument, if indeed any.

Sweet Talk, Golden Tip, Whiff, had their own little scurry, all to themselves, finishing up by Kugelman's tree. Sweet Talk has not come under observation our way this season, but last year's running is not altogether forgotten.

Mr. Evers is giving considerable attention at present to Actress, and put in a very taking school, in company with Flamingo are part of Saturday's work, going the full course and finishing strong.

Stepma from Mr. Dudley's string, came the pace up the straight followed by old Trollop—a light of other days.

Kittylea (Native) and Shelldrake on Daffodil, in the early morning, put up a quick six furlongs. Old Kitty going like the good old thing she is.

Mr. Holmes on Irish—well met—took all the change out of Pekin (Bloss) and Winklet (O'Neill) as coming away from the six furlongs, he had the airing to himself, the Arab being quite down the course as the leaders were easing off, nor was Winklet very much in evidence either.

Walker on Second Thought, did a dash past with Reinzette (native), both finishing together, and Mr. Rees on Oom Paul, had the measure of the grey Quicksilver with a native boy up. Our old friend, the defunct ex-President, seems to be getting into his stride, and don't forget he took Springlock's number down last year at a remunerative price. Bell Brand (Howie), Hello and Thundercloud (natives) put up the gallop of the morning, the former putting the five furlongs behind him in 1min. 8secs., in no uncertain manner, cutting his companions at will.

Regan did all he could with that slow coach Pubna, and Tadmore moved by.

Another fearful wallopping exhibition was put in by the native jockey on Florence, who came away from the five furlongs, and as far as I could see, the horse was under the whip all the way up the straight, finishing for all he was worth. It is a pity this boy isn't introduced a bit to the whip he so lavishly applies.

I noticed Mr. Mathieson observing Parole moving along in improving style under the guidance of Beazley with McCallum on Bob in attandance.

Yule Tide (Mr. Cowper), First Guide (native), followed by Mr. Evers on Good Chap, came along a fast sprint, and Mr. Holmes on Jacinth with two others, also footed it to quick time.

Beau Brummel (Bloss) did a roaring bit of jumping, and the old thief looked none too well. The jumping was right enough, but the bellows to mend tune could have been heard in the shop over the way.

Miss Beryl was exercised by O'Neill and Moss Rose by a native, with Cerese (Beazley) coming home fairly fast.

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Entries for Races.

LUCKNOW AUTUMN MEETING, 1904.

First Entries closed 15th August.

First Day, Tuesday, the 29th November.

THE PONY HURDLES.—1½ miles over 6 flights.

1.	Mr. F. E. Guest's ...	bk aus m...	Topsy, 11-1
2.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch cb h ...	Tom, 14-0
3.	H. H. Koer Shaheb of Patiala's	b aus g	Campbell, 14-0½
4.	Mr. J. J. Pawson's ...	bk aus m...	Busy Bee, 13-2½
5.	Mr. R. H. Bond's ...	b aus m ...	Burlesque, 14-0½
6.	Mr. Carton de Wiart's ...	ch aus m ...	Double Keys, 13-3½
7.	Colonel Beaver's ...	b aus m ...	Perquisite, 14-1
8.	Nawab Jafar Ali Khan's...	ch cb g ...	Mirage, 14-1½
9.	Mr. J. D. Scott's ...	b aus g ...	Bones, 14-0½
10.	Mr. J. D. Scott's ...	ch aus m ...	Yardley, 14-0½

THE TRIAL PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1.	Mr. Wood's ...	b aus g ...	Rusty
2.	Mr. P. B. Avasia and Mr. C. Bleach's ...	b e g ...	Apology, 3 years
3.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	b aus g ...	Glen Albyn
4.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	b aus g ...	Vienard
5.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	br aus g ...	Galion
6.	Major Maxwell's	b e g ...	Maddington
7.	Captain Winter's	b aus g ...	Russley King
8.	Mr. Carton de Wiart's	br aus g ...	Gong (late Cowboy)
9.	Mr. J. Gregory's	b e g ...	Hermit II, 3 years
10.	Mr. J. Gregory's	ch e g ...	Legacy, 3 years
11.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g ...	Flotsam, 5 years
12.	Colonel Beaver's	b aus g ...	Flashpan, 5 years
13.	Colonel Beaver's	ch e m ...	Hyacinth, 4 years
14.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g ...	Wandering Willie
15.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e m ...	Honest Lady
16.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e g ...	Young Sirdar
17.	Mr. Locke's ...	br e m ...	Miss Villiers, 4 years

THE DESERT PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1.	Lieut.-Col. Brazier Creagh's ...	ch a h ...	Young Prince, 13-2½
2.	Mr. Wood's ...	br a g ...	Lyddite II, 13-3
3	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	ch a h ...	Shahjehan, 13-2
4.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	g a h ...	Pencil, 13-3½
5.	Mr. R. H. Bond's	b a g ...	Chancellor, 13-3½
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch a h ...	Omar, 13-3½
7.	Captain Durrant's	b a g ...	Squint, 13-2
8.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a h ...	Tomy Titus, 13-2
9.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h ...	Tarang, 13-2½
10.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	wh a g ...	White Heather, 13-3½
11.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h ...	Khan Bahadur, 13-2½
12.	Mr. Locke's	g a h ...	Euphrates, 13-2½

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—

1.	Mr. S. J. S.'s	ch aus m ...	Blackspot, 14-0½
2.	Mr. M. Haggard's	b aus g ...	Idolator, 14-1
3.	Mr. W. Bass's	br e m ...	Filbert, 14-1
4.	Mr. W. Bass'	b cb g ...	Tam Ring, 14-0½
5.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h ...	Redshot, 14-0
6.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	b aus g ...	Capbell, 14-0½
7.	Major Maxwell's	cr cb m ...	Messenger, 14-1
8.	Major Maxwell's	ch cb m ...	Memory, 13-3½
9.	Mr. Steele's	b cb m ...	Hottentot Lass
10.	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e m ...	Tight Lace, 14-0½
11.	Mr. Cardon de Wiart's	br aus m...	Bell Manton, 14-0½
12.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus m ...	Witchery, 14-1
13.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch aus m ...	Elsie, 13-3½
14.	Colonel Beaver's	br aus m ...	Millicent, 14-0½
15.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g ...	Flaps, 14-1
16.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	dk br e m...	Lady Lovely, 14-1
17.	Mr. J. D. Scotto's	b aus g ...	Wal, 14-0
18.	Mr. Locke's	br ch ...	Golcondah, 13-3½

THE CLUB PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1.	Mr. S. Brandreth's	b cb h ...	The Butler, 13-2½
2.	Mr. Wood's	b aus m ...	Barcarolle, 13-3½
3.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus m...	Parlour Maid, 13-3½
4.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	b aus g ...	Cadet, 13-3½
5.	Major Maxwell's	g c b m ...	Mabel Grey, 14-0
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	br aus m ...	Fairydale, 13-1½
7.	Colonel Beaver's	ch aus m ...	Little Ella, 13-2½
8.	Captain J. T. Coley's	br e m ...	Sago, 13-3
9.	Mr. F. E. Guest's	bk e m ...	La Belle, 13-3½

THE NOVICE PLATE.—½ mile.

1.	Major Stisted's	g a h ...	Sorcerer, 13-2½
2.	Mr. S. J. S.'s	b a h ...	Jimmy, 14-0½
3	Mr. Wood's	br a g ...	Lyddite II, 13-3
4.	Mr. W. Bass's	b a g ...	Caledonia ...
5.	Major Whitla and Major Murray's	b a h ...	Midshipmite, 14 0
6.	Major R. St. C. Lecky's	g a g ...	Pegasus, 14-0½
7.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	fl g a h ...	Anderson, 13-3
8.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	g a h ...	Mathura, 13-3
9.	Colonel Beaver's	b a h ...	Corsair, 14-0
10.	Colonel Beaver's	b a h ...	Wiseman, 14-0
11.	Colonel Beaver's	g a h ...	Gamecock, 14-0
12.	Colonel Beaver's	b a h ...	Ballot, 13-2
13.	Colonel Beaver's	b a h ...	Sepinter, 13-1½
14.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a h ...	Tomy Titus, 13-2
15	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h ...	Tarang, 13-2½
16.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h ...	Khan Bahadur, 13-2½
17.	Captain H. Guest's	g a g ...	Bolaram

THE CANTONMENT PLATE.—1,000 yards.

1.	Mr. W. Bass's	b e m ...	S. P., 14-1
2.	Mr. W. Bass's	b aus m ...	Stockbell, 14-1
3.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	br c b m ...	Luckpenny, 14-1½
4.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus h ...	Redshot, 14-0
5.	Major Maxwell's	b cb g ...	Richmond, 14-2
6.	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e m ...	Tight Lace, 14-0½
7.	Mr. Carton de Wiart's	br aus m ...	Bell Manton, 14-0½
8.	Thakur Buldeo Sahai's	ch cb g ...	Easterday, 14-2
9.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus m ...	Witchery, 14-1
10.	Colonel Beaver's	br aus m ...	Millicent, 14-0½
11.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g ...	Flaps, 14-1
12.	Mr. F. E. Guest's	b aus g ...	Don John, 13-3½

THE OUDH STEEPLECHASE.—About 2½ miles.

1.	Lieut.-Col. Brazier Creagh's	b irish m ...	Lady Margorie
2.	Mr. Carton de Wiart's	br aus g ...	Gong
3.	Major G. F. Steele's	br nth am m	Ritual
4.	Mr. Dawn's ...	b cb h ...	Louis
5.	Captain Holden's	b aus g ...	Eric
6.	Mr. A. B. Reynold's	b aus g ...	Forest King
7.	Mr. Locke's ...	ch aus g ...	Baron II
8.	Mr. F. E. Guest's	b aus g ...	Amendment.

Second Day, Thursday, the 1st December.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—1,000 yards.

1.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch a h ...	Shahjehan, 13-2
2.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	b a g ...	Orvieto, 13-3½
3.	H.H. KoerSaheb of atiala's	g a h ...	Pencil, 13-3½
4.	Mr. R. H. Bond's	b a g ...	Chancellor, 13-3½
5.	Thakur Buldeo Sahai's	b a h ...	Hazard, 14-0
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch a h ...	Omar, 13-3½
7.	Colonel Beaver's	g a h ...	Mabrook, 13-2½
8.	Colonel Beaver's	ch a h ...	Zooraf, 13-3½
9.	Captain Durrant's	b a g ...	Squint, 13-2
10.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	wh a g ...	White Heather, 13-½
11.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g ...	Tommy Titus, 13-2
12.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h ...	Tarang, 13-2½
13.	Mr. Locke's ...	g a h ...	Euphrates, 13-2½

THE GOOMTEE PLATE.—¼ mile.

1.	Mr. Wood's ...	b aus m ...	Barcarolle, 13-3½
2.	H.H. KoerSaheb of Patiala's	br cb g ...	Fortune, 13-3½
3.	H.H. KoerSaheb of Patiala's	ch aus m ...	ParlourMaid, 13-3½
4.	Major Maxwell's	cr cb m ...	Messenger, 14-1
5.	Major Maxwell's	ch cb m ...	Memory, 13-3½
6.	Mr. C. B. Steele's	b cb m ...	Hottentot Lass,
7.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	bk cb m ...	Shyam Kali, 14-1
8.	Colonel Beaver's	ch aus m ...	Little Ella, 13-2½
9.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b cb h ...	Roseland, 14-0½

THE DECEMBER PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1.	Mr. Wood's ...	b aus g ...	Rusty
2.	Mr. P. B. Avasia and Mr. C. Bleach's ...	br e g ...	Testwood, 4 years
3.	Mr. P. B. Avasia and Mr. C. Bleach's ...	b e g ...	Apology, 3 years
4.	H.H. KoerSaheb of Patiala's	ch aus m ...	Loch Clievedeu
5.	H.H. KoerSaheb of Patiala's	ch aus h ...	Vigorous
6.	H.H. KoerSaheb of Patiala's	b aus g ...	Glen Albyn
7.	Mr Carton de Wiart's	br aus g ...	Gong
8.	Major G. F. Steele's	br nth am m	Ritual
9.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g ...	Flotsam
10.	Mr. T. R. Badger's	br e g ...	Thomond
11.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e g ...	Magician
12.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch e m ...	Amplify
13.	Mr. Locke's ...	br e m ...	Miss Villiers
14.	Mr. Locke's ...	b e m ...	Wood Sorrell, 4 years

THE CHUTTER MUSZIL PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1.	Mr. Wood's ...	b aus m ...	Barcarolle, 13-3½
2.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus m ...	Parlour Maid, 13-3½
3.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch cb h ...	Tom, 14 0
4.	Major Maxwell's	g cb m ...	Mabel Grey, 14-0
5.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	br aus m ...	Fairydale, 13-1½
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g ...	Idlebell, 13-3½
7.	Colonel Beaver's	br aus m ...	Bess, 13-3
8.	Colonel Beaver's	ch aus m ...	Apricot, 13-3½
9.	Captain J. T. Coley's	br e m ...	Sago, 13-3
10.	Mr. T. R. Badger's	ch cb m ...	Lotus, 14-1
11.	Colonel the Hon'ble E. Baring's ...	gr e m ...	Slipknot, 13-3
12.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus m ...	Isola, 13-3

THE HANDICAP PONY CHASE.—R. C. about 2 miles.

1.	Mr. F. E. Guest's	bk aus m ...	Topsy, 14-1
2.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	b aus g ...	Campbell 14-0½
3.	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	b aus m ...	Manette, 13-3½
4.	Mr. Carton de Wiart's	ch aus m ...	Double Keys, 13-3½
5.	Nawab Jafar Ali Khan's	ch cb g ...	Mirage, 14-1½
6.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g ...	Bones, 14-0½

THE GIANT PONY HANDICAP.—5 furlongs.

1.	Mr. M. Haggard's	b aus g ...	Idolator, 14-1
2.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	br cb m ...	Luckpenny, 14-1½
3.	Major Maxwell's	b cb g ...	Richmond, 14-2
4.	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	ch e g ...	Idleness, 14-1½
5.	Thakur Buldeo Sahai's	b aus m ...	Ethel II, 14-0
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g ...	Idlebell, 13-3½
7.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus m ...	Witchery, 14-1
8.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch e h ...	Golightly, 14-1½
9.	Colonel Beaver's	ch e g ...	Jolly Roger, 14-2
10.	Colonel Beaver's	b e g ...	The Chump, 14-1½
11.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	br or bk aus m	Lady Avon, 14-1
12.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus h ...	Yankeeboy, 14 1
13.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus m ...	Lady Viola, 14-1½
14.	Mr. Locke's ...	b aus g ...	Gladstone, 14-1½

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—1½ miles.

1.	Mr. S. Brandreth's	b cb h ...	The Butler, 13-2½
2.	H.H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch cb h ...	Tom, 14-0
3.	Major Maxwell's	ch cb m ...	Moselle, 14-0½
4.	Mr. J. J. Pawson's	bk aus m ...	Busy Bee, 13-2½
5.	Colonel Beaver's	ch aus m ...	Apricot, 13-3½
6.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b cb h ...	Roseland, 14-0½
7.	Mr. F. E. Guest's	bk e m ...	La Belle, 13-3½

Third Day, Saturday, the 3rd December.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—1½ miles.

1.	Major Stisted's	b a h ...	Pounds, 13-1½
2.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	b a h ...	Brigand, 13-3
3.	Mr. H. Campbell's	b a h ...	Zarafshan, 13-3
4.	Major Whitla and Major Murray's ...	b a h ...	Midshipmite, 14-0
5.	Major G. F. Steele's	g a h ...	Flying Childers, 14-0
6.	Colonel Beaver's	ch a h ...	Zooraf, 13-3½
7.	Captain Sullivan's	b a h ...	Fakir II, 14 0½
8.	Mr. Symond's	b a m ...	Jaooza, 13-3½
9.	Captain J. T. Coley's	b a h ...	Visitor, 14-0½

THE ALUM BAGH PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1.	Mr. Wood's ...	br a g ...	Lyddite II, 13-3
2.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	g a h ...	Pencil, 13-3½
3.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	b a h ...	Brigand, 13-3
4.	Mr. R. H. Bond's	b a g ...	Chancellor, 13-3½
5.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch a h ...	Omar, 13-3½
6.	Colonel Beaver's	g a h ...	Mabrook, 13-2½
7.	Captain J. T. Coley's	b a h ...	Visitor, 14-0½
8.	Mr. T. R. Badger's	b a h ...	William Rufus, 13-2
9.	Mr. Barrett's	ch a g ...	Corncob, 13-3½
10.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a g ...	Tommy Titus, 13-2
11.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	wh a g ...	White Heather, 13-3½
12.	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a h ...	Tarang, 13-2½
13.	Mr. Locke's ...	g a h ...	Euphrates, 13-2½

THE CORINTHIAN PLATE.—½ mile.

1.	Mr. C. C. West's	ch a h ...	Najjafi, 13-3½
2.	Lieut-Col. Brazier Creagh's	ch a h ...	Young Prince, 13-2½
3.	Major Stisted's	g a h ...	Sorcerer, 13-2½
4.	Major Stisted's	ch a h ...	Modesty, 13-0½
5.	Mr. S. J. S.'s	b a h ...	Jimmy, 14-0½
6.	Mr. W. Bass's	b a g ...	Caledonia
7.	Captain Darby's	g a h ...	Hailstorm, 13-3½
8.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ...	b a g ...	Orvieto, 13-3½
9.	Major Whitla and Major Murray's ...	b a h ...	Midshipmite, 14-0
10.	Major R. St. C. Lecky's	g a g ...	Pegasus, 14-0½

11. Thakur Buldeo Saha's ... b a h ... Hazard, 14-0
12. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... fl g a h ... Anderson, 13-3
13. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... g a h ... Mathura, 13-3
14. Mr. F. E. Badger's ... ch a g ... William Rufus, 13-2
15. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ch a g ... Tommy Titus, 13-2
16. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b a h ... Tarang, 13-2½
17. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... wh a g ... White Heather, 13-3½
18. Mr. Barrett's ... ch a g ... Corncob, 13-3½

THE CHARBAGH PLATE.—1,000 yards.

1. Mr. S. Brandreth's ... b cb h ... The Butler, 13-2½
2. Mr. W. Bass's ... b cb g ... Tam King, 14-0½
3. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Parlour Maid, 13-3½
4. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... br cb g ... Fortune, 13-2½
5. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... b cb m ... Sweet Nellie, 14-0½
6. Major Maxwell's ... cr cb m ... Messenger, 14-1
7. Major Maxwell's ... ch cb m ... Memory, 13-3½
8. Mr. C. B. Steele's ... b cb m ... Hottentot Lass
9. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... br aus m ... Fairydale, 13-1½
10. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... ch aus g ... Whenau, 13-3
11. Colonel Beaver's ... ch aus g ... Little Ella, 13-2½
12. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1
13. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b cb h ... Roseland, 14-0½
14. Mr. Locke's ... br c h ... Golconda, 13-3½
15. Mr. F. E. Guest's ... b aus g ... Don John, 13-3½

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1. Mr. Wood's ... ... b aus g ... Rusty
2. Messrs. P. B. Avasia and C. Bleache's ... ... br c g ... Testwood, 4 years
3. Messrs. P. B. Avasia and C. Bleache's ... ... br c g ... Apology, 3 years
4. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Loch Cliveden
5. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Vigorous
6. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... br aus m ... Adelaide
7. Major Maxwell's ... b c g ... Maddington
8. Captain Winter's ... b aus g ... Russley King
9. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... br aus g ... Gong
10. Mr. J. Gregory's ... b c g ... Hermit II, 3 years
11. Mr. J. Gregory's ... ch c g ... Legacy, 3 years
12. Major G. F. Steele's ... br nth am m Ritual
13. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... b aus g ... Flotsam
14. Colonel Beaver's ... b aus g ... Diversion
15. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... br c g ... Thomond
16. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b c g ... Magician
17. M. J. D. Scott's ... ch c m ... Amplify
18. M. J. D. Scott's ... b aus g ... Forest
19. Mr. Locke's ... b c m ... Wood Sorrell

THE LUCKNOW PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1. Mr. M Haggard's ... b aus g ... Idolator, 14-1
2. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Redshot, 14-0
3. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... br cb m ... Luckpenny, 14-1½
4. Major Maxwell's ... b cb g ... Richmond, 14-2
5. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch c m ... Tight Lace, 14-0½
6. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... br aus m ... Bell Manton, 14-0½
7. Thakur Buldeo Sahai's ... b aus m ... Ethel II, 14-0
8. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... b aus m ... Witchery, 14-1
9. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... b aus g ... Idlebell, 13-3½
10. Colonel Beaver's ... br aus m ... Millicent, 14-0½
11. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b cb m ... Gentle Lady, 14-2
12. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... br or bk aus m ... Lady Avon, 14-1
13. Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ch aus h ... Yankeeboy, 14-1

THE LAWN PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1. Mr. S. Brandreth's ... b cb h ... The Butler, 13-2½
2. Mr. Wood's ... ... b aus m ... Barcarolle, 13-3½
3. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Parlour Maid, 13-3½
4. H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Cadet, 13-3½
5. Major Maxwell's ... g cb m ... Mabelgrey, 14-0
6. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... b aus g ... Idlebell, 13-3½
7. Thakur Sripal Singh's ... br aus m ... Fairydale, 13-1½
8. Colonel Beaver's ... br aus m ... Bess, 13-3
9. Captain J. T. Coley's ... br c m ... Sago, 13-3
10. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1
11. Mr. F. E. Guest's ... bk c m ... La Belle 13-3½

Second Entries will close on 1st October.

F. E. GUEST,
Hony., Secretary. Lucknow Races.

UMBALLA AUTUMN MEETING 1904

Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.

FIRST ENTRIES.

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER 1904.

PONY STEEPLECHASE.—Distance about 2 miles over Steeplechase Course.

1. Mr. Pawson's ... ... b aus m ... Manette, 13-3½
2. Mr. Pawson's ... ... ch cb g ... Kadir, 13-2
3. Mr. Badger's ... ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1
4. Mr. Hunt's ... ... b cb m ... Silver Belle
5. Mr. Guest's ... ... blk aus m ... Topsy, 14-1
6. Mr. Ollivant's... ... b aus m ... Swallow
7. Mr. Ollivant's... ... b aus m ... Eileen
8. Captain Palaeologus' ... b aus g ... Vanguard
9. Captain Laverton's ... b cb m ... Silly Loo, 14-1
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0
11. Nawab Jaffar Alli Khan's ch cb g ... Mirage, 14-2
12. Mr. White's ... ... b cb g ... Larry
13. Captain Coley's ... br c m ... Sago, 13-3

NOVICE PLATE.—Distance 4 furlongs.

1. Mr. Badger's ... ... b a h ... Sheik
2. Mr. Badger's ... ... gr a h ... Blue Moon
3. Mr. J. Atkinson's ... ch a g ... Cyllaros, 13-2½
4. Messrs Pawson & Badger's gr a g ... Harpagos
5. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... br a g ... Lyddite II, 13-2½
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... All Sir Garnet, 13-2½
7. Major Lecky's ... g a g ... Pegasus, 14-0½
8. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b a h ... Jimmy, 14-0½
9. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b a h ... Mirza, 13-3½
10. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14-0½

TRIAL PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr Pawson's ... ... ch e g ... Idleness
2. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus m ... Rusty
3. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b aus g ... Klondyke
4. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s ch aus h ... Idler
5. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s b aus g ... Vienard
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s br aus h ... Galion
7. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... br aus g ... Gong

MAIDEN PLATE.—Distance 1,000 yards.

1. Mr. Badger's ... ... ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2
2. Mr. Badger's ... ... b a h ... Sheik
3. Mr. Badger's... ... gr a h ... Blue Moon
4. Messrs. Pawson & Badger's gr a g ... Harpagos
5. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a h ... Oceanic
6. Mr. S. J. S's ... b a h ... Jimmy, 14-0½
7. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's gr a g ... Pencil, 13-3½
10. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14-0½
11. Mr. Hector Campbell's ... b a m ... Zarafshan, 13-3
12. Mr. Symond's ... b a m ... Jaooza, 13-3½
13. Captain Sullivan's ... b a h ... Fakir II, 14-0½
14. Captain Cautley's ... ch a g ... Chance, 13-2½

PADDOCK PLATE.—Distance 4 furlongs

1. Mr. Pawson's ... ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning
2. Mr R. B. Wood's ... b aus m ... Barcarolle, 13-3½
3. Mr S. Brandreth's ... ch cb h ... Bob Major, 13-2½
4. Mr. Pawson's ... ... b aus m ... Manette, 13 3½
5. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... br aus m ... Bell Metal, 13 3½
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b cb m ... Sweet Nellie, 14-0
7. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Parlour Maid, 13-3½
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br cb g ... Fortune, 13-2½
9. Captain Coley's ... br c m ... Sago, 13-3
10. Mr. Reynolds' ... ... b aus g ... Play Bell

C. B. PLATE.—Distance 1,000 yards.

1. Mr. Badger's ... ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1
2. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... ch cb m ... Minerva
3. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b cb m ... Lucky, 14-0
4. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b cb m ... Labby Annie, 13-2½
5. Mr. S. J. S's ... ... ch cb m ... Labby Gown, 14-0½
6. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b cb g ... Ring Faulka, 13-3½
7. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br cb g ... Jewel, 13-3½
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br cb g ... Fortune, 13-2½
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b cb m ... Sweet Nellie, 14-0
11. Captain Coley's ... b a g ... Sunday School, 14-0
12. Captain Coley's ... b a m ... Sapho
13. Mr. Hotz's ... b cb g ... Hector
14. Mr. J. Beedham's ... b cb m ... Ring Sydona, 14-0

UMBALLA CUP.—Distance about 2 miles over Steeplechase Course.

1. Mr. Pawson's ... ... blk aus g ... Rather Warm
2. Mr. Pawson's ... ... br aus g ... All Hot
3. Mr. Badger's ... ... blk aus g ... Black Sand
4. Mr. Badger's ... ... b aus g ... Praxitiles
5. Mr. Ormerod's ... ch aus g ... Cor d'Oro
6. Mr. Ormerod's ... b aus g ... The Moachim
7. Mr. Maydon's ... ... b aus g ... Innocence
8. Mr. Connop's ... ... b aus g ... Path Finder
9. Mr. Connop's ... ... ch aus g ... Athos
10. Mr. Ollivant's ... ... ch aus g ... Hathi
11. Captain P. J. Bailey's ... b aus g ... William
12. Mr. Reynard's ... b aus g ... Monte Cristo
13. Mr. Ollivant's ... b aus g ... Jim
14. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Type Writer
15. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... The Camel
16. Mr. Hunt's ... ... b aus g ... Traveller
17. Sir E. Lacon's ... b aus g ... Undecided
18. Major Lecky's ... b aus m ... Connie

Second Day, Tuesday, 8th November 1904.

PONY HURDLES.—Distance about 1¼ miles over 6 flights of Hurdles.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus m... Busy Bee, 12-2½
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14 1
4. Mr. Guest's ... ... blk aus m... Topsy, 14-1
5. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Swallow
6. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Eileen
7. Captain W. C. Palaeologus' b aus g ... Vanguard
8. Captain Laverton's ... b cb m ... Silly Loo, 14-1
9. Mr. Bond's ... ... b aus m ... Burlesque, 14-0½
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0
11. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½
12. Nawab Jaffar Ali Khan's ch cb g ... Mirage, 14-2
13. Mr. White's ... ... b cb g ... Larry
14. Captain Coley's ... br c m ... Sago, 13-3

ARABIAN PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2
2. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... b a h ... Sheik
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... gr a h ... Blue Moon
4. Messrs. Pawson & Badger's g a g ... Harpagos
5. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... br a g ... Lyddite II, 13-2½
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... All Sir Garnet, 13-2½
7. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... ch a h ... Volcano, 13 2
8. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b a h ... Jimmy, 14-0½
9. Mr. Pond's ... ... b a g ... Chancellor, 13-3½
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½
11. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch a g ... Shah Jehan, 13-2
12. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... .. gr a g ... Pencil, 13-3½
13. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14-0½
14. Mr. Hector Campbell's ... b a h ... Zarafshan, 13-3
15. Mr. Symond's ... b a h ... Jaooza, 13-3½
16. Mr. Durrant's ... b a g ... Squint, 13-2
17. Captain Sullivan's ... b a g ... Fakir II, 140 ½

HORSE PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. Pawson's ... ch e g ... Idleness
2. Mr. R. S. Wood's ... b aus g ... Rusty
3. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's b aus g ... Dioptrics
4. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's b aus g ... Vienard
5. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's br aus m ... Adelaide
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's ch aus h ... Idler
7. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... br aus g ... Gong

STEWARDS' PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus m ... Barcarolle 13-3½
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14 1
4. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b aus m ... Manette, 13-3½
5. Mr. S. J. S's ... b cb m ... Lucky, 14-0
6. Mr. S. J. S's ... ... br aus m ... Bell Metal, 13-3½
7. Mr. S. J. S's ... ... ch cb m ... Labby Gown, 14-0½
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's ch aus m ... Parlour Maid, 13-3½
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's br cb g ... Fortune, 13-2½
10. Captain Coley's ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3

MALL PLATE.—Distance 4 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2
2. Mr T. R. Badger's ... b a h ... Sheik
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... gr a h ... Blue Moon
4. Mr. J. Atkinson's ... ch a g ... Cyllaros, 13-2½
5. Messrs Pawson & Badger's g a g ... Harpagos
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... br a g ... Lyddite II, 13-2½
7. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1
8. Major R. St. C. Lecky's ... g a g ... Pegasus, 14 0½
9. Mr. S. J S.'s ... ... b a g ... Jimmy, 14-0½
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala.'s ... ... gr a g ... Pencil, 13 3½
11. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½
12. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14-0½
13. Captain Cautley's ... ch a g ... Chance, 13-2½

PAGET PARK PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch e m ... Tight Lace, 14-0½
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning
3. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... ch aus m ... Black Spot, 14-0½
4. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½
5. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br cb m ... Luck Penny, 14-1½
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Redshot, 14-0
7. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... b aus m ... Bell Manton, 14-2½

AMATEUR CUP.—Distance 6 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus m ... Rather Warm
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... br aus m ... All Hot
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... blk aus g ... Black Sand
4. Mr. Badger's ... ... b aus g ... Praxitiles
5. Mr. Ormerod's ... ch aus g ... Car d'Oro
6. Mr. Ormerod's ... ... b aus g ... The Moachim
7. Mr. Maydon's ... ... b aus g ... Innocence
8. Mr. Connop's... ... b aus g ... Path Finder
9. Mr. Connop's... ... ch aus g ... Athos
10. Mr. Ollivant's ... br aus g ... Hathi
11. Captain P. J. Bailey's ... b aus g ... William
12. Mr. Reynard's ... b aus g ... Monte Cristo
13. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus g ... Jim
14. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Type Writer
15. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... The Camel
16. Mr. Hunt's ... ... b aus g ... Traveller
17. Sir E. Lacon's ... b aus g ... Undecided
18. Major Lecky's ... b aus m ... Connie
19. Major Lecky's ... b aus m ... Honey

Third Day, Thursday, 10th November 1904.

PONY CHASE.—Distance about 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b aus m ... Manette, 13-3½
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch cb g ... Kadir, 13-2
3. Mr. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1
4. Mr. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning.
5. Mr. Guest's ... blk aus m ... Topsy, 14-1
6. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Swallow
7. Mr. G. B Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Eileen
8. Mr. Hunt's ... b cb m ... Silver Belle
9. Captain Palaeologus' ... b aus g ... Vanguard
10. Captain Laverton's ... b cb m ... Silly Loo, 14-1
11. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0
12. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½
13. Nawab Jaffar Ali Khan s... ch cb g ... Mirage, 14-2
14. Mr. White's ... b cb g ... Larry
15. Captain Coley's ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3

MILITARY CUP.—Distance about 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... br aus g ... All Hot
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus g ... Rather Warm
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... blk aus g ... Black Sand
4. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... b aus g ... Praxitiles
5. Mr. Ormerod's ... ch aus g ... Car d' Oro
6. Mr. Ormerod's ... b aus g ... The Moachim
7. Mr Maydon's ... b aus g ... Innocence
8. Mr Connop's ... b aus g ... Path Finder
9. Mr. Connop's ... ch aus g ... Athos
10. Mr. Ollivant's ... br aus g ... Hathi
11. Capt. P. J. Bailey's ... br aus g ... Karnal
12. Mr. Reynard's ... b aus g ... Monte Cristo
13. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus g ... Jim
14. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Type Writer
15. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... The Camel
16. Mr. Hunt's ... b aus g ... Traveller
17. Sir E. Lacon's ... b aus g ... Undecided
18. Major R. St. C Lecky's ... b aus m ... Connie

THE STAND PLATE.—Distance 1 mile.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch e g ... Idleness
2. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Rusty
3. H.H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ch aus h ... Idler
4. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... b aus g ... Dioptrics
5. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... br aus g ... Gong

DESERT HANDICAP.—Distance 7 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2
2. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... b a h ... Sheik
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... gr a h ... Blue Moon
4. Mr. J. Atkinson's ... ch a g ... Cyllaros, 13-2½
5. Messrs. Pawson & Badger's g a g ... Harpagos
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... br a g ... Lyddite II, 13-2½
7. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... All Sir Garnet, 13-2½
8. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1
9. Major R. St. C. Lecky's ... g a g ... Pegasus, 14-0½
10. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ... b a h ... Jimmy, 14-0½
11. Mr. Bond's ... ... b a g ... Chance lor, 13-3½
12. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... b a h ... Brigand, 13 3
13. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½
14. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... b aus m ... Bell Manton, 14-0½
15. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14 0½
16. Mr. Hector Campbell's ... b a h ... Zarafshan, 13-3
17. Mr. Symonds' ... b a m ... Jaooza, 13-3,
18. Captain Durrant's ... b a g ... Squint, 13-2
19. Captain Sullivan's ... b a h ... Fakir II, 14-0½
20. Captain Cautley's ... ch a g ... Chance, 13-2½

PADDOCK PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus m ... Busy Bee, 13-2½
2. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus m ... Barcarolle, 13-3½
3. Mr. Badger's ... ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1
4. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning
5. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b aus m ... Manette, 13-3½
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1
7. Mr. S. J. S's ... ... b aus m ... Bell Metal, 13-3½
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's ch aus m... Par our Maid, 13-3½
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's ch cb h ... Tom

PRODUCE PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1
2. Mr. S. Brandreth's ... ch cb m ... Bob Major, 13-2½
3. Mr. S. J. S's. ... b cb m ... Lucky, 14-0
4. Mr. S. J. S.'s. ... b cb m ... Labby Annie, 13-2½
5. Mr. S. J. S.'s. ... ch cb m ... Labby Gown, 14-0½
6. Mr. S. J. S.'s. ... ch cb m ... Minerva
7. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s br cb g ... Fortune, 13-2½
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s br cb g ... Jewel, 13-3½
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P.'s ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0
10. Capt. Coley's ... ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3
11. Capt. Coley's ... ... b a g ... Sunday School, 14-0
12. Capt. Coley's ... ... b a m ... Sapho,
13. Mr. Hotz's ... ... b cb g ... Hector, 14-0
14. Mr. J. Beedham's ... b cb m ... Ring Sydona, 14-0

SIRHIND PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. Pawson's ... ch e m ... Tight Lace, 14-0½
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning
3. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1
4. Mr. S. J. S's... ... ch aus m ... Blackspot, 14-0½
5. Mr. Bond's ... ... b aus m ... Burlesque, 14-0½
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's br cb m ... Luckypenny, 14-1½
7. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's ch aus h... Redshot, 14-0
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of P's b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½

Second Entries close on 17th September, 1904.

POONA RACES AND STEEPLECHASES, 1904.

Second Entries closed on Tuesday, 23rd August 1904.

First Day, Wednesday, 21st September 1904.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—1 mile.
(1st Entries 17.)

18. Mr. Mehta's ... br aus m ... Blue Blood (aged)

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—7 furlongs.
(1st Entries 19.)

20. Aga. S. Shah's ... b a h ... Bruiser, 13-2½ (by wire)

Second Day, Saturday, 24th September 1904.

THE WESTERN INDIA STAKES.—1¼ miles.
(1st Entries 20.)

21. Mr. Mehta's ... br aus m ... Blue Blood (aged)
22. .... Rifleman (by wire)

THE DEALERS' PLATE.—1 mile.
(1st Entries 14.)

15. Aga. S. Shah's ... b a h ... Bruiser, 13-2½ (by wire)

THE INTERNATIONAL PLATE.—5 furlongs.
(1st Entries 10.)

11. Major G. Moore's ... b e m ... Lady Jess, 14-1

Third Day, Monday, 26th September 1904.

THE POONA GRAND NATIONAL.—About 2 miles 1 furlong.
(1st Entries 9.)

10. Mr. H. B. Pike's ... roan aus g Rapid Rhone, (aged)
11. .... Peppercorn (by wire)
12. Major G. Moore's ch aus g ... Daroji (aged)

THE KIRKEE CHASE.—About 1 mile 7 furlongs over the Pony Steeplechase Course.
(1st Entries 7.)

8. Lieut.-Col. Hazelton's ... b aus g ... Patrician, 14-0½

THE SEPTEMBER PLATE.—1 mile.
(1st Entries 23.)

24. Mr. W. Bass ... ... br aus g ... Stoddart (aged)

THE WANOWRIE PLATE.—6 furlongs
(1st Entries 28.)

29. Aga S. Shah's ... b a h ... Bruiser, 13-2½ (by wire)

Fourth Day, Wednesday, 28th September 1904.

THE GANESHKHIND PLATE.—6 furlongs.
(1st Entries 26.)

27. Mr. Kelso's ... ... b aus g ... Silenus, (5 years)

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—1¼ miles.
(1st Entries 21.)

22. Mr. W. Bass' ... ... br aus g ... Stoddart (aged)
23. .... Rifleman (by wire)

Fifth Day, Saturday, 1st October 1904.

THE AGA KHAN'S CUP.—1¼ miles.
(1st Entries.)

22. .... Rifleman (by wire)

THE COMMISSIONERS' PURSE.—6 furlongs.
(1st Entries 10.)

11. Major G. Moore's ... b e m ... Lady Jess, 14-1

Sixth Day, Monday, 3rd October 1904.

THE POONA GRAND ANNUAL.—About 2 miles 1 furlong.
(1st Entries 7.)

8. Mr. H. B. Pike's ... roan aus g Rapid Rhone (aged)
9. .... Peppercorn (by wire)
10. Major G. Moore's ... ch aus g ... Daroji (aged)

THE GANESHKIND CHASE.—About 1 mile 7 furlongs over Pony Steeplechase Course.
(1st Entries 9.)

10. Lieut.-Col. Hazelton's ... b aus g ... Patrician, 14-0½

THE POONA HANDICAP.—5 furlongs.
(1st Entries 26.)

27. Mr. Kelso's ... ... b aus g ... Silenus (5 years)

Third and Final Entries close on Tuesday, 6th September 1904.

POONA, 24th *August* 1904.

CURSETJEE DHUNJEESHAW, for *Secretary*, *W. I. T. C.*

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Calcutta, on 17th August 1904, by the Official Measurer :—

Pony's Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Entitled to run as such height up to*
Black Swan II	... bk aus m	Messrs. Powell Bros.	4	13-3½	31st Mar. 1905.
Canary	... br aus m	Maj. W. E. Berryman	5	13-3½	31st Mar. 1905.
Delvin Cockie	... b aus g	Capt. Goodfellow	Aged	14-0	For life.
Dewdrop	... b aus m	Mr. S. G. McCall	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Dugree	... ch cb m	Mr. E. Grake	5	13-3½	31st Mar. 1905.
Hester	... b aus m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	6	14-0	For life.
Hopeful II	ch cb m	Maj. W. E. Berryman	Aged	13-2	For life.
Kuroki	... gr a g	Messrs. A. Milton & Co.	Aged	14-1½	For life.
Lollipop	...br rn aus g	Messrs. A. Milton & Co.	4	14-1½	31st Mar. 1905.
Marie Bess	br aus m	Mr. D. Norton	5	13-2	31st Mar. 1905.
Sunrise	... b aus m	Mr. T. G. Evers	6	14-2	For life.
Twinkle	... b aus m	Capt. Cautley	6	14-1	For life.
Zoe	... br aus m	Mr. C. H. Holder	Aged	14-1	For life.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

POONA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Poona, on the 19th August 1904 :—

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
French Maid	... ch aus m	Mr. W. H. Anderson	Aged	14-0	For life.
Grey Pilot	gr aus g	Mr. W. S. C. Glover	5	14-2	31st March 1905.
Mitre	... b a h	Lt.-Col. J. Anderson	5	13-3	31st March 1905.
Nigma	... b a h	General Mahon	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Result II	gr s af g	Lt. H. E. Medlicott	Aged	14-0	For life.
Rosie Ball	b aus m	Capt Bayford	Aged	14-1	For life.
Spot White	br aus g	General Mahon	Aged	14-1	For life.
Timagive	... b e m	Mr. S. Anketell Jones	6	14-1½	For life.

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 12th August 1904.*

THE TURF.

LEWES SUMMER.

OF more interest than the doings of the moment were the entries for the Autumn Handicaps, which provided a theme for earnest discussion amongst the patrons of the Lewes Meeting on the 6th instant. Both numerically speaking and in point of quality the prospects of the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire are brilliant in the extreme, for there is hardly a public performer with any pretensions to class who does not hold a liability in one or the other, and the handicappers will have their work cut out to arrive at an equitable adjustment of the imposts A spanking breeze swept the Southdowns, and counteracted the fierce heat of the solar rays, so that the big crowd who assembled to assist at the proceedings had a most enjoyable experience. There was no lack of runners and, thanks to the heavy downpour the evening before the going was in capital order

THE ASTLEY STAKES of 680sovs, for the two-year-olds ; colts, 9st. ; fillies and geldings, 8st. 11lbs. ; penalties and allowances. 5 furlongs and a few yards.

Mr. H. R. Henning's br f Carita, by Gallinule—Moira, 8st. 8lbs.	H. Jones 1
Mr. J. E. Liddiard's br c Silver Streak, 9st. 3lbs.	B. Lynham 2
Mr. H. Lindemere's br c Romulus, 8st. 11lbs.	D. Maher 3
Lord Crewe's Ceyx, 8st. 11lbs.... ...	M. Cannon 0
Mr. R. C. Garton's c, by Matchmaker—Hairdresser, 8st. 11lbs.	Hardy 0
Mr. Jersey's Posiedon, 8st. 11lbs. ...	H. Toon 0
Capt. F. Cookson's Amphinome, 8st. 8lbs.	Watts 0
Mr E. Dresden's Bolt Away, 8st. 8lbs. ...	K. Cannon 0
Mr. J. L. Dugdale's Maimie 8st. 8lbs. ...	Trigg 0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's c, by Isinglass—Landrail, 8st. 8lbs.	Griggs 0
Mr. W. M G. Singer's c, by St Serf—Lady Chancellor, 8st. 11lbs.	W. Elsey 0

(*Winner trained by Brewer.*)

BETTING : 11 to 10 agst. Carita, 7 to 2 Romulus, 8 to 1 the Lady Chancellor colt, and 100 to 8 any other (offered)

Won by a length ; a neck separated the second and third. Landrail colt was placed fourth, Amphinome fifth. Hairdresser colt sixth, Lady Chancellor colt next, and Posiedon last throughout.

THE DE WARRENNE HANDICAP of 250sovs. 5 furlongs and a few yards.

Mr. J. B. Joel's ch h Sundridge, by Amphion Sierra, 6yrs., 9st. 13lbs. ...	M. Cannon 1
Mr. C. T. Pulley's b c Fariman, 4yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	J. H. Martin 2
Mr. G. Edwardes's ch c Aspendale, 3yrs., 8st. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)	B. Dillon 3
Mr. G. Thursby's Indian Corn, aged, 7st. 10lbs.	Trigg 0
Mr. Ivor E. Hughes's Engineer, 6yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	Hardy 0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's, Vincula, 3yrs. 6st.*	Lawson 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Morton.*)

BETTING : 11 to 8 agst. Sundridge, 3 to 1 Aspendale. 9 to 2 Fariman, 6 to 1 Indian Corn, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a neck ; a length separated the second and third. Indian Corn was fourth and Engineer last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 59⅘secs.

The old proverb that union is strength is forcibly illustrated by the success of the Sussex fortnight, the three meetings of which it is composed deriving substantial benefit from each other's propinquity. This is a strong argument in favour of the centralisation of sport, and a large section of racegoers still live in hopes of the principle being more widely applied—notably up North. There can be no manner of doubt that if Stockton, York, and Doncaster followed one another in regular succession, constituting a Yorkshire circuit unbroken by minor fixtures in the neighbourhood of London, each of the gatherings would profit considerably by the change, as would the local holiday resorts, whilst patrons of the Turf would be spared much unnecessary and expensive travelling. The conditions for the concluding stage of the Lewes Meeting were most unfavourable, and the upshot was a diminished attendance and general discomfort. The wind howled and whistled through the crevices of the stands as though the air were alive with sirens ; a soaking seafret enveloped the downs at frequent intervals, and the sport was somewhat tame.

THE LEWES HANDICAP of 437sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's b c, by Pride—Pegaway, 3yrs.. 8st. 6lbs.... ...	J. Dillon 1
Mr. H. Escott's b f Hai, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs. (inc 7lb ex)	W. Lane 2
Mr. R. H. Henning's br c Airship, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)*... ...	Saxby 3
Sir E. Cassel's Exchequer, 4yrs., 8st. 13lbs	W. Halsey 0
Mr. H Sleath Skelton's Happy Slave, 5yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	Maher 0
Mr. W. M. G Singer's Harmony Hall, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	Lynham 0
Capt. Bewicke's Wild Lad, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	Bramley 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING : 9 to 4 agst. Hai, 7 to 2 Pegaway colt, 9 to 2 Airship, 5 to 1 Exchequer. 8 to 1 Harmony Hall, 100 to 8 Happy Slave and 50 to 1 Wild Lad.

Won by a length ; two lengths between the second and third. Wild Lad was a bad fourth, Harmony Hall fifth, and Exchequer last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 33secs.

THE PRIORY STAKES of 345sovs,, for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs and a few yards.

Sir E. Vincent's br f Renaissance, by St. Serf—Rinovata, 8st. 7lbs.	Griggs 1
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b or br f. by Tarporley—Sweet Mart, 8st. 7lbs. ...	W. Lane 2
Capt. F. Cookson's ch f Coy Duck, 8st. 7lbs.	Watts 3
Mr. H. T. Barclay's May Woodhouse, 8st. 7lbs.	Stokes 0
Lord Crewe's Cromwellian, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.)	K. Cannon 0
Mr. R. H Henning's La Belle Laide, 8st. 7lbs.	Bullock 0
Mr. D. Nicoll's Burntwood, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Halsey 0
Mr. W. Bass's King Duncan, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Hardy 0
Lord Carnarvon's Jongleuse, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Martin 0
Mr. E. A. Wigan's g. by Blairfinde or Islington—Lapsa, 8st. 7lbs	J. Dillon 0

(*Winner trained by R. Day.*)

BETTING : 7 to 4 on Sweet Mart filly, 6 to 1 agst. Renaissance, 10 to 1 Jongleuse, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three lengths ; five lengths separated the second and third. Lapsa colt was placed fourth. Jongleuse was fifth. King Duncan sixth, Burntwood next, and May Woodhouse last.

KEMPTON PARK.

Good looking and superbly-bred though he be, John o' Gaunt must surely have been born under an unlucky star, and Sir John Thursby is deserving of sympathy in the endless list or misfortunes th t have dogged the career of his ill-fated colt. Owing to an accident at exercise on Wednesday morning the son of Isinglass had to decline the contest for the principal item of yesterday's card, and it is worthy of note that during the past four weeks alone unforeseen circumstances have compelled him to forfeit his engagements in the Lingfield Park Plate and the St. George's Stakes at Liverpool, in addition to the event under notice. The aggregate value of these three stakes exceeds 5,000 sovs., and each seemed entirely at the mercy of the Doveridge colt, whose next appearance will be in the St. Leger. His defection robbed the City of London Breeder's Foal Plate of much of its interest, and the general supposition that his absence left the issue in the safe-keeping of Grey Plume did not find confirmation in fact. The son of Grey Leg and Gauntlet looked exceedingly well, and he was backed against the field at evens, but speed is his forte, and he began to hold out signals of distress after a mile had been traversed. He stuck tenaciously to his work when Lancashire ranged alongside and fought out his race with the utmost resolution ; but the American showed the better stamina, and, wearing him down, won by half a length.

THE PRINCESS'S PLATE (handicap) of 174sovs. 5furlongs.

Mr. W. Rankin's ch h St Luke, by Isosceles—La Niche, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ...	Trigg 1
Mr. G. Thursby's b f Eastern Prize, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (car 7st. 11lbs.) ...	W. Lane 2
Lord Carnarvon's b m Haut en Bas, 6yrs., 6st. 13lbs.*	Pike 3
Mr. J. Buchanan's Bachelor's Fancy, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs.*	Sharples 0
Mr. T. A. Edney Hayter's Milford Lad, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Butchers 0
Mr. G. Beit's Hercules, 6yrs., 7st. 5lbs. ...	East 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained in Ireland.*)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst St. Luke, 5 to 2 Eastern Prize, 11 to 2 Bachelor's Fancy, 6 to 1 Hercules, 7 to 1 Milford Lad, and 10 to 1 Haut en Bas (offered).

Won in a canter by three lengths; a like distance separated the second and third. Bachelor's Fancy was fourth, and Milford Lad last. An objection to the winner on the grounds of crossing was overruled. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 60⅘secs.

THE CITY OF LONDON BREEDERS' FOAL PLATE of 1,180 sovs. for three-years-olds ; colts, 8st. 12lbs. ; fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs. ; penalties and allowances. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. J. Buchanan's b c Lancashire, by Kingston—Calico, 9st. 11lb. ...	W. Lane 1
Duke of Westminster's gr c Grey Plume, 9st. 5lbs.	M. Cannon 2
Mr. R. H. Henning's ch c Flower Seller, 8st. 12lbs.	F. Bullock 3
Lord Derby's c, by Ayrshire—Pace Egger, 9st. 11lbs.	D. Maher 0
Sir B. Waldie Griffith's Queen Beauty, 8st. 12lbs.	H. Jones 0
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's Castello, 8st. 5lbs.	W. Halsey 0
Col. E. W. Baird's Fairy Martin, 8st. 2lbs. .	Watts 0

(*Winner trained by Major Edwards.*)

BETTING : Evens Grey Plume, 4 to 1 agst. Lancashire, 100 to 15 the Pace Egger colt, 100 to 9 Castello, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by half a length ; three-quarters of a length divided the second and third. Pace Egger colt was fourth, Fairy Martin fifth and Queen Beauty last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 11⅘secs.

The general exodus to moor, mountain, and seaside has left London with but a moiety of its normal population for the time being and most of those who remain are bound to the posts by the calls of duty. This being so, even the Turf is not exempt from the stagnation which prevails in all places of public entertainment, and the company that assembled at Kempton Park to-day, if small by comparison with some of the earlier and later fixtures at his venue, exceeded expectations. The air was close and muggy, but some capital sport was provided, the feature of which was Maher's feat of riding four winners.

The tit-bit of the first day's card is always the International Breeders' Foal Stakes, which brought out a party of average looks and nice quality. The result was not in accordance with the calculations of students of form, but it was very gratifying to see the colours of such a staunch patron of the Turf as Sir R. Waldie Griffith successful in a weight-for-age race of some importance. The St. Ia colt was in receipt of 19lbs. from Comedian, who was confronted with a very formidable task. Mr. King's colt ran his race out with unflinching gameness, and was very far from disgraced. Maher scored his third success of the afternoon on the St. Ia colt, and Madden made his first appearance in the saddle since his Hurst Park accident and steered Ogbourne Pet. It was on this course that Revenue made his *début*, and his own brother Ritchie, whom S. Darling had purchased for 100 guineas at the July Sales, carried silk in public for the first time in this event, but he was very backward and finished last.

THE KEMPTON PARK INTERNATIONAL BREEDERS' TWO-YEARS-OLD STAKES of 685sovs. ; colts, 8st. 10lbs. ; fillies and geldings, 8st. 7lbs., penalties and allowances.—5 furlongs.

Sir R. Waldie Griffith's br c, by Ladas—St. Ia, 8st. 11lb.	D. Maher 1
Mr. H. J King's b c Comedian, 9st. 6lbs.	H. Jones 2
Sir E. Vincent's b c Epicurus, 8st. 11lb. ...	W. Lane 3
Mr. S. Darling's Ritchie, 8st. 5lbs. ...	F. Day 0
Mr. G. Edwardes's Ogbourne Pet, 8st 2lbs.	O. Madden 0
Mr. T. H. Burrows's Fast Fanny, 8st 2lbs.	G. McCall 0

(*Winner trained by R. Sherwood.*)

BETTING : Evens Comedian, 7 to 4 agst. the St. Ia colt, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by three quarters of a length ; half a length divided the second and third. Ogbourne Pet was fourth and Ritchie last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min ⅘sec.

THE GREENWOOD HANDICAP PLATE of 261sovs. One mile.

Mr. G. Edwardes's b h Pollion, by Ermak—Pomponne, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	W. Lane 1
Mr. J. S. Crawford's b h Captain Kettle, aged, 7st 11lbs.	B. Dillon 2
Mr. L. de Rothschild's ch f Catgut, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs*	Sharples 3
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Valve, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs	G. McCall 0
Mr. W. Bass's Lychnobite, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	Hardy 0
Lord Carnarvon's El Maestro, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs.*	Pike 0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Camphor, 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	Trigg 0
Mr. H. J. Hunt's St. Joie, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. ..	Griggs 0
Capt. F. Cookson's Vernham, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs.*	E. Pratt 0
Mr. A. L. Wilson's Battels, 5yrs., 6st. 2lbs.*	Saxby 0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Major Edwards.*)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Catgut, 3 to 1 Captain Kettle, 6 to 1 St. Joie, 8 to 1 Pollion, 10 to 1 Battels, 100 to 8 each El Maestro and Camphor, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won easily by three lengths ; four lengths separated the second and third. St. Joie was fourth, Vernham fifth, Lychnobite sixth, Camphor next, and Valve last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 40⅘secs.

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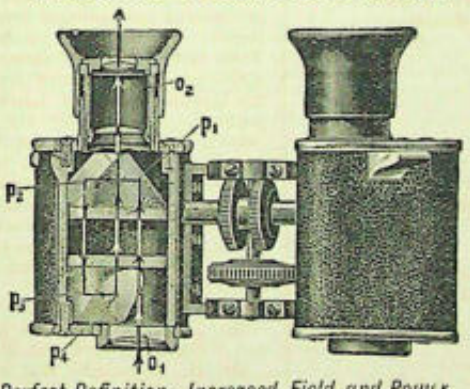
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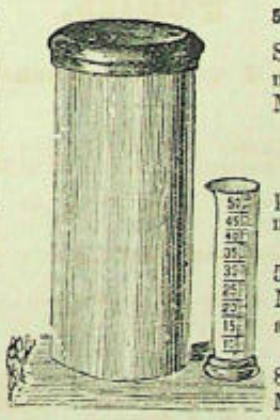
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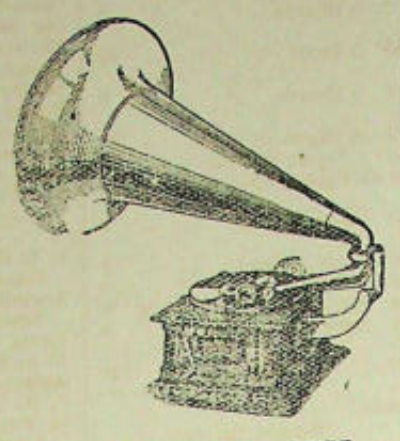
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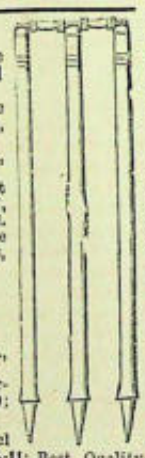
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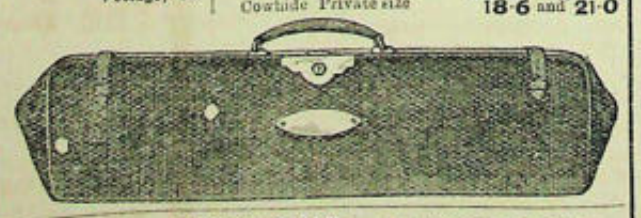
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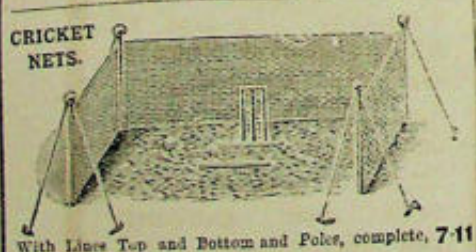
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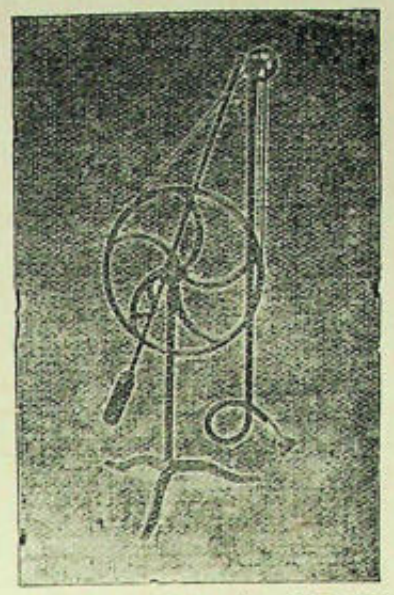
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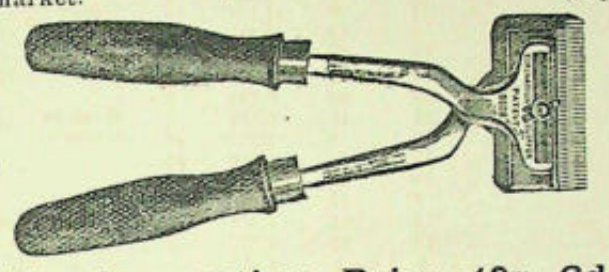
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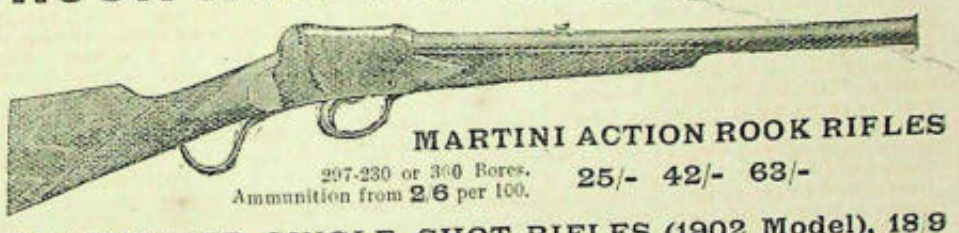
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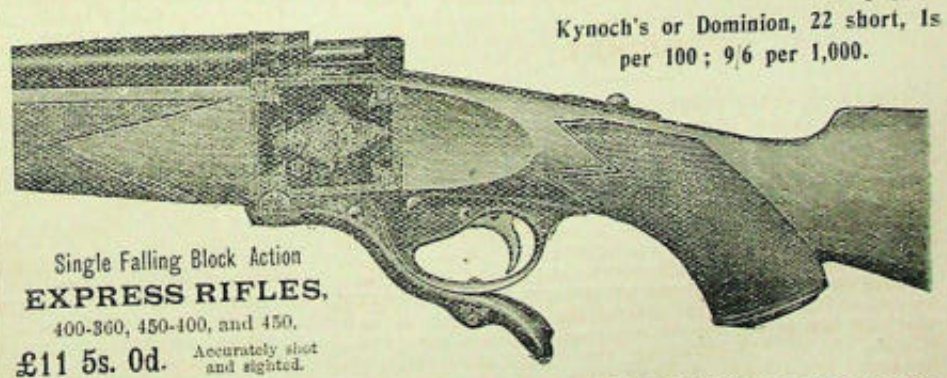


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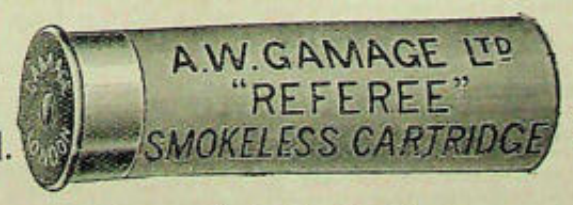
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W. T. Robinson	11	20	11,131	10
H. Braime	8	12	9,039	0
P. Gren sil	13	22	7,284	10
Major Edwards	18	24	6,563	0
W. Elsey	21	50	6,234	0
R. Marsh	12	16	5,581	0
S. Darling	8	9	5,287	10
Mr. G. Lambton	10	12	5,106	15
A. Sadler, Jun.	19	34	5,066	10
Mr. F. Lambton	8	13	4,616	0
A. Taylor	12	18	4,474	0
E. Robson	13	19	4,370	0
A. J. Gilbert	6	9	4,350	0
W. Nightingall	9	15	4,337	0

Principal Winning Horses in 1904.

(Compiled to 10th August.)

	Races Won.	£	s.
Rock Sand (4yrs), b c, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune	4	12,284	0
Pretty Polly (3yrs), ch f, by Gallinule—Admiration	4	12,280	0
St. Amant (3yrs), b c, by St Frusquin—Lady Loverule	2	11,750	0
Darley Dale (3yrs), b c, by St. Simon—Ismay ...	2	10,410	0
Cicero (2yrs), ch c, by Cyclene—Gas... ...	5	8,591	0
Ypsilanti (6yrs), b h, by Galore—Stefanette ...	5	4,407	0
Vedas (2yrs), b c or br c, by Florizel II.—Agnostic	6	3,529	10
Throwaway (5yrs), b h, by Rightaway—Theale ...	1	3,260	0
Andover (3yrs), br c, by Rightaway—Sister Lumley	3	3,198	0
Delaunay (3yrs), ch c, by Fortunio—Pet ...	4	[illegible]3	0
Zinfandel (4yrs), ch c, by Persimmon—Medora ...	2	3,015	0
Sandboy (4yrs), b c, by Ravensbury—Sandblast...	3	3,013	0
Csardas (5yrs), b h, by Ladas—Polka ...	2	2,720	0
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Challenger (3yrs), b c, by Isinglass—Meddlesome	2	2 337	0
Henry the First (3yrs), br c, by Melton—Simona	2	2,210	10
Robert le Diab'e (5yrs), br h, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay	3	2,129	0
Almscliff (3yrs), b c, by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead...	3	2,090	0

CRICKET.

MIDDLESEX *vs.* GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—Played at Bristol on 4th, 5th, and 6th August. Gloucestershire won by 69 runs. Heavy rain fell at Bristol on the night before this match began and although the wicket was not very difficult before lunch, afterwards, under the influence of a powerful sun, it became very greatly in favour of the bowlers. Before lunch Gloucestershire hardly made the best use of their opportunities, but they scored 108 for three. Townsend and Sewell put on 70 for the third wicket. When the game was resumed Jessop was allowed to escape, the ball dropping between two fieldsmen who each left the catch to the other, but he only made 7 runs, and the rest of the team failed so badly that the last seven wickets could only account for 19 runs. Hearne was so well suited by the wicket after lunch that he took five wickets in four overs and two balls for 10 runs At one time five Gloucestershire wickets fell for one run. The Middlesex batsmen were as hopelessly at sea as the home team, and when a storm stopped play for a time four of them were out for 17. Afterwards they doubled the score without loss before a heavy thunderstorm at half-past four put an end to play for the day. On the next morning Huggins and Dennett soon disposed of the remaining six wickets, and Gloucestershire had a lead of 66 when they began their second innings. Jessop and Wrathall, who went in first, set about their work in such a determined way that they made 20 runs in the first two overs, and when Jessop was dismissed he had made 27 out of 34. Townsend and Brown added 38 for the fourth wicket, but Hearne and Trott dismissed the last five men for 7 runs. Townsend played an invaluable defensive innings which lasted for an hour and-a-half. Middlesex had to make 195 to win, and went in two hours and five minutes before the time for drawing stumps. With the idea that the pitch might be considerably better on the next morning, they contented themselves with keeping up their wickets and at the end of the day their score was 85 for three. If the fielding of the Gloucestershire men had not been exceedingly bad Middlesex might have been nearly all dismissed, but Warner, who made 47 out of the 85 runs, was missed five or six times, and might have been run out two or three times Beldam served his side admirably by keeping up an end for an hour and forty minutes for 14 not out. But despite his stubborn resistance on the Friday and a further fine effort on the next morning, the Gloucestershire bowlers had the upper hand and their county gained a brilliant victory.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Wrathall, b Hearne ...	16	c J. Douglas, b Hearne	6
Board, b Hearne	7	b Hearne	2
C. L. Townsend, c J. Douglas, b Hearne	45	b Trott	46
C. O. H. Sewell, c Beldam, b Napier	41	b Hearne	5
G. L. Jessop, c Warner, b Wells	7	st Payne, b Wells ...	27
F. Thomas, b Hearne ...	0	c Payne, b Hearne ...	17
W. S. A. Brown, b Hearne ...	0	c Payne, b Napier ...	15
F. H. B. Champain, c Beldam, b Wells	0	l-b-w, b Trott ...	1
L. D. Brownlee, c Trott, b Hearne	0	l-b-w, b Trott ...	1
Huggins, not out ...	4	b Trott	0
Dennett, c and b Hearne ...	0	not out	3
Byes	7	Byes	5
Total ...	127	Total ...	128

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
P. F. Warner, b Huggins ...	4	b Townsend ...	47
J. Douglas, c Board, b Dennett	0	l-b-w, b Dennett ..	7
G. W. Beldam, st Board, b Dennett	0	ht wkt, b Dennett ...	25
R. N. Douglas, b Huggins ...	16	c Jessop, b Dennett ...	12
Trott, c Thomas, b Dennett ...	3	l-b-w, b Dennett ...	7
C. M. Wells, c Townsend, b Huggins	15	c Jessop, b Dennett ...	0
J. H. Hunt, c Sewell, b Dennett	12	l-b-w, b Dennett ...	5
M. W. Payne, b Dennett ...	3	c Brownlee, b Dennett	8
R. W. Nicholls, c Brown, b Dennett	0	b Jessop ...	0
G. G. Napier, c Jessop, b Dennett	2	c Huggins, b Dennett	8
J. T. Hearne, not out ...	1	not out	2
B 4, w 1	5	B 9, lb 2, nb 2 ...	13
Total ...	61	Total ...	134

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne ...	20·2	9	41	7	...	15	5	36	4
Trott ...	17	8	27	0	...	10	2	30	4
Napier ...	6	1	18	1	...	6	0	22	1
Wells ...	11	0	34	2	...	11	3	35	1

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Huggins ...	21	9	28	3	...	24	14	18	0
Dennett ...	21	5	28	7	...	40·1	16	68	8
					Townsend ...	4	1	19	0
					Brown ...	6	3	3	0
					Jessop ...	8	2	13	1

Dennett bowled one wide, and Huggins delivered to no-balls.

SUSSEX *vs.* HAMPSHIRE.—Played at Brighton on 4th, 5th, and 6th August. Sussex won by an innings and 81 runs.

Hampshire had to take the field in this match without E. M. Sprot and Hesketh-Prichard, while Sussex was again without Ranjitsinhji, who preferred to play in country house cricket. On the first day the light was so bad at about a quarter past four that an adjournment was made, and before the game could be resumed rain fell so heavily that there was no more cricket. Hampshire gave a most disappointing display of batting on a splendid wicket, but Bowell played a brilliant innings, making 65 out of 76 in an hour. Llewellyn, Stone, and Steele also made useful scores. Sussex made 37 without loss before play ceased for the day. On the next morning it was found that the rain had not spoiled the wicket, which played very easily, and Fry and Vine found no difficulty whatever in the bowling. At lunch time, when the total was 255 they were still together, and it was not until the partnership had produced 287 in three hours and-a-quarter that Vine was dismissed. Fry continued to play a great game until, for the second time this season, he brought his score to more than 200. He was batting for four hours and three-quarters, and his chief hits were twenty two 4's. The other men who did well were Relf, Smith, Brann, and Leach, the latter being not out 61 when stumps were drawn with the total at 508 for nine wickets. Major Poore went on to bowl when Smith and Leach were together, and began his first over with four wides. On Saturday morning the innings was declared closed, and Hampshire had to make 313 to save the innings defeat.

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Webb, b Relf ...	0	c Cox, b Relf ...	8
Bowell, c and b Cox ...	65	c Newham, b Relf ...	0
Major R. M. Poore, b Cox ...	4	b Cox	63
D. M Evans, c Relf, b Cox ...	3	c and b Cox ...	58
Llewellyn, c Cox, b Leach ...	45	c Leach, b Vine ...	10
Hayter, c Leach, b Killick ...	7	c Killick, b Vine ...	3
Stone, not out	23	not out	15
Langford, c Butt, b Relf ...	7	b Tate	19
D. A. Steele, b Cox ...	26	c Butt, b Cox ...	1
F. H. Bacon, b Cox ...	4	c Fry, b Cox ...	21
Baldwin c Brann, b Relf ...	5	c Killick, b Cox ...	3
B 5, lb 1	6	B 31, lb 2, nb 3 ...	36
Total ...	195	Total ...	232

SUSSEX.

C. B. Fry, b Evans ...	211	G. Brann, c Evans, b Baldwin	22
Vine, c Llewellyn, b Langford	111	Leach, not out ...	64
Killick, c Evans, b Langford	5	Cox, run out ...	1
Relf, b Langford ...	25	Butt, c Steele, b Baldwin	4
W. Newham, c Webb, b Langford	0	B 12, lb 5, w 4 ...	21
C. L. A. Smith, c Stone, b Baldwin	44	Total (9 wkts) ...	*508
		Tate did not bat.	

* Innings declared closed.

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Relf ...	21·2	4	75	3	...	27	4	72	2
Cox ...	25	7	64	5	...	24·3	14	27	4
Killick ...	8	1	31	1	...	3	1	6	0
Leach ...	6	1	18	1	...	10	6	7	0
Tate ...	2	1	1	0	..	13	3	40	1
					Vine ...	19	7	44	3

Killick delivered three no-balls.

SUSSEX.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Llewellyn	15	7	77	0	Bacon	1·3	0	14	0
Baldwin	49·2	10	143	3	Steele	7	0	28	0
Langford	42	7	127	4	Poore	5	0	20	0
Evans	8	0	46	1	Webb	8	3	32	0

Poore bowled four wides.

SOMERSETSHIRE *vs.* WORCESTERSHIRE.—Played at Taunton on 8th, 9th, and 10th August. Worcestershire won by five wickets. The pace with which Wilson's bowling came off the pitch on the first day of this match caused the Somersetshire batsmen to give several chances to the slips, who misjudged them badly. Lewis who made the highest score for his side, was especially fortunate in escaping. Robson played a most attractive game, making his 87 in an hour and twenty minutes, and Lee played very well indeed. Worcestershire went in for fifty minutes at the end of the day, and scored 60 runs without loss; Caldwell was not out 21, and Bowley not out 35. A remarkable innings by H. K. Foster, who scored 65 runs in 28 minutes by the most brilliant hitting, was the chief feature of Tuesday's cricket, but G. N. Foster also played an exceedingly fine game. When the day's play ended Somerset had made 114 in their second innings for the loss of five wickets and were 70 runs on. Yesterday they could only give Worcestershire the task of making 155 to win, and the visitors had not much difficulty in accomplishing this.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. C. H. Palairet, c H. K. Foster, b Wilson ...	5	c G. N. Foster, b Wilson...	26
Braund, c Wheldon, b Arnold	13	c Arnold, b Wilson ...	24
Lewis, b Arnold ...	56	c Wheldon, b Wilson ...	3
F. A. Phillips, b Arnold ...	4	c and b Bird	21
Robson, b Bird ..	87	b Bird	37
S. M. J. Woods, b Arnold...	2	c Wheldon, b Arnold ...	19
H. Martyn, c H. K. Foster, b Arnold	19	b Wilson	10
F. M. Lee, b Wilson ...	41	b Arnold	13
G. Daniell, not out ...	21	c G. N. Foster, b Arnold...	12
A. E. Newton, c Wilson, b Arnold	3	c Wheldon, b Arnold ...	13
Cranfield, c Wheldon, b Arnold	2	not out	11
B 8, lb 1, w 2, nb 1 ...	12	Extras	10
Total ...	305	Total ...	199

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Rev. W. S. Caldwell, b Lewis	52	b Braund... ...	35
Bowley, c Daniell, b Braund ...	38	c Newton, b Lewis ...	51
H. K. Foster, b Braund ...	65	c Cranfield, b Lewis...	14
Arnold, c Braund, b Lewis ...	31	c Woods, b Braund ...	3
Wheldon, c Braund, b Robson	9	c Phillips, b Lewis ...	11
G. N. Foster, c Newton, b Lewis	81	not out	11
W. B. Burns, c Phillips, b Lewis	25	not out... ...	25
Pearson, c Lee, b Lewis ...	18		
Gaukrodger, b Braund ...	9		
Bird, not out	6		
Wilson, b Lewis	0		
B 4, lb 5, nb 1, w 5 ...	15	Extras ...	9
Total ...	349	Total ...	159

SOMERSET.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Arnold ...	38·3	10	115	7		27·2	3	100	4
Wilson ...	30	3	114	2		26	0	83	4
Bird ...	11	2	40	1		6	3	5	2
Pearson ...	5	0	24	0		1	0	1	0

Wilson bowled one wide and Pearson one wide and two no-balls.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	17	3	82	0		4	1	18	0
Braund ...	44	8	112	3		20	4	54	2
Robson ...	11	1	44	1		2	0	18	0
Lewis ...	25·2	8	52	6		16	2	48	3
Palairet ...	9	2	54	0		1	0	2	0
					Daniell ...	0·5	0	6	0

Lewis delivered one no-ball and five wides.

THE CANTERBURY WEEK.

SURREY *vs.* KENT.—Played on the St Lawrence Ground on 4th 5th, and 6th August. Kent won by six wickets. When Surrey won the toss in this match there seemed reason to suppose that they would run up a fine score, for the wicket looked perfect, as indeed it proved to be. But things went badly for them, and they lost Hayward, Raphael, Hayes, and Abel for 73 At lunch time five wickets were down for 112, and the first ball after the game was resumed was fatal, so that the outlook was about as hopeless as it could well be. At this stage of the game Lees joined J. N. Crawford, and the two men made a most plucky stand which produced 64 runs in three-quarters of an hour, and as Leveson-Gower and Strudwick both made useful scores, the total was not actually bad after all. Crawford made a most promising *début*, making his 51 runs in an hour and three quarters in excellent style. In the hour and-a-half which remained for play Kent made 110 runs for the loss of one wicket, Dillon and Humphreys both playing delightful cricket. The latter was not out 50, and Seymour not out 7. It was anticipated that there would be a very heavy storm during the night, but the little rain which fell hardly affected the wicket, and the rate of scoring was much more rapid on Friday than on the previous day. Seymour and Humphreys batted so well that at one time the score was 210 for one wicket. But at this total Humphreys was out for 104, which had taken him two hours and-a-half to compile. At 279, Day was stumped, and at 307, Seymour's fine innings came to a conclusion; he was at the wickets for two hours and-a-quarter. During his partnership with Humphreys 113 runs were made. Nearly all the other Kent batsmen did well, and Surrey had to face a deficit of 219. Again things went so badly with them that when stumps were drawn they still required 68 runs to save

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the innings defeat, with only four wickets in hand. Hayward was not out 84, and as long as he survived anything was possible. He and Abel both played very fine cricket, and during their partnership for the third wicket put on 100 runs in an hour and-a-half. On Saturday, Crawford, who was not out 7 overnight, was badly run out, but Davis played good cricket, and helped Hayward to put on 91 for the sixth wicket. Meanwhile, Hayward was playing a brilliant game, making runs rapidly, and showing a complete command over the bowling. In an over from Fielder he made five 4's, and when lunch time came he was getting very near his second hundred. But unfortunately their was then only one wicket in hand, and this fell soon after the game were resumed. But Hayward had played a magnificent innings for Surrey, and it was a great feat to carry his bat through the innings, scoring 188 out of 321, at a time when his side was in such a desperate position. He was batting for five hours and his hits included a 5 and thirty-one 4's. Despite his brilliant effort, Kent had only to make 103 to win.

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hayward, c Seymour, b Blythe	24	not out ...	188
J. E. Raphael, c Dillon, b Mason ...	9	b Mason ...	18
Hayes, c Blaker, b Mason ...	14	c Seymour, b Mason ...	1
Abel, c Mason, b Fairservice ...	18	b Fielder ...	38
Holland, c and b Mason ...	12	c Mason, b Fielder ...	0
J. N. Crawford, c Blaker, b Fairservice ...	54	run out ...	13
Davis, c Huish, b Fielder ...	8	c Mason, b Dillon ...	34
Lees, l-b-w, b Fairservice ...	33	c Marsham, b Blythe...	16
Nice, b Fairservice ...	1	c Mason, b Blythe ...	2
H. D. G. Leveson-Gower, c Seymour, b Fielder ...	19	c Mason, b Fielder ...	3
Strudwick, not out ...	11	b Blythe ...	0
B 7, lb 4, w 1, nb 1 ...	13	B 2, lb 1, w 1, nb 4 ...	8
Total ...	216	Total ...	321

KENT.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
E. W. Dillon, c Hayward, b Crawford	52	c Lees, b Nice ...	13
Humphreys, c Hayward, b Nice	104	l-b-w, b Nice ...	15
James Seymour, c Hayes, b Crawford	105	c Leveson-Gower, b Lees	10
S. H. Day, st Strudwick, b Davis	26	not out	37
J. R. Mason, c Crawford, b Lees	29	c Leveson-Gower, b Nice	4
E. N. R. Blaker, b Crawford ...	20	not out	21
C. H. B. Marsham, b Nice ...	35		
Huish, c Hayes, b Lees ...	14		
Fairservice, not out ...	13		
Blythe, c Lees, b Nice ...	1		
Fielder, b Nice	29		
B 4, lb 3	7	B 6, lb 1 ...	7
Total ...	435	Total (4 wkts) ...	107

SURREY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fielder ...	18·3	2	67	2	...	21	1	120	3
Mason ...	23	8	48	3	...	31	8	79	2
Blythe ...	15	5	49	1	...	22·5	10	30	3
Fairservice ...	16	5	39	4	...	18	7	63	0
					Humphreys	10	6	10	0
					Dillon ...	5	1	11	1

Mason delivered one wide and one no-ball, Fairservice one wide and Fielder four no-balls.

KENT.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees ...	34	8	91	2	...	13	5	23	1
Nice ...	34·4	2	130	4	...	16	0	55	3
Davis ...	9	0	56	1	...				
Crawford ...	26	3	112	3	...	2·5	0	22	0
Hayes ...	8	0	39	0					

SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* NOTTS.—Played at Trent Bridge on 8th, 9th, and 10th August. South Africans won by an innings and 49 runs. In the absence of A. O. Jones, Iremonger, Wass, J. Gunn, and Oates, the Notts team was very greatly weakened. H. A. Cursham, who has not played for the county for many years, acted as captain. Notts won the toss, and Hemingway and George Gunn made a fine commencement for them, putting up 153 before lunch without being separated, and bringing the total to 165 in two hours before the first wicket fell. But afterwards the batting broke down, as it has so often done this season, and the last six wickets fell in the course of an hour for 46 runs. Before stumps were drawn Shalders and Tancred made 37 for the South Africans without being separated. So weak was the bowling of Notts, and so good the wicket that the South Africans, who are in great form just now, made an example of their opponents. They kept at the wickets all day and scored 611, nearly every man on the side playing fine cricket. Shalders and Tancred seemed quite capable of making a record for the first wicket when the former slipped when running and sat down in the middle of the pitch. Pennington bowled very well indeed. Yesterday Notts made a very plucky effort to save themselves from defeat.

NOTTS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
G. Gunn, c Snooke, b Kotze ...	143	c Shalders, b Kotze ...	31
E. E. Hemingway, b Kotze ...	85	c White, b Schwarz ...	30
Day, c and b Schwarz ...	0	b Kotze	3
Rev. H. Staunton, b Kotze ...	3	b Middleton ...	70
Hardstaff, c White, b Tancred	37	c Mitchell, b Middleton	51
J. P. Fellows, b Tancred ...	4	c Schwarz, b Middleton	1
H. A. Cursham, c Halliwell, b Schwarz	12	not out	25
Anthony, c Shalders, b Sinclair	19	b Kotze	14
White, c Mitchell, b Schwarz	9	c and b Kotze ...	10
Hallam, c Mitchell, b Schwarz	0	b Kotze	0
Pennington, not out ...	0	c Tancred, b Middleton	2
B 3, lb 4, nb 1 ...	8	Extras	14
Total ...	320	Total ...	242

SOUTH AFRICANS.

L. J. Tancred, c and b Pennington	113	E. A. Halliwell, c Hardstaff, b Pennington ...	33
W. A. Shalders, run out ...	77	S. J. Snooke, not out ...	88
M. Hathorn, c White, b Pennington ...	88	J. J. Kotze, run out ...	29
F. Mitchell, c White, b Pennington	20	J. Middleton, c G. Gunn, b Pennington ...	0
J. H. Sinclair, c White, b Pennington... ...	6	B 9, lb 2, w 5 ...	16
G. C. White, b Day ...	115	Total ...	611
R. O. Schwarz, c Hardstaff, b Pennington ...	26		

NOTTS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	22	6	65	3	...	25	3	68	5
Schwarz ...	17·2	2	60	4	...	11	0	57	1
Sinclair ...	23	5	79	1	...	3	0	23	0
White ...	11	1	40	0	...	6	0	14	0
Middleton ...	14	1	51	0	...	15·1	2	50	4
Tancred ...	9	3	9	2	...	3	0	16	0
Snooke ...	4	1	18	0					

Kotze delivered four no-balls.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Pennington ...	51·4	6	223	7	Day ...	15	1	76	1
Hallam ...	26	1	94	0	Hardstaff ...	11	2	50	0
Anthony ...	9	0	36	0	Staunton ...	7	1	37	0
Fellows ...	5	0	33	0	G. Gunn ...	2	0	3	0
Cursham ...	13	1	48	0					

Staunton bowled three wides, and Pennington two wides.

OTHER MATCHES.

Derbyshire beat London County by 139 runs at Chesterfield on the 8th, 9th, and 10th August. The following matches were drawn:—4th, 5th, and 6th August: Yorkshire *vs.* Leicestershire at Leicester, Essex *vs.* Notts at Leyton, Warwickshire *vs.* Derbyshire at Birmingham, Lancashire *vs.* South Africans at Old Trafford. 8th, 9th, and 10th August: Surrey *vs.* Warwickshire at the Oval, Yorkshire *vs.* Middlesex at Sheffield, Gloucestershire *vs.* Kent at Bristol, Sussex *vs.* Lancashire at Brighton.

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES. (16 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Tyldesley ...	30	4	2,042	225	78·53
Fry, C. B. ...	31	2	2,219	226	76·51
Ranjitsinhji, K. S. ...	23	4	1,410	166*	74·21
Jones, A. O. ...	31	5	1,684	187	64·76
Hayward ...	46	5	2,506	203	61·12
Iremonger ...	30	1	1,737	272	59·89
Quaife, W. G. ...	30	5	1,465	200*	58·60
Hirst ...	34	3	1,717	157	55·38
Perrin, P. A. ...	27	3	1,219	343*	50·79
Evans, W. H. B. ...	19	1	861	115	47·83
Jackson, Hon. F. S. ...	20	2	838	158	46·55
Knight ...	29	4	1,160	203	46·40
Raphael, J. E. ...	31	0	1,384	201	44·64
Spooner, R. H....	31	3	1,207	126	43·10
Foster, H. K. ...	28	0	1,208	118	43·14
Tancred, L. J. ...	21	1	855	109	42·25
Marsh, J. F. ...	16	3	548	172*	42·15
Palairet, L. C. H. ...	25	0	1,039	203	41·56
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	28	2	1,018	145	43·72
Hallows ...	25	4	840	137*	40·00
Denton ...	38	3	1,398	105	39·94
Sharp, J. ...	25	5	792	107*	39·60
Tunnicliffe ...	36	2	1,324	139*	38·94
King, J. H. ...	40	4	1,400	128	38·88
Glover, A. C. S. ...	25	2	891	124	38·73
Kinneir ...	28	3	946	152	37·84
McGahey, C. H. ...	33	2	1,150	225	37·09
Hill, A. J. L. ...	16	1	554	117	36·93
Hathorn, M. ...	26	1	921	130	36·84
Wood, C. J. B. ...	37	3	1,246	110	36·64
Wright, L. G. ...	33	0	1,192	140	36·12
Seymour (Jas.), (Kent) ...	30	3	975	136*	36·11
Wynyard, Capt. E. G. ...	17	0	613	147	36·05
Coe, S. ...	31	5	935	103	35·96
Vine ...	38	4	1,221	124	35·91
Hayes ...	45	2	1,543	273*	35·88
Warner, P. F. ...	22	2	713	106	35·65
Ollivierre, C. A. ...	33	1	1,134	229	35·43
Wilson, F. B. ...	18	3	529	75	35·26
Rhodes ...	52	2	1,044	196	34·80
Humphreys, E., (Kent) ...	29	1	972	131	34·71
Mitchell, F. ...	27	3	830	102*	34·58
Gunn, J. ...	34	3	1,059	100	34·16
Maclaren, A. C....	29	4	842	166	33·68
Fishwick, T. S. ...	30	1	966	113	33·31
Bowley, F. ...	31	2	946	153	32·62
Carpenter ...	28	0	909	199	32·46
Carlisle, K. M. ...	18	2	512	114*	31·00
Cuttell ...	22	3	604	128	31·78
Whittle ...	24	3	664	101	31·61
Poidevin, L. O. S. ...	28	1	840	103	31·10
Sprot, E. M. ...	22	1	647	118	30·80
Beldam, G. W. ...	21	0	646	141	30·76
Marsham, C. H. B. ...	29	2	819	161*	30·33
Tarrant ...	17	4	393	84*	30·23
Fane, F. L. ...	31	0	911	126	29·38
Fry, K. R. B. ...	19	0	558	129	29·36
Schwarz, R. O. ...	18	0	527	102	29·27
Sewell, E. H. D. ...	33	2	903	181	29·12

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES. (33 wickets).

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Schwarz, R. O. ...	131·3	17	472	33	14·30
Hearne, J. T. ...	876	238	2,115	122	17·33
Cuttell	798·5	269	1,615	91	17·74
Hallows	717·1	223	1,618	91	17·78
Kotze, J. J.	547·3	112	1,720	93	18·49
Haigh	687·5	181	1,815	94	19·30
Dennett	648	172	1,674	86	19·46
Myers	412·3	85	1,184	59	20·06
Napier, G. G.... ...	466·2	119	1,336	66	20·24
Mason, J. R.	211·5	78	694	34	20·41
Sinclair, J. H. ...	478·5	98	1,656	80	20·70
Kermode	379·4	112	1,072	51	21·01
Brearley, W.	593·4	91	1,882	89	21·14
Tate, F. W., (Sussex) ...	398·1	88	1,084	51	21·25
Rhodes	866·2	71	1,922	90	21·36
Smith, W. C., (Surrey) ...	346·5	83	1,011	47	21·51
Santall	351·4	89	841	39	21·56
Hesketh-Prichard, H. ...	602	139	1,835	85	21·58
Blythe	653·2	179	1,728	80	21·60
Warren	684·1	114	2,329	104	22·39
Wass	837·5	180	2,508	111	24·59
Fielder	546·3	100	1,772	78	22·71
Hirst	709·1	149	1,890	83	22·77
Allsopp	486·2	114	1,497	65	23·03
Fairservice	369·2	105	1,083	47	23·04
Arnold	671·5	148	1,967	85	23·14
Cox	977·2	259	2,329	99	23·52
Huggins	545	168	1,420	60	23·66
Relf	849	250	1,970	83	23·73
Odell, W. W.	830·2	229	2 204	92	23·95
McDonell, H. C. ...	479·2	118	1,226	51	24·03
Reeves	728·5	159	2,314	95	24·35
Trott, A. E.	574·5	114	1,881	75	24·41
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	423·2	40	1,622	66	24·57
Gunn, J.	886·5	243	2,413	97	24·87
Gill, G.	354·1	63	1,169	47	24·87
Lees	983·4	251	2,542	101	25·16
Hayes	394	80	1,036	41	25·26
Oranfield, (Somerset) ...	461·3	77	1,491	59	25·27
Braund	692·5	101	2,373	93	25·51
Bird, (Worcestershire) ...	365·1	65	1,026	40	25·65
Bestwick	716·1	178	2,693	80	26·16
Moorhouse	434·1	94	1,263	46	27·45
Wilson G. A. (Worcstr.)	432·2	50	1,515	55	27·54
King, J. H.	753	189	2,022	70	28·88
Nice	319·3	51	1,052	36	29·22
Buckenham	575·1	107	1,768	60	29·46

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Relative Positions to 8th August.

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	20	15	0	5	15	100·00
Yorkshire ...	21	8	1	12	7	77·77
Kent	14	7	3	4	4	40·00
Notts	18	7	3	8	4	40·00
Sussex ...	18	5	3	10	2	25·00
Middlesex ...	12	5	4	3	1	11·11
Leicestershire ...	15	5	4	6	1	11·11
Warwickshire ...	13	4	4	5	0	—
Gloucestershire ...	13	4	5	4	—1	— 11·11
Derbyshire ...	17	5	7	5	—2	— 16·66
Somerset ...	13	4	8	1	—4	— 33·33
Surrey... ...	21	4	10	7	—6	— 42·85
Worcestershire ...	13	2	6	5	—4	— 50·00
Essex	17	2	10	5	—8	— 66·66
Hampshire ...	13	1	10	2	—9	— 81·81

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

HARRIS Bridge was the *cenue* for the 21st and a somewhat small field of about thirty turned up all eager for a gallop. Little law was accorded to late comers and the Master drew along the river bank and through the *babul* cover without success. This brought hounds to one of the four sugarcane patches which on a previous occasion provided a stout running jack. Three patches were drawn blank and hope ran low, but the fourth and last patch had a different tale to tell and hounds soon declared the longed for stranger to be at home. He evidently knew his way about and dodged hounds back and forward ringing the changes on the sugarcane quartelte? for nearly half an hour. But hounds would take no refusal and atlast the ever-watchful 1st whip, Mr. Sidney Armstrong, viewed him sneaking away. There was some little delay I hear in getting hounds on to the line as they were so scattered in the sugarcane, but once they got on they made up for lost time and ran merrily over some plough and crop land till reaching some dry rocky ground scent got very meagre and hounds were soon in difficulties. The Master had to come I believe to their rescue and with a shrewd cast hit off the line again. It became pretty rough going after this from all accounts—stones and boulders and undulating sheet rock, but even over this unpromising ground hounds ran at I am told at a great pace towards some big rocks near the well-known kalas ford and running their victim right down to the water's edge actually drowned him in the river. I have only been able to get the names of a very few who were out as I have had to compile this brief account of what seems to have been a very sporting little gallop from scraps gratefully picked up from various sources. A swim in the river must have greatly refreshed hounds and I fancy many of the steeds and their riders would have liked to share in the frolic. A move was then made in the direction of Yerowda, but after drawing part of the big *nullah* increasing heat brought the morning's sport to a close. Everyone seems to have thoroughly enjoyed it and the grumbling fraternity either stayed away or were satisfied. Verily it is a hard thing to satisfy everyone in this world of sorrow and discontent.

A bye day was slipped in on the 22nd, when about 50 showed up at Harupsar on the Sholapur Road. The sugarcanes near the village were drawn blank, but some jowari crops further on held a jack. Towards the high hills in the distance he headed at a good pace and after going about a mile and a half a brace of pariah dogs Played it low on the jack by illegitimate chase of him. As it turned out they were friends in disguise, for though hustling him with their mongrel japping they temporarily disorganized the hounds (and I hear some of the field) giving the jack several valuable moments—moments that with the present feeble scent mean a matter of life or death. In this case it meant life to the jack as the pace was after this I hear slow, hounds working a feeble scent over a low hill range towards Mahometwari. Here either the same Simion [illegible] or a mate of his was hustled out who made tracks over Gibbet Hill and along "Lloyds Ride." But scent was apparently getting worse each moment and it ended in hounds having to own their inability to proceed with business. A run of about 50 minutes in all, most of it slow. Of the meet at distant Chinchwad I have unhappily been able to cull but little. There are so many things going on and scent has been so capricious, not to say disappointing of late, that 12 miles of road to travel before 6 A.M., chokes off all but the most ardent. Not more than 15 or 20 in all I believe turned up at the *rendezvous*, among them alas not the kind sportsmen who feed me with information. I all the more regret this, as from what I hear it was a most excellent morning's sport which seems to have amply repaid those keen souls whom distance could not restrain. The Master met his field near the Railway Station and moving off made for some sugarcane patches where a jack was speedily found and evicted. Being evidently of a religious frame of mind he pointed straight for a temple on the trunk road to Bombay. His piety received assistance from an irresponsible little fox who jumped up and severely tempted hounds—temptation that was more than hounds could stand and it was some little time I hear before they were stopped and turned to the proper course once more. Over some big hill the line went so I gather, and so in more or less of a very long ring apparently, for it was on some small hills near the Railway Station that hounds threw up their heads in token of defeat. A most sporting run, some of it very fast indeed I am assured, and Colonel Sheringham they say deserves the utmost credit for showing such a morning's sport on so unpromising a morning.

SCARAMOUCH.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

ON Monday hounds met at Kandal Cross Roads at 7-30 A.M. Scent during the whole morning was far from good and the want of rain is much felt as the country is becoming hard and dry.

Mill's Cover was first drawn blank and from the Double Crossing hounds hunted a cold line along the west side of Newmarket at a slow pace, but the hound work here was beautiful. At Rawling's Nullah the pace increased and hounds began to run fast and the Master viewed a brace of jacks on the south side of Bluegums, running together. One of them broke at the top and crossed towards Parlock. Hounds here divided and the Master left six couple in the covert hunting the other jack. The hounds which got away hunted their jack along the bottom of Governor's Shola and were lost to sight in the mist. They appear to have swung across to Martyn's Shola and run through Staircase and Herbert Plantation to Gibbs' Shola. After almost an hour's groping in the mist the Master found hounds at fault between Herbert Plantation and Gibbs' Shola Hounds were then trotted to Forrester's Hut and it was discovered that those hounds left behind in Bluegums had run their jack to ground at Governor's Shola, where they left him. Monkey Shola was then drawn blank and the Master had hardly thrown hounds into Jackal Shola when a jack went away on the Rallywood side.

The field followed him through Rallywood and over the hill into Bluegums again, where, notwithstanding hounds

having run through earlier in the morning, a brace of fresh jacks were seen One came out at the top. Hounds again divided and three couple followed this jack to Parlock, where they lost him. The other was halloaed away towards Rawling's Nullah, while a third, with another division of the jack, broke at the top after running a ring in the covert. The field followed past the top of Rallywood, through Monkey Shola and on to Balkie, where hounds lost him.

On the Thursday previous hounds ran a jack to ground in the big earth just above the Yemakal stream. Two terriers, Pincher and Bob, were turned in. The former came out after a time, but the whole day was spent in vain looking for Bob. On Friday the digging was continued and the jack was found dead, the men on Monday reached the spot where Bob was and found him dead. He was farther in than the jack and appears to have been suffocated. It is a mistake to turn in two terriers at the same time. The Master was not at the spot and would certainly not have allowed it, had he been there.

On Thursday, the 28th, hounds met at Brooklands at 7-45. The morning was very hot and the want of rain acutely felt. Hounds hunted a stale line from Brooklands Cover as far as the hill above the Toll Bar, where they lost it. The Master then crossed the stream above the Toll Bar in the hopes of hitting the line off again, but scent was very bad. However, the Master viewed five jacks all together at the top of Rawling's Nullah and laid hounds on. The chance of sticking to one line seemed remote, but most of the jacks, if not the whole five, made for Bluegums, and although hounds divided and hunted four of them at once, in a few minutes they killed one below the cover and ran a brace to ground in the nullah on the Staircase side of Bluegums. The terrier failed to bolt either of these and the Master drew across the stream to the swamp which runs down between Staircase and Lawley's Course. From the top of this swamp a large jack without a brush got a way in view. An endeavour was made to head him from Staircase but he would not be denied. Hounds viewed him and coursed him to Staircase, at the foot of which they killed him and he was found to be an old dog jack. Hearty, a puppy, rolled him over and held him line until the others came up. Gibbs' Shola and the Dartmoor Valley were drawn as well as the ridge between Chemmund and Wenlock Shola. At the end of Khed Shola a sambur crossed and four couple of hounds broke away on the line. All but one of these were old hounds, which have never been steady with sambur. This ended the morning's sport.

BLUE GUM.

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SEMI-FINALS.

29TH LANCERS *vs* 93RD HIGHLANDERS.—This match was played on the 26th instant before a large gathering of spectators. The Lancers did not give a very brilliant display and were outclassed by their opponents who won by 6 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 subsidary.

First Chukker.—The Highlanders were first away and rushing down Kennedy hit a goal. Then the Lancers took the ball down, but the 93rd again got possession and Herbert scored a goal. After the throw in the Highlanders got on and hit a third goal. *Score:* 93rd Highlanders 3 goals, 29th Lancers *nil*.

Second Chukker—Herbert ran down and scored a goal, Kennedy adding another shortly after. Play continued in the Lancers' territory and a minor point was added. The 29th then obtained a free hit for a foul against the Highlanders, nothing however, accrued. *Score:* 93rd Highlanders 5 goals 1 subsidiary, Lancers *ni*.

Third Chukker.—The Lancers defended gallantly but the Highlanders kept up a strong attack and scored a subsidiary. *Score:* Highlanders 5 goals 2 subsidiaries, Lancers *nil*.

Fourth Chukker.—The 93rd pressed hard but two or three shots went wide and the Lancers getting away hit a subsidiary. *Score:* Highlanders 5 goals 2 subsidiaries Lancers *nil*.

Fifth Chukker.—A prolonged attack on the Lancers' flags resulted in a goal. Birch got the ball and put in a good run for the Lancers but shot wide and the Highlanders won by 6 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 subsidary. Teams:—

93RD HIGHLANDERS.		29TH LANCERS.	
Mr. Stewart	... 1	Mr. W. S. C. Burton	... 1
Mr. J. Kennedy	... 2	Capt. V. K. Birch	... 2
Mr. O. C. Herbert	... 3	Mr. C. G. H. Henderson	... 3
Mr L. St. C. Cheape (*back*)		Major D. S. Buist	(*back*)

Umpires:—The Hon. H. Guest, Major England.

33RD CAVALRY "A." *vs.* R. E. "A TEAM".—This game was also played on the 26th instant, a very good game, resulting in a win for the 33rd Cavalry by 2 goals 1 subsidiary to 1 subsidiary.

First Chukker.—Play was very fast and the Cavalry pressed hard but neither team scored.

Second Chukker.—The Cavalry got away once more and Passy taking the ball down passed to Hopwood who put it between the flags. Midfield play closed the period. *Score:* 33rd Cavalry 1 goal, R. E. *nil*.

Third Chukker.—The Sappers pressed and after two misses Bremner hit a minor point. *Score:* 33rd, Cavalry 1 goal, R. E. 1 Subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—The Cavalry had to defend but the Sappers were unable to score and from a hit in the 33rd worked the ball back and after two unsuccessful runs hit another goal *Score:* 33rd Cavalry 2 goals, R. E. 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Cavalry got away at once and Hopwood obtained a minor point with a long shot. Play ruled up and down till the end of the chukker. The Cavalry were thus victorious by 2 goals and 1 subsidiary to 1 subsidiary. Teams:—

R. E. A. TEAM		33RD CAVALRY.	
Major J. P. Brewin	... 1	Capt H. R. Hopwood	... 1
Capt. A. G. Bremner	... 2	Mr. F. H. B. Passy	... 2
Major Leslie	... 3	Capt. M. H. Anderson	... 3
Col. G. C. P. Onslow	(*back*)	Major F J. M. Edwards	(*back*)

Umpires:—Col. Kettlewell, Major England.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

ROYAL ARTILLERY *vs.* 33RD CAVALRY, "B" TEAM.—These teams met on the 29th ultimo, the Cavalry having the best of matters and winning by 8 goals and 1 subsidiary to 2 goals 1 subsidiary The two first *chukkers* were well contested, then the Gunners got going, Major Strange being most prominent This effort died away and the Cavalry kept play in their opponents' territory for the rest of the game and won as stated. Teams:—

ROYAL ARTILLERY.		33RD CAVALRY. "B."	
Lieut. G. O. Boase	... 1	Capt. C. J. G. Young	... 1
Lieut A. H. Evans Gwynne	... 2	Lieut W. H. Anderson	... 2
Major T. England	... 3	Capt. H. G. Benn	... 3
Major R. G. Strange, *back*.		Daffadar Furzan Ali. *back*.	

Umpires.—Major E. England and Capt. the Hon. F. Guest.

33RD CAVALRY, "A" TEAM *vs.* 93RD HIGHLANDERS.—This match was played on the same afternoon as the preceding game, an exciting struggle resulting in a win for the Cavalry by 2 goals to 1 goal and 4 subsidiaries.

First Chukker.—The Highlanders pressed hard and keeping the ball near the Cavalry flags scored two subsidiaries.

Second Chukker.—This was a very even period, both sides got in some good runs and scored a goal each. *Score*: Cavalry 1 goal, 93rd Highlanders 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—The Cavalry got going and hit another goal, the Highlanders replying with a minor point. *Score*: Cavalry 2 goals, Highlanders 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—Play continued to rule fast and even, both goals being visited in turn. The Highlanders hit a subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—After two unsuccessful runs by the Highlanders play continued in mid-field, the Cavalry thus winning by 2 goals to 1 goal and 4 subsidiaries. Teams :—

33RD CAVALRY, "A."		93RD HIGHLANDERS.	
Capt. H. R. Hopwood	... 1	Lieut. Stewart	... 1
Lieut. F. H. B. Passy	... 2	Lieut. J. Kennedy	... 2
Capt. M. H. Anderson	... 3	Lieut. O C. Herbert	... 3
Major Fitze J. M. Edwards, *back*		Lieut. L. S. I. C.Cheape, *back*.	

Umpires.—Col. Kettlewell and Major England.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)
LONDON, *12th August 1904.*

ONE of our learned medical men once stated that half the community consisted of people not altogether mentally right, and accepting this announcement as correct, not wishing to argue on a personal matter, I suppose half the wheelmen one meet on the roads are cheating the asylums. This no doubt accounts for the foolish antics of a large number of cyclists. There are some who show their lack of mental balance by hanging on to motor-cars and cycles thus laying themselves open to sustaining serious injuries and a plentiful supply of dust into the bargain ; others rush steep hills without efficient brake power ; and others, and these are those we intend dwelling upon now, will show their devotion to their lady loves by holding and pushing them along by the shoulder, arm or waist. Since the introduction of free-wheels, the practice has greatly increased, it being now no uncommon thing to see a young fellow "pushing up behind." If they reserved their superfluous energy for assisting up a hill, when naturally moving slowly there would be but little danger, I would look them over and smile, but they don't ; uphill and downhill, on the straight and round corners, at high speed and low speed, their hand remains on the damsels waist, courting—yes, courting disaster. The recent fatal accident arising from this cause and the many other minor catastrophies are unheeded by them as might be expected since they belong to that half of the community of which I, and I hope my readers, are strangers.

I was up early on Monday morning last in order to catch the express train from London to Dover where I boarded the fast cross-channel steamer the *Queen*, a turbine driven vessel accredited with being the fastest boat plying between the coast of England and that of France, and as we skimmed over the water in the bright sunshine and watched the white wake spreading away to the shore which we had left but a few minutes before we certainly thought there could be no other craft of the size that could do the journey so quickly. The *Queen* had been chartered by the proprietors of a motoring journal with the express object of witnessing the great motor boat race that was taking place that day from Calais to Dover. Arriving at Calais a good view of the little motor-boats was obtained ; alongside the steamer they looked like little toys, bobbing up and down on the waves which although small seemed as though they would swamp the frail crafts. But their insignificant appearance belied them. They were demons on the water as the race proved. At the start they bounded forward on their wild rush to England and it was not long before the swift travelling *Queen* from which such an exceptional view of the race was to have been obtained, was left in the rear, and the French torpedo boats which attended the racers had difficulty in keeping up. So fast did the motor-boats travel that the 23 miles across the Channel were covered in 1hr. 0min. 7⅘secs. by the winner, a 90 h.-p. French craft and in 1hr. 5min. 25⅖secs. by the English boat *Napier Minor* which, however, only had engines developing 50 h.-p., it being one of the smallest boats in the race.

Particulars and details of a motor for attaching to an ordinary bicycle has been published this week, and although one publication has been speaking mysteriously for some time of its advent and referring to it as an invention that would revolutionise the trade, we, in common with several experts on the motor and cycle press fail to see how this will be brought about. It consists of an ordinary motor built into a special frame and attached by clamps and bolts to the back hub of an ordinary bicycle, the position of the motor being behind the back wheel of the cycle. Power will be conveyed from the motor to the driving wheel of the cycle by means of a chain and the weight of the motor will be supported by a small wheel or castor about 8 inches in diameter. But there are several points against the new contrivance. In the first place, being behind the driving wheel it will catch all the dust and also the mud and wet thrown up by the back wheel. Then with the weight of the motor trailing behind the steering of the bicycle will be greatly affected and the increased length of the machine would prove dangerous in traffic. What too, would be the effect on the motor when the small wheel in the rear struck a stone we cannot tell, but should think it would not conduce to regularity in running on the part of the motor. An auxiliary motor for attaching to a push bike would be greatly welcomed by wheelmen, but it would have to be light, and made to fix in a more suitable position than the motor just described.

The circumstances surrounding a cycle stealing case that has just come under my notice are of a rather amusing nature. A man borrowed a cycle from a friend and rode into a neighbouring town on some little business where he left the machine unattended for the space of a few minutes. A labourer coming along slightly "elevated" took the opportunity of having a free cycle lesson, but not being successful in mastering the balance gladly loaned the machine to a soldier for the price of a drink 6*d*. The soldier rode off and has not yet returned. The man who borrowed the machine had to make it good to the owner ; the labourer got three months hard labour and the son of Mars the—best of it.

Last Saturday the only race meeting in London was the Southern Counties Cyclist Unions' gathering at Herne Hill track when the two and fifty miles championships of the Union were decided. Although the "fifty" was the most important of the two events carrying as it does the possession of the "Roberts" shield for the space of twelve months, it was by no means the most interesting, indeed it proved a "run-away" thing for the winner—F. T. Burgess who secured the victory with two and a half miles the lead. The Shield goes to the club of the winner which in this case is the Paddington Cycling Club. But in the two miles championship the spectators were treated to a most exciting finish between A. E Wills of the Putney A. C. and Leon Meredith of the Paddington C. C. Thirty yards from home the two riders rushed to the front and sprinted neck and neck up to the tape, Wills with supreme effort just gaining the victory by inches.

H. G. Appleton, of the Bristol Wheelers, might well be proud of his performance of winning a half mile scratch race from A. L. Reed, the London crack, and by adopting Reed's own methods, too. It happened at Newport, Monmouthshire, Appleton finding himself in the final heat with Reed. The Bristol man carefully hung on to the Londoner until there was but half a lap more to go, then putting on a grand sprint he passed Reed and kept the lead to the finish. This is Reed's pet way of coming home—a long sprint—but in this instance he caught a tartar at his own game.

"Honour the Brave," and Mr. J. A. Hartopp of Leicester, has been duly honoured by the Prince of Wales. Away back in October of last year Mr. Hartopp was driving a pony and trap up a steep hill in Leicestershire known as Woodhouse Eaves when his attention was drawn to a lady cyclist riding down at a great speed and calling for help. Immediately grasping the situation and knowing that unless stopped she would be dashed to pieces at the foot of the hill where there was an ugly turn. Mr. Hartopp jumped from the trap and standing sideways in the road caught the lady round her waist as she was passing lifting her bodily from the machine. At the recent distribution of prizes and certificates of honour at Marlborough House the Prince presented Mr. Hartopp with a certificate recognising his action.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

PRESIDENCY *vs.* PARSEES.—This match, details of which will be found in our Athletic Notes, ended in a victory for the Parsees. Score :—

PARSEES.

1st Innings.			2nd Innings.	
Mr. F. Colabawalla, c Philbrick, b Coombs	...	32	not out ...	... 17
Mr. H. D Kanga, c A. P. Y. Langhorne, b Deas	...	48	c Deas, b Coombs	... 0
Mr. D D. Kanga, c Carroll, b Greig	...	4	c Philbrick, b Coombs	0
Mr. R P. Meherhomji, b Greig		7	b Coombs...	... 11
Mr. D. C. Daruwalla, c Carroll, b Deas	...	16	c Cadogan, b Coombs	0
Mr. D Raja (senior), b Deas	...	4	b Coombs ...	... 0
Mr. N. B. Saklatwalla, run out		29	l-b-w, b Coombs	... 2
Dr. M. E. Pavri (Capt), l-b w, b Greig	...	0	st Philbrick, b Coombs	28
Mr. A. H. Mehta, c Carroll, b Coombs	...	17	run out ...	... 4
Mr. K. P. Lalla, c Greig, b Coombs	...	12	c Aston, b Coombs	... 1
Mr. M. D. Bulsara, not out	...	14	c Deas, b Greig	... 7
Extras	..	11	Extras	... 4
Total		...194	Total	... 74

PRESIDENCY.

1st innings.			2nd innings.	
Capt. J. G. Grieg (Capt), b Bulsara ..	...	4	b Bulsara ...	... 7
Lieut. A. P. Y. Langhorne, b Mehta	...	0	c D. Kanga, b Mehta	... 7
Lieut. B. M. Carroll, run out	...	10	c Colabawalla, b Bulsara	4
Lieut. H. P. Chaplin, c Raja, b Mehta	...	4	run out ...	... 0
Capt. A. D. Langhorne, c H. Kanga, b Mehta ...		0	b Mehta ...	... 0
Capt. Deas, b Bulsara	...	4	c H. Kanga, b Mehta	... 3
Hon. W. G. S. Cadogan, c Colabawalla, b Bulsara	...	0	b Mehta ...	... 0
Mr. A. H. S. Aston, not out	...	16	not out ...	... 9
Mr. E. E. Coombs, c H. Kanga, B. Bulsara	...	2	c Pavri, b Mehta	... 0
Mr. A. L. Ainsworth, b Bulsara		4	b Mehta ...	... 5
Lieut. L. F. Philbrick, absent			l-b-w, b Bulsara	... 0
Extras	...	4	Extras	... 5
Total		... 48	Total	... 49

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

PARSEES.—1st Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt. Deas ...	25	9	50	3		20	10	20	0
Mr. Ainsworth	6	0	31	0					
Capt. Greig ...	20	5	51	3		5	1	18	1
Mr. Coombs ...	20	7	51	3		18	7	32	8

Parsees, 1st innings—1 for 73, 2 for 73, 3 for 87, 4 for 92, 5 for 123, 6 for 124 7 for 137, 8 for 165, 9 for 174. 10 for 194.

Second innings—1 for 37, 2 for 37, 3 for 55, 4 for 55, 5 for 55, 6 for 57, 7 for 57, 8 for 63, 9 for 67, 10 for 74.

PRESIDENCY.—1st Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Mehta ...	15	3	19	3		9	2	17	6
Mr. Bulsara ..	13	3	25	5		9	2	18	3

Presidency, 1st innings—1 for 7, 2 for 9, 3 for 20, 4 for 22, 5 for 22, 6 for 25, 7 for 26, 8 for 32, 9 for 48.

Second innings—1 for 4, 2 for 15, 3 for 19, 4 for 19, 5 for 22, 6 for 25 7 for 29, 8 for 33, 9 for 31, 10 for 40.

Umpires, 1st day—Messrs. H. O. Carroll and R. E Mody ; second day, Messrs. Priestley and R. E. Mody.

CRICKET AT BELLARY.

BELLARY *vs.* DHARWAR.—The return match between these teams was played on the 12th and 13th ultimo, and resulted in a draw. Mr. Monteath put up a century for the visitors. Score :—

BELLARY.

1st Innings.			2nd Innings.	
Capt. Anslie, b Samuel	...	0	b Samuel	... 1
Mr. Watney, c Sinclair, b Bird		21	b Gibb ...	... 49
Capt. Matthews, c Samuel, b Crump	...	40	not out ...	... 32
Major Marphew, b Bird	...	4	did not bat.	
Mr. Mitford, b Crump	...	39	c Gibb, b Crump	... 22
Mr. De Hoghton, b Crump	...	0	b Samuel	... 1
Mr. Irwin, b Samuel	...	10	did not bat.	
Mr. Rollo, b Gibb ..	...	29	did not bat.	
Mr. Mullins, c Chenai, b Gibb	...	17	c Chenai, b Gibb	... 7
Mr. Hare, c Huddleston, b Samuel		22	run out ...	... 11
Sergeant Weston, not out	...	15	c Monteath, b Samuel	52
Extras	...	4	Extras	... 6
Total		... 201	Total (for 7 wkts.)	... 181

DHARWAR.

1st Innings.			2nd Innings.	
Mr. Monteath, c Watney, b Mullins	...	100	not out ...	... 19
Mr. Sinclair, b De Hoghton	...	2	did not bat.	
Mr. Chenai, b De Hoghton	...	0	c Mitford, b De Hoghton	9
Mr. Harrison, b Weston	...	28	b De Hoghton	... 1
Mr. Gibb, c Marphew, b Mullins		43	not out ...	... 7
Mr. Bird, st Mitford, b De Hoghton ...	...	5	c Watney, b Mullins	... 17
Mr. Crump, b De Hoghton	...	30	b De Hoghton	... 0
Mr. Dwane, c and b De Hoghton ...	...	12		
Mr. Coen, b Watney	...	5	did not bat.	
Mr. Huddleston, b Watney	..	0		
Mr. Samuel, not out	...	3		
Extras	...	8	Extras	... 7
Total		... 236	Total (for 4 wkts.)	... 60

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

BANGALORE v. BELGAUM.—This match ended on the 24th instant in a win for the home team by 36 runs. Score :—

BANGALORE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. Gunter, b Manson	1	c La Coste, b Copleston	18
P. L. Moore, run out	7	b Copleston	1
Hanson, c Bell, b Copleston	0	l-b-w, b Manson	2
Cooper, c Gordon, b Copleston	3	c Copleston, b Manson	4
Harris, c Bell, b Copleston	8	c Manson, b Poole	46
Capt. Standage, run out	29	c La Coste, b Copleston	73
Jollie, b Copleston	21	c Copleston, b Poole	6
Davson, b Manson	0	not out	0
Bolland, not out	12	b Bell	4
Udal, b Manson	1	st. Thompson, b Copleston	34
Ruck, b Manson	20	c Poole, b Copleston	6
Extras	24	Extras	21
Total	126	Total	215

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B.	R.	M.	W.
Manson	72	36	1	4	108	54	0	2
Copleston, *a*	48	47	1	4	*b*107	89	2	5
Aitchison	18	18	8	0	6	5	0	0
Poole	6	1	8	0	30	25	0	2
Bell	—	—	—	—	30	21	0	1

a Bowled one wide ball. *b* Bowled 3 no-balls.

BELGAUM.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Manson, c Davson, b Udal	27	l-b-w, b Ruck	1
Copleston, st. Hanson, b Udal	26	b Cooper	75
Boxwell, c Ruck, b Standage	0	c and b Standage	16
Howell, b Standage	3	c Udal, b Cooper	15
Poole, b Udal	0	l-b-w, b Cooper	17
Bell, b Udal	0	b Udal	0
Gordon, b Udal	0	b Harris	0
Aitchison, c and b Standage	2	b Udal	7
MacGregor, run out	7	b Cooper	10
La Coste, not out	15	b Harris	14
Thompson, st. Hanson, b Ruck	2	not out	16
Extras	25	Extras	27
Total	107	Total	196

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B.	R.	M.	W.
Harris	30	16	0	0	48	23	2	2
Rolland	30	10	2	0	—	—	—	—
Udal, *a*	60	30	8	5	84	48	2	2
Standage, *b*	54	25	2	3	22	15	6	1
Ruck, *c*	8	2	0	1	78	46	1	1
Davson	6	0	1	0	18	0	3	1
Jollie	—	—	—	—	24	18	1	0
Cooper	—	—	—	—	60	24	1	4

a Bowled one wide ball.
b Bowled two no-balls.
c Bowled one no-ball.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *v.* ESSEX REGT.—This match was concluded on the 25th ultimo and resulted in a win for the Gymkhana by 71 runs.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.—1st Innings.

Capt. Wall, c and b Cooper	51
Jayaram, c Amos, b Smith	128
Capt. Gunter, not out	28
Mr. Moore, l-b-w, b Cooper	10
Mr. Hanson, c Raymond, b Cooper	31
Mr. Harris, c Copeland, b Cooper	3
Mr. Ridpath, not out	9
Capt. Copeland, Mr Ruck, Mr. Rolland, Mr. Brown — did not bat	
Extras	44
* Total (for 5 wkts.)	304

*Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Amos	36	30	0	0
Howe	54	37	1	0
Raymond	30	20	0	0
Buttle	18	17	0	0
Smith	30	36	0	1
Harman	30	48	0	0
Cooper	18	34	1	4
Copeland	24	38	0	0

ESSEX REGIMENT.—1st Innings.

Mr. Harman, c Moore, b Ruck	14
Copeland, b Jayaram	34
Mr. Cooper, c Harris, b Ridpath	33
Mr. Raymond, b Rolland	21
Mr. Raleigh, b Ridpath	35
Amos, b Rolland	5
Mr. Strickland, b Jayaram	3
Mr. Hancock, l-b-w, b Copeland	17
Smith, c Rolland, b Jayaram	29
Buttle, c Copeland, b Ridpath	20
Howe, not out	3
Extras	9
Total	233

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Harris	36	19	1	0
Ruck	42	50	0	1
Copeland	48	46	0	1
Ridpath	68	40	0	3
Rolland	60	28	1	2
Jayaram	60	31	0	3

CRICKET CHAT.

E. H. D. SEWELL, the old Madras cricketer, has struck on a bad patch, his last ten innings having only realised 92 runs, 51 of which he made in one match. In his last three matches against Lancashire, Warwickshire and Middlesex he only managed to make 27 runs in six innings and as a consequence has been left out of the Essex team for the rest of the season, his name not appearing in the matches with Kent and Notts. E. B. T. Studd, the well-known Behar Wanderer, has played in three recent matches for the Harrow Wanderers scoring 8 and 0 against Preston, 5 and 46 against Manchester University, and 10 against Liverpool.

Major R. M. Poore, although he has been able to score consistently for Hampshire since he came into the team, is not the Poore of old and so far his highest score is 52. Against Surrey on 28th, 29th, and 30th July he made 32 and in the next match against Derbyshire had to be content with 27. G. L. Whatford, who played two fine innings against the Authentics in India, made his *début* for Sussex against Somerset, but had no innings owing to the game being abandoned In the next match against Gloucestershire he scored 8 and 13.

E. A. Leach, the Calcutta cricketer, playing for Wimbledon *v.* Streatham, made 39 top score for his side. Playing for Milton Park *v.* Incogniti he was dismissed for a blob. W. B. Baily, the Gurkha Brigade player, who was playing for Incogniti, met with no better success but bowled very finely, taking six wickets including Leach's. Playing for Incogniti against the 1st Army Corps he scored 0 and 10 and took four wickets. There were two other well-known Anglo-Indian players in the Incogniti team, Major C. E. G. Greenway who made 125 and 31, and H. C. King whose double contribution was, 3 and 10. In another match for Incogniti *v.* Chiswick Park Bailey scored 17 and Greenway 13 not out.

T. B. Nicholson playing for London County *v.* Norfolk scored 18 and 45, being responsible for exactly half the runs made from the bat in the second innings.

Captain P. Whetham, a well-known Northern India cricketer of the later nineties playing for Shoncliffe Garrison *v.* Hampstead scored 32 and stumped three batsmen and caught two.

S. L. Sassoon, a member of the well-known Bombay family of that name, playing for Tonbridge *v.* Hampstead, scored 4 and took two wickets.

Major Isaacke and Major Fleming playing for Hythe *v.* Hampstead scored 0 and 11 and 7 and 5 respectively. They each captured two wickets.

The poor display given by the Poona Gymkhana against the Bombay Hindus has been the chief topic of interest in Bombay Presidency cricket circles during the week. There can be no doubt that the Hindus are the strongest team in the Presidency, stronger in my opinion than a representaive Parsee team. Against the Hindus' total of 326 Poona could only respond with 171 and 69 and as Greig made 100 not out in the first innings it will be seen how completely the rest of the side failed against the bowling of Baloo who took 13 wickets in the match for 71 runs, eight in the second innings for 17 runs. So far as Poona were concerned it was Greig's match, as in addition to his century he captured eight wickets for 118 runs. Date (118 not out), and C. V. Mehta (90) carried off the batting honours for the Hindus whose two best batsmen, Telang and Bandu, only made 21 and 6 respectively.

Last week the Karachi Borahs had all the worst of a drawn game with the Gymkhanas who among others lacked the services of F. L. Sprott, Lucas, and Ussher. Captain G. D. Price, who is considered one of the best bats the Gymkhana have possessed for some years and O. M. Barnes were the principal contributors to the Gymkhana total of 120 with 28 and 29 respectively. G. B. Newton and O. M. Barnes as usual divided the bowling honours and are certainly the most useful pair of trundlers the Gymkhana has possessed since the days of Douglas and Cassels.

The Bombay Civil Service (Covenanted) will place a team in the field in September against the Poona Gymkhana, when it is hoped the following will don flannels : T. C. Crump, C. A. Kincaid, C. S. Campbell, J. E. C. Jukes, R. E. A. Elliott, F. C. S. Crofton, F. W. Allison, M. C. Gibb, J. Monteath, W. M. Hudson, J. Sladen, and G. H. Curtis.

H. Reynolds, the old Madras and Calcutta cricketer, arrived in Bombay last week to take over charge of the managership of the Commercial Bank. He has declined an invitation to play for the Presidency either at Bombay or Poona, and it is doubtful if he will even don flannels in any of the cold weather matches.

The game at Sukker, despite the over powering heat, continues to flourish, and on the 13th ultimo the N.-W. Railway strong in their possession of such players as W. R. Pearce and H. Littlewood took on the "World," but found the latter just a bit too strong for them. On paper, indeed, the "World" had rather a strong side, including R. E. Gibson, of the I. C. S., a young player who has created a very favourable impression as a batsman, V. H Wilson, the old Radleian and Lahore player, P. R. Cadell the Oxford Rugger Blue, who was also a good College cricketer, Captain H. A. Lane, and several good native players. Littlewood (29), Pearce (22), and Ryan (20) were all in evidence for the Railway, but seven of the side only obtained 13 runs between them. Gibson (29) and Lane (26 not out) were the chief scorers for the "World," for whom Cadell (12) and Master (12) also reached double figures. The best bowling performance in match was Pearce's six wickets for 37 runs for the Railway.

A game at Bangalore between the Gymkhana and the Mounted Infantry, which was won by the former by one wicket and 44 runs, was chiefly remarkable for a fine innings by Gould for the Mounted Infantry who going in second wicket down carried his bat out for 59 out of a total of 140—121 from the bat. Ladbrooke (21) was the only other batsman on the side who made more than 20. For the Gymkhana B. E. A. Manson (38), K Ridpath (34), Perrin (25), and F. L. Moore (26) were the principal scorers. H. J. H. Davson and Manson had the best bowling analysis for their respective sides.

The Royal Artillery cricketers stationed at Quetta who include A. G. Fleming, Thomas, Holdich, Tyler, and Radcliffe-Smith took on the Gymkhana in a game last week which they lost by 90 runs. The Gymkhana team although not the best side that could be placed in the field in the absence of Captain M. D. Wood, R. H. Montgomery, B. F. Vernon-Harcourt, W. R. Pearce, and Captain G. H. Stevenson, was strong enough in batting to make the performance of the R. A. Bowlers in disposing of their opponents for 173 a distinctly good one. Besides J H. Curtis, Captain L. M. R Deas, Captain V. G. Sarel, Captain H. A. Lane and F. M. Beaty, the Gymkhana XI included Captain F. M. McConaghey and who, during the earlier part of the Naini Tal season, had been scoring freely, R. H. H. Manners, a player who gave a good account of himself in Bombay cricket last season, and P. B. Sanderson a player who was making his *début* in Quetta matches. Sergeant Garne, for the R. A. met with great success in the early part of the Gymkhana innings, disposing of Curtis, Lane, McConaghey, and Deas and Fleming bowling Manners five wickets were down for 33 runs All the batsmen who came after scored well, however, and F. Beaty (27), Sarel (31), D'Arcy Marriott (21), Sanderson (17) and "Mr." Extras (37) were responsible for 136 of the total between them. The R. A. innings was only noteworthy for a fine display by Sergeant Garne, who made 45 out of the total of 83.

The return match between Bellary and Dhawar which was played at the former station on the 12th and 13th August was chiefly remarkable for the fine form shown by J. Monteath, the old Cliftonian, for Dharwar. On form this season he is the finest bat in the Bombay mofussil, and how he came to be passed over by the Presidency Selection Committee is more than I can ever guess at. Previous to this match he had made centuries in two other matches, besides other useful scores, often reaching the half century during the season. Against the Bellary bowlers who included F. De Hoghton, A. Mullins, and C. W. Watney, the old Sherbornian, he notched exactly a hundred in the first innings and 19 not out in the second. Two other Dharwar batsmen, also members of the I. C. S., played useful innnings *viz.*, L. C. Crump, Sessions Judge, who made 30, and M. C. Gibb, the Collector, who contributed 43. F. De Hoghton, who bowled very well for Bellary and is undoubtedly the best trundler the station has possessed for some years, captured eight wickets in the match (five in the first innings and three out of the four that fell in the second) for a trifle over 10 runs apiece. Captain Matthews whose batting during the season with that of C. W. Watney's and Captain Ainslie's and P. Mitford's has been the mainstay of the Bellary team, played two good innings of 40 and 32 not out, while Watney with 21 and 40, and P. Mitford (39 and 12) and Sergeant Weston (15 not out and 52) were also in evidence. Ainslie and De Hoghton had to bustle for spectacles in the second innings, and each made one run before being bowled by Samuel. The match ended in an even draw.

A combined Nagpur and Kamptee XI played a Police XI last week and had to admit defeat by four wickets. The all-round cricket of Mayberry and Fagan was largely responsible for the victory, the first named scoring 45 and 4 and capturing six wickets in the second innings of the combined team and the latter making 26 not out (top score) in the second innings and obtaining six wickets. Goodfrey (46 and 7) and Cleveland (2 and 26) also batted well for the Police. Captain Goring Jones (5 and 34), Lieutenant A. F. Lunsden (34 and 10), and Lieutenant Farquharson (30 and 6) showed the best form for the combined team.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

RUGBY IN CALCUTTA.

CUSTOMS *vs.* UNITED SERVICES.—These teams met on the Customs ground, on the 24th ultimo. The rain just before the start made the turf very slippery and consequently the game was confined to the forwards. The home team were in good form and had the best of it. For the Services Moberly and Gardiner, Szczepanski and Lazzada were conspicuous, the last named getting over with the only try, Szczepanski adding the extra points. The Customs scored in the first half, but the place kick failed On crossing over, however, they had it nearly all their own way and Vears, Rowe, and Adams got over with tries, two of which were converted by Anderson. The home team thus won by 16 points to 5.

CITY *vs.* KING'S OWN.—The Calcutta ground was the venue of this match on the 25th ultimo, when the King's Own beat their opponents by two goals and two tries to a goal. The City did not give a very creditable display, but worked hard, Williams, Street, and Oakley, showing up. In the first-half Basnett scored for the King's Own, Scully adding the major points. This was the only scoring before the interval. On changing ends Williams crossed the line and taking the place was successful. Then the Fort team got going, Lieutenants Scott, Ray, Baker, and Marshall and Privates Basnett and Scully being much to the fore. Scully got over after a good bit of passing, but no goal resulted. Marshall next crossed the City line and Scully converted. Just before time they went away with another fine piece of passing and Waite scored. The place failed, the King's Own won as stated.

CALCUTTA *vs.* ARMENIAN OLD BOYS.—On the Calcutta ground last Tuesday the home team beat the Armenians by a try to *nil* after a good game. The sides were anything but representative, but a very even and well contested game was witnessed. The first half closed without score, though Ismay, Hemmingway and Macdonald nearly got over on several occasions. In the second moiety, however, Hemmingway scored a try but no goal resulted and the Armenians failing to get over Calcutta won as stated.

CALCUTTA RUGBY LEAGUE.

CALCUTTA *vs.* CITY.—These teams met on the Calcutta ground on the 27th ultimo, when the home team won by a goal and three tries (14 points) to *nil*. Calcutta started the game and taking the ball down had the best of a series of scrums in the visitors' territory, Cumberledge eventually got possession, and transferring to Ismay, the latter got over with a try. The place failed but the play which followed was in favour of the homesters, and Ismay once more getting the leather ran in with another try. Martelli added the extra points. On resuming the City showed up for a while, but the Calcutta three-quarters once more got the ball, and a good run by Barnes, Martelli, and Siddons resulted in the last named scoring. The place fell short, but soon after Martelli rushed through and got over with the ball, no try was awarded however, and play ruled even till the interval. In the second-half the visitors showed improved form and the game was well contested. From a scrum in the City twenty-five Kerr got in but no goal resulted Calcutta winning as stated.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THREE games were decided on the Rugby League last week. The Calcutta Football Club beat the City and thereby placed two more points to their credit which makes them level with the King's Own for the time being, who have also won their first two games by their victory over the unlucky City and by the West Ridings, scratching their engagement of Saturday. Calcutta, are likely to be at the head of affairs when the League closes, with, perhaps, the Fort team as their nearest attendants The West Ridings, to all intents and purposes, are out of the running as they find it difficult keeping all their engagements from distant Dum-Dum I suppose.

In the game against the King's Own almost up to the call of time it looked as if the Calcutta Football Club were going to make a draw of it. This was their poorest display up to date, and the forwards, who usually appear to advantage, played considerably below par. Of course it is only fair to state that substitutes had to be found for Cumberledge, MacLeod, Dunlop, and Graham who were unable to turn out, but this did not quite account for the indifferent display given forward.

The ground was nice and dry and the conditions were altogether favourable to passing and running and the game that should have been adopted was certainly not the forward dribbling one which was overdone.

Calcutta's chief strength lies in the line behind the scrum and they would have scored much sooner if the pack had heeled out more often, though to give them their due they were better than their opponents in that respect. Kerr who does sound business the whole while, Vick, Curtis Hayward, Berridge, and Heilgers worked hard and did many good things individually ; the last named is probably the best of the bunch, but spoils his brilliant forward game by kicking too hard ahead and losing the ball when dribbling.

If Cooper, junior, made more use of his weight he would make an extremely useful front ranker ; his brilliancy in the open was quite neutralised by the fact that he was almost a "passenger" when it came to real hard work in the tight packs.

Macdonald was great at half and once emulated Cumberledge's example rushing through the scrum on his own and scoring as that player did in the game against the Ridings. Morley, the other half, did not appear at all at ease and played in nervous fashion. He passed too far back and without looking where the leather was going ; but for these faults he would have done well as he is fast and quick on the ball.

The three quarter line was as compact as ever ; Ismay made some tricky runs, but had a slight inclination to pass forward.

Martelli's play was chiefly noticeable for its fine long punting which is in the most approved style ; Siddons is a prolific scorer, but I fear is slipping into the bad habit of sticking to the ball too long. Barnes did very well and is likely to do so as long as his side is attacking : he ran strongly and kicked excellently. It is evidently the intention of the powers that be in the club to keep Grayburn where he is at back. Up to now he has certainly been found worthy of the trust reposed in him and has usually done the right thing at the right moment : but then his capabilities have not really been put to a severe test, as the men in front of

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him have not allowed much to pass them and up to now his post has almost been a sinecure.

On Tuesday I noticed a certain hesitancy in his kicking. He is a fearless tackler, but I doubt if his speed and kicking are up to the requirements of a full-back and I still say that there is only one man for that position and this is Dick.

City F. C. have fallen from their high estate. They gave fair promise at the opening of the season of training on into a fine team, but have hopelessly disappointed their supporters and now can only be counted as quite a second rate local combination.

The majority of the players lack experience and thorough knowledge of the game and there are only a few men on the side who seem to know what they are about.

On the Calcutta ground last Thursday they succumbed to the soldiers in the Fort thereby losing their first League match.

On Saturday the premier club met the City in the League Competition and added two more points to their record. The game, though one sided, was fast, and some splendid bouts of passing were indulged in by the winner's three-quarters, who profited a good deal by their opponents' mistakes. The city defence have not yet learnt the golden rule of tackling hard and low. This remark does not, of course, apply to Williams, who is already a past master at this particular branch of the game. Ismay scored two splendid tries, the second one was obtained by his literally carving his way straight through the opposition which one and all endeavoured to collar their slippery customer by the neck.

The try ought never to have been scored, and the same can be said of the one which Siddons landed after eluding a back who went the wrong way about his business.

The King's Own won their first League game by defeating City very easily. Their victory was thoroughly deserved in every way. At the commencement of the game the King's Own were forced to act on the defensive, so hot was the pace set them by the City, who as in their game against Calcutta could not keep it up and after the first score by the King's Own had it all against them for the rest of the game.

The King's three quarters played very smartly and on this occasion passed with better judgment and the line as a whole worked extremely well together.

Basonett and White were conspicuous for the way they intercepted some of the City passes and on two occasions tries were scored in this way.

Lieutenant Marshall again played with dash and his partner also proved useful. The forwards led by Lieutenants Scott and Ray were all over the City men and heeled out very smartly.

There is one thing the King's Own must learn and that is to be very chary about parting with the ball in their own "25." In the game against Calcutta the score was one goal all up to nearly the end of the game, and it looked as if the soldiers were going to pull the match out of the fire till one of their threes injudiciously parted with the ball near his own touch line, whereupon a Calcutta man intercepted the pass and romped in with the easiest of tries.

The same thing happened again on Thursday, when Scully miskicked in dangerous locality thereby enabling Williams to score.

The Customs are to be congratulated on winning their first game at the expense of the Services, who, owing to the depletion of their ranks, are thinking of either not running a team this year, or throwing in their lot with another Club.

TOUCH.

BEHIND THE SCRUM.

THERE is certainly no space, and I trust no necessity, for me to begin and write the whole history, theory, and science of Rugby Football. I will presume that you have mastered the game up to a certain extent, and all I will try to do is simply to write down a few things which I have learned myself from experience.

Football is becoming such a complicated science now that by the time a man has learned the game he has lost the power to play it, and that must be my excuse for trying to teach you here what you would learn far better for yourselves on the football field.

It is both logical and convenient to start with training. When training one should either play or run every day, but be very careful not to overdo it. Do not play too long or run too hard; once you are fit very little will suffice to keep you right, and it is far better to be undertrained than overtrained. Training with regard to food is quite absurd. Light exercise every day and heaps of sleep at night is the ideal prescription for those who can afford to take it. When training, punting into touch should be carefully practised. I should advise some twenty kicks with each foot every day, taking great care not to "press;" accuracy is far better than length. If you do not fall into the temptation to try for huge kicks you will develop into a most consistent and useful punter with either foot.

Passing should be practised by the halves and three-quarters starting close together, about four yards apart, with the line inclined rather more towards the goal line than the touch line. I believe the system of going through and not round the defence is the best, for an elementary knowledge of geometry will allow a wing three-quarter to stand in a position to cut off the opposing wing who tries to run round him. By our method of arranging three-quarters it is easy for the three-quarter nearest the scrummage, after receiving the ball and passing it on to his centre, to cross right over and act as a wing on the far side of the field. If every one runs straight this is comparatively simple, and it is terribly deadly. All this has to be carefully rehearsed before. Only the power to practise daily together allows of the possibility of real back play. Passing should be done low and sharp, and well in front of the receiver, so that he must go at full speed to take the ball. Besides this practice, the halves should practise by themselves passing out from the scrum. It is really best for the same half always to take the base of the scrum, and the other always to stand back and hand on to his three-quarters With practice it is simply wonderful how quickly this can be done, and quickness is all-important. The half standing back should either pass immediately or not till he has broken right through. To try and draw men and then pass is for him a mistake. If he gets through he should find his three-quarters ready, and if they are all on one side of him (as they generally will be) his fellow-half should be on the other, so that he has a choice of sides to pass to. The half at the base of the scrum must learn to pick up and pass in one motion. A second's unnecessary delay robs his three-quarters of most of their opportunities. Quickness here is really more important than accuracy. An occasional bad pass is not so harmful as constant, though slight, slowness.

Now the ball has got to the three-quarters, and we must consider the nature of our attack. It is often useful to start by trying to crash through. The wing three-quarter, on getting the ball from his half, should rush between two of the opposing three-quarters. Do not hesitate or pass; go straight and hard. You may get through; most probably you will not. Try once again. Twice is usually enough? Then you observe your opponents' backs bunching in near the scrum to make certain you will not get through. This is your opportunity. Throw out your three-quarters right across the field, pass the ball like lightning to the far wing (each three-quarter passing immediately he gets the ball), and he has an easy try. If pressing on your opponents' line, it is sometimes useful to take out a heavy forward, pass him the ball, and let him crash head down for the line. If he can only get under way he is a horrid awkward animal to stop in five yards. It is a common enough dodge for the half to run round the touch side of a scrum, draw the opposing wing three-quarter, and then hand on to his own; or the half at the base of the scrum may throw out to the wing three-quarter near touch, instead of passing into the centre to his fellow-half. This is specially effective when pressing. I have explained before how a wing may, after passing, cross over and act with deadly effect on the far side of the field. I have seen lots of tries scored by this method, but it is no good unless you have a sound and well trained three-quarter line, who above all have mastered the fact that they must run straight. The pass back from the wing to his centre is becoming very popular now, and there is no doubt it is pretty and sometimes effective, but as a principle I am against it. As a rule, I believe it pays best for a wing to go his quickest and not to think of passing. If he watches his centre he impairs his speed. If he be hopelessly hemmed in, he should punt into the centre and put his men on side by running down the touch line.

Very few players realise the infinite possibilities of judicious punting. With daily practice you should be able to land the ball off a short kick exactly where you please. If you can only gain and use this power, you will provide your side and yourself with heaps of chances, and be amply repaid for any trouble you may have spent in practice. There is a very neat drop goal that is sometimes useful. Make one of your centre three-quarters learn to drop goals from straight in front with comparative certainty. When you are pressing near goal, make him stand behind the half standing back. The half at the base of the scrum throws the ball out, not to his fellow-half, but right behind him to the three-quarter. The half who was standing back rushes forward, as he would do were he receiving the pass, and so distracts the attention of his opponents, and allows the three-quarter plenty time to drop his goal.

A wing three-quarter may often get round a man by judiciously varying his pace. I often wonder why more centre three-quarters, who run up to a man and then pass to their wing, do not realise that their opponent far too frequently has time to tackle the wing. It is usually not very difficult to make a centre pass and then catch his wing, and this surely should not be. The remedy is quite simple, and we find it from watching Arthur Gould, Gwyn Nicolls, or E. M Baker, but no one else I have seen. The centre when he runs up to the man should turn so as to pass him on the far side from his wing; his opponent turns too, and then the pass is given rather over the shoulder of the giver, and the wing, even though he be slow, has time to get away. If a wing be fast of course the ordinary pass is usually enough, but there are many occasions when, for instance, a slow forward might score if the back were properly drawn away from him. Centre three-quarters should under nearly all conditions keep their places. They are the back bone of the defence. It is too dangerous for them to leave their places and open a gap for the opposition. The wing three-quarter should, I am quite sure, not be, as it were, fastened to a touch line as some people seem to imagine. He must rove; in defence a wing does much of his tackling by crossing to the far side of the field when the ball is being passed by the opposing three-quarters and getting their wing. Any one who has seen Tom Scott play must have observed this brought to very near perfection. If a wing under these conditions is not across the field to help the defence he is out of his place. The point of danger is the place for which he should make. To remain on his own side of the field and only do the work providence and a kind centre sends him is not playing the game. He must be always ready to take a pass from his centre, and so should not wander so much when his side are attacking. Once the ball is out of the scrum a smart wing should see where he is most needed, and when he can safely leave his post and go and help. To see a wing stand and shiver because he gets no passes, while his centres are working like Trojans in defence, is one of the surest proofs of incompetency. Truly it is sad to see a wing being looked on as a mere sprinter, allowed occasionally to score, and kept entirely for that purpose; there is always heaps of work and only too few men to do it, why not let him try to help?—wing three-quarters have sometimes brains, and can sometimes think like other people.

There is a class of three-quarters who seem to think it a matter of indifference which line they cross, and make for the touch line as the longer and easier to reach with unfailing regularity. Some of them, I fancy, regard it as a sort of haven of refuge. Backs must learn to go straight, to run across is only wasting time and space; you crowd your men into touch and allow your opponents time to get ready their defence. You should always watch when it is your touch and see whether it is worth while to bounce the ball out yourself; this is often of immense service. Stand with both feet in touch, bounce the ball out and catch it with both feet out of touch. It is a little difficult to do at first; perhaps it is easier to run in a semi-circle out from touch and catch the ball again facing your opponents' goal, then you can start off at once.

The defence of a back division is just as important as its attack, but there are much fewer important hints to write about it, for a defence simply watches the opponents' attack and prepares to meet it. There is not the same opportunity for originality, nor the same necessity for change. When the opposing forwards get the ball in the scrum, the defending three-quarters should immediately come up to a line with the scrum as nearly offside as possible. The two halves should take the half at the base of the scrum, the wing three quarter the half standing back and so on; the halves and wing crossing over, after making their men pass, to help on the far side of the field. If your centres can only get among the opposing three-quarters before the ball is right across, you gain ground every time your opponents heel. It is sometimes useful for your centre not to look at the ball, but simply to jump off his mark, as it were, when the wing gives the signal that the ball is out. When charging down a kick it is absurd to charge straight at the man; you should charge about two feet outside his right foot, unless of course he be left-footed.

In the past the all-important question in Rugby football was to prevent the other side scoring; now we have learned to place more importance on scoring ourselves. And the duties and qualifications of a full-back have changed with the style of play. Formerly if a back was a safe tackle and a good kick he was considered to be fully fitted for his position; now we are learning and our teachers hail from Wales, that a back can be a most aggressive person, and we are constantly being shown how he can win matches for his side instead of only saving a defeat. There is quite a prejudice against Welsh full-back play out of Wales. It is unsound, not safe, too risky, so the critics say. I suppose they will learn in time that the man who regularly kicks into touch whenever and wherever he gets the ball is not a football player.

The first duty of a back is to learn to kick with both feet and to know when and how to tackle. Tackling is an art that can only be learned by experience. There are so many different ways of tackling that it is impossible to lay down any rule about it; usually, however, the best places is the hips. If you go at a man there hard, you not only bring him down, but stand a very good chance of spoiling any attempt he may make at passing. A back's kicking should not be always into touch; if there be any strength of wind behind him, he should only very seldom find touch. He must learn to land his kicks where they are of most use to his side. Above all he should run often. He is fresh, and should use his freshness to tire out his opponents. As Arthur Gould showed the football world how to play three-quarter, a full-back will some day come and teach us how a back should play, how his position is infinitely the best for attack as well as defence. He has boundless opportunities for originality. There has never yet been a full-back who could use them adequately.

A full-back along with all the players behind the scrum, should learn and cultivate the art of nursing fowards. I am quite sure this is far too much neglected. It is impossible for forwards to go hard the whole time against anything of an opposition at all. If the backs do not give them opportunities for rest, they will take their rest without the opportunity, and so are matches lost. When you see your forwards tiring, getting a bit done up and inclined to easy, then give them a rest; let them heel at once and let the halves punt well into touch, take the line out with the almost invitable consequence, a scrum heel again and punt for touch; after you do this once or twice, you will find the fire and dash is out of the opposition, and your refreshed forwards can meet them on equal terms again. All forward sides need nursing occasionally. They do not know it; you will never get their gratitude. An ordinary forward is an unthiking animal who shoves.

You must remember always that what you are playing against is not a machine, but a team of men with like passion to yourselves. If you can only work on their feelings, tire them when they look tired, depress them if they show signs of losing heart, you have grasped a very important item in the theory of Rugby football. There is always some plan which should be adopted, some policy that would command success. A team are not really together until they understand their captain's wishes as if by instinct, and learn to obey him. It is far better for a team to adopt the wrong policy consistently unitedly than to fly off into the hopeless confusion of a mixture of methods.

The usual plans of a captain consist in the commands "let it out" or "keep it tight.' To do either of these consistently without thought is wrong. Your opponents know what you are trying to do and that knowledge is a useful asset for them. You must watch and plan. Think all the time and think quickly. If you are good behind you should certainly heel a lot, and do not have any hard scrums until you have made the opposing forwards chase your backs all over the field; then is your forward's chance; make your effort forwards; if you cannot hold them nothing is lost save a yard or two, use your backs again, but if you do beat them, shove them, rush them, they will almost certainly lose heart. Your backs have been running all over the field, your forwards now carry the scrums your opposition crumples up, and the rest is not football. Remember when playing against a strong forward side who trust in their forward and keep it consistently tight, your opportunity is bound to come. There is always a sort of fatal five minutes during which your forwards get possession and heel; then is your chance. This time often comes early in the second half. It comes suddenly but none the less surely. If your forwards will only stick to it and not be routed you can promise them a score in due time. If you are stronger forward you must be careful not to make your forwards do too much; give them intervals during which you let them rest. Do not be too frightened to let your three quarters try a passing run occasionally; they will never learn unless you let them try, and anything they do always gives the opposition some running about

I will conclude with the simple advice: Play to the whistle, and above all play the game. A half may put the ball into the scrum so that his forwards nearly always get it; any back may tackle a man when he knows he has passed or has kicked, or hold him when he knows he is dribbling, and do a thousand other little acts of unfairness, which no referee can stop, and which most unfortunately pay. This possibility of fraud is in one way a safeguard, for it means that Rugby football can never be played as it should be played by those who play it not for sport but for hire.—J. E. Crabbie, in *Edinburgh Academy Chronicle*.

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

The Guinea Cup.—The final round of this competition was played on Saturday, the 20th ultimo, between Major Thomson, R. A M, C., and Mr. F. M. Robinson. The latter won by four holes up and three to play as the result of good steady golf. The following are the full scores:—

First Round.

C. R. T. Balston (5) beat R. Meredith (6) by 3 and 2.
Major Thomson (4) beat C. E. Ross (5) by 4 and 2.
A. P. Symonds (3) beat O. J. Sykes (4) by 2 and 1.
J. M. Brown and F. M. Robinson tied. Then Brown was obliged to scratch.

Second Round.

Thomson beat Balston by 4 and 3.
Robinson beat Symonds by 3 and 2.

Final

Robinson beat Thomson by 4 and 3.

GOLF AT POONA.

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Gentlemen's Singles.—This competition by Medal play was decided at Yerrowda on the 22nd ultimo with the following result.—

Hon. B. D. Butler	79	- 5	=74
Rev. A. Cant	80	- 3	=77
Major Scudamore	89	-12	=77
Major Young	84	- 6	=78
Sir James Monteath	90	-10	=80
Mr. H. Bromley	92	-12	=80
Mr D. H. Davison	91	-10	=81
Major Anderson	82	Scr.	=82
Mr. N. V. Thew	87	- 5	=82
R. B. Stewart	92	-10	=82
Colonel Carter	87	- 4	=83
Mr. G. Byrne	89	- 5	=84
Mr. T. B. Fry	85	Scr	=85
Mr. Le Mesurier	97	-10	=87
Hon. Mr. J. L. Jenkins	96	-11	=87
Lieut-Col. M. Campbell	92	- 4	=88
Mr. W. L. Cameron	97	- 9	=88

Seven returns were not-sent in.

Ladies' Singles.—The following is the result of this competition by medal play for the Hon. Mr. E. M. Fulton's prize:—

Mrs. Forbes	64	-10	=54
Mrs Marshall	63	= 8	=55
Mrs. Anderson	57	+ 1	=58
Mrs. Stevens	72	-14	=58
Mrs. Bell	70	-11	=59
Miss Martin	71	-12	=59
Mrs. Bagshawe	79	-18	=61
Miss D. Forbes	80	-18	=62
Mrs. Young	75	-18	=62
Miss Anderson	70	- 7	=63
Mrs. French	81	-18	=63
Mrs. Davison	82	-18	=64
Mrs. Cadell	80	-11	=69
Mrs. Hallett	79	- 8	=71
Miss Heaton	80	- 9	=71
Miss Lee Harwood	93	-18	=75
Miss Raimes	106	-18	=88
Mrs. Raimes	120	-18	=102

Four players sent in no returns.

Mixed Foursomes.—The following is the result of the above competition played on the 24th ultimo:—

	Gross	Hdp.	Nett.
Miss Bromley and Mr Bromley	65	13	52
Mrs Bell and Major Anderson	59	5½	53½
Major and Mrs Young	65	11	54
Mrs French and Mr Fawcett	72	13	59
Miss Heaton and Mr Byrne	67	6½	60½
Miss Anderson and N. V. Thew.	67	6	61
Miss Fulton and Capt Kennedy	78	16	62
Mrs Marshall & Hon. B. Butler	67	3	64
Mrs Cadell and Col Stevens	71	7	64
Mrs Bagshawe and Mr Fry	73	9	64
Mrs Forbes and Col. Bell	73	6	67
Miss Martin and Mr. Kearsey	80	11	69

No returns from several others.

GOLF IN KARACHI.

Annual Gold Medal.—The competition for the Annual Gold Medals took place on the 18th and 19th August. The Men's Medal was won by Mr. J. Richardson. Results:—

Scores.

	1st round	2nd round	Total.
J. Richardson	49	51	100
T. B. Peterkin	55	51	106
C. Kennedy	51	57	108
H. B. Caw	51	59	110
D. Miller	55	56	111
J. M. Lang	56	55	112
J. I. Murray	52	60	112
J. McK. Davidson	57	56	113
E. H Leggatt	56	60	116
N. D. H. Fitzgerald	59	57	116
F. L. Sprott	61	59	120
Major A. K. Braid	60	69	129
Capt. M. M. Lowsley	60	70	130
J. W. P. Muir-Mackenzie	50	no return	
M. Maclean	59	do	
Major Cummings	no return	do	
T. Humphrey	do	do	
W. U. Nicholas	do	do	
A. E. Cumming	do	do	

Ladies' Gold Medal.—The Ladies' gold medal was played for on the 18th and 19th August with the following results:—

Mrs. McIver	57+53=110	tie
Mrs. Hodgert	58+52=110	
Miss McKenzie	59+54=113	
Mrs D. Miller	64+54=118	
Mrs. Percy Jones	63+56=119	

Results of tie played off on 22nd and 23rd August:—

Mrs. McIver	58+49=107
Mrs Hodgert	56+55=111

UPPER INDIA CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Championship week opened at Gulmarg on the 22nd ultimo with an open handicap, 36 holes medal play. Fifty competitors took part, but with the exception of Captain Davies the scores returned were poor. Captain Davies and Mr. Sangster tied for first place, but in the play off the former won by 1 stroke. score:—

Capt. C. Davies	170—8=162*
Mr. W. P. Sangster	194—32=162*
Major Rundle	194—26=166
Major Prendergast	216—48=168
Major Drake-Brockman	209—36=173
Major Hodson	210—36=174
Major Carruthers	183—8=175
Mr. L. Vanrenen	223—48=175
Capt. A. Panet	208—32=176
Capt. I. Hill	178—2=176
Capt Pennington	214—36=178
Major Colesworth	210—32=178
Capt. Buist	183—2=181
Mr. MacBrayne	203—22=181
Capt. J. Craik	218—36=182
Mr. Walker	198—16=182

and 34 others.

* Won by Captain Davies by 1 storke on playing off.

Lawn Tennis.

THE BANGALORE TOURNAMENT.

The following are the results in the above tournament:—

Ladies' Handicap Singles.

Miss Rice	(+15)	beat Mrs. Woodhouse 6—1; 6—2.	(scr)
Miss Saunders	(+15)	beat Miss C. Rice 4—6; 6—3; 6—2.	(+15)
Mrs. Eagles	(−½)	beat Miss S. Fullerton 8—6; 2—6; 6—3.	(−30)
Mrs. Robertson	(scr.)	beat Mrs. Firth 6—2; 7—5.	(+15)
Mrs Eagles	(−⅚)	beat Miss Rice 6—3; 6—1.	(+15)
Miss E. Cameron	(+15)	beat Miss Chinnery 6—2; 6—3.	(+15)
Miss Anderson	(−⅚)	beat Miss Saunders 6—2; 6—4.	(+15)

Semi-Finals.

Mrs. Eagles	(−⅚)	beat Mrs. Robertson 6—4; 6—3.	(scr.)
Miss Anderson	(−⅚)	beat Miss Cameron 2—6; 6—3; 6—2.	(+⅚)

Final.

Mrs. Eagles	(−⅚)	beat Miss Anderson 6—1; 6—1.	(−⅚)

Gentlemen's Handicap Singles.

Capt. W. Robertson	(+⅚)	beat Mr. Sydenham 6—4; 6—4.	(+⅚)
Mr. Graves	(+⅚)	beat Mr. Davson 6—4; 6—2.	(+⅚)
Capt. Parker	(−⅚)	beat Mr. Bridges 7—5; 6—2	(+⅚)
Capt. Scott-Elliott	(+⅚)	beat Mr. Vibart 4—6; 6—2; 6—1.	(−⅚)
Mr. Manson	(−⅚)	beat Mr. F. B. James 6—2; 6—3.	(Scr)
Mr. Sydenham	(+⅚)	beat Mr. Robertson 7—5; 6—4.	(+⅚)
Mr. Bell	(+⅚)	beat Mr. De Vas 6—3; 6—0.	(scr.)
Mr. Hanson	(+15)	beat Capt. Puckle 6—2; 6—3.	(+15)
Mr. Sydenham	(+⅚)	beat Mr. Bell 6—1; 8—6.	(+⅚)
Mr. Manson	(−⅚)	beat Mr. Clayton 6—4; 3—6; 6—3.	(scr.)
Capt. Copeland	(−30)	beat Mr. Rolland 6—2; 6—0.	(scr.)
Capt. Copeland	(−30)	beat Mr. T. Babington 6—3; 6—1.	(scr.)
Capt. Parker	(−⅚)	beat Capt. Scott-Elliot 6—5; 2—6; 6—5	(+⅚)
Mr. Moore (scr.)		beat Mr. Graves 6—2; 6—3.	(scr.)
Mr. Hanson	(+15)	beat Capt Parker 6—4; 4—6; 6—1.	(−⅚)
Mr. Hanson	(+15	beat Mr. Manson 6—2; 4—6; 6—2	(−⅚)
Capt. Copeland	(−30)	beat Mr. Moore 6—3; 6—8; 7—5.	(scr.)

Final.

Capt. Copeland	(−30)	beat Mr. Hanson 6—2; 6—2.	(+15)

Mixed Handicap Doubles.

Miss Stevenson / Mr. Hanson	(+⅚)	beat Miss C. Rice / Mr. De Vas 6—3; 4—6; 6—3.	(+⅚)
Mrs. Robertson / Capt. Parker	(−30)	beat Mrs. West / Mr. Hogg 6—3; 6—2.	(+15)
Mr. Rolland / Mrs. C. S. Rolland	(scr.)	beat Mrs. Eagles / Mr. T. M. Babington 10—8; 6—4.	(−30)
Miss Cameron / Mr. Ilius	(+⅚)	beat Miss Percy Smith / Mr. Pragnell (No score returned.)	(+⅚)
Miss Chinnery / Mr. Raymond	(+15)	beat Mrs. Tufnell / Mr. Sydenham 6—1; 6—2.	(−15)
Mrs. Hogg / Capt. Copeland	(−15)	beat Mrs. Smeeth / Capt. Robertson 6—0; 6—0.	(−15)
Mrs. Morris / Major Jollie	(−30)	beat Mrs. Woolhouse / Mr. Woolhouse 6—0; 6—1.	(−15)
Mrs Roe / Mr. Wilkieson	(−15)	beat Miss Saunders / Mr. Compton 6—2; 6—0.	(+⅚)
Miss Rice / Mr. Hancock	(+⅚)	beat Mrs. Firth / Capt. Firth 3—6; 6—0; 7—5.	(+⅚)
Mrs. Scott-Elliott / Capt. Scott-Elliott	(scr.)	beat Miss Kidd / Mr. West (No score returned)	(+15)
Mrs. Hogg / Capt. Copeland	(−15)	beat Mrs. Morris / Major Jollie 6—1; 6—1.	(−30)
Mrs. Robertson / Capt. Parker	(−30)	beat Miss Anderson / Capt. Standage (No score returned.)	(−30⅚)
Mrs. Rolland / Mr. Rolland	(scr.)	beat Miss Cameron / Mrs. Ilius 6—3; 12—10.	(+⅚)
Miss Rice / Mr. Hancock	(+⅚)	beat Mrs. Cowie / Capt. Morris 6—3; 5—6; 6—4.	(−15)
Miss Chinnery / Mr. Raymond	(+15)	beat Mrs Scott-Elliott (scr.) / Capt. Scott-Elliott 6—5; 6—3.	
Mrs. Rolland / Mr. Rolland	(scr.)	beat Miss Rice / Mr. Hancock 6—8; 6—3; 6—2.	(+⅚)
Mrs. Rolland / Mr. Rolland	(scr.)	beat Miss Chinnery / Mr. Raymond 10—8; 6—2.	(+15)
Miss. Anderson / Capt. Standage	(−30⅚)	beat Mrs. Robertson / Capt. Parker 1—6; 7—5; 6—3.	(−30)

Final.

(Results not yet received).

Gentlemen's Doubles Handicap.

Mr. Vibart / Capt. Parker	(−15)	beat Major Marsh / Capt. Puckle 6—3; 6—3.	(+⅚)
Capt. Morris / Capt. Nethersole	(−⅚)	beat Mr. Hanson / Mr. Prescott 6—1; 6—1.	(+⅚)
Mr. Graves / Mr. Bushel	(scr.)	beat Mr. De Vas / Mr. Brown 6—2; 6—2.	(scr.)
Mr. Bridges / Mr. Bell	(+⅚)	beat Capt. Firth / Rev. Lowsley 7—5; 6 - 3.	(+⅚)
Mr. Ilius / Mr. Breithaupt	(+15)	beat Mr. Davson / Mr. Hildebrand 6—1; 6—4	(+⅚)
Mr Moore / Capt. Standage	(−⅚)	beat Mr. Sydenham / Mr. Moss-King 6—1; 6—4.	(−⅚)
Mr. Rolland / Mr. T. Babington	(scr)	beat Mr. Graves / Mr. Bushell 6—4; 6—1.	(scr.)
Major Jollie / Capt. Copeland	(−30)	beat Mr. Mackie / Mr. Watson 6—0; 6—3.	(+15)
Mr. Moore / Capt. Standage	(−⅚)	beat Mr. Manson / Capt. Scott-Elliott 6—4; 7—5.	(scr.)
Mr. Bridges / Mr. Bell	(+⅚)	beat Mr. Gibbs / Mr. Morton 6—0; 6—1.	(+15)
Capt. Copeland / Major Jollie	(−30)	beat Mr. Rolland / Mr. Babington 6—0; 6—4.	(scr.)
Capt. Copeland / Major Jollie	(−30)	beat Mr. Bridges / Mr. Bell 6—1; 6—2.	(+⅚)

Final.

Mr. Moore / Capt. Standage	(−⅚)	beat Major Jollie / Capt. Copeland 5—7; 6—3; 6—2; 6—3.	(−30)

Ladies' Handicap Doubles.

Mrs. Eagles / Mrs. Abraham	(+15)	beat Mrs. Robertson / Miss Kidd 6—0; 6—1.	(+15)
Mrs. Firth / Miss Saunders	(+15⅚)	beat Miss Cameron / Miss E. Cameron (No score returned)	(+15)
Mrs. Morris / Miss Powers	(+15)	beat Mrs. Tufnell / Miss Anderson 10—8; 7—5.	(+⅚)
Miss Rice / Miss C. Rice	(+15⅚)	beat Mrs Scott-Elliott / Mrs. Roe 6—4; 6—0.	(+⅚)
Miss Fullerton / Miss S. Fullerton	(−15)	beat Mrs Lowsley / Mrs. West 6—1; 6—2.	(+15)
Mrs. Firth / Miss Saunders	(+15⅚)	beat Miss Cameron / Miss E. Cameron 6—2; 6—4.	(+15)
Mrs. Eagles / Mrs. Abraham	(+15)	beat Miss Rice / Miss C. Rice 8—6; 5—7; 6—1.	(+15⅚)
Mrs. Eagles / Mrs. Abraham	(+15)	beat Miss Rice / Miss C. Rice 6—4; 5—7; 6—3.	(+15⅚)

This match was a re-play owing to wrong handicap points having been played.

Final.

Mrs. Eagles / Mrs. Abraham	(+15)	beat Mrs. Firth / Miss Saunders 6—2; 6—3.	(+15⅚)

A little girl of three was allowed to see her dead uncle in his coffin. "Mamma," she asked pensively next morning, with earnest eyes fixed on the blue expanse above her, "do you think God has had time yet to unpack Uncle Edward?"

A little lady had made friends with the groom, and, to her mother's distress, learned some very forcible expressions. The perplexed parent confided her trouble to the vicar, who chanced to be calling. The old gentleman took the tiny maiden on his knee. "My dear do you know a little birdie has whispered to me that sometimes you say very naughty words?" "Oh, I know," said the offender, gaily, "it must be one of those damned sparrows."

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Sports.

BEHAR GOSSIP.

THE miserable weather of August makes a meet in that month extremely uncertain as to its success or failure; but as it is the only time that the busy planters can spare from their *mehai* to attend parades during the manufacturing season; Mozufferpore, the headquarters station of the Behar Light Horse, has parades year after year in that month, and as it is a relief from the monotony of the usual routine of factory life, it is as a rule well attended by the members of "A" (Mozufferpore) troop.

This year the Parade Meet, which took place in Mozufferpore in the middle of August, could hardly be called a success though it was in no way a failure, the weather to begin with, made a dead set against most of the amusements got up by the Committee, for when it was not raining, it was hot and steamy, and the life was knocked out of the meet from the beginning; for on the night of the 10th instant (the evening before the meet commenced), Mozufferpore had a record fall of rain, over 13 inches falling in little over six hours, and this literally cast a damper over things.

I have no intention of going into the details of the meet, but will merely describe what took place in the two days of Mozufferpore hot weather gaiety.

On the 11th, there were parades at Secundrapore, under the command of Captain J. A. Wilson, and Lieutenant R Summers, after which there was a regatta on the lake.

In the evening there was a dance at the Club, and though it was very hot, those that turned up said it was a success.

The next day there were more parades, and in the afternoon a Gymkhana at Secundrapore, but as continual rain fell, it proved a failure, though thanks to Mrs. Bentinck, the Collector's wife, those that went down there were able to get shelter and refreshments, in the cosy little tent she had put up for the occasion, and her excellent cakes and tea were thoroughly appreciated by everybody who turned up.

A concert got up by Captain Stevens at the Club in the evening wound up the meet, and the next day most of the visitors left the station for their factories.

I think I should more fully describe the regatta on the first day, as it is only once a year that such an event takes place in the district, and though the men of Behar may not be first class yachtsmen, their keenness does them the greatest credit.

The following boats were entered for the race :—

Mr. Bentinck's yacht sailed by Messrs. Bentinck and J. Wilson; Mr. Ross's *White Lady* sailed by its owner; Mr. Chapman's *From From* sailed by Mr Mackenzie; Mr. Brown's *Mary Ann* sailed by Messrs. Brown and Carey; Mr. Barclay's *Motipore* sailed by Mr. Holthom. After a great display of seamanship the boats sailed over the line or rather four of them did, as the fifth, the Motipore boat, had its mast carried away by a sudden puff of wind. The serviceable old bamboo that had acted in that capacity for years suddenly snapped in half like a carrot, bringing the sail and everything down with a run, and leaving its crew to slowly paddle it back to the shore.

Mr. Bentinck's yacht was just astern of the Motipore boat, when the accident happened, and in clearing out of the way, he lost a lot of ground or, to be correct, water, which he never regained, and only finished third in the race.

The *White Lady* got away well in front, and led all round the course, winning, if I may be allowed to it say, in a canter.

The *Mary Ann* who had also succeeded in getting off well in front, slowly and carefully went round the buoys and finished second, while the *From From* strained her mast and had to drop out of the race, leaving Mr Mackenzie to row nearly half a mile back to the Club.

The *White Lady* was by far the fastest boat in the race, she being like the *Motipore* boat, and the *From From*, Una rig, drawing very little water, and balanced by a centre board.

Mr. Bentinck's boat was yacht rigged, and would do very well in a stiff breeze, but with the light breezes they had on the day of the regatta, she was unable to show what she could do.

The *Mary Ann* was a heavy old tub, and took a good deal of ballast as I saw her crew load her up with a cart load of bricks and a couple of press screws and as she still seemed top heavy they put all the club weights on board of her.

I saw this same boat in a Regatta in the lake at Mozufferpore some years ago; with a crew of some eight indigo planters on her. After drifting side ways for some time, she floated into the middle of the lake, where she remained like a "painted ship upon a painted ocean" and as she showed an inclination to turn over at the slightest breeze, I have no doubt her crew preferred the position she was in—more so as they could see their friends drinking pegs in the cool veranda of the Club. I don't know how things ended or how they got ashore again as I had to go back to breakfast; but I have no doubt they thoroughly agreed that a man's a fool to go to sea; any way in their case. I have never seen them show any great anxiety to join any of the regattas since.

The Ganges being high, pigsticking on the *dearas* is a thing of the past and the wily boar has been having it all his own way. A short time ago a woman was killed by a pig, not far from Mhow factory; but the pig that killed two men near Bheerie on the *dearas* last week, deserves a full account to himself, as he showed such mad fury in attacking the unfortunate natives that came in his path.

It appears he charged down on the first man, ripping him open in the groin (the man afterwards dying); he then attacked a second man who tried to defend himself with a *kodalie*. He got this man down and lay across him like a dog, with his tusks deeply buried in his body. The villagers rushed out to the rescue and killed the pig, with his tusks still buried in the man's body, a terrible picture of mad, savage fury, and hard to realize, except by one that has had experience of the ways of the Indian wild boar.

Mozufferpore had a Billiard Tournament a short time ago almost every man in the station entered for it; it was eventually won by Mr. Vincent, who beat Mr. H. Crowdy in the finals. The former was +35, and the later—15 and the game was for 125.

The whole of Mozufferpore play golf and the links are crowded every evening, it having quite taken the place of tennis and everything else, except polo.

The whole of the Golf course is now being improved, several new greens made and bunkers put up by Mr. Chapman, who is keenness itself on the game.

Mr. Marsham and Mr. Finch were out after pig a month ago not far from Mollepore Factory.

A fine boar was put up, and after giving a good deal of trouble to the beaters, he eventually broke cover, but again took refuge in another piece of grass. Mr. Marsham was on foot directing the beaters, while near him was his syce holding his horse, and his spear. After beating the grass for some time Mr. Marsham came to the conclusion that the boar had left the grass, and he walked across to where Mr. Finch was sitting on his pony. Suddenly the pig charged out of the grass, straight at Mr. Marsham, who ran for his horse, while Mr Finch putting out his spear as the pig passed him, killed it on the spot.

It turned out to be a fine boar, measuring 33 inches, with tusks that measured 8 inches.

The above is only another instance of the extraordinary amount of luck there is out pigsticking, while the following proves that it isn't always the best man that gets the pig.

Many years ago in the south of Tirhoot a large party of planters were out pigsticking, luck had been dead out, when suddenly a young pig broke cover, pursued by all except one man who I will call A. As A. sat on his horse, watching his friends rapidly disappearing he suddenly became aware that an enormous boar was charging down on him from the grass. Now A. was not overkeen on pigsticking, though he was a good sportsman, and as there was no question of his pluck, he would have faced the pig, but his horse had different ideas as he took the bit in his mouth and bolted with the pig after him. Away they both went, the pig rapidly gaining; suddenly A. jabbed back with his spear, which entering the pig's eye and brain killed it on the spot.

One can imagine the disgust and surprise of the rest of the party on their return to find that A had killed one of the biggest pigs that had been killed in those parts, while they had been wasting their energies after a little beggar not worth sticking.

Mr. Sam MacCall has settled down in Mozufferpore, and his stables are well worth a visit, as he has a string of very useful looking waler ponies, which all measure well under polo height. Some of them have only been landed about ten days, though one would never suspect from their appearance that this was the case.

Mozufferpore played Champaran on the 21st instant at Golf which resulted in an easy win, for Mozufferpore. The following were the players :—

Mozufferpore		*Champaran*
Mr. Goffray Faussett, D. S. P.	beat	Mr. Pereria
Mr. Mackenzie, I.C.S.	beat	Mr. Hodge
Mr. Chapman, I.C.S.	beat	Mr R Hudson.
Mr. Young	beat	Mr. Emison, I.C.S.
Mr. Crowdy beaten by		Mr. Gordon, I.C.S.
Captain MacMullen beaten by		Mr. Lee, I.C.S.

There is some talk of having the Camp-of-Exercise in X'mas week, instead of as usual in January. This is a sign of the times, as so many factories now in Behar work sugar, in conjunction with indigo, and January being the busy time for those working sugar, it would mean that a large percentage of the members of the Behar Light Horse would be unable to attend the camp unless the Camp-of-Exercise was held at X'mas.

J. W.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

Master: "What is meant by the 'Odour of Sanctity'?" Boy: "Please, sir, a *high* Priest!"

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

Friday, 26th August, 1904.

Judge :—Mr. G. O. Rushton.

PLUNGE HANDICAP.—This competition was held at the baths this afternoon when seven of the eight entries competed. Best of two plunges to count. Results:—

BEST PLUNGE.

	Ft.	In.	Hcp.	Ft.	In.
L. De Bretton ...	51	10	+ scr.	= 51	10
H. G. Remfry ...	44	11	+ 3ft.	= 47	11
W. Govan ...	46	4	+ 1ft.	= 47	4
K. M. Kennedy ...	39	3	+ 6ft.	= 45	3
A. Siddons ...	35	5	+ 8ft.	= 43	5
W. J. S. Willson ...	36	4	+ 4ft.	= 40	4
L. Prike ...	32	4	+ 8ft.	= 40	4

The Naturalist.

AN ORNITHOLOGICAL TRIP IN THE HIMALAYAS.

WE left Darjeeling on the 23rd September 1902, and reached Jor Pokry Bungalow at 3 P.M. in a regular deluge of rain which continued all night. The next morning being fine we left for Tongloo about 13 miles away at 6 A.M. a short way from the Jor Pokry Bungalow. We came across a large flock of the Speckled Wood Pigeon (Alsocomus Hodgsoni) and after some trouble shot three. At the bottom of the hill, near the source of the little Rungeet the dogs put up some pheasants (Gallophasis Melanotus) one fine cock in perfect plumage was bagged. Walking slowly up the Tongloo hill from the source of the little Rungneet river I shot a male Pericrocotus brevirostris—two males and one female Hypsipetes psaroides, one male Myiomela leucura, one Larvivora Cyana—one male and one female Brachypteryx Hyperythra in the thick bamboo jungle one female Pnoepyga Squamata. Two males Castanco coronata. After reaching the Tongloo Bungalow, and a little rest, I took the Saloon Rifle with some shot cartridges, and went across the boundary on the Nepal side, amongst some Rhododendron trees, I got the following birds: one male Reguloides erochra, one female Abroris schisticeps, one female Enicurus, Imaculatus; one male one female Cutia Nipalensis, one male Leithrix argenlauris, one male and one female Siva strigula, one male Proparus vinipectus.

I left my skinner with the birds shot during the trip up to Tongloo. On my return I found he had, with the help of a coolie, very nearly finished skinning all, so having made over those shot in the evening and after a good wash and dinner we sat in in the verandah till a late hour smoking.

The next morning finding that all the birds had not been skinned I set to work with the skinner and coolie and we finished all in about two hours. We left Tongloo on the 25th, having sent on the tent to be pitched midway between Tongloo and Sundukpho. On the way we got one male Ixulus striatus one Yuhina gularis and two male Ægithaliscus louschistos, one male one female Lophophanes beavani, one male Peocarduelis nipalensis, one male of the Sikkim Horned Pheasant (Ceriornis satyra) three males and one female of the Black Throated Hill Partridge (Arboricola torqueola) one male one female Garrulax ocellatus, two females one male Trochalopteron affine—three males and two females of Suthora nipalensis, we came across many flock of these—about 20 or 30 in a flock. Many were lost in the thick bamboo jungle after being killed. One male and one female of Conostoma cemodium, close by the side of the road, besides some birds we had got the day before The next morning early we started for Sundukpho, shortly after starting we saw a couple of Nucifraga hemispila and I was trying my utmost to get within range, when I heard a Pheasant (Ceriornis satyra) calling in the jungle just above so leaving the Nutcrackers to take care of themselves, which they were well able to do, I called up the dogs and went after the Pheasants and managed after a goodeal of beating to knock over a fine cock in glorious plumage. As soon as I fired, up pumped a serow (Nemorhœdus bubalina) within 15 yards, on receiving a charge of No. 6 shot away it went, and though it was badly hit we could not come across it again. After this we got four male Ethopyga nipalensis, two male Æthopyga saturata, one male one female upupa epops, one male one female Sitta himalayansis, one male Tichodroma muræria, creeping up a rock on a land slip, three males two females Certhia nipalensis, one male two females Certhia discolor and one Cuculus poliocephalus in rufous plumage.

On the steep going up to Sundukpho we got three males one female Mocissa Flavirostis, one male one female Nucifraga hemispela—these last I saw on a Rhododendron shrub tearing the moss off with their bills, searching for the insects and larvæ which harbour underneath—two males Pyrrhula nipalensis, one male Pyrrhaoplectes epauletta, four males one female Propyrrhula

subbemachla, one female Alandatrybarhyncha, and right up near the top of the hill close to the bungalow we got many Accentor immaculatus. We stayed all next day the 27th at Sundukpho, having so many birds to skin. About 12 o'clock after all the Birds had been skinned, my brother and I went to the top of the Hill from which you get a glorious view of the snows. Whilst lying on the grass smoking we saw several Bearded Vulture (Gypaetus barbatus) circling round, out of range, my brother had a shot gun loaded with No. 3 shot whilst I had a single small bore rifle. We lay their watching them until a very big bird came within range, when my brother gave it both barrels of the No 3 shot but not seeming to care much about this I fired the rifle and killed it. A tremendous bird. On skinning it I found the No. 3 shot had just entered the skin near the breast, and no more. I was anxious to see what it had eaten, and on cutting it open found the front legs from the knees downwards of the goooral (Nemorhœdus Goral) I have the bones now; It took us the whole afternoon in getting the skin off.

The next day, 28th we had the Tent pitched about 8 miles further and on the way got several Blood Pheasants (Ithaginis cruentus) the cock is a lovely bird with its gray and white tail broadly margined with bright blood red and its pale green breast, the feathers with light shafts, and a blotch of deep blood red near the centre of each feather, it's no unusual thing to see cocks with three spurs on one leg and two or sometimes only one spur on the other leg. We also got a hen of the Impeyan Pheasant (Lophophorus impeyanus) two males Parus atkinsoni, three males one female (Hypopicus Hyperythrus) (three males Prœpyga pusilla two males one female Merula albocincta, one male one female Merula castanea.

On to Philoot the next day, the 29th, on the way one male Prœpyga caudata, two males Oreocincla molissima—one male three females Columba leuconota; at Philoot itself there were numbers of Pyrrhula erythrocephola sitting on a broken down shed and feeding round the bungalow like sparrows. All round Philoot there are bare hills at this time of the year the short grass is getting brown from frost. Numerous Buzzards Kestrils, Kites, and Crows circle and hover over these bare spots for rats, etc. I was anxious to get one of these rats as all these bare spots are covered with numerous holes one of my dogs in digging a hole unearthed two Lagomys roylei.

During this trip and in fact every time I have travelled on these high ranges I have come across large flocks of Corvus culminatus, always morning and evening vast numbers are to be seen sitting on the bare hills picking up something now and then. I could never find out what particular food took them in such numbers to those bleak hill tops. All I shot had some seeds and dry earthworms in their crops. All night from dusk, the Himalayan Wood Owl (Syrnium nivicolum) is heard hooting over these bare hills. We got several. On the morning of the 30th we left Philoot, crossed over the boundary into Independent Sikhim to Choon Bunjen—a short march. On the way besides Ceriornis satyra got three Pyrrhoplecta, epauletta, four Suthora nipalensis, three males two females of the Kokla Green Pigeon (Sphenocercs sphenura) (one male (Arboricola torqueola, two males Actinodura nipalensis, two males Pyrrhula nipalensis, one male Rimator malacoptilos and one female Prœpyga squamata—the next day, 1st October, we remained at Choon Bunjen, and after 11 A.M. my brother and I went up to the rocky hills above the bungalow—we put up several coveys of Blood Pheasant (Ithaginis cruenters) and bagged five, two males Propasser frontalis, one male Propyrrhula subhemachala Whilst sitting down to dinner that evening we heard the large Flying Squirrel (Pteromys magnificus) the bungalow being surrounded with trees and it being moonlight we went into the verandah and before long got a very fine specimen—male. 2nd October left for Dentam—part of the way there is heavy Bambo Jungle, in which we shot some Partridges (Arboricola torqueola) one male Bracypteyx cruralis) and one male Hodgsonius phœnicuroides though numbers of these short-wing are heard calling all round it is extremely difficult to procure any, haunting such thick underwood as they do—and keeping close to the ground in the darkest parts. I found the best plan was to go late in the evening just before dark, to the places they were heard calling in the day time, and by good luck one or two shots could be got as they came to some open space for a worm or insect. After leaving the bamboo-jungle, for about 5 miles to Dentam the whole country is cleared, there are numbers of small streams on the way with a little swamp here and there, in one of these I got a female Woodcock (Scolopax rusticola). Dentam is a small bungalow about 100 yards above the great Rungneet river. We stayed there on the 3rd, shot a few Mylophonnes temminckii. Two male, one female, Palœornis shisticep, one male Palœornis, javanicus, one male Ceryle guttata and in the evening one Ketupa flavipes 4th October left for Pemionchy a steady climb right up the hills after crossing the great Rungneet river on a shaky wooden bridge. We saw numbers of Palœornis Shisticeps on the way and shot a few; one female Harpactes Hodgsoni two Chrysopholegma flavincha, one male and one female one male Venilia pyrrhotis two male Æthopyga miles, one male Zoothera monticola on reaching the top of the hill the rain came down in torrents and as the bungalow was four miles away we had to hurry on. A mile away from the bungalow close to the Chang Chelling Monastery we came across, unmistakable footprints of a large tiger it had evidently gone along the road not ten minutes before us. We hurried on in hopes of getting a glimpse of it, but it was no use, the rain beat us and we were only too glad to get under shelter. It rained all night and all next day, the 5th, only clearing up at about 5 P.M. Pemionchee Monastery is built on the top of a hill about 150 yards from the bungalow a dirty place with some 120 dirty Lamas. The next morning the 6th, I beat two small stream below the bungalow and put up four Woodcocks (Scolapax rusticola), but only managed to get one—one that should have fallen got away—the dogs put up numbers of the Kalij Pheasant, which settled on the trees round about, five were shot, three hens and two cocks. We then left for Chongphung bustee, a short march of four miles at which place I got a good specimen of the Brown Eagle Buzzard (Archibuteo hemipilopus) a female Limnaetus kieneiri and several Kestril (Tinnunculus alaudarius) one male one female, Picus Cathpharius, one male Picus majaroides, one male one female, Criniger Flaveolus, one male, Alcurus striatus, two male, Garrulax cœculatus, one Dendrocitta frontalis. The villagers in the evening brought us presents of Murwa, rice, butter, eggs to and fowls for which we had of course, pay nearly double their actual value but being presents, we were supposed to fork out the rupees with a smiling face and a glad heart We were disturbed all night by dogs barking, and the village pigs coming into the tent. The next morning early we started for Melly bustee about ten miles, and had to cross a rather broad stream on a rickety bamboo bridge On the way down to the stream I got a couple, one male and female of the Rufous-throated Hill Partridge (Arboricola rufogularis) several Munia acuticauda one female Eulen us maculata. After crossing the stream we, had to climb straight up the hill by a pathway scarcely twelve inches wide now and again having to cross frightful landslips, it took us all day to get to Melly bustee without having fired a shot the whole way up. I would certainly not recommend anybody to go the way we went. One is too intent to save himself from tumbling headlong into the stream below to looking for new birds. When the tent came up and was pitched on a nice level bit in the village we soon made ourselves comfortable, the villagers were most hospitable bringing butter, eggs, etc., and helping the coolies to get fire wood.

We managed at this place to get a good old Lepcha sportsmen with a face like a shrivelled old monkey, with long matted hair and as thin as a knife, called Kyoung, who knew the country for miles round right up to the Snows, and who promised to show us numbers of wild sheep, the Shapik; only fifteen miles off. We had to stay at Melly on the day of the 8th to buy rice and things (or the coolies Nothing shot on the 8th except a few pheasants (Gallophasis melanotus) and a few Dendrocitta sinensis with 1 cuicurus scouleri and 1 male Sasia ochracea.

The next day, the 9th, we went and pitched in an oak forest about nine miles from Melly; not a bird was to be seen except a few Partridges (Aebotcicula Torquesla) some short wings and a redstart. There were numerous traces of bear and deer, but not one could we put up. At night the flying squirrels were all round us; we shot a few of both kinds Pteromys Magnificus and Pteromys alboniger. The first P. magnificus being a rich dark red, with a golden yellow mesial line, the under parts are orange red, the tail is orange red tipped with black. Length from nose to end of tail 38 inches. P. alboniger is silvery gray above and white underneath. Length 19½ inches, besides these we heard several kinds at owl but could get none.

The next morning, the 10th we left at about 8½ A.M. for Shampo about 15,000 feet elevation. The walking was terrible over rock across precipices. Our man Kyoung had told us before that he knew of a great rock under which we could stay, and that he had remained there for several days at a time snaring wild sheep. I got some good birds. We first came across a very large flock of Suthora fulvifrons and with two barrels of dust shot picked up nine birds. We then came on some six or seven Lophophanes dichrous and shot three. We also got some Lophophorus impeyanus and Ithaginis cruentus. About 1 P.M it commenced to snow and we had a hard time of it led by a Kyoung trying to get to his big rock—the coolies were far behind with our bedding and food—my brother and I with Kyoung tramped on, however, over most dangerous ground nearly blinded by the snow, which was now coming down fast and thick, and at 3½ P.M. reached the rock—Kyoung had told us the truth, that he had on a former occasion collected a lot of dry wood—had it not been for that word we would probably have been frozen during the night, as the coolies never appeared till next morning and we had no food and no bedding one of the Pheasants shot on the way had to be feathered. Sitting over the fire, we roasted portions on sticks, and this was our dinner with a little water. Kyoung however good naturedly got out his dirty bag out of which he took some Sutton. Kneaded to into a ball with some water in his wooden cup, and offered it to us, but we both refused knowing it to be such chokey stuff, I had tried it once before. Of course, there was no sleep that night the wind and snow were a caution. The men arrived next morning but it was snowing still and continued the whole day and night and never ceased till 12 o'clock the 12th October. We had a search for the wild sheep and saw one. I got two near the same place 6 months after We left on the 13th and came down to Coon forest, only too glad to get away; had it been bright we would have enjoyed it, but the snow, and after 12 o'clock the mist used to block out everything ten yards away.

The 14th we hurried down to Tingbrum, a small village with some six or seven houses Villagers as usual in the interior being most hospitable, bringing goats, eggs, murwa, etc.

At this place I got a solitary snipe (Gallinago solitaria) several Kalij Pheasants and the beautiful Nuthatch, three males and four females (Sitta formosa). We stayed there the 15th skinning birds and drying the specimens shot further up.

Sixteenth came on to Pemionchee and camped in an Oak Forest. On the way shot, one female Lumuœtus nipalensis, two males and one female Macropygia tusalia, one male Sicurus Gigantus, 2 males, Scinrus lokriah, one female, Sicurus McClellandi. The forest consisted of huge oaks laden with Acorns, Chestnuts and wild Walnuts, the Walnuts were lying below the trees more than a foot deep in some places. We also shot in the evening many Kalij Pheasants and the Rufous throated Hill Partridge (Arboricola Rufogularis).

17th. On past Dentam through the forest to Seroung at which place there is a large swamp in which we shot one Scolopax rusticola, one male and one female Gallinago. Nemoricola. In beating streams and swamps for Woodcock, only a single bird is flashed. I have never seen a couple rise from the same spot. Sometimes but very rarely a second one may be flushed some 60 yards or so from the first, whereas the Wood snipe (Gallinago nemoricola) always rise in couples, and offer the easiest shots imaginable, as they fly slowly and heavily. From Seroung we came on the 18th down to the Rumam River where we remained till the 20th shooting, and got some good birds one male two females of the Red billed Curlew (Ibidorhynchus struthersi) and several males and females of the Marganser (Mergus castor). In the bamboo jungle we shot (Gallus ferrugineus). After thoroughly drying all our specimens we returned to Darjeeling on the 21st October.

After returning we remained one month and then went for a long tramp of over two months right through Sikhim and through the Terai, collecting Birds and Mammals.

W. P. MASSON.

DARJEELING, *23rd July 1904.*

Sixteen years ago, Lord Marcus Beresford wished to try John Day for the Grand International Hurdle Race at Croydon. He did not, however, want the result of the spin to be known all over the town before he had a chance to back the horse at a decent price.

For some time the touts had been on the *qui vive* for this trial, Lord Marcus, however, determined to outwit them. One night his lordship, accompanied by a little man who could ride—one of his old regiment—caught the last train to Epsom. After waiting about the stables some hours, the visitors, together with J. Jones, mounted their horses, and rode over to Sandown Park. It was a moonlight night, and each horseman took a separate route.

They had not been there long before the morning began to break, and preparations for the trial were made. Lord Marcus mounted John Day; the 7th Hussars man was put on Il Zingaro; and Jones rode Woodstock Everything went well, and John Day won the trial.

His lordship decided not to return to Epsom, but travelled by train to London. Before the morning had far advanced, however, some of the touts missed the object of their careful attentions. To guess the reason of his absence, and the place of trial as Sandown, was the work of a few minutes only. Quickly they proceeded to the place mentioned, but to their mortification they only met the horses walking home

Enraged at the manner in which they had been baffled, many of them began to wish themselves divers unnatural shapes and sizes; but one smarter than the rest, began to look the horses carefully over, and soon decided in his own mind that John Day was not altogether right. A second scrutiny convinced him that the affair was serious, and before the stables were reached he saw that the horse had split his pastern joint. He did not lose much time in wiring the news to London, and as none of the party connected with the trial were aware of the accident, Lord Marcus was first made acquainted with this useful hint by one of the very people whom he was congratulating himself upon outwitting.

But for this accident, John Day would undoubtedly have won the race at Croydon. Unfortunately for the stable they did not possess a second string capable of "doing the trick."

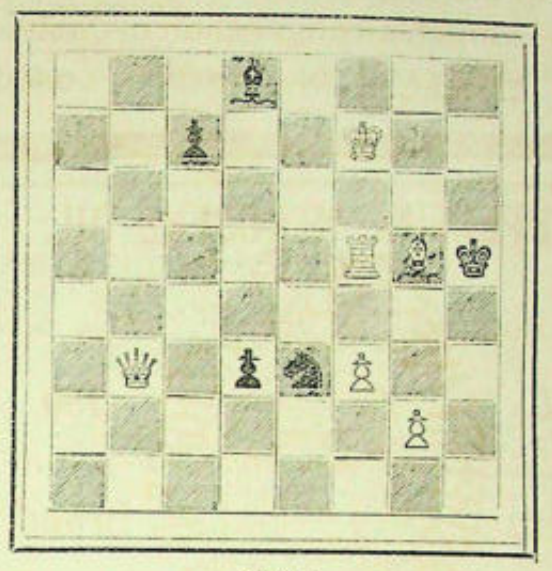
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SOLUTION OF PROBLEM XXXVI.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. Q. to Kt. 3.	1. K. to Kt. 5, or (*a*).
2. Q. to R. 3, ch.	2. Kt. takes Q.
2. Kt. to B. 2 mates.	
(*a*) 1.	
2. Kt. to Q. 7.	1. Kt takes Kt. (Q. 4), or (*b*).
3. Q. to Q. 3 mates.	2. K. takes B.
(*b*) 1.	
2. Q. to Q. B. 3.	1. K. takes Kt.
3. Q. to B. 7 mates.	2. K. to B. 2.

PROBLEM XXXVI.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME No. 36.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K. 4	1. P. to K. 4
2. P. to K. B. 4	2. P. takes P.
3. B. to B 4	3. Q. to R. 5 ch.
4. K. to B. square	4. P. to Q. 3
5. P. to Q. 4	5. Kt. to K. B. 3
6. Kt. to K. B. 3	6. Q. to R. 3
7. Kt. to Q. B. 4	7. B. to K. Kt. 5
8. P. to K 5	8. P. takes P.
9. B. takes B P. ch.	9. K. takes B.
10. Kt. takes P. ch.	10. K. to Kt. square
11. Kt. takes B.	11. Kt. takes Kt.
12. Q. takes Kt.	12. Kt. to Q. B. 3
13. B. takes P.	13. Q to B. 3
14. Kt. to K. 4	14. Q. to B. 2
15. P. to Q. B. 3	15. R. to K. square
16. R. to K. square	16. B. to K. 2
17. P. to K. B. 4	17. P. to K. B. 4
18. Q. to B. 3	18. K. to R. 2
19. Kt. to Kt. 5 ch.	19. B. takes Kt.
20. P takes B.	20. R. takes R. ch.
21. K. takes R.	21. R. to K. sq. ch.
22. K to B. 2	22. P. to K. Kt. 3
23. P. to K. Kt. 4	23 R. to R. sq.
24. K. to Kt. 3	24. P. to R. 5 ch.
25. R takes P. ch.	25. K. to Kt. 2
26. Q. to K. 4	26. R. to Kt. sq.
27. Q. to R. square	27. Q to Kt. sq.
28. R. to R. 6	28. R. to K. 2
29. P. to Q. 5	29. Kt. to K. 4
30. Q. to K. 4	30. Q. to K. square
31. B. takes Kt. ch.	31 R. takes B.
32. R takes P. ch.	32. Q. takes R.
33. Q. takes R. ch.	

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THURSDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER 1904.

A NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK FOR SCOTLAND.

MR. CHARLES STEWART, writing some time ago in the *Nineteenth Century* sketched the outline of a scheme which should appeal to naturalists and sportsmen at home. Inspired apparently by the example of the United States Government which have secured to the nation for all time the Yellowstone Park, the Yosemite Valley, and the famous Mariposa Grove of Big Trees in California, as public parks, Mr. Stewart urged the propriety of creating a "National Park" for Scotland. His idea is that the Woods and Forests Department or some other body should acquire a suitable tract of land "not less than 20,000 to 30,000 acres in extent and 50,000 acres would not be excessive", whose natural and characteristic beauties mark it out for preservation as does Killarney and other "show places." In the tract so acquired he would strictly preserve specimens of indigenous Scottish fauna, birds and fish : he enumerates the red, fallow and roe deer, hare, badger, otter, wildcat, fox and "minor quadrupeds" with the exception of the rabbit, who, we join Mr. Stewart in thinking an "undesirable": though whether it will prove possible to turn him out of this Eden and keep him out is a point upon which that resolute animal might have his own strong opinion. Mr. Stewart would preserve in the park, such birds as the capercailzie, blackcock, muirfowl, partridge, golden eagle, raven " and all the glorious tribe of sea eagle and sea hawk, and all the lesser native birds ": and in the streams the various salmonidæ should flourish under the care of pisciculturists.

Mr. Stewart's scheme appeals to us in the main, but we are much inclined to think that granted the piece of territory required, the internal administration would be a matter of difficulty. The otter is not going to forego the joys of fishing and fish diet in grateful recognition of sanctuary granted : nor can we expect that the fox and wild cat will lie down with the hare and "all the lesser native birds." The golden eagle we fear will appreciate the security of the park as a hunting ground when the young fallow and roe deer are about and will take due toll of the game birds in season and out. It might be found possible to divide up the park in such wise that the predatory mammals should be compelled to prey on victims set apart for them, but rapacious birds, whether of the falcon or the heron tribe, are harder of control, and, however cordially the scheme of the park were upheld by loyal visitors thereto, we fear that the difficulties of preservation would come from within rather than from without. It is fair to ask also, whether all the *protéges* named by Mr. Stewart stand in need of such jealous preservation. The red deer is guarded with sufficient jealousy already in the Scottish forests and political agitators notwithstanding, the vast areas of ground now reserved for sport are likely to remain for the purpose for which nature has marked them out. They pay better, far better, as deer forests than as sheep walks, and the head of sheep which many hundred square miles of mountain land would carry is too small to commend these tracts to the sturdiest, or greediest, of politician crofters. There is small danger of the red deer dying out so far as human foresight can discover ; but we quite agree with Mr. Stewart that the executive of his projected park would find a useful and remunerative opportunity to improve the stock. It is a matter of common knowledge that

the trophies killed in the Scottish forests are not equal to those of a past generation : whether their decadence be due to the system of shooting the best heads, whereby the finest stags are denied the chance of perpetuating their species, or to the exclusion of the deer from the best feeding grounds in the interests of sheep, or to over preservation and inbreeding we shall not stop now to enquire. We know that there is a marked falling off and that anxious proprietors for some years past have sought the aid of new blood from Warnham and other English parks where the stags carry fine antlers and also from the German and Austrian forests. Mr. Stewart proposing to make his park a "forest reserve" in the sense that arboriculture would be practised, suggests that this offers suitable covert for red deer which, thriving on the superior feed and in the greater shelter, would improve in character and furnish valuable new blood wherewith to replenish the wild deer of Scotland. This appears to us a sound and practical idea and goes far to commend the main lines of his scheme to our attention. Fallow, as park deer, would be preserved in that capacity, though it may be suggested that there is no great necessity for doing it : nor are roe deer so far as our knowledge goes in much danger of extinction, though this woodland-loving species is not greatly beloved of the forester. Hares, whether brown or blue, have a tolerably strong tenure in Scotland, and the badger is commoner than most people suppose. The fox, holding none of the privileged position in the Highlands that is accorded him in hunting countries, and much as the extermination of the "tod" is desired, on the moors, we think he is likely to hold his own against all foes for long to come. The demand for foxes in thinly populated English countries, however, offers the National Park scheme another good opportunity : it would be very feasible to make fox-breeding one of its purposes to the end that M. F. H.'s who want foxes to turn down should know where they could obtain them in the sportsman-like certainty that their purchase was not doing an injury to brother masters elsewhere.

We feel compelled to look askance at the wild cat as a denizen of the proposed park. The desirability of preserving the remnant of the species from extinction in the interests of natural history we cordially concede ; but the hand of *felis catus* is against all and to establish him in a sanctuary amid beasts and birds weaker than himself would be to invite disaster. As well endeavour to preserve specimens of the habitual inebriate or criminal in a Sunday School ; the utmost we could hope would be that the preserved wild cat, with the natural perversity of his race, would decline interference with his personal affairs and speedily seek refuge elsewhere. It is an unfortunate coincidence that the only animal which stands in need of preservation should be the one upon which the controllers of Mr. Stewart's proposed park should feel compelled to turn the cold shoulder. Could the gentleman who has outlined this desirable scheme secure the utmost of his desires ("The island of Jura, about 90,000 acres in extent, or the island of Rum, about 43,000 acres, would, either of them, make a glorious National Park, and their acquisition is perhaps not wholly impossible") the detention of the wild cat would be assured ; but to the inevitable extinction of other species. Wild cats left to their own devices, breed freely and fast, and young ones are hearty eaters. The golden eagle—about the only living creature, we believe, for which the wild cat has a particle of respect—would be none the worse of a sanctuary and his conservative habits renders it highly probable that, once induced to take up his quarters in a suitable locality, he would remain there, devoting attention to domestic affairs year after year. His depredations on fellow-pensioners would be serious ; but the executive may find some consolation in the circumstance that the golden eagle is Boer like in his love of solitude : he will brook the existence of no other eyrie within many a mile of his own and the number of residents even on the utopia of Mr. Stewart's dreams —the island of Jura—would necessarily be limited.

The scheme is so attractive, the interest of such a sanctuary to the field naturalist would be so great, that we most heartily wish it might be brought into existence if only as an experiment. Our doubt concerning its practicability rests less on the difficulty of finance than it does on the internal dissensions which must arise with a population so mixed and so innately hostile. We may adopt a view too extreme in thinking that given an island for the purpose predatory species would banish others ; it is possible that nature would maintain an even hand and give us a most fascinating lesson in her ability to strike a balance among involved and hostile interests. She would be afforded an opportunity—man refraining from interference—of showing us how far species can perpetuate themselves when they have none but natural foes against which to contend : though Man (deprived of firearms and civilised appliances in the shape of traps) might fairly claim his right to a place in such a park to play his part in the great game of existence. He, bereft of such aids, would not be able to do much for or against any species, so perhaps we may leave our own species out of the reckoning.

ROARING.

IT is probable that there will ever be difference of opinion on the question whether "roaring" is or is not hereditary, and yet it may very well be that both sides are absolutely correct in the view held, and that, paradoxical as it may seem, the malady is and is not hereditary. The explanation of this apparent contradiction is to be found if one enquires a little more deeply into what is really meant by the word "hereditary" and the nature and cause of the disease or defect, according as the roaring is pronounced and permanent or is but slight and intermittent.

That there is a tendency for offspring, whether of human beings or of the lower animals, to exhibit in their anatomy or character peculiarities, defects and qualities which were noticeable in their parents or one of them is undoubtedly true, indeed this tendency is in fact largely relied upon in the Darwinian theory of evolution, but nevertheless it must always be a matter involving considerable doubt and discrepancy of opinion how far this tendency is due to factors such as example, environment and the like on the one hand, and on the other how far it is referable solely to the blood or vital energy of the parent. Judaism could hardly be called a matter of heredity but rather of example and education, while tuberculosis would seem to be directly and solely attributable to fault or impurity in the blood of the progenitor ; and again such matters as alcoholism or kleptomania may no doubt be transmitted from parent to progeny directly through procreation, or may result chiefly from the example of the parent or the environment of the issue during its early years, and it would not be logical to exclude either factor entirely nor possible to assess the relative effect of each. So with the subject of these notes, if by expressing the opinion that roaring is hereditary it is intended to mean that a sire or dam who is a roarer will breed only or chiefly offspring similarly affected, and that such offspring cannot escape the malady whatever attention and forethought is devoted to their health and bringing up, this would be nothing else than "the falsehood of extremes;" but if the meaning is that such offspring is more liable to be attacked by the disease than the issue of thoroughly sound parents, this can be substantiated by such a number of single instances as to justify the opinion to the fullest extent; and doubtless with this meaning of the word "hereditary" conceded, the views of both parties would be found to be in accord.

The subject of roaring is referred to in the Horse Breeders' Handbook compiled by the late Joseph Osborne ("Beacon") when mentioning Humphrey Clinker, foaled in 1822, as the first great horse that he remembered seeing. "What caused me to remember him (he writes) was the noise he made when led out, and which was, I believe, the first case of roaring known in Ireland; but so little was then heard of this malady and its effects that excellent judges sent mares to him, with the result of breeding Bran, Thump, Famine, Rush, and Ennui ; and none of these were affected in their wind, nor were their progeny. We have here a case in which roaring was decidedly not hereditary." Melbourne, another son of Humphrey Clinker, had not the reputation of being a roarer, and his grandson from Queen Mary, Blair Athol, was certainly not ; but the latter's son Prince Charlie, the Prince of the T. Y. C., was undoubtedly affected to a pronounced degree, though this did not hinder him from winning the Two Thousand Guineas of 1875.

Mr. Allison, the "Special Commissioner" of the *Sportsman*, in one of his highly interesting articles, expresses his own opinions on the matter in the following words:—"I do not believe that there is any hereditary taint in roaring any more than there is in a curby hock or a twisted joint; but the conformation of the jaw and neck which predisposes to roaring is, of course, liable to be inherited, just as are the curby hock or twisted joint. Many a roarer, however, is an animal of excellent conformation, but has been affected in the wind as the after math of fever or influenza. In such a case roaring is not in any sense inherited and is not at all likely to be transmitted." These lines have been quoted in full as being one of the very latest of expert opinions on the subject, given by a man who is entitled to speak with authority and whose views cannot but command the greatest respect.

One more authority may be usefully referred to, namely, Mr. William Day, who deals with the matter in his "Racehorse in Training." There Mr. Day states that he found from his experience that horses which had inflammation of the lungs or a long illness from strangles, were more subject to it than others, but he instances one case of a complete cure being effected. This was Brigantine who in the July of her two-year-old career became an undoubted roarer, but in the spring of the next year "the disease gradually diminished and ultimately left her as sound as the day she was foaled, indeed, in time to enable her to win the Oaks and the Ascot Cup in the same year, 1869." The chief cause of the complaint is believed by Mr. Day to be sudden changes of temperature and want of proper sanitation and ventilation in the stables, and he attributes the smaller number of roarers of the present day compared with some years back to the greater attention which is now given to these important matters and the fresh air treatment which is far more freely indulged in now than formerly.

With the examples of Humphrey Clinker, Pocahontas and Ormonde all of whom were affected by the disease very severely, it seems safe to say that the mere fact of a horse or mare being a roarer is no reason why he or she should not be bred from, for what would our Stud Book be now had Humphrey Clinker, and Pocahontas, not to mention, Prince Charlie and others, not been put to the stud and so deprived us of Melbourne, Stockwell, King Tom, and many another whose names are to be found in nearly all present day pedigrees? And even Ormonde, short as was his stud career at home, sired Orme from whom come Flying Fox, Orchid, and Duke of Westminster. The conclusion seems to be that in greater attention to healthy environment and ventilation with a constant supply of fresh air in time of heath, and more careful and scientific treatment in the time of sickness, is to be found the true antidote for the disease, and that with these points studied by breeders and trainers they need have no scruples about breeding from a roarer, so long only as he or she on the race course earned a reputation meriting retirement to the stud.

Special Telegrams.

THE CHAMPAGNE STAKES.

(From our own Correspondent.)

THE CHAMPAGNE STAKES—Of 30sovs. each, 20 ft. and 5 only to the fund, if declared to Messrs. Weatherby and Sons only by the first Tuesday in July, 1904, with 1,000sovs. added, for two-year-olds ; colts 9st., and fillies 8st., 11lbs. ; the owner of the second horse to receive 100sovs. and the third 50sovs. out of the stakes ; Red House in.—108 entries. Closed 3rd November 1903.

London, *Tuesday, 6th September* 1904.

Mr. Ernest Dresden's b c GALANGAL, by Gallinule—Galingale, Halsey... ... †
Lord Derby's br f VERDIANA, by Florizel II —La Reine, Maher ... .. †
Mr. L. Robinson's b f COSTLY LADY, by Ladas—Corstophine, Lynham ... 3
Duke of Portland's b f PAMPHLETE, by St. Simon—Mneme 0
———CRY (unnamed at time of entry) 0
———CARITA (Ditto) ... 0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's brown colt by Jeddah—Rondino 0
Mr. R. S. Sievier's ch c BROTHER BILL, by Sir Visto—St. Lucy 0*
Mr. R. S. Sievier's ch c KING DUNCAN, by Ayrshire—Ampitheatre 0*
Sir John Thursby' ch c STANDEN, by St. Angelo—Gravity... 0

(*Winner trained by C. Archer.*)

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THE GREAT YORKSHIRE HANDICAP.

THE GREAT YORKSHIRE HANDICAP PLATE.—Of 1,300sovs.; lowest weight may be 6st.; second to receive 200 sovs. and the third 100sovs.; winners of a race (selling races excepted) after the publication of the weights (27th August, 1904) 4lbs., of one value 300sovs. 7lbs., of one value 500sovs. 10lbs., or of one value 900sovs. 14lbs. extra; entrance 5sovs. and 20sovs. in addition for starters. Old St. Leger Course (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards). (38 entries.) Closed 4th August.

LONDON, *Tuesday, 6th September* 1904.

Major Eustace Loder's b f HAMMERKOP, by Gallinule—Concussion, Lane ... 1
Mr. J. Buchanan's b c HANDS DOWN, by Meddler—Handspun, Wheatley ... 2
Mr. H. J. King's b c WHISTLING CROW, by Crowberry—Sedge Warbler, Jones ... 3
Mr. W. Hall Walker's b c SANDBOY, by Ravensbury—Sand Blast 0
Mr. J. Musker's b h McYARDLEY, by McMahon—Paradoxical 0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b g BELLIVER TOR, by Wolf's Crag—Haine 0
Mr. G. Faber's br m LOVEITE, by St. Frusquin—Orle 0
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's br g ST. HUBERT, by Blairfinde—Archery 0
Mr. M. D. Peacock's b g WILLIAM'S HILL, by Bonnet Rouge—Viscountess ... 0
Mr. C. Russell's b f FLORINDA, by Florizel II—Wise Flower 0
Mr. W. Low's ch c IMARI, by Rightaway—Winsome Charteris 0

(*Winner trained by Huggins.*)

BETTING: 8 to 1 agst. Hammerkop, 10 to 1 Hands Down, 100 to 12 Whistling Crow.

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

THE ST. LEGER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE St. Leger Stake of 25sovs. each, for then three-year-olds; entire colts 9st. and fillies 8st. 11lbs; the owner of the second horse to receive 300sovs., and the third 100sovs. out of the stakes; Old St. Leger Course (about one mile, six furlongs, and 127 yards).—222 subs. Closed 16th September 1902.

LONDON, *Wednesday, 7th September 1904.*

Major Eustace Loder's ch f PRETTY POLLY, by Gallinule—Admiration, Lane 1
Sir J. Musker's br c HENRY THE FIRST, by Melton—Simena, Madden 2
Lord Harewood's b c ALMSCLIFFE, by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead, Maher ... 3
Mr. L. de Rothschild's b c ST. AMANT, by St. Frusquin—Lady Loverule, K. Cannon... 0
Mr. F. Alexander's br c ANDOVER, by Rightaway—Sister Lumley, M. Cannon ... 0
Mr. S. B. Joel's br c ST. DENIS, by St. Simon—Arnsheen, Halsey 0

(*Winner trained by Gilpin*).

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Pretty Polly, 4 to 1 agst. St. Amant, 100 to 6 Almscliffe, 25 to 1 St. Denis, 50 to 1 Henry the First and Andover.

St. Amant led for nine furlongs, when Pretty Polly went to the front and virtually cantered home, followed by Henry the First and Almscliffe. Won by three lengths; six lengths between second and third.

PEDIGREE OF THE WINNER.

PRETTY POLLY (1901).

ADMIRATION (1892): Gala (1888) — Eglepeater (1876) / Turtureiana Prince (1871); Parasband (1883) — Highland Fling (1869) / Muncaster (77).

GALLINULE (1884): Moorhen (1873) — Sister to Rydworth (1855) / Hermit (1864); Isonomy (1875) — Isola Bella (1865) / Sterling (1868).

Gala (1888): Thormanby (1851) — Brown Bread (1862) / Wallflower (1859); Eastern Princess (1858) — Scottish Chief (1861) / Masterpole (1861).

Parasband (1883): Oxford (1857) — Whisper (1857) / Stockwell (1839); Isolate (1869) — Newminster (1848) / Seclusion (1857).

Moorhen (1873): Doncaster (1870) — Windermere (1870) / Voltaire (1854); Verbena (1859) — Sheet Anchor (1848) / Volante (1849).

Isonomy (1875): Birdcatcher (1833) — Harry Dear (1844) / Flatcatcher (1841); Silence (1849) — Stockwell (1849) / Marigold (1840).

The Baron (1849) — Pocahontas (1837) / Ethelbert (1860); Bandshaw (1847) — Touchstone (1831) / Beeswing (1833).

Tadmor (1860) — Mrs Salton (1851) / Voltaigeur (1847); Gardham m (1849) — Stockwell (1849) / Garland (1835).

Alice Hawthorn (1839) — Muncaster (77) / Tomyris (1851); Weatherbit (1842) — Brown Agnes (1851) / Rataplan (1850); Chaperon (1855).

WINNERS SINCE 1883.

1884	Mr. Vyner's The Lambkin ...	3	13½	... J. Watts	13
1885	Lord Hastings's Melton ...	3	15½	... F. Archer	10
1886	Dke of Westminster's Ormonde	3	21½	... F. Archer	7
1887	Lord Rodney's Kilwarlin ...	3	26	... Robinson	9
1888	Lord Calthorpe's Seabreeze ...	3	11½	... Robinson	16
1889	Duke of Portland's Donovan ...	3	13	... F. Barrett	12
1890	Duke of Portland's Memoir ...	3	13½	... J. Watts	15
1891	Sir F. Johnstone's Common ...	3	14½	... G. Barrett	9
1892	Baron Hirsch's La Fleche ...	3	14½	... J. Watts	11
1893	Mr. H. M'Calmont's Isinglass...	3	12½	... T. Loates	7
1894	Lord Alington's Throstle ...	3	12½	... M. Cannon	8
1895	Lord Rosebery's Sir Visto ...	3	18½	... S. Loates	11
1896	Prince of Wales' Persimmon ...	3	20	... J. Watts	7
1897	Mr Gubbins's Galtee More ...	3	31½	... C. Wood	5
1898	Captain Greer's Wildfowler ...	3	13	... C. Wood	12
1899	Duke of Westminster's Flying Fox	3	15½	... M. Cannon	6
1900	Prince of Wales' Diamond Jubilee	3	9½	... H. Jones	11
1901	Mr. L de Rothschild's Doricles	3	8½	... K. Cannon	13
1902	Mr. Sievier's Sceptre ...	3	12½	...F.W. Hardy	12
1903	Sir J. Miller's Rock Sand ...	3	9½	... D. Maher	5

Sporting Notes.

THE sport at the Tollygunge Gymkhana, which never promised too well, was rendered worse than there was any necessity for by the most unhandsome way in which a positive deluge selected that particular afternoon on which to descend. We understand that the energy of the executive was severely taxed in order to provide a full card at all, and surely their perseverance deserved a better reward than to have the proceedings drowned out shortly after the commencement. The attendance was naturally poor and many of the general public, no doubt, were inclined to echo the words of the song, "why did I leave my 'appy 'ome" since the accommodation for non-members of the Club is, in the event of a wet day, not of the best.

There were six events on the card and all filled more or less, though the fields were not large. We were amused to notice that by some mistake the five-furlong race for horses, the property of members of the Calcutta Light Horse, was described on the "c'rect cyard" as "a handicap steeplechase, 1½ miles."

Proceedings opened with the Novice Stakes for which Cambridge, on the strength of ancient history, was installed favourite. Plenty of money, however, was forthcoming for Grey Dawn, late Plinlimmon. Cambridge got away badly and was evidently not in galloping condition, as he never could catch the leaders, of whom Grey Dawn won very comfortably from Bucephalus.

Three only turned out for the Pony Plate, Flush being the general selection, though Mignon, Mr. Evers' recent importation from England, was also fancied. The attractions of his stable proved too much for the latter at the first turn, so we were not given a chance to see what he can do, but he moves in good form and looks like turning out useful. Little Glencoe led to the distance where Flush came away and won very easily by three lengths.

Gauntlet was the popular selection out of the field of five for the Opening Handicap, and he proved equal to the occasion, Mr. Turner landing his second race of the day nicely by a length and a half from Nicotine.

At this point in the proceedings the rain came down in earnest and the remaining two races were viewed under a veritable water chute.

In the All Comers' Stakes Irish was backed at all sorts of fancy prices up to 4-1 on, a figure at which it is not easy to become rich quickly. She gave her supporters no anxiety, however, as she won from end to end, with that chronic disappointer, First Guide second.

In spite of the wet, the best field of the day appeared in the Charger Stakes. Cheer Up was looked upon as the pick of the basket, but he succumbed to a real outsider in Mr. Pritchard's Claymore, who, neatly ridden by Mr. Turner, snatched the verdict by a neck on the post. Details elsewhere.

That egregious litigant Mr. F. F. Goodliffe has failed in his further attempts to harass the Rangoon Race Stewards. Last Monday the judges, sitting on the Appellate Side, adjudicated upon his appeal from a decree passed on the Original Side by Justice Chitty dismissing the suit filed against the Rangoon Race Stewards for an injunction to restrain them from demolishing the Old Race Stand and expending the Race funds on the building of a new course. The Court found the appellant had failed to establish any proprietary right whatever in the property or Race funds, and he was therefore not entitled to sue

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alone or jointly. The Court also held that the argument that the Race Stewards were agents of the Rangoon racing public fell to the ground. The appeal was accordingly dismissed with costs.

The reports of Mr. Dubbs and Major Wanliss as to the existence of veritable trout in the Helmund, should attract the attention of those who have failed to introduce the European fish into our mountain streams, as most of the failures may be due to some important difference in the waters of the stream whence the ova are taken and that to which they are transferred on arrival in India. But were it possible to procure the mature fish from Central Afghanistan, breeding bids fair to be attended with success, and as the present ruler of Kabul has shewn himself more inclined to tolerate visitors than any of his predecessors, no great difficulty should be experienced in obtaining the stock wanted. We hear from time to time of some scheme being entertained with regard to forming reservoirs on the Sutlej at the back of Simla, which should afford excellent breeding grounds and with water presumedly identical with that of the Helmund, while the elevation should also secure the same conditions as to temperature and climate, so that if we cannot have the actual speckled beauty of the old country, there is every reason to anticipate we may provide ourselves with a prototype fully equal to him either from a sporting or gastronomic point of view. There are those that maintain our failures in trout acclimatisation are due to the more intense light the exotic is subjected to than he is accustomed to in his own habitat, more than in difference in the constituents of the waters in the temperate and torid zones : but with fish born and bred under tropical glare this surmise would not hold good. It would be no very onerous undertaking to transport a score or two of Kabul trout thence to the suggested breeding grounds.

Premonitary signs of the approach of the cold weather are not wanting, as the Dibrugarh paper mentions the advent of the hoopoo. It has also been brought to our notice that the dyals, which frequent the south side of Government House gardens (Calcutta) each cold weather have put in an appearance. Perhaps one or other of our war correspondents with the "Mission" might beguile the tedium of waiting the Dalai Lama's return by taking a stroll round the Scorpion Lake South of Lhassa and letting us know whether the waterfowl are exhibiting signs of a movement in our direction.

The Madras Gymkhana holds a race meeting on the Island on Saturday, the 10th instant.

There has been some talk of getting up an angling contest between the roach fishers of England and France, and we have heard it stated that this would be rather a soft thing for the British anglers. We are by no means confident of this, as some of the Paris fishermen are extremely expert, as anyone who has seen them wielding their huge rods can udge. A contest which took place the other day at Chatellerault, on the Vienne, will give our readers some idea of the enthusiasm of French anglers. On the day appointed the Mayor of Chatellerault, heading a procession consisting of a band, the Corporation, and various societies with banners flying, marched to the station to meet a train from Paris bearing nearly 2,000 anglers laden with appliances for catching fish. At the public square lots were drawn for places, and the line of anglers extended for about four miles. The contest was started and terminated by means of bugles, and when time was called it was found that some 80lbs. of fish had been captured. The best catches were a carp and a bream of about 13oz. each, and numerous eels of half a pound. It is estimated that over 10,000 people watched the match, and the proceedings terminated with a grand banquet and a dance.

Wads which break up or are consumed on the explosion of the charge in a gun have at various times been tried, but they do not seem to have materially affected the pattern or penetration of the shot. In the working of artillery the charge was formerly put into duck bags, but it was found that the material was not entirely consumed on discharge, and sometimes pieces were found in the breech of the gun in a smouldering state. Now, as the result of experiments, the bags are made from a cloth woven from threads obtained in a process very similar to that followed in the manufacture of artificial silk. The difference is that the artificial silk is made from cellulose. In the manufacture of each the glutinous compound is forced through tiny holes in a steel plate, forming tiny threads which, when they become dry, are exceedingly strong ; indeed, it is claimed that when spun their tensile strength is equal to that of silk, which they resemble in appearence, their colour being creamy white. Furthermore, these threads are said to be very similar to the product of the silkworm. It is further claimed that this cloth, if worn by women as silk is worn would outwear the latter, so tough and flexible is it ; but this is not likely to be done, for a yard of the material will burn like a flash on being exposed to the flame of a match, leaving scarcely any ash. It is probable that if experiments were made with gun wads made from a similar material, it might result in an improvement in the shooting of cartridges loaded with such materials.

Our Poona correspondent writes :—Where racing is going to stop on this side of India it is really hard to calculate at the present rate of popularity, for the seventh extra was the best of this season and entries approached the phenomenal. Thirty-one entries for an Arab race which the executive had of necessity to make two races of, and twenty-two entries for, an Arab Closed Race, of which sixteen actually drew up in front of Mr. O'Gorman at the gate !

Mr. Cursetjee's handicapping was annoyingly good, and despite the wide range of weights the public were completely mystified and finishes close and in most cases the ruck were close up in a cluster. And such results constitute ideal handicaps.

A deal of money went on Bandit II. belonging to the evergreen and popular Colonel J. Anderson, who must have been racing before most of us were out of our leading strings. But even the demon Jimmy Robinson's artistic services could not bring the soft thing off and Caravan won.

In the 5 furlong Lilliput Handicap for 13-3 Arabs the public refused to believe little Yerbo with the nice galloping impost of 6st. 9lbs. could win from such useful ones as Mooreed and Mint, both of whom are in the winning vein this season. But the feather weight repeated the victory of the other day somewhat comfortably.

A baker's dozen of beautiful dwarf thoroughbreds turned out for the Pony Plate over 7 furlongs and there was a very big stable commission out on the lovely Psalm with 9st. 13lbs. chiefly composed of Jimmy Robinson up. That little wonder Russley Rose too had a large following. But Come Back very neatly steered by young Elliott came away inside the distance and must have helped the booking fraternity's accounts considerably.

The second half of the 31 entries gave a good looking grey Arab of Talib, the leviathan Arab dealer a chance of scoring a victory with a neat little bay belonging to the owner of Titus II. runner up.

Eleven horses then occupied public attention and a neat little carbine horse called Carburton owned by Aga S. Shah gave that popular sportsman a much wanted win as he has been completely out of Fortune's favour of late. Little Kamad the stable left nothing to chance and drew out half way up the distance winning cleverly. The veteran Dumbbell who has come back into condition and form, was second and the useful Gum third.

Fickle Dame Fortune evidently determined to make up for past unkindness promptly showered further blessings on Aga Shamsudin's head the blood like pony Arabistan running as honest as the proverbial daylight and winning comfortabiy from Hyderi with whom, it is said, the stable anticipated bringing off a big *coup*.

Proceedings were brought to a close with the Closed Civil and Military Plate, and it was an unexpected and gratifying sight to see 16 really excellent ponies turn out and *only one professional among the riders !* Titus II. refused to accept the Handicapper's high compliment of 14st. 7lbs. though several distinguished welter weights were mentioned as candidates for the honour. The handicapping was one of Mr. Cursetjee's marvels of skill, Avatar with 12st. 3lbs winning cleverly from Surhan 8st. 9lbs. ridden by Mr. J. Anderson, son of the distinguished Veterinary Surgeon and Toby 9st. with Melsom's professional services third and practically the whole of the rest of the performers in a bunch within a length or so. A delightful day's racing.

The Poona Junior Polo Tournament had rather an unsatisfactory ending. Of the two teams left in for the final, namely, the "A" and "B" teams of the 33rd Cavalry, the "B" team scratched, and "A" team walked over. This happened at Poona some time ago when two teams from the same regiment were left in for the finals.

We remind our readers that first entries for the Mussoorie Autumn Races close next Monday, the 12th instant ; first entries for the Jubbulpore entries on Saturday, the 10th, and third entries for the Civil Service Cup on Thursday, the 15th instant.

We publish elsewhere the entries for the Calcutta Fourth Monsoon Meeting which, on the whole are highly satisfactory. The Maidan Plate and the Belvedere Plate have each drawn ten entries, and as there is no reason to suppose that many will be withdrawn, good fields should result. The latter race especially shows a great improvement upon the similar event at the third meeting. The Pony Hurdle Race has only just filled, six being the number, and one at least of those a doubtful starter. Where by the way is our old friend Moss Rose ? There are ten named for the September Plate, including some pretty hot stuff in Hello, Bell Brand, and Certitude. The Pony Handicap has drawn seven and the Entally Plate eleven. In the absence of the weights we cannot, of course, indulge in an attempt to pick probable winners.

A Poultry Table.

An ingenious statistician has drawn up a table to show how many eggs the various kinds of domestic fowls lay per annum, and how many of the different kinds of eggs will weigh a pound:

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Polish, 9 to the pound; 150 per annum.
Bantams, 16 to the pound; 100 per annum.
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Game fowl, 9 to the pound; 160 per annum.
Leghorns, 9 to the pound; 200 per annum.
Plymouth Rocks, 8 to the pound; 150 per annum.
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Athletic Notes.

THE Northern India Racket Tournament commences at Murree on the 19th instant. Four events figure on the programme—The Open Singles Championship, the Regimental Doubles Challenge Cup, the Public School Doubles and Handicap Doubles. Entries close on the 16th instant.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes :—The past week has been a singularly dull one from a sporting point of view, but this is only a lull before a storm, as in a short time we shall be plunged in a vortex of excitement when the Rovers' Football Tournament commences.

The last match of the Harwood League was played on Saturday last, the contestents being the Royal Garrison Artillery and the Rovers. The Gunners throughout proved themselves to be the better trained team and ran out victors by three goals to *nil*. The Cup goes to the "A" Cheshire team who went right through the season without losing a game. The team is nearly a tournament one, as only three changes will be made in its composition for the Rovers' Tournament. Some idea of its strength will be gathered when I mention that a couple of years ago the Cheshires held their own against the pick of regimental teams in India at Delhi during the Durbar Tournament which they won easily. They are naturally warm favourites for the tournament, and it will be a remarkably fine team that will stand my chance of taking them down. The R. G. A. have experienced wretched luck this season, having lost five of their best men, all backs, four through injuries and one through disqualification. None of the crocked players are likely to be able to play in the tournament, and it is doubtful if the player who was disqualified will be allowed to turn out again. A practice game on Tuesday evening between the Gymkhana and the Rovers' elevens ended in a pointless draw. The form displayed by the Gymkhana team was very poor, and it is one of the curiosities of the Bombay season that a club boasting of eight hundred members should be unable to put anything like an average team in the field.

I learn on good authority that the Parsees will not have the services of A. H. Mehta, the famous bowler, for their return match with the Presidency at Poona next week, that player having accepted employment under a Native State, which he has to take up at once. K. M. Mistri will not be able to get away from Patiala and Colabawalla was so knocked about and bruised by Deas' bowling in the Bombay match that it is feared he will be unable to don flannels in the return fixture. Mehta's place in the team will probably be filled by Kapadia, while should Colabawalla not be able to play his place will go to J. N. Mody.

Among the passengers who arrived by the mail on Saturday were : W. W. Drew, the old Carthusian and Bombay Presidency cricketer ; Captain M. G. Heath of the famous Queen's Regimental team ; Lieutenant C. D. G. Lyon, the old Wellingtonian and Poona cricketer : A. W. Pope, the Bengal cricketer.

The mounted sports on Wednesday were well attended and the programme more interesting than usual. The opening event—Turk's head practice and tilting at the ring with the sword—was won by Mr. Macnamara with Messrs. F. R. Hill and D. Graham second and third, nine others also competing. Three sections competed in the tent-pegging competition which was won by Messrs. D. N. Graham, St. J. Graham, W. E. Crum, and A. Barraclough. The Ladies' equitation race resulted in a dead heat between Mrs. DeSoane and Mrs. Dyson. Not much interest attached to the remaining events on the programme.

Apropos of the return Presidency match at Poona next week I learn that Major F. W. D. Quinton, the well-known Hampshire cricketer, who is stationed at Belgaum with his battery, has received an invitation to play for the Presidency, but has declined on the ground that he has had no practice this year. E. R. Udal, the fast bowler, who is on a short visit to Poona from Bangalore, would also have received an invitation to assist the Presidency but for the fact that there is a rule to the effect that no player can be included in the team who is not a *bonâ fide* resident of some station in the Presidency or Command for a period of three months. Thus is a good player lost to the Presidency, although the Parsees are allowed to go as far afield as Patiala, Rampur, Ajmere, and other places outside the Presidency for players. F. L. Sprott, the old Presidency player, who is stationed at Karachi has received an urgent summons to come and assist the Presidency, and has, I am glad to say, notified his acceptance of the invitation. Captain M. D. Wood, another old player, who is at Quetta, has also received an invitation, and may be able to accept. This is splendid. If the above players can play, the team with Greig, Curtis, Wood, Sprott, Deas, Carroll, and probably Copplestone and Monteath, will be every bit as strong as it was in the old days.

A Rugger match, played on Friday between the United Services and the Casuals, in which both sides played two men short, resulted in a win for the Services by a goal and two tries to a try. The forwards on both sides played a remarkably good game, while of the backs Fischer for the Casuals, and Jones, the old Merchiston Castle three-quarter, were seen to great advantage.

A Soccer match, which excited considerable interest, was that played on Saturday, the 3rd, between the "A" and "B" teams of the Cheshire Regiment. The game was regarded as being of great importance by the players, as on the form shown in it would depend the composition of the Cheshires' Tournament team. The "A" team playing a quiet gentlemanly game held the "B" team with ease, and at hardly any period of the game were they ever seriously extended. The backs and forwards worked like clock-work and the goal-keeper was as safe as the Bank of England. There were individual bits of play by the "B" team quite as good as anything else in the match, but the team as a whole could not hold a candle to "A" team, who ran out victors by three goals to *nil*.

The return cricket match between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Parsee Gymkhana was a fearful fiasco. Saturday being a bank holiday the match, which was played on the Parsee Gymkhana ground, was a whole-day one. The Bombay Gymkhana had to take the field without their regular wicket-keeper, Philbrick, and in his absence the side suffered severely, no less than four easy catches being missed at the wicket. Milne, who re-appeared in the team after an absence of some weeks, with his usual luck won the toss for his side, a feat, I may mention, he has now accomplished ten times out of eleven, and of course took first service of an absolutely true wicket. Things went fairly well at the start, the first four batsmen all looking like making a big score, though only two of them, Major C. G. Carnegy and Lieutenant A. P. Langhorne, who compiled 33 and 21, respectively, succeeded in making more than 20. This early promise was, however, not maintained and a rot setting in, the last seven batsmen could only total 22 between them. It was a poor exhibition in the extreme and all the more so as the Parsee Gymkhana had not the services of their best bowlers, Mehta and Bulsara. What followed, however, was worse, as when the Parsees went in they made hay of the bowling, Coombs, Ainsworth, Milne, Powell, and Stileman all being severely punished. In two hours and three-quarters the home team rattled up 330, Belgaumwalla and J. N. Moody each making a century, the former being not out and the latter retiring. Only six wickets actually fell, and the total of the Parsee Gymkhana is the highest they have ever made against the Bombay Gymkhana, while on no previous occasion have two individual scores of a hundred by Parsee batsmen been made in these matches.

Charley Mitchell, the well-known pugilist, was on the 18th ultimo, sitting on a windowsill of a house in New York laughing at a story, when he overbalanced himself, and fell thirty feet. Luckily his fall was broken by a shed, from the roo. of which he rolled on to the ground.

When picked up he shook himself and laughed, and it was found that he was practically unhurt.

Now that the cricket season is nearly over, and Surrey are as firmly embedded as ever in the mire of misfortune, writes "Ranger" in the *I. S. and D. News*, people are again asking how this once-famous county has contrived to fall so low in the world of first-class cricket. The explanation can be summed up in two words, "Bad management." For a long time Surrey's crying need has been a strong captain, and yet the committee has virtually prevented the existence of so valuable an asset. Everybody knows the influence which a leader of the right type can bring to bear on his county's cricket. If he be allowed to take the responsibilities of the team on his own shoulders, to choose his side, to try what men he likes, and to possess the clear confidence of the committee, he can make his county powerful. But the Surrey committee insists on governing the team itself. When that team is out on the field, it is free from the committee's influence. And, as it has no real leader, it is all at sixes and sevens. As proof of his statement, I may mention an incident which happened a few years ago. After a long stand by the opposing side, the then Surrey captain tossed the ball to a celebrated professional batsman, who could also bowl a bit, and asked him to try his luck. "I'm not going to bowl," said the celebrity, as he threw back the ball. The

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captain wanted to drop that man out of the team for a time, but the committee would not hear of such a thing. The idea of offending one of the best batsmen in England, no matter what breach of etiquette he had committed, appalled them. Consequently, the professional at once became cock of the walk, armed with the comforting knowledge that, whenever he gave the captain a metaphorical smack in the eye, the committee would support him. He went on batting, but the captain did not carry any further this farcical attempt to lead the team. That the task is still an unsatisfactory one is proved by the fact that Surrey have had nine captains this season.

The Durand football camp opened at Simla on the 1st instant and already regimental teams are getting in their practice pending the opening of the tournament on the 19th instant. The Simla Volunteers have entered a second team.

The final game in the Rangoon Football League competition was played on the 3rd instant when the King's Regiment met the Gymkhana, the latter winning by a goal to *nil*. Lady Thirkell White, wife of the Chief Justice, presented the cup and medals to the winning team. The King's Regiment and the Burma Oil Company team have tied for second place, so an extra match will be played to decide the winners of the silver medals.

Among the results of important cricket fixtures at home last week are the following: Yorkshire and the South Africans drew; the Gentlemen of the South beat the Players of the South by 44 runs; the match Kent *vs.* Surrey was abandoned owing to rain.

Mr. William Renshaw, "the father of lawn tennis," and one of the finest players of the game, died suddenly on the 12th ultimo at Swanage from heart disease. Between the years 1881 and 1887, when he held the championship of England, his supremacy was unbroken. In 1889, after a rest, he again won the championship. He and his brother Ernest, who was also a great player and was champion in 1888, were once as famous as the Baddeleys, Dohertys and the Allens became in later years.

The Poona District Hockey Tournament was brought to a conclusion on the 2nd instant when the 103rd Mahrattas met the 87th Punjabees in the final at Ghorpuri. The game was fast and well contested throughout. The Mahrattas scored a goal in the first half, and put on another when play was resumed after the interval. Then the 87th scored but the 103rd netted a third goal and though they obtained another goal the Punjabees were unable to get level and the 103rd won by three goals to two. Major-General Richardson presented the Cup to the winners.

The Aga Shah Rookh Shah has presented a silver cup for competition in a billiard handicap, game of 200 up, to be played in the Poona Gymkhana. The following are entries and handicaps :—

Mr. Allan ...	...	−50	Mr. Green ...	...	+60
Mr. Carrol ...	...	+20	Col. Cadell ...	...	+60
Mr. Thew ...	...	+20	Mr. Batty ...		+60
Capt. Radcliffe	...	+30	Mr. Dickson ...	...	+60
Capt. Bruce ...	...	+30	Mr. Hamilton ...	...	+70
Mr. Reeves ...	...	+30	Mr. Scale ...	..	+80
Mr. Twiss ...	...	×30	Aga Rookh Shah	...	+80
Mr. White ...	...	−50	Mr. Vincent ...	...	+80
Mr. Wright ...	...	+60	Col. Glennie ...	...	+100
Capt. Bangshawe	...	+60			

Details of the Calcutta Golf Club Quoit Tournament appear in an advertisement published further on in to-day's paper. Entries close to-morrow.

Our Poona correspondent writes :—After a series of crushing defeats the Poona Gymkhana XI found some one they were able to slaughter, a wandering team from the mofussil Khandeish confidingly offering themselves as fly to the spider. A proud day for Poona it must have been. But the poor oppressed white man will take some little time to recover from the knock out blow of the Presidency match. And even Sweet Revenge seems beyond the dreams of Hope.

However lest the Gymkhana should suffer from "swelled head" as the result of their recent conquest, the Elphinstone Cricket Club, a very useful team of Zoroastrian performers, beat the Poona eleven (again it must in justice be mentioned without Captain Greig) after an interestingly close four-innings contest by the narrow margin of 34 runs.

A curious match was that with the Heaven-born Civilian representatives who, collapsing sadly in their first attempt with a total of 89, of which *Extras contributed no less than 30, Pro pudor!* pulled themselves together most laudably in their second venture to the tune of 229. but the effort was all too late, and Brains yielded to Muscle to the extent of a seven-wicket defeat.

The members of the Bombay Civil Service gave their annual ball at the Gymkhana Club and it was as great a success as usual, everything being of the very best. *Dulce est discipere in loco.* The "heaven-elect" ones have been on their annual week's frivol and have sportingly tackled Poona in various events, cricket, golf and tennis, but unfortunately with, I fear, unvarying want of success.

The Bombay Gymkhana executive advertise their fourteenth Annual Meeting for the 10th October and following days: the Mounted Sports taking place on the 12th, 13th and 15th idem. We remind athletes that entries close on the 24th instant. Any Calcutta men going over?

The C. R. C. regatta next Saturday is not likely to teem with interest or even produce a race worth looking at. The preparation for the Senior Fours has been of the sketchiest description owing to absentees, the weather, and a general slackness that seems to have overtaken the entrants. The Senior Pairs has fallen through. There may be Scratch Fours and a Canoe Race (entries on the bank) wherewith to fill in the afternoon. The crews, for the Senior Four sare :—

Dr. W. C. Hossack	*bow.*	D. Carvill	*bow.*
G. Peddie	2	W. C. Burke	2
Capt. R. P. Wilson	3	*vs.* J. A. Tassie	3
J. M. Le Cocq	*str.*	N.G.Pritchard	*str.*
J. Massey Dawson	*co.x.*	R. Graham,	*co.x.*

The Calcutta Rangers' Club have arranged for a "Smoker" at the Dalhousie Institute to-morrow night.

Entries for the Calcutta Rugby Challenge Cup Tournament close to-morrow. So far there are the West Ridings, Calcutta F. C., King's Own, United Services, Customs, City, Allahabad, Gloucesters, and the Armenians—nine in all.

The final game in the Richardson Football Tournament was played at Poona between the Right half of the A. and S. Highlanders and the Left half of the East Lancashire Regiment, the Highlanders winning by two goals to one.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 19th August 1904.*

Parliament was prorogued on Monday. Just before Black Rod came to desire the attendance of the commons (about 20 members) in the Lords Chamber to hear the King's speech Mr. Crooks, the labour member, seized the opportunity to present a new bill for women's suffrage; solemnly replying "To-morrow" to the formal question as to when the second reading would be taken. Thus appropriately did the session end. A medical man has drawn attention to the phenomenon which attends the closing weeks of each session: honourable members grow irritable and captious, honourable tempers grow short, and honourable manners decline, the whole tone of the proceedings being lowered. That sensible medicine man attributes the degeneration to nervous fatigue: he thinks, and perhaps justly, that honourable members grow weary of listening to one another's speeches, grow impatient under the wordy deluge of destorted fact and twisted statement. "M. D." puts the case for the remedy very temperately: he thinks if the session ended with July, it were well and if the House always rose at 11 P.M. it were better. In a word what is wanted is less futile and obstructive talk and more honest endeavour to forward the country's business. Which is platitude.

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Interest in the proceedings at Lhassa is more than ever eclipsed this week by the attention with which we follow the course of events in the Chinese coast. Even the proceedings of Russian cruisers nearer home, they have been stopping more British vessels as of course you have heard, command small meed of public notice: the reason being, partially no doubt, the sub-consciousness that the day when Russian cruisers will have excuse for these high handed doings is very near its end. The *Reshitelni* incident which promised sensational developments earlier in the week seems to be sinking back into its true focus. The vigorous protests of the Russian diplomats are rather discounted by the definite statement from Tokio that the capture of the destroyer followed upon the heels of the discovery that her armament had not been removed. So the affair resolves itself into a case of one side's word against the word of the other: the fact that General Stössel's wife and children, refugees from Port Arthur, were on board the *Reshitelni* does not perhaps greatly affect the principal aspect of the affair, though one may fairly ask what was the destination of these passengers when they embarked. As for the capture of the boat by Japan, the Russian fleets in the Far East are now practically non-existent and the situation of one destroyer does not greatly affect the situation as a whole.

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Meeting yesterday a friend who knows more about Tibet and its people than most men I sought his views on the present situation at Lhassa. (It was the day before yesterday we heard that Colonel Younghusband had taken a house: I hope it was the best the city of sanctity, and dirt, could offer, that British prestige may be upheld). My informant thinks the situation one calculated to cause anxiety: he points out that the traditional policy of the Tibetans is to wait: and go on waiting. In three weeks the bad weather will set in and a few weeks later the passes will be closed by snow: the Tibetans know that our force will be then dependent on the locality for supplies and the game will be pretty much as they elect to play it. The Dalai Lama is reported to have given orders to get rid of the Mission at any cost: it is much to be hoped his orders will be obeyed, but if the Mission is going to wait for the indemnity to be paid over in addition to getting the treaty signed, it is likely to wait long.

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The Archbishop of Canterbury has written a remarkably graceful and tactful letter to Principal Rainy and the Rev. Murdo Macqueen, the leaders or representatives of the churches in Scotland, offering his services as arbitrator or rather as peacemaker. He writes "as a Scotchman and an independent student of these particular questions" who would regard it as a sacred privilege to do anything towards bringing about a settlement. His Grace has a difficult task before him if his offer be accepted: but from all one reads and hears acceptance is not very probable. One side is flushed with victory and its spokesmen sound a pardonable note of triumph which is not very conciliatory: the other wrestles with bitter chagrin and disappointment. The agents of the victorious Free Church in correspondence with the agents of the united body, do not mince matters. The former, they say approach the proposition for some temporary arrangement with the desire to do what is fair and reasonable "but it must be kept in view that parties are no longer in the region of litigation where compromise might have been possible and expedient, but that our clients have been irrevocably adjudged the trustees and beneficiaries of the trusts in question." 'Tis the voice of the top dog: who shall blame it?

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The prospect of seeing electric traction applied to the Underground Railway has stimulated a demand for something else. There be those who urge that there should be an all night service for the benefit of the classes whose work keeps them in harness till well on the small hours. I fancy that newspaper men, compositors, and engineers living in the western suburbs form a very small pr portion of the sixty million passengers carried annually by the Underground. The Great Eastern and other lines which tap the cheaper suburbs have, I believe, run trains in the small hours for some considerable time. Those who dwell within hearing, and shaking, of the Underground would not, I conceive, welcome an all night service of trains. Reductions in fares are also urged, but it would be a strange Railway Company that cut down its fares save under stress of competition. It is due to the rivalry of the Tube I presume that you can now travel from High Street, Kensington: to Liverpool Street and back, first class, for seven pence: one can't in reason ask for anything much cheaper than that.

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The Opening General Meeting of the British Association took place at Cambridge on Wednesday. Mr. Balfour delivered a presidential address "Reflections suggested by the New Theory of Matter:" needless to say it was Philosopher Balfour at his most philosophical. I don't profess to understand his train of reasoning: and presuming that you have read the address, you wouldn't believe me if I did. One phrase in the three colums strikes the ordinary mind as needing explanation "It may seem singular that down to, say, five years ago our race has without exception lived and died in a world of illusions have been ..... about what men see and handle, about those 'plain matters of fact' among which common sense daily moves with its most confident step and most self-satisfied smile." It strikes me that the Vice-Chancellor, who moved the vote of thanks for the address was himself more than a little puzzled by some of the glowing periods to which he had been lending a doubtless attentive ear.

From the Premier's "Reflections" one turns with relief to the comparative simplicity of the Fiscal Problem. (Don't be alarmed, I am not going to prose on this topic). Mr. Chamberlain is going to take the field, or the floor. again on 5th October, and a subject which has never been long absent from our minds will be made the business of the autumn.

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Among all our Imperial complexities imagine that movements of peoples industrially antagonistic to one another form one of the most difficult questions for the man at the wheel to decide. The rivalry of the natives of India and of white traders in the Transvaal offers a case much in point. The colonials, naturally enough object to the incursion of *bunnias* and people who live on nothing a day and undersell them in every department of trade: and the Government holds itself bound to care for the interests of black man equally with those of white. Yet it does seem that this principle of equality may be misapplied: we must have a strong white population in the Transvaal if we are to develop, nay, to hold the country: and it cannot be expedient to let the native of India oust the Britisher. It is notoriously difficult enough for any but wealthy Europeans to make ends meet at all in the Transvaal, so costly is living, and it would seem that, unless measures be adopted to control and restrict immigration from your side, a very grave situation will be created.

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The annual report of the Post Office affords its usual treat to them that revel in large figures. The work of St. Martin's grows and grows, though in the one matter of letters we don't seem to have written more than we did the previous year. Three thousand millions is the figure; it doesn't convey any very clear idea to the mind, but there it is. To the picture postcard, the never enough-to-be appreciated picture postcard which saves you the trouble of writing letters when abroad, is due an increase of 25 per cent. in the volume of postcard correspondence: 125 millions of postcards passed through the Post Office. I had an idea that the postal order had practically banished the Post Office order, but this idea proves startlingly wrong: almost exactly the same amount of money is trasmitted by each method and that amount is over 34 millions sterling. The telephone seems to be cutting out the telegraph wire to some extent; the number of telegrams sent last year being 2½ millons less than in that preceding (and thus in spite of the fact that 90,000 telegrams were in one day contributed by the sellers of the *Ency. Brit.*!) Deposits in the savings bank have decreased by two millions: and the P. M. G. speculates a little sadly on probable causes.

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The Postmaster-General is much exercised by the number of letters or circulars relating to foreign lotteries which come through the post. We know, of course, that there are people whose moral principles are so exalted that receipt of a lottery circular from Hamburg gives them a shock which use of their waste paper basket fails to assuage. The good Postmaster-General tells us that he has exercised the power he possesses of destroying such circulars when they are sent in open covers: but the bad lottery agents have got round this difficulty by increased expenditure on postage and the use of sealed covers. Post Office vigilance is brought to a standstill by this manœuvre: and while I do not care two straws whether foreign lottery circulars are stopped at St. Martin's or not, I devoutly hope that anxiety to prevent people spending or squandering their own money anyhow they like will ever take the shape of violating the sanctity of sealed letters. That remedy is one the country would not tolerate for an hour. Writing of postal affairs reminds me that the mail bags which the Russians took from the Prinz Heinrich in the Red Sea and overhauled at their leisure, have been opened at Nagasaki before the British, French, and German Consuls, who found that many registered packages were missing. Having regard to Russian theories as to what constitutes contraband of war, I suppose we have no right to be surprised at anything: but it would be instructive to learn what the contents of the purloined letters were.

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Is £2,000 an adequate recompense to offer a man who by what must be called, for the present, a "misscarriage of justice" has been kept in penal servitude for five years? This is the question which is agitating the public since the Treasury offered that magnificent solatium to the unfortunate man Adolf Beck. The case is a most curious one and it deserves the searching enquiry for which the papers with one voice are agitating. The worst feature of the business is that Beck, when tried at the Old Bailey for swindling women in 1896 was refused opportunity to prove he was in South America at the time his double, a Jew named Smith, was in prison. He was identified with Smith and though the Court refused to hear evidence as to his identity with that convict, he was sent to prison as Smith and his prison garb was marked to indicate previous convictions. Released a few years ago he was arrested again this year for similar offences and again found guilty. Fortunately the Judge reserved sentence and in the interim the real Smith who had been sentenced for swindling women in 1877 was caught in the act of repeating his frauds, the frauds for which Beck had been wrongly imprisoned in 1897-90. A police inspector name Kane, a more clear sighted and abler man than the rest of the police who have been mixed up with the business took the matter up, established Smith's individuality and Beck's innocence. Now Beck has been "pardoned" for offences he never committed and is offered £2,000 as a solatium for the ruin of his life. The country owes it to itself to do better than this for the wretched affair is not improved by the fact that the victim is a foreigner, a Swede by birth.

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Dramatic news consists for the most part of things to be. Sir Henry Irving, who starts on his farewell tour of Great Britain on 19th September, will begin at Cardiff: when he has done this kingdom and Ireland he goes to the States: and when he has toured for two years on end, he will retire from the stage as he forsaid, some little time back. His leading lady will be Miss Edith Wynne Matthison who is best known for her remarkable presentment of Everyman in the morality play of the name. Miss Ellen Terry is also going on tour on the South Coast and Midlands. Mr. Tree is going to revive "The Tempest" at His Majesty's when he re-opens. Miss Edna May, before she left this country for New York, told an interviewer that she contemplated leaving the light musical stage for more serious work: mention was made of plays by J. M. Barrie and A. E. W. Mason in which she would take leading parts: but details are wanting. The Royalty re-opens next Thursday with a new piece by a new playwright, to wit "The Chetwynd Affair" first announced under the title of "The Passing of a Dream" by Mr. Kennedy Cox, aforetune known to Oxford men. Mr. W. W. Jacobs is coming out as a playwright: his peculiar humour has fair scope he should succeed. The new theatre whose walls are rising in Aldwych is to be leased to the Messrs. Schubert, of New York, for 21 years: this house will depend, I had almost written "of course," on musical comedy.

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I do not think there is anything very exhilarating going on at the Music Halls. At the Pav. the chief attraction is a troupe of "sporting girls" who walk furiously quarter mile and other events. At the Empire Mr. S. May gives a comical travesty of Hackenschmid. atribute to the popularity of stage wrestling. Mr. Charles Morton, "Father of the Music Hall," attained his 85th birthday on Monday; and passed the day in a gratifying storm of telegraphic and other congratulations, punctuated at frequent intervals by birthday presents.

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It is denied that the Prince of Wales has bought Grafton House at Newmarket as racing quarters or for any other purpose.

The voice of America is heard in the Strand: the Savoy Hotel seems to attract the majority of visitors from the States, and the number of motor cars to be seen waiting in the courtyard of that hostelry in the earlier hours of the day is quite remarkable. I was told that numbers of our American visitors bring their own motors over with them. The class of visitor, or emigrant we send across to the States has less money: on Monday it was announced that the American Line would carry steerage passengers to Philadelphia at 30*s.* a head.

The 12th was fine all over Scotland and reports so far show there is little disease anywhere, though the dry summer has retarded the growth of the broods. The fact that an unusually large number of moors remain uniet this season is probably accounted for by the dullness of trade which results from the lack of money consequent on the war.

Guy's Hospital has received £1,000 from the Nellie Farren trust: this will be used to endow a bed to bear Miss Farren's name and will be available for members of the profession on recommendation signed by a Director of the Gaiety. The Actor's Benevolent and Royal General Theatrical Funds receive each £500 from the same source.

Did I mention the exact amount of the Chantrey Bequest when writing last week? If not, it is £105,000 which is invested in Consols and thus brings in about £2,500 a year or thereabout.

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WILD ELEPHANTS IN TRAVANCORE.

THAT wild elephants have for some years been steadily increasing in numbers in Travancore, is well known to all those who, for their sins, doubtless, are constrained to dwell in what has been appropriately called the Garden of South India, and to have their habitations amongst the lovely mountains of what has been similarly designated the Model State!

The cause of this steady increase is not far to seek. Following the example of the British Government, the most stringent orders were issued some years ago for the preservation of these noble, but alas! sadly destructive beasts, a heavy fine, or imprisonment, being the punishment awarded to any one found guilty of wilfully destroying an elephant unless in self-protection, or with a permit from the native Government.

For some years these permits to shoot elephants were seldom, if ever, refused, and not a few sportsmen have had the satisfaction of bagging a tusker, and with the sanction of Government have had the pleasure of securing a handsome trophy in the shape of a pair of tusks, though this pleasure has not, perhaps, been enhanced, when the lucky sportsman has found out that the tusks are only granted, except in very special cases, on the payment of their market value into the Sircar treasury. But of late years permits have been somewhat grudgingly granted; whether in consequence of this, or not, matters but little, the fact remains that fewer sportmen have visited Travancore for elephant shikar, very few have been shot, and elephants have been in much greater evidence than formerly.

So far, then, as the preservation of elephants is concerned the plan adopted by the Travancore authorities has been a perfect success; but *cui bono?*

Some years ago there was much talk of *Kheddahs* being started in various parts of the country, and some not altogether successful attempts were made in the Quilon district, and a few elephants captured; but what was the use of only one *Kheddah* in a country like Travancore that simply swarms with elephants!

In parts of the Peermade district, and the Cardamom Hills, they simply jostle one another, and herds of them may any day be seen, by walking a few yards, so to speak, from the bungalow. Cultivators of all sorts are loud in their complaints of the damage done by these mischievous beasts, and "killed by an elephant,' is a verdict not seldom returned by the local substitutes for that useful official the coroner.

Occasionally when some particular tusker makes himself more than usually objectionable and kills an unfortunate cultivator or coolie, a notice will appear in the Government Gazette offering a reward of fifty, or perhaps a hundred, depreciated rupees for its destruction, but, as the tusks are appropriated by the Government, the small money reward is no inducement to the sportsman.

Numerous instances might be adduced in proof of the assertion that elephants have largely increased of late years, and we are decidedly of opinion that the Travancore Sircar should, without further delay, commence *Kheddah* operations in a *thoroughly systematic manner*. There would, we fancy, be little difficulty in finding some one capable of managing the operations.

That the undertaking would be a financial success, I have no hesitation in prophesying, but if the Travancore Government do not see their way to adopting this suggestion, it is *absolutely necessary* that the rules now in force prohibiting the destruction of wild elephants, should be, if not rescinded, at any rate considerably modified without further delay.

SAVERNAKE.

Fishing.

NOTES ON TANK FISHING.

SINCE my last letter on Tank Fishing appeared in *The Indian Field* I have devoted nearly a month to studying the habits of the rohu and white carp in a tank which is very heavily fished. The denizens of this piece of water exhibit, in consequence, the highest degree of education.

In another sheet of water, not so easily accessible, the habits of the fish are very different; and one can easily understand how fishermen, who are lucky enough to have well stocked and little fished tanks at their command may think that Tank Fishing is an easily acquired art, governed by a few well defined rules.

Let us compare the bite of an unsuspicious rohu meaning business, with that of one of the knowing inhabitants of the tank first referred to.

The bite divides itself naturally into three stages: the preliminary, the acute, and the final.

First the float makes short, gentle, up and down movements: this is when the fish is feeling and fumbling at the paste.

Secondly follow long and slow up and down motions: these show that the bait is being worked into the mouth. Finally the float moves under and away: the fish now has the paste in its mouth and is going off with it. All this is simple enough, and it is only necessary to wait until the float goes under, when a smart stroke will usually hook the fish.

When the visitor below is highly educated; it is quite a different affair. The preliminary movements will be very long and spun out. There will be a few gentle up

and downs of the float and then the fish will leave the paste, to return again after an few minutes to have another turn at it. After a considerable time the long movements will commence, but probably never finish. You will wait in vain for the final moving off of the float, and an exaination of the paste the will show it to be apparently untouched.

Now the tackle with which I have had these experiences has consisted of a double gut trace, with a hook link of single gut, and a perforated shot working loose on the line about 6 or 8 inches from the hook. The shot working like a ledger lead, although it gives considerable freedom, yet in my opinion *does* cause a very slight drag, which is noticed by highly educated fish. It therefore occurred to me that a self-cocking float would get over the difficulty. I therefore now use for shy fish a self-cocking peacock quill one-eigth inch diameter; a tiny bit of lead wire is bound to the lower end, sufficient to sink the float about 2½ inches (when loose), leaving 3½ inches out when attached to the line, the weight of the gut line will further sink the float so that only 1½ or 2 inches will be above water. The total length of the quill is 6 inches.

I set this float so that the hook link of single gut, 6 or 8 inches long, lies on the bottom, and only the double portion of the cast hangs perpendicular. The above arrangement will defeat the shyest of fish. The float is so sensitive that the least touch to the bait is clearly signalled, and the fish can pick up the bait without feeling the slightest drag.

The small white carp of two and three pounds, often give cautious bites which may be easily mistaken for those of better fish. I have found that the self cocking-float, with a small piece of paste only just covering the hook, enables one to get the better of these small fry when they come round with a piece of carefully selected single gut for the hook link one is enabled to fish finer, while the strength of the tackle is sufficient for most fish. I use a hook link of thin salmon, or grilse gut.

Now as to paste, I believe there is nothing equal to good *atta* made into dough with water, and thoroughly worked up. The *atta* must however contain a very high percentage of gluten, otherwise it is no use.

If desired one can scent the atta with the addition of *suttoo*, or anything else one fancies. Really good *atta* can be used very soft as it is most tenacious, and the softer within reason the better. Tank fish do not like hard stiff paste, and the hook does not come through readily when the strike is made.

To get the *atta* to the exact consistency it must be kneaded thoroughly for a good long time: no amount of kneading will, however, be any good if the *atta* is not well supplied with gluten. The more a piece of paste will stretch without breaking the higher the percentage of gluten. This a rough, but reliable test

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

Shooting.

SHOT AND SHOT SIZES.

THE largest bag of grouse ever made in one day by one man was compiled by Lord Walsingham some years ago, writes Dr. D'Arcy I. Hamilton in the *Shooting Times*. His Lordship shot over his Blubberhouse moors in Yorkshire, and single-handed shot 1,070 grouse to his own gun. As regards the shooting of grouse, then, Lord Walsingham might well be allowed to speak with authority, and for some time after the event he was just besieged for points, tips, hints, and information generally. So he ultimately wrote an account of it, and here is what he says: "The guns in use were four Purdeys, cylinders, with no choke in them. The cartridges in use contained 1¼oz. of No. 5 Newcastle chilled shot." But his Lordship adds that if he had the day to come over again he would cut off the ¼oz. and shoot with 1oz. only, in order to get an increase of penetration. But just think of this, ye lovers of full chokes—1oz. of No. 5 in a cylinder gun! The pattern at 40 yards in the regulation circle would only be about a hundred, and yet to kill close on eleven hundred grouse in one day this is the very charge recommended by one who, at the time referred to, was the best game shot in the world. 1¼oz. of No. 6 in a close-shooting choke of over two hundred is the modern notion of doing things; yet Lord Walsingham said less than half that pattern appeared to him to be the right standard. How many of my readers, though, are going to get the choke bored out of their guns and then shoot a bare ounce of No. 5 shot out of them? Yet, according to Lord Walsingham, that is what he would do!

To revert to shot charges and sizes generally I may say that for all-round purposes No. 6 still holds pride of place. Somehow or other, it seems to adapt itself to modern boring better than any other size. Few men indeed ever go out for a shoot of any kind without a supply of cartridges loaded with No. 6. Most modern 12-bore guns shoot it better than any other size, and I suppose my readers, or most of them, are aware it is with this number that all game guns are regulated or shot for pattern and penetration at the target. Therefore as many tons of it are used every season at game it may safely be taken as the standard size for all-round work, although, as already shown, Lord Walsingham does not (or did not some years back) agree with this.

As regards the use of small shot on game such as Nos. 8 or 9, I can only say I do not approve of it. I am well aware it gives a close pattern, and nothing can escape between the pellets; but as against this I have found it smashes game and rabbits into pulp at close distances and only wounds them at longer ones. It is admitted, I think, that more game is killed at 20 or 25 yards than at greater distances, and that 50 yards is extreme as a game-shooting range. Many a man fancies he has killed a long shot when he pulls off a kill which looks further away than usual. Yet, if he carefully measured the distance, he would find in the great majority of cases his fancied long shot was well on the near side of 40 yards, for few men can accurately gauge such a distance with the eye. Hence it comes then that nearly all game shots get in both barrels long before the quarry has reached a range of 40 yards; and that many distances supposed and claimed to be 40 yards, on measurement turn out to be nearer 33 or 34 yards.

Shot sizes, then, which for ordinary work run roughly from No. 1 to No. 10, appeal to different men with different effect.

But there is a simple rule that, if adhered to by shooters using 12-bores, will generally keep them fairly straight. For wild ducks in winter, and other hard-feathered fowl like them, No. 3 or No. 4 is best. For game—grouse, hares, partridges, and pheasants—No. 5 or No. 6 will answer best. For snipe or woodcock No. 8 is about the correct thing, while for live pigeons from the trap or for clay birds, Nos. 6, 7, and 8 are the popular sizes for 12-bore guns. For all-round work I would personally cling to No. 6. Well nigh everything may be killed with this size, from ducks to jack snipe, and, as I said before, tons of it are used every season.

When a shooter starts out after game, he desires to use a charge that will kill his game clean and well—a charge that will not smash it at close range or wound it and let it escape at longer ones. No. 6 has been found to do this better than most other sizes, and hence its popularity among modern game shooters. Naturally, there are sizes which possess greater advantages of a sort; for instance, No. 3 or No. 4, being larger and heavier, offer a greater resistance to the atmosphere, and so arrive at their mark quicker. Thus in a gale of wind, a pellet of No. 3 will travel up to the target at 40 yards, in less time than will a pellet of No. 6. Similarly, a pellet of No. 1 will reach the mark sooner than a pellet of No. 3, and so on. No 6, then, is quicker than No. 8, just as No. 8 is quicker than Nos. 9 or 10. As for the smaller sizes, they are scarcely ever used, and are swayed by the merest breeze to such an extent as to be quite unreliable beyond a 20 yards range, and are so small and soft as to have scarcely any penetration power even at 20 yards range. So that, except for sparrows, at a country sparrow match, we seldom see anything smaller than No. 9 used, and, indeed, it is No. 8 that usually fills the bill all round when "small shot" is spoken of.

Time and striking force (or penetration) are, therefore, the important factors to be sought for in any one special size of shot for game, wildfowl, or even small birds. A charge of No. 3 will travel up to its mark even in a stiff gale of wind very quickly—so quickly that the shooter need not make much allowance; in other words, need not fire much, if anything, in front of a crossing bird. With No. 6 the allowance must be greater, because No. 6, being smaller in the pellet, does not travel so fast, and is more acted upon, and, ergo, deflected, by any wind there may be. With No. 8 a still greater allowance has to be made, for No. 8 is smaller again, there being nearly 450 pellets in an ounce of No. 8, against 270 pellets in an ounce of No. 6. Nos. 9 and 10 hardly count at all, except for small birds, and possess no penetration at 40 yards. So that, excluding the larger numbers, the modern shooter pins his faith to Nos. 5, 6, or perhaps 7. With these sizes he gets time (or velocity) and striking force (or penetration), and, as I said in last issue, of these three sizes No. 6 is the most popular, go where you will.

Now a word or two about the larger shot, such as Nos. 1, 2, or 3. There are very few pellets of No. 1 in a charge for a 12-bore gun. Thus the killing pattern is open and scanty, and the object fired at is liable to get between the pellets of shot, and so escape, although the charge may have struck all round about it. No. 2 is a slight improvement in this respect on No. 1; but No. 3 is better still, and so it is that many duck shooters use it. Wildfowlers, indeed, prefer a charge of No. 3 to any other—so far as the users of 12-bore guns are concerned—although a few go in for No. 4. No. 3 will give quite enough pellets in a charge to kill a duck at 40 yards.; the penetration is sufficient to pierce its hard thick feathers, and the individual size of the pellets enables them to overcome wind and atmospheric resistance and so travel up to the mark quickly.

In conclusion, then, it will be seen that most sizes (except the very small ones called "dust shot") have their advantages. It depends upon what sort of game or fowl they are to be used upon Some men prefer small shot in one barrel and large in the other, but this is an arrangement not to be recommended, as it contributes to uncertain shooting. I cannot do better than repeat that the shooter should use a shot size proportionate tot he size of the game or fowl he intends shooting. But if restricted to one size only, then let that size be No. 6, for the reasons already stated.

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GOOEE SAMPS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Will some of your talented correspondents give your readers a family history of the gooee samp? I am sure that it will prove most interesting, if to no one else, at least to my fox-terrier pie, "Spot." I call her a fox terrier, for though she is not one she has had a good try at it, and is more like a fox-terrier than anything else. Not knowing the exact number of quarterings her family coat of arms bears I have added "pie." The breed is quite fashionable here. There are two spaniel pies, a pointer pie, and various others of well-known breeds.

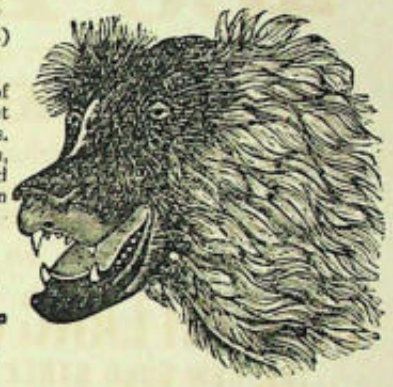
In the absence of noble game Spot has taken considerable interest in the ways and habits of the gooee samp and has brought to my notice many little points about them which were unknown to me before, and which may prove information to your readers. Foremost amongst these is the fact that even to an adult age, if we may judge by size, the gooee samp is a tree climber. Spot drew my attention to one about four feet long. It was clinging close to a Casuarina branch about 15 feet from the ground. Since then I have frequently seen them run up a tree as easily as a squirrel. They rejoice in two names, "Monitor" and Varanidæ or some such appellation, and when young are as vain of their appearance as we humans, for I saw a dapper little chap about eighteen inches long doing himself proud up a date palm, his otherwise sombre skin relieved, at intervals, with bands of bright sulphur yellow across his body. He was evidently a gay young bachelor who thought much of dress. Now the larger ones are, presumably, "paterfamiliorum," what the dickens IS the plural of paterfamilias? My youngest, proud of his Latin, suggests twins!! I think its time he left the Convent and resumed his studies at St Joseph's. What? Well, as I was saying, these fathers of families not having so much spare cash, have to go about in dingy sad coloured garments. Perchance though I have happened on another and richer branch of the family, for I have seen youngsters without these bands of bright colour. What is this change of colouring due to? Age, seasonal,, or climatic changes, sex, or what?

Spot pointed out to me a rather curious dodge they have when small; and I am half inclined to believe it is one of those instances, in which a more dangerous reptile is simulated for protective purposes. She had been hunting a small fellow eight or nine inches in length in a khal, when the tide being out the water was barely a foot deep. Seeing no other chance of escape the little reptile slid its head and forefeet under a brick. Its hind legs being pressed close alongside of its tail could hardly be seen, but the tail was kept twisting and curling exactly like the end of a snake's tail. Spot had lost sight of her quarry for a moment and had not seen the trick done; but coming in course of time to the brick, jumped back tumbling over Ping (another dog) to avoid what she thought was a snake. She don't dance with no snake, so she just gave me a call to come along with my stick and do for the serpent. When I turned the brick over and showed her the deception, she was very sick. Killing it with a single snap she went home in a huff Many times since then has the same dodge been tried, but Spot is on to it, though even to this day she shows a caution which speaks volumes for the power of deception. Placing Ping to watch the waving tail, Spot, as being the larger dog of the two, goes up to the brick or stone and with much caution, with many prancings and pawings, never a nose does she use, with many absurd side jumps she proceeds to turn it over. It is clear she is never quite sure it's not a snake.

Bengalis will tell you that the bite of a gooee samp is poisonous, but I can assure your readers that though not as ugly they are quite as harmless as a Russian ironclad. They are sudden death to chickens and ducklings, while as for eggs, like an I. C. S. on his travelling allowance, they can live entirely on them. Do they eat fish, and can they outswim and catch them? How do they swim, with only front feet and tail or with all four feet. Where, how, why and when do they lay their eggs? And if not in trees, why do they frequent them? Are they in any way vocal? Any information as to their habits both in the family circle and in society at large must prove most interesting. Finally, may I suggest to the fathers of the Calcutta "Zoo" that a small reservoir of clear water, having an island in its centre and stocked with a few gooee samps would enable us to acquire more knowledge of this little observed reptile.

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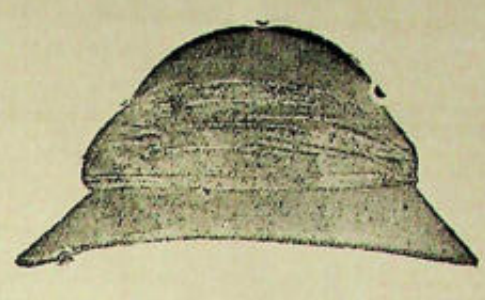
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Name of Races.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Madras Gymkhana Races	Sept.	10	
Poona Eighth Extra	,,	17	
,, Races and Steeplechases ..	,,	21, 23, 26, 28	506
Quetta Autumn Meeting	,,	Oct. 1, 3 and 8	
Calcutta Monsoon Fourth	,,	20, 22, 24	
,, ,, Fifth	,,	10	
Ootacamund Hunt	,,	17	
Mussoorie Autumn	,,	15 & 17	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	29 & Oct. 1	
Dehra Dun	,,	4 & 6	625
Darjeeling	,,	10 & 12	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	,,	17 & 19	
Rangoon Second Extra	,,	25 & 27	82
,, Third ,, ...	Nov.	22	
Jubbulpore Autumn	,,	12	
,, Open Gymkhana ..	,,	1 & 3	372
Umballa Autumn	,,	5	373
Meerut Autumn Sky	,,	5, 8 & 10	
Sonepore	,,	15, 17, & 19	626
Rangoon Autumn	,,	23, 25 & 27	
Lucknow Autumn	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
,, ,, (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	1	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	10	
,, First Meeting	,,	17	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Rawalpindi Sky	Dec.	27	
Lahore X'mas	,,	15, 17, 20	
Tollygunge Steeplechase ..	Jan.	27, 29 & 31	
Dibrugarh	Jan.	2 & 7	
Dacca	,,	21, 23, 25	
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	,,	10, 12, 14	
,, Third Extra	,,	14 & 21	
,, Fourth ,, ...	Feb.	28	
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CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Calcutta 4th Monsoon ..	..	12th September.
Ootacammund Hunt ..	Second ..	10th September
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana ..	First ..	10th September.
	Second ..	1st October.
	Third ..	15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn ..	First ..	10th September.
	Second ..	1st October.
	Third ..	15th October.
Army Cup	Third ..	1st October.
	Final ..	15th November.
Civil Service Cup ..	Third ..	15th September
	Fourth ..	1st December.
	Final ..	20th January.
Rangoon Second Extra ..	First ..	1st October.
	Second ..	15th October.
Rangoon Third Extra ..	First ..	24th October.
	Second ..	5th November.
Umballa Autumn ..	Second ..	17th September.
	Third ..	28th October.
Rangoon Autumn ..	First ..	20th October.
	Second ..	15th November.
	Third ..	22nd November.
Calcutta First Extra ..	..	6th December.
,, Second ,, ..	..	13th ,,
,, First Meeting ..	First ..	1st November.
	Second ..	30th ,,
,, Second ,, ..	First ..	30th November.
	Second ..	7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn ..	First ..	12th September.
	Second ..	19th ,,
	Third ..	26th ,,
Lahore X'mas ..	Second ..	1st November.
	Third ..	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	Second ..	15th September.
	Third ..	8th November.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	1st November.
	Second ..	30th ,,
,, ,, Second ,,	First ..	1st November
	Second ..	2nd January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.		
I. P. A. Championship	(Umballa) ..	1st week in November.
Kashmir Tournament ..	.. ..	Now on.
Poona Open Tournament	..	Begins 22nd September.
Naini Tal Tournament	..	Begins 26th September.
Sonepore Open Tournament	.. ..	Begins 23rd November.
ROWING.		
Calcutta Rowing Club 3rd Regatta	..	10th September.
Ditto The Power Cup	..	October.
Madras B. C. Regatta	..	3rd September.
SPORTS.		
Bombay Gym. Annual Athletic Meeting	..	Begins 10th October.
,, Mounted Sports ..	..	12th 13th 15th October.
RACQUETS.		
Club of W. India Tournament	.. ..	21st to 27th September.
Northern India Tournament	..	Begins 19th September.
FOOTBALL.		
Rugby Union Challenge Cup (Calcutta)	..	Begins 12th September.
Bombay Rovers Tournament	.. ..	Begins 9th September.
Durand Tournament (Simla)	..	14th to 27th September.
Bombay Gymkhana Rugby Tournament	..	From 26th Sept. to 1st Oct.
GOLF.		
R. W. I. G. C. Tournament (at Nasik)	..	In September.
SHOOTING.		
Calcutta Revolver Club.		
Sixth Monthly Meeting ..	.. ..	10th September.
Second Moving Target ..	..	24th September.
CRICKET.		
Bombay Presidency	(Poona) ..	13th, 14th, and 15th Sept.
SHOWS.		
Poona Horse Show ..	.. ..	29th & 30th September.
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show	..	26th December.
Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show	..	30th September.
Murree Dog Show ..	.. ..	22nd September.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Doncaster Cup (about 2 miles) ..	.. Friday, 9th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (¼ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 12th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) ..	.. Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile furlong)	.. Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs) ..	.. Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1¼ miles) ..	.. Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 5furlongs)	.. Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1¼ miles)	.. Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	.. 22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	.. 1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Birmingham Dog Show	.. 28th November.

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BANGALORE RACES.

Fourth Extra, Saturday, 3rd September 1904.

The attendance was somewhat meagre, but although fields were only fair some good sport was seen. Proceedings opened with a very sporting match between two young officers of the Essex Regiment, which resulted in a good race all the way, though the public fancied the wrong pony. A hot favourite won in Scissorman in the next event in which a new importation of Mr. Chowdhury's appeared. Blinker was of course in no condition, having only lately landed, but making every allowance for the fact it cannot be said that he impressed one as ever likely to make a race horse. Mamao, although, looking very fat, divided public favour with Firebrand in the Agram Plate, but Colonel Desaraj Urs' pony won the race handsomely from start to finish. A procession took place in the next event, De Wet establishing him such a lead that catching him became hopeless, and then the most interesting race on the card came on for decision. Of the five starters for the Arab Plate, weight of money made Syndic favourite, but he was never in the race, and King Cobweb, albeit not fit, won easily with the outsider Mintmaster, who carried 19lbs. over weight a fair second. Eva won the final event very easily. The attendance improved as the afternoon went on, but was never good. Results of the racing :—

A Match.—Rs. 100. ¼ mile.

Mr. T. G. Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 11st. 4lbs. ...	Owner 1
Mr. B. N. Abbay's ch a h Chance Shot, 10st. 6lbs. ...	Owner 2

Betting: 2 to 1 on Chance Shot and 6 to 4 agst. Baronet. Chance Shot gave trouble and there was one false start. The non-favourite then got away with a length lead, Chance Shot joining issue when approaching the turn for home. It was a race all the way, but his owner only moved once on Baronet and getting the best of a good finish won by three-quarters of a length. Time—58⅗ secs.

The Alert Plate.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. 5 furlongs.

Major A. C. Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Lansdown 1
The Hon. Mr. A.A. Apcar's b aus g Spec, 9st.	Gerrard 2
Mr. N. B. Chowdhury's b aus g Blinker, 9st. 11lbs	Capt. Randall 3

Betting : 5 to 2 on Scissorman, 6 to 4 agst Spec, 5 to 1 Blinker.

A good start from which Spec led out and led at the home turn by a couple of lengths. Here, however, Scissorman went by and never being pressed won at his ease by a length with Blinker six or eight lengths last. Time—1 min. 8⅘ secs.

The Aliasker Plate.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for ponies. 6 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus m Mamao, 8st. 12lbs.	Lansdown 1
Major F. C. Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane, 7st. 12lbs	Meah Jan 2
Mr. A. West's ch aus m Firebrand, 8st. 3lbs.	Koops 3
Mr. A. P. Symond's bk aus m Cleopatra II, 9st. 10lbs.	Capt. Randall 0

Betting : Evens Mamao and Firebrand, 3 to 1 agst. Mary Jane and 4 to 1 Cleopatra II.

A good start, from which Mamao quickly led out and came into the straight for home with a clear lead. A furlong from the

winning post Lansdowne had to shake her up, but she was never really in danger and won comfortably by a length; half a length between second and third. Cleopatra II was last throughout. Time—1min. 34⅕secs.

THE AGRAM PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for horses. 1 mile.

Major H. C V. Harrison's ch aus g De Wet, 7st. 11lbs.	Gooloo	1
The Hon. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Sacristan, 8st 12lbs	Burns	2
Mr. D. Devaraj Urs br aus g Musketeer, 10st 4lbs	Lansdown	3
Lieut-Col. H Armstrong's b aus g Knight Templar, 8st 5lbs	Meah Jan	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Musketeer, 6 to 4 agst. DeWet, 3 to 1 Sacristan and 5 to 1 Knight Templar.

De Wet made the running at a great pace and slipping his field going down the hill was leading at the half-mile post by ten lengths. Thenceforward the race was a procession not the others, seriously persevering when pursuit became hopeless. De Wet won easily, and there was a wide interval between Sacristan and Musketeer. Time—1min. 49⅖ secs.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. 7 furlongs.

Mr. R. Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 8st 6lbs	Gooloo	1
Mr. R. Neave's br a h Mint Master, 7st 4lbs (carried 8st 9lbs)	Lansdown	2
Major N. M. Smyth's g a h Diamond Rose, 7st 14lbs	Koops	3
Lieut-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ch a h Rubric, 10st	Mr L P Teeves	0
Mr. S. W. Webster's b a h Syndic. 8st 4lbs	Meah Jan	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Syndic, 2 to 1 agst King Cobweb, 3 to 1 Diamond Rose, 4 to 1 Rubric and 6 to 1 Mintmaster.

Diamond Rose led at a strong pace until nearing the turn for home when King Cobweb went by and with the leader in trouble Mintmaster coming up strongly also passed her. King Cobweb won comfortably by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 41⅕secs.

THE ABKARI PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for ponies. 3 furlongs.

Mr. R. L. Kindersley's ch aus m Eva, 10st. 7lbs	Capt. Randall	1
Lieut-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Swiveller, 12st.	Lansdown	2
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 10st. 11lb.	Major Dougall	3
Major Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 11st. 5lbs.	Mr. Strickland	0

BETTING: Evens Eva, 5 to 4 agst. Swiveller, 4 to 1 Dandenong and 5 to 1 Tight Rope.

Won easily by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—40⅖secs.

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Saturday, 3rd September 1904.

The following are results of this afternoon's sport:—

THE SMALL ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under, new measurement which have not won flat race value Rs. 50, or over 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. A. A. Amer's ch a h Caravan, 7st. 7lbs.	Heeroo	1
Messrs. Goolamally S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Redlips, 7st. 4lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	2
Aga S. Shah's g a h Swazi, 6st. 12lbs. ...	Kamad	3
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's b a h Shirazi, 6st. 6lbs.	Nama	0
Mr. Hajee Salleman's b a h Akyab, 7st. 11b.	Melsom	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Napier, 8st. 8lbs.	Foster	0
Col. Anderson's b a h Bandit II., 8st. 2lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. S. A. Wahed's b a h Reflector, 7st. 10lbs.	Elliott	0
Aga Mirza Ahmed's g a h Young Shahin, 7st. 7lbs.	Murphy	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch a g Tomy Titus, 7st. 4lbs.	Morrison	0

(*Winner trained by A. M. Amer.*)

BETTING: 3 to 2 each agst. Bandit II. and Caravan, 8 to 1 Swazi 10 to 1 each Reflector, Redlips, and Akyab, 20 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Shirazi fourth. Time—1min. 10⅘secs.

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Mr. Yussuff Yunassee's b a h Yerbo, 6st. 9lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch a h Mint, 9st. ...	Heeroo	2
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 8st. 4lbs.	Robinson	3
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch a h Paleface, 9st. 5lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Gustadjee's g a h Firdosi, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Hard	0
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s g a h Dispute, 8st. 3lbs.	Foster	0
Mr. M. T. Shroff's g a h Bukhtawar, 8st. ...	Dawood	0
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Mr. Locke's g a h Euphrates, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Wahan	0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's b a h Malabar, 7st. 7lbs.	Elliott	0
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's g a h Clever Boy, 7st. 11b.	Nama	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s g a h Random, 7st. ...	Kamad	0
Mr. W. Moran's g a h Young Gazelle, 6st. 12lbs.	Bennett	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Mooreed, 5 to 1 Mint, 6 to 1 each Paleface, Malabar, and Yerbo, 7 to 1 Random, 10 to 1 each Firdosi, Dispute, Euphrates, and Clever Boy, 12 to 1 each Mosuma and Young Gazelle, 20 to 1 Bukhtawar.

Won comfortably by a length and-a-half; a half length separated Mint and Mooreed. Clever Boy was a good fourth. Time—1min. 9⅕secs.

THE PONY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third Rs, 50. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s bl aus g Comeback, 9st. 4lbs.	Elliott	1
Mr. Kelso's b aus m Russley Rose 9st. 5lbs.	Hiroo	2
Mr. Galstaun's b sr br e m Psalm, 9st. 13lbs.	Robinson	3
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bl aus m Gun Metal, 9st. 6lbs	L. C. Hoyt	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b aus m Min, 9st. 11b. ...	Murphy	0
Mr. J. J. Pawson's ch e g Idleness, 8st. 13lbs.	Penton	0
Mr. Norton's g aus g Bestman II, 8st. 12lbs.	Native	0
Mr. W. Bass' b e m S. P., 7st. 13lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A Nanjee's b aus m Picture, 7st. 10lbs.	Foster	0
Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' ch aus m Queen Cole, 7st. 3lbs.	Melsom	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's b aus m Annie Laurie, 6st. 4lbs. —	Kamad	0
Mr. J. J. Pawson's ch e m Tight Lace, 6st.	Wahan	0

(*Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 Psalm, 4 to 1 each Russley Rose and Idleness' 5 to 1 Min, 6 to 1 Comeback, 10 to 1 each Gum Metal, Bestman II.' and S. P., 20 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a head divided second and third. Min was fourth. Time—1min. 35⅕secs.

THE SECOND SMALL ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under, new measurement which have not won flat race value Rs. 50 or over, 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Jaroola bin Talib's g a h Kismut, 8st. 8lbs.	Foster	1
Mr. Maydwell's b a h Bumblepuppy, 7st. 4lbs.	A. Hoyt	2
Mr. J. Antoony's b a h Saizar, 8st. 5lbs. ...	Native	3
Mr. D. Graham's b a h Haji, 9st. ...	Thomson	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Mudmie, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Murphy	0
Messrs. A. M. Amer's and C. Burjorji's g a h Lachmi, 8st. 8lbs.	Penton	0
Mr. A. Razack's g a h Cardigan, 8st. 2lbs....	Robinson	0
Mr. A. M. Samlan's g a h The Emperor, 8st. 2lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Syed Rasheed's ch a h Shahoon, 7st. 10lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's g a h Cleverman, 7st. 7lbs.	Noor Mahomed	0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's bl a h Black Prince, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Elliott	0

(*Winner trained by Ali bin Talib.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Saizar, 4 to 1 each Mudmie and Bumblepuppy, 5 to 1 Kismut, 6 to 1 Cardigan, 8 to 1 Black Prince, 10 to 1 Shahoon, 12 to 1 Haji, 20 to 1 each Lachmi and Emperor, 50 to 1 Cleverman

Won by half a length; a neck separating. Bumblepuppy and Saizar. Black Prince was fourth. Time—1min. 11s-cs.

THE YERROWDA PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A handicap for horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1902. 1 mile.

Aga Shah's b e g Carburton, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Kamad	1
Mr. T. L. Robert's br aus g Dumbbell, 7st. 4lbs.	Elliott	2
Mr. Laksmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum, 7st. 5lbs.	Melsom	3
Mr. Galstaun's bl aus g Dulcimer, 9st. 13lbs.	Robinson	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's br aus m Adelaide, 9st. 11b.	Morrison	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's br aus g Glen Albyn, 8st. 6lbs.	Hard	0
Mr. Peel's b aus g Planet, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Native	0
Mr. Locke's br e filly Miss Villiers, 7st. 6lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ch aus m Gnullo, 7st. 2lbs.	R. Morrison	0
Major G. Moore's ch aus g Daroji, 6st. 13lbs.	Dhondi	0
Mr. Curmar's b aus g Rossi, 6st. ...	Bennett	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 each agst. Carburton and Dumbell, 5 to 1 Gum, 6 to 1 each Miss Villiers and Glen Albyn, 10 to 1 each Planet and Gnullo; long odds the others.

Won by a length and-a-quarter; half a length between second and third. Gnullo fourth. Time—1min. 48secs.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs. 1 mile.

Aga S. Shah's b a h Arabistan, 6st. 12lbs....	Kamad	1
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's b a h Hyderi, 9st. 8lbs.	Foster	2
Mr. Peel's g a h Precious, 8st.... ...	Robinson	3
Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's ch a h Gallant, 9st. 11lbs.	Penton	0
Mr. F. M. Garda's b a h Narunjee, 9st. 7lbs.	Elliott	0
Col. Kavanagh's g a h Money Spinner, 8st. 4lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. A. R. Amer's g a h Young Kohinoor, 8st. 11b. —	Murphy	0
Mr. F. M. Garda's br a h Kour Saheb, 7st. 5lbs.	Bennett	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s ch a h Sapphire, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Govind	0
Mr. M. Ally's ch a h Napoleon, 7st. 4lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. S. A. Wahed's g a h Skylark, 5yrs., 7st.	Melsom	0
Prince Fateh Singh's b a h Duldul, 6st. ...	Wahan	0
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan, 6st.	Native	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Hyderi and Precious, 6 to 1 each Young Kohinoor and Arabistan, 7 to 1 Money Spinner, 10 to 1 each Narunjee, Napoleon, and Skylark, 20 to 1 each Gallant, Sapphire, Duldul, and Erhan, 30 to 1 Kour Saheb.

Won by a length and-a-quarter; a neck marking the distance between second and third. Kohinoor fourth. Time—1min. 56secs.

CIVIL AND MILITARY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A welter handicap for Arab ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Bayford's g a h Avatar. 12st. 3lbs.	Capt. Meynell	1
Mr. W. H. Anderson's g a h Surban, 8st. 9lbs.	Mr. J. Anderson	2
Mr. R. C. Beck's g a g Toby, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Melsom	3
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's br a h Bikanir, 9st. 12lbs.	Capt. Grove	0
Capt. Bayford's g a g Borderer, 11st. 9lbs....	Owner	0
Mr. Davies Cooke's b a g Marquis II., 11st.	Col. Kavanagh	0
Major F. Edwards g a g Fiddler, 10st. 13lbs.	Owner	0
Major Jameson's b a h Bugler. 10st. 10lbs ..	Owner	0
Messrs. Pawson and Badger's g a g Harpagos, 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. Loche	0
Mr J. Norwood's g a h Scamperdale, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Dawn	0
Mr. E. C. O. Ross's g a h Wild Plunger, 10st. 6lbs.	Capt. Hopwood	0
Mr. W. F. S. Casson's b a h Eager, 10st. 4lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. Bennie's ch a h Selim, 10st. ...	Mr. Alston	0
Capt. Trail's ch a g Khalifa, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Boase	0
Mr. Maydwell's b a h Bumblepuppy, 9st. 2lbs.	Mr. Deane	0

(*Winner trained by T. Kendall.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Avatar, 4 to 1 Marquis, 5 to 1 Bumblepuppy, 6 to 1 Harpagos, 7 to 1 each Fiddler and Scamperdale, 8 to 1 Toby, 10 to 1 each Borderer and Eager, 12 to 1 each Bikanir and Surban, 30 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and a half. Bikanir fourth. Time—1min. 29secs.

TOLLYGUNGE THIRD GYMKHANA RACES.

STEWARDS:

J. H. ALLEN, ESQ. | G. B. DEAKIN, ESQ.
E. C. APOSTOLIDES, ESQ. | R. H A. GREESON, ESQ.
J. R. STEWART, ESQ.

Judge:—G. B. DEAKIN, ESQ.
Clerk of the Scales:—J. H. ALLEN, ESQ.
Starter:—R. G. BATES. ESQ.
Honorary Secretary:—J. H. ALLEN, ESQ.

Saturday, 3rd September 1904.

SMALL fields and wretched weather conditions marred the success of the third meeting held at Tollygunge this afternoon. The rain came down in torrents after the third race and the course became a swamp. The threatening sky had kept away many people and the attendance was poor. Turning to the racing, favourites came home in three of the events, the only upset being in the Charger. Stakes when Claymore got home. Details:—

THE NOVICE STAKES.—A flat race for horses that have never been entered during the last year for a race of any description, value Rs. 51 or over. C. W. 10st. 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mrs. Paris' gr aus g Grey Dawn, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Pugh	1
Mr. F. G. Hawkins' c h aus g Bucephalus, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr Evers	2
Mr. H. D. Raban's b aus g Cambridge, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. Ross Craik's ch aus g Amber, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Wilmot	0

BETTING: Evens Cambridge, 6 to 4 agst. Grey Dawn, 4 to 1 Bucephalus, 10 to 1 Amber.

Totalisator paid Rs. 9 to win; Rs. 7 and Rs. 10 for places

Amber led them till the straight where Grey Dawn came away and won by a length.

THE PONY PLATE.—A handicap flat race for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description, value Rs. 50 or over. 1 mile.

Mrs. Bowring's gr aus m Flush, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. M. Turner	1
Mr. C. Ismay's ch aus g Little Glencoe, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. T. G. Evers' ch e g Mignon, 9st. ...	Owner	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Flush, 5 to 2 agst. Mignon, 3 to 1 Little Glencoe.

Totalisator paid Rs. 9.

Little Glencoe took command at once and led to the turn where Flush went to the front and won by two lengths.

THE OPENING HANDICAP.—A handicap flat race for maiden horses. 7 furlongs.

Mr. A. Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. M. Turner	1
Mr. P. A. Scaramanga's b aus g Nicotine, 10st. 3lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin, 10st. 3lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. E. L. Ralli's b aus g True Blue, 9st. 10lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. S. Anderson's b aus g Ginger, 9st. 10lbs.	Mr. Westmacott	0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Ginger, 4 to 1 agst. Nicotine, 6 to 1 each Odin and Ginger, 10 to 1 True Blue.

Totalisator paid Rs. 12 to win, Rs. 8 and Rs. 12 for places.

Nicotine and Gauntlet led to the distance where the former tried to get ahead, but Gauntlet Kept on and won by a length.

THE ALL COMERS' STAKES.—A flat race for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description, value Rs. 50 or over, 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Allowances—Arabs 28lbs.; C. B.'s 14lbs. G. R.'s 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Irish, 12st. ...	Mr. Holmes	1
Mr. C. Mehta's ch aus h First Guide, 11st. 5lbs.	Mr. Cowper	2
Mr. Creet's b aus g Baby, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Mr. Pugh	3
Mr. K. N. Chowdhuri's gr a h Hercules II, 9st 2lbs.	Mr. Westmacott	0

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Irish, 2 to 1 agst. First Guide, 8 to 1 each Hercules and Baby.

Totalisator paid Rs. 8 to win, Rs 6 and Rs. 6 for places.

Irish went away at once with First Guide close up. In the straight the latter challenged but Irish had no difficulty in winning by half a length.

THE CHARGER STAKES.—A handicap for horses the property of members of the C. L. H. 5 furlongs.

Mr. N. Pritchard's br aus g Claymore, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. M. Tanner	1
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up, 11st. 4lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. W. O. Rees' gr aus g Quicksilver, 11st. 4lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. G. B. Mackellar's b aus g Orphan Boy, 11st. 4lbs.	Mr. Cowper	0
Mr. C. S. Clark's b aus g Return, 10st. ...	Mr. Wilmot	0
Mr. E. L. Ralli's b aus m Girlie, 9st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 Cheer Up, 3 to 1 each Quicksilver and Orphan Boy, 6 to 1 each Return, Girlie, Claymore.

Totalisator paid Rs. 73 to win, Rs. 20 and Rs. 8 for places.

Quicksilver was quickest away, then led them to the turn where Cheer Up took command, then Claymore came with a rush at the finish and got the verdict by a neck.

CALCUTTA COURSE CHAT.

THURSDAY was made full use of; in fact, there was quite an old time ring about the big gallery that graced the old stand.

The first I noted was Thundercloud from Smallman's, taking Regan off on a voyage down the Golf Club way, from the culvert opening; but he later on came back to his stall quiet and subdued. But Mr. Tanner's experience on Road Metal was somewhat different, and a disagreement of opinion led to a dissolution of partnership, without much formal notice, when the black went a break neck pace through the opening to the Amateur Camp. Mr. Tanner was not to be beat, however, and got the overfrisky one round the course and through the opening all right the second time. As a set off to these exhibitions, a mem sahib put her hack over a couple of flights of the pony hurdles, followed by a Miss Sahib on one of Mr. Harold Smith's new ones, both ladies being quite at home at the game.

Bloss on Profit, from over the other side, put in a gallop all the way, finishing as fresh as a spring chicken.

Exactly the same may be said of Mr. Deakin's taking gallop on Perfect. This pair are as fit as fiddles.

Luchoo moved round on Mr. Dutton's Golden Tip. Then came Mr. Galstaun on Not Yet, and two natives in charge of Mademoiselle and Norman, smart away from the 5 furlongs, putting the half mile past them in 58 seconds. This was all Norman's.

Shelldrake shook up Daffodil, and W. White got as much as possible out of Pubna.

O'Neil on Sweet Talk, and Regan on another, starting by the 5 furlong post, came along smartly, finishing up with honours about easy as they passed the stand.

Toe on Tadmore took on Trollop (native) in a bit of a rough up, and Mr. Westmacott had out Sylvia in view of her Gymkhana engagement for Saturday.

Howie put young Rake over a few flights of the hurdles in this pony's faultless style.

Mr. Holmes on Jacinth, took full change out of Winklet (O'Neil) in their 6 furlong set to

Bell Brand (Howie), Hello (native) put the same distance behind them, in useful time.

Mr. Holmes on Irish and O'Neil on Certitude put in one of the best bits of work seen this morning. Starting from beyond the 5 furlongs, they came away with a wet sail and locked level they flew past the post.

Sid White sent Florence over the sticks, a much more delectable spectacle than what we have been used to seeing when there has been a rampant native boy in charge of this peaceful mare.

The erstwhile steeplechase jockey Beazley, gave us a taste of his skill, on Parole, in the horse jump course: he went with McCallum on Bob, and though not finishing first, yet, when shaking the horse up on approaching the last hurdle, it was apparent a bit more could have been squeezed out of him; but the pace put in would not do when taking on Kittylea, Naiades, or Odin.

W. White went round on Stepma quickly: nice galloper this. Miss Beryl (O'Neil), and Regan on Whiff, put in two taking schools separately, and later O'Neil had out Footlight.

May B (native), Sunshine (Mr. Evers), and Pierette, were in evidence in their different gallops.

Mr. Raban treated Autocrat to a few furlongs up the straight, and Mr. John Gregory's tum-tum pony, completely smothered the matronly Queenie with Mr. Chater up, in a sporting little impromptu match got up on the spur of the moment.

Saturday was another very fine morning, with the course here and there a bit holding, probably the result of the rain that fell the previous day. Bloss on Profit was one of the earliest, and in this respect, beat even Mr. Bert Allen, and you have to get up pretty early to be ahead of this sporting hustler.

Natalina and Coal Queen were worked three-quarter speed, by Howie and Regan, and the former put Mr. Harold Smith's Pylara over 5 furlongs. It is probable this horse may not be pulled out again for monsoon honors, being reserved for higher game in the cold weather, by which time he'll be more acclimatised.

Regan dusted young Rake over 5 furlongs, and the going, with a rattle up at the finish, was all there. He's a perfect jumper, and can't make a mistake, so that, as he's getting into his stride, probably he'll be the first to credit his stable with a winning bracket. Gee-Bung, from the same happy family, was out gaining a bit of foot, with Regan as mentor.

Shelldrake brought along Blue Bell, and a bit later formed one of a trio, on Shylock, Mr. Deakin, Perfect, and a native on Daphne, that had a merry set to, well up the straight from the 5 furlong way, Mr. Deakin having pride of place at the finish.

Winklet did a short spin, and then Stepma (White), Tadmore (Toe), and Florence (native) put in an instructive 5 furlongs, the first-named to the fore in good style.

Mr. Galstaun on Not Yet had all his work cut out to live with Mademoiselle, (Regan,) and Norman (Howie), the two from Smallman's being in great going humour, especially Norman.

Mr. Chater put in a funny turn on a grey, with a pink dyed tail. W. White on Little Doris, appeared to beat Reveille (Walker) in a pretty strong 6 furlongs they put behind them, I should have thought Walker ought to have had the pull, but White pegged away in such resolute fashion, that it was not to be. I was left wondering why such a fight to a finish was put up in full view of the gallery.

Beazley brought Mr. Mathieson's Parole along smartly, in company with McCallum on Bob. At present, at all events, these horses are not fast enough to cope with the quality they'll be meeting when racing.

Bloss exercised Footlight, and Howie had Bell Brand out. Mr. Cowper on Actress, essayed the horse hurdle course along with Mr. Evers on Flamingo, and all went well until approaching the last hurdle but one, albeit the pace was a trifle slow. Here upon quickening up Flamingo took off very big, landed slap on the hurdle, blundered badly and shot Mr. Evers over his head.

Bloss was out on Jacinth followed by O'Neil on Miss Beryl, and Toe exercised Clynder.

Hello (Howie), Fusilier (Regan), did 5 furlongs, in 1min. 9secs.

Mr. Deakin had a good gallop on Invincible, in company with Kittylea and another one.

Mr. Dass has lost Euraylus, who died last week. This is downright hard luck, as the mare had only quite recently shown a bit of her true form, when ridden to victory by Mr. Dudley.

Daffodil (Shelldrake) and Blue Bell (native) popped over a few flights of hurdles in a business like manner, and W. White pounded by on Pubna. This slow-coach appears each morning with a different jockey in the saddle but none of them get more than a bumblepuppy scurry out of this Lower Bengal wallah.

Tuesday morning was a bit on the heavy side, owing to the recent rain, but as the course was open, plenty of work was put in, and there was a fairly good gallery.

Bloss with Profit, opened proceedings at an early hour on the far side, putting in, as usual, a good twelve-anna gallop and I like her about best for the September Stakes.

From a ragged start over by the 5 furlongs, Mr. Deakin on Perfect tried a sort of conclusion, with Shelldrake on Black Patch and a native on Golden Tip. This was followed by a spin over the same distance by Walker on Second Thought and Reinzette (native) putting the ½ mile behind them nicely under even time.

A native on Mr. Galstaun's new pony, smothered poor old Queenie (Mr. Chater) in their little argument, and Beazley shook up Cerise along the straight.

Howie on Young Rake cantered round, negotiating the two last hurdles of the pony course.

Trollop (native) blowing like a grampus, struggled along in the rear of Stepma (White) in their gallop.

Bloss had out Footlight, and O'Neil was on Certitude. If there is anything likely to upset calculations in the September Plate, it's the Nawab's gelding.

Regan galloped Gee Bung, and Shelldrake on Shylock with a native on Daphne, did the pony hurdles, followed by Fusilier on the course proper Mr. Dudley Meyers is about due a win, but he is taking on such a speedy lot in the Entally Plate, that of a certainty his horse will have to go one better than I think he can to accomplish the trick.

Not Yet, with Mr. Galstaun up, was really not in it with Mademoiselle ridden by Regan. Of course Mr. Bartlett's pony had the pull of inches; but still the gallop does not augur any too well for Mr. Galstaun's chances in the Maiden Plate.

Toe brought Tadmore along a good duster from the 5 furlongs, accompanied by Ginger (White). Then we had to beat to quarters for a brief period while a pretty sharp shower fell.

Regan worked Flash and later Uphill's pony Norman, and Beazley kicked Parcle along. Bell Brand (Howie) and Hello (Regan) came together up the straight, the latter apparently a little in advance. A well known trainer, watching the gallop, remarked what a good 'un Bell Brand was "down under," and was surprised at his not winning races in Calcutta Monsoon class.

Griffin, Mr. Barney Allen's new trainer, had Firewater and Nat Gould out early, doing exercise under the guidance of the stable jockey, McNamara. They are intended to take on high notchers in the cold weather.

O'Neil on Winklet and Bloss on Jacinth did their usual course, and Reveille (Walker) and Oom Paul (Mr. Galstaun) came along on their own, Mr Galstaun only in view, Walker being quite dwarfed out of sight. I was glad to see Johnson about again, as he has been on the sick list for a while. He did his best to rouse Macedon from sleep, and McCallum put Bob a full course and a half, whilst Pubna did ditto, and a bit over. One would think these horses were in training for endurance; at all events their preparation lends colour to the thought.

Mr. Tanner seems on better terms now with Road Metal who cantered by quite quietly.

Mr. Raban did a canter on the open with Autocrat, and Mr. Mackellar was visible to the naked eye on Orphan Boy.

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Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

FOURTH MEETING.

Saturday, 10th September 1904.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Five furlongs.

Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Mr Glastaun's b aus m Not Yet, 13-3½.
Mr. A. Milton's gr a g Koraki aged, 14-1½.
Mr. G. B Deakin's bk aus m Black Patch, 13-3.
Mr. Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 14-0.
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Whif by Glengarry—Swivel, 4 years 13-3½.
Mr. T. G. Evers' ch e g Mignon by Gownboy—Mignonette 3 years, 14-0.
Mr. Cecil's bk aus m Miss Beryl, 13-3½.
Mr. H. B. Banker's ch aus g m Little Doris, 13-3½.
Mr. B. B.'s b ch h Reveille, 14-1.

THE BELVEDERE PLATE.—About 1¼ miles over 7 flights

Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob.
Mr. A. Matheson's b aus g Parole.
Mrs. Fraser Nash's b aus g Macedon.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil.
Mr. A Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet.
Messrs. Macdonnell and Paris' g aus m Actress.
Mr. R. A C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin.
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades.
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea.
Mr. T. G. Ever's b aus g Flamingo.

THE ZEERUT PLATE.—About 1 mile over 6 flights

Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Mr. B. Allen's b sth af g Young Rake, 14-0½.
Mr. C. C. Mackintosh's br aus g Jack Spratt, 14-0.
Mr. Mackellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 14-1.
Mr. Rodocanach's b aus g Shylock, 14-1½.
Mr. C. Uphill's br aus g Norman, 14-2.

THE SEPTEMBER PLATE.—Five furlongs.

Mr. J. Pymm's b aus g Autocrat.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Invincible.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Trollop.
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus m Sunshine.
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Profit.
Nawab Salimoolah's br aus m Certitude.
Messrs. Muljee and Premjee's bk aus g Bell Brand.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Hello.
Mr. W. O Rees' br aus g Oom Paul.

THE PONY HANDICAP.—Five furlongs.

Mr. W. Atkinson's br aus g All Fours, 14-2.
Mr. C. Mehta's ch aus h First Guide.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus m Perfect, 14-0½.
Mr. J. Gove's b aus mIrish, 14-1.
Mr. J. B. Crichton's ch ans Florin, 14-0½.
Mr. Bartlett's b aus m Mademoiselle, 14-0½.
Mr. B. B.'s b aus m Second Thought, 14-1.

THE ENTALLY PLATE.—Six furlongs.

Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b e m Pierette.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Fusilier by Young Cyclops-Countess, 5 years.
Mr. T. Curtis-Hayward's b aus m Sylvia.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus m Ding Dong 5 yrs.
Mr. Sullivan's ch aus m Pubna 6 years.
Mr. T. G. Evers' br aus m May B.
Mr. G. B. Paris' b e g Winklet.
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris.
Mr. B. B.'s ch e m Reinzette.

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THE TURF.

STOCKTON.

SINCE the last Spring Meeting the Stockton executive have made still further structural additions to their estate, and every year signalises another stage in the march of progress. The new building in the north-east corner of the paddock, which is divided into a capacious weighing-saloon, jockeys' dressing rooms, bathrooms, etc., is the most luxuriously-appointed structure of its kind in the Kingdom, and could not fail to elicit the eulogies of all who have the privilege of using it. Another move which would find much favour with owners and trainers is the extension of the railway line to the entrance to the course, so as to obviate the leading of highly strung thoroughbreds along the slippery streets through a maze of vehicular traffic. A siding already exists, of which use might possibly be made. A huge crowd gathered in glorious weather on the 16th instant to witness the sport at Mandale Bottoms, and many of the leading patrons of the Turf were present with their guests. The riding of Maher, who steered four winners, was the feature of the racing, and he and Madden swept the board between them. It was very gratifying to see the colours of Sir Waldie Griffith to the fore on two occasions.

THE WYNYARD PLATE of 537 sovs. for two year olds. T.Y.C. (Five furlongs).

Sir E. Vincent's b c Rievaulx, by St. Angelo—Queen of the Dale, 8st. 7lbs.	Madden	1
Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's b f Therapia, 8st. 13lbs.	Heppel	2
Lord Londonderry's b c St. Florentin, 9st. 2lbs.	Maher	3
Mr. R. Craig's Cauty Bay, 8st. 12lbs. ...	J. McCall	0
Mr. Douglas Baird's Fusilier, 8st. 7lbs. ...	H. Aylin	0
Major Joicey's Cautious, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Watts	0
Mr. J. Joicey's Grand Medal, 8st. 7lbs. ...	C. Leader	0

(*Winner trained by R. Day.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Therapia, 7 to 4 Rievaulx, 9 to 2 St Florentin, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won a pretty race by a length; a bad third. Fusilier was fourth, Cauty Bay fifth, and Cautious last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 0⅘sec.

THE STOCKTON HANDICAP PLATE of 370 sovs. One mile and a half.

Lord Ellesmere's br c Gower, by Wolf's Crag—Vizard, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs. ...	Maher	1
Mr. J. Fagan's b f Rose Point, 3yrs., 6st. 6lbs*	Rollason	2
Mr. B. Gottschalk's ch m Emily Melton, aged, 7st. 10lbs	Madden	3
Mr. J. Wood's Orrag, 4 yrs., 8st. 8lbs.* ...	Bullock	0
Mr. G. G. Tod's Powder Puff, 5yrs., 8st. 3lbs*	Conkie	0
Mr. D. J. Jardine's Red Warrior, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.*	Flanagan	0
Mr. F. Langstaff's Catty Crag, 4yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	Finlay	0
Mr. E. Carlton's Ariosto, 5yrs., 7st. 4lbs.*...	Blades	0
Mr. H. Straker's St. John's Wood, 4yrs., 6st. 9lbs*	Sharples	0
Mr. W. Sanderson's Melsary, 4yrs., 6st. 2lbs.*	Robinson	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by J. Dawson.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Gower, 4 to 1 each St. John's Wood an Rose point, 8 to 1 Emily Melton, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by a short head on the post; four lengths between second and third. St. John's Wood was fourth, Ariosto fifth, Orrag sixth, Powder Puff seventh, Melsary next, and Red Warrior last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 8⅘secs.

THE HAREWOOD TWO YEAR OLD SELLING PLATE of 137 sovs. Five furlongs.

Sir R. Waldie Griffith's ch f Shooting Star, by Wildfowler—Glim, 8st. 11lb. (car. 8st. 4lbs.)	Maher	1
Mr. J. Musker's br f Economical, 8st. 6lbs.	Madden	2
Mr. James Joicey's gr f Grand Marina, 8st. 11lb	Heppell	3
Mr. W. S. Wilson's Keenun, 8st. 11lb.* ...	Bullock	0
Mr. W. Brown's c by Bread Knife—Atona, 8st. 4lbs.	Priestman	0
Lord Essex's Grass Cat, 8st. 11lb. ...	Randall	0
Mr. Ferns's g by Galloping Lad—Departure, 8st. 11lb. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ...	H. Aylin	0
Lord Harewood's Mrs. Murchison, 8st. 11lb.	Hunter	0
Mr. Oban's g by Misselthrush—Moti, 7st. 10lbs.*	Sharples	0
Mr. John Osborne's Rushy, 8st. 11lb. ...	F. Osborne	0
Mr. Russel's g by Whittier—Emotion, 7st. 10lbs.*	Rollason	0

*5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by R. Sherwood*).

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst Shooting Star and Departure gelding, 5 to 1 Economical, 6 to 1 each Grass Cat and Mrs. Murchison, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a short head; a like distance separated the second and third. Emotion gelding was fourth, Departure gelding fifth, Mrs. Murchison sixth, Moti gelding seventh, Grass Cat next

and Atona colt last. The winner was sold to Mr. Coulthwaite for 200gs. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 1⅘secs.

THE ZETLAND PLATE of 100 sovs. One mile.

Lord Farquhar's b f Princess Florizel by Florizel II—Lady Lucy, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	Maher	1
Maj. Vaux's ch c Wee Macgregor, 3yrs., 8st 4lbs	Priestman	2

(*Winner trained by G. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Princess Florizel.

Princess Florizel waited on Wee Macgreegor till a quarter of a mile from home, when she drew to the front and won easily by two lengths.

The familiar spectacle of flocks of geese being marshalled and manœuvred to various vantage points in the market-place on the morning of the 17th instant proclaimed that the Annual Fair, which regularly synchronises with the Summer Race Meeting, was in progress. Huge crowds are invariably attracted too the Tees-side for the occasion, and it was apparent when the curtain rose at Mandale Bottoms to-day that there was no diminution in the usual big attendance. This is all the more to be wondered at, seeing that about midday a cold, drizzling rain began to fall and continued, on and off, during the period that racing was in progress, the air being quite chilly the while. The riding of Maher was again the feature of the proceedings, as he performed the "hat-trick" for the second time in succession, and has altogether steered eight winners during the two days. Sharples was twice successful, so that the honours have not so far been very equitably distributed. Country trainers were to the fore, only three of the seven events falling to Newmarket horses.

The HARDWICKE STAKES of 497 sovs. added to a sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, for two year olds. T. Y. C. (Five furlongs).

Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's b F By Wolf's Crag—Sakkarah, 9st.	Maher	1
Mr. P. P. Gilpin s b or br f Desiree, 9st. 5lbs.	W Lane	2
Mr. Bussel's ch c Whistling Rufus, 8st. 6lbs...	Madden	3
Mr. E. Foster's' The King, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Randall	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's c by Isinglass—Landrail, 8st. 9lbs.	Croft	0
Mr. Thursby's Kama, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Maddock	0

(*Winner trained by R Sherwood.*)

BETTING: Evens Whistling Rufus. 6 to 2 agst. Desiree, 5 to 1 Sakkarah filly, 7 to 1 The King, and 20 to 1 any other.

Won an exciting race by a head; three lengths between the second and third. Landrail colt was fourth, and Kama last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 59⅗secs.

THE GREAT NORTHERN LEGER of 443sovs. for three-year olds. One mile and five furlongs.

Lord Harewood's b c Almscliff, by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Maher	1
Sir R Waldie Griffith's b F by Isinglass—Sweet Duchess, 8st.	Croft	2

(*Winner trained by G. Chaloner.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Almscliff.

Won readily by a length and a half. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2min. 58secs.

THE STOCKTON STEWARDS' HANDICAP PLATE of 205 sovs. One mile.

Mr. R. W. Burrows's b c Palace Yard, by Buckingham—Sordoin, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.*	Rollason	1
Mr. G. Barclay s ch f Liza Johnson, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	Madden	2
Mr. W. Chatterton's b c Kirkbride, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	W. Lane	3
Col. E. W. Baird's Martaban, 6yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	Watts	0
Sir. R. Waldie Griffith's Akbar, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex) (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ...	Maher	0
Mr. T. Hall's Don Paez, 3yrs., 7st 12lbs	Dalton	0
Mrs. E. J. O'Brien's Paolo, 5yrs, 7st. 7lbs.*	Bullock	0
Lord. Farquhar's Princess Florizel 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	Sharples	0
Mr. J. Tait's Adelia 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs. ...	Murray	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by R. Day.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Reivaulx, 3 to 1 agst. Captain Jack, and 100 to 7 any other.

Won in a canter by half a length; two lengths divided the second and third. Ulysses was fourth, Jane Shore filly fifth, Future Queen gelding next, and Rapid Stream colt last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 1⅘secs.

THE DURHAM COUNTY PRODUCE PLATE of 833sovs. for three-year-olds. One mile and two furlongs.

Lord Harewood's b c Almscliff, by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead, 9st. 9lbs. ...	O. Maher	1
Mr. J. Musker's br c The Warrior, 8st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	2
Mr. J. Osborne's ch f Flamston Pin, 8st. 11lb.	F. Osborne	3

(*Winner trained by G. Chaloner.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 on Almscliff, 11 to 10 agst. The Warrior, and 33 to 1 Flamston Pin.

Won by two lengths; a bad third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 11⅘secs.

THE MIDDLESBROUGH WELTER HANDICAP PLATE of 186 sovs. Five furlongs.

Lord Dunraven's b f Livia, by Sempronius—Rock Pigeon, 3yrs, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Maher	1
Mr. F. Stroud's b c Solario, 3yrs. 7st. 13lbs *	Sharples	2
Mr. G. W. Smith's ch h Electric Current, aged, 8st. 6lbs.	J. McCall	3
Major Vaux's Japan, 4yrs., 8st. 12lbs. ...	Priestman	0
Sir W. Vavasour's Glee Maiden, 5yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	Cloud	0
Mr. M. S. Waudby's Quietness, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.*	Beedman	0
Mr. T. H Walker's A. R. A., 6yrs. 7st. 9lbs.*	G. Bullock	0
Mr. W. Sanderson's Grey Leaf, 4yrs. 7st. 8lbs*	Robinson	0
Sir W. Vavasour's Wild Scarlet, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	Murray	0
Mr. H. Ingram's Venezia, 3yrs. 7st. 10lbs.	W. Lane	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by R. Sherwood.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 each agst. Livia and Solario, 4 to 1 Venezia, 10 to 1 Electric Current, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won in a canter by a length and a half; a head divided the second and third, Venezia was fourth, A. R. A. fifth, Grey Leaf sixth, Japan next and Glee Maiden last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. ⅘secs.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(COMPILED FROM 21ST MARCH TO 12TH AUGUST.)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unplaced	Percentage.
Lane, W. ...	454	97	96	61	200	21·36
Madden, O. ...	456	92	71	56	237	20·17
Maher, D. ...	246	74	38	31	103	30·08
Halsey, W. ...	372	63	46	59	204	16·93
Wheatley, E. ...	291	54	52	45	146	18·55
Dillon, B. ...	213	40	29	22	122	18·77
Griggs, William ...	378	38	48	43	249	10·05
Trigg, C. ...	377	37	41	56	243	9·81
Randall, H. ...	169	35	24	33	77	20·71
Sharples, A. ...	203	34	40	21	108	16·74
Jarvis, J. ...	199	28	16	22	133	14·07
Jones, H. ...	191	26	35	23	107	13·61
Cannon, M. ...	225	26	35	34	130	11·55
Heppell, T. ...	112	21	11	8	72	18·75
McCall, G. ...	155	21	22	12	100	13·51
Martin, J. H. ...	208	21	23	29	135	10·09
Butchers, G. F. ...	183	20	15	32	116	10·92
Cannon, K. ...	201	20	28	23	130	9·9

CRICKET.

YORKSHIRE *vs.* WARWICKSHIRE.—Played at Huddersfield on 11th, 12th and 13th August. Warwickshire won by six runs. This match was played on a bowlers' wicket, but the famous Yorkshire bowlers hardly seemed to make the best use of it. The absence of F. S. Jackson very greatly weakened the Yorkshire side and perhaps if he had been playing the reusult of the match might have been different. On the first day it was very difficult to make runs, but Hirst, after beginning in great form and securing two wickets, was harmless, and it was left to Myers, who nowadays seems the only Yorkshire bowler who can be depended on, to get most of the wickets. Nevertheless, Yorkshire at first did so well that seven wickets were down for 79 runs when Santall was joined by Moorhouse. The fortunes of the game then completely changed. Santall played one of the finest innings of his life, hitting with great power whenever an opportunity offered, and showing great command over the bowling, while Moorhouse played very sound cricket. The partnership for the eighth wicket produced 70 runs in fifty minutes, and without doubt had much to do with the ultimate success of Warwickshire. Yorkshire began their innings at four o'clock, but in a few minutes rain came down heavily, and it was not until half-past five that the game was resumed, when Yorkshire met with disaster and lost three wickets for 34. On the next day there was no play until after lunch, when Field and Hargreave bowled so well that their county had the useful lead of 48 on the first innings. In the second innings Warwickshire lost five wickets for 48 before the end of the day, and were thus 96 runs on. The tail could do very little on Saturday morning, but the wicket was so difficult that Yorkshire's task of making 131 runs to win seemed a very hard one. Field and Hargreave again bowled splendidly and were so well backed up by the field that six wickets were down at lunch-time for 66. Afterwards, Ernest Smith and Haigh made a most plucky attempt to pull the match out of the fire, and when they were separated only 24 runs remained to be made, with three wickets in hand. But although Myers made a useful score at this critical moment while Haigh survived until the total reached 120. Warwickshire managed to gain a well-earned victory at half-past three.

WARWICKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
T. S. Fishwick, c Tunnicliffe, b Myers	25	c Rhodes, b Hirst ...	0
Kinneir, c Grimshaw, b Hirst.	7	l-b-w, b Haigh ...	17
Charlesworth, b Hirst ...	0	c Tunnicliffe, b Rhodes	1
Quaife, b Myers	20	c Hunter, b Hirst ...	16
J. F. Byrne, c Hunter, b Myers	12	b Rhodes ...	8
Lilley, c Smith, b Myers ...	10	c and b Haigh ...	19
Whittle, b Myers	3	c and b Rhodes ...	4
Santall, c Tunnicliffe, b Haigh	51	c Tunnicliffe, b Rhodes	0
Moorhouse, c Tunnicliffe, b Haigh	28	l-b-w, b Haigh ..	0
Hargreave, c Denton, b Rhodes	5	not out	3
Field, not out	2	run out	4
No-ball ...	1	B 4, lb 6 ...	10
Total ...	164	Total ...	82

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Rudston, c Charlesworth, b Field ...	9	c Fishwick, b Field	8
Grimshaw, b Hargreave ...	39	b Field	4
Denton, c Quaife, b Field ...	1	c Lilley, b Field ...	12
Hunter, c Charlesworth, b Field	4	run out	0
Tunnicliffe, c Kinneir, b Field	18	c Santall, b Hargreave	20
Hirst, c Byrne, b Field ...	5	l-b-w, b Hargreave ...	6
Rhodes, l-b-w, b Hargreave ...	9	c Lilley, b Field ...	8
E. Smith, c Lilley, b Field ...	7	b Hargreave	22
Haigh, c Fishwick, b Field ...	5	c Charlesworth, b Hargreave ...	28
Myers, not out	10	b Hargreave ...	8
Oyston, c Fishwick b Hargreave	1	not out	0
B 2, w 6	8	B 5, w 3 ...	8
Total	116	Total ...	124

WARWICKSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst ...	24	6	62	2		10	3	17	2
Myers ...	19	2	68	5		1	0	4	0
Rhodes ...	6	1	9	1		13	2	42	4
Haigh ...	4·3	1	8	2		8·3	4	9	3
Oyston ...	5	0	16	0					

Myers delivered one no-ball.

YORKSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Field ...	25	7	63	7		21	4	56	4
Santall ...	4	1	6	0		3	0	14	0
Hargreave ...	18·4	8	27	3		28·2	11	45	5
Byrne ...	2	0	12	0					
					Moorhouse	5	4	1	0

Field delivered eight wides and Santall one wide.

MIDDLESEX *vs.* NOTTS.—Played at Trent Bridge on 11th, 12th and 13th August. Middlesex won by eight wickets. Part of the proceeds of this match were set aside for the benefit of Flowers, the famous old Notts professional, whose benefit nine years ago was not a success. Unfortunately the weather was so bad on the first day that the game did not begin until half-past one, and only a few people came to see the play. For a time things went very well indeed for Notts, and with only one wicket down the total was 195, of which Iremonger and Jones made 83 for the first wicket. But before stumps were drawn there was a different tale to tell, and five more wickets fell for the addition of 105 runs, Bosanquet being responsible for four of the wickets. On Friday the Rev. H. Staunton, who had played exceedingly well overnight for 47, increased his total to 78 by fine cricket, but the Notts tail did not distinguish itself. When Middlesex went in Warner and J. Douglas played such fine cricket, and met with such good fortune in the way of dropped catches, that before they were parted they had brought the total to 306, which was only 37 short of that made by Notts. Douglas made his 153 in three hours, while Warner took half-an-hour longer to score his 163. The Notts total was passed before another wicket fell, and thanks to good scores by G. W. Beldam, C. Palmer, O. M. Wells, and J. T. Hearne, the score when the day's play ended was 494 for eight wickets. Thus on Saturday Middlesex resumed their innings with a lead of 151, and when the innings came to an end they were 173 to the good. When Notts went in again Iremonger played another beautiful innings, but there was no other outstanding score, and Middlesex were left with the easy task of scoring 54 to win. During the Notts second innings Bosanquet was nearly as successful as in the first. A good many runs were made off his bowling, but he got the batsmen out.

NOTTS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A. O. Jones, c Palmer, b Hearne	49	c More, b Bosanquet ...	5
Iremonger, st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	97	l-b-w, b Trott ...	74
J. Gunn, l b-w, b Hearne ...	52	c Trott, b Beldam ...	6
G. Gunn, c MacGregor, b Bosanquet	7	c Wells, b Bosanquet ...	16
R. E. Hemingway, b Bosanquet	20	c Hearne, b Bosanquet	28
Rev. H. Staunton, c More, b Bosanquet	78	c and b Bosanquet .	19
Hardstaff, c Napier, b Bosanquet	0	st MacGregor, b Bosanquet	1
G. T. Branston, c Wells, b Bosanquet	13	c Wells, b Trott ...	28
Anthony, l-b-w, b Hearne ...	1	c Douglas, b Bosanquet	5
Oates, c and b Hearne ...	0	not out	16
Wass, not out	6	c MacGregor, b Trott...	6
B 8, lb 10, w 1, nb 1 ...	20	B 14, lb 5, w 1, nb 2 ...	22
Total	343	Total ...	226

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
P. F. Warner, c Branston b Wass	163	not out	30
J. Douglas, c J. Gunn, b Hardstaff	153	b Wass	4
G. W. Beldam, c Hemingway, b J. Gunn	34		
C. Palmer, c Jones, b J. Gunn	43	st Hardstaff, b J. Gunn	5
B. J. T. Bosanquet, c Jones, b J. Gunn	17	not out	15
C. M. Wells, st Hardstaff, b J. Gunn	20		
R. E. More, c Iremonger, b J. Gunn	0		
Trott, c Jones, b J. Gunn ...	2		
G. MacGregor, b Wass ...	30		
J. T., Hearne not out ...	38		
G. G. Napier, c Anthony, b J. Gunn ...	0		
B 12, lb 2, w 1, nb 1 ...	16		
Total	516	Total (2 wkts.) ...	54

NOTTS.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Napier ...	10	2	34	0					
Bosanquet ...	30·5	1	106	6		37	5	134	6
Douglas ...	5	0	15	0					
Wells ...	8	1	21	0		9	5	8	0
Trott ...	10	1	37	0		7·5	3	22	3
Hearne ...	38	9	77	4		8	4	5	0
More ...	15	6	33	0		9	5	17	0
			Belden			5	0	18	1

Napier bowled one wide and one no-ball, Bosanquet one wide, and More two no-balls.

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	N.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	N.
J. Gunn ...	48·2	5	182	7		8·3	0	29	1
Wass ...	23	4	102	2		7	1	23	1
Jones ...	13	2	53	0		1	0	2	0
Branston ...	6	0	24	0					
Iremonger ...	14	1	63	0					
Hardstaff ...	7	1	44	1					
Anthony ...	6	0	32	0					

J Gunn bowled a no-ball and Wass a wide.

HAMPSHIRE *vs.* LEICESTERSHIRE.—Played at Southampton on 11th 12th and 13th August. Leicestershire won by an innings and 95 runs. For this match Hampshire had to do without Hesketh-Prichard and A. J. L. Hill, but on a soft and not difficult wicket they scored 215 for four wickets on the first day, although play did not begin until three o'clock owing to rain. Webb and Bowell made a good beginning, and Sprott and Webb added 87 runs for the second wicket. Webb was going strong for his hundred when Major Poore called him for an impossible run. The Major afterwards kept up his wicket until stumps were drawn, when he was not out 27. He and Johnston, who made a very pretty 53, were together from five o'clock until the last ball of the day. On Saturday Gill bowled very fast, and made the ball get up so much that nobody except Stone could make any resistance to him, and the innings came to an end for an addition of 29 runs. Hampshire had no bowler who could take equal advantage of the state of the wicket, and before stumps were drawn Leicestershire made 517 for the loss of nine wickets. King played a brilliant innings for four hours and a quarter, and was within easy reach of his second hundred when he was dismissed. Whitehead helped him to put up 155 runs for the third wicket, and Knight 106 for the fourth. The catch by Johnston in the long field which disposed of Gill was loudly applauded, for Johnston had to run a long way, and judged the flight of the ball to a nicety. On Saturday the Leicestershire captain declared his innings closed, and thus Hampshire, who required 273 to avoid defeat by an innings, had the whole day before them. Sprott played a splendid innings, but the bowlers always had the best of the situation, and the match was over soon after lunch.

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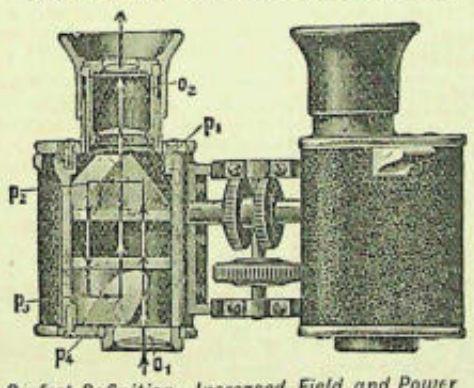
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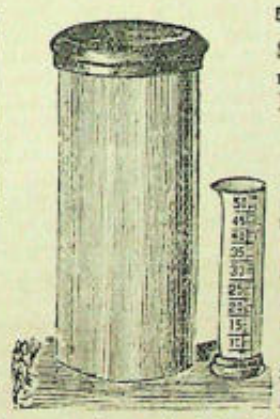
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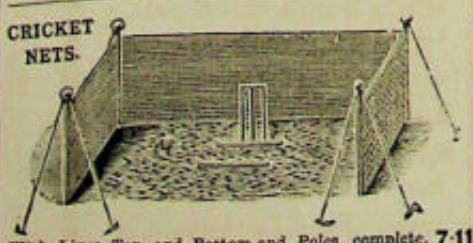
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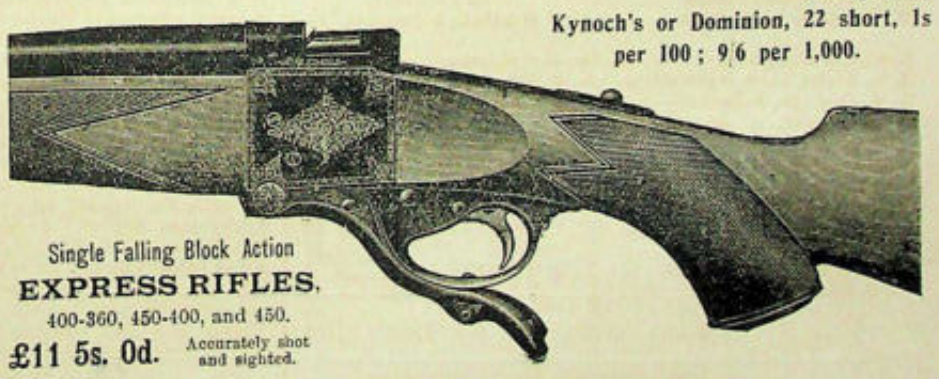
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E. M. Sprot, c King, b Gill ...	37	b Gill ...	63
Major R. M. Poore, c White side, b Gill ...	27	b Allsopp ...	0
A. C. Johnston, c Crawford, b Gill ...	53	l-b-w, b Coe ...	4
Llewellyn, b Odell ..	1	st Whiteside, b Coe ...	34
Hayter, b Gill ...	0	b Odell ...	9
Stone, c Whiteside, b Gill ...	22	c Crawford, b Coe ...	4
Langford, c Whitehead, b Gill	0	b Odell ...	0
T. A. Chignell, not out ...	5	c Whitehead, b Odell ...	8
Baldwin, b Odell	1	not out ...	1
B3, lb 1, nb 1... ...	5	B 4, lb 4, w 1, nb 1 ...	10
Total ...	244	Total ...	178

LEICESTERSHIRE.

C. E. de Trafford, c Poore, b Sprott	42	Coe, c Sprott b Langford	34
C. J. B. Wood, b Llewellyn	80	Gill, c Johnston, b Langford	13
King, c Llewellyn, b Baldwin	186	W. W. Odell, c Llewellyn, b Langford ...	2
Whitehead, c Sprott, b Chignell	82	Allsopp, not out ...	23
Knight, run out ...	60	Whiteside, not out ...	10
V. F. S. Crawford, c Poore, b Chignell	22	B 11, lb 1, w 1 ...	13
		Total (9 wkts.) ...	*517

*Innings declared closed.

HAMPSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innigs O.	M.	R.	W.
Odell	32·2	13	72	3	18·2	5	45	4
Allsopp	12	3	36	0	7	2	25	1
King	17	4	44	0				
Gill	19	4	57	6	12	2	37	1
Coe	9	3	30	0	19	6	61	4

Gill delivered two no-balls and Allsopp one wide.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Baldwin ...	42	6	177	1	Sprott ...	15	2	68	1
Langford ...	26	2	93	3	Chignell ...	13	0	79	2
Llewellyn ...	19	2	87	1					

Sprott bowled one wide.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE *vs.* WORCESTERSHIRE.—Played at Bristol on 11th and 12th August. Gloucestershire won by 67 runs.

Not so very long ago Gloucestershire could do nothing which was right; now their very opponents play into their hands. Thus H. K. Foster on winning the toss for Worcestershire, decided to give Gloucestershire the chance of batting first, and without much doubt lost the match because of his action. The wicket was always in favour of the bowlers, and the play was from first to last of great interest. On the first day there was very little to choose between the teams, for although Gloucestershire had a lead of 18 on the first innings, they lost Wrathall and Langdon in the second for 28. The only outstanding innings of the day was the 68 not out by C. O. H. Sewell, but this was worth going a long way to see. His runs were made in an hour-and-a half out of a total of 103 while he was at the wickets. On Friday Jessop gave his side a fine send-off by scoring 43 out of 53 in thirty-five minutes, and Brown played an admirable game which had much to do with the success of his side. Worcestershire had to make 220 runs to win, and although Bowley and Pearson put up 65 for the first wicket, four men were out for 91. From this time Gloucestershire always looked like winning. Their opponents played with too much steadiness to be able to hope for success, for what was wanted was some bold hitting to turn the scale. The match was over on Friday at a quarter past six. Dennett bowled exceedingly well in both innings.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
F. H.B. Champain, c Burns, b Keene	0	c Wilson, b Arnold ...	10
Wrathall, not out... ...	8	c Wheldon, b Arnold ...	2
G. L. Jessop, c Caldwell, b Keene	17	b Wilson ...	43
C. O. H. Sewell, not out ...	68	c Arnold, b Keene ...	19
W. S. A. Brown, l-b-w, b Keene	22	c Wheldon, b Keene ...	63
F. E. Thomas, c and b Arnold	1	c H. Foster, b Wilson	5
Langdon, c Wheldon, b Arnold	7	b Keene	6
Board, b Keene ... —	4	run out	27
Huggins, b Keene... ...	0	b Arnold	0
Spry, b Keene	0	not out	15
Dennett, c G. Foster, b Bird ...	1	c Wheldon, b Wilson...	5
Byes	3	Leg-byes ...	6
Total	131	Total	201

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
W. B. Burns, b Huggins ...	4	c Wrathall, b Dennett	6
Bowley, b Huggins ...	24	lbw b Jessop ...	53
G. N. Foster l-b-w, b Dennett ...	5	b Huggins ...	15
W. S. Caldwell, b Dennett ...	21	b Jessop ...	11
H. K. Foster, c Langdon, b Huggins ...	6	st Board b Dennett ...	9
Arnold, b Jessop ...	6	c Spry, b Dennett ...	3
Wheldon, b Jessop ...	2	c Board, b Dennet ...	0
Pearson, c Jessop, b Dennett ...	6	c Dennett b Brown ...	21
Wilson, b Jessop ...	25	c Jessop, b Dennett ...	12
Bird, not out ...	5	not out ...	15
Keene, c Brown, b Dennett ...	2	b Huggins ...	1
B 5, lb. 2 ...	7	B 3, lb 1, w 1, nb 1...	6
Total ...	113	Total ...	152

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Arnold ...	17	6	42	2	35	16	54	3
Keene ...	20	2	81	6	19	4	50	3
Bird ...	3·4	2	5	1	6	1	20	0
					Wilson ... 21·4	4	71	3

WORCESTERSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Huggins ...	17	6	31	3	19·1	11	29	2
Dennett ...	27·4	14	65	4	34	11	78	5
Jessop ...	11	5	10	3	19	6	30	2
					Brown ... 4	0	9	1

Jessop delivered one no-ball and Dennett bowled one wide.

SOMERSETSHIRE *vs.* KENT.—Played at Taunton on 11th, 12th and 13th August. Kent won by 210 runs. In this match Somerset won the toss, but thinking that the wicket would be very difficult at first, S. M. J. Woods put his opponents in. For a time his policy seemed likely to be successful, for half the Kent wickets fell for 40, and when nine were down the total was only 80. But Blythe and Fairservice then upset all calculations, and in the course of an hour, by some brilliant hitting, added 98 runs for the last wicket, so that when the innings came to an end it did not seem that anything had been gained by Somerset in sending their opponents in. In the time remaining for play Somersetshire at first did very badly, losing half their wickets for 34, but Robson and Woods then made a determined stand, and without being separated brought the total to 109. Thus on paper there seemed very little to choose between the two sides at the end of the day. But on Friday Woods, who had made 40 overnight, was soon disposed of, and although Robson continued to play a fine game, the bowling of Mason was fatal to the tail. Kent, with a lead of 16 lost Humphreys with the total at 3, but Seymour and Hearne brought the score to 49 for the second wicket, and then Kent began to go ahead, thanks to splendid play by Hearne, Day, Mason, and Marsham, and when stumps were drawn the score was 331 for five wickets. Day and Hearne put on 74 for the third wicket, and Day and Mason, 56 for the fourth in half an hour, while later, Marsham and Mason, without being separated scored 137 while together for an hour and forty minutes, Mason being not out 100, and Marsham not out 50. Mason's splendid innings came to an end immediately after the game was resumed on Saturday, and Marsham did not long survive him, but Hubble made a very useful 39. Somersetshire, who had to make 418 to win, began by losing four wickets in half an hour for 20 runs, and although they to some extent recovered from this bad start, and made a plucky effort to bring about a drown game, the match was over shortly after half-past five. Palairet played a beautiful innings, and Braund held out for three hours for his faultless 73; the two men between them scored 152 out of 201 made from the bat during the innings.

KENT.

First Innings		Second Innings.	
Hearne, c Lee, b Cranfield	20	l-b-w, b Palairet ...	60
Humphreys, c Phillips, b Cranfield	1	c Martyn, b Cranfield ...	3
Seymour, b Robson ...	14	b Palairet	25
S. H. Day, b Robson	0	c Johnson, b Palairet ...	71
J. R. Mason, b Cranfield	1	c Lee, b Lewis ...	100
R. N. R. Blaker, c Braund, b Cranfield	28	b Braund	10
C. H. B. Marsham, c Braund, b Cranfield ...	12	c Lee, b Lewis ...	58
Hubble, c Lee, b Braund ...	0	not out	39
Huish, l-b-w, b Braund ...	0	b Robson	7
Fairservice, not out ...	26	c Palairet, b Cranfield ...	10
Blythe, b Robson ...	70	st Martyn, b Cranfield ...	2
B 1, lb 3, w 2 ...	6	B 10, lb, 2, nb 1, w 3 ...	16
Total ...	178	Total ...	400

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. C. H. Palairet, b Blythe ...	8	c Huish, b Mason ...	79
Braund, c Blaker, b Mason ...	8	c Mason, b Humphreys	73
P. R. Johnson, run out ...	14	b Mason	8
F. A. Phillips, c Hearne, b Blythe	0	b Mason	0
Lewis, c Huish, b Mason ...	0	b Blythe	8
Robson, c Hubble, b Blythe ...	58	b Mason	0
S. M. J. Woods, c Huish, b Mason	46	b Blythe	0
H. Martyn, c Fairservice, b Mason	6	not out	19
F. M. Lee, b Mason ...	1	c Huish, b Humphreys	0
J. Daniell, not out ...	3	b Humphreys ...	9
Cranfield, b Mason ...	7	b Humphreys ...	5
B 7, lb 3, w 1 ...	11	B 4, lb 1, nb 1 ...	6
Total ...	162		207

KENT.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	25	5	87	5	25·1	4	72	3
Braund ...	12	2	35	2	32	7	90	1
Robson ...	11·3	4	33	3	19	3	73	1
Lewis ...	8	4	13	0	27	10	70	2
Palairet ...	2	0	4	0	20	4	60	3
					Lee		3	1	6	0
					Phillips		2	0	14	0

Cranfield bowled two wides, Palairet one, and Lewis two wides and one no-ball.

SOMERSET.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Blythe ...	22	5	71	3	34	14	55	2
Mason ...	20·1	5	71	6	33	16	60	4
Fairservice	3	1	9	0	16	5	42	0
					Hearne		15	7	31	0
					Humphreys		13·2	8	13	4
					Seymour		2	2	0	0

Blythe bowled one wide and Mason one no-ball.

WORCESTERSHIRE *vs.* KENT.—Played at Worcester on 15th, 16th and 17th August. Kent won by nine wickets. The Worcestershire batsmen did not distinguish themselves on Monday, for although the wicket was not difficult the wind came to the assistance of Fielder, who took six wickets for 40 runs. Huish was in fine form at the wicket, making four catches. For a time Kent fared just as badly as their opponents, but after they had lost three wickets for 25 runs, J. R. Mason and Humphreys played out time, increasing the total by 126 runs. Mason was not out 72 and Humphreys not out 65. Arnold was bowling for nearly two hours without a rest, although both batsmen scored freely. On Tuesday morning Mason was soon out, but Humphreys continued to play a great game, and, with Marsham as a partner, put on 147 for the fifth wicket. Marsham was out with the total at 306, and at 310 Humphreys left after playing splendid cricket for four hours. Towards the end of the innings Blaker played a brilliant game for an hour, and Blythe made a useful score, so that Worcestershire had to go in again against a balance of 267. Bowley and Wheldon began the Worcestershire second innings and put up 114 for the first wicket, but both, as well as Caldwell, were out before stumps were drawn, with the total at 156. H. K. Foster was not out 30. Yesterday Foster played beautiful cricket on a wicket which was slow but easy after heavy rain during the night. He was not very well backed up, but Pearson and Bird played well, and the innings defeat was saved before lunch. There was no play after lunch until half-past four owning to another heavy downpour Eventually Kent had to make 81 runs to win in about three-quarters of an hour. Blaker and Day, who can both hit, made a victory just possible, and Mason accomplished the rest. It was a splendid finish

WORCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Bowley, b Blythe ...	8	c Mason, b Humphreys ..	66
Pearson, b Fielder ...	13	c Mason, b Fielder ...	26
H. K. Foster, b Humphreys ...	23	c Huish, b Hearne	119
W. S. Caldwell, c Huish, b Fielder ...	33	b Hearne	0
Arnold, c Mason, b Fielder ...	21	b Hearne	11
Wheldon, c Huish, b Fielder...	10	c Mason, b Humphreys ...	50
W. B. Burns, c Huish, b Fielder ...	14	b Blythe	1
Bird, c Huish, b Mason ...	16	b Hearne	28
Wilson, c Blaker, b Fielder ...	0	c Mason, b Hearne ...	24
Mortimer, b Mason ...	4	b Blythe	7
Keene, not out	3	not out	4
B 8, lb 1, w 2, nb 2 ...	8	B 1, lb 8, w 2 ...	11
Total ...	153	Total ...	347

KENT.

Hearne, b Arnold ...	4	R. N. R. Blaker, b Wilson	66
Humphreys, c and b Wilson	143	Huish, b Wilson ...	7
Seymour, b Wilson ...	1	Fairservice, not out ...	25
S. H. Day, c Foster, b Arnold	6	Blythe, c Bowley, b Wilson	10
J. R. Mason, b Arnold ...	76	Fielder, b Arnold ...	0
C. H. B. Marsham, b Bowley	73	B 8, lb 1	9
		Total ...	420

Second innings.—Blaker, c Pearson, b Arnold, 25; Day not out 33; Mason, not out, 23; w 1. Total (1 wkt.), 82.

WORCESTERSHIRE.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Fielder ...	25	11	44	6	24	7	62	1
Blythe ...	27	8	67	1	36	9	70	2
Mason ...	8	3	20	2	20	4	47	0
Fairservice	2	1	4	0	21	7	52	0
Humphreys	7	4	10	1	23	7	34	2
					Hearne ...	28·2	10	71	5

Fielder bowled two wides and one no-ball, and Mason one no-ball. Fairservice and Blythe each bowled a wide.

KENT.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Arnold ...	44·4	10	112	4	4	0	34	1
Wilson ...	39	6	113	5	4	0	33	0
Keene ...	9	1	27	0	0·5	0	14	0
Bird ...	13	1	54	0				
Pearson ...	9	0	56	0				
Bowley ...	5	0	19	1				

Arnold bowled one wide.

OTHER MATCHES.

On the 11th, 12th and 13th August the South Africans beat the M. C. C. at Lord's by ten wickets; Surreydrew with Sussex at the Oval; Lancashire drew with Essex at Leyton; the following matches were abandoned:—15th, 16th and 17th August: Sussex *vs.* Hampshire at Portsmouth; Essex *vs.* Yorkshire at Leeds; South Africans *vs.* Derbyshire at Derby; Middlesex *vs.* Lancashire at Lords.

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

(Relative Positions to 18th August.)

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	23	15	0	8	15	100·00
Yorkshire ...	24	8	2	14	6	60·00
Kent ...	17	9	3	5	6	50·00
Notts ...	19	7	4	8	3	27·27
Sussex ..	21	5	3	13	2	25·00
Middlesex	15	6	4	5	2	20·00
Leicestershire	16	6	4	6	2	20·00
Warwickshire	15	5	4	6	1	11·11
Gloucestershire	15	5	5	5	0	—
Derbyshire	17	5	7	5	−2	— 16·66
Somerset	15	4	10	1	−6	— 42·85
Surrey...	23	4	10	9	−6	— 42·85
Worcestershire	16	3	8	5	−5	— 45·45
Essex ...	19	2	10	7	−8	— 66·66
Hampshire	15	1	11	3	−10	— 83·83

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

(Calculated to 13th August inclusive.)

BATTING AVERAGES. (17 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Ranjitsinhji, K. S. ...	26	5	1,724	207*	82·09
Tyldesley ...	32	4	2,083	225	74·39
Fry, C. B. ...	34	2	2,318	226	72·43
Jones, A. O. ...	33	5	1,738	187	62·07
Iremonger ...	32	1	1,908	272	61·54
Hayward ...	49	5	2,573	203	60·75
Quaife, W. G. ...	34	5	1,587	200*	54·72
Perrin, P. A. ...	28	3	1,362	343*	54·48
Hirst ...	38	3	1,836	157	52·45
Spooner, R. H....	33	3	1,472	215	49·06
Evans, W. H. B. ...	19	1	861	115	47·83
Tancred, L. J. ...	24	2	1,034	113	47·00
Knight	30	4	1,220	203	46·92
Jackson, Hon. F. S. ...	22	2	907	158	45·35
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	31	4	1,191	145	44·11
Warner, P. F.	26	4	965	103	43·86
Raphael, J. E.	33	0	1,439	201	43·60
King, J. H.	41	4	1,586	126	42·86
Hallows	27	4	973	137*	42·30
Sharp, J.	27	7	845	107*	42·25
Foster, H. K.	32	0	1,302	118	40·68
Glover, A. C. S. ...	27	2	1,011	124	40·44
Denton	42	3	1,571	105	40·28
Palairet, L. C. H. ...	29	0	1,157	203	39·89
Hathorn, M.	28	1	1,032	130	38·22
Kinneir	32	3	1,085	152	37·41
McGahey, C. H. ...	36	2	1,260	225	37·05
Hayes	48	2	1,700	273*	36·95
Tunnicliffe	40	2	1,401	139*	36·86
Mitchell, F.	29	4	910	102*	36·40
Wynard, Capt. E. G. ...	17	0	613	147	36·05
Wood, C. J. B.	40	3	1,326	110	35·83
Humphreys, E. (Kent) ...	33	1	1,143	131	35·71
Ollivierre, C. A. ...	35	1	1,210	229	35·58
Wilson, F. B.	18	3	529	75	35·26
Wright, L. G.	35	0	1,218	140	34·80
Vine	41	4	1,274	169	34·43
Poidevin, L. O. S. ...	30	1	998	153	34·41
Gunn, J.	36	3	1,117	100	33·84
Rhodes	36	2	1,147	195	33·73
Bowley, F.	35	2	1,112	153	33·69
Carpenter	29	0	976	199	33·65

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	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Maclaren, A. C.... ...	31	4	908	166	33·62
Coe, S.	34	5	971	103	33·48
Seymour (Jas.) (Kent) ...	34	3	1,017	136*	32·80
Sprot, E. M.	24	1	747	118	32·47
Fishwick, T S.... ...	34	1	1,663	113	32·21
Carlisle, K. M.	18	2	512	114*	32·00
Cuttell	24	4	633	128	31·65
Tarrant	19	4	461	84*	30·73
Beldam, G. W.	23	0	693	141	30·13
Shalders, W. A. ...	28	2	782	81	30·07
Whitehead (H.) (L tershr)...	34	3	926	82	29·87
Jessop, G. L.	31	0	911	206	29·38
Fry, K. B. B.	19	0	558	129	29·36
Relf	36	3	959	154	29·06
Schwarz R. O.... ...	20	0	581	102	29·05
Marsham, C. H. B. ...	34	2	900	161*	29·03
Whittle	28	4	696	104	29·00
Sewell, E. H. D. ...	35	2	946	181	28·76

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES. (33 wickets.)

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Schwarz, R. O. ...	182·5	22	672	44	15·27
Kotze, J. J.	627	128	1,905	108	17·63
Hearne, J. T. ...	974	271	2,315	129	17·94
Hallows	781·1	250	1,778	95	18·71
Cuttell	912·5	309	1,844	98	18·81
Haigh	731	194	1,932	100	19·32
Dennett	800·4	229	2,015	100	20·15
Myers	459·2	94	1,330	66	20·15
Napier, G. G.... ...	476·2	121	1,370	66	20·75
Brearley, W. B. ...	593·4	91	1,882	89	21·14
Tate, F. W. (Sussex) ...	398·1	88	1,084	51	21·25
Sinclair, J. H. ...	538·5	108	1,835	86	21·33
Smith, W. C. (Surrey) ...	346·5	83	1,011	47	21·51
Hesketh-Prichard, H. ...	602	139	1,835	85	21·58
Mason, J. R.	352	104	976	45	21·68
Rhodes	921·2	273	2,127	98	21·70
Blythe	741·2	203	1,948	89	21·88
Warren	711·1	121	2,410	110	21·90
Kermode	480·5	139	1,340	61	21·96
Huggins	655·3	223	1,067	70	22·38
Arnold	789·4	183	2,278	101	22·55
Hirst	774·1	165	2,054	90	22·82
Santall	403·4	91	945	41	23·04
Wass	877·5	185	2,633	114	23·09
Cox (Sussex)	1060·4	292	2,478	107	23·15
Fielder	565·3	102	1,854	80	23·17
Gill, G.	385·1	69	1,263	54	23·38
Allsopp	505·2	119	1,558	66	23·60
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	545·1	49	2,110	88	23·97
McDonell, H. C. ...	479·2	118	1,226	51	24·03
Relf	928	279	2,131	88	24·21
Odell, W. W.	925	253	2,533	103	24·90
Bird (Worcestershire) ...	381·5	72	1,096	44	24·90
Gunn, J.	943·4	248	2,624	105	24·99
Reeves	762·5	164	2,450	95	25·52
Fairservice	409·2	117	1,201	47	25·55
Lees	1070·4	275	2,717	106	25·63
Trott, A. E.	623·4	119	2,011	78	25·78
Bestwick	764·1	187	2,232	86	25·95
Hayes	413	82	1,097	42	26·11
Cranfield (Somerset) ...	532·4	90	1,750	67	26·11
Braund	800·5	123	2,668	101	26·41
Hargreave	924·4	266	2,191	82	26·71
Wilson G. A. (Worcstr.)	510	57	1,783	64	27·85
Moorhouse	446·1	99	1,284	48	27·91
Nice	405·5	68	1 295	44	29·43
King, J. H.	770	193	2,066	70	29·51
Buckenham	617·1	110	1,957	64	30·57
Douglas, J. W. H. T. ...	347·1	62	1,123	36	31·19
Gooder	456·4	91	1,369	41	33·39
Llewellyn	444·2	80	1,706	49	34·81

SWIMMING AND WATER POLO.

WORLD'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

JOINVILLE-LE-PONT, *15th August.*

The contests for the world's amateur swimming championships, held here to-day, drew a large number of spectators. The English competitors were victorious all along the line, and their successes were heartily applauded.

The race for the Veteran Championship (500 metres) was won by Gray (England), Burgess being second, five metres behind, and Purot third.

For the final race for the world's championship (500 metres) eight men had been left in from four heats, which were decided yesterday. Forsyth, the English half-mile champion, came in first in the time of 6mins. 54⅘secs., beating Fayaerts, the Belgian champion, easily by twenty metres. Vasseur, the French champion, was third.

The remaining competitors who finished arrived in the following order :—Landry, France, 4 ; De Gregoire, Belgium, 5 ; Tom Wildgoose, England, 6 ; George Wilkinson, England, 7.

In the contests for the International Water Polo Championship the Libellule of Paris, beat the Football Club de Paris by four goals to three, and the Hyde Seal, of Manchester, Champions of England, beat the Brussels S. C., the holders of the International Championship, by fourteen goals to two.

The Hyde Seal yesterday defeated the Libellule by nine goals to one. The final result was as follows :—

Hyde Seal (English)	...	...	1
Brussels S. C. ...	...	...	2
Libellule of Paris	...	...	3
Football Club de Paris	...	...	4

The English team, therefore, became the world's polo champions.

NUTTALL BEATS MCCUSKER.

BOSTON, *15th August.*

Yesterday tJoe Nuttall, Stalybridge, the British champion, easily defeated James McCusker, the American champion, in races of a quarter and half a mile on the Charles River.

THE CHANNEL SWIM.

A telegram received from Dover this afternoon states that there will be no start for the Cross-Channel swim to-day.

The arrangements for the swim have never been so perfect as this year, and every necessary precaution has been taken by Mr. Dick, who is acting as manager. Throughout last night a watcher was kept on the pier at Dover to report if there was the slightest chance of the sea being fit for the swim, and this morning a steam launch was sent out three or four miles into the Channel. On her return she reported a nasty loppy sea and an eight-knot breeze.

A similar report was made by the captain of the *Calais* boat crossing this morning, who stated that there was a rough sea on the French coast, but that it was going down, and that fit conditions might possibly be looked for in 24 hours.

Pilot Captain Foster, who has advised the courses, arrived at Dover this morning in charge of the Hamburg-American liner *Deutschland*, having crossed the North Sea since last evening. On his arrival the swimmers and their friends eagerly sought his advice. He stated that the condition of the sea was quite unfit for the swim at present. Holbein and Weidman both favour a later start on account of the strong tides.

Matthew Holbein yesterday made his first practice this season in Dover Bay, and was cordially welcomed by a large crowd of spectators. In the course of his training this year he has swum about 120 miles, and walked and cycled several hundred more. Holbein stated that he found the water very warm, but so broken as not to be fit for the long swim.

Both Haggerty and Greasley are eager for the swim, and last evening several gentlemen made a trip out into the Channel on Mr. Edge's motorboat *Napier Minor*. As the result of a conference later, it was decided to make a start as soon as the conditions permitted. Each of the men will be followed by a lugger for feeding purposes, and also by a tug. Arrangements had been made for carrier pigeons to bring messages, but the majority of the birds taken into the Channel for training have been lost. The master of the steamer *President Leroy* reports that in mid Channel a carrier pigeon bearing the marks, "No. 29 C. R. H. 20, 1904," alighted on his ship in an exhausted state.

ATHLETICS.

GRASMERE SPORTS.

The annual carnival of the Lake district attracted one of the largest gatherings on record yesterday. This was all the more gratifying to the executive, as it was thought that with the removal of the venue from the historic Pavement End, where the old English games have been fought for half a century, to Newfield, would have detracted from the interest in the event. The weather was very favourable, however, and the entry the best on record. The heavy-weight wrestling came first in the order of events, and the later stages were intensely interesting. In the fifth round Hexham Clarke, of Seaton, six times champion, came across a sturdy young opponent in W. R Yates, of Tunstall, but he won his way to the final round, in which he met J. Bowman, of Pearith. The latter is a burly, thickbuilt wrestler of 15st., but Clarke had little difficulty in winning two falls out of three and the champion prize. The light weight wrestling, for which there were no fewer than ninety entries, brought two old rivals in H. Fisher, of Harras Moor and J. Wallace, of Great Broughton, together. A great struggle in Grasmere ring was witnessed, Fisher only winning the championship belt after wrestling three falls. The winner of the local wrestling came from Helsington, near Kendal in J. Hutchinson, who threw J. Wilson. For the picked heavy-weights. W. Studolme, had no difficulty in securing the premier award, putting down J. R. Taylor twice in succession in the final round. The light-weights included that good all-round athlete, J. Wallace, of Broughton, who proved an easy winner. The two principal events of the day were the guides and the hound trail, and it was generally admitted that on no previous occasion have there been more exciting competitions. For the Guides' Race, to the summit of Butter Crag, a triple winner, J.C. Murray, of Falstone, was favourite, but there was a ding dong encounter between Murray and C. Mossop, of Borrowdale, a light-built youth who on three previous occasions has gained third place. On this occasion he was second, Murray beating him by six yards, with E. Dalzell, Keswick, third. Of the 27 hounds entered, 25 ran the course along the breast of the surrounding fells. The finishing order was :—C. Nicholson's Bouncer, Waberthwaite, 1 ; S. Bowers's Traveller, Ambleside, 2 ; O. Birkett's Raleigh, Little Langdale, 3. The results of the remaining events with those which had preceded them were as follows : Local Wrestling —J. Hutchinson, Helsington, 1 ; J. Wilson, Carlisle, 2 ; E. Ridding, Hutton Roof, 3. Long Leap (open).—J. Holliday, Braithwaite, 18ft. 4ins., 1 ; W. Horsley, Braithwaite, 2 ; J. N. Dixon, Lidgett Green, 3. High Leap (open).—J. N. Dixon, 5ft. 3ins., 1 ; C. Birkett, Keswick, 2 ; F.S. Birkett, Keswick, 3. Tug-of-War—Carmel Fell beat Little Langdale. Pole-leaping (open).—J. Poole, Troutbeck, 9ft 6ins., 1 ; J. Auburn, Grayrigg, 2,220 Yards Race (local).—J. Harrison, Burton, 1 ; H. Ramsden, Kendal, 2 ; J. Thomas, Dalton, 3. Won by two yards. Time—26secs. One Mile Race (local).—A Preston, Dalton, 1; H. Lancaster, Backbarrow, 2; W. Henderson, Shap, 3. Won by fifteen yards. Time—5mins. 6secs.

LAWN TENNIS.

CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE HIGHLANDS.

The above championships were concluded at Pitlochry Perthshire, yesterday, when the finals of some handicaps left over from the previous day were decided. On Monday the final of the Singles Championship went to Mr. C. Wright, New York, who beat Mr. R. Hamblin-Smith, the Cambridge University player, by 6—3, 6—0, 6—2. In the final of the Gentlemen's Open Doubles a splendidly-contested match took place between W. C. Grant and Irving C. Wright, of New York, and G. M. Simond and R. Hamblin-Smith. The first and second games went to the Americans, after a very stiff encounter, but the Rose representatives pulled up and won the next at 7—5. The States players, however, by steady play, succeeded in placing the fourth game to their credit, thus winning the event and enabling America to place the Singles and Doubles Highland Championship to her credit. A keenly-contested game was also produced in the final of the Gentlemen's Handicap Singles, W. C. Grant, a veteran American player, who owed 30, proving a hard nut to crack for F. Lever, of London Scottish. The latter, however, ultimately succeeded in winning the rubber.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

THE ever popular Yerowda was the meet for the 28th ultimo and a good field turned up to support the Master in spite of the fact that gallops have been at rather a discount of late. But the continued drought has been hard to contend with as apparently scent, except of the freshest, has become an almost impossible task for hounds. There are many, however, I find who agree that art might with advantage step in where Nature fails since in this busy world the majority of men want a "gallop for their money" when they have struggled out of bed in the early half of the dawn. Moving off to the tick of the clock the Master drew the sporting country with its likely *nullahs* between the Jail and the Two Sisters, but if their had been any wandering minstrel, who came to sing their nightly yelps to the inmates of His Majesty's Hotel they had returned early to the high lands without leaving sufficient scent for hounds to own to, as I am told hounds could not open on line. Even on reaching one of the celebrated brace of hillocks the goddess of sport refused to aid her zealous devotees for appearently luck was all against the hardy hunters—no less than a brace of jack leaving for some unaccountable reason their rocky fastnesses on the hill where on more than one occasion they have trifled with hounds, and refusing even to to be headed by some of the field broke cover daringly past them and forced the open with stout hearts which seemed to augur a brilliant run. But by sad misfortune hounds could not be got sufficiently quick on the line and I am assured that just now every second is of importance and that even brief delay makes the difference between success and disappointment. And so all hope of a heart-gladdening gallop vanished. Depressing for all concerned and it must be truly heart breaking work for Colonel Sheringham, who has such cruel difficulties as the present drought gives use to to contend with and who must be yearning to give his hounds a taste of blood again.

On Thursday, 1st September, the meet was at Wagoli, and Mrs. Sheringham, the Master's wife, most hospitably invited the members of the hunt to breakfast afterwards. A few sportsmen I hear camped near the scene of sport over night and nearly half a hundred in all put in an appearance, a most flattering number to the master considering how small was the hope of sport. Some sugarcanes to the right of the road were first drawn, but nothing more exciting than hares (of which there were I am told an annoying number) were put up. In a sugar-cane field further on, where a stout jack was found on a previous occassion, hounds immediately began to feather and shortly gave every assurance of a welcome guest and people must have hoped for a turn of luck at last. After a hustling round a jack broke cover at the farther end and was viewed away, but so wretched must the scent have been that hounds could make nothing of it. The Master evidently had satisfactory evidence that another jack was still in cover and throwing hounds in once more they very soon confirmed the theory and a second viewed jack was breaking away into the open from the other end of the cover. But luck seems quite to have deserted the Hunt for instead of getting away on his brush hounds were occupied with a porcupine, who, I believe, sadly injured several hounds and effectually destroyed all hope of a run. It was by this time very hot and after drawing some of the surrounding country in vain the Master had to take hounds back to their cart and the field drowned dull care and sorrow in Mrs. Sheringham's hospitality.

SCARAMOUCH.

OOTACAMUND HUNT.

ON Monday, the 29th August, the meet was at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar at 7-15, quarter of an hour earlier than usual owing to the heat experienced and the general dryness of the country for want of rain The Master started by drawing all the country from Pamela's Crossing parallel to the old Pykara Road as far as Tola Coffee Shop, but failed to find. Hounds then crossed the road below Road Shola for the Yemakal Valley and found below Road Shola. They ran up the spur between it and Dormer and then back into Road Shola, where hounds got their jack to ground in a very rocky earth, where the Master left him and went down below Dormer Shola before beginning to draw again. Hounds very soon found, but this jack went to ground near the river almost immediately. However, as soon as the Master got hounds out of the earth he bolted and went down towards the river with hounds close behind him. He swung sharp to the left and turned uphill again and headed towards Chemmund, but being very hard pressed he inclined more to the left and made for Dormer Shola near the bottom of which he was killed in the open ; the same puppy, Hearty, whodistinguished himself last week was the first to seize him Yemakal Valley was then drawn without finding and hounds came home. Scent all the morning was poor, while the sun was oppressively hot and the country very dry.

On Thursday, the 1st September, hounds met at 7 A.M. at Rees' Corner. The morning was a bright one with sharp air and heavy dew and an exceptionally large field turned out. As rain had held off for so long a period it was feared that scent would be had in cover under trees where there was no dew and so the Master decided to draw the open as much as possible and trotted hounds to Mills' Cover. They got away at once on a somewhat cold scent and ran slowly to the stream in Blackmoor Vale and crossed it at the foot of the first nullah. There the body of the jack swung to the right and checked but two hounds kept on up the hill and the Master tilted the remainder of them on to this line. Hounds then ran fast up Newmarket side of Blackmoor Vale to Ballywood, through this and over the Krurmund Road to Monkey Shola, at the top of which there was another momentary check. Hounds quickly hit the line off again and hunted along the side of Monkey Shola and pass Leeds Shola to the top of Swamyar Bluegums and then up to Hecuba Cliff. They stuck to their jack among the rocks and thick cover below the Cliff and forced him out over the ridge at the other end above Karathu Galli Village and into the Shola of the same name. Coming out at the other side they ran down the spur towards the Dunganaad Valley and at this point a fresh jack took five hounds away on his line towards Sambur Shola. The hunted jack re-crossed the spur and took us back over the dusty fallows above Karathu Galli Village, where, in spite of a hare dashing through their midst, hounds hunted the line yard for yard back to Hecuba Cliff. The jack ran along the top of the Cliff as far as the spur above Swamyar Bluegums and then hunted down the spur and re-crossed the nullah to Leeds Shola ; dashed through this and ran to Monkey Shola. Scent under cover was bad and the Master took them to the other side to Monkey Shola, where they settled to the line on the grass again and hunted across the road to Jackal Shola. This brought them to their noses and a fresh jack was halloed away from the top. He went towards Baikie, but hounds never left his line and though they only feathered on it down through the cover they got on it again at the bottom and hunted steadily over Pearl Crossing to the south end of Bagman. Scent again failed and another check occurred, but hounds hit the line off again and ran down past Mills' Cover to a nullah above the Municipal stream where they followed their jack to ground. The time taken here was one hour and fifteen minutes from the start. The terrier Pindur was sent for and the Master turned him in and almost immediately the jack bolted with Pindur in hot pursuit. We had about 200 yards start before the Master could lay hounds on. He took us to the Municipal stream and then up its left bank for a short distance, but turned towards cover at Bagman just above Elmshurst. Hounds checked for a moment and gave him a longer lead but he was dead beat and hounds killed him in the open on the top of Bagman. This proved one of the best hunting runs of this season and a remarkably fine performance on the parts of hounds it was.

BLUE GUM.

Rowing.

HENLEY ROWING OF THE LAST HALF CENTURY.

THE all too brief and scanty reminiscences of your correspondent "An Old Light Blue" will assuredly raise a responsive echo in many a memory. But one wishes he had not been in such a hurry to get through his recollections, and had called up (as doubtless he could have done) visions of a few more of the immortal struggles of the fifties and sixties, when, though the votaries of first-class rowing were few in number, they were of a surety surpassing in excellence, and when both among Londoners and University men there were veritable "giants in the land." I don't say there have not been plenty since, but doubtless the percentage of really great oarsmen and scullers was far larger between 1856 and 1866 than in any decade since. Your correspondent mentions the splendid L.R.C. eight of 1859, which beat an extremely strong Oxford University crew on the first day of the regatta, and a not quite as good, but still very powerful Cambridge crew the next. But he does not pause to recall the grand struggle for the Diamond Sculls which took place that year between the London stroke, Herbert Playford, and E. D. Brickwood, which the latter (about the very best sculler for form and science who ever sat in a boat) won, after such an exhibition of skill and gameness on both sides as has seldom, if ever, been equalled, and never surpassed. Playford (who, as usual, was very finely drawn) sculled himself blind—literally—for he fainted while spurting hard, and really sculled, or seemed to scull, several strokes when quite unconscious. Brickwood

had another terrific race a few years later (1862) against W. B. Woodgate, unexcelled now as an all-round rowing man—oarsman, sculler, and waterman. Woodgate found himself that "finals day" morning left in for no less than four events—Diamonds, Stewards, Visitors, and Goblets. The sculls were taken first, so that both men were fresh, and he and Brickwood "went for each other" from the start, both sculling grandly. It would be rather a revelation to the fixed seat rowers of these days to have seen how those champions framed—the long swing out and back, the sharp catch, and the stroke pulled right home, without the present day mechanical aid of the side. From start to finish it was anybody's race, and both spurting hard at the finish the judge was unable to separate them. Now-a-days the dead-heat would under the circumstances probably not have been rowed off, or at any rate a long rest would have been managed somehow. But in those heroic times a dead-heat was always rowed off at once as a matter of course; so, after a short rest, down to the island paddled Brickwood (who was in no other event), while Woodgate, with his three other races in view, was rowed down in a skiff. I believe, however, he thinks he would have done better to have sculled down as his opponent did, that after the tremendous exertions he had made, sitting in a somewhat cramped position in a small pleasure boat made him rather stiff. Personally I am more inclined to think his youth was against him there. The more seasoned Brickwood recovered quicker than the stripling. Anyhow Woodgate could not make such another grand race all the way, and Brickwood sculling with a dash and power quite marvellous, considering what had only just happened, soon got in front and kept there. He was hunted home hard, but won rather comfortably just at the finish by two or three lengths, Woodgate being apparently throughly exhausted. But then came in the undoubted advantage which the severe training of those days brought to the possessors of a physique equal to it. What would the little better than half-trained Leander men of the present day (for they are never really fit) think of rowing three races over the Henley course after two such gruellings as I have described? But "Wat Bradwood" (to use his *nom de plume*) was equal to the occasion. He simply went on, without fuss or bother, and won them all right off the reel. What do you think of that, my masters? Isn't it a Henley record worth preserving and repeating, for the encouragement and enthusing of the younger generation of oarsmen when they begin to feel their first staleness and opine "the swot" is not worth it? Not worth it! Wouldn't a good many of you give your ears to gain such a memory as Woodgate possesses, in that day of "a white stone"? And there is nothing to stop you gaining it if you will—you, I mean (there are plenty of you) who possess strength and pluck in an equal degree with that of Mr. Woodgate in his youth. And in each of those races he had a hard tussle against first-class opposition; there was no run away in any of them, though they were all won decisively at the finish. They were B.N.C. victories. Harris, R. Shepherd, Champneys, and Woodgate (state) were the four, and Champneys and Woodgate accounted for the pairs—a very workmanlike lot all. What would be thought biggish men now, but averaging very little over 11st. The weights ran from 11st. to 11st. 6lbs., if I remember rightly, stroke being the heaviest. A very level "nippy" crew. I should like to see one like them, and trained like them, take on a Leander 12st. 7lbs. average crew next year. I think, the modern view about weight might be shaken a little. But I must apologise for profuseness and garrulity. "Twas ever thus with those who become reminiscent at my time of life. Perhaps some other less ancient veteran, say of the eighties or nineties, will quote something to outdo this feat of Woodgate, which I have taken so much space to inadequately describe. But at present it seems to me to hold the field as the greatest thing yet done at Henley. Five races over that hard course, resulting in a dead-heat, a severe beating in the row off, and then three consecutive victories. Well might *Bell's Life* of that day speak of him as "the everlasting Woodgate."

Anent the subject of weights, may I just refer to the Third Trinity four mentioned by "An Old Light Blue," as having beaten the crack London four in the Stewards in 1859. That was really a very remarkable crew. They were, I believe, only about 10st. 2lbs. average and not one of the men had ever rowed against Oxford. But their pace and stamina were quite first class. They won by a foot from the outside station. I wonder how many of your readers remember their stroke, the Rev. F. W. Holland—long since departed—a man of rare ability and enthusiasm in whatever he took up. I had the privilege of his acquaintance, and of working under him in a different sort of work to rowing, and it is pleasant to revive the memory of such a sterling specimen of the best kind of muscular Christian.—*R.I.P.* With many apologies.

The Field. A TIDEWAY VETERAN.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)
LONDON, *19th August 1904.*

THE last of the National Cyclists' Union Championships was decided on the 13th August at the Craystal Place Rack, Sydenham, and attracted a fair assembly of spectators. It was the long distance amateur event over fifty miles, but unfortunately long distance riders are not very plentiful this year and the race in question only secured an entry of five, of which number, one, F. I. Burgess, was a non-starter. The four men who faced the starter were W. J. Pett, last year's winner; L. on Meredith, who started his successful racing career by winning this event in 1902; H. J. Harding, ex-holder of the record second, and G. L. Hopkins. By considering the form of the starters, it was apparent before the pistol fired and the men moved off, that the tussle would rest between Pett and Meredith, since the recent form of the other two competitors was not of sufficient merit to warrant one looking upon them as likely winners. No doubt Pett and Meredith would have provided some exciting racing between them, but unfortunately very soon after the start Pett collided with one of the pacing tandems and was obliged to retire. Meredith therefore had it all his own way and won comfortably in 1 hour 46mins. 3⅗secs.

It was in the two other events decided at this meeting—the 2-mile tandem championship and the one mile safety championship of the London Centre of the National Cyclists' Union—that the spectators were treated to some of the finest racing that it is possible to see. In the one mile event the race was decided in four heats and a final, the final finding A. L. Reed, R. Janson, H. D. Buck, and G. J. Calder competing against one another.

It was clear that the finish would be a close thing, but few in the crowd thought that Buck would hold his own with Reed. At the completion of the second lap Buck was to the fore, a position he retained throughout the third and last lap, he gamely responding to Reed's jump" when entering the home straight and beat him by inches. Three tandem teams started in the 2-miles tandem championship, one machine manned by the brothers A. E. and F. S. Wills, another by N. B. Casey and G. F. Summers and the third by A. L. Reed and R. Janson. This, too, proved an exciting race, for in the last lap the brothers Wills were fairly pocketed by Reed and Janson, but by some marvellous manœuvrings they got clear and raced home the winners. Casey and partner were second and Reed and Co. third. Time—4mins. 20⅘secs.

It will be interesting to watch the effect that the expiration of the two chief tyre patents will have upon the trade and pastime next autumn. There are sure to be a number of cheap tyres placed upon the market and price cutting amongst a certain section of manufacturers will be rampant. I am afraid, however, that the poor cyclists will suffer most, since they being recruited from the ranks of those who are obliged to study expenses will be tempted to purchase tyres marked at cut prices and thus learn at leisure that cheapness is but false economy. In the case of motor tyres, however, things will be different. Those who can afford to pay away some five hundred pounds or more on a car will not look out for so termed bargains in tyres, but will buy tyres known to be reliable and pay a good price for them. In motoring the enjoyment of the pastime depends even more on the quality of the tyres than in cycling, and it is therefore not likely automobilists will run any risks in this direction for the sake of a few pounds. At least this is my impression.

From the *C. T. C. Gazette* the official organ of the Cyclists' Touring Club, I learnt the origin of the now defunct Harrogate Camp, a camp of cyclists held annually during the first week in August on the Cricket ground at Harrogate. Away back in 1877 a meet of cyclists was inaugurated and in the following year these wheelmen decided to form the Bicycle Touring Club now known as the Cyclists' Touring Club. The first camp was held in 1880 and was brought about in this way. The hotels in Harrogate refused that year to take the cyclists in owing to rowdyism on their part at the Commercial Hotel the previous year. This rowdyism only took the form of midnight raids on the bed rooms of other members of the party, but it appears that the visitors at the hotel were unable to get any sleep before the early hours of the morning. Refused by the hotels, the organizers of the meet decided to defy the proprietors and camp in the open and so successful did the new arrangements prove that the camp was held annually right away up to last year: the old timers always making a point of being present.

Speaking of camping I might mention that cycle camping is very popular now in this country. There is a Cyclists' Camping Association which possesses a large membership roll and those who wish to enjoy this delightful way of spending a holiday are advised on all matters pertaining to it, *i.e.*, the best form of tents, cooking utensils, and sundries to take. These articles are made to pack into a remarkably small compass.

Undoubtly one of the most prolific causes of accidents to cyclists in traffic is skidding upon greasy tram lines, and it is not at all unlikely that something will be done in order to prevent the tramway companies from constantly watering the lines in order to assist traction. Several cases of persons losing their lives have been reported from time to time owing to their machines slipping on the tram lines. The juries invariably return a verdict of accidental death, which of course in a way is true enough; but surely where so many serious and fatal accidents can all be traced to this one cause, one would have thought that the jury would, as has been suggested, adjourn and see whether there was not something radically wrong with the line.

As a matter of fact, if examination were made it would be found that in many cases the tram lines stand up sometimes half an inch above the level of the road-way, and it is quite obvious that with the metal wet and greasy it would be almost an impossibility for anyone mounted on a cycle to cross the lines with safety except at a very wide angle. The scandal is one that the National Cyclists' Union or the Cyclists' Touring Club should take up in real earnest, and it is certainly time that some vigorous policy was pursued, and the tramway companies made to understand that the proper and the safe preservation and repair of their lines is not a matter to be lightly disregarded. Indeed, I believe the National Cyclists' Union has already obtained council's opinion in respect to the legality of excessive watering of tramway lines.

The continual falling away in the membership of the Cyclists' Touring Club is, in the opinion of many, due to the selfishness of the management coupled with the high and unapproachable air adopted by some of those in authority. To this must be added the policy of the officials in running the Club on commerical lines, striving as it were to amass a large reserve fund instead of spending the surplus in the interest of wheelmen generally. If this were done, there is not the slightest doubt that the Club would receive far greater support. As an example of the narrow-minded methods of the Cyclists' Touring Club I will give the following incident that has just occurred in Nottingham. The Corporation of that town is laying flanged tram lines of a very dangerous type for cyclists and the local branch of the Cyclists' Touring Club intend taking steps to question the legality of these flanges. Well, a serious accident occurred to a local cyclist through slipping on these flanges and yet the Cyclists' Touring Club would not take the case up simply because the injured wheelman was not a member. Surely if the local branch had proceeded against the Corporation they would have strengthened their cause, as it is, in our mind, they let a glorious opportunity slip by.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* YOUNG MEN'S C. C.—This match was played on the 2nd instant and resulted in a draw. Score:—

POONA GYMKHANA.

Capt Greig, l-b-w, b Toro	12
Mr. A. D. Wilkins, b Saraph	1
Major Leslie, c and b Bandu	41
Hon. B. D. Butler, c Bandu, b Saraph	24
Mr. J. Monteath, b Bandu	14
Mr. Hartley, c Purandhare, b Saraph	22
Mr. Thew, b Bandu	0
Mr. Wright, c Modak, b Saraph	10
Mr. Elliott, not out	5
Mr. Radcliffe-Smith, run out	8
Mr. Udal, c Modak, b Saraph	4
Extras	9
Total	145

POONA YOUNG MEN'S C. C.

Narsingoo, b Udal	46
Purandhare, b Udal	6
Saraph, l-b-w, b Greig	2
Modak, b Udal	0
A. G. Deshmukh, c and b Greig	4
Bandu, l-b-w, b Hartley	13
Karandikar, not out	12
Paranjpye, b Greig	19
Toro, B. B. Deskmukh, Date	did not bat.
Extras	8
Total (for 7 wkts.)	110

POONA YOUNG MEN'S C. C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Toro	13	2	39	1
Mr. Saraph	19	2	57	5
Mr. Paranjpye	3	0	4	0
Mr. Bandu	7	5	21	3
Mr. A. Deshmukh	3	0	14	0

POONA GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Udal	17	9	46	3
Capt. Greig	19	13	38	3
Hon. Mr. Butler	3	1	9	0
Mr. Hartley	3	1	9	1

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* CIVIL SERVICE.—This match ended on the 31st ultimo in a win for the Gymkhana by 6 wickets. For the Service Shepherd (63) and Gibb (51) were top scorers, while Carroll (57 and 32) and Hon. Mr. Butler (16) were in good form for the Gymkhana. Udal trundled with great effect, capturing six wickets in each innings for 39 and 50 runs respectively. Score:—

CIVIL SERVICE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. R. E. Elliott, b Stevens	13	c Dickson, b Butler	18
Mr. J. P. Orr, not out	8	c and b Hartley	2
Mr. W. C. Shepherd, b Stevens	8	c Butler, b Udal	63
Mr. M. C. Gibb, st. Thew, b Stevens	7	b Udal	51
Mr. J. Monteath, b Udal	4	b Udal	0
Mr. C. S. Campbell, l-b-w, b Udal	3	b Carroll	38
Mr. G. S. Curtis, b Udal	4	b Udal	12
Mr. J. Sladen, b Udal	1	b Udal	9
Mr. C. E. Palmer, b Udal	7	b Jameson	0
Mr. G. Carmichael, b Udal	0	b Udal	0
Mr. W. C. Tudor-Owen, b Stevens	4	not out	6
Extras	30	Extras	30
Total	89	Total	229

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. Carroll, c and b Campbell	57	b Elliott	32
Mr. Dickson, c Gibb, b Campbell	0	run out	1
Major Leslie, run out	1	not out	23
Mr. Hartley, c Campbell, b Shepherd	4	b Campbell	17
Mr. Kaye, not out	25	not out	15
Hon. Mr. B. D. Butler, b Elliott	46	did not bat.	
Col. Stevens, b Gibb	23		
Major Jameson, b Gibb	12		
Mr. Thew, b Gibb	9		
Mr. Udal, b Monteath	14		
Mr. Shaw, absent.			
Extras	29	Extras	12
Total	220	Total (for 3 wkts.)	100

POONA GYMKHANA.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Stevens	14·3	8	20	4	9	3	23	0
Mr. Udal	14	3	39	6	22	4	50	6
Mr. Hartley					10	2	18	1
Mr. Butler*					9	1	39	1
Mr. Carroll					7	0	37	1
Mr. Jameson*					9	1	32	1

* Each bowled one no ball.

CIVIL SERVICE.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Elliott	9	0	50	2	10	0	36	1
Mr. Campbell	14	2	59	2	9	0	52	1
Mr. Gibb	8	0	32	3				
Mr. Orr	2	0	16	0				
Mr. Shepherd	2	0	5	1				
Mr. Curtis	2	0	16	0				
Mr. Carmichael	2	0	13	0				
Mr. Monteath	1	1	0	1				

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* KHANDEISH C. C.—This two days' fixture resulted in a win for the Gymkhana by 17 runs. Score:—

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. Dickinson, b Elliott	48	b Pogson	3
Mr Wilkins, c Pogson, b Kotwal	55	b Bhandara	33
Mr. Hartley, b Elliott	14	b Bhandara	0
Mr. Noake, b Kotwal	20	l-b-w, b Bhandara	10
Capt. Umfreville, c Shubron, b Kulkarni	26	b Elliott	13
Mr. Sarson, b Kotwal	0	not out	6
Capt. Douglas, b Elliott	6	b Pogson	6
Capt. Rose, b Bhandara	35	st Elliott, b Bhandara	15
Capt. Hooper, b Elliott	2	c and b Pogson	3
Dr. Hulbert, not out	0	run out	1
Capt. Gates, b Pogson	8	b Bhandara	0
Extras	12	Extras	10
Total	226	Total	100

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B.	R.	M.	W.
Pogson	60	27	4	1	56	3	20	4
Pillingall	30	23	0	0				
Bhandar	105	34	1	2	102	2	46	5
Kulkarni	66	33	7	1	42	2	16	0
Kotwal	102	39	6	3				
Elliott	84	30	2	3	18	1	8	1

KHANDEISH.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. Maitland-Kirwan, c Yates, b Noake	17	b Noake	18
Mr. Bhandara, b Hartley	4	b Hartley	6
Mr. Shubron, b Hartley	1	l-b-w, b Hartley	14
Mr. Pogson, b Umfreville	3	st. Yates, b Hartley	12
Mr. Campbell, c Wilkins, b Noake	30	c Hartley, b Noake	5
Mr. Kotwal, b Noake	41	run out	17
Mr Elliott, b Umfreville	0	b Hartley	0
Mr. White, b Hartley	22	l-b-w, b Wilkins	46
Mr. Curtis, c and b Hartley	7	l-b-w, b Wilkins	29
Mr. Pillingall, b Hartley	0	b Wilkins	5
Mr. Kulkarni, not out	3	not out	2
Extras	22	Extras	13
Total	150	Total	139

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B	R.	M.	W.
Umfreville*	108	48	1	2	42	35	1	0
Hartley	79	35	1	5	154	53	4	4
Noake	78	45	3	3	60	42	2	2
Rose					112	8	0	0
Wilkins					18	9	0	3

* 1 No Ball

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* ELPHINSTONE C. C.—This match resulted in a win for the Elphinstone C. C. by 34 runs. Score :—

ELPHINSTONE CRICKET CLUB.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Belgaumwalla, b Pogson	0	b Carroll	8
S. B. Mistry, c Pogson, b Elliott	8	b Umfreville	8
M. H. Sanjana, b Pogson	0	c Thew, b Hartley	17
Dubash, b Umfreville	63	b Umfreville	20
P. H. Davur, b Elliott	0	c White, b Carroll	32
J. H. Elchadane, c Pogson, b Elliott	2	b Umfreville	4
K. A. Iranee, c Carroll, b Elliott	0	not out	14
M. Oomrigar, c and b Hartley	24	c Elliott, b Hartley	0
R. P. Master, b Pogson	0	l-b-w, b Carroll	11
J. Machliwala, not out	45	c Butler, b Umfreville	6
J. F. Oomrigar, b Carroll	0	b Carroll	0
Extras	21	Extras	12
Total	163	Total	132

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. B. M. Carroll, c and b Davur	10	l-b-w, b M. Oomrigar	0
Mr. Thubron, c Master, b Davur	5	l-b-w, b Davur	7
Hon. D. B. Butler, b Davur	4	c and b J. Oomrigar	0
Mr. Pogson, b J. F. Oomrigar	3	c Master, b J. Oomrigar	14
Capt. Umfreville, c Belgaumwala, b J. F. Oomrigar	0	b J. Oomrigar	35
Mr. Campbell, l-b-w, b J. Oomrigar	30	c and b J. Oomrigar	19
Mr. Hartley, b J. Oomrigar	41	c Master, b J. Oomrigar	45
Mr. Thew, b M. Oomrigar	1	b Davur	0
Mr. White, b Davur	11	c M. Oomrigar, b J. Oomrigar	18
Mr. Curtis, l-b-w, b Davur	1	not out	4
Mr. Elliott, not out	3	b M. Oomrigar	2
Extras	4	Extras	4
Total	113	Total	148

CRICKET AT DHARWAR.

BELGAUM *vs.* DHARWAR.—This annual fixture was played off on the 26th and 27th instant, the visitors winning on the first innings, Messrs. Aitchison, Poole, Copleston, and Boxwell contributing useful scores. In the home team's second innings Mr. Monteath put up 127. Score :—

BELGAUM.—1st Innings.

Mr. W. E. Copleston, c Monteath, b Oliver	48
Captain Poole, b Sungar	57
Mr. B. H. Howell, b Sungar	20
Mr. R. Nactier, b Crump	18
Mr. T. Aitchison, c Crump, b Dwane	83
Mr. C. L. Costa, c Sungar, b Dharwarkar	25
Mr. G. MacGregor, b Dwane	6
Mr. A. Boxwell, b Sungar	30
Mr. B. G. Gordon, b Sungar	0
Mr. C. M. Thompson, not out	15
Mr. W. B. Bell, l-b-w	3
Extras	23
Total	328

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
L. C. Crump	102	85	—	1
S. Dharwarkar	62	52	—	2
E. G. Oliver	60	63	—	1
Sungar	72	69	—	4
C. Sinclair	18	14	—	—
H. M. Dwane	30	22	—	2

DHARWAR.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. C. Sinclair, c Thomson, b Copleston	48	b Bell	39
Mr. G. Mc C. Harrison, c and b Copleston	5	b Copleston	6
Mr. J. Monteath, c Capt. Poole, b Copleston	0	l-b-w, Howell	127
Mr. L. C. Crump, c Howell, b Capt. Poole	6	c Gordon, b Copleston	23
Mr. E. G. Oliver, c and b Capt. Poole	4	c Boxwell, b Capt. Poole	45
Mr. P. B. Chenai, c MacGregor, b Copleston	8	not out	45
Mr. H. M. Dwane, b Copleston	5	did not bat	
Mr. B. B. Grayfoot, b Copleston	6	did not bat	
Mr. D. Browne, b Copleston	0	did not bat	
Mr. S. Dharwarkar, not out	2	did not bat	
Mr. Sungar, c Thompson, b Bell	8	did not bat	
Extras	12	Extras	11
Total	101	Total	293

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B.	R.	M.	W.
W. E. Copleston	120	33	6	7	120	69	6	2
Capt. Poole	54	31	1	2	102	62	2	1
B. H. Howell	60	26	5	—	72	56	—	1
T. Aitchison	6	2	—	—	78	29	2	—
W. B. Bell	7	—	1	1	120	65	2	1

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

GYMKHANA *vs.* GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.—This match was played on the 28th instant and resulted in a win for the Gymkhana by 11 runs. Score :—

GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

H. D. Taylor, b Amirtham	6
J. N. Atkinson, b Amirtham	34
M. R. Karegat, b Amirtham	5
S. N. Saldaha, b Amirtham	7
G. T. Gillespie, hit wkt, b Milner	0
F. Hannyngton, st Kennard, b Milner	9
K. Swaminathan, c Hay, b Milner	8
C. M. Biddiah, b Amirtham	0
E. D. Gaudoin, b Amirtham	1
F. B. Evans, not out	2
P. Govinda Menon, b Firth	0
Extras	11
Total	83

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Capt. Hay	4	15	0	0
Amirtham	11	29	0	6
Capt. Milner	7	26	0	3
Capt. Firth	1·2	3	0	1

OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.

Capt. Hay, c Atkinson, b Taylor	0
Capt. Firth, b Swaminathan	2
Capt. Milner, st Hannyngton, b Taylor	15
R. Simpson, st Hannyngton, b Saldanha	44
W. M. Standen, b Biddiah	4
A. J. State, c Biddiah, b Swaminathan	4
S. A. Walker, b Biddiah	1
Ramaloo, c and b Swaminathan	3
Capt. M. K. Kennard, b Biddiah	2
Amirtham, not out	14
Anthoo, b Swaminathan	0
Extras	5
Total	94

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Swaminathan	8	34	1	4
Taylor	6	22	0	2
Saldanha	6	14	0	1
Biddiah	9	19	0	3

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* PARSEE GYMKHANA.—The return match between these teams was played on the 3rd instant resulting in a big reverse for the Bombay Gymkhana. We have dealt with the game in our Notes. Score :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, b Watcha	8
Mr. S. N. Powell, c Pavri, b H. D. Kanga	13
Lieut A. P. Y. Langhorne, b Watcha	21
Major Carnegy, b Commissariat	33
Mr. J. S. Milne, c and b Watcha	3
Capt A. D. Langhorne, run out	6
Mr. E. E. Coombs, run out	0
Mr. C. G. Stileman, st b Lalla	9
Capt Stiffe, b Commissariat	3
Mr. J. L. Ainsworth, not out	1
Mr. R. Reid, c H. D. Kanga, b Lalla	0
Extras	0
Total	97

PARSEE GYMKHANA.

Dr. Pavri, b Ainsworth	14
Parekh, b Coombs	5
H. D. Kanga, c A. D. Langhorne, b Stileman	41
Belgaumwalla, not out	100
J. M. Modi, retired	100
H. Commissariat, run out	21
Lalla, b Reid	23
Chothia, c Powell, b Reid	6
Dastur, not out	4
Extras	20
Total (for 7 wkts.)	334

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
PARSEE GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Watcha	17	5	26	3
Mr. H. D. Kanga	10	1	42	1
Mr. Lalla	6·4	2	20	2
Mr. Commissariat	3·2	0	9	2

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Coombs	20	6	77	1
Mr. Ainsworth	18	1	82	1
Mr. Milne	3	0	19	0
Mr. Stileman	4	0	29	1
Mr. Powell	3	0	77	0
Mr. Aston	8	0	58	0
Mr. R. Reid	8	0	32	2

CRICKET IN BANGALORE.

MADRAS GYMKHANA *vs.* BANGALORE.—This match, comments on which appear among our Athletic Notes, ended on the 3rd instant in a most decisive win for Bangalore. Appended are the scores.

MADRAS GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Challoner, c Cooper, b Standage	0	b Standage	51
Stephenson, c Cooper, b Manson	0	l-b-w, b Copeland	15
Haughton, l-b-w, b Standage	0	c Manson, b Gangaram	46
Braithwaite, c and b Standage	4	l-b-w, b Copeland	2
Moore, b Standage	2	b Cooper	45
Pereira, run out	0	b Standage	19
Tait, not out	30	c Manson, b Standage	20
Ormsby, b Standage	4	b Manson	10
Ingram, c Ridpath, b Manson	0	b Manson	11
Palmer, b Harris	26	not out	0
Middlemass, c Moore, b Cooper	0	c Moore, b Manson	0
Extras	4	Extras	10
Total	70	Total	229

BANGALORE.
1st Innings.

Moore, run out	21
Hanson, c Braithwaite, b Pereira	6
Manson, run out	104
Cooper, c Pereira, b Braithwaite	34
Jayaram, b Pereira	133
Standage, not out	14
Extras	21
Total (for 5 wickets)	333

CRICKET CHAT.

IT was very sporting of Khandesh cricketers to undertake a tour this year, and all things considered the team must be congratulated on its performances in the matches with Nasik and Poona. Dhulia and Bhusawal, the two stations from which the team was drawn, are, do not contain many Europeans, but if occasion demand it the district can place a European team in the field. The three Hindu players, Bhandara, Kotwal and Kulkarni, are always included in the team, however, all three being good batsmen and bowlers. These with Maitland-Kirwan, H. Pogson, C. S. Campbell, R. E. H. Elliott, and G. S. Curtis form the nucleus of a fairly good side for a district team. Against Nasik the team was seen to great advantage, H. Pogson who has played for the Presidency compiling 164 not out in which were twenty four 4's. This was his second century this season and against fairly good bowling too. The Nasik batsman proved unequal to the task of putting up a large score against the excellent bowling of Bhandara, Pogson, and Elliott, and were twice dismissed for totals of 159 and 123 thus losing the match by an innings and 37 runs. C. F. Crofton (35 and 25), C. E. Thubron (7 and 41), and V. M. Griffiths (29 and 17), all batted well for the losing side, but the other batsmen displayed very mediocre form. On the other hand nearly all the Khandesh batsmen made runs. Journeying on to Poona the team met a fairly strong Gymkhana eleven although Greig, Carroll and Kennedy were not playing Maitland-Kirwan (17 and 18), Kotwal (11 and 17), G.S. White (22 and 46), and C. S. Campbell (30 and 6), all displayed good form with the bat, but the batting on the whole was very uneven, seven men in the first innings only being able to make 18 runs between them, while five men in the second innings could only account for 19. The Khandesh totals of 150 and 159 fell just 17 short of the double effort of Poona and what lost the visiting team the match was the stand by H. R. P. Dickson and A. D Wilkins for the first wicket in Poona's first venture, these two men being allowed to put on a hundred runs before they were separated. Wilkins made 55 and Dickson 48. The other double-figure constributors were Umfreville (26), Noake (20), Rose (35), and Hartely (14). Poona in the second innings fared badly against the bowling of Bhandara and Pogson and could only total 100, Wilkins (33) being the only batsman who made over 20. Hartley's bowling had a good deal to do with the victory of Poona.

The poor show given by the Presidency team has made it necessary to entirely recast the side and this important task will be undertaken by the Cricket Committee of the Poona Gymkhana. The two Langhornes, Cadogan and Chaplin may give place to J. H. Curtis, J. Monteath (both of them old Cliftonians), Captain E. Campion, and W. E. Coppleston. Curtis I have already introduced to your readers, and he is considered by Greig to have very few superiors as a bat in India. Monteath, who played at Bombay last year, has had the proud distinction of making four centuries for Dharwar this season and is in fine form. Campion who hails from Nusserabad and played last year at Poona is a fine forcing batsman and is not bothered with nerves. Coppleston is an old Malvernian and a fine all round cricketer being equally good with bat and ball.

These four with Greig, Carroll, Deas and Coombs have already, I understand, accepted invitations to play, so that only three places remain to be filled up. Deas' ability to play in the return is an unexpected piece of good news, and if only Captain M. D. Wood could be induced to play the team would be a very fine one.

The Bangalore-Belgaum match was a most interesting one and was chiefly remarkable for two fine batting exhibitions, the heroes of which were Captain R. F. Standage, who has apparently recovered his last year's form, and W. E. Coppleston, the old Malvernian. Both men headed the scores of their respective sides in the first innings with 29 and 26 respectively, the totals being Bangalore 126, Belgaum 107. The scoring in the second innings would have been low on both sides, but for these two batsmen in particular. Standage made 73 for Bangalore out of 215 while Coppleston contributed 75 to the Belgaum's second total of 196. The latter also bowled with success capturing nine wickets in the match for 136 runs a good performance on a perfect wicket. Most of the bowlers came through the match with good figures, E. R. Udal, Cooper and Standage for Bangalore with seven wickets for 78, four for 24 and four for 40 doing extremely well, while B. E. A. Manson (six for 20) shared the Belgaum bowling honours with Coppleston.

C. H. Richards who during the past six months has shown hardly anything of his old form with bat and ball for his club, the Kolar Gold Fields, came off in both departments last week against Mr. Lefroy's XI. After being run out in the first innings for 2, he scored 102 not out in the second innings out of 163 for four wickets. He also captured seven wickets in the only innings Mr. Lefroy's XI had for under five runs apiece. Of the other Kolarites R. H. P. Bullen (38), T. A. Clarke (29), and F. G. Pierce (21 not out) did best with the bat.

Karachi Gymkhana met the local Parsees for the fourth time this season last week when neither side could claim an advantage the game ending in an open draw. The scoring was low P. D. Dastur (27) and F. G. Mobed (23) for the Parsees and Creagh (36 not out) and Captain Price (27) for the Gymkhana being the only batsman who topped 20. Barnes and Newton as usual were to the fore with the leather for the Gymkhana, the former having remarkably good figures.

Among well-known players who distinguished themselves in recent matches I notice the names of L. J. Le Fleming, the old Tonbridgian and Kent county cricketer and B. Jaya Ram, the Mysore cricketer, who returned to India a fortnight ago after an absence of a year and-a-half in England. Le Fleming, in a match at Naini Tal for the Gymkhana against the Depôt, made 96 not out when rain stopped play. Jaya Ram on the 25th ultimo in his first appearance this season for Bangalore Gymkhana against the Essex Regiment contributed 128 to the total of 304 for five wickets made by his side and captured three wickets. Captain Wall who went in first with Jaya Ram and scored 51 helped that player to put up 206 for the first wicket, 27 of this number being made from byes and leg-byes.

The team that the Poona Gymkhana placed in the field on the 29th and 30th against the Elphinstone C. C. (a strong Parsee Club from Bombay) could hardly be considered on Poona team at all as no less than six of the side—C. E. Thubron, H. Pogson, C. S. Campbell, G. S. Curtis, R. E. A. Elliott and G. S. White—were members of the Khandesh team which had played Poona on the previous two days. The five Poona players in the team were B. M. Carroll, Hon'ble D. B. Butler Captain Umfreville, N. V. Thew, and H. B. Hartley. The latter made 41 top score in the first innings and with Campbell (30) made the only stand in the innings which realised 113. The Khandesh bowlers had the best figures, Elliott taking four wickets for 29 runs and Pogson three for 37. The Elphinstone Club total of 163 in the first innings was nearly altogether due to the efforts of three men, Dubash (63), Machliwalla (45 not out) and M. Oomrigar (24), who between them made 132. Extras were responsible for 21 so that the other eight batsmen only contributed 10 between them, six of them failing to score. The second innings of Poona was only saved from mediocrity by a second fine display by H. B. Hartley (45), who again made top score, Captain Umfreville (35), and C. S. Campbell (19) and G. S. White (18) the total being 148. The Elphinstone C. C. having made 132 in their second innings (Davur 32, Dubash 20) Poona were beaten by 34 runs. Poona have been very unlucky in their matches with Bombay clubs this season, having lost against the Gymkhana, the Hindus and the Elphinstone and drawn with the Baronet Club.

A match at Quetta between the Gymkhana and the Supply and Transport Corps a few days before Captain Deas left for Bombay to play in the Presidency match resulted in a win for the Gymkhana who had a very strong eleven for the occasion by 68 runs. Deas for once in a way was quite ineffective with the ball, but made 29, top score for his side. J. H. Curtis on the other hand for the first time this season did not come off with the bat for the Gymkhana being dismissed for 8. The chief feature in the match was the excellent all-round play of A. G. Fleming, the Old Fettesian, who contributed a brilliant 60 to the Gymkhana total of 175 and captured eight wickets for 47 runs. Fleming is the best all-round player in Quetta this season, and it is surprising that his name has not ever been mentioned in connection with the Presidency eleven.

Trooper Ledger, in a match at Bangalore last week between the Carabiniers and the 12th Battery, R.F.A., was credited with a remarkable bowling feat which deserves to be mentioned. He did not bowl in the first innings of the Gunners, but in the second innings captured nine wickets for 16 runs, and did the "hat trick," the tenth batsman being run out.

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Football.

FOOTBALL IN BOMBAY.

HARWOOD LEAGUE.

The following table shows the full results :—

	P.	W.	L.	D	Goals for	Goals agst.	Pts.
Cheshire A. ...	12	9	0	3	31	2	21
Cheshire B. ...	12	8	2	2	34	6	18
R. G. A. ...	12	6	2	4	17	6	16
H. M. S. *Perseus* ...	12	5	3	4	12	16	14
Rovers ...	12	3	5	4	15	19	10
Gymkhana ...	12	1	10	1	6	32	3
Telegraph ...	12	1	11	0	10	39	2

(a) Winners of Cup and 1st Prize.
(b) Winners of Cup and 2nd Prize.

RUGBY IN CALCUTTA.

ENGLAND *vs* SCOTLAND.—The International match was played on the Calcutta ground on the 5th instant and a splendid game was witnessed. Berridge kicked off for England and Dick returned into touch. Then a series of scrums took place, of which the Scotch forwards had the best. Newton sent the ball into touch and the Scots looked like scoring but Landon relieved. Heilgers and MacLeod were next prominent and from a scrum Todd, Gardiner and Heilgers got away, the last named crossing the line. Dick failed to add the extra points. On resuming the English team got going and the forwards gained much ground by a good dribble. Then Williams got possession and passed to Marshall, who handed on to Siddons and the latter getting in a brilliant run scored. No goal resulted and even play followed till the interval. Landon broke away on one occasion but was brought up by Newton.

On changing ends the representatives of the Rose showed better form and the threes did good work, Ismay being to the fore. He all but got over on one occasion but Newton tackled him before he could get across England continued to press and Williams picking up scored a clever try. The place failed, but soon after Barnes got through. No goal resulted and time was shortly called leaving England victors by three tries (9 points) to one 3 points. Teams :—

ENGLAND.—Greyburn, *back*; Landon, Siddons, Baker, and Ismay, *three-quarters*; Williams and Marshall *halves*; Berridge, Szczepanski, Cooper Barnes, Stevenson, Gribbon, Ray and Vick, *forwards*.

SCOTLAND.—Newton, *back*; Dundas, Garstin, Pierson and Dick, *three-quarters*; MacDonald and Maclaren, *halves*; MacLeod, Gardiner, Todd, Scott, Kar, Black, Heilgers and Grahame, *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. E. Martelli, Ireland.

CALCUTTA *vs.* ARMENIAN OLD BOYS.—On their own ground on the 6th instant, a Calcutta team defeated the Armenian Old Boys by a goal and a try to *nil* after an even game. The first half was productive of much scrimmaging, but the work of the forwards was not of a very brilliant character. For the visitors Yakchee, Apcar, and Staynor were seen to advantage, while Barnes, Todd, and Cumberlege were most conspicuous for the home team. Barnes was instrumental in obtaining both tries for Calcutta, passing on to Schaumberg who got over. Barnes converted the first try. In the second moiety the Armenians tried hard to score but without success, Calcutta winning as stated.

CALCUTTA RUGBY LEAGUE.

CALCUTTA *vs.* CUSTOMS.—This match was played on the Calcutta ground on the 31st ultimo when the visitors put up a good fight and were just beaten by a goal to a try. The home team took the ball down at the start and scrums took place in the visitors' twenty-five. Then the Customs made great efforts to get through. Rowe got away and passed to Porteous who tried to drop a goal from a difficult angle After a few runs by the home forwards, Karr got over and Martelli converted, Calcutta leading at the interval by a goal. In the second half the Customs continued to play with great dash and Maitland crossed the line, but the place failed. Play ruled very even till just before the call of time when Maitland made an attempt to drop a goal which failed by a few inches.

KING'S OWN *vs.* UNITED SERVICES.—This game played on the King's Own ground on the 31st ultimo was very evenly contested, the King's Own eventually winning by 11 ponits to 5. In the first half the Services had rather the best of the game. But Lieutenant Marshall got in for the King's Own, Scully failing with the place. On changing ends, the Fort team pressed hard and Morgan and Lieutenant Scott scored a try each, Scully converting the first. The Services continued to play up, however, and a passing bout led to Morris handing to Landon who scored, Szczepanski adding the major points. They were unable to put on any further score and the King's Own won by a goal and 2 tries to one goal.

WEST RIDINGS *vs.* KING'S OWN.—This match was played at Dum-Dum last Saturday when the Ridings defeated the visitors by 2 goals (one dropped) and 3 tries to *nil*. The home team were strongly represented and played a fine game. In the first half Beaumont scored one and Morris two tries, Lieutenant Gill converting the second. On changing ends, Beaumont dropped a fine goal soon after the start, then the King's Own got over but the try was disallowed. The Ridings got possession from a scrum in the visitors' territory and Roberts crossed the line. No goal resulted and the West Ridings won by 18 points to *nil*.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

CALCUTTA did not shine brilliantly against the Customs whom they could do no better than beat by the verdict of 5 points to 3. Probably the fact that the Customs played with such vim had rather a disquieting effect, yet on past form the Premier Club should have done considerably better. The home team was complete with the exception of Ismay, whose absence may have made a deal of difference. Where Calcutta was badly served was at half. MacClaren did fairly well, but his partner, Smith, evidently a Rugger man, made some unpardonable mistakes. Quite on three occasions when the leather was heeled out instead of opening out the game for the three-quarter line he ran the wrong side of the scrum and found touch

The forwards should watch a team like the King's Own at play and pick up a few tips from the way the packing of the scrum is done. Calcutta have the heaviest and cleverest forwards in the city, and properly managed the scrum-maging line should be a really formidable one. Saturday was a wet day when Calcutta turned out about five short against the United Services, who have retired from the League though deciding to enter for the Rugby Cup. The places of the missing members of the team were ably taken by some men from the City and Customs, among the latter was Rowe who, considering the atmospheric conditions and state of the ball, performed excellently at half.

As was to be expected, the game was a poor one, both sets of forwards having plenty to do. A few bouts of passing, however, were indulged in, in which Martelli, Schaumberg and Barnes were conspicuous. Of the forwards Curtis-Hayward, Heilgers and MacLeod worked hard, but the same cannot be said of the rest, and the display given forward again supports my contention that the scrum pack loosely and are lacking in shoving capacity.

In their League engagement with the Premier Club the Customs put up a very spirited fight and were beaten only by the narrow margin of a couple of points. As a matter of fact, Rowe got over with another try, but this however was disallowed owing to a forward pass, and Calcutta can congratulate themselves on averting defeat by a mere squeak. The Customs fifteen have always been a surprise packet and they have come on so well in such a short time that it is quite on the cards that they may lower the colours of many teams which might consider themselves immune from defeat.

Last Wednesday one and all worked hard the whole game through and those outside the scrum played with splendid dash. Anderson at back is a tough customer to get past, and his kicking was better than it has hitherto been. The best of a smart if inexperienced line of threes was Maitland. This player has weight and strength on his side, both of which qualities he made full use of; his running was strong with any amount of "swerve" and "break," which made him a difficult man to hold. Last Wednesday from half-field he got through the best defence in the town and landed a try by what I consider the finest individual effort this season. Rowe's prowess in the field is so well known that it is sufficient to say that he played as well as ever and makes a capable captain. The forwards in striking contrast to their opponents packed tight, but being on the light side were shoved off the leather a good deal.

Customs like City are guilty of the fault of making too much noise on the field and there is a tendency to disputing the referee's decision. Under ordinary circumstances the Captain's is the only voice that should be heard, excepting of course the half at the base of the scrum, who is directing operations from outside.

The Services, everyone will be glad to hear, have not broken up their combination, but have only scratched their League engagements and are entering for the Cup with a much reinforced fifteen. During the week they have played friendlies with the King's Own and Calcutta In the former game they were assisted by four of the best at Dum-Dum. Marshall played back and those two excellent little players, Reeves and Morris, played half, while Lieutenant Gill figured prominently forward. The game was remarkable for the first appearance this season of Landon, who has sportingly come to the rescue of his side, and though only having just got over a serious illness played with his customary dash and skill. As the game went, the Services had quite as much of the play as the soldiers, though the score against them would lead one to think otherwise.

What the Service men really want are two halves and a back till the Cup competition comes round, when they will be helped by the men already mentioned.

The forwards played very well together and so did the threes, and the only reason that can be assigned for their defeat was the superior speed of the King's Own three-quarters.

The Hornets have retired from the Rugger field, for this year at any rate, and with the help of a few of this Club's best the combination has been re-started which last season was known as the Old Armenians.

The latter played a fairly strong team of Calcutta in their first game and were beaten by the narrow margin of a try. It poured with rain for the greater portion of the game and made the turf sodden and slippery. These conditions militated greatly against the Armenians, preventing them from indulging in their usual passing and kicking tactics, of which they are such fine exponents.

Calcutta's forwards were too heavy for their lighter opponents, and the Armenians were unable to cope with their combined dribbles and rushes.

SCRUM.

Golf.

GOLF AT POONA.

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MEN'S FOURSOMES.—The following are results of this competition played on the 26th ultimo :—

	Hdp.	Rslt.
Col. Carter and M. Campbell ...	3	1 up
Maj. Anderson and N. V. Thew ...	2	1 down
T. Le Mesurier and H. Bromley ...	9	do
Maj. Young and Rev. A. Cant ...	3	3 down
D. Davison and G. Byrne ...	6	do
Capt. Kennedy and H. Kearsey ...	10	do
Sir James Monteath and J. Du Boulay ...	7	4 down
Surg.-Genl. Gubbins and Lt.-Col. Fooks ...	8	do

Four couples returned no cards.

LADIES' FOURSOMES.—The following are results :—

	Hdp.	Rslt.
Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Marshall ...	7	1 up
Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Anderson ...	3	1 down
Mrs. Bagshawe and Mrs. Dobbs ...	73	do
Mrs. Forbes and Miss Heaton ...	6	5 down

Two couples returned no cards.

MEN'S MATCH PLAY COMPETITION.—Results as follows :—

	Handicap	Result
Major Young ...	6	4 up } Tie
Major Anderson ...	Scr	4 up }
H. Bromley ...	12	2 up
T. Le Mesurier ...	10	all square
N. V. Thew ...	5	1 down
T. B. Fry ...	Scr	2 down
Rev. A. Cant ...	2	2 down
G. Byrne ...	5	2 down
Major Scudamore ...	9	2 down
W. L. Cameron ...	9	2 down
Capt. Kennedy ...	20	2 down
Lt.-Col. Stevens ...	5	3 down
Hon'ble Mr. J. L. Jenkins ...	11	3 down
C. G. Fawcett ...	13	3 down
Hon'ble Mr. B. Butler ...	Scr	3 down
D. H. Davison ...	10	5 down

Six others sent in no return.

LADIES' BOGEY COMPETITION.

Mrs. Bell ...	– 8	1 down }
Mrs. R. Anderson ...	Scr	1 down }
Mrs. Forbes	– 4	3 down
Mrs. French	– 13	3 down
Mrs Marshall	– 5	4 down
Mrs. Martin	– 10	5 down
Miss Anderson ...	– 5	5 down
Miss Lee Horwood ...	– 13	5 down
Mrs. Cadell	– 10	6 down
Mrs. Bain	– 13	7 down

No returns from six others.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* I. C. S.—The following is the result of this match which was won by the I. C. S. by 8 holes or 6 games to two.—

I. C. S.		Poona Gymkhana.
Sir J. Monteath ...	2 down on ...	Major Scudamore.
Hon. Mr. Jenkins ...	3 down on ...	Lt.-Col. Stevens.
Hon. Mr. Whitworth ...	2 up on ...	Lt.-Col. Wright.
R. B. Stewart ...	1 up on ...	Surg.-Genl. Gubbins.
J. du Boulay	4 up on ...	W. L. Cameron.
C. G. Fawcett ...	1 up on ...	Lt.-Col. Bell.
W. J. Sladen ...	1 up on ...	Laing.
F. K. Boyd ...	4 up on ...	T. B. Fry.

THE UPPER INDIA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

LADIES' OPEN HANDICAP.—This was played on the 23rd ultim and resulted in a win for Miss Johnston. Score:—

Miss Johnston	207 – 32 = 175
Miss Vanrenen	210 – 32 = 178
Mrs. MacMullen	220 – 36 = 184
Miss McNeill	220 – 32 = 188
Mrs. Davies	198 – 8 = 190
Mrs. Vanrenen	250 – 60 = 190
Mrs. Weir	223 – 32 = 191
Mrs. Panet	238 – 40 = 198
Mrs. Sangster	232 – 28 = 204
Mrs. Malcolm	266 – 60 = 206
Miss Mansfield	234 – 16 = 218

THE CHAMPIONSHIP.—The first half of the qualifying round was played off on the 23rd ult. Mr. B. Sinclair leading with 172, Major Carruthers being next with 175. The round came to a

conclusion the next day the Calcutta representative retaining his place at the top. Score:—

Qualifying round 72 holes.

1.	Mr. B. Sinclair	351
2.	Major R. A. Carruthers	352
3.	Captain Blois-Johnston	354
4.	Captain A. Buist	356
5.	Captain C. Davies	358
6.	Captain J. Hill	359
7.	Mr. J. Mackenzie	364
8.	Captain H. L. Fleming	370
	Mr. A. D. Anderson	372
	Mr. H. Mitchell Henderson	373
	Mr. S. B. Wybrants	371
	Mr. W. Mitchell	377
	Major Elsmie	386

Seven players retired during the competition.

The first eight players in the qualifying competition contested the first round in the Championship by match play on the 25th ultimo with the following results:—

Captain A. Buist beat Captain J. Hill by 7 and 6 to play.
Captain Blois-Johnston beat Mr. B. Sinclair by 2 and 1.
Captain C. Davies beat Mr. J. Mackenzie.
Major Carruthers beat Captain H. L. Fleming by 2 and 1.

In the semi-finals Captain Buist met Captain Davies and Captain Blois-Johnston met Major Carruthers, the matches resulting as follows. Captain Buist beat Captain Davies by 7 up and 6 to play.
Captain Blois-Johnston beat Major Carruthers by 4 and 3 to play.

The final, a match of 36 holes, was played on the 26th ultimo between Captains J. Buist and G. Blois-Johnston, and an exciting struggle resulted. Captain Buist established a record for the 18 holes in the first round. His score being—

Out 5, 5, 6 4, 4, 4, 5, 4, 3 = 40.
In 4, 5, 4, 4, 6, 5, 2, 4, 4 = 38 = 78.

The par score of the links is 81.

Captain Johnston had been playing a fine game too, but he could not come up to this score and on the first half of the game he stood 7 down. In the afternoon Captain Johnston made a great bid for victory. He lost the first hole and was 8 down; two halved holes followed, then Johnston drew away and won the next five holes. Captain Buist managed to half the ninth hole and the game was then of a give and-take character and ended on the thirteenth green, Captain Buist winning by 6 up and 5 to play and thus becoming champion for the year.

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.—In the first round on the 24th ultimo some good play was witnessed in the Ladies' Championship with the following results:—

Mrs. C. Davies beat Mrs. Kennedy by 4 and 2 to play.
Miss Johnston beat Miss Mansfield.
Miss Vanrenen beat Mrs. Weir.
Miss McNeill beat Mrs. MacMullen.

The semi-finals in the ladies' game were played on the 25th ultimo when a splendid contest was witnessed between Mrs. C. Davies and Miss Vanrenen. The latter led at the 14th hole by 2 up and 4 to play, but last year's lady champion played steadily and at the 17th green they were all square. The 18th hole was halved so they had to go on to the 19th hole. Mrs. Davies took the hole in 4 and secured the victory. Miss Johnston beat Miss McNeill rather easily.

The final was contested by Miss Johnston and Mrs. Davies, another splendid game resulting in Miss Johnston securing the championship. The match was most exciting and was only finished on the last green where Miss Johnston getting the best of the approach play won the match by one stroke.

KHURBAN.

GOLF AT BANGALORE.

MADRAS *vs.* BANGALORE.—This match was played on the 26th and 27th ultimo and resulted in a win for the visitors after an exciting contest by five games to four. Eleven competitors represented each club and each had to play a 36-hole match with his opponent. The following are the scores :—

	Rounds. 1.	2.	3.	4.	Total.	Winners.
J. G. Tait (B)	3	3	2	3	11	Bangalore.
beat						
J. M. Brown (M)	0	0	0	0	0	
Col. F. H. Benson (M)	2	2	2	0	6	Madras.
beat						
Capt. S. M. Rice (B)	0	0	0	1	1	
R. Mackie (B)	3	1	2	0	6	Bangalore.
beat						
F. E. Hooper (M)	0	0	0	1	1	
Major J. Burn (B)	0	2	0	3	5	Bangalore.
beat						
Major Thomson (M)	1	0	1	0	2	
O. J. Sykes (M)	0	3	4	0	7	Madras.
beat						
F. F. Tarver (B)	2	0	0	1	3	
H. E. Hildebrand (B)	0	0	2	0	2	Tie.
vs.						
A.M. Urquhart (M)	2	0	0	0	2	Tie.
Capt. Watson (B)	0	0	2	0	2	
vs.						
C. R. T. Balston (M)	0	2	0	0	2	
H. F. Wilkieson (B)	0	6	4	4	14	Bangalore.
beat						
C. E. Ross (M)	0	0	0	0	0	
D. Dewar (M)	0	1	1	2	4	Madras.
beat						
H. A. Morgan (B)	3	0	0	0	3	
C. P. Corlett (M)	8	6	4	5	23	Madras.
beat						
Col. Cox (B)	0	0	0	0	0	
L. R. Butchart (M)	2	0	7	0	9	Madras.
beat						
H. P. Gibbs (B)	0	1	0	2	3	

Madras thus won by five matches to four.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

18th August, 1904.

IT is a very curious thing to take up a newspaper with golfing records just now : during August and September one recognizes names of players familiar during most of the year on a certain suburban green, now sending in a return from some Lothian Links or may be from a course in far off North of Ireland, South Wales, Cornwall or even in gay Boulogne or frivolous Dieppe. The holiday season is well on, all seaside links are teeming with visitors, and the clubs are reaping a golden harvest in Green Tees. St. Andrews, the "Mecca" of Golf, is crowded to overflowing, and the summer meeting of the members of the Royal and Ancient Club held on 2nd August and following days for the Calcutta Cup drew a large field—33 couples in all—and amongst, these the usual well-known cracks were nearly all to be found. Some very close matches were witnessed in the first round—perhaps the best game was that between Messrs. J. A. Shaw and Spencer Gollan (both ex-holders of the Cup) the game was give and take throughout the 18 holes and resulted in a halved match. Mr. W. E. Fairlie (the holder) was opposed by Mr. A. K. Seller, to whom he had to give 10 strokes : failing, however, to get the lead the holder eventually lost the match at the 14th hole.

On the 2nd round with 19 couples it was a very fine exhibition of Golf by Mr. Mansfield Hunter, who played an almost perfect game against Mr. Claude Johnston, to whom he had to concede no less than 16 strokes ; this difficult task however, W. Hunter succeeded in accomplishing by his brilliant golf and entered the 3rd round, where he encountered and beat Colonel Grant by 2 holes again playing a remarkably fine round. At the end of the 2nd round there were but three players left, all of whom succumbed before the day and the 4th round was ended. In the 2nd round Mr. J. A. Shaw was again in very fine form against Mr. W. J. Reid and going round in 78 easily disposed of his opponents but fell a victim in the next round to Captain Burn, although the match stood all square with three to play.

Meanwhile Mr. A. R. MacAllan, who had a bye in the 3rd round had beaten Mr. Mansfield Hunter from whom he received 3 strokes—the match was square on the 17th green, but with a fine 4 at the 18th Mr. MacAllan secured the match. On Thursday afternoon in excessively hot weather the semi-final was played between Mr. MacAllan and Mr. Spencer Gollan. The match was a most interesting and close one throughout and only ended in the home green in favour of the first-named competitor, Mr. Armour had a bye. The final was played on Friday morning, 5th August, and was between Mr. W. T. Armour receiving 2 strokes from Mr. A. R. MacAllan. A heavy thunder storm during the early morning accompanied by drenching rain, had rendered the greens very dead and heavy, but the weather during the game was sunny and pleasant and a large number of spectators assembled to witness the contest which proved very close and most exciting. At the turn all was level, Armour had the best of the game and at the 16th hole stood dormy two losing the 17th. the play at 18th was of a most exciting nature. Armour was well on the green in 3, while MacAllan was in water from which with a beautiful pitch he lay dead and won the hole and squared the match and eventually proved successful by 1 hole.

At Leven a large number of players assembled on Wednesday, 27th July and following days to compete for the "Dundee Evening Telegraph" Challenge Cup, a competition open to members of all Scottish clubs. It is not often that the ultimate winner can be spotted from the start, especially when the field is a large and representative one as it was at Leven, but many who knew the young Carnoustie player, F. H. Scroggie, pinned their faith, and more than their faith—even their £ *s. d.* to him and pinned it not in vain as was proved when he beat the local crack R. Simpson in the final by 3 and 1. At Littlestone the August meeting attracted a large entry for the Erskine Goblets, a foursome tournament under handicaps and the Darge Trophy (handicap challenge medal play). In the former competition Messrs. Wersberg and Kemp beat Weston and M. Campbell by 3 and 12, while the defeated couple tied against each in 77 for the Darge Trophy which on playing off Campbell won. The Felixstone Club held a meeting on 30th July, 10th and 12th August when some 30 players returned cards each day. It is a curious coincidence that on the first day three of the four *plus* players who sent in returns accomplished the round in 83 strokes, which, however, were useless, against the 87—8-79 returned by Mr. deLissa, and another curious fact is that the winning score on the Monday should also have been a 79 returned by Mr. H. G. C. Booth.

A very interesting annual foursome tournament was recently held at Kilspindie, between the various clubs in East Lothian The holders for two years, the Tantallon Club, seemed likely to win the Cup for the third year in succession, but they fell in the 3rd round to the Guilane Artisans Club (Direlton Castle) by the narrow margin of 1 hole and Kilspindie beating the Guilane Club by 8 up, the final took place between Direlton represented by H. Cunningham and P. G. Mackenzie, H. Watt and W. Black, and Kilspindie represented by J. Williamson and H. Stewart, J. H. Beattie and G. W. Walker and resulted in a win for Direlton by 8 up and 6 to play. There is a long article in the *Field* of 13th August about a golfer who at St. Andrews was obliged to put in an appearance at a Police Court for a breach of golfing law. The facts of the case briefly are these. At the 8th Tee of the St. Andrews Links a player failed to allow the couple in front of him to leave the green before playing his tee shot with the unfortunate result that his ball struck one of the pair in the eye a very severe blow. The striker of the ball was afterwards arraigned before the Magistrate and gave as his defence that as one of the players had holed out and replaced the flag he (coming up behind) was entitled to drive. Eventually the charge was not proven against the offender, the baillie giving him the benefit of the doubt. The article goes on to point out that although it is most exasperating and annoying to be kept back by a slow foursome or a leisurely couple still the observance of the laws in more than an actual literal sense is obligatory and incumbent upon young and old, good or indifferent alike or on a crowded green, such as St. Andrews and most of the Scotch and English sea side links are at the present season unfortunate and often dangerous accidents might and would occur. What is needed is that all golfers should combine to play the game mindful and watchful of the personal safety of others and to curb their impatience—a lesson invaluable in Golf as in other walks of life.

The Army Cup Competition is progressing, as such events do slowly but surely. At Hayburg Island in the 2nd round of the competition the 4th Division R. F. Artillery beat the 2nd York and Lancaster Regiment by 12 holes.

The 2nd Coldstream Guards defeated the 2nd Division R. F. Artillery 1st Army Corps by 18 holes to 3, the Guards, Captain Lord Newton Butler beat Lieutenant Gregory by 9 holes and Lieutenant Burton scored the same number against Lieutenant Cameron. The 1st Division R. F. Artillery very easily disposed of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders by 7 holes to 0. The Gunners all won their matches with the exception of Captain Open who halved with Lieutenant Cooper.

Just now ladies are not engaged in any very important fixtures and County Golf is in abeyance, the Championships are over and the various club teams are so scattered that to organize an Inter-Club Match would be a sheer impossibility for the next six weeks, but with October, the merry routine will begin again, and fresh from uninterrupted practice the players will return like giants refreshed and new records will be made, new handicaps allotted and many new players will come to the fore. At St. Andrews in the final round for the Queen Victoria Jubilee Vase Mrs. W. Herbert Fowler beat Miss Moir, she having previously in the penultimate heat beaten Miss Boyd, and her opponent having successfully disposed of Miss Hull.

The Honorary Secretary of the Ladies' County Golf Association, has published an up-to-date table of the position of the various counties in their respective divisions. The current year owing to radical changes in the Legislation of the Association extends from January 1904 to 30th June 1905. These radical changes are of frequent occurrence, but in time no doubt some satisfactory method will be adopted and adhered to. At present the associated counties number 18 and there are four divisions, namely, the Northern comprising Yorkshire, Cheshire, Lancashire and Northumberland. The Midlands comprising Worcestershire, Warwickshire, Leicestershire, and Lincolnshire. The Southern or Home Counties Division, including Sussex, Middlesex, Surrey, Kent, Essex, and Hampshire and the Western which includes Devonshire, Somersetshire, Glamorganshire, and Gloucestershire. It is not possible to state which county is head of each division, some having played a great many and others no matches at all, for captain, have not been in any hurry with another nine months before them in which to play off the Divisional Contests.

Admirers of Harry Vardon will be glad to hear that apparently he has quite recovered his recent illness and is playing if possible better golf than ever and the open champion Jack White has resumed his very pleasant professional duties once more and playing in good form, perhaps all the better for his temporary and compulsory retirement from the Golf Links.

M. E. S.

Sports.

33RD LIGHT CAVALRY GYMKHANA.

THE officers of the 33rd Light Cavalry gave a successful little gymkhana on the parade ground at Poona on the 30th ultimo. The rain held off and a large attendance, including their Excellencies Lord and Lady Lamington graced the proceedings. Six events figured on the programme, a round the course race being substituted for the last event, the Covent Garden Fancy Dress Cake Walk, which failed to draw entries.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mrs. Grantham, wife of the Colonel Commanding, gave away the prizes. Details:—

TENT-PEGGING BY SECTIONS open to teams of four—Royal Field Artillery team, 1 ; Signalling Class team, 2.

POLO SCURRY, distance 2 furlongs, for *bonâ fide* Arab polo ponies 14-1 or under that have never won a race of any description, catch weights (11st. 7lbs.), (ladies' nomination) :—Mrs. Forbes' nomination, Major England's Black Flag, 1 ; Mr. Hunter's pony, 2. Twelve started. Time—27secs.

AFFINITY SPELLING STAKES.—Ladies to correct a badly spelt letter brought to them by their affinities. First in with most correct answer to win. Won by Miss Martin and Major Murray with only one mistake.

AFFINITY PICTURE STAKES.—The ladies had to draw an animal named on the paper handed to them in a sealed enveloped by their partners. The event resulted in a win for Mrs. Cleveland and Major England.

AFFINITY BUTTERFLY STAKES, mounted.—The gentleman and ladies were provided with coloured nets in which each pair had to catch fowls with colours corresponding to those of the nets. Miss Fitzgerald and Captain Casson won easily. The other competitors were Mr. McLaine and Miss Palmer, Captain Meynell and Miss Forbes, Major and Mrs. Cleveland, Captain and Mrs. Doson, Major Moore and Miss Anderson, and Mr. Cousens and Mrs. Carter.

The last event on the programme was a race round the course for which nine ponies started, and was watched with considerable interest. Captain Casson on Promise came to the front at the five furlongs, but he was caught at the bend by Major Moore on Champion, and beaten in the run in by a length and a half. Time—3mins. 9secs.

KHARTOUM SPORTS AT TRIMULGHERRY.

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Capt. F. G. Gibbs.
Lieut. R. E. Drake.
2nd-Lieut. A. Savory.
Col.-Sergts. Outlaw, Parker, Murphy, and Hills.

SECUNDERABAD, *3rd September* 1904.

THE annual sports held by the Lincoln Regiment in commemoration of the Battle of Khartoum took place on the Regimental Cricket Ground yesterday in beautiful weather and before a distinguished assemblage. There was also a very large gathering of the civil and military. The sports went with a swing. The stewards knew their work to a T, and although there was a long card of 21 events they were all run off and the prizes distributed before lamp light. The band of the Middlesex Regiment enlivened the proceedings throughout the afternoon. Private Higgins, who was scratch in the 2 miles Bicycle Handicap, had to give 60 yards to his comrades, Privates Cousins, Hardinge, and Dent who were placed first, second, and third respectively. Higgins put in all he knew from the very start, but, despite his efforts, he could not get up within a quarter of lap of the others, and, contrary to expectation, gave up in the last lap. Cousins, the winner had a fairly easy win and seemed quite fresh as he passed the post. Cousins should figure fairly prominently at the next Bangalore meeting. A word must be said, however, for Higgins who has recently been a victim to fever and was never so out of form as on this occasion. The one mile Garrison Flat Race attracted numerous entries, but it was disappointing to note that only one of the Lincolns competed. After the first lap, Sones became favourite although Potter was leading until the last lap when Sones sprinted away and seemed like winning, but Potter drew on his opponent down the straight and getting well away won easily by 20 yards.

The Officers were "At Home" to their friends and the whole function was voted a complete success.

The following are the results :—

High Jump.—1. Lce.-Corpl. West. 2. Pte. Chaplin. 3. Pte. Hansley.

Wheelbarrow Race.—1. Ptes. Hansley and Jennings. 2. Ptes. Clarke and Smith. 3 Ptes. Chaplin and Collier.

100 Yards Race (for Companies).—"A" Co. Pte. Carter. "B" Co. Bandsman Chiffings. "C." Co. Lce.-Corpl. Martin. "D" Co. Pte. Green. "E" Co. Pte. Brewster. "F" Co. Pte. Dwane. "G" Co. Pte. Flowers. "N" Co. Pte. Witlam.

Long Jump.—1. Lce. Corpl. West. 2. Pte. Appelyard. 3. Pte. Irvine.

Bicycle Race (Novices 1½ miles).—1. Pte. Cousins. 2. Pte. Horner. 3. Pte. Dent.

100 Yards Flat Race.—1. Corpl. White. 2. Pte. Dwane. 3. Pte. Brewster.

Potato Race.—1. Pte. Dwane. 2. Pte. Smith. 3. Pte. Godianius.

Despatch Race.—1. Pte. Hansley. 2. Pte. Topliss. 3. Pte. Martin

Sergeants' Race.—1. Col.-Sergt. Murphy. 2. Sergt. Moss. 3. Sergt. Grey.

Hurdle Race.—1. Lce.-Corpl. West. 2. Pte. Gibson 3. Pte. Topliss.

Boot Race.—1. Pte. Dunn. 2 Pte. Hall. 3. Pte. Miles.

Bicycle Handicap (2 miles).—1. Pte. Cousins. 2. Pte. Hardinge. 3. Pte. Dent.

Corporals' Race.—1. Lce.-Corpl. West. 2. Corpl. White. 3. Lce.-Corpl. Durrant.

Tug-of-War.—"H" Co. beat "D" Co.

Officers' Race—1. Mr. Brodie.

Menagerie Race.—1. Pte. Foutger (cat). 2. Pte. Harrison (monkey). 3. Pte. Godianius (monkey).

1 Mile-open to Garrison.—1. Pte. Potter, Middlesex. 2. Pte. Sones, Middlesex. 3. Pte. Blake, Essex.

The Naturalist.

BIRDS OF PREY AND HOW TO KNOW THEM.

WITH such publications as Blandford's "Fauna of British India," in every library and on nearly every sportsman's table—volumes which leave little, if anything to be desired—for the ordinary mortal to attempt any original remarks on the subject, would be, to say the least of it, superfluous. To the beginner, however, most books on Natural History, teeming as they are with latin names and technicalities must act rather as a deterrent than an inducement to take up the subject as a hobby. If persevering enough, he will of course find plates, which will very soon explain the majority of the ordinary terms used and these, can soon be committed to memory, but even armed with this information, unless he has some idea, as to how he should go about the identification of a bird, the work will prove a labour of no small magnitude and a few false starts in the beginning will not encourage him to continue.



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I have known a man with a dead buzzard, on the table, before him, wade through some 120 pages of the above mentioned book and then give it up in disgust, no nearer than when he was when he started, having found half a dozen, approximatly the same as his bird, in measurements and closely resembling it in colour, etc. This was simply because he had formed no base to start from. It is for the absolute beginner that these remarks are intended and if by their aid, any are encouraged to take up a subject, in itself most fascinating, the writer will not have written in vain.

The Diurnal birds of prey come under the order "Acciptres" which is divided into three families, *viz:* Pandionidæ, Vulturidæ Falconidæ. Of these three families, Falconidæ has from time to time been a bone of contention amongst naturalists, some dividing it into five sub-families and some into still more, but Blandford keeps the family intact, only taking therefrom one genus, which he thinks requires special "rank" and thus makes the two sub-families Gypætinæ and Falconinæ. Now these families are again subdivided into 35 genera, comprising in all 87 species. When a bird is brought for identification, obviously the first thing to be done is to place it in its proper family, next the sub-family, if any, then find the genus to which it belongs, thus eliminating page after page, out of over 120 that the raptores take up and finally, you confine yourself to some half a dozen species, which may or may not prove a difficult task, but it is satisfactory to have got so far even, in your first attempt. To find the family to which your bird belongs is a very simple matter, when dealing with "Acciptres," there being only three. Examine the feet of your bird. All birds of prey have four toes, three forward and one pointing back, are you able to turn the outer toe of your bird to touch or lie parallel with the hind toe without using any force, or does it naturally fall back in that position with the slightest touch? It does. Then your bird belongs to the family Pandionidæ and your search is over, there being but one genus comprising only one species (in India) the Osprey. One other genus of fish hawks can partially turn its outer toe, in a similar direction, but only to about midway between its ordinary position and the back toe and not nearly so far back as can the Osprey. Then again the Osprey alone of all *diurnal* birds of prey has an aftershaft to its feathers. If these characteristics are wanting, it is not of the family Pandionidæ, so you can leave that aside entirely and have another look. Has it got big feet with short blunt claws, a head either bald or covered with soft down, instead of feathers and its tarsus or shank with rough scales?

A bald head will at once denote the family Vulturinæ or Vultures of which there are five genera comprising nine species.

Having decided that the bird before you is of the family Vulturinæ the following characteristics will at once give you a clue to the genus to which it belongs.

"A fleshy neck, wattle on each side of the neck of a deep yellowish red colour, a conspicuous naked patch, on each side of the crop and a large naked oval area, in front of each thigh of the same colour" will tell you that it belongs to the genus Otogyps of which there is but one species, O. calvus. If it has not the above characteristics, count its tail feathers, if there are 14 feathers, your bird belongs to the genus Gyps of which there are four species, but if it has only twelve feathers in its tail it may belong to either the genus Vultur or Pseudogyps, each of which has one species. Measure it from tip of beak to the end of the tail. If it is over 40 inches you can put him down to be a Vultur, but if only about 35 inches or thereabouts it will most probably belong to Pseudogyps. The nostrils in Vultur are oval and in Pseudogyps and Gyps "a vertical narrow slit."

If none of these characteristics hold good, the bird must belong to the genus Neophron, the scavenger vultures.

So much for the two families and their genera. If your bird has neither the reversible outer toe, of the Pandionidæ nor the bald head common to the Vulturidæ, it must belong to the only remaining family, the Falconidæ. A large bird, with big feet and short blunt claws, as in the vultures, but not a bald head and a tuft of hair from the chin and forming a beard at once point to it being of the sub-family, Gypætinæ of which there is but one genus with one species, *viz*: Gypætus barbatus, the bearded vulture or lammergeyer. This disposes of everything except the one sub-family, the Falconinæ which though it comprises 77 species eliminates families and sub-families and reduces the search to genera only.

The subfamily Falconinæ comprises all the eagles, buzzards, harriers, hawks, falcons, kites, etc., etc., and it is no use to begin hunting up descriptions and measurements on the off chance of coming across something that will tally with your bird. You may find half a dozen somewhat similar and will only get confused and even if by great good luck, you hit on the right one, you have learnt very little. You will know, perhaps, if you see it again, that, that bird is we'll say, Spizætus nepalensis, but besides the name it conveys nothing to you. Not having looked up the characteristics of the genus, you don't know why it belongs to "Spizætus" at all and so if you get a young bird, whose colouring perchance is quite different, from that of the specimen you saw before, you are hopelessly at sea again and unable even to place it, in its correct genus, leave alone the species, so don't bother about the species at all, till you have grasped the genus.

There can be no doubt now that your bird belongs to the subfamily Falconinæ and being a big bird with large talons you are inclined to think it is an eagle. There are a variety of birds called eagles, such as buzzard eagles and serpent eagles which are not true eagles at all, but for our purpose, we shall leave this alone for the present and only call the following five genera eagles, *viz*: Aquila, Hierætus, Ictinætus, Lophotriorchis and Spizætus.

These genera all have one characteristic in common and that is, their tarsi are feathered, *i.e.*, they have feathers running down their legs to the division of the toes and so can be identified from the rest of the subfamily at a glance. Of these five genera, Aquila may be said to contain the true eagles and the remaining four, the hawk eagles, so if your bird possesses a feathered tarsus you know he must belong to either one or other of the above five. Next examine his wings; if the primaries (the outer 9 or 10 feathers of the wing, are longer than the secondaries, by more than the length of his tarsus, he will probably belong to either Aquila or Lophotriorchis but if shorter than the length of tarsus to one of the other three. In other words if his wing appear long and not rounded, to the former and if comparatively short and round to the latter. The two former genera also have shorter and squarer tails than the three latter.

The Aquila, however, is easily distinguished from Lophotriorchis in the latter having a crest and a pronounced festoon to the upper mandible while the former has no crest and either none at all or a very slight festoon. (The festoon is a slight downward curving, in the margin of the upper mandible, almost in the centre of it, instead of it being straight)

It would probably be better to class the eagles as *crested* and *crestless* eagles which will save confusion.

Spizætus and Lophotriorchis are both crested while Aquila Hierætus and Ictinætus are without crests. If crested your eagle belongs to either Spizætus or Lophotriorchis and now examine its wings. Lophotriorchis has the long wing (as described above) and the short tail while Spizætus has the short rounded wings and longer tail. Lophotriorchis also has a great deal of chestnut colouring on the underparts and is almost black above. Of the other three crestless genera, both Aquila and Ictinætus have the margin of the upper mandible straight or very nearly so whereas Hierætus has a very pronounced festoon. Ictinætus can be at once recognised by the peculiar shape of his foot. The inner toe is thicker than the middle and very nearly as long and the outer toe is very short. The claws too are not so curved as in the other eagles and the inner claw is even longer than the hind claw. There is but one genus I. malayensis, the Black Eagle and as its English name implies the entire plumage is almost black.

In case the difference between Aquila and Hierætus, *viz.*, the lack of a festoon in Aquila and the pronounced one in Hierætus is not sufficient to distinguish them, look at the wings and the same difference will be noticed as in Lophotriorchis and Spizætus, Aquila having the long wings and Hierætus the short and rounded.

We have now dealt with twelve genera out of the 35 and if the reader has followed me closely so far, he will have no difficulty in being able to work out the following key, which will show the differences between each genus at a glance :—

Family.	*Characteristic.*
Pandionidæ.—No aftershaft to contour-feathers; outer toe reversible.	
Vulturidæ.—An aftershaft present; outer toe not reversible; crown of head naked or covered with down; claws short and blunt.	
Falconidæ.—An aftershaft present; outer toe slightly reversible in one genus only; crown of head feathered	
Family.	*Genera.* — *Characteristics.*
Pandionidæ.—PANDION.	(One species only). Those of the family: (since there is only one species which cannot be mistaken a further description is superfluous.)
Vulturidæ.—VULTUR.	(One species). Tail of twelve feathers; bill stout; nostrils oval, length over 40 inches.
Vulturidæ—PSEUDOGYPS.	(One species). Tail of twelve feathers; nostrils a vertical narrow slit; length 35 inches or under.
Vulturidæ.—GYPS.	(Four species). Tail of fourteen feathers; nostrils as in Pseudogyps.
Vulturidæ.—OTOGYPS.	(One species). A fleshy wattle on each side of the neck; a conspicuous naked patch on each side of crop; a large naked area in front of each thigh.

Family.	*Subfamily.*	*Characteristics.*
Falconidæ.	GYPÆTINÆ:	Tarsus feathered claws blunt and short, a tuft of bristles on the chin.
Falconidæ.	FALCONINÆ:	Tarsus feathered or naked; claws sharp; no bristles on the chin.

Subfamily.	Genus.	*Characteristics.*
Gypactinæ.	GYPÆTUS	(One species) Size large; other characters as in subfamily.
Falconinæ. — Crested eagles	LOPHOTRIORCHIS	(I species) (*a*) *Crested.* *(*e*) Primaries exceeding secondaries by more than length of tarsus. (*d*) Abdomen chestnut in adults.
	SPIZÆTUS	(five species) (*a*) *Crested.* *(*e*) Primaries exceeding secondaries by less than length of tarsus. (*d*) Abdomen usually some shade of light or dark brown.
Crestless eagles	AQUILA	(nine species) (*a*) No crest; claws much curved, *hind* claw longer than inner. (*b*) *Bill* from gape longer than *middle toe*. *(*e*) Primaries exceeding secondaries by more than length of tarsus.
	HIERÆTUS	(two species) (*a*) No crest; claws much curved, hind claw longer than inner. (*b*) *middle toe* longer than bill from gape. *(*e*) Primaries exceeding secondaries by *less* than length of tarsus.
	ICTENÆTUS	(one species) (*a*) no crest; *claws very little curved*, INNER claw longer than hind.

N. B.—*(*e*) This measurement is taken with closed wings.

Having disposed of the true eagles and the hawk eagles, we now come to the so-called eagles, which have their tarsus or shank naked, as some of the buzzards and fish eagles. Among these there are still a few birds which rival in point of size the true eagles, but are not so courageous and live for the most part on frogs, lizzards, mice and snakes, etc. Later on, however, we shall come to the hawks and falcons and among them there are many very plucky species, which, when trained, will bring down birds and mammals twice their own size.

Since we have just finished with the *crested* eagles it will probably be better to leave the beaten path, skipping several pages and taking the next *crested* genus, *viz.*, the Baza genus. Though only resembling Spizætus and Lophotriorchis, the crested eagles, in the possession of a crest, this is so singular a characteristic in the family that catches the eye at once and the novice may find it bewildering. The two genera of eagles and the Baza are the only three genera with *long* occipital crests, so cannot be confounded with anything else, and the following single characteristic is sufficient to separate the eagles from the bazas.

Spizætus and Lophotriorchis	Long occipital crest. Tarsus feathered to base of toes.
Baza.	Long occipital crest. Tarsus naked for *half* its length.

The crested Goshawk (Lophospizias trivirgatus) also has a small crest but it is very small, in fact rudimentary in comparison to the above three genera.

We shall now take the genus of Serpent Eagles as they have been aptly named, *viz.*, Spilornis. Spilornis, too, has got a crest, but it cannot be confounded with the three crested genera above mentioned, as it is not an occipital crest of a few elongate feathers, on the top of the head like the others, but the feathers on the sides of the neck and nape are lengthened forming a conspicuous fan-shaped crest, which the bird erects at will, usually when captured or annoyed. The genus spilornis comprises three species, all beautifully marked birds. Its dark coloured upper plumage, with under parts rust coloured, covered with little white dots, together with its conspicuous rounded crest differentiates it, from all others at a glance. A closely allied genus to the above is circætus which has but one species in India. C. Gallicus, the common serpent eagle or more appropriately the short toed eagle, but is easily distinguished from spilornis in not having any crest. It also resembles Butastur, the eagle Buzzards and to some extent Buteo in point of size, but the following key will suffice to show the difference :—

Genus.	*Characteristics.*
Butastur. (three species)	(*a*) size small; the largest of them only measuring 17 inches to 18 inches from bill to end of tail.
Circætus. (one species)	(*a*) size large; over 26 inches (*b*) tarsus naked; inner and outer claws sub-equal.
Buteo. (three species)	(*b*) tarsus feathered in front for two-third its length; claws very unequal.

Circætus is the only genus in the whole family which has a *white or whitish cere.* (The cere is the naked skin in which the nostrils are placed, common to all birds of prey; it is usually of a different colour to the bill and in the generality of cases some shade of yellow.

Archibuteo. (one species) is very similar to Buteo except that it has its tarsus wholly covered *in front.* The single species known to visit India is a rare bird.

We have now only the fish eagles and kites to consider, before taking up the hawks and falcons.

In the two genera which comprise the fish eagles we have altogether five species; all birds of large size, easily distinguished from each other and from the rest of the family.

All excepting one species (Haliætus albicilla) have white or whitish feet and are never found very far from rivers and jheels.

The genus *Haliætus.* (Three species) has the claws grooved beneath, outer toe not at all reversible.

Polioætus (two species) has the claws rounded beneath, outer toe partially reversible.

Between the true fish eagles and kites there is the genus Haliætur with one species (H. Indus) the Brahminy or fish kite. Its maroon upper parts and white head, breast and abdomen alone are sufficient for its identification.

The Tenus *Milvus* comprising three species, all have forked tails. Two species are more or less rare, but the third (Milvus Govinda). the common Pariah Kite, is much too well known, in India, to require any description. Elanus cæruleus, the only species of Elanus, known in India, is a small bird about 13 inches long. Constantly found hovering over grassy plains and bush jungle when it has an appearance of being white below and dark grey or black above. Irides, in adults, crimson, and yellow in young birds; legs and feet deep yellow.

We now come to the Hawks which differ from falcons in having proportionately shorter and more rounded wings and from all except the Harriers by having the tibia (thigh) and tarsus nearly equal in length.

The Harriers though easily recognised as a genus, often give a lot of trouble in picking out a particular species. There are ten species and some of them are so very like each other in colouring, the male of one being very similar to the female of another, or the young of one and the female of another, that it is difficult to know, which is which sometimes. A little practice and familiarity, however, will soon dispel any doubt on the subject. The harriers unlike hawks in their habits, are always to be seen flying over fields, marshes and grass and prefer sitting, when they do sit, on the ground to trees.

The genera, Astur, Lophospizias and Accipiter may be called the typical hawks and separated from falcons, as I have already mentioned, in having shorter and more rounded wings, and the tibia and tarsus nearly equal. Astur (three species) Lophopizias (one species) and Accipiter (two species) can be thus distinguished from each other.

Astur.—Size moderate or small; tarsus scentellated behind. Bill from gape ⅔ or ¾ length of mid-toe without claw. No crest

Lophopizias.—A small crest; otherwise like Astur.

Accipiter.—Bill from gape about ½; mid-toe without claw. Tarsi very slender, long and middle toe projecting far beyond the others.

The Genus Pernis (Honey-Buzzards) is at once distinguished from the rest of the family by having the lores (the space in front of the eyes) and sides of the head, like the forehead and chin, covered with small scab like feathers, without any bristles or bristly ends. Bill weak, elongate, and not much hooked at the end.

Machærhamphus, the next genus "sesembles Pernis in its densely feathered lores, but differs in having a very compressed bill and wide gape and long unequal toes and claws These two genera each have one species only, known in India.

There are now six genera, comprising 17 species left and since they in many ways resemble the next genus Falco, I shall merely quote Blandford's Key (page 332, Vol, III), to the genera.

Falco 'Bill with one tooth on each side of upper mandible" (this is to distingnish from Baza which has two).
(*a*) Tail ⅓ to ⅔ as long as wing rounded not graduated.
(*b*) Wing never under six inches.
(*c*) Second quill longest, first much longer that fourth.
(*d*) Sexes alike; foot long, mid-toe 1·25″ to 2·25″.

Erythropus (*d*) Sexes dissimilar; foot small, mid-toe about 1″.

Aesalon (*c*) Second and third quills sub-equal, also, first and fourth.

Tinnunculus (*a*) Tail graduated, middle tail feathers exceeding outer by an inch or more; upper parts largely brick red; sexes dissimilar.

Microhierax (*b*) Size very small, wing under 5″.

Poliohierax (*a*) Tail nearly as long as wing; sexes dissimilar.

EXILE

The Story Teller.

ECHOES FROM HOME.

THE PUPPIES.

HAVE you ever in a moment of mental aberration been induced to walk a foxhound pup? If not, then be warned in time—follow the immortal advice of Mr. Punch and, "don't!"

Some fine morning, in early summer, when the world seems very peaceful, very restful, and a great content pervades your being, they come and tell you that the huntsman has just stepped round and "would be glad if you will kindly speak to him for a moment—he won't keep you any time'—such a simple innocent message! Who would dream of anything sinister, any hidden danger in that little mild request! But if you have been there before, if ever you have played that game in a former state, it will be enough—you will need no second warning, but will turn a deaf ear to any request for interviews at that season of the year. If you are wise, no power on earth will induce you to face old Dan—discretion is the better part in that case most decidedly! Say you are ill—dead—gone away—anything, no matter how unlikely or improbable it may sound, but as you value your peace of mind, don't let him get speech of you, for so surely as you do you are a lost soul!

Nothing can save you, no providence will intervene on your behalf. You may struggle and protest in vain. No objections no reasons, however cogent they may appear on the surface, will have the least effect. Your fate is sealed from the moment you are face to face with the old huntsman and he knows it! Wily old varmint!

Escape you may once—twice perhaps, but in the end you will be caught—Dan is wary—Dan is cunning—Dan knows more about you and your movements than you have any idea of—he will track you down in the end with a cleverness and a tact worthy of a diplomatist.

With a friendly jovial expression on his narled old visage, he strolls into the yard where you are smoking your pipe and watching the gees being rubbed down after their journey, feeling that the world is using you very well this pleasant summer evening; the horses look as fresh as paint though they have just done fifteen miles good at a spanking pace, and there is just time for a pipe before the dressing gong goes; when upon this calm and blissfull scene the sword of fate descends!

Heralded by a chorus of barking and yelping Nemesis appears in the genial guise of old Dan with the fateful basket under his arm. and at a blow all your content is scattered. Visions of untold atrocities, unparalelled wickedness, of vice, of deceit, of immorality inconceivable rise before your prophetic eye!

Forebodings of angry infuriated gardeners, of tearful inconsolable maids, of mangled boots and gloves, of slaughtered chickens and martyred cats, the long unlovely vista of compensation, apologies, humblepie stretches away through the coming months and you harden your heart and make ready the spacious argument, brace yourself for patter, always with the terrible slinking at your heart begotten of the fore knowledge of defeat.

Old Dan comes in jauntily—he knows he's got you at his mercy, that his enemy has been given into his hand, and he means to deal gently, very gently but firmly with you.

So in the end you put up your weapons and return his cheery greeting, chat a bit on the prospects the cubbing season, enquire after the hunters, and finally ask what he has got in the basket.

"Ah! there your are, Sir, I thought you'd be enquiring after that Sir. I just picked out the very best couple of pups of all the litters and put 'em aside for you. 'No, 'ses I, 'you can't have none not till the capting be served'—and I stuck to it though they be terrible set upon havin' on 'em."

He opens the basket and lifts out the little beggars—as soft and sound and innocent a looking little pair as ever delighted the heart of a child!

As a smile breaks over your countenance old Dan beams up at you from the pup which he is vainly endeavouring to prop up on its most unsteady legs.

"As fine a couple of pups as ever I had, and a credit they'll be to you, Sir, if you'll excuse the liberty," he says, getting up and touching his hat.

"I'm sure I hope so, Dan, but there's the gong—I must be off—go into the kitchen and tell them to give you a bit of supper," and you ruefully make your way towards the home.

"Thank 'ee kindly Sir, but if I may make so bold I'd rather ask John here to draw I a mug of beer. I wont stop for no supper, thank 'ee Sir, not to-night I wont." He knows better than to show his nose inside after the scurvy trick he has just played them!

Didn't Mary Jane extract a promise from him last year that no more puppies should be brought so long as she retained her present situation—did he hot give his sacred word of honour to Mrs. Cook, only last Christmas, that never again would he persuade the Master to walk a puppy! He is not even sure that he cares much about meeting the mistress herself, though he plumes himself on his "way with the ladies!" Indeed he rather regrets for the moment that he risked the delay for the sake of the glass of beer as he hears her voice and sees her approaching from the garden.

"What are you doing, Jack? What have you got there? Oh! you promised you never would again! Oh! Jack!!"

She pauses horror stricken at the awful sight—then runs forward with a little cry and, vanquished in a moment by the confiding appealing gaze of the litte monsters falls upon her knees and gathers them up in her arms in an ecstacy of adoration.

Dan hastily puts down the empty mug and glancing whimsically at you in sympathy for a fellow culprit.

"Good evenin' my Lady, I knew you'd like to have 'em and there is no one I'd so soon trust 'em to beggin your pardon ma'am. 'No', I ses, 'no you don't touch one of 'em not till the capting be served 'so there they be, and two beauties as ever you see for sure. I come up special with 'em myself so as you shouldn't be disappointed and there shouldn't be no mistake!"

"Oh! but Dan, I really didn't want them, you know they are dreadfully mischievous. I can't tell you half the things the last couple did, and Cook says she wont stay if we ever have them again! Oh! you sweet little fat thing! do look Jack, its trying to kiss me! You angels! Oh! you little darlings—I don't believe—I really don't believe these two will be so naughty, they have such lovely brown eyes—so innocent, so trusting. Did they want a kind home, and had they lost their mother, and could they drink some milk all by their sweet selves—so they shall" and she bears them off without another protest.

'I'll be moving now I think, Sir, and I'll call in a week or two to see how they are gettin' on—but they'll do—they'll do right enough—good night to you, Sir, and thank 'ee kindly!" And this is all very fine and sounds plausible enough, but old experience points to a very different tale to follow, and it is in a chastened spirit that you follow the wife of your bosom into the house.

For the first few weeks they are "angels," "sweet darlings" "precious ducks" and bowls of bread and milk, minced chicken, and delicacies of every description are lavished upon them, the entire household become their slaves, even Mrs. Cook and Mary Jane fall under the spell of their infant charms and the baby monarch of the nursery abdicates in their favour. You take comfort from this peaceful start, and try to crush the weary suspicion that it is but the lull before the storm.

Sure enough it burst forth at last after many ominous growls and smothered mutterings.

'Has any one seen they pups?" asks John, putting his head one sunny August afternoon in the back kitchen. "I left em in the yard not half a hour ago and I can't see nothing of 'em now and I've looked all round. 'Spose they be a n't in the house be they through the side door being left open by chance? If so they be in mischief I'se warrant!"

"In the house!" cries Mrs. Cook in consternation. "Lord preserve us!' and off she flies to spread the alarm alas! too late to prevent the devastation following in the wake of those angels.

The larder has been visited, broken chins, mangled chicken, vanished cream testify to their presence there.

"Just let me catch them. I'll give them something to remember this day s work! but they had no intention of waiting there for Mrs. Cook, they had other matters on hand demanding immediate attention, so they merrily frolicked off upstairs to take a look at Mary Jane's new Sunday hat, and when they had quite done with it no one else had much use for that hat, so they ate her soap, tore up her young man's last love letter and lightheartedly pursued their course to pastures new, finally selecting madam's black velvet dinner gown with discriminating good taste as a suitable spot for their after-dinner nap!

They are brought to master for condign punishment and sentence of banishment, and imprisonment in the kennel is pronounced while they blink at him unabashed and unashamed with their heads on one side and an air of mild and hurt surprise.

From the kennel they watch the proceedings of their quandom freinds and dismally howl as Cook with irate glance ostentatiously pours out a savoury mess for the chickens and ducks, reserving a special portion for the dignified old retriever, they lift up their voices in anguish at the sight of their enemies thus regaled before their eyes while to their hard lot falls only the arid comfort of a Spratt's dog biscuit.

Bitter tears they weep, and woefully they bemoan themselves, almost calling aloud in the depths of their misery, till "Master" can bear it no longer, and steals like a thief in the night, horribly ashamed of himself and fearful of consequence, undoes the chain and sets them free. Wildly they leap upon him, covering him with slobbery caresses, almost beside themselves with joy as they rush madly before him from the yard.

"Now just you behave yourselves and don't let me catch you up to any more tricks!"

Lovingly they lay their noses on your knee, looking up with their honest doggie eyes full of affection and contrition. *They* do anything wrong? Not for worlds! Chase and kill chickens? Well only little ones. Steal eggs? But they were not fresh eggs, only sat on eggs!

Broke into the dairy and licked the butter and cream? But who could resist such lovely butter! Spoilt Mary Jane's Sunday hat? Yes, but it was such an ugly vulgar hat and now mistress has given her a much nicer one!

Oh! no they meant no harm, they were only living their lives as the good God meant them to when He put them into this most excellent world!

Tired of marelizing they go and "help" old Jenkins to plant out his autumn bedding. Look at them! did ever you see such a picture? One on each side they sit as grave as a couple of judges, watching his proceedings with curiosity and interest. He spuddles a little hole in the soft moist earth, takes a small plant from the box on his wheelbarrow and dibbles it in, pressing the earth firmly round its roots ever and anon casting a svour vindictie look at the watching foxhounds.

"Nice pair of beauties you are!" he remarks with withering sarcasm.

The hounds look at each other—hurt and shocked at this exhibition of an unforgiving nature, shake their heavy heads, and the moment he turns his back to fetch a rake have every one of those interesting little plants out, proceed to dig feverishly in search of hidden bones in the middle of the carefully prepared bed, finally rushing madly off in pursuit of "Master's" distant voice, feeling it of vital importance to get within reach of his protection before the return of Jenkins to the scene of their late operations

Jenkins announces that though he has "worked there man and boy for close on twenty years he wont stop—no, not another day if them owdacious rascals is not sent back to the kennels with a flea in their ear'—John, patient longsuffering John, opines that "wat they want is a taste of stick, but master he won't hear if it, so there 'tis." As for Cook she utters dark and sinister threats of a most blood-curling nature. Mary Jane is hardly to be appeased even by "that pretty hat with the pink roses I wore on Sunday, I don't want it any more, and I am sure it would suit you so well," as flushed and tearful she exhibits all that is left of her own Sunday headgear!

Poor Mary Jane! She has really tried to befriend the infant hounds for the sake of Dan's wheedling tongue and this is how they reward her. Even the Master's patience is flagging, when he finds his driving gloves a wet and much chewed mess one day, and the next his pet slippers are discovered half eaten under the water butt.

You harden your heart in vain, how is it possible to chastise such eager ardent affection, how repel such complete and trusting devotion, they follow you about with an air of innocent wisdom and a wholehearted love, very sustaining and flattering to the heart of man.

With a sigh half of relief and half of regret you hand them over at last to old Dan when their time has come to put away childish things and set out on the serious business of life. They regard him questioningly, but with friendly eyes, never did hound look upon him with other than friendly eyes, and as they are led forth they seem to know that they are saying goodbye for good to the home that has sheltered them, to the friends they love, and they hold back, straining on the couples with tears on their faces and longing piteous looks—they don't understand, they don't want to go, and they lift up their voices in a howl of protest.

Away they go, goodbye to their tricks and trials, to their blundering puppy affection. When next we meet they will greet as with the dignity befitting their age and station.

Is it more relief or regret that we feel? "Tis hard to say! Many are the attendant trials, yet one cannot but feel a thrill of reflected pride when the hound we see leading the pack throughout a fast forty minutes on the grass, or may be catching the eye of the judges at Peterborough, is the pup that we had at walk.

ROBIN.

Chess.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM XXXVII.

	WHITE.	BLACK.
1.	Q to Q sq.	1. Any move.
2.	Q, P, or P, dis. ch, mate accordingly.	

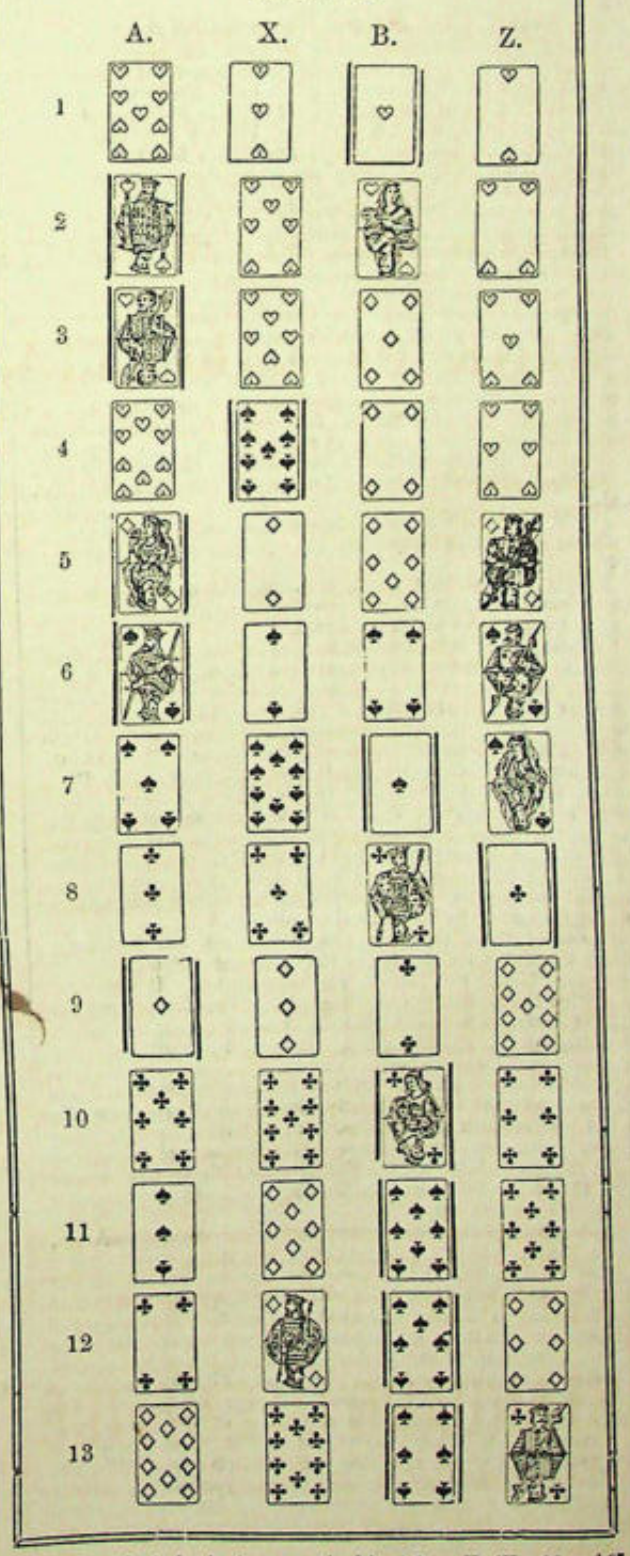
Cards.

WHIST HAND No. 20.

A and B play against X and Z. A leads. The card with the double rim wins and the card below the rimmed card is the one next led.

Score love. Z turns up S Q

B's HAND (Cam).—H A, Q; C Kg. Q, 2; D 7, 5, 4; S A, 8, 7, 6, 4.



NOTES.—1. A. leads the recognised lead from Kg,'Kv, 10 and 9; This is his best suit. B assuming the lead to be from Kg, Kv, 10, thinks it best to put on the A, and return the Q. 2. A., knowing B. can have no more, takes the Q. and goes on with the Kv, to find out which suit he should lead 3. B. begins to Blue Petter. 4. X. properly trumps with the 9. B. does not cover the 9, but completes his Blue Peter. 5. X. opens his strong suit. After the discard of 2 D. from B. we should have preferred to wait for the D lead. 6. A. answers his partner's Blue Peter, and, having only 3 of the suit, leads the highest. 8. To save the game, which is clearly now in jeopardy, Z, should have passed the C Kg?

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ANTIDOTES FOR SNAKE POISON.

AN important communication on this subject has recently been published in the *Philosophical Transactions* of the Royal Society of London by Dr. Leonard Rogers, of the Indian Medical Service, which gives promise that before many years are over a remedy will be found for snake poison of every description, and consequently that where such remedies are at hand death from this source will practically cease. We fear, however, that it will be many a long day before remedies of this description, to say nothing of the requisite surgical aid, can be brought within reach of the ordinary up-country Indian villager, and that the appalling annual list of deaths from snake-bite is not likely to show any noticeable diminution in our time.

Some time ago it was ascertained by our physiological investigators that the substance known as Calmette's antivenin, which is prepared from the poison itself is an effectual antidote against cobra venom; and it became in consequence important to determine whether the action of the venom of other snakes belonging to the colubrine family is of the same nature and consequently whether Calmette's serum would be likely to prove effectual against these also, or whether it would be necessary to prepare a special serum to suit the poison of each particular kind of snake. Dr. Rogers had previously demonstrated that the poison of the Indian sea snakes is identical in its physiological action with that of the cobra, although it is of considerably greater power, and consequently there appeared considerable hope that it might be possible to prepare a single antidote which would be effectual against the venom of all snakes of the colubrine group.

In order to test this theory Dr. Rogers obtained the dry poison of the giant cobra or hamadriad (*Naia bungarus*), as well as of the banded krait (*Bungarus fasciatus*) and certain other Indian colubrine snakes. Nor was this all, for the experimenter likewise directed his attention towards the possibility of obtaining an antidote for the venom of the noxious and formidable snakes collectively known as vipers and pit-vipers (the latter so named from depressions in the head), and for this purpose obtained the dried poison of the American rattle-snakes, of the African puff-adder, and of the Indian Russell's viper (*Vipera russelli*) and *Trimerosaurus anamalaensis*. In obtaining specimens of the dried poison of the Indian species, and likewise for the results of experiments on living animals, the author has been much assisted by Rai R. B. Sanyal, Bahadur, C.M.Z.S., the well-known, energetic superintendent of the Calcutta Zoological Gardens at Alipore.

The results of the first set of experiments went to show that the physiological action of the poison of the giant cobra (*Naia bungarus*), the banded krait (*Bungarus fasciatus*), and the common krait (*B. cæruleus*) is practically identical with that of the cobra and the sea snakes. The next experiments undertaken were for the purpose of testing the effect of Calmette's serum on animals into whose blood the poison of these various species have been severally received. Naturally it would be expected that the amount of serum required in each case would vary, according to the nature and size of the snake by which the poison had been produced. The hamadriad, for instance, being a much larger snake than the cobra, would naturally be supposed to inject a larger quantity of venom into a wound,

which would seem to require a proportionately larger quantity of serum for its neutralisation. Actual experiment showed, however, that in the case of a single specimen the amount of venom ejected by a hamadriad was not greater than that produced by a cobra ; but the results of one such experiment are scarcely sufficient. On the other hand, in the case of the common krait although the amount of venom ejected is much less than that of the cobra, yet the toxic power of this venom is infinitely greater. Moreover it has been demonstrated that the neutralising action of Calmette's serum on krait poison is much less than in the case of cobra venom, so that the dose of the antidote has to be very largely increased in order to be effectual. In the case of the banded krait the large size of the snake is compensated by the relative weakness of its venom.

On the whole, the data afforded by the various experiments conducted under the superintendence of Dr. Rogers have turned out of a somewhat disappointing nature, in so far as they point to the present available serum not being strong enough to be of any great protective value in the case of poisoning by the Indian sea snakes and colubrines when a full dose of venom has been injected by these reptiles. It is nevertheless distinctly encouraging to find that the serum has a very definite action against the venom of all these serpents, which will doubtless make it of service when injected in large doses, especially in cases where the amount of venom received by the patient has been only slightly above the minimum lethal amount. If, moreover, the serums could be made of greater strength than has hitherto been found practicable, there is little doubt that they would prove of inestimable value in the treatment of this class of snake-bite. It is suggested by Dr. Rogers that in future it would be advisable to use a mixture of the venom of various species of colubrine snakes in the preparation of the antivenin, as this would, he thinks, be more likely to give rise to a thoroughly effectual serum.

On the other hand, as might not unreasonably have been expected, the result of other experiments is to show most clearly that Calmette's serum has no action whatever in counteracting the effects of the venom of snakes of the viperine group, and consequently that it will be necessary to prepare a special kind of serum for cases of this description. Even if such a serum could be made, the necessity for two remedies it may be added, tends to increase the difficulty connected with bringing cases of snake-bite under effectual control, seeing that it is necessary to discriminate between the different species or at all events between the two chief groups, before taking steps to neutralise the venom.

Former experiments were thought to indicate that the venom of snakes of the viperine group caused death by the production of blood-clots, whereas that of the colubrine group proved fatal by paralysis of the respiratory centres. Certain observations tended, however, to indicate that the blood-clotting was a secondary accompaniment of the injury and that there must be some other primary effect which had previously escaped detection. From the results of his experiments Dr. Rogers arrives at the conclusion that the essential deadly action of the viperine poisons as a class is a paralysis of the vaso-motor centre, that is to say of the heart, very similar to that of the respiratory centre, that is to say the lungs, produced by the colubrine venom. Accordingly, in order to counteract the effects of the poison of the former group it is apparently necessary to prepare from viper poison an antivenin on the same lines as Calmette's serum. Support to this view is afforded by the fact that some time ago Dr. D. D. Cunningham, working in Calcutta, actually succeeded in protecting a goat from the effects of a bite by Russell's viper by means of repeated subcutaneous injections of the venom of the same reptile. There is, therefore, every probability that such a serum would prove of the highest value in neutralising the effect of the venom of viperine snakes.

Till such a serum be available, all that can be done is to endeavour to mitigate the effects of the poison by means of suitable empirical measures as may suggest themselves. "The most promising of these," observes the author. "which have been found to improve the blood pressure in my experiments are, firstly, mechanical pressure such as a binder applied to the abdomen, to which might be added binders applied to the limbs so as to conserve as much blood as possible for the urgent needs of maintaining the circulation through the brain and medulla, and, secondly, such drugs as contract the peripheral vessels of which the most powerful are adrenal extract and nicotine. The former in particular has a most beneficial and lasting effect, so long as the vaso-motor centre is not completely paralysed, as in an experiment with rattle snake poison. In borderland cases there is good reason to hope that some lives may be saved by such rational lines of treatment based on the pressure of vaso-motor paresis."

Although the results are not altogether quite equal to what we might have hoped, there is good reason for believing that Dr. Rogers is on the right track, and it may be hoped that no efforts will be spared to endeavour to produce the serum he advocates.

Special Telegrams.

THE DONCASTER CUP.

(From our own Correspondent.)

THE DONCASTER CUP—Of 1,000 sovs. (a Cup value 200 sovs. and the remainder in specie), added to a sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, 5 ft., the sweepstakes to be divided between the second and third horses, *viz.*, two-thirds to the second and one-third to the third; three-year-olds 8st. 4lbs.; four 9st. 4lbs. ; five and upwards 9st., 5lbs. m and g. allowed 3lbs.: the winner of the Derby or Oaks at Epsom, the Doncaster St. Leger, the Alexandra Plate at Ascot, the Grand Prix de Paris, or Doncaster, Ascot, or Goodwood Cups or Jockey Club Cup, Newmarket, or of any race value 5,000 sovs., in any year 10lbs., or of any race exceeding one mile, value 900 sovs. (handicaps excepted) at any time 7lbs. extra; maiden three-year-olds allowed 7lbs., four 10lbs., five and upwards 14lbs. Two miles over the Old Course. (18 entries.) Closed 5th July.

London, *Friday, 9th September 1904.*

Lord Camaroon's bc ROBERT LE DIABLE, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay, 5yrs., 9st., 5lb. ... 1
Mr. S. B. Joel's ch c BACHELOR'S BUTTON, by Winkfield—Milady, 5yrs., 9st. 5lbs. ... 2
Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's br f PALMY DAYS, by Trenton—Pallanza, 4yrs., 9st. 1lb. ... 3
(*Winner trained by Greusil*).

Won by two lengths : a length between second and third.

PEDIGREE OF THE WINNER.

ROBERT LE DIABLE (1899).

Rose Bay (1891)						Ayrshire (1885)									
Rose of Lancaster (1878)				Merton (1882)				Atlanta (1878)				Hampton (1872)			
Rouge Rose (1885)	Doncaster (1870)			Master Kildare (1878)	Violet Melrose (1878)			Peronia (1868)	Galopin (1872)			Lady Langden (1865)	Lord Clifden (1860)		
Ellen Horne (1851)	Thormanby (1857)	Blackcraft (1849)	Marigold (1860)	Scottish Chief (1861)	Violet (1861)	Silk (1860)	Lord Ronald (1862)	Woodlume (1860)	Thormanby (1857)	Flying Duchess (1853)		Velocite (1854)	Kettledrum (1858)	Harkaway (1847)	The Slave (1852)	Newminster (1848)	Touchstone (1831)
Redshank (1853)	Dobit (1878)	Wisdhound (1847)	Alice Hawthorn (1855)	Pocahontas (1857)	Pedlington (1846)	sis to Sisapre (1851)	The Baron (1847)	Woodbine (1860)	Thormanby (1857)	Mpe Ann (1846)	L. of the Isle (1852)	St. Ewell (1849)	Homespuncle (1851)	Stockwell (1850)	Plum Pudding (1857)	Judy Go (1859)	Beeswing (1838)	Melbourne (1834)	Voltaire (1847)	Mrs. Ridgway (1849)	Queen Mary (1858)	Lanercost (1835)	Hybla (1846)	Rataplan (1850)	Volley (1845)	Bee (1844)

WINNERS SINCE 1883.

1884 Louis d'Or a 9st (5)	1896 Loadamia 6y 9st 2lb (8)
1885 Hambledon 3y 7st 9lb (4)	1897 Winkfield's Pride 4y 9st 4lb (2)
1886 The Bard 3y 8st 2lb (4)	1898 Pinfold 3y 8st 11b (3)
1887 Carlton 4y 8st 10lb (3)	1899 Calveley 4y 9st 4lb (3)
1888 Grafton 3y 7st 9lb (5)	1900 King's Courier 3y 8st 4lb (5)
1889 Claymore 5y 9st (4)	1901 Merry Gal 4y 9st 8lb (4)
1890 Tyrant 5y 9st (3)	Sidus 4y 9st 4lb
1891 Queen's Birthday 4y 9st 4lb (3)	1902 William the Third 4y 10st (3)
1892 Chesterfield 4y 9st 4lb (7)	1903 Wavelet's Pride 6y 9st 5lb (8)
1893 Prisoner 3y 8st 6lb (4)	
1894 Sweet Duchess 3y 8st 11b (8)	
1895 Kilsallaghan 5y 10st 11b (4)	

J. C. Shaw, the once famous bowler, hailed from Nottingham. During the early part of his career, J. C. proved a dreadful failure as a batsman, and the sorry figure he cut when wielding the willow often caused him to become the target for unlimited chaff. He was once engaged in a match at Trent Bridge. Prior to playing he was noticed to be trying the shape of several bats, and old George Parr eventually asked him what kind of one he required. "I wants one as 'ull coot wull," retorted Shaw, looking at the stock before him with a dissatisfied air. "Coot wull!" echoed the veteran player. "Better get hold of one as 'ull stop straight 'uns' Jim."

Sporting Notes.

THE sport at the Calcutta Fourth Monsoon Meeting was not improved by the usual Saturday downpour of rain which descended with unfailing regularity and volume. Apparently racing is not favoured by the powers that control the weather, but as a practical joke, this invariable trick of a dry week followed by a drenching Saturday is losing its novelty. The racing on the whole was quite up to the average, though the attendance was poor. The ring were very strongly represented, while the outside fraternity, to whom the guileless Aryan readily, and it is to be feared in many cases unwisely, entrusts his hard-earned dibs, were there as the sand upon the sea shore.

All six races filled fairly satisfactorily and an almost record field of nine turned out for the open hurdle race, a great improvement upon the numbers which this race has drawn hitherto. The only absentee out of the ten entered was Daffodil, for the ride on whom we should fancy there were not too many candidates, as he is by no means a safe conveyance. The rain cleared off before the time fixed for the first race and an exceedingly muggy afternoon resulted. The going was fetlock deep in mud and water and as a consequence the top weights in several cases found their burdens more than they could carry home successfully.

Proceedings opened with the Pony Handicap for which six were saddled, Perfect having the call of the market by a point from Second Thought. Irish and All Fours were the first to show to the front, the latter establishing a lead to the big tree where he was done with and Perfect assumed the lead. The mud, however, proved too much for the game little mare and she could only struggle home a length behind Second Thought who gradually wore her down from the distance.

The Belvedere Plate provided a pretty race. Kittylea looked to have the best of it on paper, but she is apparently stale as was also Naiades, the latter having also a big leg as a result of rapping the timber too flippantly in her last outing. The chestnut mare was installed favourite, but the tip among the knowing ones was Actress, who was making her first appearance this season. To a good start Bob, Gauntlet and Odin led over the first two flights, when Odin assumed a lead, the rear being brought up by Naiades who was fencing in a somewhat slovenly manner. At the fifth flight Gauntlet overjumped himself and came down, Bloss fortunately escaping undamaged. Parole then drew out in pursuit of Actress who had established a lead of some lengths, but could never get on terms with her, the grey mare winning in a common canter by ten lengths: Bob three lengths away third.

Yuletide and Shylock divided favouritism for the Pony Hurdles for which a field of five were under Mr. Bates' orders Jack Spratt made all the running to the fourth flight, where Shylock made a bad mistake which nearly resulted in a dissolution of partnership. Yuletide came to the front at the home turn and staying on won literally pulling up, by six lengths.

Eight faced the machine for the September Plate. Profit being made a hot favourite at even money, Sunshine next in demand at 5 to 2. Profit cut out the work to the 3 furlongs where Hello went to the front attended by Invincible and after a pretty race, Mr. Smith's gelding landed the verdict by a length and a half, Sunshine being beaten out of second place by a head.

A field of nine went to the post for the Entally Plate, of whom the public selected the top weight, Winklet, to carry their investments in addition to his burden of 10st. 7lbs. Had the going been dry he would probably have had no difficulty in doing it, but the mud proved his undoing.

Jacinth took the lead to the turn where Winklet with Fusilier and Morris in attendance came to the head of affairs. At the distance Fusilier looked all over a winner, but after a good race the chestnut completed a real day in the country for Mr. H. E. Smith, by landing a short head verdict. Golden Tip was the most fancied of the seven starters for the Maiden Plate, but the uncertain tempered

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Little Doris jumped off in front and led through out, romping home anyhow. Golden Tip struggled on gamely into second place, beating Not Yet by half a length.

The Ahmednagar Horse Show will be held in the Stewart Cotton Market, opening on the 29th October. There will be ten stewards, including the Commissioner of the Central Division and the Collector of Poona, while the Judges appointed are Colonel R. Broome, A.R.D., Major Jolsen, C.V.D. Captain F. D. Hunt, A.V.D., and Captain A. Hewlett, A. R. D. The Managing Committee is also a strong body. About Rs. 2,200 will be distributed in prizes, which will be given on the last day of the show and a silver medal will be awarded for the best branded mare or filly, the owner being a *bonâ fide* breeder.

The programme of the Darjeeling Sky Races appears further on. There will be two days—the 17th and 19th October—with eight races on the card for each day. Entries for all races close at 6 P.M. on Saturday, 15th October.

The Southern Mahratta Autumn Races, which will be held at Belgaum, have been fixed for the 3rd and 5th November. From the prospectus, which we publish in our Turf Columns, it will be seen that this year all the races are of the value of Rs. 200 with Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third, whereas last year there was nothing for third horse in any race. The executive are offering a good deal more money this year, and as they have framed their programme to attract most classes, there should be a good meeting. We are glad to see Captain G. B. Marriott is Honorary Secretary again.

A notification in the last issue of the C. T. C. *Calendar* tells us that "Pending the enquiry into the objection to the pony Moonlight, the classing of the pony is suspended, and the determination of its class as a country-bred on the 8th of April last is no longer in force."

Final entries for the Poona Races and Steeplechases are published in the usual place. First and second entries will be found in our issues of 11th August and 1st September.

A Gymkhana was held at Annandale, Simla, on the 10th instant and was very successful though the attendance was not large. Five events figured on the programme, proceedings opening with Tent-pegging, in which Captain Jones Mortimer was first with three pegs out of four. The Bending Race for ladies came next, and was easily won by Mrs. Crocker, who was the only competitor to carry her ball to the winning post. Six couples entered for the Lloyd Lindsay—couples to jump a hurdle and break bottles with stones, best time to win. Captain and Mrs. Rivett Carnac tied with Captain Forester and Mrs. Monkhouse, the latter couple winning in the run off. Time 2mins. 9secs. Another half dozen couples competed in the Rescue Race in which the man on horseback was to lead lady's horse to the lady who would then mount and the couple complete the course. This provided an excellent race and was won by Captain Jones Mortimer and Mrs. Wormald. The Whistling Stakes brought the afternoon's sport to a close. Eleven pairs entered, Mrs. Monkhouse and Captain Jones Mortimer winning easily with the tune "Tommy Atkins."

This week's English mail brought us number one, Vol. I of *The Winning Post*, a penny publication edited by Robert S. Sievier. In its appearance and general get-up it bears a strong likeness to the *Mirror of the Turf*.

Messrs. Everett and Company, the London sporting publishers, have sent us out a specimen of their six penny packet of picture postcards. The postcards are drawn by Harrington Bird in colours from photographs and represent the principal winners on the flat and across country.

Barring the City Plate, all the races on the card for the Fifth Calcutta Monsoon Meeting have filled well: they will be found in the usual place.

We are reminded of the opening of the Bengal shooting season by the receipt of a complimentary copy of Messrs. Manton and Co.'s "Sportsman's Pocket Register" in which we have for some seasons recorded our modest bags of snipe. The book is also ruled for all kinds of game and is arranged for keeping records of the ground shot over, the number of guns out, with pages for shooting notes and big game memoranda.

From the address of the Chairman of the London General Omnibus Company we infer that the passing of the horse (at least as far as that Company is concerned) will soon be an accomplished fact, as the motor is to be fitted to all their vehicles. This will throw on the market a large number of superior animals, and though the majority are geldings and will most likely be snapped up by the military authorities for artillery requirements, there is a goodly assortment of mares in this stud, rising six or seven, that should throw foals to our selected country-bred sires eminently fitted for general purposes here. Crossed as suggested, the progeny would lose the heaviness of the Cleveland strain, while from the sires' side ought to obtain the requisite activity for cavalry purposes or general riding. The probable early sale of this desirable stock is worth the attention of Government and those private breeders who are succeeding so well on the Jhelum and Chenab irrigated paddocks. To those acquainted with both classes of animals it will strike them we ought to raise from them a breed similar to those which came down in strings from Kabul, ere the Amir Shere Ali prohibited the export.

Though Assam cannot boast of the great sea serpent or the big gooseberry as each slack season comes round, there seems no dearth of rogue *hathees*, each district sporting at least one. A reward of Rs. 50 is now offered for the destruction of a short-tailed 9-foot rogue haunting the east side of the Bijni reserve. Judging by the description in the Gazette the trophies are not likely to tempt the sportsman, and though the Rani of Bijni supplements the munificent (?) Government reward Her Highness omits to state the amount.

Surely it is time the authorities should wake up to the necessity of offering something adequate for the destruction of these beasts, for each cold weather furnishes proof that they are increasing in number and growing bolder in their pranks. We have the highest respect for Mr. Fuller, but are of opinion that great benefit would accrue to the cultivators in Assam were his "special" derailed or his camp raided by elephants; such an event would no doubt add an additional cypher to the amount of the reward, making it worth the while of shikaris following the brutes up.

Once again comes a wail from Rangoon and outstations in Lower Burma, that the splendid little indigenous tats are being rapidly replaced by Australian ponies. Well one cannot stem the tide of fashion and so long as riders demand taller animals the indigenous tat must take a back seat. The only remedy lies in breeding from imported mares; the other way about would not result in much increase in size the first generation, owing to the acknowledged natural law in equine breeding. There is plenty of stock in the upper province, but the worst of the matter is that, owners, finding no market for their youngsters, may become indifferent as to mating, leaving all to promiscuous intercourse resulting in deterioration such as we witness among the undersized ponies and donkeys of India.

Another Channel swim that failed! Burgess, the Frenchman, tried on the 7th instant; the sea was rough and he had to give up when only three miles from the French coast. He established a speed record for the Channel, however, by covering 22 miles in nine hours. Captain Matthew Webb swam across the English Channel, diving from the Admiralty Pier, Dover, and touched the Calais sands, France, swimming 21 hours 45 minutes, 24th and 25th August 1875, the greatest swim ever recorded. Captain Webb was drowned in his attempt to swim through the Niagara rapids, 24th July 1883.

In an attempt to swim the Channel from Cape Grisnez to Dover on 24th and 25th August 1901, M. A. Holbein reached within five miles of the English coast and within seven miles of Dover, but the water was so rough that he had then to be assisted aboard ship. He was in the sea about 12 hours and three-quarters. Next to that of Captain Webb, this is the greatest long-distance feat on record. In a further attempt to cross the Channel from Cape Grisnez to Dover, made on 27th and 28th August 1902, M. A. Holbein swam for 23 hours 21 minutes, but had to be taken out of the water when only half a mile from land. In an attempt to swim the Channel from the English side, on 1st September 1903, M. A. Holbein arrived within four miles of Calais, but was then drifted out by the tide and had to give up after being in the water 17 hours and 20 minutes.

A most appalling "gun accident" story comes from the Midlands. A gardener shot a little boy dead, in the garden with a gun which he kept in the potting shed. His story was that the child had been annoying him, and then ran away, and that he took down the gun (a muzzle loader), pointed it at the boy, and "snapped" the hammer. It had a copper cap on, the piece duly went off and killed the child. Among the obvious questions which arise is why *any* employer allows a servant, other than a

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keeper, to have a gun. It should be ground for instant dismissal. But why a gardener, of all people, should have a gun passes belief. There is *no* garden in which it is safe to fire a gun. Even if fired into a fruit tree, it does more damage than a dozen blackbirds, destroying the fruit-bearing branches.

Experiments on animals with music have had varying results. At the London "Zoo," says the *Liecester Post*, it was found that the moment the monkeys heard a lively air they were quiet and listened intently. The elephants took no notice whatever, nor did the rhinoceros seem to care whether he had music at dinner time or not. The hippopotamus, however, rose, wagged his huge head from side to side, and again sank back into his pool. The lion seemed greatly excited, rushing against the bars of his cage, and then paced up and down until the music ceased. The pumas jumped up at the first note of "Home, Sweet Home," and came forward with signs of satisfaction. A coyote came up to the bars of its cage, and when the music stopped put out its paw as if begging for more melody. The old tiger seemed to listen with pleasure to the sweet, low melodies, but roared at the louder and livelier airs. The crocodile appeared to listen with pleasure, opening his mouth and sighing or gurgling. In Paris, when two musicians played before the bears, they looked all around them, scented the air, and then walked towards the musicians, and paced up and down the pit. The condor seemed most powerfully moved by the melodies. The eagles were aroused only at the most strident tones of the flute, remaining dignifiedly statuesque at the rest of the music. The penguins immediately marched around the yard in time to the music. The kangaroo was much startled and, seating himself on his tail, immediately took the attitude of a boxer ready for all comers.

Some new regulations for the importation of sporting arms and ammunition into the Transvaal have recently been made. Cape Colony, Natal, and the Orange River Colony will allow arms and ammunition—for the importation of which into the Transvaal a permit has been secured from the Transvaal Colonial Secretary's office—to be forwarded to the Transvaal on the following conditions:—Cape Colony: That the Transvaal permit to import be accompanied by a license signed by the Colonial Secretary, Cape Town, except in the cases of Port Elizabeth, East London, and Kimberley, the resident magistrates at which places have been authorised to sign such licenses or permits on behalf of the Colonial Secretary, Cape Town. Natal: That the Transvaal permit to import be supported by a permit signed by the Controller of Arms, Pietermaritzburg. The laws of Natal do not permit of the delegation of this power to the magistrate in that Colony. Orange River Colony: That the Transvaal permit to import be countersigned by the magistrate of the district in that Colony where the arms or ammunition may be. Every person in possession of firearms must obtain an annual license for them, commencing on 1st July and ending 30th June following. The fee is 10s. for a rifle, and 5s. for any other firearm. A fine not exceeding £250 can be imposed on anyone having possession of firearms without a license.

After 75 years of captivity, a female eagle owl has just died in an aviary in England. Brought from Norway in 1829, this bird within the last 30 years has reared no less than 90 young. Although the eagle owl is reputed to live to a great age, there appear to be but few recorded instances where the age could be definitely ascertained. A golden eagle which died at Vienna in 1719 was known to have been captured 104 years previously and a falcon, of what species it is not recorded, is said to have attained an age of 162 years. A white-headed vulture taken in 1706 died in the Zoological Gardens at Vienna in 1824, thus living 118 years in captivity.

The list of dog judges at the Mussoorie Show, fixed for 30th instant, has not yet been finally settled, but we understand in all probability they will be as follows:—Greyhounds, Rampur, Foxhounds, and Bull-dogs, Lieutenant-Colonel Rennie; Fox, Welsh, Scottish, and Airedale Terriers, Retrievers and Dachshunds, Major J. H. Gwynne; Bull Terriers, and Eastern Dogs, Rev. J. P. Meik, Irish Terriers; Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell.; Pointers and Setters, Mr. Kettlewell; Great Danes and Spaniels, Mr. Clifford Batten. The remaining classes—Major Gwynne.

Our Poona correspondent writes:—The soldier men have appropriated the inside of the racecourse during the entire past week and their grand stand gay with bunting and completely obstructing the view from the Grand Stand proper has rendered racing practically impossible and the racing fraternity have accordingly had to "stand down" for a week—an enforced rest which possibly many a poor gee gee with forelegs that he "feels" is glad of. The Annual Assault-at-Arms is rather wearisome for the casual observer, but its advantages are too obvious to be gainsaid. For the general public the jumping competition for officers, the musical ride and the tugs-of-war usually the most exciting events. The first mentioned event attracted numerous entries and the jumping was on the whole admirable, and they sav of an appreciably higher order than last year. While the winner was rightly, so placed the popular verdict seems to be that the judging was not wholly above criticism. There was considerable astonishment as more than one of the lucky "leppers" passed into the second round and at the exclusion of several who were excluded therefrom. The Musical "Ride" of the 33rd Cavalry was a complicated and altogether admirable performance and was greeted with salvos of applause. The waits between many of the events seemed needlessly long, but it is possibly a difficult show to run punctually.

The executive of the W. I. T. C. have, I see, devoted an entire day to a "Captain's Meeting." Whether a series of closed races sufficient to afford an afternoon's satisfactorily amusement to the public will fill, remains to be seen. It is a sporting effort to encourage gentlemen owners and riders of limited means and it is to be hoped it will meet with the success many think it deserves.

Captain Donald Cameron, of the Imperial Cadet Corps, met with a nasty accident at polo in a practice game the pony he was riding crossing his legs and rolling over on him. Captain Cameron was stunned for several minutes and the fall was such a nasty looking one that people were for a time anxious. It has, I hear on enquiry, had no worse result than a broken collar bone, but even that is sufficiently annoying since it will persumably entirely prevent the gallant officer competing in the open tournament. The worst of luck.

The kind heartedness of sporting men in cases of genuine desert is proverbial, and there is far more real Christianity and generosity I verily believe among them than among the canting hypocrites who raise their hands and eyeballs skywards in virtuous indignation at the name of a racehorse or a bookmaker, and when a case of sore need comes in their way put their hands in their pockets and—keep them there. There are few more deserving charities in the world than our Hospitals and recognizing this Chard, the well-known and popular bookmaker, instituted a *Café Chantant* in the grounds of "Tattersalls" in aid of the Sassoon Hospital. A most excellent bill of fare was provided, much hitherto undiscovered talent being unearthed, and a most enjoyable evening was passed to the great benefit of the fund in question. One would think that a free and easy *Café Chantant* in a private compound was about the last place that military red tape need have become entangled, but an order that mess uniform should be worn by officers attending was issued, with the natural result that several kept away who would gladly otherwise have attended and many rupees were lost to a thoroughly deserving cause. Even of good things one can at times have just a little too much.

The poor Poona Gymkhana XI cannot apparently get into form and their record during the present season is far from a brilliant or epoch making one. The 10th Royal Hussars seem a peculiarly versatile regiment ready to take anyone on at anything. In this instance they put a regimental eleven into the field which was altogether too strong for the "Greigless" Gymkhana team selected to oppose them. In response to the very respectable total of 206 amassed by the horse soldiers, Poona could do no better than 94, and being put to the ignominy of a follow-on managed to secure 129. The less than a score required by the Cavalry to put a finishing touch on proceedings were knocked of without the loss of a life.

The 10th Hussar's XI is in any case evidently a pretty warm one to tackle, for they threw down the gauntlet to their brothers in arms—the men of the big guns at Kirkee, and hitting up 261 (every man barring one, and a "not outer" getting into double figures) to which the gunners could only reply with a paltry 57, and following on, did a trifle better with 96 for eight wickets.

It is a strange game cricket, and the goddess who presides over its destinies a wayward one. Poona in its full strength raised the hopes of her admirers with annual return match against the *urbs prima in Indis* by making the most creditable amount of 339, to which fine total two veterans were the chief contributors, Mr. Wilkins, the evergreen adding yet another century to his long list with a fine innings of 118, and that fine athlete and brilliant racquet player General Spens making three more than half-a-hundred with Carroll 36 and Greig 27 next in rank. But Bombay refused to be intimidated, and in spite a depressing start the latter half played like Trojans (assisted by the useful Mr. Extra's to the disgraceful tune of 38) and were able to put 314 on the scoring board when their last wicket fell. Mr. Wilkins, the centurian, and the usual mainstay, Captain Greig, opened proceedings in the Poona second venture and as the wicket was fast and admirably true the public looked forward to an intellectual treat. The treat consisted of Wilkins o, Greig almost bowled first ball and completely defeated by a second trimmer from Ainsworth o! Down went the Poona tail (previously so great) 3 for 1, 4 for 1, and (to cut a long story short) all out for 70. The rest of the little remaining time was uninteresting, Bombay losing one wicket for 30 when the curfew toll'd the knell of parting day.

Athletic Notes.

The South African Cricketers at present touring in England have been complaining and certainly not without reason that some of the counties have not been showing them the courtesy that they are entitled to expect, in that they have been putting anything but representative elevens into the field against them, and looking to the splendid form which they have been showing, quite apart from the question of hospitality due to such sporting visitors, their grievance is undoubtedly well-founded, and the remarks of "Truth" which as well as the sporting papers has written strongly on the matter, will be generally echoed. Lancashire and Notts appear to have been the principal delinquents, and though there may have been some excuse for the former county with the championship well in her grasp, resting her bowlers, there was certainly none for Notts putting out a mere travesty of a county eleven. The facts are obvious and so is the explanation that the county cricket championship is being gradually more and more dominated by the spirit of the Association Football League and by the all-important question of gate money. All sportsmen will, however, agree in deploring the situation, the more so that it has resulted in undesirable discourtesy towards our visitors from South Africa.

For the rest the cricket season at home is beginning to drag towards its conclusion as evidenced by the Hastings and Scarborough festivals. Lancashire are undoubted champions, and are to be warmly congratulated on having gone through the season without a defeat, though Surrey gave them a hard fight, and both Yorkshire and Middlesex would probably have beaten them in their return games but for time and weather respectively. Considering that Lancashire have probably been the next strongest county all round to Yorkshire for many years, their success cannot be regarded as untimely though one could wish that it were less due to imported talent, Poidevin and Kermode to wit. Of the others Yorkshire maintains its this season's record as champion for drawn matches to the close, Kent and Gloucestershire have made a marked and popular advance. Surrey, of the nine captains, has pursued its downhill course, and Essex, from whose side all Anglo-Indian cricketers will have been sorry to seeE. H. D. Sewell dropped out at least temporarily, is far nearer the bottom of the list than its deserts.

There are, we are glad to hear, excellent prospects of a number of visiting cricket teams being seen in Calcutta during the coming cold weather, among

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them the Cachar and Sylhet Planters, the Bunakers and Gurangdi C. C., who made a decidedly favourable impression last year, very possibly a native team from Dacca, and in X'mas week perhaps an United Provinces XI under General Spens, and an eleven composed of Anglo-Indian members of the I. Zingari. The C. C. C. will have to look to itself with such doughty opponents, especially now that it has lost Captain Clive Wigram, its mainstay for the last five years, but it is to be hoped that his trip home will have restored J. D. Guise to his best form.

Calcutta golfers will have noticed with pleasure that in the qualifying competition for the North of India Championship at Gulmarg, Mr. B. Sinclair headed the list, and so fully bore out his greatly improved reputation this year as a score player, though he is still somewhat apt to crack in a tight match. Second to Mr. Sinclair and only one stroke behind came another golfer who is well known in Calcutta both on the cricket field and on the golf links in the person of Major R. A. Carruthers, the popular ex-Adjutant of the Behar Light Horse, and a real good all-round sportsman to boot.

H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore has offered a new prize in connection with the motor-car reliability trials which are to come off in Bombay next cold weather. We understand that this prize is to be given to the car which goes through the whole of the trial and arrives in Bombay in the smartest condition. The prize will be given irrespective of size, horse power, or time taken through the trial, and it will be allotted to the owner of the car and not to the driver.

Among important cricket results at home last week were the following:—Surrey beat Leicestershire by an innings and 206 runs. The matches between South of England and South Africans, North and South and Warner's team and Thornton's team were drawn.

In the final of the Rampur Football Cup competition at Naini Tal the Band of the Yorkshire Regiment beat the Depôt "A" team by two goals to one.

A report of the last Calcutta Rowing Club Regatta, which was held last Saturday afternoon, will be found further on.

The Burma Athletic Association have been presented with a Cup valued at Rs. 500 by Messrs. William Younger for a Football Competition between teams representing Upper and Lower Burma. Civilians are to compose the majority of each team and the Cup is to be competed for annually on or about the 15th September, and at the end of the football season. The possession of the Cup is to be decided by the best two out of three matches.

From the *Southern Daily Mail*:—

"Last week a motor-car belonging to Mr. C. B. Fry, and driven by the famous athlete, was speeding through Fareham in the direction of Mr. Fry's residence at Botley, when it collided with Admiral Moresby, who was cycling slowly along the street. The gallant officer was somewhat violently knocked off his machine, but was promptly on his legs again. He did not appear much the worse for the mishap, but sustained a severe shaking. As Admiral Moresby is well past the prime of life, the effects of his spill are expected to remain with him for some time. Admiral Moresby was able to proceed to his home at Blackbrook, Fareham, unassisted, after exchanging cards with the motorist. The driver it seems, was endeavouring to avoid a dog in the road when he ran into the Admiral. The latter suffers from deafness, this, no doubt, contributing to the mishap.

It will be a matter for general regret that circumstances should have arisen to necessitate the abandonment of the match between the M.C.C. Australian team and the Rest of England arranged as the closing engagement of the Scarborough Festival, particularly in view of the indecisive character of the previous game at Lord's. Happily the cricket itself is not likely to suffer, at all events, to any great extent. The time-honoured fixture of North and South, which will take the place of the Australian and England match on the bill is indeed sure to provide plenty of interest for the sport-loving folk who will throng the cricket ground at Scarborough during the next fortnight. The charm of these later cricket gatherings is that one sees the pick of English players in friendly rivalry, freed moreover from the restraints and anxieties of the more strenuous cricket of the County Championship. In what is termed holiday cricket there is a sense of relief which is not without its enjoyment.

Who took their principal delight
In shouting at me day and night,
In language other than polite?
The coaches.
Who fattened me on endless steak,
Forbade tobacco, toast and cake,
And roused a thirst I could not slake?
The captain.
Who loudly laughed to see us pass,
As in the bows there groaned alas!
A shapeless, palpitating mass?
The spectators.
Who watched me, brutally elate,
Inclining much to over-rate
The need for shouting "Bow, you're late?"
The cox.
Who swore they would not row a race
Till Bow took off his ugly face,
And someone else had filled his place?
The rest of the crew.
Who will row Bow in this year's Eight,
Strive, gasp, perspire and objurgate,
Lose temper, self-respect and weight?
Somebody else.

We are sorry to hear that the race for the Hoare Cup, which the Calcutta Rowing Club intended holding this month, has fallen through. The old cry —"paucity of entries."

The annual dinner of the Dalhousie Football Club, held at Messrs. Peliti's hall last Saturday night, was a most pronounced success, the dinner, the decorations, the speeches, and the musical programme being of the very best quality. Mr. W. T. Grice presided and the slayers of the feast numbered sixty, including guests who represented the I. F. A., the Calcutta Football League and the principal clubs. Mr. Theo. Walsh proposed the toast of the I. F. A. and Mr. E. E. Rope responded. Then the Chairman called on the Club to drink the health of their visitors, an invitation that evoked cheers and musical honours and elicited brief responses from Lieutenant Cudlip, who spoke on behalf of the military guests and Mr. D. Baker, who was the mouthpiece of the civilians. A very good musical programme followed these oratorical efforts, and the party broke up after having passed a most enjoyable evening.

Entries for the Autumn Meeting of the Calcutta Swimming Club close to-morrow at 6 o'clock in the evening. A capital programme of seven items has been arranged for Saturday, the 24th instant. For further details we refer those interested to the advertisement among our sporting announcements.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—The Golf season opened on Thursday morning, the 8th instant, when thirty-four players turned out for the first competition for the Forty-twa Medal [details of which will be found further on. Ed.] A good deal of trouble and money have been expended in getting the course into order and those responsible for this important work can look upon the result with satisfaction, the course being in very good condition for this time of the year. Turning to play in the competition one cannot help viewing with disappointment the poor scores that were on the whole returned, but heavy rain just before play may possible have affected the form of some players.

Thursday's fancy dress soccer match between the winners of the Harwood League Cup and a team composed of officers and Civilians in fancy dress was of no importance from a football point of view, being merely intended as an amusiug travesty on the game to draw a large crowd in order that the coffers of St. George's Hospital might benefit. The match answered its purpose, over a thousand people paying for admission.

The drawing of the ties in the Rovers' Tournament took place this week, nineteen teams in all competing. The Cheshire Regiment have drawn a bye in the first round and meet the York and Lancaster Regiment in the second round. The former eleven are still warm favourites.

There was quite a large attendance at the mounted sports this week, due in a great measure to the fact that there was no counter attraction in the shape of Harwood League football. The tent-pegging competition, in which five took part, was won by the ubiquitous Mr. P.F. Fischer with Captain Macnamara second. The bending race fell to Macnamara second. The bending race fell to Mr. W. E. Crum with Mr. L. Barraclough second, while the jumping competition by sections was won by the section composed of Messrs. Hill, Greig and Johnston and Captain Macnamara. The Isaac Walton Stakes were annexed by Mr. D. N. Graham nominated by Mrs. S. M. McCausland with Mr. P. Fisher nominated by Madam Combes second. The Ladies' Calling Race was won by Mrs. Cutbush. The usual scurries were both won by Mr. P. Fischer.

An impetus will shortly be given to local polo in the shape of a Bumblepuppy Tournament for which four teams of local players have been made

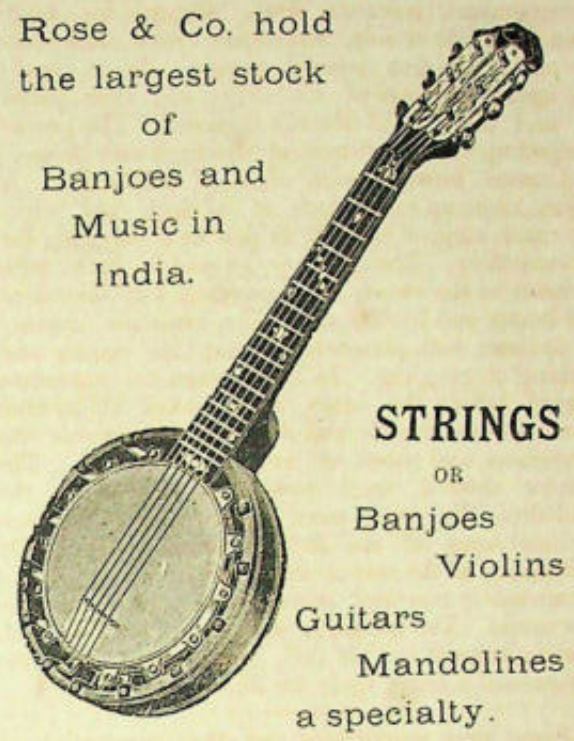
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up and duly entered. The teams are Winter Road, Jackal Club, Wanderers, and another. The Wanderers' team includes two Parsees in the persons of Messrs R. J. Tata and R. M. Dalal the first players of that ommunity who have ever taken seriously to the game.

The Bombay Gymkhana Athletic Meeting, which will commence on 10th October bids fair to be a greater success than last year's meeting which was rather a failure on account of the paucity of entries for the close events.

The coming visit to India of the strong man Eugene Sandow is exciting considerable interest in Bombay, where his advance agent, Mr. Robert McGreer has arranged a six nights' show.

A Rugger match last Saturday between Scotland and the world resulted after one of the fastest games of the season in a draw, each side having scored a goal. The try from which the World goal was converted was only obtained a few minutes before the whistle went, T. J. Reid, at one time Bombay's champion sprinter, getting the ball in midfield and gaining a try after a magnificent run.

The date fixed for the race for the Power Cup, with which the Calcutta Rowing Club wind up the season, is Saturday, 5th November. Entries close on the 29th October.

The Simla Cup, a very handsome trophy subscribed for by the residents of Simla, for competition in the Durand Football Tournament, has been designed and executed, by Messrs. Elkington and Company, Limited, the well-known London silversmiths, through their Agents, Messrs. Walter Locke and Company, Limited, Calcutta and Simla. On a richly moulded base of ebony, mounted in silver, are placed three figures of football players, supporting a correct model of an Association football, and surmounting this is a finely modelled figure emblematic of victory bearing in her hands the victor's laurel crown. The whole is executed in silver and is richly chased. It is without doubt the finest football trophy yet seen in India and Messrs. Elkington and Company are to be congratulated on the piece of workmanship they have turned out.

Mr. Charles Hancock, a member of the London Epee Club, has been in correspondence with M. Georges Wernert, a well-known writer of the Paris Press on matters of sport, and has succeeded in obtaining from him the following characteristic comparison and relative value of the methods of French and English boxing. Says M. Wernert :—

To proclaim the emptiness of what is called French boxing, to assert that it is inferior to English boxing, to say that our boxing professors are nothing more than dancing masters, is to draw upon my head the enmity of a great number of my fellow-countrymen. And yet I shall not hesitate to say so simply because I believe it.

Routine is killing French boxing. The Ecole de Joinville method is out of fashion, and unsuitable—that is, if fighting is meant; but if, mere sparring is understood to produce flexibility only, that is another matter. French boxing, viewed in that light, is the finest of gymnastic exercises. Practise it to develop your muscles good!—but for "self-defence" English boxing takes the palm.

Our lower kick from behind is both ineffective and dangerous. Kicks, when turning round, however neat they may appear, are impracticable in the street—particularly if it rains; the guard is not natural, and the blow with the right fist aimed straight from the shoulder, causes the loss of the whole width of the torso.

Again, how absurd is this "lowsitting guard." When the leg bears too much on the ground, how it invites breakage of the tibia, and what a fulcrum is this contracted guard for the adversary's "swing"! Take away the lower drives and the kicks—which, for some unknown reason, are forbidden—and French boxing ceases to exist. All this virtuoso and inferior stage effect collapses before a boxer who "closes" with you. Driscoll knew it well when he invited Charlemont's empty drives by feints, and, getting home afterwards, soundly pommelled his unprotected adversary. This, however, has not prevented the entire French Press from saying that Charlemont, who was virtually beaten, had vanquished Driscoll. Such is the narrow-mindedness of a patriotism "run mad."

There is not a boxer who has practised both styles who does not prefer the English style of boxing, which is so severely combative, rational, and authoritative. In this case the straight blows, the "swings," come from the body and not from the arm, are delivered with the force of a ram and seem as if shot from a powerful catapult. The "upper-cut" bruises the flesh and upsets the astonished adversary.

The guard, or rather the absence of it, does not offer any loophole for breaking through. A kick reaching the supple and swinging legs of the boxer would be ineffective. English boxers are better judges than we of distance and opportunity.

Add to all this the endurance and the knack of receiving punishment without showing it, and you will easily understand why our boxing champions who deliver blows, both good and bad—more often the latter than the former—cannot stand up to a third rate boxer.

Albert, the best of our men, who stood up for a second before Jefferies, just the time necessary to put one's self on guard, and whom I asked how his rival had knocked him down, naively replied: "I don't know; we struck at the same time, my blow had no effect on him, *his* knocked me down—that's all."

These words imply a condemnation of *our* system. When shall we have a sensible style of boxing, such as that taught by Georges Dubois—*i.e.*, an English guard, with indispensable kicks? When will judgment and method appear at the Ecole de Joinville?

The "coming of age" of Messrs. Traill's diaries has been taken advantage of by the enterprising publishers of that practically invaluable office and desk companion to make the Indian public a handsome gift. With every one of their diaries for 1905 (except the six-anna ones) Messrs. Traill and Company include a free accident insurance policy for no less a sum than Rs. 7,500, so "order at once and save disappointment" say they, and we make no doubt the demand for Traill's Diaries will now be greater than ever. It is superfluous to extol the merits of these books, there are thirty-five forms of them ranging from pocket to foolscap size and they are the only diaries published which contain purely Indian information, brought up to date and thoroughly reliable.

Just as we go to press a wire from Poona informs us that heavy rain has necessitated the postponement of the return Presidency *vs.* Parsees cricket match.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 26th August 1904.*

THERE has been only one topic of conversation this week: to wit Russian interference with our vessels on the high seas. The Foreign Office assured the public that it was giving the matter its most serious consideration, but the country was growing distinctly restless under repeated insult and inaction, and when there came news of the stoppage of the *Comedian* somewhere off Durban by a steamer which there is no room to doubt, is the *Smolensk*, the shipping interest rose and "went for" the Prime Minister. Mr. Balfour received the deputation yesterday. He recognised the gravity of the incident, the Russian Foreign Office having informed the British Government that the mission of that vessel and her consort the *Peterburg* was at an end, after the affair of the *Malacca:* and the most satisfactory point in his address to the deputation was the statement that Russia had asked us to convey a message in this sense to the *Smolensk* and that two cruisers had been ordered from Cape Town to search for her with this object.

There are features of the affair which seem far from satisfactory. Those two volunteer fleet cruisers must have called somewhere to coal since the Russians declared their "Mission" at an end, and either of the authorities at Petersburg did or did not inform the commanders that their highhanded proceedings were to cease. If they did, the *Smolensk* and *Peterburg* are nothing but privateers: if they did not it is another example of Muscovite dealing with us.

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In two respects at least Mr. Balfour's address will give small satisfaction. The deputation affirmed, what everyone believes, that Russia has made a special set against our vessels in order to injure Japan by handicapping her commerce with Britain Mr. Balfour would not have that: inasmuch as 90 per cent. of the carrying trade of the Far East is under the British Flag, he requires that over 90 per cent. of Russia's seizures shall be British, before he can admit special endeavours to our prejudice. Such mathematical accuracy is not to the country's taste at all: the affairs of the Allanton and the Hip Sang are too fresh in our minds to make us patient of these niceties.

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Nor does Mr. Balfour seem to appreciate the depth of feeling that was stirred by the *Malacca* affairs. "The case of the *Scandia* and the *Malacca* I should hardly admit to be one which it is worth while either for those interested in the trade as shipowners or as merchants or as underwriters to consider. The whole episode of the *Malacca* was exceptional. It dragged in quite alien considerations, alien to all the other cases that have arisen." Exactly: it was the exceptional nature of the business that roused so much feeling; and Mr. Balfour shows himself deplorably out of touch with the feeling of the country when he dismisses it as hardly worth consideration. The *Times* publishes the report of the statement made to the deputation on one page to-day and reproduces the official log of the *Malacca* for 13th July and following days on another, and I venture to think that Mr. Balfour's remark on this head will cost him more of confidence and popularity than any he has made in his career.

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It is difficult to get away from the idea that Russia has been trying how far she may pursue the tail twisting process with impunity. For many weeks past the Baltic fleet has been on the point of sailing for the East: to-day it is reported to have left Kronstadt for a ten days' cruise. Why, people enquire, is it dallying? Do the people at St. Petersburg think that work may be found for it nearer home? Pity it is that we do not take a leaf out of the Japanese book. Up to Wednesday night we were prepared to hear that Japan had countered Russian methods of diplomacy at Shanghai with the forceful methods Russia understands: and the preparedness of Japan to push home her claim with bombardment of the *Askold* and her consort, prepared us for the news that came that evening: the Czar had ordered the *Askold* and *Grosovai* to be disarmed.

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The Imperial Manifesto which celebrates the christening of the Cesarevirtch offers interesting reading. Russia does not make Port Arthur over to Japan as a thankoffering for the birth of an heir to the throne, as some cynic suggested: but there are qualified benefactions in profusion: abolition of the lash; remission of arrears of taxes, hopeless of collection, forgiveness of fines, equally unprofitable to enforce, and forgiveness of sins which the police have failed to trace home to the sinners. These be large boons and regal. Finland receives special attention, but the attentions do not appear calculated to inspire gratitude at all feverish Were I a Finn who had left my country without official sanction to escape the privilege of serving under the Russian flag, I doubt whether the invitation to return and serve my term without punishment for quitting home would tempt me back. But the baby, whose advent evoked these acts of grace! His will be Russia in transition to steer: for unless the signs of the times are misleading there are big changes pending.

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Those who repair our streets are deserving of congratulation. It seems to have dawned upon them that the public *might* suffer some inconvenience when main arteries of traffic are "up" for prolonged periods, and they have mended their ways in a double sense. A fortnight ago, Oxford Street, Regent Street, the Strand, Brompton Road and a few more much used streets were "up" and to-day the tide of traffic rolle free, or nearly free again, with such unwonted rapidity have repairs been effected. By the way the Victoria Memorial changes before Buckingham Palace, also proceed apace; they are taking down the familiar high railings which enclose the courtyard and their new position, which harmonises with the semi-circular terrace which so greatly improves the front of the Palace.

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There is so little going on in the village that one looks outside for news. If any of your readers take interest in the endeavours to convert the Thames once more into the salmon river it ceased to be early in the nineteenth century, they may like to know that Mr. Gilbey has every reason to be satisfied with the progress made by the Thames Salmon Association of which he is *the* working partner. Three thousand parr averaging 6 inches long were turned into the river from his hatcheries at Teddington during last year and this spring: and trustworthy reports have been received indicating that the youngsters or at any rate a proportion of them thrive as far down as Richmond whither we may presume they were bound for the sea if they could face the dirty ordeal of the Thames estuary. That stretch of contaminated water appears to be the stumbling block:

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experts holding that migrating salmon hang about in tidal waters to get accustomed to salt after fresh or fresh after salt as the case may be, it might be worthwhile trying the dodge somebody suggested a few years ago; to wit, put a few smolts in a cage or crate and keep them anchored off Greenwich for a week or two. If they survived that, the advocates for energetic restocking would have a strong argument to back their plea for funds to further the work.

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The papers do not indend to let Mr. Adolf Beck's case for an enquiry and adequate compensation drop. The *Daily Mail*, in whose columns Mr. G. R. Sims has been championing his cause has guaranteed to pay the victim of mistaken identity the £2,000 tendered by the Treasury, should Mr. Beck's continued efforts to procure an enquiry and fair compensation result in withdrawal of the offer. Whatever the merits of the case the Treasury did not go about the business of compensating very graciously: "We'll give you £2,000 on condition that you hold your tongue for ever afterwards" does not commend itself as the address of a department conscious that police officialdom is faultless in the matter. Everyone seems to think that the enquiry demanded is bound to come: Mr. Balfour's Government has not gained such measure of popularity that it can afford to alienate any more of its lukewarm supporters.

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With the prospect of early electrification of the underground comes consideration of the "live rail" danger which is a very real one. The circumstances of three deaths caused by contact with exposed "live rails" suggest that these things ought to be guarded where there is reasonable chance of men coming in contact with them by accident as in railway stations: but the railway companies are entitled to protest when they are held responsible for fatal accidents to trespassers who, railings, walls and notice boards notwithstanding, adventure upon the lines where they have no earthly business to go. If fences are made of a character calculated to baffle the omnipresent small boy and the live rails are painted the warning red, it seems to me that the companies have done their duty. There is a section of the great B.P. which holds that it ought to be protected against its own carelessness, neglect and stupidity at any cost; a theory to which some of us cannot subscribe. If you think of it, it cannot be to the advantage of the race to relieve it of the necessity of exercising average intelligence in taking care of itself.

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To-morrow night sees the opening of the autumn theatre season. Mr. Bourchier opens the Garrick with "The Chevalier" by Henry Arthur Jones, taking the name part himself: the cast has been on the posters for days, but it would not, I conceive, greatly interest you: I may remark, however, that Miss Arthur Jones is down for a part. Mr. Beerbohm Tree announces "The Tempest," and rumour is busy with the extravagant endeavours that have made to secure realism for "On a ship at Sea, Storm with Thunder and Lightning" which, you will remember describes Scene I. Mr. Isaac Zangwill's play which is to be called "Merely Mary Ann" is to be produced a fortnight hence at the Duke of York's: Miss Elenor Robson is the leading lady. If Mr. Zangwill's play has half the humour of some of his books the Duke of York's should be able to reckon on full houses for a long time to come. By the way, a company directed (from town) by Mr. Bourchier is to play "Farry's Delemma" in the provinces starting with Glasgow. What Mr. Malcolm Watson's new comedy "Winnie Brooke, Widow" which is announced at the Criterion next Thursday evening, is like remains to see; the bills promise "a little music" and from the cast one would not be surprised if there were a good deal of dancing too. The suburban theatres are all at work now; but there is nothing new at any of them. As for the "Halls" the only item that seems to call for notice is Mdlle. Genée has returned to the Empire. Miss Horniman, a lady whose name is not very familiar to me, has been granted leave or patent or whatever the instrument be called to establish a theatre in Dublin for the production of Irish plays.

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If you have not read Miss Cotter Morrison's "Lonely Summer in Kashmir" I commend it to your notice. Miss Morrison, owing to unforeseen circumstances was left to her own devices at Srinagar and being a lady of enterprise collected camp kit and started out to explore the country under the sole protection of "Jones" an "Aligarh bulldog" whose portrait, hideous but natheless flattering, forms the frontespiece. Miss Morrison has spirit, a strong will and humour; and her account of her travels and difficulties with followers and natives is both vivid and amusing. Everyone who has been in Kashmir will be delighted with the book, and people who have not will obtain a better idea of the country than they are likely to get from any book of my acquaintance. The author does not take herself nor her adventures too seriously and she contrives to keep her reader both interested and amused from start to finish.

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Mr. Ernest Thompson Seton whose books on the wild life of North America are among the most charming of natural history works is coming over to this country on a lecturing tour at the end of September. I heard from an acquaintance of "Buffalo Jones" that that eminent authority also contemplates a lecturing tour in England, but I doubt if there be room for two of the trade. Buffalo Jones is the Warden of the Yellowstone Park and a letter from him, which was shown me, suggests that his lectures would be exceedingly interesting. He mentioned among other things that the bears in the Yellowstone are become so tame by reason of the protection given them and the tourists' fondness for feeding them, that the brutes become dangerously rough towards humans: and to correct this tendency the Warden's men catch them, hang them up by the heels and flog them to inspire feelings of reserve towards mankind.

It has just transpired that Lord Onslow's Grouse Disease Commission has, as its primary duty to find funds for the prosecution of its work. As the Commissioners are all wealthy men, keenly interested in grouse shooting, this obstacle is perhaps less formidable than it looks at first sight: and after all the expenses should not be very great. It is a novelty in Government commissions of course, but no doubt a proper one in the circumstances.

The Ecclesiastical deadlock in Scotland continues. The Edinburgh U.F.C. Presbytery has declared its intention to stick to the Union at all costs. A lay spokesman of that Church with a few words has done more than acres of argument could do to bring home the situation to people south of Tweed:—"Were the entire fabric of the Church of England to be legally transferred to Mr. Kensit and his followers it would not produce a greater sensation on your side of the border."

It looks as though the strike at Marseilles were likely to affect homeward-bound passengers from the East: the P. and O. Agent said on Wednesday thathe should not "fail to find means" to land passengers, but the phrase seems to imply a shade of doubt. All the steamer companies' agents at Marseilles fear that a state of things is approaching which will compel vessels to avoid the port as one at which to land cargo.

The refusal of the Jersey States to provide for the Militia has resulted in the Army Council deciding to withdraw the regular garrison. This move will not be appreciated by the Jersey folk whether social or trading; for it means that somewhere about fifty or sixty thousand pounds will no longer circulate in a community where money is none too plentiful. There has been a fresh outbreak of anathema against motor scorchers: "stinkigrunta" does not grow more considerate and several fatal accidents have been reported lately. One sufferer has suggested laying half a cart load of gravel across the highroad to make a slight bank: this he says would not trouble horse traffic nor reasonably driven motors, but would serve to break the springs of the scorcher. Fines seem useless to check the curse of dangerous driving.

ONLOOKER.

Shikar.

THE GOLDARE MANEATER.

IT was somewhere in the early sixties and towards the beginning of the hot weather, that some five of us, namely, O. M., the two S.'s and self found ourselves to be the guests of C., the worthy host of Goldare. Goldare was then one of the best known indigo concerns in Central Bengal and lay within some five miles of the then newly-constructed E. B. Railway.

The day after our arrival, an unexpected guest, suddenly turned up in the person of old Tissandier, who had come on his elephant and appeared to be in a great state of mind and it was only after he had a *brandy pawnee*, that he settled down to tell us of the adventure he had on his way. To the west of Goldare, and about four miles distant, was a big open *maidan* or plain intersected with patches of grass and *rahar* cultivation. Tissandier swore that he had come face to face with an immense tiger while crossing this plain. He saw at first, what in the distance appeared to be, a red cow, but as its gait seemed rather strange he made his *mahoot*, go towards it. But the animal disappeared in a field of *rahar* and was at once lost sight of in the tall crop. They cautiously approached the grass and when about 300 yards off they suddenly saw a huge, round head rise slowly above the grass and look them straight in the face. This was enough for Tissandier, who made the elephant back out at once and put his best foot forward for Goldare. We all laughed at the very idea of there being any tiger nearer than the Sunderbunds, as such a thing had not been seen or heard of within the memory of the oldest inhabitant.

The same evening while sitting round the *chowbootra* having our pegs, the factory *gomastah*, or headman, accompanied by the Police *darogah* turned up and reported that another villager from a village some four miles distant had suddenly disappeared. This was the third case within the past week or so and the whole thing appeared to be a perfect mystery. In this last case the victim, a lad some fifteen years old, had gone to cut grass for his cattle and was never seen alive again. The Police *darogah* could make nothing of it and the worst part of it was none of the remains of any of the victims could be found.

Early the following morning saw the whole lot of us on our way towards that part of the country where Tissandier said he had seen the tiger. Four of us rode out with our spears, while the other three got on the elephant. We took with us all the armament the place contained, and which consisted solely of ordinary 12-bore fowling pieces. We were not long in getting to the place where the tiger had been last seen, but of course he was not at home nor did we see signs of him. After going about for a couple of hours or so, we put up a fine boar from under a clump of *babool* trees: he gave us a fine run and a grand charge for the first spear, which O. secured. Those on the elephants now came up and said, that they thought there was something in one of the fields they pointed out. On getting to the covert side, we told some of our syces who had followed us, to stoop down and see, if they could spot anything. These *rahar* crops usually stand from 6 to 8 feet high and the only way to see through them is by stooping down and looking along the ground. No sooner, were our men down, then they were up and off at their best paces. We asked them what they had seen, but the only thing they could vouch for was that there was a huge *janwar* lying down inside and towards the further side of the cover. S., who was riding a grey waler mare, stood with his back turned towards the cover and at the distance of some 20 yard or so. All of a sudden, there was a tremendous roar and at the same time the tiger charged and the next instant he was on the haunches of S's. mount and the mare frantic with terror lashed out as hard as she could hitting the monster fair in his bread basket, and taking the wind clean out of him for the time being. Having got rid of the tiger, the mare dashed off at once, S. luckily for himself had managed to keep his seat or it would have gone hard with him. The mare was bleeding freely so we sent her off at once to the factory.

It was then decided that one of us should gallop off to Dulorie, a village some eight miles distant as the zemindar had a very good *shikaree* elephant the loan of which we were sure of. O, who was the lightest, volunteered for the job and was off at once on his fast Arab and in a few minutes was a mere speck in the distance. In order not to disturb the tiger, we thought it best to move out to some distance and well out of the way. But the tiger, who must have watched all our movements, had evidently grown suspicious, for he suddenly broke out of the *rahar* field and started across country. We followed keeping well in the rear, as the brute would every now and then turn round and have a look at us. We now saw that he was making for the river, about a mile or so ahead; but of course we could do nothing to make him turn or change his mind, and in a few minutes he disappeared down the bank. Thinking perhaps that he might be lying in wait for us, we made a detour to get to the water's edge, but when we got there we saw the tiger striking out for the opposite bank. On reaching *terra firma* he shook the water off his coat lay down on the *chur* or sandbank, and after having had a good roll, stretched himself at full length. Those on the elephant who were following us now came up and the tiger made up his mind to move towards the grass and tamarisk.

It was now past 2 o'clock and still there were no signs of either O or the elephant he had gone to seek and we had had nothing since the morning but a few biscuits and some beer. Suddenly there was a little cloud of dust on the horizon towards the west and shortly afterwards we could make out that it was O. returning. We were much put out on hearing that the *kattee* would not be available till the following morning, as it had been lent for a marriage festival. O. said that the owner had faithfully promised, that his elephant would be at Goldare early the following morning. There was nothing for it now but to make tracks for home with the hope of coming across the monster next morning.

Early next day as soon as the promised elephant turned up, we sallied forth; Tissandier, O. and M. got on to the borrowed elephant, while the elder S., C. and self were on the factory *hathee*. The first thing we did was to make for the place where we had seen the tiger last go in, but he was no longer there. On looking for his pugs, we found that he had re-crossed the river and had made his way towards the patch of grass where we found the remains of the unfortunate boy. As we got there we saw the tiger, break from a rather extensive piece of *rahar* cultivation and gallop off towards the north-west. We followed as quickly as we could and at rather long range opened fire, the bullets hitting all round our target, as the flying dust showed till suddenly the foe seemed to collapse and his discomfiture was hailed with loud hurrahs! Both the elephants approached shoulder to shoulder and at the distance of forty paces or so we got ready to administer the *coup de grace*. Suddenly, roaring all he knew, the apparently dead tiger charged down on us and with tail on end and ears laid back, looking the very incarnation of fury and ferocity. The borrowed *hathee* turned tail and bolted, but the Goldare elephant though a female stood as firm as a rock and we were able to roll the brute over dead with a couple of bullets through his head. A strange incident now took place, the

elephant, that had at first bolted, was brought back and on seeing the dead tiger, made a rush forward and next instant was down on his knees, trying to pin the defunct tiger's body with his tusks. While this was going on those on the beast's back, were sent flying, guns and all, out of the *howdah* and it was with some difficulty the *mahoot* got away the maddened and enraged *hathee*.

The tiger was a male, very lusty and in his prime and measured 9 feet 2 inches as he lay.

SIVOL.

Fishing.

FISHING IN THE PUJAHS.

NOW that the eastern rivers unconnected with the snow line are beginning to fall, accounts tend to show that owing to successive rushes during the abnormally heavy rains of the past season, rendering weir and netting operations difficult, fish are more than usually numerous, so that those who care to visit the Upper Brahmaputra, its affluents and the streams in the southern valley of Assam, to which the railway now gives easy and rapid access, cannot do better than take a run up to those parts in the ensuing Pujahs. The waters are not too clear nor the sun too powerful to baffle the whipper or troller, yet are sufficiently dingy for either purpose, while the light stern wheel boats that have been put on the smaller streams, though not provided with the same accommodation as the larger vessels, enable one to get up to such places as Luckipur on the Manipur border (a famous ground where two hill streams meet) or other likely spots in the Surma Valley, while the northern one is equally well served by the railway direct. The less ambitious fisherman can enjoy good sport within a short distance of the rest-houses at the foot of the hills, but is likely to lose his light tackle from some big fellow snapping at it on his way to the upper rapids. A correspondent last season gave you an interesting description of sport on the Upper Barak (Surma-Luckipur), and I trust your columns this season will be similarly embellished, while with the increased facilities for travel in those parts we hope to be enlightend as to the allurements of hither to unknown spots that can compete with it. Within easy distance of the Sylhet Civil Station, but connected with it now by a good road, lies the ancient town of Jaintiapur washed by the two streams direct from the hills—the Noagong and the Hari.

The first, as it winds round the northern end of the town, presents no very inviting aspect, but dug-outs are to be had for a trifle and a couple of miles up the fishing ground commences at a small village called Assampara, thence by water for a like distance you are in piscatorial clover and can either fish from the craft or select well-shaded spots on either bank for the exercie of what skill you possess. The stream terminates in a pool, perhaps an acre in extent, into which tumbles the feeding cascade, causing a ripple all over this basin that give the flyfisher his chance; the overflow is by one rapid split up into numerous smaller ones, affording good enough standing with but little chance of your boots being overtopped: the rough water continues down stream for fully a mile when it runs off in a series of whirls that seldom prove blank. If your prey when hooked runs, as is usual, up stream, you get a good view as he tries the jump over the natural emptying weir, though it is barely a two-foot one, and once in the deep reservoir you can play him at leisure, the bottom being remarkably free from snags or boulders. You need not be farther away from the town for above the distance mentioned, and can easily arrange for such creature comforts from the Sudder Station as you need, while there is a group of three small tea estates within a mile or two

The other river, the Hari, furnishes a much longer and inviting scene of operations, but the banks of both it and its tributary, the Rewai, affords no ground for a run, and the stream itself is, above Ps.wdr., a succession of deep pools and tumbling rapids in which it as scarcely possible to keep a small boat steady, so one has to fish from isolated spots on the bank. Here and there, especially at the unpronounceable village referred to, churs run out, with deep and well-shaded water on the opposite bank, but your cast to reach across must be a stiff one; once well hooked one has the game in his own hands, for the churs are extensive enough for a good run. There is a big rapid here, which is a certain find with a well thrown light coloured fly.

Above this rapid there is a large deep pool fed by a fall that comes over a rocky curtain, but the water is, at both intake and overflow, smooth, clear and placid, the fish lying very deep down, thus offering little inducement except to such as care to essay the cresset and spear at night, but the village people are so incessantly at work with these that the occasional visitor has but a poor chance. The Rewai affluent is a rough and tumble mountain torrent, chiefly cascades, from mouth to source, and except at the entrance little beyond pubbiah and bhasha are to be had, but the other two streams sketched, afford quite enough inducement to the fisherman. The village of Bhurghat stands to the east of the curtain and though quarters here are obtainable, all else must be brought from Jaintiapur which, with previous arrangements, can be reached from Sealdah in about 50 hours.

SYNTENG.

A few days ago a bumptious Cockney tourist went swaggering into an hotel at Stirling, and tried, as he put it, to "wake up" the waiter. The dour faced Scot regarded most of the Cockney's conversational efforts with grim and silent contempt. At last the tourist exclaimed, "Come, Sandy? What's the latest sensation in Stirling?" Then the waiter replied in a tone of cold disdain. "Man the latest sensation in Stir-r-r-ling is just the Battle of Bannockbur-r-r-n!"

Shooting.

CALCUTTA REVOLVER CLUB.

THE sixth monthly prize meeting was held at the Club Range, Ballygunj, on Saturday last. The shooting was with the left hand at 20 yards range. The first prize was won by Mr. J. E. Vallance with a score of 38.

POWDERS.

I MAY be allowed to state broadly, writes Dr. D. I. Hamilton in the *Sporting Times*, that the latter-day shooter has the choice of about ten or a dozen popular brands to make a selection from, and any one particular powder he picks out cannot do otherwise than give him satisfaction—which means simply that if he holds his gun straight and does his part of the business properly the powder will act in similar manner, whether it be Schultze, E. C. Amberite, Cannonite, Ballistite, Walsrode, Normal, Mullerite, Smokeless Diamond grain or either of the two or three remaining makes. It is only fair to all to state this fact, for, having used every powder on the market, and having fired scores of rounds of each brand made at game, I may, as an amateur, claim at least, some knowledge of them. I say again, then, that a shooter using any one of the present-day popular brands of smokeless powders, and making bad shooting need not waste his time in criticising the particular explosive he may be firing, for I can tell him the fault lies not with it at all. The fault for bad or indifferent shooting rests with the shooter himself—taking for granted his gun is right—certainly not with the explosive, and I am led to emphasise this fact because quite a number of gunners (especially young and inexperienced ones) are given to finding fault with their powder, it being common to hear some youngster say, "I would have shot much better to-day if I had used those cartridges I shot with last week!"

But, naturally, one man will make choice of one powder, and another one will select a different brand, just as we see one man using a 12-bore, and his companion a 16 or a 20-bore. And equally naturally when a man performs well with a certain powder, not alone does he not want to change, but he actually comes to look upon it as being really the best powder going. His success has bred a confidence in it that nothing will shake, and I say again this is only natural. A shooter, then, who has shot with Schultze—the oldest of all the smokeless or nitro powders—for 20 years or more, is not likely to swing off into any other brand, even if puffed and recommended by Sir Carnyby Jinks of the Blues himself. Of course, there is some difference to be noted in the action and behaviour of these smokeless or nitro powders, and, while those differences are not such as to affect one's shooting in the field, it may not be out of place to glance at them, if only for comparison's sake.

Now, in this connection some shooters aver that there is a great difference between the "time" of certain powders. I know a well-known clay pigeon shot in Dublin who uses Schultze invariably, and who "leads" his birds—in other words, fires in front of them. He is a deadly shot and I have often stood and watched him shoot. But if by chance he should change from Schultze to Ballistite, he finds the latter too quick for him, and his charge passes in front of his birds. You see, Ballistite is a concentrated nitro powder, very quick in ignition, and the shooter using it need make little, if any, allowance—need not shoot in front of or before his birds at all, in fact. I also know a clay bird shooter who always uses Ballistite, because it is so quick, and suits his style of shooting, Schultze being altogether too slow for him. Here, then, is a difference as between one powder and another, a difference however be it noted, that can only be demonstrated through the personal peculiarities of two or more gunners. To the great mass of present-day gunners no such difference or variation is apparent, as will, I think, be readily understood by my readers.

As regards the difference in recoil, amount of smoke, loudness of report, and so forth, I boldly take the ground that none such exists, make any comparison you will. Take Ballistite as a sample of a concentrated powder, and Schultze as one of a bulk powder, and I defy anyone to prove that a difference exists between them regarding smoke, noise, or recoil. Yet this, of all others, is the topic about which young shooters write to the papers. Tell us, they say, which powder gives least recoil, least smoke, and makes least report. Then the poor editor gets to work, and tries to enlighten them, when, if he only had the courage of his convictions, he would the more truthfully answer that there is no difference as between any of the powders of the day. Still, from time to time a controversy rages in the sporting press over these questions, and one party slangs another until the discussion wears itself out, and dies of its own inertia.

Correspondence.

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BETTING QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I back three horses, "A," "B" and "C" for the treble event, *viz.*, "Duke of York Handicap," "Cesarevitch," and "Cambridgeshire" now the Duke of York Handicap falls through for want of sufficient entries but is re-opened again and fills.

My questions are:—(1) Would you consider my treble lost owing to the race first falling through. (2) Would you consider my treble as on owing to the race eventually filling after being re-opened. (3) Would you consider my bet off, but my stakes saved.

POONA, *8th September 1904.* PUNTER.

[The bet was off when the Duke of York Handicap fell through. This answers all three questions.—ED.]

GREAT DANES AT THE MUSSOORIE SHOW.

TO THE EDITOR, OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I have received a cutting said to be from *The Indian Sporting Times* and as I rarely see that paper am sending an explanation in hopes that you may give it a place in your paper. The paragraph runs as follows: "I do not see why special encouragement is sought to be given to the Great Dane by the Mussoorie Executive. There are other breeds we think more popular, the prizes for which might, with advantage be increased." I am sure the Mussoorie Executive will gladly give encouragement to any other breed, if some generous donor will come forward and name the class he wishes his prize given to. Special prizes have already been promised for the following:—Smooth Fox Terrier (Novice), Wire-haired Fox Terrier (Novice), Fox Terrier Puppy bred during 1904, Setters and Pointers, Bulldogs, Retrievers, and Pekinese. I know the Executive would be quite willing to increase their prizes if funds permitted. Perhaps the Editor of *The Indian Sporting Times* will show his generosity by helping to increase the prize list, and also give a special or two to the more popular breeds Major Kemp, the General Honorary Secretary for the Show, will, I am sure, be most happy to send that gentleman a few subscription lists, if he will endeavour to have them filled in, and thus really to help the Show.

With reference to the passage "There are other breeds we think more popular." True Mr. Editor, there are other breeds more popular, this is the very reason I am offering, not one, but three prizes (one annually) for Great Danes, with a view to increasing the popularity. To those who do not know what an excellent dog he is, I would refer them to an article which appeared in the June number of *The Indian Kennel Gazette*. One has only to own a Dane to know his good points, and when once owned he is hard to give up. I have kept many kinds of dogs, but always go back to the Great Dane.

I only hope that owners will help to popularise the breed by entering at the coming Mussoorie Show. The Local Committee have undertaken to kennel, feed and look after any exhibits coming from a distance, an offer that I hope will entice many to compete who otherwise could not.

That the Show will be a good one I have no doubt, as entry forms have been applied for from many distant places including Quetta and Calcutta.

KADER.

THE Directors of the Gresham Life Assurance Society, tell us, among other matters incorporated in their 55th Report, that during the year, 5,613 Policies were issued, assuring an amount of £1,790,063, while 725 Proposals for £330 790 were declined. The New Premiums for Assurances completed amounted to £76,787 17s 4d. The Income of the Society derived from Premiums, Interest, and Rents amounted to £1,332,130 0s. 5d.

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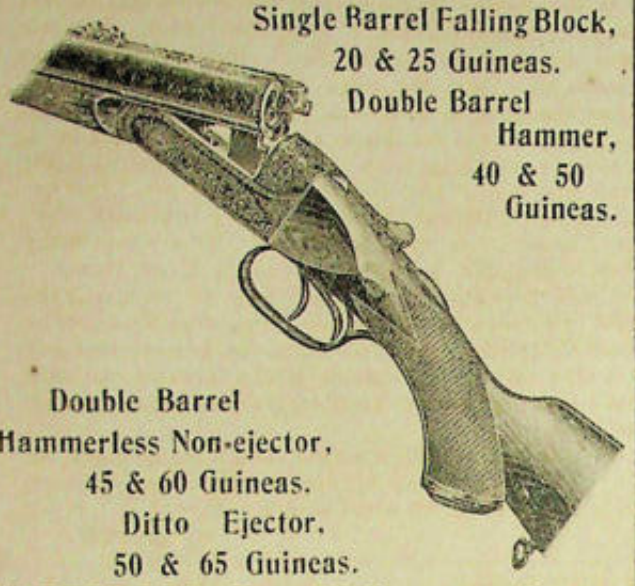
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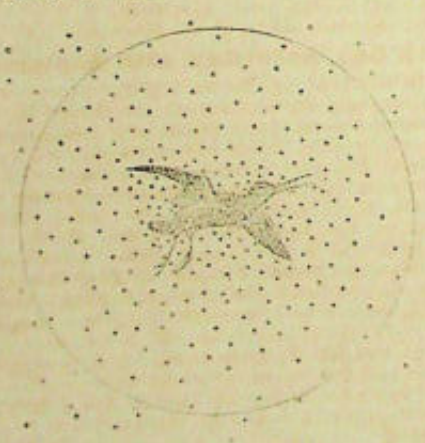
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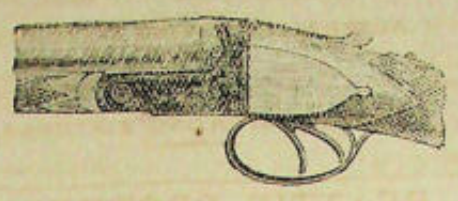
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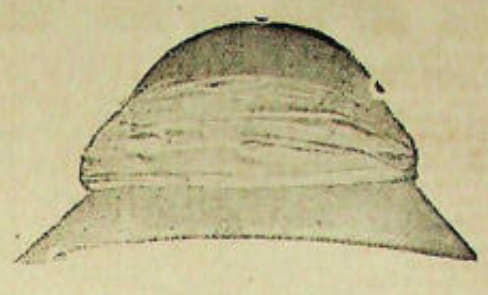
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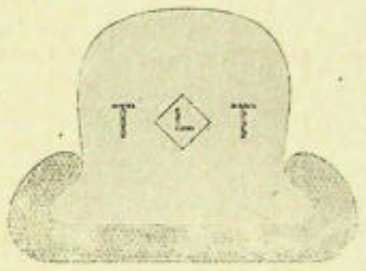
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Name of Races.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Bangalore Extra	Sept.	17	
Poona Eighth Extra	"	17	
" Races and Steeplechases	"	21, 24, 26, 28 Oct. 1, 3 and 8	506
Quetta Autumn Meeting	"	20, 22, 24	
Calcutta Monsoon Fifth	"	17	
Ootacamund Hunt	"	15 & 17	
Mussoorie Autumn	"	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	625
Dehra Dun	"	10 & 12	
Darjeeling	"	17 & 19	
Hyderabad	"	20 and 22	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	"	25 & 27	82
Magwe Autumn	"	25 and 27	
Rangoon Second Extra	"	22	
" Third "	Nov.	12	
Jubbulpore Autumn	"	& 3	375
" Open Gymkhana	"	5	373
Southern Mahratta Autumn (Belgaum)	"	3 and 5	
Umballa Autumn	"	5, 8 & 10	
Meerut Autumn Sky	"	15, 17, & 19	626
Sonepore	"	23, 25 & 27	
Rangoon Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
" " (Army Cup)	Dec.	1	
Tezpore	"	6, 8 and 10	
Calcutta First Extra	"	10	
" Second "	"	17	
" First Meeting	"	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	"	27	
Rawalpindi Sky	Dec.	15, 17, 20	
Lahore X'mas	"	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	Jan.	21, 23, 25	
Dacca	"	10, 12, 14	
Madras Winter	"	24, 26, 28	
Calcutta Second Meeting	"	14 & 21	
" Third Extra	"	28	
" Fourth "	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana	Second	1st October.
	Third	15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn	Second	1st October.
	Third	15th October.
Army Cup	Third	1st October.
	Final	15th November.
Civil Service Cup	Third	15th September.
	Fourth	1st December.
	Final	20th January.
Hyderabad	First	30th September.
	Second	10th October.
Rangoon Second Extra	First	1st October.
	Second	15th October.
Rangoon Third Extra	First	24th October.
	Second	6th November.
Magwe Autumn	First	12th October.
	Second	19th October.
	Third	22nd October.
Umballa Autumn	Second	17th September.
	Third	28th October.
Southern Mahratta Autumn	First	10th October.
	Second	22nd October.
Rangoon Autumn	First	29th October.
	Second	15th November.
	Third	21nd November.
Dacca	First	1st November.
	Second	14 December.
	Third	1st January.
Calcutta First Extra		6th December.
" Second "		13th "
" First Meeting	First	1st November.
	Second	30th "
" Second "	First	30th November.
	Second	7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn	Second	19th "
	Third	26th "
Lahore X'mas	Second	1st November.
	Third	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky	Second	15th September.
	Third	8th November.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First	1st November.
	Second	30th "
" " Second "	First	1st November.
	Second	2nd January.
Dibrugarh	First	1st December.
	Second	1st January.
	Third	20th January.
Madras Winter	First	15th December
	Second	10th January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.		
I. P. A. Championship	(Umballa)	1st week in November.
Poona Open Tournament		Begins 22nd September.
Naini Tal Tournament		Begins 26th September.
Sonepore Open Tournament		Begins 22nd November.
ROWING.		
Calcutta Rowing Club The Power Cup		5th November.
SPORTS.		
Bombay Gym. Annual Athletic Meeting		Begins 10th October.
" Mounted Sports		12th 13th 15th October.
RACQUETS.		
Club of W. India Tournament		21st to 27th September.
Northern India Tournament		Begins 19th September.
FOOTBALL.		
Rugby Union Challenge Cup (Calcutta)		Now on.
Bombay Rovers' Tournament		Now on.
Durand Tournament (Simla)		Now on.
Bombay Gymkhana Rugby Tournament		From 16th Sept. to 1st Oct.
GOLF.		
B. W. I. G. C. Tournament (at Nasik)		In September.
SHOOTING.		
Calcutta Revolver Club.		
Second Moving Target		24th September.
SHOWS.		
Poona Horse Show		29th & 30th September.
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show		26th December.
Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show		30th September.
Murree Dog Show		22nd September.
Ahmednuggar Horse Show		29th October.
Gullu Shah Cattle and Horse Fair Sialkot		17th to 23rd September.
SWIMMING.		
C. S. C. Autumn Mtg		24th September.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES

Principal Races in 1904.

Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ miles)	Saturday, 24th September.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles)	Thursday, 29th September.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

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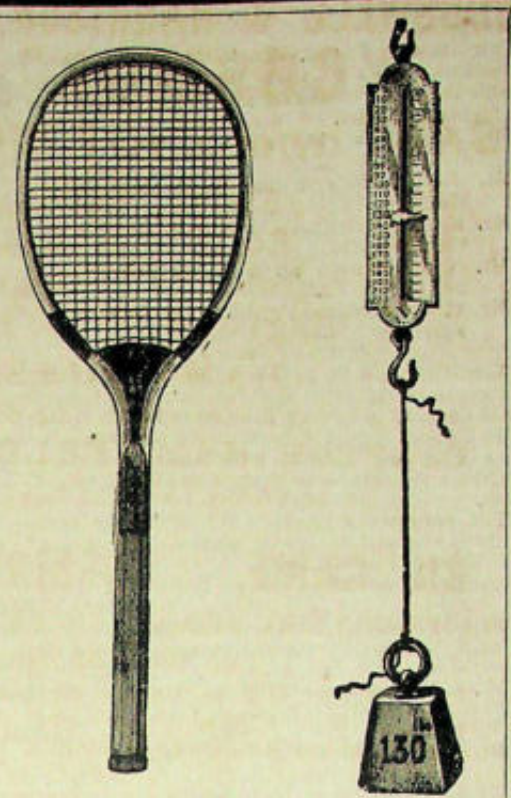
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Fourth Day, Saturday, 10th September, 1904.

ALTHOUGH the sun shone brightly and it was very hot during this afternoon's sport, the deluge in the morning had turned the course into a swamp and disappointed the hopes of those who the day before had expected to see the races run on the dry. The sport, however, was good, and the fields were fair. Only one favourite was successful—Yuletide, in the Zeerut Plate. Mr. H. E. Smith secured two wins, Hello being an easy first in the September Plate and Morris just beating Fusilier by a head in the Entally Plate. Little Doris won the Maidan Plate and Second Thought the Pony Handicap. Actress obtained the verdict in the Belvedere Plate, steered by Mr. H. Smith, she won easily by several lengths. Details :—

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Mr. J. B. Crichton's ch aus m Florin, 10st.	Hard	0
Mr J. Gove's b aus m Irish, 9st. 6lbs. ...	O'Neil	0
Mr. W. Atkinson's h aus g All Fours, 9st. 5lbs.	S. White	0

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Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea, 11st. 8lbs.	Hard	0
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades, 11st. 4lbs.	Toe	0
Mr. A Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet, 13st. 4lbs.	Bloss	0
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus g Flamingo, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Evers	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Barrow	0
Mrs. B. Fraser Nash's b aus g Macedon, 9st.	Johnson	0

(Winner trained by Wishart.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 44 to win; Rs. 17, Rs. 14, and Rs. 39, for places.

BETTING :—2½ to 1 against Kittylea, 3 to 1 Actress, 6 to 1 Naiades, 10 to 1 each Gauntlet, Bob and Odin, 15 to 1 each Parole, Flamingo and Macedon.

Gauntlet led them to the New Stand, where Odin went to the front followed by Actress and Parole. Gauntlet fell at the fifth

hurdle. Then Actress went ahead and won easily by ten lengths. Parole beating Bob for second place by three lengths. Time—3mins 21secs.

THE ZEERUT PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap Hurdle Race for Ponies 14-2 and under. About one mile over six flights of hurdles.

Mr. Mackellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 10st. 2lbs.	Hard	1
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus g Shylock, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. H. Smith	2
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 9st. 2lbs.	Mr. Evers	3
Mr. B. Allen's b sth afr g Young Rake, 9st. 12lbs.	Howie	0
Mr. C. C. Mackintosh's br aus g Jack Spratt, 9st.	Bloss	0

(*Winner trained Privately.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 28 to win; Rs. 13 and Rs. 16 for places.

BETTING:—1½ to 1 agst Yuletide, 2 to 1 Shylock, 5 to 1 Good Chap, 12 to 1 young Rake, 20 to 1 Jack Spratt.

Jack Spratt showed in front till the New Stand where he was done with, and Yuletide going away won easily by several lengths, a length between Shylock and Good Chap. Time—3mins. 4secs.

THE SEPTEMBER PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Horses, Five furlongs.

Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus m Hello, 9st. 12lb	Howie	1
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus m Invincible, 8st.	Hard	2
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus m Sunshine, 9st. 4lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Clynder, 11st. ...	Mr. Dudley	0
Nawab Salimollah's b aus m Certitude, 10st. 7st.	Johnson	0
Mr. W. O. Rees' b aus m Oom Paul, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. G. Galstaun	0
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Profit, 9st.	O'Neil	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Trollop. 7st. 12lbs.	W. White	0

(*Winner trained by Smallman.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 147 to win; Rs. 53, Rs. 22, and Rs. 24, for places

BETTING:—Evens Profit, 5 to 1 Clynder, 6 to 1 each Sunshine and Oom Paul, 8 to 1 Invincible, 10 to 1 Hello, 12 to 1 Certitude, 20 to 1 Trollop.

Invincible was first away followed by Sunshine and Hello. This order was preserved till getting into the Straight when Hello came through and won easily by a length and a-half a head between second and third Time—1min. 12secs.

THE ENTALLY PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Horses that have not won a race value Rs. 450 or over since 31st March 1902.—Six furlongs.

Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris, 10st.	Howie	1
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Fusilier, 9st. 4lbs.	Mr. Deakin	2
Mr. G. B. Paris' b e g Winklet, 10st. 7lbs.	O'Neil	3
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b e m Pierette, 10st. 8lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. T. G. Evers' br aus m May B., 9st. 11lbs.	Mr. Westmacott	0
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth, 9st. 11lbs.	Bloss	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore, 9st. 6lbs.	Toe	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus m Ding Dong, 9st. 4lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr. T. Curtis-Hayward's b aus m Sylvia, 9st.	Mr. Evers	0

(*Winner trained by Smallman.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 68 to win; Rs. 20, Rs. 24, Rs. 21, for places.

BETTING:—2½ to 1 against, Winklet, 3 to 1 Morris, 6 to 1 each Tadmore and Fusilier, 8 to 1 each Pierette, May B., and Slyvia, 20 to 1 each Jacnith and Ding Dong.

Fusilier, Morris and Winklet were quickest out of the machine with Tadmore close up. This was the order to the distance were Morris went up to Fusilier and an exciting finish resulted in a win for Morris by a head: a length between second and third. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

THE MAIDAN PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other Ponies 14-0, and under.—Five furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Panker's ch aus m Little Doris, 8st. 10lbs.	W. White	1
Mr. Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Deakin	2
Mr. Galstaun's b aus m Not Yet, 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. Cecil's bk aus m Miss Beryl, 11st. ...	O'Neil	0
Mr. B. B.'s b ch h Reveille, 10st. ...	Walker	0
Mr. T. G. Evers' ch e g Mignon, 8st. 10lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Whiff, 8st. 10lbs.	Native	0

(*Winner trained Privately.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 48 to win; Rs. 22 and Rs. 17 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 against Golden Tip, 3 to 1 Not Yet, 5 to 1 Little Doris, 10 to 1 Miss Beryl, 12 to 1 Mignon and 20 to 1 Reveille and Whiff.

Little Doris was in a good humour and led from start to finish winning in a canter by three lengths: half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 17secs.

BANGALORE RACES.

FIFTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 10th September 1904.

THE attendance was decidedly better to-day than has been the case of late. The Carabiniers were "At Home" to their friends and fair sport was seen. Favourites as a rule came home all right but there were a couple of upsets in the third and last races Details:—

THE LONG DISTANCE HANDICAP.—Rs 100. 2 miles.

Mr. R. Anketell Jones' ch aus g Grand Duke, 11st. 3lbs.	Major Dougall	1
Major N. M. Smyth's b aus g David, 10st. 8lbs.	Owner	2
Capt. Watson's b aus g Ramilles, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	3

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Grand Duke, 2 to 1 agst. Ramilles and 5 to 1 David.

Won in a canter by three lengths; six lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 58½secs.

THE BIJON PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs 25. A Handicap for Horses. 1 mile.

H. H. the Sultan of Johore's b aus g Pepper Corn, 10st. 7lbs.	Koops	1
Mr. N. R. Chowdhury's ch aus f Leda, 8st 13lbs.	Lansdowne	2
Major F. C. Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher, 8st. 10lbs.	Meah Jan	3
Lieut.-Col J. Desaraj Urs' b aus m Merry Eyes, 9st 8lbs.	Narrainswamy	0
Mr. Jacob Sait's b aus g Medowra, 8st. 11b.	Groboo	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Pepper Corn, 2 to 1 agst. Leda, 6 to 1 Merry Eyes, 7 to 1 Kingfisher, and 8 to 1 Medowra.

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—52secs.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs 25. Handicap for Arab Ponies. 5 furlongs.

Mr. T. G. Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 8st.	Koops	1
Mr. F. W. Webster's b ag Derision, 9st. 8lbs.	Meah Jan	2
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b a h Delight, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... —	Narrainswamy	3
Mr. S. W. Webster's b a h Syndic, 10st. 7lbs.	Major Dougall	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Derision, 2 to 1 agst. Baronet, 4 to 1 Syndic, and 5 to 1 Delight.

Won by two lengths, with Delight the same distance behind; the favourite, Syndic was last throughout. Time—1min. 11⅘secs.

THE BANK PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for Horses. ¾ mile.

H. H. The Sultan of Johore's b aus g Massachusetts, 10st.	Koops	1
The Hon. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Sacristan, 9st.	Burns	2
Lieut.-Col. H. Armstrong's b aus g Knight Templar, 8st. 4lbs.	Meah Jan	3
Major F. Jollie's b aus g Best Shot, 7st. 2lbs.	Abbas Sherrif	0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Massachusetts, 4 to 1 each agst. Sacristan and Best Shot, and 5 to 1 Knight Templar.

Won easily by two lengths. The other two were left at the post and took no part in the race. Time—1min. 23⅘secs.

THE SUBSTITUTION BAZAR PLATE.—Rs. 150 of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for Ponies. ½ mile.

Major Quin's br aus g Dandenong, 10st. 5lbs.	Capt. Randall	1
Major N. M. Smyth's b c g Laurier Rose, 9st. 11lbs.	McQuade	2
Mr. A. West's ch aus m Firebrand, 10st. 4lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. A. P. Symond's bk aus m Cleopatra, II., 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Strickland	0
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' br aus g Swiveller, 11st.	Major Dougall	0
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 8st. 6lbs.	Meah Jan	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Dandenong, 2 to 1 Swiveller, 3 to 1 Laurier Rose, 4 to 1 each Firebrand and Cleopatra II., and 5 to 1 Tight Rope.

Won by two lengths.

Only the first and second ponies were placed by the judge, but as a matter of fact Firebrand was third and was making up ground very fast at the finish. Time—54⅘secs.

THE POLO RACE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for *bond-fide* English and Australian Polo ponies. 3 furlongs.

Mr. D. William's b aus g Nonesuch, 12st. 4lbs.	Mr. Strickland	1
Capt. E. J. R. Peel's b aus m Rose II., 11st. 11lbs.	Owner	2
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus m Countess, 10st. 6lbs.	Lansdowne	3

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Rose II., 2 to 1 agst. Countess, and 4 to 1 Nonesuch.

Won by a short head, bad third. Time—41secs.

THE LHASSA SKY RACES.

STEWARDS:

MAJOR H.A. IGGULDEN, C.S.O. | CAPTAIN R.C. MOORE, A.V.D.
CAPTAIN OTTLEY, 1st M. I. | MAJOR R. W. FULLER, R. A.
Honorary Secretary:—CAPTAIN WARD, 8th Gurkhas.

First Day, Thursday, 25th August 1904.

THERE was quite a good gallery to witness the first British races ever held in Thibet, almost everybody off duty being present. Everything went off successfully and there was much enthusiasm over each event. Captain R. C. Moore, A. V. D., won four races out of five mounts. Details:—

THE DWARF CHASE.—A steeplechase for all C.-B. ponies, 13-3 and under, that have never won a steeplechase or hurdle race of the value of Rs. 50, 13 3 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. 1 mile.

Capt. Peterson's Nun Nicer, 12st. 4lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Marindin's Jimjams, 11st. 3lbs. ...	Mr. Boone	2
Capt. R. C. Moore's Queen Bee, 9st. 13lbs.	Owner ran out	0

Nun Nicer walked in. Queen Bee ran out owing to a lama crossing the course in front of a jump. Time—4min. 17secs.

THE GIANT STAKES.—For all maiden ponies 14-2 and under. Ponies 14-2 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties and allowances. 1,000 yards.

Major Fuller's Decima, 11st. 11b. ...	Capt. R. C. Moore	1
Mr. Bennett's Crocodile, 11st. 11lbs. ...	Owner	2
Capt. Minogue's Greylet, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Native	3
Mr. Macpherson's Siliguri, 8st. 12lbs. ...	———	0
Mr. Boone's Darkie, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	0
Mr. Henry Newman's Mountain Queen, 10st. 11lbs.	Mr. Lynch	0
Mr. Skipwith's Tuna, 10st. 5lbs ...	Owner	0
Mr. Spencer's Black Bess, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Owner	0
Sub-Condr. Leitch's Jibber, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Native	0
Capt. Petersen's Pretty Polly, 9st. 4lbs.	Owner	0

Won easily. bad third. Time—71⅘secs.

THD MIDGET PLATE.—For all ponies 12-1 and under. W. I. Ponies 12-1 to carry 11st. 2½ furlongs.

Mr. Hodgson's Guru, 10st 8st.... ...	Mr. Marsden	1
Capt. C. H. E. Moore's Punch, 10st. 11lbs	Sub-Condr. Bingham	2
Mr. Bailey's Tuna, 11st	Native	3
Mr. Franklin's Red Tape, 11st. ...	Mr. Ward	0
Major Row's Rats, 11st.	Owner	0
Col. Waddell's Dorje, 11st. 11b. ...	Macdonald	0
Capt. Baldwin's Jong, 11st.	Owner	0
Capt. Mainprise's Flying Fox, 11st ...	Mr. Boone	0
Capt. Peterson's Tom Tit, 11st. 8lbs.	... Mr. Skipwith	0
Mr. Corridan's May Queen, 11st. ...	Mr. Prince	0
Mr. Malar's Lama, 11st. ...	Staff Sergt. Rose	0
Jemadar Prem Singh's Guru II. ...	Owner	0
Capt. Ottley's Tsechen, 11st.	Native	0

Won by two lengths. No time taken.

THE ARMY CUP.—For all ponies 14-0 and under, not private property, to be nominated by and ridden by a person in military employment other than a British commissariat officer. Ponies 14-0 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W.I. 5 furlongs.

Sergt. Green's Polly, 11st. 9lbs ...	Owner	1
Sub-Condr. Bingham's Biddy, 10st. 11lb ...	Owner	2
Sub-Condr. Leitch's Tommy, 12st. 11b. ...	Owner	3
Q.-M.-S. Ballin's Red Gauntlet, 11st. 9lbs.	Owner	0
Q.-M.-S. Holdaway's Grey Girl, 11st. 9lbs.	Owner	0
Staff Sergt. Rose's Cicero, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	0
Sepoy Kistna Khan's Bitters, 11st. 3lbs.	Owner	0
Jemadar Gul Akbar's Philosophy 11st, 6lbs.	Owner	0
Q.-M.-S. Morris's Kitty, 10st. 5lbs ...	Owner	0

Won by ten lengths. Time—88⅘secs.

LILIPUT SCURRY—For all C.-B. ponies 13 hands and under that have never won a race of any description. Ponies 13 hands to carry 12st. W. I. 3 furlongs,

Capt. R. C Moore's Queen Bee, 12st. ...	Owner	1
Col. Waddell's Dorje, 9st 6lbs. ...	Macdonald	2
Maj. Iggulden's Ging-r, 11st. 2lbs. ...	Major Row	3
Maj. Ray's Shumla, 11st. 8lbs.	...Capt. Minogue	0
Mr. Bignell's Bahadur, 10st. 13lbs. ...	Mr. Boone	0
Capt. Baldwin's Jong, 9st 6lbs. ...	Owner	0
Mr Bailey's D. T., 11st. 8lbs. ...	Native	0
Mr. Grant's Jingal, 11st. 8lbs. ...	Owner	0
Mr. Peterson's Little' Un. 11st. 2lbs. ...	Native	0
Mr. Prince's Ping Pong, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Owner	0
Subadar Thakur Sing's Ghari, 10st. 13lbs.	Native	0
Mr. Bailey's Karola, 10st. 13lbs. ..	Native	0

* Won by five lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—52 secs.

STEEPLECHASE.—For all ponies 14-2 and under; 14 2 to carry 12st. 7lbs W. I. Penalties and allowances. 1½ miles.

Major Fuller's Decima 10st 8lbs	Capt R. C. Moore	1
Sergt.-Major Joyce's Ubique, 11st 7lbs	Sergt-Major Rose	2
Mr. Boone's Darkie, 7st 13lbs. ...	Owner	3
Capt. Minogue's Greylet, 8st 5lbs ...	Native	0
Mr. Henry Newman's Mountain Queen, 10st 11lbs	Mr. Gardner	0
Mr. Bonnett's Crocodile, 11st 4lbs ...	Owner	0
Mr. Spencer's Black Bess, 10st 3lbs ...	Owner	0
Capt. Peterson's Giraffe, 11st 4lbs ...	Owner	0

Won very easily in 3mins. 16⅕secs.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—For all C. B. ponies 13-3 and under that have never won a race of the value of Rs. 50. Ponies 13-3 to carry 12st. W. I. ½ mile.

Mr. Skeen's Grey Girl. 12st.	Capt. R. C. Moore	1
Capt. Peterson's Gay Hermit, 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. Keen's Sceptre II., 11st. 2lbs. ...	Mr. Marsden	3
Mr. Meiklejohn's Red Gauntlet, 12st.	Owner	0
Capt. Elliott's Cockroach, 12st. ...	Owner	0
Subadar Sunjit Singh's Lhassa, 9st. 12lbs....	Native	0
Mr. Candler's Bahadur II., 7st 10lbs ...	Native	0

Won by five lengths; a length between second and third.

MADRAS GYMKHANA RACES.

Saturday 10th September 1904.

THE success of the first Gymkhana race meeting, held about a month ago, encouraged the holding of another to-day when there was a large and fashionable attendance. The Island Course was in good galloping order; but it was a regular September afternoon, hot and muggy. The Band of the Madras Volunteer Guards played an excellent selection of music. Details:—

THE FORT PLATE.—Rs. 39 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under, which have not won any race of the value of Rs. 39 or over. Half mile.

Mr. A. J. Yorke's b a p Whitelegs, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Syed-Nazir's wht a p Quicksilver, 11st. 2lbs	Mullan	2
The Kumara Rajah of Pittapore's gr a g Claude Duval, 11st. 11b. ...	Capt. Symons	3

Whitelegs and Claude Duval raced together till a furlong from home when Whitelegs came away and won easily. Totalisator paid Rs 7-8.

THE GYMKHANA PLATE.—Rs. 39 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For all horses which have not own a race of Rs. 140 or over from April 1903, winners at the last Gymkhana meeting also ineligible. Half mile.

Mr F. S. Arbuthnot's br aus g Crimea ...	Owner	1
Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur's b aus g Anjinaya, ...	Capt. Symons	2
Mr. W. B. Elwes' br aus g Shamrock ...	Owner	3
Mr. H. F. Sandeman's b aus g Euclid ...	Owner	0
Mr. J. B. Cunliffe's br aus m Flickamaroo...	Owner	0

A bad start of which the Rajah's horse got the worst Crimea made all the running and held a useful lead up the straight. Anjinaya came round his field but could not collar the leader who won with something in hand; Shamrock a length behind third. Totalisator paid Rs. 20.

THE ISLAND PLATE.—Rs. 39 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For English, Australasians and South African Ponies 14-1 and under. Half mile.

Mr. W. H. Oakes' ch aus m Blazes, 11st. ...	Mr. Yorke	1
Mr. W. H. Oakes' b aus m Tulip, 12st. 7lbs.	Capt. Symons	2
Mr. H. N. C. Campbell's sk aus m Magpie, 11st. 7lbs.	Major Bell	3
Mr. F. Branson's br a g The Clown, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

Tulip and Blazes had the race to themselves, the latter winning by a length or more. Totalisator paid Rs. 6-8.

THE MUNRO PLATE.—Rs. 39 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For all horses. One mile.

Mr. T. B. Durham's br aus g Comet, 11st.	Alford	1
Major F. C. Logan-Home's b aus g Harkaway, 10st.	Capt. Symons	2
Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur's b aus g Fountain, 10st.	Shaik Ismael	0

In this race Comet and Harkaway resumed their former struggles; but Mr. Durham's horse again proved himself better than Harkaway. The race up the straight was a good one; but Alford was never forced to ride and won with something to spare. Totalisator paid Rs. 2 10.

THE MOUNT ROAD PLATE.—Rs. 39 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under. ¼ mile.

Mr. E. J. Yorke's g a p Mafeesh, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Major R. M. Bell's b a h Matussan, 11st....	Owner	2
Mr. Syed-Nazir's gr a p Arabi Pasha, 10st. 7lbs.	Shaik Ismael	0

Mafeesh made the running from start to finish and won easily. Totalisator paid Rs. 6-6.

MEERUT SEVENTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

STEWARDS:

COL. P. K. L. BEAVER, | MAJOR C. L. HAMILTON,
COL. G. COCKBURN D. S. O., | MAJOR L. E. KENNARD,
MAJOR S. D. BROWNE, R. A. | CAPT. J. R. GAUSSEN, D.S.O.,
MAJOR W. BLAKENEY, | CAPT. A. COURAGE,
15th "The King's" Hussars

Saturday, 10th September 1904.

Successful sport was provided this afternoon. The attendance was fairly large, and the arrangements all that could be desired. Details:—

TUM TUM STAKES.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all ponies 14 1 and under. Ponies must be capable of going in harness if required by the Stewards. 3 furlongs.

Mr. J. N. Capoor and N. Baker Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 11st. 3lbs.	Pte. Bott	1
Mr. B. Skinner's g a g Grafton, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Native	2
Mr. Walker's sk aus m Lillimur 10st. 10lbs. (car. 10st. 13lbs.)	Buddul	3
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's g a g Faisal, 8st. 7lbs.	Native	0
Sergt. Haupper's ch a g Shotrie, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 8st. 11b.)	Baichan	0

Won by one and half lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—44secs.

CLUB STAKES.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Capt. F. Fail's b aus g John J. P., 11st. 3lbs.	Owner	1
N. Shah Mohamed Khan's gr cb m Silver Princess, 10st. 5lbs. (car. 10st. 8lbs.),...	Kanhai	2
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb h Remount, 9st. 7lbs (car. 9st. 10lbs.)	Baichan	3
Mr. Brandreth's c e m Pirette, 9st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.)	Buddul	0
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b a p Polo Prince, 9st.	Native	0

Won by one and half lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—55secs.

N.-C. OFFICERS' STAKES.—A handicap for all ponies the property of N.-C. Officers and Men of His Majesty's Army.

(Ponies that have won this race more than twice this year, are barred.) Winner Rs. 20, second Rs. 10 if six start. 4 furlongs.

Sub.-Condr. Stephen's b a h Bobs II, 10st. — Owner 1
Corpl. Bank's br cb h Noble, 12st. ... Owner 2
Sergt. Haupper's gr a g Dame, 11st. ... Mr. Wells 3
Sergt. Haupper'e g a g Shotric, 9st. (car. 9st. 8lbs.) ... ... Pte. Bell 0
Corpl. Bank s d cb m Baronet, 8st. 7lbs. Pte Adams 0
Won by two lengths; same distance between second and third.

TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

M. Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labrynth, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 11lbs.) ... ... Baichan 1
Mr. C. J. Ratcliff's g a h Cloibe, 9st. 4lbs. Mr. Wells 2
L. Mehra's rn cb m Elmas, 10st. ... Capt. Fail (disq.)
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's g a g Faisal, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Native 0
Elms and Labrynth made a dead heat a length in front of Cloibe. In the run off Elmas won by a head, but was disqualified and the race given to Labrynth.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 32; and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise. 2½ furlongs.

Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb h Remount, 9st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 11lbs.), ... Capt Fail 1
Capt F. Fail's b cb m Mona, 8st. 8lbs. ... Native 2
Mr. Carton de Wiart's b aus m Bell Manton, 10st. 10lbs. (car. 10st. 13lbs.) ... Baichan 3
Sub.-Condr. Stephen's w c b m Allif, 8st. Native 0
Won by a length; two lengths between second and third.

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

FIFTH MEETING.

Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE CITY PLATE.—About 1¼ miles over seven flights.

Messrs. Macdonnell and Paris' gr aus m Actress.
Mr. A. Matheson's b aus g Parole.
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil.
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades.
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth.

THE OUTRAM PLATE.—About 1½ miles over seven flights.

Mr. MacKellar's b aus g Orphan Boy.
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Whisper.
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Planet II.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up.
Mr. T. G Evers' b aus g Flamingo.
Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia.
Mr. Deakin's gr aus m Blue Bell II.
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. A. Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet.

THE RAMPART PLATE.—About 1 mile over six flights.

Mr. B. Allen's b aus g Young Rake, 14-0½.
Mr. MacKellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 14-1.
Mr. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-8½.
Mr. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 13-3.
Mr. A. Milton's gr a g Kuroki, 14-1½.
Mr. Atkinson's b aus g All Fours, 14-2.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's dk b aus m The Owl, 14-0½.
Mr. T. Uphill's br aus g Norman, 14-2.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus g Shylock, 14-1½.
Mr. G. Pybus' br aus m Calm, 14-1½.

THE FAREWELL HANDICAP.—Six furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Trollop.
Mr. Hamilton's b e m Pierrette.
Mr. Evers' br aus m May B.
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Mulwala.
Mr. Hudson's b e m Stepma (5yrs.)
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea.
Mr. Goves' b aus m Profit.
Mr. Rees' b aus g Oom Paul.
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris.
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades.

THE HARRINGTON PLATE.—Six furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore.
Mr. Hamilton's b e m Pierrette.
Mr D. B. Myer's b aus g Fusilier.
Mr. Evers' b aus m Sunshine.
Mr. Hudson's b e m Stepma.
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob.
Mr. Bhams' b aus m Thunder Cloud.
Prince W. A. Mirza's b aus g Flash.
Mr. Deakin's b aus g Invincible.
Mr. B. B.'s ch e m Reinzette.
Mr. Paris' b e g Winklet.
Mr. McGrath's b aus m Florence.
Mr. Sullivan's ch aus m Pubna.
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris.
Mr. Rees' b aus g Oom Paul.

THE PLASSEY PLATE.—Five furlongs.

Mr. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 13-3.
Mr. Evers' ch e g Mignon, 14-0.
Mr. Galstaun's b aus m Not Yet, 13-3½.
Mr. Lamotte's b aus m Blue Bell, 13-2½.
Mr. Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 14-0.
Mr. Deakin's bk aus m Black Patch, 13-3.
Mr. B. B.'s b cb h Reveille, 14-1.
Mr. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 13-3½.
Mr. Cecil's bk aus m Miss Beryl, 13-3½.
Mr. G. Powell's br aus m Ruin (6yrs.), 13-3.

POONA RACES AND STEEPLECHASES, 1904.

FINAL ENTRIES

Closed on Tuesday, 6th September 1904.

First Day, Wednesday, 21st September 1904.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs.
(1st Entries 19.)
(2nd Entries 1.)

21 Mr. A R. Amer's ... g a h ... Young Kohinoor, 14-0.
22 Mr. Ali bin Talib's ... b a h ... Moon, 13-3½.
23 Mr. Ali bin Talib's ... g a h ... Red, 14-0.

Second Day, Saturday, 24th September 1904.

THE WESTERN INDIA STAKES.—Distance 1¼ miles.
(1st Entries 20.)
(2nd Entries 2.)

23 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ... br aus g ... Tubal Cain (aged).

THE POONA DERBY.—Distance 1½ miles.
(1st Entries 23.)
(2nd Entries nil.)

24 Mr. Ali bin Talib's ... g a h ... Red, 14-0 (aged).

THE ARAB PONY DERBY.—6 furlongs.
(1st Entries 26.)
(2nd Entries nil.)

27 Mr. Gustadjee's ... g a h ... Firdosi, 13-2.
28 Mr. Yusuff Yunasee's ... b a h ... Yerbo, 13-2½

Third Day, Monday, 26th September 1904.

THE POONA GRAND NATIONAL.—Distance about 2 miles. 1 furlong.
(1st Entries 9.)
(2nd Entries 3.)

13 Mr. Peel's ... ... b aus g ... Planet (aged)

Fourth Day Wednesday, 28th September 1904

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Distance 1¼ miles.
(1st Entries 21.)
(2nd Entries 2.)

24 Aga S. Shah's ... ... b e g ... Carburton, 5yrs.

THE CORONATION PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs.
(1st Entries 20.)
(2nd Entries nil.)

21 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ... ... b aus m ... Picture, 14-2.

Fifth Day, Saturday, 1st October 1904.

THE AGA KHAN'S CUP.—Distance 1¼ miles.
(1st Entries 21.)
(2nd Entries 1.)

23 Aga S. Shah's ... b e g ... Carburton 5yrs.

THE LILLIPUT HANDICAP.—Distance 5 furlongs.
(1st Entries 28.)
(2nd Entries nil.)

29 Mr. Percy Fischer's ... ch a h ... Governor, 13-2½
30 Mr. Yusuff Yunasee's ... b a h ... Yerbo, 13-2½.

Sixth Day, Monday, 3rd October 1904.

THE POONA GRAND ANNUAL.—Distance abour 2miles 1 furlong.
(1st Entries 7.)
(2nd Entries 3.)

11 Mr. Peel's ... ... b aus g ... Planet (aged)

THE GANESHKHIND CHASE.—Distance about 1 mile 7 furlongs, over Pony Steeplechase Course.
(1st Entries 9.)
(2nd Entries 1.)

11 Nawab Jaffer Ali Khan's ... ch cb g ... Mirage, 14-1½

THE ALL PONY PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.
(1st Entries 19.)
(2nd Entries nil.)

20 Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's ... ... b aus g ... Picture, 14-2.

THE KIRKEE PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.
(1st Entries 26.)
(2nd Entries nil.)

27 Mr. Percy Fischer's ... ch a h ... Governor, 13-2½

THE GHORPURI PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.
(1st Entries 29.)
(2nd Entries nil.)

30 Mr. Yusuff Yunasee's ... b a h ... Yerbo, 13-2½.

POONA, *7th September 1904.* CURSETJEE DHUNJEESHAW, for *Secretary, W. I. T. C.*

COMPLETE ENTRIES FOR THE BIG RACES.

THE WESTERN INDIA STAKES, 1¼ miles.

1 Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ... b aus g ... Red Coral.
2 Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ... b aus g ... Trenton.
3 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g ... Stand Off
4 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g ... Goldsmith.
5 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b e g ... Simon.
6 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ch e m ... Amplify.
7 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b e g ... Magician.
8 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b cb m ... Gentle Lady.
9 H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Loch Clieveden.
10 H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's... ... ch aus h ... Northumberland.
11 H. H. Aga Khan's ... br e g ... Ayrdale.
12 Mr. Peel's ... ... bl aus g ... Surtaj II., late Miloe.
13 Mr. Peel's ... ... b aus g ... Planet.
14 Mr. Kelso's ... ... ch e g ... Child's Guide.
15 Captain Wilson's ... bl e h ... Misty.
16 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ... ch aus h ... Progredior.
17 Mr W. Bass' ... ... b or br e h ... Carabine.
18 Mr. Galstaun's ... br aus m ... Cretonne.
19 Mr. Galstaun's ... b aus g ... Hoop Iron.
20 Mr. Galstaun's ... br e m ... Sainte Marquise.
21 Mr. Mehta's ... ... br aus m ... Blue Blood.
22 .... Rifleman.
23 M. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's br aus g ... Tubal Cain.

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.—R. C. and distance.

1 Mr. Moss King's ... b a h ... King Cobweb.
2 Major A. C. Hamilton ... ch a h ... Jack Horner.
3 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b a g ... Secunder.
4 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... g a h ... Nero.
5 Hr. Ali bin Talib's ... b a h ... Mameluke.
6 Mr. Ali bin Talib's ... b a h ... Connaught.
7 Mr. Ali bin Talib's ... ch a h ... Hadhur.
8 Messrs. G. H S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's ... b a h ... Smasher.
9 Mr. S. A. Wahed's ... g a h ... Skylark.
10 H. H. Aga Khan's ... ch a h ... Sandow.
11 F. M. Gardas ... ... b a h ... Narunjee.
12 Mr. Peel's ... ... g a h ... Precious.
13 Mr. Love's ... ... ch a h ... Silverman.
14 Colonel Kavan's ... g a h ... Money Spinner.
15 Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's ... ... ch a h ... Gallant.
16 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ... b a h ... Bay Middleton.
17 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ... ... b a h ... Hyderi.
18 Mr. S. W. Webster's ... b a h ... Syndic.
19 Mr. R. Anderson's ... ch a h ... Seagull.
20 Mr. Davis-Cooke's ... br a g ... Marquis II.
21 Mr. A. W. P.'s... ... g a h ... Krupp.
22 Mr. Syed Rasheed's ... ch a h ... Sahab.
23 Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s... b a h ... Adonis.
24 Messr's. G. K. and D. D.'s... b a h ... Berlin.
25 Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s... b a h ... Talisman.

THE AGA KHAN'S CUP.—1¼ miles.

1 Mr. Roy's ... ... b aus g ... Fotheringay.
2 Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ... b aus g ... Trenton.
3 Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ... ch aus g ... Courara.
4 Major F. C. Logan-Home's b aus g ... Corrie Roy.
5 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g ... Stand Off.
6 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g ... Goldsmith.
7 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b e g ... Simon.
8 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ch e m ... Amplify.
9 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b e g ... Magician.
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11 H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Northumberland.
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15 Mr. Kelso's ... ... ch e g ... Child's Guide.
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17 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ... ... ch aus h ... Progredior.
18 Mr. Galstaun's ... br aus m ... Cretonne.
19 Mr. Galstaun's ... b aus g ... Hoop Iron.
20 Mr. Galstaun's ... b e g ... Goldsmith.
21 Mr. Galstaun's ... br e m ... Sainte Marquise.
22 .... Rifleman.
23 Aga. S. Shah's ... b e g ... Carburton.

THE POONA GRAND NATIONAL.—About 2 miles 1 furlong

1 Major Logan-Home's ... bl aus g ... Pope.
2 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b e g ... Simon.
3 Mr. Curmer's... ... b aus g ... Rossi.
4 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ... ch aus m ... Gnullo.
5 Mr. T. L. Roberts' ... br aus g ... Dumb-bell.
6 Mr. T. L. Roberts' ... ch aus g ... Moroney.
7 Mr. H. B. Pike's ... bl aus g ... Musketeer.
8 Mr. J. Alston's ... b aus g ... Dundonald.
9 Mr. W. Bass' ... ... br aus g ... Stoddart.
10 Mr. H. B. Pike's ... roan aus g... Rapid Rhone.
11 .... Peppercorn.
12 Major G. Moore's ... ch aus g ... Daroji.
13 Mr. Peel's ... ... b aus g ... Planet.

THE POONA GRAND ANNUAL.—About 2 miles 1 furlong.

1 Major F. C. Logan-Home's bl aus g ... Pope.
2 Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b e g ... Simon.
3 Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's... ch aus m ... Gnullo.
4 Mr. T. L. Roberts' ... br aus g ... Dumb-bell.
5 Mr. T. L. Roberts' ... ch aus g ... Moroney.
6 Mr. H. B. Pikes ... bl aus g ... Musketeer.
7 Mr. J. Alston's ... b aus g ... Dundonald.
8 Mr H. B. Pike's ... roan aus g... Rapid Rhone
9 .... Peppercorn..
10 Major G. Moore's ... ch aus g ... Daroji (aged).
11 Mr. Peel's ... ... b aus g ... Planet.

Races to Come.

DARJEELING SKY RACES.

First Day, Monday, 17th October, 1904.

UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF

H. H. THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL,
C. R. MARINDIN, ESQ., I. C. S.,
H. H. THE MAHARAJAH OF COOCH BEHAR,
H. H. THE MAHARAJAH OF BURDWAN.

STEWARDS:

F. E. METCALFE, ESQ. — G. GRANT GORDON, ESQ.
G. HENNESSY, ESQ. — MAJOR T. L. COXHEAD, D.S.O., R. A.
J. H. E. GARRETT, ESQ. — MAJOR S. BIRD, R. F.
A. J. SHILLINGFORD, ESQ. — W. H. EDWARDS, ESQ.
C. P. ANDREWS, ESQ. — H. B. ST. LEGER, ESQ.
ALLAN DAVYS, ESQ.

K. L. MACKENZIE, ESQ., *Secretary*, "Mall Lodge," Darjeeling.
With power to add to their number.

NOVICE STAKES.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a stake value Rs. 40 or over. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 12st. and others 13-3½ to carry 12st. 6lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

LHASA PLATE.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For all Bhutia ponies. 13-1 to carry 11st. W. I. previous winners of Rs. 40 or over once, 7lbs.; twice, 14lbs. three times or over; 21lbs. extra. 1 mile.

DESERT STAKES.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under. 14-2 to carry 12st. W. I. ¾ mile.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S CUP.—For a cup, value Rs. 49, presented by H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. For all ponies 14-1 and under. English and Australian 14-1, 12st. 2lbs.; Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1, 10st. 4lbs W. I. Penalties for wins since 1st January 1901: Winner of a race value Rs. 200 or over, once, 5lbs.; twice, 8lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 1 mile.

POLO SCURRY.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For all polo ponies that have played regularly in the Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri Districts during the year 1904. ¼ mile. Best of three heats without leaving the saddle. Catch-weights over 11st. 7lbs.

THE COOCH BEHAR CUP.—For a cup value Rs. 49, presented by H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar. For English and Australians 13-3 and under and Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under that have never own a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and others, 13-3 to carry 12st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

SELLING RACE.—For all ponies 14 hands and under valued at Rs. 750 (limit) or under. W. I. 14 hands to carry 12st. Ponies valued at less than Rs. 750 allowed 7lbs., for every Rs. 50 below the limit, C.-B.'s and Arabs allowed 2lbs. in addition. Any surplus above the selling price will be divided between the Race-fund and the second horse. 5 furlongs. The winner is claimable for the price he is entered for in the race.

THE FRED ARCHER PLATE.—Value Rs. 20 to the first and Rs. 10 to the second, for all Bhutia ponies that have been regularly hired out in the station, to be ridden by N.-C. O.'s or men of the Garrison. No whips or spurs. Catch-weights 11st. 7lbs 5 furlongs.

Second Day, Wednesday, 19th October 1904.

THIBET STAKES.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all Bhutias. 1 mile.

CHOWRASTA HANDICAP.—For a cup value Rs 49. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, orthers 13-3 and under, that have never won a stake value Rs. 40 or over. ¼ mile.

HIMALAYAN PURSE.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. ¾ mile.

THE RAJSHAHI CUP.—For a cup value Rs. 49, presented by the Commissioner of Rajshahi. For all ponies *bonâ-fide* the property of Owners, Managers, and Assistants of Tea Gardens in the Rajshahi Division. W. I. 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. Bhutias allowed 3st. Arabs and C.-B.'s 2lbs. Previous winners of Rs. 40 or over once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; three times or over, 14lbs. extra. 5 furlongs.

HURLINGHAM VASE.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all polo ponies that have played regularly in the Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri Districts during the year 1904. 3 furlongs.

THE BURDWAN CUP.—For a cup value Rs. 49, presented by H. H. the Maharajah of Burdwan. Handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, others 13-3½ and under that have never won a race value Rs. 200 or over. ¾ mile.

KINCHINJUNGA PLATE.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all ponies that have run on the first day 1 mile.

LEBONG PURSE.—For all Bhutia ponies the property of natives and to be ridden by the same.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. C. T. C. rules in force as far as applicable. The decision of the Stewards *final* on all points.
2. Three starters in *bonâ-fide* separate interests or no race; if four starters, Rs. 20 to second, if five starters Rs. 10 to third pony.
3. The Stewards may, if necessary, change the conditions of any race, substitute a new race or alter the order of running.
4. Entries for each race to go to the fund. Entries to close with the Secretary at 6 P.M. on the 15th October. Subscribers to Gymkhana Rs. 4, non-subscribers Rs. 8.
5. C. T. C. and I. P. A. certificates accepted, also Darjeeling or Purneah certificates: all ponies not previously measured must be measured before the Lotteries on the first day's racing. W. I. means 3lbs. allowed for each ½ of an inch.
6. Starting declarations must be submitted in writing to the Secretary before the Lotteries.

7. No one may bid for, or claim any part of, a pony in the Lotteries unless he has taken at least 5 tickets in that race.
8. Professional and native riders barred, except in Lebong Purse.
9. All communications, remittances, etc., to be addressed to the Secretary, Amusement Club, Darjeeling.
10. Owners must declare their colours when entering their ponies.

NOTICES.

1. Lotteries will be held at the Club on the 15th October at 9-30 P. M., and on the 18th October at 6 P M.
2. The course is about 2½ furlongs round, and is left handed.
3. There will be a Totalisator in the Enclosure each day, tickets Rs. 2.
4. Measuring at the Club any morning on due notice being given to the Secretary.

PROSPECTUS OF THE SOUTHERN MAHRATTA AUTUMN RACES

To be held at

BELGAUM

(Under the W.I.T.C. Rules of Racing)

On the 3rd and 5th November 1904.

STEWARDS:

BRIG.-GEN. B. MAHON, C. B., D.S.O.
MAJOR F. W. QUINTON, R. F.A.
MAJOR A. Y. SPEARMAN, R. War. Regt.
CAPT. A. M. ANDERSON, 61st Pioneers.
DR. C. P. BOYCE.
NAVROJI FRAMJI ARDESHIR, ESQ.

First Day, Thursday, 3rd November 1904.

THE MAIDEN STAKES.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. For Maiden Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902 of a race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. 4 furlongs.

THE CLUB STAKES.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. For all Ponies 14-1 and under which have not won races of an aggregate value of Rs. 1,000. Weight—Arabs 14-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. C.-B.'s. 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. Others 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902 of a race value Rs. 150 or, over, once 4lbs., oftener or of a race value Rs 500 or over 7lbs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

THE KURUNDWAD PURSE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. For Arabs 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Weights—14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. 3 furlongs.

THE JAMBOTI PURSE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. For Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—Arabs 14-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. Others 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902 of a race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. 5 furlongs.

THE BELGAUM DERBY.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For Arab Ponies 14-0 and under which have not won races of an aggregate value of Rs. 1,000. Weights—14-0 to carry 11st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 150 or over since the 31st March 1902, once 4lbs., oftener or of a race value Rs. 500 or over 7lbs. Allowances—Ponies which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

THE LAWN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. For Horses which have not won races of an aggregate value of Rs. 1,000. Weights—W. A. and C. raised 28lbs. Penalties—Winners since the 31st. March 1902 of a race, value Rs. 150 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs, oftener or of a race value Rs. 500 or over 10lbs. Allowances—Horses which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 7 furlongs.

Second Day, Saturday, 5th November 1904.

THE KOLHAPUR HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. Handicap for Arabs 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

THE KAGAL HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. Handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

THE SIRSINGY HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. Handicap for Arabs 14-0 and under. 6 furlongs.

THE SAWANTWADI HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. Handicap for Horses. 7 furlongs.

THE FIRST LOSERS HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. Handicap for Arab Ponies which have run but not won at the Meeting. 3 furlongs.

THE SECOND LOSERS HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. Handicap for Ponies other than Arabs which have run but not won at the Meeting. 3 furlongs.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. All entries go to the Fund, subject to the conditions of Rule 139, W.I.T.C.
2. Course Fees (Rs. 6) will be charged for each pony run at the Meeting. This gives free admittance to the Stand and Enclosure.
3. Unless there are at least four entries in separate interests in any race it becomes null and void.
4. Ten per cent. of the Lotteries go to the Fund.
5. Entries must be accompanied by a remittance for full amount or they will not be accepted. No horse will be allowed to start until all sums due on his account have been paid. Entries by telegram must be confirmed by letter forthwith enclosing remittance. Entries for Horse Race must state age and class.
6. All Ponies not holding W.I.T.C. or C.T.C. Certificates of weight will be measured under rule 39. Owners requiring measurements must give notice to the Honorary Secretary with due regard to Condition 7.
7. Starting declarations for first day's Races and Acceptances which will constitute starting declarations for the second day's Handicaps, must be placed in the box kept at the Race Stand for the purpose by 12 noon the day before the race or handicap to which they refer.
8. In all Races (Including Handicaps) licenced jockeys to carry 7lbs extra. G. R.'s who have won a race value Rs. 150 allowed 3lbs. on first day only.
9. Handicaps are open only to horses which have entered for race on the first day.
10. Entrance money for the Losers Handicaps will be refunded to those not eligible to run in them.
11. All communications to be addressed to Honorary Secretary, S. M. Races, Belgaum, and not to anyone by name.
12. First Entries, Rs. 15. Close on the 10th October 1904. Second Entries Rs. 30. Close on the 22nd October 1904.

NOTICES.

Lotteries will be held at the Belgaum Club at 9-30 P.M. the evening before each days races.

Admittance to Stand and First Enclosure Rs. 5 daily. (Members Rs. 3).

Admittance to Second Enclosure Rs. 2 daily.

Soldiers in uniform Rs. 1.

G. B. MARRIOTT, *Captain,*
Hony. Secy. S. M. Races.

PROGRAMME OF THE MADRAS RACES. 1904-1905.

WINTER MEETING

TO BE HELD ON THE ISLAND ON 24th, 26th and 28th January 1905.
Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.

STEWARDS:

MAJOR F. C. LOGAN-HOME.
MAJOR W. D. GUNN, C.V.D.
KUMARA RAJAH OF PITTAPORE.
HON. MR. JUSTICE H. T. BODDAM.
A. J. YORKE, ESQ.

Hon. Secretaries:—
MAJOR R. M. BELL AND MAJOR W. D. GUNN, C.V.D.

Table of Added Money. Entrances, etc.

No. of Race.	Name of Race.	Money added from the Fund. 1st Horse.	2nd Horse.	3rd Horse.	Entrances Close. 1904 15th Dec	1905 10th Jan.	Distance.	Class of Race.	Class of Horse.
	FIRST DAY.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			
1	The Bobbili Plate	200	50	..	10	20	¾ miles.	W.A. & C. raised 21lbs.	Maiden Horses.
2	The Arcot Plate	200	50	..	10	20	4 furlongs	W. I.	English and Australasian Maiden Ponies.
3	The Parlakemidi Plate ..	500	100	50	25	50	5 furlongs	W. I.	Arabs, 14-1 and under.
4	The High Court Plate ..	500	100	50	25	50	1 mile ..	W.A. & C. raised 21lbs.	Horse.
5	The Sree Godavery Plate ..	500	100	50	25	50	5 furlongs	Do.	Country-bred Horses.
	SECOND DAY.								
1	The Rajah V. Kishun Bahadur's Plate ..	200	50	..	10	20	¾ mile	Handicap	Horses.
2	The Venkatagiri Plate ..	200	50	..	10	20	5 furlongs	Do.	Ponies, 14-1 and under.
3	The Ampthill Cup ..	1,500	300	200	60	100	R. C. & 200 yards	Handicap to be published 15th January 1905.	Horses.
4	The Merchants' Plate .	1,000	200	100	35	70	6 furlongs	Handicap	Ponies, 14-2 and under.
5	The Ettayapuram Plate ..	200	50	..	10	20	6 furlongs	Do.	Arabs, 14-1 and under.
	THIRD DAY.								
1	The Dharakota Plate ..	200	50	..	10	20	5 furlongs	Handicap selling race.	Horses.
2	The Importer's Plate ..	200	50	..	10	20	4 furlongs	Do.	Ponies.
3	The Pudukottah Plate ..	500	100	50	25	50	1 mile	Handicap	Horses.
4	The Trades' Plate ..	500	100	50	25	50	5 furlongs	Do.	Ponies, 14-1 and under.
5	The Civil Service Plate ..	200	50	..	10	20	1 mile	Do.	Arabs, 14-1 and under.
	Total ..	6,000	1,400	550					
		8,550							

First Day, Tuesday, 24th January, 1905.

No. 1. THE BOBILI PLATE.—Rs. 250, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 50. For Maiden horses. Weights—W. A. & C. raised 21lbs. Penalties—Winners of a race of Rs. 140 or over, once, 3lbs.; twice 5lbs; thrice or oftener, 7lbs. Allowances—Horses that have not won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs ¾ mile. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 10, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 20.

No. 2. THE ARCOT PLATE.—Rs. 250, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 50. For Maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—English and Australasians 14-1 to carry 11 0 W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race of Rs. 140 or over, once, 3lbs.; twice, 5lbs.; thrice or oftener, 7lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have not won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs. 4 furlongs. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 10, and 10th January 1905 when the race will close, Rs. 20.

No. 3. THE PARLAKEMIDI PLATE.—Rs. 650, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100 and the third Rs. 50. For Arabs, 14-1 and under. Weights—14-1 to carry 10 7 W. I. Penalties—Winners once 3lbs.; twice 5lbs.; thrice or oftener, 7lbs. Allowances—Ponies which have not won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs. 5 furlongs. Entrances 15th December, Rs. 25, and 10th January 1905. when the race will close, Rs 50.

No. 4. THE HIGH COURT PLATE.—Rs. 650, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100 and the third Rs. 50. For Horses. Weights—W. A. & C. raised 21lbs. Penalties—Winners, once, 3lbs.; twice, 5lbs.; thrice or oftener, 7lbs. Allowances—Horses that have not won a race of Rs. 50 or over 7lbs, 1 mile. Entrances.—15th December, Rs. 25, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 50.

No. 5. THE SREE CODAVERY PLATE.—Rs. 650, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100 and the third Rs. 50. For Country-bred horses. Weights—W. A. & C. raised 21lbs. Penalties—Winners of a race of Rs. 140 or over, once, 3lbs.; twice, 5lbs.; thrice or oftener, 7lbs. Allowances—Horses that have not won a race of Rs. 50 or over 7lbs. 5 furlongs. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 25, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 50.

Second Day Thursday, 6th January, 1905.

No. 1. THE RAJA V. KISHUN BAHADUR'S PLATE.—Rs. 250 of which the 2nd horse will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for horses which have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 450 or over since 1st April, 1902. Distance.—¾th mile. Entrances.—15th December, Rs. 10, and 10th January, 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 20.

No. 2. THE VENKATAGIRI PLATE.—Rs. 250, of which the 2nd horse will receive Rs. 50. A Handicap for ponies 14—1 and under. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrances.—15th Distances.—5 furlongs. Entrances.—15th December. Rs. 10, and 10th January, 1905, when the race will close Rs. 20.

No. 3. THE AMPTHILL CUP.—A cup value Rs. 500 presented by H. E. the Governor of Madras and Rs. 2,000 from the fund on) of which the second horse will receive Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. For Horse. Weights—Handicap. R. C. (1¼ miles) and a distance of 200 yards. Entrances—15th December Rs. 60, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 100, with a forfeit of Rs. 20 for every horse not struck out by 18th January 1905. Handicaps to be published by 15th January 1905.

No. 4. THE MERCHANTS' PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 35, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 70, with a forfeit of Rs. 20 for every horse not struck out by 15th January 8905.

No. 5. THE ETTAYAPURAM PLATE.—Rs. 250, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 10, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 20.

Third Day, Saturday 28th January 1905.

No. 1. THE DHARAKOTA PLATE.—Rs. 250, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for horses. Winner to be sold for Rs. 1,200. 5 furlongs. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 10, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 20.

No. 2. THE IMPORTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 250, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 50 A handicap for ponies. Winner to be sold for Rs. 1,000. 4 furlongs. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 10, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 20.

No. 3. THE PUDUKOTTAH PLATE.—Rs. 650, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100, and the third Rs. 50. A handicap for horses. 1 mile. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 25, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close. Rs. 50.

No. 4. THE TRADES' PLATE.—Rs. 650, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 100. and the third Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs. Entrances—15th December, Rs. 25, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close, Rs. 50.

No. 5. THE CIVIL SERVICE PLATE.—Rs. 250. of which the second horse will receive Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs 14-1 and under. 1 mile. Entrances.—15th December, Rs. 10, and 10th January 1905, when the race will close. Rs. 20.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. A course fee of Rs 10 will be charged for every horse or pony started or trained on the course between 1st January 1905, and the end of the meeting.
2. (*a*) All entrance money goes to the fund, subject to Rule 139.
(*b*) Entrance must be accompanied by a remittance for the full amount or they will be refused.
3. With less than 6 entries in *bona-fide* separate interests the Stewards reserve the right to declare any race void under Rule 140.
4. In the case of a walk-over, only half the added money will be given, subject to Rule 140.
5. Mares and Geldings allowed 3lbs. in all races, except selling races and handicaps.
6. In all pony races, except in handicaps and selling races, ponies measured since the 1st April, 1899, will be allowed 7lbs. (This does not apply to Local Measurements)
7. In all races other than selling races and handicaps, a landing allowance will be given to all horses and ponies landed in India direct from the country of foaling. If landed on or after the 1st June 1904, 3lbs.; if landed on or after the 1st October, 6 lbs.
(i) These allowances to be reduced to 3lbs. on winning one race of the value of Rs. 50 and upwards, and to cease on winning two races of that value and upwards.
8. In W. I. Races and other races where a pony is entered the height, and in W. A. Races the age must be stated.
9. All telegrams must be confirmed by letter in accordance with Rule 54.
10. Ponies will be allowed 1st in running against horses in all races except in selling and handicap races
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12. Handicaps will be published at 8 A.M on the day before the race. Starting declarations must be placed in the box on forms provided at the Race Stand, Island, by 9 A.M. on the day before the race.
NOTE (i).—All penalties incurred and allowances claimed must be stated, the colors to be worn and the name of rider must be given, or the declaration may be refused.
(ii).—The losing fee of a jockey must be paid to the Honorary Secretary with the starting declaration, if not otherwise previously arranged.
13. Certificates of height and age of C. T. C., W. I. T. C., and local Stewards (under Rule 39) will be accepted.
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Blackthorn	b aus m...	Messrs. Taylor and Rowan ...	6	14-0¼	For life.
Hat Trick	ch aus m	Mr. R. L. Williamson. ...	4	13-1	31st Mar. 1905.
Homah	... br aus g...	Mr. W. Griffiths...	6	14-0¼	For life.
Laura	... br aus m	Messrs. Taylor and Rowan ...	Aged	13-3	For life.
Mabel Glen	b aus m...	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie ...	6	13 0	For life.
Marie Loyd	b aus m ..	Mr. L. Glance ...	Aged	14-1	For life.
Olga Patricia	... b aus m...	Messrs. Taylor and Rowan ...	6	14-1¼	For life.
Reckless	...b or br aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Aged	14-0¼	For life.
Tamasha	... b aus g...	Mr. J. M. Gregory	4	14-0¼	31st Mar. 1905.
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Waratah	... ch aus g...	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	6	14-2	For life.

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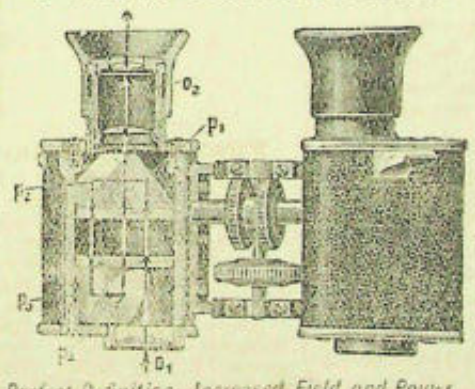
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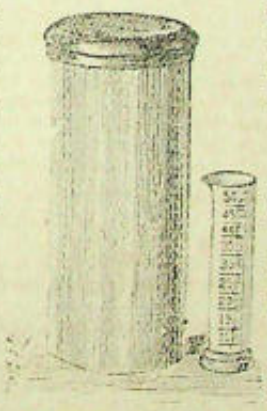
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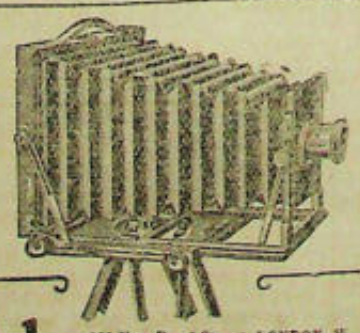
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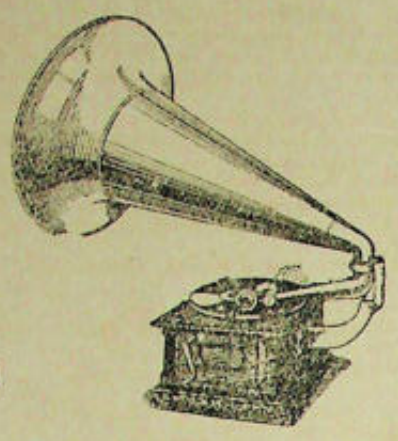
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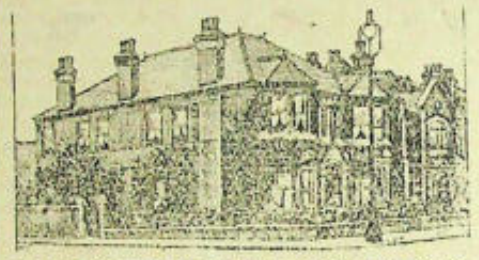
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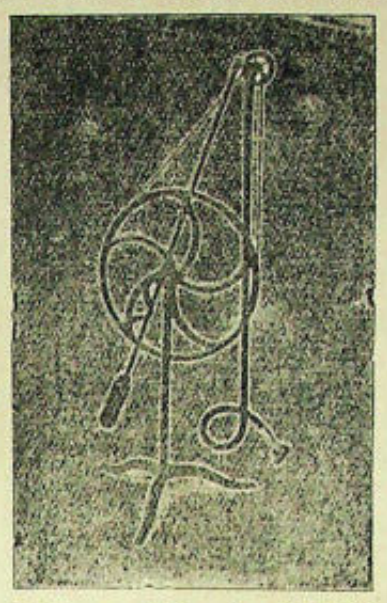
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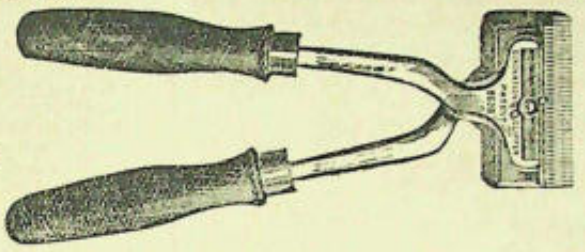
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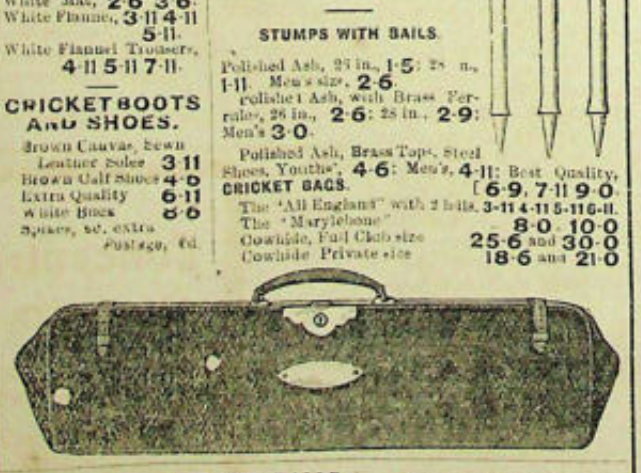
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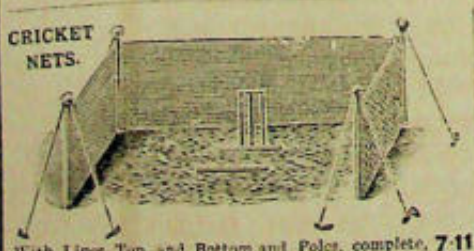
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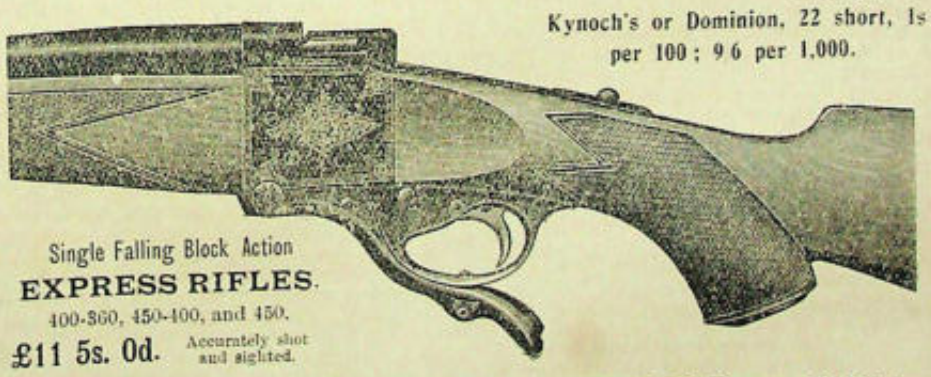
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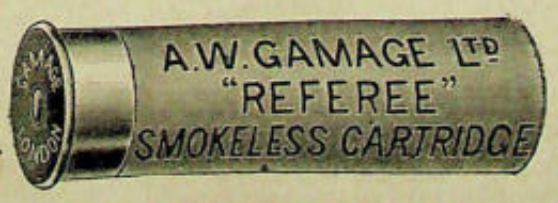
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IN byegone years the York August Meeting seldom passed without exercising a potent influence upon the market for the St. Leger, but those times are no more, and nothing that can happen during the present gathering is in the least likely to effect the prospects of the last "classic" event of the season. The elimination of the French candidates has deprived the great race of most of its interest, and as a speculative medium it is now moribund. Much as the ground was in need of a thorough soaking, the heavy rain which fell throughout on the 23rd instant and the greater part of to-day came at an inopportune moment, so far as the Northern racing community were concerned, for it deterred many intending visitors from putting in an appearance on Knavesmire; but, having regard to the prohibitive conditions, the muster was decidedly good. As the afternoon progressed the weather improved, and the sun was in welcome evidence towards the close. The turf was in beautiful order, and the sport fulfilled expectations.

The Prince of Wales's Stakes of 830sovs., for two-year-olds; colts, 8st. 12lbs.; fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs.; with penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Lord Derby's b or br f Verdiana, by Fiorizel II.—La Reine, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.)	Maher	1
Sir E. Vincent's b or br f Renaissance, 8st. 12lbs.	W. Lane	2
Mr. C. Perkins's b c Coldstream, 8st. 7lbs.	H. Randall	3
Mr. Ernest Dresden's Galantine, 9st. 5lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. E. C. Clayton's High Havens, 8st. 7lbs.	C. Charles	0
Lord Harewood's c, by Sainfoin—Zenana, 8st. 7lbs	H. Jones	0
Lord Crewe's Marliacea 8st. 4lbs. ...	M. Cannon	0
Mr. R. W. B. Jardine's f, by Queen's Birthday—Sweetbriar 8st. 4lbs. ...	H. Aylin	0

(*Winner trained by G. Lambton.*)

Betting: 6 to 4 agst. Renaissance, 7 to 4 Galantine, 8 to 1 Coldstream, 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Sweet Briar filly was fourth, Zenana colt fifth, Marliacea next, and Galantine, who broke a blood-vessel, last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 5⅗secs.

The Yorkshire Oaks of 610sovs., for three-year-old fillies, 8st 10lbs.; with penalties and allowances. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. F. Alexander's b f Bitters, by St. Serf—Mara, 9st. 11lb.	W. Lane	1
Mr. Reid Walker's br f Donaria, 8st. 10lbs.	O. Madden	2
Mr. J. Joicey's ch f Lady of the Vale, 8st. 10lbs.	Maher	3
Lord Falmouth's Fiancée, 9st. 3lbs. ...	H. Randall	0
Sir E. Cassel's Persil, 8st 10lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Lord Ellesmere's Dark Lantern, 8st. 3lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. R. A. Oswald's Sabina, 8st. 3lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Duke of Westminster's King's Favour, 8st. 3lbs.	M. Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

Betting: 5 to 4 agst. Bitters, 2 to 1 King's Favour, 8 to 1 Lady of the Vale, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by a head; a length and-a-half between the second and third. King's Favour, who broke down, was fourth, Fiancée was fifth, Persil next, and Sabina last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 11⅘secs.

The Lonsdale Welter Handicap Plate of 260sovs. One mile and-a-half.

Mr. S. Gotteschalk's ch m Emily Melton, by Melton—Sundew, aged, 8st. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. E. Carlton's br c Ariosto, 4yrs., 7st. 4lbs.*	Blades	2
Lord Penrhyn's br g Haresfield, 6yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	K. Cannon	3
Capt. Laing's Padlock II., 6yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	Hardy	0
Mr. C. Perkins's Roseburn, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	H. Randall	0
Mr. James Fagan's Rose Point, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	Griggs	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by J. Cannon.*)

Betting: 7 to 4 agst. Harefield, 7 to 2 Rose Point, 4 to 1 Emily Melton, 7 to 1 Padlock II., 8 to 1 Ariosto, and 10 to 1 Roseburn.

Won by a length and-a-half; a short head divided the second and third. Roseburn was fourth, and Rose Point last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 38⅘secs.

The Nunthorpe Stakes of 228sovs.; weight for age, etc. Five furlongs.

Mr. L. E. B. Homan's ch f Meadow Music, by Sainfoin—Rondo, 2yrs., 6st. 3lbs.* (£100)	Saxby	1
Mr. W. Alderson's ch g Hand in Hand, 4yrs., 8st. 11lb. (£100)	Sharples	2
Col. H. T. Fenwick's ch c Sea Log, 4yrs., 8st. 9lbs. (£100)	J. Dalton	3
Sir Eldon Gorst's Fansy Masters, 4yrs., 8st. 12lbs. (£250)	H. Jones	0
Mr. F. W. Lambton's Lilburn, 3yrs., 8st. 7lbs. (£200)	Maher	0
Mr. Masbro's Wedding Tour, 3yrs., 8st. 11lb. (£100)	Trigg	0
Mr. F. S. Barnard's f, by Raeburn—Cecil, 2yrs., 6st. 8lbs. (£100)	Rollason	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Walters, Junior.*)

Betting: 11 to 8 agst. Hand in Hand, 9 to 4 Meadow Music, 6 to 1 Fansy Masters, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by three-parts of a length: five lengths divided the second and third. Fansy Masters was fourth, Cecil filly fifth, and Lilburn last. The winner was bought in for 440 guineas.

The anniversary of the Great Ebor Handicap in one of the most important festivals of the year in York, and it is to be hoped, for the sake of old associations, that the time when interest in the famous contest begins to flag is yet far distant. From all parts of the county of acres the sturdy Tykes bent their steps towards the ancient cathedral city, and excursion trains from the Midlands and the North landed thousands of holiday-makers within a mile of the course. Midday "finals" were selling like hot cakes in the streets before the clocks had struck nine, and the scene upon Knavesmire when the ball was set rolling was in keeping with the most glorious traditions of the August Meeting. The weather had taken a turn for the better, the wind remaining in a northerly quarter, and the air was decidedly autumnal. That the majority of those who came to see the big race were hopeful of witnessing the victory of the Yorkshire trained candidate, Palmy Days, was abundantly evident from their conversation, but unhappily they were doomed to disappointment, the gallant daughter of Trenton failing by half a length to hold her own against the Irish candidate, War Wolf. So well had the Middleham mare been tried that no more than 2 to 1 was obtainable about her chance, the victory of her stable companion, Kirkbride, in the opening event tending to still further diminish the price that was current before racing.

The Convivial Produce Stakes of 500sovs., for two-year-olds; colts, 8st. 12lbs.; fillies, 8st. 9lbs.; with penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Mr. James Joicey's b c Grand Medal, by Grand Duke—Queen of the Mint, 8st. 2lbs.	Hardy	1
Mr. A. Farrar's b f Lady Marlborough, 8st. 4lbs.	Trigg	2
Lord Crewe's b c Polymelus, 9st. 5lbs. ...	M. Cannon	3
Mr. E. Foster's The King, 8st. 12lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Rear-Admiral Lambton's Eurotas, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 5lbs.)	D. Maher	0
Mr. J. Musker's Footling, 7st. 13lbs. ...	O. Madden	0

(*Winner trained by T. Leander.*)

Betting: 2 to 1 on Polymelus, 7 to 1 agst. Eurotas, 8 to 1 Lady Marlborough, 100 to 12 Footling, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a length and-a-half; a short head divided second and third. The King was fourth, and Eurotas last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 6secs.

The Duke of York Stakes of 490sovs. for three-year-olds; colts 8st 12lbs.; fillies and geldings, 8st. 9lbs.; with penalties and allowances. One mile and a half.

Mr. Ed. Lamb's b c, by Hackler—Erin, 8st. 5lbs.	Hardy	1
Mr. J. Musker's br c The Warrior, 8st. 12lbs.	O. Madden	2
Lord Falmouth's b c Esquire, 8st. 5lbs. ...	Watts	3
Mr F. Alexander's Andover, 9st. 5lbs. ...	W. Lane	0
Lord Farquhar's Airlie, 9st. 3lbs. ...	D. Maher	0

(*Winner trained by C. Waugh.*)

Betting: 9 to 4 on Andover, 9 to 4 agst. Airlie, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by three-quarters of a length from The Warrior, who only beat Esquire by a short head for second place. Andover, a short head behind, was placed fourth. Time by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 43⅗secs.

The Great Ebor Handicap Plate of 900sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

Mr. J. C. Sullivan's b h War Wolf, by Wolf's Crag—Annora, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs ...	W. Higgs	1
Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's bl or br f Palmy Days, by Trenton—Pallanza, 4yrs., 9st.	D. Maher	2
Major Eustace Loder's b f Hammerkop, by Gallinule—Concussion, 4yrs., 8st. 13lbs...	W. Lane	3
Mr. J. Buchanan's Hands Down, by Meddler—Handspun, 3yrs., 8st. 11b. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. J. F. Appleyard's Given Up, by Winkfield—Surrender, 3yrs., 7st ...	J. Rollason	0
Lord Wolverton's Flor di Cuba, by Florizel II.—Isoletta, 4yrs., 7st. 11b	W. Griggs	0
Mr. W. Low's Imari, by Rightaway—Winsome Charteris, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs.* ...	W. Saxby	0
Mr. C. Trimmer's Aralia, by Quæsitum—Carmine 6yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	C Trigg	0
Mr. H. Bottomley's Wargrave, by Carbine—Warble, 6yrs., 8st 5lbs.* ...	A. Sharples	0
Mr. W Bass's Wet Paint, by St Frusquin—Red Enamel 5yrs. 8st. 5lbs. ...	F. Hardy	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Betting: 2 to 1 agst. Palmy Days, 4 to 1 Hands Down, 9 to 2 War Wolf, 100 to 9 Hammerkop 100 to 8 Imari, 100 to 7 Wet Paint, 100 to 6 Wargrave, 20 to 1 Aralia, 20 to 1 Given Up, 20 to 1 Flor di Cuba.

Places: 6 to 4 on Palmy Days, Evens War Wolf and Hands Down, 5 to 2 agst. Imari, 3 to 1 Hammerkop, 4 to 1 Wet Paint, 4 to 1 Wargrave, 5 to 1 Aralia, 5 to 1 Given Up, and 5 to 1 Flor di Cuba.

Imari was the first to leave the paddock, and was followed in the parade by War Wolf, Given Up, Hands Down, Aralia, Wet Paint, Palmy Days, and Wargrave, with Hammerkop and Flor di Cuba bringing up the rear. War Wolf led the canter from Given Up, Imari, and Hands Down, Aralia being the last to reach the post, except Wargrave, who bolted a short way. The white flag was hoisted at 3-53, and the lot were despatched to a capital start six minutes later, Palmy Days being the first to show in front of Flor di Cuba, Imari, and Aralia, these being clear of Wargrave, Hammerkop, and Given Up, with Hands Down last for about a quarter of a mile. Then Aralia went on with a slight lead of Wet Paint, Flor di Cuba, Palmy Days, Imari, and Hammerkop, War Wolf dropping back last behind Hands Down. At the mile post Imari took second place, followed by Given Up and Flor di Cuba, these being about four lengths in advance of Wet Paint, who in turn was clear of Palmy Days till six furlongs from home, when Imari went on with a slight lead of Given Up, Aralia, War Wolf, Palmy Days, and Hammerkop, the lot being well in advance of Flor di Cuba and Hands Down Wargrave dropping into the rear. When fairly in the line for home Imari, Given Up, and Aralia were done with, and Palmy Days came on with a slight lead of War Wolf and Hammerkop, but she failed to hold her own against the Irish horse, who wore her down and won an exciting race by half a length; a length and-a-half separated the second and third. Hands Down was fourth, and, after a long interval, Given Up was fifth, Flor di Cuba sixth, Imari seventh, Aralia next, and Wet Paint last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 3secs.

Harvesting operations are keeping the farmers busily occupied just now, and though many of them managed to snatch a brief holiday to witness the race for the Ebor Handicap yesterday in accordance with long standing precedent, their absence was noticeable yesterday. Even so, the muster upon Knavesmire for the concluding stage of the fixture testified to the extreme popularity of the gathering with the townsfolk, and it was their privilege to assist at a capital afternoon's sport. A change of wind into the southwest during the night was followed by an appreciable rise in the temperature and storm clouds hovered overhead, threatening discomfort to racegoers, but happily the storm held off. Backers of favourites fared disastrously.

The Gimcrack Stakes of 5sovs. each, for two year olds; colts, 8st. 12lbs.; fillies, 8st. 9lbs.; with penalties and allowances. Six furlongs.

Mr. P. P. Gilpin's b or br f Desiree, by Velasquez—Darkie, 9st. 4lbs ...	W. Lane	1
Mr. E. Dresden's b c Galangal 9st. 11lb. ...	O. Madden	2
Mr. de Wend-Fenton's b or br c Vedas, 8st. 7lbs.	G. McCall	3
Sir E. Vincent's Shah Jehan, 8st. 7lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. F. Alexander's Chuckaway, 8st. 12lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. W. Taylor Sharpe's Mark Wood, 8st. 12lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. Douglas Baird's Fusilier, 8st. 7lbs. ...	H. Aylin	0
Mr. C. B. L. Fernandes's c, by Minting—Lady Bunbury, 8st. 7lbs.	Watts	0
Lord Westbury's Premiere Marche, 8st. 4lbs.	Hardy	0
Mr. Angus Bell's Poor Joe, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Griggs	0
Mr. C. F. Hilyard's Historical Year, 8st. 7lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. C. Perkins's Stillingfleet, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Randall	0
Lord Carnarvon's Jongleuse, 8st. 4lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. T. W. P. Rivis's f, by Prisoner—The Empress Maud, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Dalton	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Betting: 5 to 4 on Vedas, 5 to 1 agst. Shah Jehan, 10 to 1 Desiree, 100 to 6 Mark Wood, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by half a length; a length and-a-half divided the second and third. Shah Jehan was placed fourth, Jongleuse was fifth, Premiere Marche sixth, Mark Wood seventh, Chuckaway eigth, Fusilier next, and Poor Joe last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 16⅕secs.

The Great Yorkshire Stakes of 890sovs. for three-year olds; colts, 8st. 12lbs.; fillies and geldings, 8st. 9lbs.; with penalties and allowances. One mile and a half.

Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's b or br c Castello, by Fiorizel II.—Caserta, 8st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	1
Duke of Westminster's br c Rydal Head, 9st. 6lbs.	M. Cannon	2
Mr. C. Perkins's ch c Inverkeithing, 8st. 7lbs.	Randall	3
Mr. Henning's Galapas, 9st. 3lbs. ...	K Cannon	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Marsden, 9st. 3lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Lord Stanley's Flamma, 9st.	D. Maher	0

(*Winner trained by Ryan.*)

Betting: 6 to 4 agst. Galapas, 9 to 4 Rydal Head, 4 to 1 Inverkeithing, 7 to 1 Flamma, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won decisively by five lengths; four lengths between the second and third. Flamma was fourth and Galapas last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2m ns. 36secs.

The Harewood Handicap Plate of 4?5sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr. J. F. Jackson's b or br m Scarem, by Pioneer—Awe, 6yrs., 6st. 12lbs * ..	Sharples	1
Mr. F. Alexander's ch f Part Malt, 4yrs., 8st.	W. Lane	2
Col. H. T. Fenwick's b f Cherry Agnes, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Saxby	3
Mr. Ned Clark's Rising Falcon, 4yrs., ... 8st. 8lbs	G. McCall	0
Lord Derby's Chaucer, 4yrs. 8st. 3lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. H. Howard Vyse's Gun Club, 4yrs., 8st. 7lb.	Hardy	0
Mr. J. Musker's Lord Toddington, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. G. W. Smith's Electric Current, aged, 6st. 11lbs.	Trigg	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Armstrong.*)

Betting: 7 to 4 agst. Chaucer, 100 to 30 Scarem, 5 to 1 Cherry Agnes, 7 to 1 Part Malt, 8 to 1 Rising Falcon, 10 to 1 each Gun Club and Lord Toddington, and 100 to 8 Electric Current (offered).

Won by three-parts of a length; two lengths separated the second and third. Electric Current was fourth, Chaucer fifth, Lord Toddington next, and Gun Club last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 4⅘secs.

CRICKET.

Surrey vs. Middlesex.—Played at Lord's on 18th, 19th, and 20th August, Middlesex won by two wickets. There was no advantage in winning the toss in this match. On the one hand the wicket was perhaps a little less difficult before lunch on the first day than it was afterwards; on the other hand the ball travelled much more quickly in the afternoon than in the morning, while on the second day the conditions were about the same for either side, and on Saturday the wicket had vastly improved. On the whole the total made by Surrey in the first innings was good under the circumstances, and it was not at all surprising that only a few batsmen were equal to the occasion. Davis played an attractive innings, making thirty out of 45 in three quarters of an hour, but half the side were out for 93, and at lunch time six wickets were down for 106. Meanwhile Hayes had been playing a bold game, taking risks as necessary if runs were to be made, but hitting with much judgment. He survived until the total was 141. He made fifty-six out of 85 in an hour and twenty minutes, and his fine batting had a great deal to do with the excellent position held by Surrey at the close of the day. The over in which Hayes was bowled by Hearne was unfortunate for Surrey, for off the next ball (the third of the over) Lees was caught in the long field, and with the fifth Montgomery was bowled, so that Hearne took three wickets in four balls. Nice and Stedman made a very useful 38 for the last wicket. The Middlesex men who batted were very uncomfortable with Lees and Crawford. None of them looked like making runs, and when the day's play ended at a quarter-past six, owing to the bad light, four wickets were down for 69. On Friday the wicket was faster, and the ball travelled more quickly than on the previous day, but the bowlers always had the best of the situation. The fifth Middlesex wicket fell without any addition to the score; seven men were out when the total was 83, and at 84 the eighth wicket fell. In the end Surrey had the very useful lead of 70. In their second innings Surrey soon lost Davis, but Hayward and Raphael played fine cricket, and at lunch time the score was 56 for one. Afterwards the bowlers, more especially Bosanquet, began to make themselves conspicuous, and when Hayward was stumped at 78 for a beautiful innings of 53, and Raphael left for an equally good 49, no one except Hayes could do anything with the bowling. Fortunately for Surrey Hayes was again in brilliant form, and in the course of an hour's delightful batting he made 31 out of 87, and for the second time in the match played an innings which was of vast assistance to his side. Middlesex, with 250 to make, lost Douglas and Warner before a run was scored, and before five minutes past six when stumps were drawn on account of the bad light, Field and Bosanquet were both bowled by Crawford, who, so far, had taken three wickets for 11 runs in this innings. Unfortunately for Surrey the wicket was greatly improved on Saturday, and after a splendid fight they were defeated. Wells and Beldam made a stubborn resistance to the bowling, and they were not separated until their partnership had produced 88 runs in a little less than two hours. Wells was then dismissed for 38, having helped to put a far better appearance on the game. MacGregor came in and played the slowest of cricket, and when he had been in for an hour his score was only 17. Meanwhile Beldam was steadily plodding on, and at lunch time he and MacGregor were still

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together, with the score at 172. Thus Middlesex only required 78 to win with five wickets in hand. But soon after lunch Beldam was caught and bowled when he had brought his total to 98, after playing the most patient cricket for more than four hours. Of course his innings was of the utmost value to his side, and had a great deal to do with its ultimate success. After Beldam's dismissal the hopes of Surrey men rose, for Palmer and More were promptly disposed of, and with only two wickets in hand Middlesex still required runs to win. The game became extremely exciting, but MacGregor was playing a perfectly safe game while Trott did not seem uncomfortable, and the score rapidly mounted until when three runs were required to win MacGregor was missed in the slips off Lees, who had been exceedingly unlucky, beating his man time after time only to see the ball just miss the wicket by a fraction of an inch. It was the last straw, and Middlesex won a splendid victory without further loss. Trott and MacGregor put on 54 runs in fifty minutes, and played the only attractive cricket seen during the day. MacGregor was batting for two hours and three-quarters for his most valuable innings of 63 and once more proved himself to be one of the best men in England for a tight place.

SURREY.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
Hayward, c Beldam, b Trott	...	14	st. MacGregor, b Bosanquet	...	38
Davis, c Douglas, b Hearne	...	30	c Douglas, b Trott	...	5
J. E. Raphael, c MacGregor, b Hearne	...	6	l-b-w, b Bosanquet	...	49
Abel, c Beldam, b Trott	...	8	b Bosanquet	...	2
Hayes, b Hearne	...	56	c Douglas, b Bosanquet	...	52
J. N. Crawford, b Trott	...	7	c Palmer, b Bosanquet	...	11
Holland, c Beldam, b Trott	...	1	b Bosanquet		0
Montgomery, b Hearne	...	1	c and b Wells	...	12
Lees, c Douglas, b Hearne	...	0	not out	...	6
Nice, c Wells, b Bosanquet	...	25	l-b-w, b Wells	...	6
Stedman, not out	...	10	l-b-w, b Wells	...	0
B 10 lb 2	...	12	B 1, lb 2	...	3
Total	...	179	Total	...	179

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
P. F. Warner, c Raphael, b Lees		14	b Lees	...	0
J. Douglas, l-b-w, b Crawford	..	20	c Stedman, b Crawford		0
G. W. Beldam, b Lees	...	4	c and b Nice	...	98
E. Field, b Lees	..	6	b Crawford	...	7
B. J. T. Bosanquet, c Stedman, b Crawford	...	13	b Crawford	...	1
C. M. Wells b Lees	...	26	c Hayes, b Nice	...	38
C. Palmer, b Crawford	...	1	b Nice	...	0
R. E. More, b Cawford	...	3	b Crawford	...	3
Trott (A. E.), b Lees	...	5	not out	...	26
G. MacGregor, c Raphael, b Nice		9	not out	...	63
Hearne (J. T), not out	...	0			
Bayes	...	8	B 9, lb 2, w 1, nb 2		14
Total	...	109	Total (8 wkts)	...	250

SURREY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne	30	13	50	5		8	1	20	0
Trott...	38	18	84	4		18	2	42	1
Wells	10	2	31	0		5·5	0	22	3
Bosanquet	1·2	0	2	1		19	0	75	6
					Beldam	3	0	10	0
					More	4	2	7	0

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lees...	33	17	40	5		34·5	13	60	1
Crawford	25	8	51	4		36	11	72	4
Nice...	7·3	3	10	1		28	5	65	3
					Montgomery	9	2	18	0
					Davis	4	0	15	0
					Hayes	4	0	6	0

Lees bowled one wide and two no-balls.

ESSEX *vs.* LEICESTERSHIRE.—Played at Leicester on 18th 19th, and 20th August. Essex won by nine wickets. There was some interesting cricket on the first day of this match, Essex making 45 for one wicket against a total of 314 by their opponents. Most of the Leicestershire men played good cricket, but by far the best innings of the day was the 103 by A. E. Knight, who was at the wickets for two hours and-a-quarter. His partnership with King produced 101 runs in an hour and twenty minutes. McGahey's bowling proved very useful to Essex. On Friday McGahey and Turner took charge of the bowling, and put on 189 runs for the fourth wicket. McGahey was then run out after playing almost perfect cricket for two hours and three-quarters. Turner was three hours in compiling his splendid innings of 102. After this partnership was broken there was a surprising breakdown in the batting against the bowling of Gill, who, after lunch, took five wickets for 34 runs, while in the course of the innings he took eight wickets for 91, a very fine performance indeed. The sudden downfall of the Essex batsmen was followed by an equally surprising collapse when Leicestershire went in again, and although De Trafford and Wood batted well, six wickets fell for 79 before the day's play ended. Thus Leicestershire with only four wickets in hand, were 96 runs on. The last four men made a splendid effort on Saturday to put a better appearance on the game, and although the effort came too late, it enabled Leicestershire to give their opponents the task of making 204 to win. Fane and Carpenter played a beautiful game, and put up 133 for the first wicket in less than an hour and three quarters, Carpenter making some brilliant hits. When Fane left, Perrin joined Carpenter, and the two men played out time. Carpenter was batting for two hours and twenty minutes for his excellent innings of 108 not out, and among his hits were seventeen 4's.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
C. E. De Trafford, c Carpenter, b Benham	...	25	c Perrin, b McGahey	...	20
C. J. B. Wood, c Reeves, b Keigwin	...	21	c Sewell, b Reeves	...	21
K. Joyce, c Fane, b Benham		32	st. Littlehales, b McGahey		6
King, l-b-w, b Reeves	...	46	b McGahey,	...	2
Knight, b McGahey	...	103	c Turner, b Reeves	...	5
Whitehead, b McGahey	...	4	c Littlehales, b Reeves	...	13
Coe, b McGahey		9	b Reeves	...	7
Gill, c Perrin, b Reeves		7	b Reeves	...	35
W. W. Odell, not out	...	29	c and b Reeves	...	44
Allsopp, c Littlehales b McGahey	...	18	b Benham	...	21
Whiteside, l-b-w, b Reeves		1	not out	...	4
B 10, lb 9	...	19	B 7, lb 1	...	8
Total	...	314	Total	...	186

ESSEX.

F. L. Fane, b Gill	...	4	Reeves, c and b Coe	...	7
Carpenter, b Gill	...	27	Rev. C. G. Littlehales, not out	...	19
P. A. Perrin, c King, b Gill		18	Buckenham, b Gill	...	7
C. H. McGahey, run out	...	88	Benham, b Gill	...	10
A. J Turner, c Whitehead, b Gill	...	102	B 10, lb 1, nb 3, w 1	...	15
R. P. Keigwin, b Gill	...	0	Total	...	297
Sewell, c Whiteside, b Gill		0			

Second innings:—F. L. Fane, c Whiteside, b Odell, 45; Carpenter, not out, 108; P. A Perrin, not out, 32; B 16, nb 2, w 1.—Total (1 wkt.) 204.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Reeves ...	37	3	7	97	3 ...	26	8	83	6
Benham ...	26	1		92	2 ...	4	0	9	1
Keigwin ...	8	1		26	1 ...				
Buckenham ...	3	0		9	0 ...	9	1	24	0
Sewell ...	2	0		3	0 ...				
McGahey ...	14	1		68	4 ...	30	13	62	3

ESSEX.

First innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gill ...	34·1	6		91	8 ...	10	0	56	0
Odell ...	18	4		52	0 ...	8	0	35	1
King ...	12	3		20	0 ...	7	5	2	0
Allsopp ...	9	2		38	0 ...	11	4	35	0
Coe ...	22	2		56	1 ...	10	0	25	0
Whitehead ...	4	1		19	0 ...	7	0	32	0
Joyce ...	3	0		11	0 ...				

Gill delivered five no-balls and Odell two wides.

MIDDLESEX *vs.* KENT.—Played at Lord's on 22nd, 23rd, and 24th August. Middlesex won by one wicket. Kent have done so exceedingly well lately, and Middlesex are so strong that the meeting between the two counties had been anticipated with great interest. Unfortunately the weather greatly interfered with the match. On the first day Kent, who were fortunate to win the toss, batted until lunch time on a soft and easy wicket and scored 139 runs for three wickets, but rain then set in, and although it ceased at about four and the players waited until nearly five o'clock, no further cricket was possible. Alec Hearne and Humphreys put up 71 for the first wicket in less than an hour, Humphreys playing most attractive cricket. Seymour was missed almost immediately after he went in, and then made 23 of the next 32 runs. Day did very little, but Mason remained till lunch time with Alec Hearne, who had then made 52, the result of two hours' steady cricket. On Tuesday morning the wicket was still very slow and runs were not easy to obtain. Mason was soon out, but Blaker played brilliant cricket, scoring 53 out of 67 in an hour while Alec Hearne still plodded steadily on. After Blaker was out Alec made 24 runs in half-an-hour, while Marsham was making nine or ten. At lunch time the total was 258 for seven wickets, Alec Hearne being not out 94. As soon as he had made his hundred, after batting most patiently for four hours and-a half the innings was declared closed the Kent captain evidently thinking that the psychological moment had come. But the Middlesex men batted exceedingly well, and although three wickets fell for 63, Warner, who had been playing admirable cricket, and Bosanquet, then got together and increased the score to 125 before rain stopped play. Warner was then not out 72 and Bosanquet not out 23. The next day Warner was soon run out, the partnership having accounted for 79 runs in an hour, but Bosanquet played a delightful game driving with great power, and scoring his 80 runs in an hour and-a half. He received very little assistance, and the tail broke down badly before the bowling of Mason and Blythe. Kent had a lead of 61, but it soon became a question whether this was enough, for Bosanquet was in great form with the ball, and no one except Humphreys and Blythe could do anything with the Middlesex bowling. The result was that Middlesex only had to make 135 to win, with three hours before them, a difficult task on a drying wicket. From the first it was pretty clear that there was going to be a hard fight for victory by both sides, but for some little time the batting was a little ahead of the bowling, and when Beldam and Field made 57 for the third wicket, it looked as if Middlesex might possibly win with some ease. But from this time the bowlers began to gain the upper hand, and when seven wickets were down for 90 their side had an excellent chance of winning. But Middlesex struggled on, and gained a splendid victory when the last two men were in. Wells and Payne played with the utmost pluck at very critical time. As things turned out the Kent captain made a mistake in declaring his first innings, but it was a plucky thing to do, and the result was almost worth it.

KENT.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
Hearne (A.), not out	...	100	c Douglas, b J. T. Hearne	...	4
Humphreys, st Payne, b Bosanquet	...	42	st Payne, b Bosanquet		21
Seymour, st Payne, b Bosanquet	...	23	b Trott	...	8
S. H. Day, l-b-w, b Trott	...	5	c Wells, b Trott	...	9
J. R. Mason, b Hearne	...	13	b Hearne	...	5
R. N. R. Blaker, b Wells	...	53	b Bosanquet	...	8
C. H. B. Marsham, b Wells		9	run out	...	3
Huish, l-b-w, b Wells	...	0	l-b-w, b Bosanquet	...	2
Fairservice, c Douglas, b Bosanquet	...	15	b Bosanquet	...	0
Blythe not out	...	2	not out	...	18
Fielder, did not bat	...		Douglas, b Bosanquet	...	1
B 6, lb 12	...	18	Extras	...	9
Total (8 wkts)	...	*280	Total	...	83

* Innings declared closed.

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
J. Douglas, c Humphrey, b Blythe	...	14	st Huish, b Blythe	...	0
P. F. Warner, run out	...	78	c Humphreys, b Blythe		10
G. W. Beldam, c Huish, b Fairservice	...	14	b Mason	...	27
E. Field, c Seymour, b Blythe		1	c Mason, b Blythe	...	30
B. J. T. Bosanquet, b Humphreys	...	80	b Mason	...	3
C. M. Wells, b Mason		5	not out	...	29
Trott (A. E.), c Marsham, b Mason	...	2	run out	...	7
C. Palmer, c Mason, b Blythe		15	c Mason, b Blythe	...	3
R. E. More, c Blaker, b Mason		6	c Marsham, b Blythe	...	0
M. W. Payne, st Huish, b Blythe	...	6	c Huish, b Fielder	...	20
Hearne (J. T.), not out	...	0	not out	...	0
Extras	...	8	Extras	...	6
Total	...	229	Total (9 wkts)	...	135

KENT.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hearne (J. T.)	20	7	42	1		17	7	26	2
Trott	27	14	59	1		9	0	25	2
Bosanquet	22	1	76	3		7·1	1	23	5
Wells	31	3	73	3					
More	5	2	12	0					

Bosanquet bowled one wide

MIDDLESEX.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Blythe	28	1	102	4		19	8	32	5
Humphreys	7	2	27	1					
Fairservice	20	9	35	1		5	3	5	0
Mason	12	3	30	3		20·3	3	66	2
Hearne	9	1	27	0					
					Fielder	9	2	26	1

Mason delivered one no-ball and Fielder a wide.

SURREY *vs.* SOMERSET.—Played at Taunton on 22nd, 23rd, and 24th August. Somerset won by seven wickets. There was no play in this match on Monday on account of previous rain. Surrey won the toss on Tuesday and batted on a wicket which seemed likely to become very difficult before the end of the day. Hayward and Raphael played excellent cricket, Raphael hitting very hard at times, but the ball had such an advantage over the bat that at lunch time seven wickets were down for 100 runs. Afterwards Baily and Lees played fine cricket, the former showing sound defence, and the latter hitting boldly. For such a difficult wicket the Surrey total of 156 was by no means bad, and when Somerset went in they could do very little indeed with Crawford, who, bowling with excellent judgment, had all his men in difficulties from the first. Lees also bowled well, but with very bad luck. Surrey had the very useful lead of 87. Davis, who went in first with Hayward, hit very hard and well when Surrey went in again, and when stumps were drawn the two men had made 64 without being separated, so that Surrey, with all their wickets in hand, were 151 runs on, and decidedly in a winning position. But of the last day's cricket there is a sad tale to tell as far as Surrey is concerned. The partnership between Hayward and Davis was broken after the latter had increased his score by five, and this was the beginning of the end. Raphael, McDonell, and Lees all made useful scores, but Braund was admirably suited by the wicket and the result was a break down in the batting. Somerset had after all only to make 243 to win, and by lunch time Lewis and Daniell put up 53 for the first wicket without being separated. It was not until the total was 141 that the first wicket fell, Daniell being out after a stay at the wickets of an hour and three-quarters for an excellent 50. From this time Somerset went ahead, and a fine partnership between Palairet and Lewis settled the matter, Lewis played a very fine game for his side.

SURREY.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
Hayward, hit wkt, b Lewis	...	32	b Robson	...	35
Davis, b Lewis	..	1	c and b Braund	...	51
J. E. Raphael, c Martyn, b Lewis	...	25	b Braund	...	18
Abel, c Martyn, b Lewis	...	9	l-b-w, b Robson	...	0
Hayes, c Braund, b Cranfield	..	17	c Martyn, b Robson	...	0
J. N. Crawford, c Robson, b Cranfield	...	1	c Johnson, b Braund	...	4
H. C. McDonell, c Braund, b Cranfield	...	0	c Johnson, b Braund	..	17
R. H. Bailey, c Braund, b Robson	...	28	b Braund	...	0
Lees, c Palairet, b Robson	...	33	b Robson	...	21
Nice, c Robson, b Lewis	...	5	c Martyn, b Braund	...	3
Stedmen, not out	...	1	not out	...	0
Lb 3, w 1	...	4	Extras	...	6
Total	...	156	Total	..	155

SOMERSET.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
L. C. H. Palairet, c Stedman, b Crawford	...	1	b Crawford	...	49
J. Daniell, b Lees	...	6	c Hayes, b Davis	...	50
P. R. Johnson, run out	...	5	b Lees	...	3
Braund, b Crawford	...	1	not out	...	4
Lewis, b Lees	...	14	not out	...	118
Robson, b Crawford		15			
H. Martyn, c Abel, b Crawford		3			
S. M. J. Woods, c Davis, b Crawford	...	0			
H. S. Poyntz, c Bailey, b Crawford	...	1			
F. M. Lees, c Stedman, b Lees		15			
Cranfield, not out	...	1			
B 6, lb 1	...	7	Extras	...	19
Total	...	69	Total (3 wkts)	...	243

SURREY.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield	17	4	51	3		6	0	28	0
Lewis	27	8	60	5		7	0	30	0
Robson	12	4	21	2		12	4	29	4
Braund	9	2	20	0		18	2	64	6

Cranfield bowled one wide.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.	O	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R	W.
Lees	16 1	5	29	3		18	2	67	1
Crawford	16	5	33	6		20	3	57	1
					Nice	10	1	32	0
					McDonell	7	2	14	0
					Davis	17	6	45	1
					Hayes	3	0	9	0

OTHER MATCHES.

August 18th and 19th: Kent beat Hampshire at Tonbridge by eight wickets. August 18th, 19th, and 20th Sussex and Yorkshire drew at Brighton. Worcestershire and Gloucestershire drew at Worcester, Lancashire and Notts drew at Old Trafford. August 22nd, 23rd, 24th and Lancashire and Leicestershire drew at Aigburth. London County and Warwickshire drew at the Crystal Palace, Sussex drew with the South Africans at Brighton, the match between Yorkshire and Gloucestershire was abandoned.

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

(Relative Positions to 25th August.)

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	25	15	0	10	15	100·00
Yorkshire ...	26	8	2	16	6	60·00
Kent ...	19	10	4	5	6	42·85
Middlesex ...	17	8	4	5	4	33·33
Notts ...	20	7	4	9	3	27·27
Sussex ..	22	5	8	14	2	25·00
Warwickshire ...	15	5	4	6	1	11·11
Leicestershire ...	18	6	5	7	1	9·09
Gloucestershire ...	17	5	5	7	0	—
Derbyshire ...	17	5	7	5	— 2	— 16·66
Somerset ...	16	5	10	1	— 5	— 33·33
Worcestershire ...	17	3	8	6	— 5	— 45·45
Surrey... ...	25	4	12	9	— 8	— 50·00
Essex	20	3	10	7	— 7	— 53·84
Hampshire ...	16	1	12	3	—11	— 84·61

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

(Calculated to Saturday, 20th August, inclusive.)

BATTING AVERAGES. (18 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Ranjitsinhji, K. S. ...	28	5	1,823	207*	79·26
Fry, C. B. ...	36	2	2,563	229	75·38
Tyldesley ...	36	5	2,238	225	72·19
Jones, A. O. ...	34	5	1,756	187	60·55
Iremonger ...	34	1	1,983	272	60·09
Hayward ...	51	5	2,720	203	59·13
Hirst — ...	40	3	2,097	137	56·67
Quaife, W. G. ...	34	5	1,587	200*	54·72
Perrin, P. A. ...	32	4	1,486	343*	53·07
Mason, J. R. ...	18	3	749	138	49·93
Evans, W. H. B. ...	19	1	861	115	47·83
Tancred, L. J. ...	26	3	1,093	113	40·52



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	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs	Most in an innings.	Aver
Knight	32	4	1,328	203	47·42
Spooner, R. H.... ...	37	3	1,575	215	46·32
Jackson, Hon. F. S. ...	24	2	928	158	44·19
Foster, H. K.	36	0	1,539	119	42·75
Raphael, J. E.	35	0	1,494	201	42·68
Hallows	27	4	973	137*	42·30
King, J. H.	43	4	1,634	186	41·89
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	34	4	1,221	145	40·70
Warner, P. F.	29	4	1,015	163	40·60
Glover, A. C. S. ...	27	2	1,011	124	40·44
Sharp, J.	30	8	879	107*	39·95
Palairet, L. C. H. ...	29	0	1,157	203	39·89
Denton	45	3	1,663	105	39·59
Hayes	50	2	1,808	273*	37·66
Kinneir	32	3*	1,085	152	37·41
McGahey, C. H. ...	39	2	1,375	225	37·16
Humphreys, E. (Kent) ...	36	1	1,300	143	37·14
Vine	43	4	1,138	169	36·87
Poidevin, L. O. S. ...	34	3	1,140	153	36·77
Tunnicliffe	42	2	1,467	139*	36·67
Hathorn, M.	30	1	1,052	130	36·27
Ollivierre, C. A. ...	36	1	1,255	229	35·28
Wilson, F. B.	18	3	529	75	35·26
Beldam, G. W.	26	0	914	141	35·15
Bowley, F.	39	2	1,299	153	35·10
Wood, C. J. B.	42	3	1,368	110	35·07
Carpenter	35	1	1,121	199	35·03
Mitchell, F.	31	4	945	102*	35·00
Wright, L. G.	36	0	1,260	140	34·72
Rhodes	38	2	1,213	196	33·69
Sprot, E. M.	25	1	798	118	33·25
Gunn, J.	38	3	1,160	100	33·14
Fishwick, T. S.	34	1	1,063	113	32·21
Carlisle, K. M.	18	2	512	114*	32·00

BOWLING AVERAGES. (40 wickets.)

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver
Schwarz, R. O. ...	195·5	22	758	45	16·84
Hearne, J. T. ...	1026	293	2,395	134	17·87
Kenze, J. J.	651	131	1,978	110	17·98
Hallows	781·1	250	1,778	95	18·71
Myers	507·1	106	1,445	75	19·26
Cuttell	986·5	358	1,992	100	19·92
Haigh	781	210	2,042	102	20·01
Blythe	842·3	237	2,161	107	20·19
Napier, G. G.... ...	476·2	121	1,370	66	20·75
Dennett	890·3	251	2,233	106	21·06
Brearley, W. B. ...	593·4	91	1,882	89	21·14
Tate, F. W. (Sussex) ...	398·1	88	1,084	51	21·25
Sinclair, J. H. ...	538·5	108	1,835	86	21·33
Smith, W. C. (Surrey) ...	346·5	83	1,011	47	21·51
Hesketh-Prichard, H. ...	658·4	157	1,999	92	21·72
Rhodes	1015·5	314	2,290	104	22·01
Mason, J. R.	387	115	1,059	48	22·06
Fielder	623·3	122	1,978	88	22·47
Hirst	830·1	174	2,226	98	22·71
Gill, G.	429·2	75	1,410	62	22·74
Santall	403·4	91	945	41	23·04
Cox (Sussex)	1144·3	321	2,697	116	23·25
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	577·3	49	2,233	96	23·26
Kermode	547·5	160	1,512	65	23·26
Arnold	878·2	232	2,518	107	23·53
Wass	949·5	209	2,769	117	23·66
McDonell, H. C. ...	479·2	118	1,226	51	24·03
Huggins	713·3	237	1,740	72	24·16
Relt	983	300	2,251	92	24·46
Allsopp	525·2	125	1,626	66	24·63
Odell, W. W.	951	254	2,593	104	24·90
Trott, A. E.	724·2	149	2,228	89	25·03
Lees	1137·3	305	2,817	112	25·15
Gunn, J.	1524	274	2,869	110	25·53
Bestwick	791·1	194	2,301	89	25·85
Cranfield (Somerset) ...	532·4	90	1,750	67	26·11
Reeves	862·2	186	2,774	106	26·16
Hayes	417	82	1,103	42	26·26
Braund	809·5	123	2,668	101	26·41
Bird (Worcestershire) ...	404·5	77	1,195	45	26·55
Hargreave	924·4	266	2,191	82	26·71
Fairservice	439·2	129	1,269	47	27·00
Moorhouse	446·1	99	1,284	48	27·91
Nice	441	76	1,370	48	28·54
Wilson G. A. (Worcstr.) ...	582·1	65	2,054	71	28·92
King, J. H.	786	201	2,088	70	29·82
Bucsenham	635·1	111	2,082	66	30·78
Goodes	456·4	91	1,369	41	33·39
Llewellyn	463·2	80	1,815	51	35·58

SWIMMING.

TRIPLE CHANNEL SWIM.

DOVER, SUNDAY.

On 24th and 25th August 1875, the late Captain Webb swam the English Channel in 21hrs. 45mins.—a performance that still stands alone, for on Saturday and the next day Holbein, Haggerty, and Greasley all failed in their attempts to emulate his wonderful feat of endurance. Indeed, all things considered, the failure of these men to accomplish performances that could be placed side by side with that of Webb's was all the more accentuated, owing to the fact that it was thought that on the present occasion the chances of doing so were better than ever. Three men famous in the world of sport, but altogether dissimilar in their methods, had been selected for the trial. The first, Jack Haggerty, of Stalybridge, was at one period a champion at both sprint swimming and running. A careful liver and one who has been most abstemious throughout his career as an athlete, he can be described as a thoroughly sound man. It is true that he was setting himself a task that, compared with his other performances, was quite gigantic, but a three months' training to build himself up for the attempt was expected to give him ample time for getting ready. Then the next to be chosen was Sam Greasley, whose splendid record as a swimmer at every distance up to a mile made him a most likely candidate. In his prime he was certainly the best amateur in England, his victories in the Mile Championship, in which he once beat Horace Davenport's record, and other events, being quite convincing. Then when he turned professional, his successes year after year more than emphasised that he to a great extent retained the form that had made him famous as an amateur. Then the last to be picked, but by no means the least, as subsequent events proved, was the stout-hearted Monte Holbein. There is no necessity to refer to his record. Here it is only necessary to say, and, as is generally known, that famous as a long-distance cyclist and a capital walker and cross country runner, he had previously endeavoured to swim the Channel four times and failed, on one occasion, in August, 1902, getting to within a mile of finishing, after staying in the water for 23hrs. 21mins. All through his career he has proved that he possesses stamina of a most exceptional character, and thus, although a slow swimmer, was an eligible candidate. Indeed, there were many who averred that of the three men he possessed the best chance, owing to his previous experiences having taught lessons that were of value, an estimate that proved correct.

All three were failures, but the least that can be said of both Holbein and Haggerty is that although unsuccessful, they came through with the greatest credit to themselves and made gallant efforts to win the honours. Unfortunately enough, they were both taken ill, although no such excuse can be advanced in favour of Greasley. Holbein, who was the first to start made such good progress that those on the tug became quite enthusiastic over his chance. However, they did not know what the plucky fellow was undergoing for after the first few hours he was affected by enteric catarrh that pulled him to pieces. His magnificent constitution and indomitable pluck caused him to continue, and not until he had been in the water ten hours did he make one complaint, and then he came out of his own accord—a state of affairs that indicates how bad he was, for in all his previous efforts those accompanying have always been the first to ask him to desist. Haggerty started well, and went for twenty minutes in that graceful style of his own that causes his body to cut clean through the water like a fish. Then the low temperature of the water was all against his highly-trained condition, for he had worked off all the fat from his body, a state of affairs that caused him to take cramp in the kidneys. This was so violent that he became quite rigid, and but for the expedition of those in the boats would have sunk. Consequent upon this he had to be pulled out almost senseless, after an immersion of fifty-five minutes. Greasley, was in an hour and 31 minutes, and swimming about five miles he stated that the water was too cold for him to swim and came out without being asked.

Thus the three trials ended in an unsatisfactory manner, two of the men being taken ill and the third not extending himself. Out of this, little can be gleaned. However, in the light of these happenings there is no doubt that Webb's accomplishment was superhuman. There are people living to-day who aver that he swam the Channel honestly enough, but there are others of experience in swimming and nautical matters who look upon it with suspicion. There is no intention here to cast the least breath of doubt upon what has been an accepted performance for many years past, yet it is difficult to comprehend, in the face of the elaborate and perfect arrangements that have been made for more recent tryers in the way of feeding, training, and facilities, that Webb, who wore no mask, was not oiled round the body, and had but crude arrangements for taking food was successful. There is no doubt whatever that the men were greatly handicapped by the temperature of the water, for, although it was comfortable enough at Dover, out in the Channel itself it was very cold indeed. As a matter of fact, they would have been better served had they gone on the last neap tide a few weeks ago, for then its condition was most desirable.

CYCLING.

THE SOUTHERN ROADS HUNDRED.

The first open 100-miles unpaced time trial on Southern roads proved an unqualified success. It was organised by Southern Cycling Club, and the fixture evidently filled a vacancy for the sporting interest was very great. Starting from a lonely spot in Sussex about 4 A.M., and amidst a very cold fog, the fastest men were despatched first, at intervals of five minutes, and resulted in a wonderful performance by T. A. Fisher, of the Unity C. C., who completed the journey in 5hrs. 21mins. 45secs. which is only 2mins. 49secs. outside record. J. J. Ayden, another Unity man, did 5 hr. 27mins. 49secs. thus scoring first and second places and two fastest times to the popular northern club. Details (handicap made from R. Shirly, Polytechnic C. C., owing 15mins.):—

Pen.		Start.	Time. H.	M.	S.
1.	T. A. Fisher, Unity... ...	*12mins.	5	21	45
2.	J. J. Ayden, Unity ...	2mins.	5	27	49
3	J. H. Wright, Rodney ...	30mins.	5	57	57
4.	H. A. Ratcliffe Vegetarian ...	30mins.	6	1	35
5.	C. W. Cannon, Spencer ...	21mins.	6	2	39
6.	E. Ward, Unity	17mins.	6	13	17
7.	W. Webster, Southern ...	32mins.	6	15	44
8.	T. H. Huxley, Thornton Heath ...	20mins.	6	18	28
9.	J. Pett, unattached	32mins.	6	24	18

*12mins. start from F. S. Bale, Southern (scratch), who did not finish.

There were twenty-one starters, and the very bad roads near Arundel caused many punctures; hence the few completing the course.

CHAMPION CYCLIST'S TRAGIC END.

George Leander, the crack American cyclist, who met with a terrible accident in Princes Park on Sunday, died on the 24th instant

Leander was riding in the chief cycling event at Princes Park on Sunday, being paced by Cissac on a motor-cycle, when riding at the rate of 92 kilometres (57 miles) an hour, he attempted to pass the French rider Bruni. Unfortunately, however, his machine slipped, and he fell with a terrible crash on his head. He was carried to the Beaujon Hospital, where he died this morning without regaining consciousness.

Leander, who was born in Chicago in 1882, made his debut in New York in 1901, and repeatedly gained such remarkable victories that his fame spread to Europe, and he received brilliant engagements. He came to Paris in June last and succeeded in gaining victories over several prominent champions in Princes Park. He was a superb athlete, and gave promise of becoming one of the greatest cycling champions of the world.

THE WEALSE.

Hunting.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

THE meet on Monday, the 8th September, was at Sheffield Corner at 7-30 A.M. The Master first drew the cover beyond Audy Plantation blank and went down Parson's Valley for a good distance. Here hounds touched two stale lines, but could make little of them. They then crossed the Krummund path and went down Yemakal Valley at the head of which a line was picked up, but hounds failed to hunt it. A find was made near the Pykara River and the field had a very fast 15 minutes in the course of which we took to the Yemakal stream which was crossed in the direction of Ootacamund, but the jack turning round re crossed it higher up and ran a complete figure of eight. We sought refuge in a water course, was rooted out and turned down again with a long start, but soon went to ground again and was killed by the terrier pup *Billy* before the field could come up.

On Thursday, the 8th September, the meet was at the kennels at 7 A.M. The morning was again cold and windy, but the country was very dry. Hounds were first trotted to Gascoile's Cover from the top of which they got away on a cold scent and went slowly across the road towards Double Crossing. They crossed the Pykara Road and came down to the Municipal stream above Treble Crossing. Scent on the other side of the stream was much better and the pace increased. We went straight up the Blackmoor Vale to Buck Kiln Crossing and turned into Rallywood. Hounds emerged on the top towards Bluegums and running to the left along Porlock and almost reached Sheffield Corner. Another turn to the left and Sheffield was skirted and we went round the hill to Monkey Shola. Here the jack was viewed away at the top. He re-crossed the Krummund Road, left Jackal Shola to the left and swung round to Rallywood on entering which hounds were a couple of hundred yards behind them. A hat held up above the potato field showed that he had gone that way. Hounds checked at Porlock for a moment. They hit it off again and turned towards Sheffield Corner before reaching which they turned into the Nullah below Porlock, where there was another check. Coming out over the hill opposite, hounds streamed away down into the valley below Governor's Shola and ascending the opposite slope they ran through Road Shola and turned into Martyn's Shola without a pause. On the opposite side we ran up the Nullah to Shaw's plantation where a fresh jack took four couple of hounds off the line towards Hungerford, the remainder hunted steadily back below Shaw's plantation, past the Toda School and into the lower part of Governor's Shola. On account of the high wind it was hard to tell what happened here. The run certainly ended and some are of the opinion that hounds killed in cover. The Master then collected hounds and went after the others which had been stopped by Captain Kennard at the Krummund path. We went back and drew from Bluegums down Newmarket, but did not find again. It was a capital run with fair scent, in spite of the unfavorable conditions. The distance from points was about seven miles and for the most there was a momentary check

BLUE GUM

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

PAST drought has led to such a succession of indifferent sport that the attendance of late has been, not unnaturally, growing sadly less, and it was a small field apparently that were staunch to their Master and proved their loyalty to him and their keenness in sport by putting in an appearance at the bridge over the canal on the Salara road. My own informants being, I regret to have to state, laggards in sport of late, I have had to depend for my facts regarding this and the subsequent day's sport to the local reporter (to whom I offer my thanks) and to stray scraps of information. The gallant few who came hoping for good luck, despite previous sad disappointments were Mrs. Beatty, Miss Anderson, Lieutenant-Colonel Bull, I.M.S., Lieutenant-Colonel Channer, I.M.S., Mr. Harter one of the officials of the Bombay Hunt, Captain Denison, R.A., Captain Holbrook of the Gallant Mounted Infantry, and of course Colonel Sheringham with his brace of hard riding whips Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Casson. After moving off the Master turned right-handed over I hear not very savoury country—more "scent" then was required just then—and crossing a large rocky *nullah* made for the neighbouring hill range. Half way up hounds began to feather and promptly owned to a line and with great confidence ran at what seems to have been a fast pace over some very rough stone-clad hillocks. For ten minutes the pace was quite enchearing and finally hounds got a view and rolled a speedy but apparently not very stout jack over. Quite a pleasant little breather it must have been After this the Master moved on and a hare jumping up right in the middle of hounds proved a temptation too strong

to be resisted and the whips were then kept busy for some little time. When hounds were collected and the rioters duly rated, Colonel Sheringham went on to where he had received information of a wandering jack, and the information proving veracious, for the varmint was viewed in the distance close to the canal bank, hounds were put on the line and scent being evidently unexpectedly good they raced at a great pace over some capital country, and after that must have been a most enjoyable gallop killed their jack near the ninth mile stone on the road to Karakwasla. The Master presented the brush to Miss Anderson as an acknowledgment of the excellent way she went. The few sporting people who were present must have been well compensated, virtue indeed rewarded and they probably "rubbed it in" to the faint-hearted majority. But indeed after the series of poor warnings people can scarcely be blamed for being a trifle shy of sterling restful hours from the night with no result.

The following hunting day when the meet was at Pashan, was unfortunately scarcely so successful. The field though slightly larger (tempted by the self satisfied scoffings of the lucky few who enjoyed the gallops above narrated) was not of any great magnitude. Among those out were Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Sheringham, Miss Anderson, Colonel Channer, Colonel Bull, Mr. Enthoven and a few other regularly attendants.

Some likely looking cover was passed by without drawing, to everyone's surprise, but the Master evidently had news of a wandering one, for hounds later on opened on a line and a short run ensued, but when hopes began to rise high the hapless jack through ill luck in sore desperation went over a well wall. This quenched effectively any sporting ardour that might have been in him and after one of the whips rescued him from a watery grave he was not given much a chance to run again and his death was more speedy than noble. Not a very stout jack or of a galloping description. After a little desultory drawing over the surrounding fields in vain the Master wisely took hounds home. A disappointing morning and everyone is fervently praying for rain.

SCARAMOUCH.

Rowing.

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Saturday, 10th September 1904.

This regatta was not a success. The Senior Fours attracted but three crews out of whom only two crews were left in after a process of elimination; and their preparation did not inspire much hope that they would be fit to row the full course in anything approaching the Club's standard of rowing in Senior events. So it turned out that this afternoon. After a wonderful exhibition of rolling, splashing, and crab catching one boat stopped after turning the corner and the other paddled in alone over the last 300 yards of the course. There were two bumblepuppy events with which to fill in the afternoon—a Canoe scramble and the time-honoured Scratch Fours. Only two crews were in for the latter; but they were so level that, after rowing a dead-heat, there was barely a yard between them in the deciding heat. Appended are results :—

FOURS.—¾ mile.

Kidderpore Station.				*Calcutta Station.*	
D. Carvill	...	Bow	beat	Dr. W. C. Hossack	Bow
W. C. Burke	...	2		G. Peddie	2
J. A. Tassie	...	3		Capt. R. P. Wilson	3
N. G. Pritchard	...	str		J. M. Le Cocq	str
R. Graham	...	cox		J. Massey Dawson	cox

Pritchard's crew were ahead to the bend where the other boat drew level, but as they got into the straight a series of crabs in Le Cocq's boat put them out of the race and they stopped, leaving Pritchard's crew to paddle in.

CANOE RACE.

First Heat.

W. C. Burke, J. A. Tassie — 1 — H. Langford, J. A. Gilbert — 2 — G. Innes Watson, L. R. Carter — 3

Second Heat.

F. R. S. Charles, Capt. R. P. Wilson — 1 — Dr. W. C. Hossack, J. M. Le Cocq — 2 — J. W. Barrett, H. S. Bull — 3

Final Heat.

Capt. R. P. Wilson, F. R. S. Charles — beat — W. C. Burke, J. A. Tassie

SCRATCH FOURS.

D. Carvill	Bow	beat	J. A. Gilbert	Bow	
L. R. Carter	2		H. Langford	2	
G. I. Watson	3		J. A. Tassie	3	
J. W. Barrett	str		Dr. W. C. Hossack	str	
C. V. Green	cox		J. Massey Dawson	cox	

Won by three feet after a dead-heat.

THE MADRAS BOAT CLUB.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE annual hot weather Regatta of the Madras Boat Club took place on Saturday afternoon on the Adyar. Recent rains have provided a good depth of water in the river and there was not so much trouble in regard to shallows and sandbanks as there was on the previous occasion. The day being a public holiday there was a large attendance, the picturesque grounds of the Adyar Club being full of spectators who watched the various competitions with keen interest. As usual with these functions, there was a good deal of unavoidable delay and darkness set in before it was possible to finish the programme. Instead of the sailing race being put first on the programme, the usual thing at these Regattas, the first event decided was the Pairs Oars (without coxswains) over a half mile course. The result of the previous heats left Goddard and Steele, and Ball and Sandeman in, the other crews being Sharpley and Leugard and Warren and Thornton. The two first-named crews met in the finals: but there was something radically wrong with the steering, the boats at one stage appearing to have fouled; it was finished, however, when Steele and Goddard were declared to have won by a length. Five boats went out for the Sailing Race (lady coxes) over half mile. It provided a very close finish, three boats sailing up the river "prow and prow,' but Mrs Josselyn's boat with Mr. Josselyn and Mr. O'Reilly just won with Mrs. G.W. Mitchell's boat (G.W. Mitchell and W. A. Turner) next.

The race of the day, of course, was the Challenge Fours in which the following crews competed :—

BLUE.	st.	lb.	WHITE.	st.	lb.
(bow) C. Moresby ...	10	4	(bow) W. B. Stephens	10	8
(2) G. K. Gillon...	9	8	(2) C. H. Cuesall	10	10
(3) A. H. Steele...	11	3	(3) H. V. Noone	10	8
(str.) F. H. Wilson	10	2	(str.) N. W. Faith	11	8
(cox) F. H. Thornton	10	8	(cox) F. H. Branson	9	1

RED.

	st.	lb.
(bow) K. Kay ...	9	1
(2) H. F. Sandeman ...	11	6
(3) M. Miersch ...	13	6
(str.) W. W. Paul ...	11	5
(cox.) C. M. Orr ...	11	0

It was rowed over a half mile course and the pace set was very fast. Blue, rowing a quicker stroke than their opponents, early took the lead and kept it throughout. The Whites made a good race of it all through, but their final spurt came too late, Blues winning by nearly three-quarters of a length. The pace was altogether too fast for the Reds who were never in the race.

The finals in the Junior sculls were between A. H. Steele and W. H. Johnston, who had in the preliminary heats beaten R. E. Firth and E. P. Wilett respectively. The race was rowed in the dark and little could be seen of its earlier stages. Steele maintained his lead throughout and won, his opponent, it is said, losing too much ground in the beginning by missing his stroke.

The quarter mile Tub Race for Mixed Pairs (post entries)—always a popular event in these fixtures, was won by Mrs. Bell Scott and Mr. H. N. C. Campbell coxed by Mr. R. C. M. Strouts.

The Scratch Fours (lady coxes) had to be abandoned owing to darkness.

The prizes were distributed by Mr. A. J. Yorke.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

LONDON, *Friday, 26th August 1904.*

THE most important motor cycle event ever held in this country was brought to a successful close last Saturday. It was the thousand miles Reliability Trial organised by the Auto-Cycle Club and in which some forty-five machines started on the previous Monday. Of this number twenty completed the run in official schedule time having in the six days travelled from London to Yarmouth, Stamford, Scarborough, Doncaster, Oxford, and back into London surmounting all the hills encountered on the route. On the whole, the weather was favourable, but on the Wednesday 180 miles were covered in heavy rain which made the roads anything but easy going and proved very trying for the motors. The result of the trials proves the efficiency of the motor cycle and since the trials took place over a wide area extending well out into the provinces it is fully anticipated that they will result in many recruits to the pastime. Naturally this will be to the good of the trade, and the experience that the industry gained will tend towards the introduction of a perfect motor bicycle, for although great strides have been made during the past year or two, the motor bicycle of to-day is some way off finality, there being several points where improvements can be made.

Perhaps in the question of weight, the makers will find the most difficult nut to crack, but still it is a point that should receive their most earnest attention as there is not the slightest doubt that many would—be motor cyclists are frightened off the pastime on this score. A motor bicycle built on present day lines is colossally cumbersome and might well dishearten the tyro and finally disguest him. In this connection it is satisfactory to learn that in the above trials a comparatively light machine only scaling a little over 100lbs. came through without experiencing any trouble and although only equipped with a two horse-power engine mounted every hill encountered. It is a record that many heavier and more powerful motor cycles cannot boast of.

It is with the deepest regret that we hear the announcement of Mr. S. F. Edge's retirement from racing. On the motor car and the motor boat he has done yeoman service to this country having once won and thrice competed in the Gordon-Bennett Cup and thrice won the International Cup race for motor boats. These are his principal performances in competition but he has won numerous minor races, besides practically making the British motor industry by being first to put on the market an English-built machine that could compare favourably with French production. His retirement is due to the indifference displayed by the Automobile Club in looking after its representatives in International events. The Club leaves all the worry and anxiety of making arrangements in International contests to its representatives and take the credit if they are successful. In France and Germany the Automobile Clubs act very differently; in fact, they act as befitting institutions founded to encourage the industry and promoting pure sport. His cars and motor boats will still be entered in leading events but they will be driven by others, Mr. Edge intending to look after his substitutes since the Club fails to do so.

Cyclists travelling about the country hear many amusing sayings from natives of quiet out-of-the-way villages and have many favourable opportunities of studying human nature as it is found. The other week a wheelman touring in Wales had the misfortune to damage his machine one Sunday morning, so ferreted out the local repairer in order to have the damage put right. The repairer considered the matter for some little while and then addressing the cyclist, said: "I can't do it, Sir, to-day is Sunday," and then taking out his watch and looking at the time, he said, "besides its too long a job, the people will be coming out of chapel before I could finish it." This is on par with the boatsman on Loch Lomond who declined to let out a boat on hire on Lord's Day but suggested to the tourist that he might take it without leave and come and pay for the hire on the Monday.

The Crystal Palace track, Sydenham, whereon the World's Championships will be decided early next month can scarcely be described as a modern track since it was erected some ten years ago when cycle racing was enjoying far greater popularity than it is now. Yet it is still a good track, especially for sprint events, but in paced events the banking is not sufficiently high to allow of any speed beyond 45 miles an hour. The track which is built of cement, measures 586⅓ yards in circumference thus being exactly three laps to the mile. It is 30 feet wide and banked at the bends a matter of eight feet, the home and back straights measuring 140 yards. The feature of the track is its suitable site: built in a hollow the rising banks all round provide ample accommodation for quite 50,000 spectators.

Although motorists have been called upon to pay heavy fines from time to time for some offence they may have committed under the Motor Car Act, one cannot, however, say that the Magisterial bench is antagonistically inclined towards them, indeed, motorists are frequently given the benefit of the doubt or are let off on some slight technicality. For instance, at Chorley recently, a motorist was charged with driving at an excessive speed, but the solicitor who appeared for him claimed that the prosecution was irregular, because the constable when he stopped the defendant and took his name and address, never stated that he would be prosecuted, but only that he would be reported. After the Bench had debated amongst themselves whether the policeman's statement was sufficient notice, the charge was withdrawn. In another case, however, a similar objection was overruled by the Magistrates, but as the defendant intends appealing against this ruling to the higher courts, it will be seen which bench acted correctly.

Bicycle Polo, which some few years back promised, for Ireland at any rate, to become a standard game, appears to have quite died out. In England, too, there at one time appeared to be a chance of its occupying a fairly prominent place amongst cycling pastimes but now it is absolutely without an existence; and the same state of affairs appears to exist in Ireland. Dublin was the home of cycle polo, and at one time the game was all the rage. It is certainly a pity that the game has not survived: it was interesting, and by the manner in which it was taken up at one time promised well for success. However, it is not the first good game that has died for lack of support.

A feature of this season's riding, has been the number of serious and fatal accidents that have befallen wheelmen. Every week sees more fatalities reported and one might well be afraid that the effect will be disastrous to the continual advancement of the pastime. Before me now, are two reports, one from Tunbridge Wells and the other from Brighton. In the first an account is given of a cyclist meeting with his death through a defective brake that was fitted to a hired machine, and in the other, the same old story of a runaway machine, a heavy fall and fatal injuries, is recounted. The pastime is no more dangerous than it was ten years ago, but those who indulge in it are less expert, indeed, almost careless in the way they ride, and in many cases court disaster by riding on their wrong side or rushing round corners at full speed.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN POONA.

10TH HUSSARS *vs.* POONA GYMKHANA.—This match resulted in a win for the Hussars by ten wickets. Score :—

10TH HUSSARS.

1st Innings.			2nd Innings.	
Mr. H. P. Chaplin c Reynolds, b Carroll ...	51	not out	...	10
Mr. W. O. Gibbs, b Hartley,	10	not out	...	8
Lieut.-Col. Kavanagh, b Hartley ...	3			
Capt. the Hon. W. Cadogan, l-b-w, b Ainsworth ...	0			
Corpl. Evans, b Ainsworth	17			
Capt. the Hon. Pelham, l-b-w, b Ainsworth ...	23			
Mr. Davies-Cook b Ainsworth	13	did not bat.		
Drum-Major Mitchell, run out	22			
Sergt. Mitchell, st. Reynolds, b Butler	34			
Pte. Burt, c Substitute, b Hartley	16			
Trumpter Henry, not out...	7			
Extras ...	10		Extras ...	0
Total ...	206		Total ...	18

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. B. W. Carroll, b Henry ...	9	c Gibbs, b Henry ...	20
Mr. E. L. Smith, b Henry ...	19	b Mitchell... ...	15
Mr. Reynolds, b Mitchell ...	5	l-b-w, b Henry ...	5
Mr. Kindersley, b Mitchell ...	6	b Mitchell ...	18
Major Leslie, b Mitchell ...	18	b Mitchell ...	7
Hon. B. D. Butler, b Chaplin	19	c Henry, b Mitchell ...	2
Mr. Hartley, b Mitchell ...	0	not out	33
Mr. Ainsworth, b Mitchell ...	0	c Mitchell, b Henry ...	24
Major Kave, b Mitchell ...	0	b Mitchell ...	0
Prince Futehsingh, retired ...	0	did not bat.	
Mr. Thew, not out ...	6	b Mitchell ...	0
Extras ...	12	Extras ...	19
Total ...	94	Total ...	129

GANESHKHIND *vs.* 10TH. HUSSARS.—This match was played at Ganeshkind and resulted in an exciting finish, the Hussars winning by 2 runs. The home team put up 145 of which 80 was scored by Captain Greig. The Hussars totalled 147. Captain Cadogan with 57 being the chief scorer. Score :—

GANESHKHIND.

1st Innings.

Genl. Spens, c Burt, b Mitchell	...	1
Capt. Greig, c Kavanagh, b Henry ...	...	80
Capt. Meywell, b Mitchell	...	15
Genl. Richardson, b Mitchell	...	0
Mr. Hartley, b Mitchell	...	0
Mr. Butler, b Mitchell	...	12
Capt. Bayford, st. Evans, b Mitchell ...	...	22
Mr. Du Boulay, b Mitchell	...	13
Mr. Sarson, c and b Henry	...	0
Sergt. Fillis, not out	...	0
Sergt. Elliott, b Mitchell	...	0
Extras ...	...	2
Total	...	145

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Chaplin	42	23	1	0
Mitchell	105	82	0	8
Burt	30	21	0	0
Henry ...	36	19	0	2

10TH HUSSARS.

1st Innings.

Col. Kavanagh, run out ...	...	16
Capt. Cadogan, c Butler, b Greig...	...	57
Mr. Chaplin, c Spens, b Greig ...	...	0
Corpl. Evans, c Meynell, b Butler	...	9
Capt. Pelham, b Hartley ...	...	8
Tr. Sergt. Mitchell, b Hartley ...	...	0
Mr. Gibbs, b Fillis	...	1
Mr. Davis-Cook, b Butler ...	...	12
Pte Burt, b Greig	...	2
Sergt. Mitchell, not out ...	...	20
Pte. Tr. Henry, b Greig ...	...	9
Extras ...	...	13
Total	...	147

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Greig	91	59	1	4
Bayford	24	14	2	0
Butler	28	79	2	3
Hartley	42	35	0	2
Fillis	6	10	0	1

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—The match between these teams resulted in a draw. Poona batted first and scored 339, Wilkins (118), General Spens (53), and Lieutenant Carroll (38) being the chief run getters. Bombay replied with 314, Langhorne (86) doing best. The Poona team was

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dismissed for 70 in their second venture. General Spens contributing 40. Bombay put up 30 for two wickets. Score.

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. A. D. Wilkins, st. Langhorne, b Ainsworth ...	118	c Capt. Langhorne, b Ainsworth ...	0
Major Leslie, c Ainsworth, b Milne ...	17	c Carroll, b Milne ...	9
Capt. Greig, c Capt. Langhorne, b Milne ...	27	b Ainsworth ...	0
Genl. Spens, st. Langhorne, b Powell ...	53	b Powell	40
Lieut. B. M. Carroll, b West	38	c McDonald, b Milne ...	1
Mr Hartley, b Ainsworth ...	8	b Milne	0
Mr Noake l-b-w, b West ...	18	b Milne	1
Col. Stevens, b Ainsworth .	14	not out	0
The Hon. B. D. Butler, b Powell	21	b Ainsworth ...	13
Mr. Dickson, not out ...	11	absent	
Mr. Thew, b Milne ...	8	absent	
Extras ...	6	Extras ...	6
Total ...	339	Total ...	70

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Milne* ...	27·3	3	80	3	8	1	40	4
,, Ainsworth‡	28	73	98	2	7·4	0	26	3
,, Powell ...	14	2	51	3	1	1	0	1
,, Carroll† ...	7	0	31	0	...	...	...	...
,, West ...	14	2	70	2	...	...	...	...

* Bowled one wide and one no-ball.

† Bowled one no-ball.

‡ Bowled one wide and three no-balls.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Lieut. Langhorne, b Greig ...	86	c Capt. Langhorne, b Greig ...	20
Mr. Ainsworth, c Noake, b Stevens ...	35	not out ...	10
Mr. A. H. Aston, b Greig ...	0	did not bat.	
Capt. Langhorne, b Steven ...	28		
Major Carnegie, b Stevens ..	9		
Mr. S. M. Powell, b Greig ...	5		
,, J. S. Milne, c Dickson, b B. M. Carroll ...	30		
,, Burney, c Noake, b Stevens	25		
,, West, b B. M. Carroll ...	20		
,, E. L. Carroll, c Greig, b B. M. Carroll ...	32		
Capt. McDonald, not out ...	6		
Extras ...	38	Extras ...	0
Total ...	314	Total ...	30

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Col. Stevens	27	9	76	3
Capt. Greig	27	1	105	4
Lieut. B. M. Carroll ...	11	9	33	3
Mr. Noake	1	0	9	0
Hon. Butler	11	1	74	0

CRICKET IN SOUTHERN INDIA.

KOLAR GOLD FIELD C. C. *vs.* UNITED C. C.—Played on the 3rd instant at Ooregum the Gold Field C. C. having an easy victory. Pritchard put up 101 and retired and Richards played good cricket for 83 Watters bowled with great success capturing 9 wickets for 22 runs. Score. :—

KOLAR GOLD FIELD C. C.—*1st Innings.*

C. H. Richards, c Siddramappa, b Runga Row ...	...	83
S. H. Haiman, run out ...	...	0
D. T. J. O'Donnell, b Siddramappa ...	...	0
W. M. Pritchard retired ...	...	101
S. M. Pritchard, st. Siddramappa ...	...	20
F. Stapleton, c Arolong, b Siddramappa ...	...	7
W. Thomas, st. Siddramappa ...	...	19
D. S. Watters, b Trek ...	...	0
P. F. Bowring, b Siddramappa ...	...	0
E. M. Lefroy	...	5
Iyaroo, c Arolong, Siddramappa ...	...	8
Extras ...	...	9
Total ...	...	252

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
C. Siddramappa ...	20	77	1	8
A. F. Bence ...	4	27	—	—
J. Fearn ...	13	50	1	—
S. Rozario ...	2	18	—	—
W. H. Luff ...	4	16	—	—
Runga Row ...	5	20	1	1
A. J. Trek ...	11	35	—	1

UNITED CRICKET CLUB.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J. Fearn, b Watters ...	1	b W. Thomas ...	7
W. H. Luff, b Watters ...	0	b W. Thomas ...	0
Narasmaloo, not out ...	8	b W. Thomas ...	6
A. J. Trek, b Watters ...	16	not out ...	22
Runga Row, b Richards ...	0	not out ...	5
E. Rozario, b Watters ...	0	did not bat	
A. F. Bence, c Richards, b Watters	1		
S. Rozario, c S. M. Pritchard, b Watters	12		
Siddramappa, c Stapleton, b Watters	0		
W. S. Newman, b Watters ...	4		
Arolong, b Watters ...	0		
Extras ...	12	Extras ...	0
Total ...	54	Total ...	40

BOWLING ANALYSIS.—*1st Innings.*

	O	R.	M.	W.
C. H. Richards ...	13	20	5	2
D. S. Watters ...	12·1	22	2	8

CRICKET AT KARACHI.

SUKKUR *vs.* KARACHI GYMKHANA.—Played on the 2nd instant, Karachi wining by 58 runs. For the visitors Wilson (53) and Littlewood played best, while Ussher and Woodward were the highest scorers for Karachi. Score :—

KARACHI GYMKHANA

Capt Price, b Sardharam...	10
G. W. Wilson, l-b-w, b V. Wilson ...	28
Lieut. T. Ussher, b Locumal	61
Newton, b Locumal...	19
Woodward, b Davies	46
Story, run out	9
C. D. Melver, retired...	19
E. B. Beatson, c Locumal, b Marker ...	4
B. H. Creagh, not out	15
C. A. Beyts, c Locumal, b Marker ...	0
M. Wace, not out	0
Extras	9
Total	220

SUKKUR.

V. H. Wilson, c Newton, b Melver	53
R. E. Gibson, c and b Melver	14
Sardharam, c Price, b Story	7
W. J. Littlewood, c Story, b Melver ...	32
P. B. Cadell, b Newton	0
Parsaram, c Price, b Melver	7
Locumal, hit wicket, b Newton... ...	5
C. M. Lane, c Creagh, b Melver... ...	14
G M. Davies, b Melver	10
W. T. Ryan, b Melver	7
J. Marker, not out	0
Extras	13
Total	162

CRICKET AT NAGPUR

NAGPUR *vs.* KAMPTEE.—This match was played, at Nagpur, on the 3rd instant, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 161 runs. Lieutenant Lumsden played a good innings of 105. Score :—

KAMPTEE GYMKHANA.

Lieut. Henry, b Goring Jones	21
Lieut. Kreyer, c and b Ratnam ...	11
Lieut. Anderson, b Ratnam	0
Lieut Lumsden, c Bathurst, b Ratnam ...	105
Mr. McNeill, c Cleveland, b Ratnam ...	39
Lieut. McCallum, c Fagan, b Goring Jones	77
Lieut. Hamilton, b Goring Jones ...	0
Lieut. Pope, b Goring Jones	0
Lieut. Carlton, b Goring Jones	16
Lieut. Gwyther, not out	2
Lieut. Mackenzie, run out	2
Extras ...	21
Total ...	294

NAGPUR GYMKHANA.

Mr. Bathurst, c Henry, b Kreyer	2
Mr. Cowie, c Mackenzie, b McCallum ...	21
Capt Goring Jones, b Lumsden... ...	15
Mr. Cleveland, b Lumsden	0
Mr. Fagan, b McCallum	9
Mr. Batnam, c Lumsden, b McCallum ...	0
Mr. Playfair, b McCallum	10
Capt. Plowden, st Henry, b Lumsden ...	9
Mr. Craddock, b McCallum	20
Mr. Hogarth, not out	24
Mr. Henriques, l-b-w, b Lumsden ...	1
Extras ...	22
Total ...	133

CRICKET AT KIRKEE.

R. F. A. *vs.* 10TH HUSSARS.—The above match was played at Kirkee on Tuesday last, and resulted in a win for the 10th Hussars by 207 runs. The following are the scores :—

10TH HUSSARS.

1st Innings.			
Col. Cavanagh, b Winterbottom ...	—	13	
Capt. Cadogan, b Martin	...	20	
2nd-Lieut. Chaplin, c Lyons, b Sarsons ...	99		
Capt. Evans, b Parnell	..	25	
Capt. Pelham, c and b Sarsons ...	...	17	
Lieut. Davis Cooke, b Cousens ...	—	26	
Sergt. Mitchell, b Winterbottom ...	...	28	
Sergt.-Trmptr Mitchell, l-b-w, b Sarsons ...	14		
Lieut. Gibbs, b Winterbottom ...	...	10	
Pte. Burt, not out	...	9	
Trmptr. Henry, c Martin, b Preston ...	—	0	
Extras ...	7		
Total ...	261		

R. F. A.

Lieut. Sarsons, b Mitchell ...	0	b Henry ...	0
Gr. Taylor, b Mitchell ...	0	b Henry ...	15
Capt. Rose, c Cooke, b Mitchell	8	l-b-w, b Henry ...	8
Lieut. Lyons, c Cavanagh, b Henry ...	7	not out ...	51
Dr. Newitt, b Henry ...	0	b Henry ...	2
Br. Winterbottom, b Mitchell...	17	c and b Cadogan ...	8
Lieut. Cousens, b Mitchell ...	3	st Evans, b Cadogan	1
Dr. Parnell, b Mitchell ...	2	c Burt, b Cadogan ...	3
Revd. Preston, b Henry ...	4	st Evans, b Cadogan	0
Corpl. Beckham, not out ...	0	did not bat	
Br. Martin, b Mitchell ...	6		
Extras ...	10		5
Total ...	57		96

CRICKET CHAT.

THE Poona Gymkhana have found an effective bowler at last in the person of E. R. Udal, the old Wykehamist, who has been transferred from Bangalore where he had a fine average for matches during the last two months. He is a fast bowler, in fact one of the fastest in India and in the two matches that he has played for the Poona Gymkhana since his arrival, has taken 15 wickets for 135 runs. Both these matches were particularly interesting, especially that against the Indian Civil Service. The latter team was by no means as representative as it might have been and among the most conspicuous absentees were H. D. Randall and E. L. Sale, who are both in England on leave C. A. Kincaid, C. W. M. Hudson, J. E. C. Jukes, and L. C. Crump. The inclusion of Udal in the Poona team proved fatal to most of the Indian Civil Service batsmen in the first innings his fast deliveries accounting for six wickets (five clean bowled) for 39 runs. He was well supported by Colonel C. F. Stevens, who will also be recognised as a well-known Bangalore player, the other four wickets falling to this bowler for 20 runs. The batting of the Indian Civil Service was very feeble, only one player, R. E. A. Elliott who made 13, getting into double figures. Thew, the Poona wicket-keeper, was rather expensive in the matter of byes and in all there were 30 extras in the small innings of 89. By far the best exhibition for Poona was the innings of B. M. Carroll who contributed 57 to the total of 220. The Hon'ble B. D. Butler (46), H. S. Kaye (25 not out), and Colonel Stevens (23) also did well. M. C. Gibb, the Dharwar player, was the most successful bowler for the Indian Civil Service with three wickets for 32. In their second innings, although Udal was again in great form with the ball and captured six wickets for 50 runs, the Civil Service gave a very much better account of themselves and ran up the respectable score of 229. For this excellent display they had mainly to thank three men, W. C. Shepherd (63), who is an old Sedberghian, M. C. Gibb (51), and C. S. Campbell (38), who between them were responsible for 152 of the total. J. Monteath who has been batting so well for Dharwar, I am sorry to notice, failed in both innings, but the old Cliftonian is none the less a fine batsman. Udal, as in the first innings, clean bowled five batsmen, Monteath, Curtis, Sladen, and Carmichael falling victims to his deliveries in both innings. Poona knocked up the 99 runs required to win for the loss of three wickets, Carroll (32), and Major Leslie (23 not out) doing well. The second match which was against the local Hindus was drawn. Major Leslie (41), Hon'ble B. D. Butler (24), and H. B. Hartley (22) were the principal scorers for the Gymkhana for which Greig and Monteath were only able to make 12 and 14 respectively. In the uncompleted innings of the Hindus Udal and Greig each took three wickets, the former for 46 runs and the latter for 38 runs.

The annual match between Belgaum and Dharwar played at Dharwar provided some very interesting cricket and the principal feature in the two days play was the success that attended the efforts of W. E. Copleston, the old Malvernian for Belgaum, and J. Monteath, the old Cliftonian, for Dharwar. Both men should, if form goes for anything, be given places in the Presidency team which at the time of writing has not been selected.

The game between Bangalore and Madras ended in a hollow victory for the home team and few if any will be surprised at the result. It is unfortunate that this annual match should be played at a time of the year when Madras cricketers are out of form for want of practice and still more so that there is no apparent solution to the difficulty as were the dates changed to

December, Bangalore cricketers would be at a disadvantage owing to its being the off season for them. The game was principally remarkable for the complete mastery that B. Jayaram and B. E. A. Manson obtained over the Madras bowling, the former who has evidently greatly benefited from his eighteen months' visit to England for the second time in ten days putting up a century—133—and the latter also compiling three figures—104. These two batsmen between them were responsible for 287 of the total of 333 for five wickets.

A match at Ootacamund now-a-days is such a rare thing that the game between the Gymkhana and the Secretariat last week will have some interest for Madras Presidency lovers of the game although the cricket shown was very mediocre in character. Two good innings were played, R. Simpson's 44 for the Gymkhana and J. N. Atkinson's 34 for the Secretariat, and these were the only scores in the match that exceeded 20. No one else reached double figuers for the Secretariat, but for the Gymkhana Captain Milner (15) and Amirtham (14 not out) accomplished the feat. The latter bowled well taking six wickets for 29 runs. C. T. Studd never plays now and Ooty cricketers must look back sorrowfully to the halcyon days of E. H. D. Sewell, T. B. Nicholson, E. B. Kindersley, A. Edgington, C. D. McArthy, P. A. Turner, Major Reay, and Captains Hazelton and Bradford when matches were played at intervals all the year round.

Poona cricket has received a further acquisition in the person of Brigadier-General J. Spens, the old Haileyburian and Hampshire Cricketer, who is on a short visit from Allahabad and who unfortunately like the other visitor E. R. Udal is not qualified to play for the Presidency. He played for Ganeshkhind *vs.* the 10th Hussars who very sportingly brought a team from Mhow last week, but was not in luck's way, only getting a single. The Ganeshkhind team included Greig, Hon'ble B. D. Butler, Hartley, Du Boulay, and Bayford and the only batsman on the side who was able to make any headway against the bowling of Sergeant Mitchell was Greig who scored 80 out of the total of 145. This was really very fine effort and coming just before the return Presidency Match augurs well for the form the Western India Champion is in. The match which was the first played at Ganeshkhind this season was a most exciting one and ended in a victory for the Hussars by 2 runs. Sergeant Mitchell who is believed by Mhow cricketers to be a better bowler than any other in the Presidency certainly bowled up to his reputation and captured eight wickets for 82 runs and did the hat trick.

The Karachi Gymkhana inflicted a defeat on the Islam C.C., and the match was remarkable for the wonderful bowling of O. M. Barnes whose feat of taking 8 wickets in the first innings for 7 runs and 5 in the second for 6 runs or 13 wickets in the match for 13 runs has never been surpassed in Indian cricket and is an easy record.

It never rains but it pours is a true saying in connection with cricket matches in India and last week there was hardly a station where cricket is possible at this time of the year that had not an important match. Perhaps the most important and at the same time interesting match was that between the Poona and Bombay Gymkhanas at Poona. The meeting was the second between the two Gymkhanas this season the first game at Bombay having resulted in a ten wickets victory for Bombay, an altogether unexpected result. If the first game was, however, a surprise the return one was still more so. Bombay were without their fast bowler Coombs and comparing the side they brought up to Poona with that which represented the latter Gymkhana it must be confessed that their chances of escaping defeat much less winning looked none too rosy. Besides Captain Greig and General Spens, the two Hampshire county players, the Poona team included B. M. Carroll, Major Leslie, Hon'ble B. D. Butler, A. D. Wilkins, H. B. Hartley, and Colonel C. F. Stevens. With this array of batting talent it is hardly surprising that Poona ran up a first total of 339. The innings was a personal triumph for the veteran A. D. Wilkins who scored 118, his third century this season for Poona. General Spens contributed 53, while Carroll with, 38, Greig with 27, and Butler with 21 all made over 20. Bombay started so badly, losing Acton, Powell, and Major Carnegy three of their best bats for 70 runs, that there seemed very little hope that the follow on would be saved. The unexpected, however, happened and A. P. Langhorne and Captain J. A. D. Langhorne getting together laid the foundation of a total that left the visitors only 25 runs in arrears. The younger Langhorne made 86, his highest innings this season, Captain Langhorne 28, J. L. Ainsworth 35, J. S. Milne 30, A. B. Burney 25, A. F. West 20, and M. L. Carroll 32, while there were 38 extras against 6 in the Poona innings. So far the game had been even, but the second innings of Poona, who were minus two of their players, Dickson and Thew, who had to attend the assault-at-arms, provided a sensation the whole side collapsing before the bowling of Milne and Ainsworth for 70 runs. But for General Spens who made 40 out of the 64 runs from the bat the display of the home team would have been worse still. Four men including Greig failed to score and two others made one run each. Left with only 96 runs to get to win and fifteen minutes to get them in Bombay did well to knock up 30 for the loss of a wicket. This match will long be remembered as the most sensational ever played by the Bombay Gymkhana at Poona.

STATISTICIAN.

Football.

RUGBY IN CALCUTTA.

C. F. C. PLACE KICK COMPETITION.—The competition for the Challenge Bowl took place on the Calcutta ground on the 9th instant. The conditions were each competitor to kick from five different positions at each goal. Mr. E. Martelli was again successful, repeating his victory of last year. His total of 8 out of 10 goals was very good. Details :—

	Placing at Fort goal. Goals.	Placing at Garden Goals.	Total.
Martelli ...	... 4	4 =	8
Heilgers ...	... 3	3 =	6
Siddons ...	... 3	2 =	5
Todd ...	... 3	1 =	4
H. Sherman	... 2	2 =	4
Barnes ...	... 1	1 =	2

Curtis-Hayward and V. Sherman scratched.

CALCUTTA RUGBY LEAGUE.

CUSTOMS *vs.* KING'S OWN.—The match between these teams provided an excellent game, the King's Own being ultimately victorious by a try to *nil*. The Regiment kicked off and after some exchange kicking Rowe got away for the Customs, a pass forward spoiling the opening. The Customs pressed but Viers lost two opportunities of scoring. The King's Own then worked the ball down and Basonett getting possession raced over with a try. No goal resulted and scrums in midfield followed till the interval. On changing ends play was principally of a forward character. Both teams broke away on occasions but no material advantage was gained and the game ended in a win for the King's Own as stated.

CALCUTTA *vs.* KING'S OWN.—This was the last match in the League and was played on the Calcutta ground last Saturday. The home team had rather the best of the first half scoring two goals but the Fort team played hard in the second moiety when they kept Calcutta from crossing their line. After the opening exchanges Ismay got away but was brought down, but the forwards had the best of the scrums and Macdonald getting the leather handed on to Martelli. A good bout of passing ending in Ismay scoring a try. Martelli converted. Shortly after Barnes nearly got over, the ball going into touch near the corner flag. The King's Own broke away from the line out but Newton got possession and transferred the play to the visitors "25." Following on some scrums in the King's Own territory Cumberlege picked up and transferred to Ismay who scored once again. Martelli being successful with the kick. After the interval the game was very even and keenly contested to the end but neither team could score and Calcutta won by two goals (10 points) to *nil*.

RUGBY UNION CHALLENGE CUP.

FIRST ROUND.

CALCUTTA *vs.* UNITED SERVICE.—Played on the Calcutta ground on the 12th instant, the home team winning by 5 goals and a try (28 points) to a try (3 points). The score does not represent the play, for though beaten behind the scrum the United Service played hard and gave Calcutta lots to do. The Services went away at the start but Macdonald relieved, and after a series of scrums Cumberlege picked up and passed to his threes who got through Ismay getting over. Martelli converted. Forward play followed then the home backs got going once more and Barnes scored a try. The place just failed, hitting the cross bar. This was the only place kick missed by Martelli during the match. On the drop out the United Service broke away but were unable to get through, and Siddons getting the leather ran in with another try, Martelli adding the extra points. Play was confined to the home territory and Landon ran through and punted, but a race for the ball ended in Greyburn touching down. Just before half time Ismay scored another try which Martelli converted. On resuming the Services showed improved form and a good dribble by Wilson and Moberly resulted in a try, no goal resulted however, and Calcutta pressing once more put on two more tries, Berridge and Martelli being responsible. The latter added the major points and Calcutta won as stated. Teams :—

CALCUTTA.—Greyburn, *back*; Barnes, Siddons, Martelli, and Ismay, *three-quarters*; Macdonald and Cumberlege, *halves*; MacLeod, Heilgers, Todd, Kerr, Bishop, Curtis-Hayward, Berridge, and Carroll, *forwards*.

UNITED SERVICES.—Godwin, *back*; Spry, Marshall, Garstin, and Landon, *three quarters*; Reeves and Grimshaw, *halves*; Captains Gardiner and Moberly, Dr. Wilson, Szczepanski, Stevenson, Thorburn, Gill, and Haughton, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. E. A. Smith.

CUSTOMS *vs.* KING'S OWN.—Another well-contested game was the result of the meeting of these teams on the Customs ground on the 12th instant. Play was mostly among the forwards. The Customs kicked off and had the best of matters for a time, Hollow very nearly scoring. Then the King's Own took the ball down and Basonett got a run in and crossed the line. The place failed. The home team tried hard to score, Rowe being most conspicuous, but without success and the visitors led at the interval by three points to *nil*.

On resuming the weight in the Fort team told the forwards had the best of the scrums but the home backs tackled well. Walker and Lieutenant Scott, however, managed to get over and Scully converting both tries, the visitors won by two goals and a try (13 points) to *nil*. Teams :—

KING'S OWN.—Scully, *back*; Basonett Ashworth, Lieutenant Baker, and Walker *three quarters*; Marsden and Lieutenant Marshall, *halves*; Lieutenants Scott, Ray, and Gibbon, and Lee, Waite, Fowler, Morgan, and Marshall, *forwards*.

CUSTOMS.—Viers, *back*; Harris, Maitland, Porteous, and Hollow, *three quarters*; Simpson and O. Rowe, *halves*; Fitzgerald, Price, Royle, Petty, Fedricks A. Rowe, Nicols, and Adams, *forwards*.

Refree:—Lieutenant Ellis, West Ridings.

CITY *vs.* WEST RIDINGS.—This match was played on the Calcutta ground on the 13th instant and resulted in a win for the Dum-Dum men by a penalty goal and five tries to *nil*. Following the exchange kicks at the start some good scrums in mid-field took place. Then the City broke away and all but scored. The Ridings took the ball back to the centre, here they punted, but Hemmingway made his mark. Play ruled very even for a space, the City checking all runs by the soldiers. At last the Dukes' backs got away and Davey crossed the line. No goal resulted and from the drop out the City men took the leather to their opponents' 25, where an attempt to drop a goal by the City captain was unsuccessful. Then the Ridings went away and Beaumont ran down the line, but in getting over went out at the corner flag. Just before the interval a free to the soldiers gave Robinson the opportunity of dropping a goal, which was successful. On changing ends the City men did not show up so well. The ball was kept in their territory and the West Ridings put on four more tries, Coldwell, Flaharty (2) and Davey being responsible. They failed to add the extra points on each occasion. The City got going towards the end and playing hard had the best of the closing staves. Team :

WEST RIDINGS.—Quinn, *back*; Beaumont, Harrison, Coldwell and Davey, *three-quarters*; Holgate and Morris, *halves*; Garside (Captain), H. Robinson, A. Robinson, Flaharty Newbold, Newman, Joddings and Leister, *forwards*.

CITY.—Lees, *back*; George, Warden, Hemingway and Brown, *three quarters*; Williams and Schaumberg, *halves*; F. Cunliffe, Oakley Roberts, Grieff, Street, Clayton, Watling and Powell, *forwards*.

REFEREE.—Lieutenant Baker, King's Own.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

THE annual struggle between the representatives of the Thistle and the Rose, which took place last Monday evening, was productive of a hard, though, from a spectator's point of view, a somewhat uninteresting match. Both teams suffered through defections at the last moment Scotland being weakened by the loss of Moberly, while England took the field minus Curtis-Hayward and Cumberlege, which, however, let in Williams, the Welshman. Forward packs were evenly matched, and for the first quarter of an hour the Scotsmen had distinctly the best of the argument, but after this it was a case of bellows to mend with two or three of them. Of the Scottish forwards Kerr was far and away the best, his following up and tackling being the finest seen in Calcutta for a long time. He was well supported by Heilgers, MacLeod, and Todd who all worked hard throughout, while Scott was prominent in the open. For England in the front rank Barnes and Cooper were most conspicuous in the loose though only their confrères in the pack could say if they used their weight to equal advantage. Of the others Ray, Stevenson and Vick seemed to be doing most work. At half Williams and Marshall overshadowed the Scottish pair, indeed the former was the best back on the field and to him was England's victory greatly due. Macdonald did well and had the honour of scoring Scotland's try and Maclaren played very pluckily. At three-quarter England were vastly superior, but only got the ball sent out to them twice (be it said to the opposing forwards credit), and from the first chance Siddons put in one of his typical runs and scored the best try of the evening. Of the other three Landon caught the eye oftenest. Among the opposing four Dick and Dundas did a lot of useful saving, the former once tackling Ismay when the latter was seemingly well away, it is a great pity we have not seen more of Dundas this season. At back Greyburn had less to do than Newton who showed that his foot has lost none of its cunning.

The match between Calcutta and the Armenians on Tuesday evening calls for little comment. Calcutta being weakly represented, most of the second XV making up the team. The Armenians, who are generally seen at their best on a dry ground, were rather handicapped in this respect as the ball was slippery and the going heavy. Schaumberg scored twice from openings made by Barnes, who along with Cumberlege were the most prominent players on the home side, while for the visitors Apear and Yakchee were best, the latter's tackling and kicking being decidedly good.

The King's Own played their League match with the Customs on the latter's ground and were lucky to win as they did by a try to nothing. Rowe as usual was the most prominent of the Custom's lot but, he was well supported by Fitzgerald and Anderson. If they could only introduce a little combination into their play, the Customs would be a most dangerous combination for any team in Calcutta to face, and taking their recent performances against the C. F. C. and the King's Own they are a vastly improved lot from the beginning of the season, a state of affairs which must be very pleasing to Mr. Stevens, their energetic secretary.

King's Own and Calcutta brought their league engagements to a close on Saturday last when Calcutta after a really interesting game proved victorious by ten points to *nil* and thereby established themselves undisputed winners of the *Indian Field* Cup. The game was one of the best contested of the season, and it was only the superiority of the Calcutta back division that gave the homesters the victory. Ismay scored both tries and he along with Cumberlege and Martelli, who as he always does, played a most unselfish game, were the pick of the backs, while Newton at full-back, gained frequent applause by his fine kicking into touch. Of the forwards, Kerr was always in the van and the rest might with advantage imitate the way he and Curtis-Hayward drop the ball immediately they get it out of touch, of the others Bishop and Heilgers were most frequently in evidence. Taking the Fort team the forwards led by Lieutenants Scott and Ray pl yed well together, packing well together and getting the ball in the scrums quite as often as the opposing eight. At half Lieutenant Marshall was very nippy and Lieutenant Baker in the third line did a lot of excellent saving, and Scully at back fielded and kicked alike with precision and accuracy.

The League table stands as follows :—

Club.	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	Pts. For.	Pts. Ag.	Points.
Calcutta F. C. ...	4	4	0	0	65	7	8
King's Own ...	4	2	0	2	19	33	4
West Ridings ...	2	1	0	1	22	36	2
Customs ...	2	0	0	2	3	8	0
City. ...	2	0	0	2	5	30	0

The Final for the Junior Challenge Cup was decided on the Calcutta ground where the contestants were the Armenian College (holders) and La Martiniére. The latter were no match for their opponents who were superior in all departments of the game and won by three goals (two dropped) and 4 tries to *nil* and thus hold possession of the trophy for the second year in succession.

The United Services, who were assisted by one or two of the Dum-Dum XV, gave us a foretaste of what may be expected of them in the cup ties, by beating the West Ridings by 8 points to *nil*. They gave a refreshing display, Morris, of the West Ridings, playing a magnificent game against his clubmates, while Garstin showed to advantage, his try being the outcome of a good piece of play. The forwards all played well, Gardner, Szczepanski and Moberly particularly so.

The annual place kicking competition took place on the 9th instant, when Martelli, the holder, retained possession of the bowl presented last year by "A lover of Rugby." Martelli kicked in great style and won easily, though up to certain point Heilgers ran him close out failed through nervousness. Appended will be found the scores :—

			TOTAL.
E. Martelli.	11110=4	11110=4	8
K. A. Heilgers.	01100=3	11000=2	5
F. G. B. Siddons	01100=2	01101=3	5
A. E. Todd.	01110=3	00100=1	4
H. M. Sherman.	00011=2	00110=2	4
O. J. Barnes.	00100=1	00100=1	2

T. Curtis-Hayward and V. Sherman retired.
West Ridings 41 points City 0; comment is unnecessary.

Principal results at a glance for the week ending 10th September are sub joined :—

	G.	T.	Pts.		G.	T.	Pts.
England	0	3	9	Scotland	0	1	3
Calcutta ...	1	1	8	Armenians	0	0	0
King's Own (L.) ...	0	1	3	Customs	0	0	0
United Services ...	1	1	8	West Ridings	0	0	0
Armenian Coll. (J.C.T.)	3	4	25	La Martiniére	0	0	0
Calcutta (L.) ...	2	0	10	King's Own	0	0	0
West Ridings ...	4	7	41	City	0	0	0

TOUCH.

BOMBAY ROVERS' TOURNAMENT.

The opening match in the first round of the Rovers' Football Tournament, in which the Bombay Gymkhana met the Seaforth Highlanders from Nusseerabad was played on Friday, the 9th instant. Although the local team was not considered to have a ghost of a chance against the powerful combination of the Highlanders and as a matter of fact eventually suffered defeat by 5 goals to *nil*, there were one or two redeeming features in the display they gave which, as far as they were concerned saved the game from mediocrity. Towards the close of the first quarter the civilian forwards pulled themselves together and put in some of the best play that was witnessed by their line during the match. One of the best forwards on the field was Lieutenant W. R. Coningham, an old Bath College player, who was fortunately able to turn out for the Gymkhana. Time after time he led attacks on the Highlanders' goal and had he been better supported the Gymkhana must have scored on more than one occasion. Dawson, the goal-keeper, was a source of weakness to the Gymkhana and gave a wretched display which was in huge degree responsible for the heavy defeat sustained by his side. Had it not been for the determined opposition offered by the backs Griffiths and Haines, the Highlanders would have found the net every few minutes especially in the second half. The Highlanders were never once extended and their goal-keeper was only called upon to clear once in the first half. Their backs played a brilliant game while the forwards showed grand combination the result evidently of very careful training. Their chances of entering the final are fancied.

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THE second match in the Rovers' Tournament was played on Saturday evening between the Shropshire Light Infantry, from Ranikhet, and the Middlesex Regiment, from Secunderabad. The game was witnessed by a big crowd and was very even and exciting, the sides being equally matched. During the early part of the game the Shropshires had the advantage and a pass from Graham enabled Humphreys to score within the first minute. In the second half the Middlesex proved equally strong in combination and individual play, and just before time they equalised from a penalty kick by Snooks. Extra time was played amid great excitement, but the score remained unchanged—one all.

The tie was re-played on Monday morning. The heavy rain on Sunday had made the ground slippery. While on Saturday both sides appeared equally matched the Ranikhet team, this morning, were in excellent form and from the beginning showed superior combination. Though the Middlesex played for all they were worth and made a game fight, the Shropshires had matters their own way throughout. Terrant the Middlesex goal-keeper, had a peppery time and but for his sterling defence the margin against the Middlesex would have been a wide one: as it was he successfully resisted all but one attempt to score by the Shropshires who won by 1 goal to *nil*. As the result of a shot from Olliver who took a pass from Skyrme the latter found the net ten minutes from the start, no further point being registered. On the form displayed the chances of the Shropshires reaching the final appear favourable.

The South Lancashires, from Jubbulpore, and the Lincolns, from Secunderabad, met on Monday evening. The game was exceedingly fast, but was marred by undue feeling and a quarrel between two of the players. Play was even until Gibon, after a clever dribble, passed to Neill who scored for the Lincolns. Later Gibon made another attempt narrowly missing the net and then the Lancashires livened up and shortly after changing ends Cook scored for them from a penalty kick. Keeping up the pressure Lancashires quickly added another goal, but Neill for the Lincolns soon equalised. Lively play ensued, the Lincolns attacking vigorously, but another penalty gave the victory to the South Lancashires, Cook registering the winning point. The teams seemed to be well matched, the Lancashire men being lucky in turning their penalties to account. Result:—South Lancashires, three goals; Lincolns, two.

Two games were played in the Rovers' Tournament on the 13th instant. The ground was slippery after the recent rain. R. F. A. from Kirkee defeated the Yorkshires from Cawnpore by three goals to two after a hard game, the Warwicks beat Bombay Rovers by two to *nil*, the first goal being scored from a penalty; the Rovers had hard luck and there was some murmuring at the Warwicks' second goal, scored just before the finish, being allowed

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

MR. BROWN'S PRIZE.—The competition for the prize presented by Mr. J. M. Brown for players with a handicap of six and upwards has been won by Mr. G. Broadbent. The competition consisted of 18 holes on the Island links. Scores:—

First Round.

W. S. Kirkman (1) beat C. S. Ross (scr.) by 5 up and 3 to play.
F. A. Dene (3) beat W. H. J. Church (4) by 7 up and 6 to play.
F. J. Bishop (6) beat Rev. W. H. Parker (6) by 2 up and 1 to play.
E. J. Firth (1) beat D. Dewar (2) by 3 up and 1 to play.
A. W. Smart (3) beat W. S. Bickham (1) by 4 up and 3 to play.
W. Alexander (3) beat W. F. T. Clarke (4) by 2 up.
J. A. Robertson (3) beat C. R. Levick (scr.)
G. Broadbent, a bye.

Second Round.

Broadbent beat Kirkman by 6 up and 5 to play.
Dane beat Bishop by 4 up and 3 to play.
Firth beat Smart by 2 up.
Robertson beat Alexander by 3 up and 2 to play.

Third Round.

Broadbent beat Dene by 5 up and 4 to play.
Robertson beat Firth by 6 up and 5 to play.

Final.

Broadbent beat Robertson by 2 up and 1 to play.

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

FORTY TWA MEDAL.—The season opened on the 8th instant with the above competition. This medal is played for six times by handicap play and becomes the property of the player who wins it most often during the season. Messrs. Hart and J. S. Mackenzie, with handicaps of 6, were too good for the others, Mr. Hart just getting home by one stroke. Thirty-four players turned out, and the following are the scores of those who put in their cards:—

H. E. Hart	...	...	43–6	37
J. S. Mackenzie	...	...	44–6	38
D. Revie	...	...	45–5	40
A. L. S. Roberts	...	...	44–3	41
J. Lapraik	...	...	48–7	41
G. McKenzie	...	...	48–6	42
R. Aitken...	...	...	42 Scratch	42
P. F. Fischer	...	...	42 Scratch	42
G. C. Scott	...	...	49–7	41
D. H. Brand	...	...	47–4	43
P. W. Cresswell	...	...	46–3	43
E. E. Coombs	...	...	45–2	43
R. A. Don	...	...	43 Scratch	43
H. G. W. Meikle	...	...	43 Scratch	43
F. F. Pickard	...	...	48 5	43
Rev. L. M. Haslope		...	47 4	43
R. H. Duxbury	...	...	45 2	43
G. Miller	...	...	48 4	44
F. H. Greig	...	...	44 Scratch	44
A. H. J. Hamilton		...	53 9	44
R. H. M. Steven	...	...	45 Scratch	45
D. H. Gibson	...	...	50 5	45
R. Fairnie	...	...	52 7	45
C. Thomson	...	...	52 5	47

GOLF IN POONA

The following is the result of the monthly medal played for on the 3rd instant:—

	Handicap.	Result.
T. B. Fry	Scr	3 up
Major Anderson	Scr	do
H. J. Fry	10	2 down
Rev. A. Cant	2	3 do.
Lieut.-Col. Stevens	5	4 do.
Major Scudamore	9	do.

Three players tore up their cards.

The Dog.

DISTEMPER.

EVERYONE who has had any experience in breeding and raising well-bred dogs has seen the "most promising pup he ever had" die from distemper, or from the infectious gastroenteritis of puppyhood, called "dog plague" by the Germans, which is a disease somewhat similar to the stomach and bowel type of distemper. And this in spite of the most strenuous "doctoring."

In human medicine we have doctors of medicine, pill-pellers, and grandmothers. In veterinary practice we find grandmothers, "hoss doctors," and doctors of veterinary medicine. The dog has a strong constitution indeed who can survive the well-meant but terrible services of the two classes first named.

Utterly regardless of pathology and therapeutics, sulphur, an irritant, must be forced into stomach and intestine already inflamed to such an extent that the mucous membrane is on the verge of sloughing. This is done because sulphur (or gunpowder) is "good medicine for a dog's 'stumick' and bowels." By this same logic, if the sufferer has that form of distemper in which the nasal and respiratory passages are most involved, he is "smoked" with tar, feathers, old rags, leather, gum shoes, etc. In fact, the worse the smell the better the remedy—who would be so foolish as not to give "strong medicine" to a dog? If the dog gets pneumonia, it is because the treatment was too late. If he gets well, the stink did it.

In the nervous form the proper remedy is to rip a slit in the back of the patient's neck (the more filthy the knife used the better); put in plenty of red pepper and salt, and finish the treatment with a strip of red flannel well soaked in tar as a seton. I have seen a tallow candle inserted into the rectum for the same condition. These are effective treatments, for they make the dog forget that he has nerves.

I do not doubt that some of my readers have tried these remedies and that it has never occurred to them that they are cruel and ridiculous until they see them in print.

In treating a dog with distemper we should remember that it is a specific disease always caused by contagion. It is like measles or diphtheria in this respect. Every cough is not distemper any more than a child with a cough is always a victim of whooping cough. Therefore, the first step in its treatment is to prevent it. This seems to be practically impossible in the city, for like a Kodak, an instantaneous exposure is all that is needed. It would seem that more real disinfection and less odour at bench shows would be desirable. The object of dog show "disinfection" seems to be similar to that of my coloured man when he puts a lot of perfume on his Sunday duds before he goes to a dance. Then, too, each stall should have its own feed pans, and these should be thoroughly scalded between shows. Dogs are carnivorous animals by nature, and a little raw meat twice a week from weaning time until a dog is grown will do wonders for a pup's constitution. If, like Alkali Pete we have "done our damndest, angels can do no more," and if a dog gets distemper the first step is to isolate our patients.

The dog should be placed in a warm, dry room, with plenty of fresh water. There should be good ventilation and changes of temperature are very dangerous. The usual case of distemper is accompanied by a peculiarly offensive diarrhœa; the odour is wonderfully similar to that emanating from a case of small-pox. Therefore, the first indication for treatment is to clean out and purify the stomach and intestine. Castor oil is my choice for the initial cleaning, although some good men prefer calomel. If the oil causes vomiting it is not a disadvantage. The remedy I prefer for disinfection is medicinal methylene blue. The dose is one grain (a half grain for a pup), three times a day. It should be given in capsules or uncoated tablets. This drug is a fair germicide, penetrates deeper than most, antiseptics, and is, to a certain extent, taken up by the circulation. It is harmless in the dose mentioned. When we consider that distemper is an infection of every part of the dog's body, the reason for the use of a drug of this character is clear. Post-mortem examination of a dog which has taken methylene blue shows that the nervous system is blue in colour; the urine is also blue. This indicates that the drug passes through the blood, and reasoning from the resemblance between distemper and diseases in which bacteria are found in the blood, we are justified in believing distemper to be a blood infection with local manifestations. This is a favourite drug with many physicians in the treatment of typhoid, septicemia, and malaria. Under its influence the stool becomes much less offensive and blue in 24 to 48 hours. It seems to control the fever to a certain extent, although, *per se*, it has no effect on temperature. It should be continued for about a week or a little more, or until the acute infection is over.

A certain degree of fever is Nature's method of combatting infection; but if the temperature goes above 104deg. it is well to give phenacetin. I like to give it in the combination known as a migrain pill. Phenacetin is a heart depressant, and in this pill the combination with other drugs counteracts this disadvantage.

The eyes should be kept clean; plain boiled water is as good as any antiseptic, but a rag should never be used more than once. A dirty rag filled with infection is too much like the man and the bramble-bush. A little lanolin around the eye will aid in preventing the ulceration which I have seen from the discharge coming in contact with the skin.

The nasal discharge is a difficult problem. A dog will insist on licking the discharge from his nose, and absorbs a large quantity of filth and poison in this way. A feather inserted into each nostril and left there for a brief time is very effective in causing him to sneeze and expel much of the mucous and pus with the feather. I have just tried in a severe case the use of five, and only five, drops of adrenalin chloride solution (made by Parke, Davis, and Co.,) in each nostril, three times daily. The result was remarkable; but one swallow does not make a summer. The head should be thrown well back and held there for a time, so that the drug will reach as much of the nasal mucous membrane as possible. The feather should be used first. A drop of the same solution in each eye twice daily will "perform a miracle."

Convulsions, etc., require bromides, but when these occur it is almost useless to continue the fight, as such a large proportion of the victims die and so many of those that live are paralytics and idiots. To be sure, an idiot may win prizes and be sold for a good figure, as I know from the purchaser's end of the line; but this does not benefit either the dealer or the business.

The question of diet remains. When there is absolute loss of appetite, forced feeding with broth is a necessity. Milk is bad for cases during the time in which there is severe diarrhœa. It curds in the stomach and passes through the intestine unchanged. Later it is good. When the patient will eat, raw meat, eggs, broth, etc., should be given. A moderate quantity of brandy is very useful in the broth or milk, as alcohol is a food and prevents waste of tissues. Brandy is not laxative, like whiskey. The use of direct stimulants like strychnia and digitolis is poor policy unless it is near the end of the acute stage of the disease. This kind of medication is like a mile runner starting at a hundred-yard clip.

For a long time after convalescence the dog is best kept as quiet as possible. Exercise is liable to cause a relapse, and also to lead to dilatation of the heart muscle already softened and degenerated by fever and poison. I lost a good one in this way. Of course, dilatation leads to permanent heart disease. Don't wash a convalescent unless you wish to learn the treatment of pneumonia.

Even by scientific treatment one will lose a large number of dogs, either in the acute stage or from complications which follow, but this kind of treatment is humane, and will give much better results than the prevalent "good medicine for dogs" treatment.—*Field and Fancy.*

The Naturalist.

INDIAN BRANCH OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF BIRDS.

THE results of the past year have on the whole been eminently satisfactory. In consequence of increased professional duties at Meerut, the Honorary Secretary has had even less time than ever to give to the cause of Bird and Game Protection. A glance at the sum expended in stamps will, however, show that a considerable amount of correspondence has been carried on in the past twelve months. It is no small satisfaction to be able to feel that the Society's Branch in India has borne its share—a small one no doubt—with such important bodies as the Game Preservation Associations of the Nilgiris, Mysore, Rangoon, etc., in bringing to the notice, both of the public and the authorities, the need that exists for further action in the matter of preserving our Indian fauna. Subscriptions showed a considerable increase over the previous twelve months, due in a great measure to the generous donations of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, H. H. the Maharaja of Kuch Behar, and the Nilgiri Game Preservation Association. At the same time the funds do not admit the employment of a paid clerk, and the Secretary has to carry on the correspondence during his spare time. Further aid in subscrip-

tions is therefore earnestly solicited. *Bird Notes and News*, issued by the "Home" Branch and obtained and distributed gratis to annual subscribers of Rs. 3 and upwards.

The results of the Act recently passed by Lord Curzon's Government appear on the whole to be satisfactory: nevertheless there is no doubt whatever that efforts are being made—and unfortunately with some measure of success—to evade its restrictions.

Need for such an Act is clearly shown by a cursory glance at a sale of birds' feathers held in the Commercial Sale Rooms in London on 16th February 1904

No less than 291 packages of herons' and egrets' plumes (Ospreys) were disposed of, the majority being "*from India*, others from south America and China. The lowest price was 24s. 6d. per ounce, 26s. to 36s. being a fair average, and a few special lots fetching as much as £5, £7, and £9. 12s. 6d. per ounce; while some grey heron's plumes went as low as 1s. 9d."

Of other Indian birds were 1,828 so-called "Impeyan" (Monal) pheasants realising from 1s. 9d. to 3s. 4d.; "Japanese Argus" (Himalayan Tragopan) pheasants 21s. to 26s.; various Hawks and Eagles (many Spizaetus) 2s. 7d. to 5d.; Ravens 1s. 4d.; 400 small Indian Owls 1d.!!!; 50 larger ones (including ketupa, the Fish Owl) 8d. each !!!; 2,600 Paroquets (chiefly P. torquatus) 1s. to 1s. 0½d.; and about 3,000 rollers (Indian Blue Jay) which averaged 1s. Flat Jungle-cock skins without the necks (probably taken for fishing-flies) realized 1s. 7d. to 2s. 2d.

This will give some faint idea of the efforts of India to meet the demand in London—and doubtless on the Continent and elsewhere—for birds' plumage.

The indignation of "Trade" at Home proves that the Act is making itself felt, but, nevertheless it is to be feared that many skins find their way out of the country.

Communications with the Customs Authorities pointed to the probability of the post being used for the purpose of evading the Act. It is to be hoped that the Postal Officials may be able to aid Customs in this matter.

Furthermore during the spring, an advertisement for feathers of herons and paddy birds appeared in the *Pioneer*. The advertiser was promptly communicated with, but as there is nothing to prevent a dealer from carrying on his trade, provided he does not export, it is most improbable than any good resulted. A circular letter sent round some months ago, elicited the fact that many feathers and skins are supposed to find their way out of India through French and Portuguese ports, but no definite information was forthcoming.

A correspondent in Assam writes regarding the destruction of peacocks in certain districts, due to a demand for the feathers.

It would appear from his account that, in the Darrang District where it was formerly abundant, the bird has been practically exterminated.

It is gratifying to see that not only Europeans, but natives, are being aroused to a realifation of the state of affairs. Recently the Jains in Guzerat have started a movement having for its object the abolition of the use of egrets' feathers in the head dresses of native princes.

While the cause of Game Protection has always been strenuously kept to the front, the Society's first object has been the protection of birds against the destruction of the plume hunters The various Game Associations have always readily assisted this Society in its efforts, and the Nilgiri Game and Fish Preservation Association has in addition most generously given monetary support.

Game laws are now in force in Cashmere, Jammu, the Nilgiris, Mysore, Travancore, Bombay, Sindh, Bengal and Raipur (C.P.), but in most instances, though better than nothing, they are respected mainly by the European. The restrictions regarding the importation of birds and animals into Municipalities at certain seasons too often remain a dead letter.

The unremitting efforts on the part of societies and individuals have at last induced Government to draft a Bill for the better preservation of Game and Fish, which has been sent to the interested parties for our expression of opinion. The speeches of Sir Frederick Price and the Honble Mr. H. P. Hodgson at Ootacamund on 25th July, are well worth the persual of every one who is interested in the matter. In regard to guns for crop protection, it is probable that the cutting down of the barrel to 12 or 14 inches would have an excellent effect. It would be quite as useful for such purposes as a longer weapon, while at the same time its powers as an exterminater would be almost *nil*. The distinction made between officials and non-officials seems unfair, and a much better one would be residents and non-residents. The latter, being tourists, and therefore presumably men of means, could afford to pay a considerably enhanced fee for a license.

Whatever regulations are finally passed, it is to be hoped that they will not be allowed to remain a dead letter or merely to control European and Indian sportsmen, while leaving the wandering and criminal tribes, low-caste native shikaries to carry on their methods of extermination unchecked.

In the United Provinces for instance enormous destruction is carried on by Aheryas, Bheriahs, Kunjars, Pasis and Chamars, particularly after the cutting of the spring crops. As the heat increases, and the fields of the corn are harvested the game fur and feathers take shelter in the few *khets* left uncut, or in patches of Dhak Jungle. A wandering party of one of these castes, takes up its abode in the neighbourhood, and proceeds to surround every piece with nets. When ready a "hank" is made, with the result that practically everything in the patch, pig, buck, does, fawns, hares, partridges, quails, etc., are caught and killed. A friend informs me that on one occasion he counted over 200 black partridge skins in an encampment!!! It surely should not be difficult to put a stop to wholesale netting, at any rate during the hot weather, when the practice, if systematically carried out, means the practical extermination of the small game in the district.

Once more our warmest thanks are due to Messrs. R. A. Spence and E. Comber for their aid in Bombay, and to Mr. Laxmidas who similarly represented the Society in Guzrat. The Press throughout India has also given invaluable aid.

Finally an earnest appeal is made for financial assistance. As in previous years certain subscribers have omitted to forward their subscription.

It is doubtless not the amount that is the cause, but the little trouble that must be incurred in sending it. Will those who have so kindly supported the Society's efforts in the past, continue their aid? An appeal is especially made to the native nobility and gentry. Their feelings and religious predelictions are in favour of the protection of animal life. Yet but few of their names appear on the list. Money is wanted for publishing, advertising, postage, and for the usual expenses attendant on carrying or a work of this kind. It was found that a large number of persons were deterred by the idea that the Society looked askance at followers of sport and Natural History, and it has been no easy matter to eradicate this impression.

The only rules that are binding on members are:—

(i) That they shall discourage the *wanton* destruction of birds (and animals) and interest themselves generally in their protection.

(ii) That they shall refrain from wearing the feathers of any bird not killed for food, the Ostrich only excepted.

(iii) That they shall endeavour to recognise fully the breeding seasons of the various species and refrain from sport at those times. (This is not intended to prohibit Naturalists from indulging in their several pursuits, but it is taken for granted that their innate sense of what is right and proper will cause them to act with moderation.

(iv) That they shall endeavour to act as becomes true sportsmen and lovers of nature and to induce others to do the same.

MEMBERS.

Any person may become a member of the Society, on paying the sum of two annas as registration fee and agreeing to the objects of the Society as stated in the rules.

ASSOCIATES.

Members may become Associates of the Society on agreeing to pay one rupee or more annually, and Life Associates, a donation of one gold mohur.

Associates who subscribe five rupees and upwards annually and donors of five gold mohurs, will receive a copy of each new publication as issued.

Subscribers of one gold mohur annually will be designated Fellows.

It is to be hoped that all sportsmen, naturalists, and lovers of bird and animal life, will be induced to lend their influence and financial aid—the smallest subscription and donation—to enable the Society to defray the few necessary expenses.

The number of letters and communications that have to be written, before individuals make up their minds to join is very great, and numbers of circulars and letters have to be despatched to which no answer is vouchsafed Such work should really be carried out by a clerk, but until further funds are forthcoming, it is impossible to employ one. In the meanwhile every advantage possible must be taken of the means at our disposal.

It is to be hoped that those who had supported the Society this year will not only not withdraw their aid, but will endeavour to further its aims and objects by inducing others to join. The Society for the Protection of Birds, which in India also includes wild animals generally, does not propogate the views of a few faddists, but endeavours to prevent by reasonable means the extremination or undue diminution of our Indian fauna.

Subscriptions and donations may be paid to the Honorary Secretary.

Meerut College,
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WILLIAM JESSE,
Honorary Secretary,
SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF BIRD,
Indian Branch.

The Story Teller.

JOBKINS TRIUMPHANT.

MY old crony Jobkins, trainer, is a bit of a philosopher in his way, also facetious by inclination, and he often talks at great length not because he has anything to say, but for the purpose of airing his vocabulary Flow of speech is what he cultivates, heedless of less picturesque considerations. It would not make the slightest difference if there were no persons present to hear him: I mean that it would make no difference to them. Their waste of time might be registered in another direction with equal futility.

As to the subject of his racehorses, Jobkins is eloquent when he is allowed to express his opinions *in extenso*. "Pace," he said, "is, on the racecourse, a relative term. We may think that we are going fast in the society of moderate competitors—I do not refer to those of the opposite sex—when actually we are not beating the slowest time on record. Pace," he raised his voice, "is like scent: we chatter about it, knowing next to nothing."

"But the fox and the jockey know next to something," I observed, with a frivolous air intended to disarm criticism. "They are assumed to have a little sense between them."

Jobkins pulled himself together. "Whatever they may know," he replied, "the fox and the jockey usually keep their mouth shut. They do the work, and let others do the talking It is not easy," he added, with a flourish, "to combine those two accomplishment."

Having selected a comfortable armchair near to a table whereon decanters were arranged temptingly, for my old crony loves to go the whole course when it is irrigated, Jobkins sat back in a luxuriant manner, and, indubitably, he could not have sat stiller if at all, on a two-pound saddle. He began to speak again as though he had never said a word for hours. I could scarcely get a remark in edgeways—a cruel punishment for me. It was necessary to punish the decanter in exchange.

"Pace and scent," so he ran on, "are subjects of vast sporting interest. They fire our imagination, thrill our pulses, absorb our money, and we are never happier than when we are engaged in their pursuit. They go to the root of all things, as may be said; if there is no scent, pace is sure to be bad; without pace we cannot expect to keep ourselves warm."

"Not if you say so." I returned, modestly. "Your ultimatums are generally exhaustive."

"I won a race once, only once," he declared "by peculiar tactics, which greatly astonished the natives. Men applauded me before I had drawn my money a touching proof of their confidence in my ability."

"You promised to tell me all about it when the sun went down." I beamed at him encouragingly. "So far you have indulged in a few inglorious skirmishes, and the sun disappeared some time ago Get along with you, do." I assumed a severe aspect. "Have you no trace of Christian principle?"

"I intend to give you a taste or two of my quality as we make progress," said Jobkins, returning my persiflage in the same genial spirit which inspired it; "and I am sure you will agree that the story is very interesting. It has also the merit of truth, and that is an unusual feature calling for instant recognition in connection with sporting narrative. Who said 'rats?'"

He cocked his ears, so to speak, in a suspicious manner, and sniffed with an air of aggression. If he had been a terrier in the pit he could not have looked more dogmatical or alert; and I denied all thought of rats in this relation. Why bring in vermin irrelevantly?

"Though we have not assembled," I put in, 'for the express purpose of hearing you talk to the point of distraction it is just as well now you *are* here"—he squirmed slightly in his chair—"to listen to your diatribes. How does number one go?'

"It is amusing," Jobkins answered, and raised his glass Heavenward—that is, mouthward. "I was training a few horses at that time for an owner of the old-fashioned school many of whose ideas were obsolete. He cut a quaint figure in the paddock, with shambling gait and clothes that fitted where they stuck, while a fair Sunday's School teacher would have been demoralised by the strength of his verbiage. He fired off a series of terrible volleys and never lacked ammunition. A perfect hero he was in the firing line. His soul rose in arms when he heard the familiar battle-cry of 'Evens the field, two to one bar one, and any price the perishers!"

Moistening his lips for a further magnificent effort, Jobkins glanced at me appreciatively as at a fountain of whisky, and resumed:

"I could never find out really what that ancient owner knew about racehorses or what pleasure he derived from them, save in the betting market. He did not converse about them if other topics were instituted. His practical judgment was not often displayed to advantage, least of all when he opened his mouth, except to put a slice of fat into it. He had a way of opening his mouth rather close to one, which was objectionable, since his breathing apparatus seemed to have been poisoned at its source. I hated to go near enough to receive his unsanitary instructions"

Then it was that Jobkins sighed as if with remorse for some of the sorrows he had gone through in a fiduciary capacity, and for which he had received no extra remuneration. He sat back in his chair again and caressed his chin fondly, with goblet in the other fist. I had no idea what he was thinking about, which was, perhaps, as well for me, if not for him. What some trainers think about after business hours is not fit for the contemplation of ordinary burghers. So I said:

"And now as to the race you won by unrighteous tactics, taking the bread out of the mouth of a stranger. He subsequently expressed a wish, I believe, to make your acquaintance in a twelve-foot ring."

"He threatened to punch me round the paddock at first with incredible violence," my old crony admitted. "But it was not my fault by any means; it was the work of that venerable humbug of an owner for whom I trained. We had a speedy non-stayer running in a mile and a half race, and my patron had sketched out what he called a map of the riding orders. The jockey was to do something special at every small coloured dot marked at various points of the journey. At one place there were two larger red dots, when he was ordered to hit his mount twice and lean more forward than had hitherto been accomplished on the English Turf. Besides, that owner said:

"We must have no blessed dawdling or hanging back or "waiting for the whisper" in the race. If the prize were only fourpence halfpenny I can do with the fourpence and *you*"—he nudged his trainer—"can have the halfpenny. But our jockey must come along all the way, especially round the corners. Steam ahead, my boy, that must be his motto, and Heaven speed the plough! Tell him what I say—no messing behind until it is too late to capture my fourpence, and no coming with a final spurt to secure the halfpenny for you. D'ye hear?"

"I told him that I heard all right," continued Jobkins, striding out freely; "though I also mentioned that our horse was a non-stayer who was not likely to be suited by a strong-run race, and that nursing tactics might be more judicious. He paid no attention to my arguments. 'Mine will stay as well as the others in this race,' he averred, 'because he is the best of a bad lot, and they cannot stretch him out at the top of his speed. Most of 'em,' he added, with a chuckle, 'are stickers if you give 'em stick enough, and I don't mind how much of that my champion gets if we'—he waved his arms as if he were going down for the last time and knew it—if *we* get the fourpence-halfpenny.

"That was conclusive, of course," thus the brave Jobkins went on," and if it had not been conclusive I should have declined to argue the point with an owner who possessed such a double-barrelled breath as that described. I gave our jockey, therefore, his riding orders without modifying them to suit my private exigency. He cantered to the post with as much assurance amongst the others as if he had already got several of them partly whacked and had the rest virtually beaten. He was a sanguine youth, or he would not have been there on that occasion—at least, not in such a position of precarious emolument. He was to receive an extra 'fiver' if he won, but if he lost—"

Here poor Jobkins tried his flowing beaker for another *coup*, just as if the vision conjured up in his mind were too horrible for endurance without the aid of stimulant Story-telling is certainly thirsty work. That is a reason, perchance, why many professors of this art fail to achieve distinction apart from their powers of absorption during a carousal. Constant irrigation of their system produces sloppy results. Yet my old crony simply dipped his beak twice or thrice as intimated—I cannot swear to a time or two—gurgling affectionately, as if in response to words of tenderness and passion, and then he muttered, "Where are we now?"

"We are cantering to the post with our toes out," I reminded him, "and with a rapt expression of countenance just as though we had already won more than we expected and were on the point of drawing our 'brass.'"

"Very well," said Jobkins. "Our horse jumped off in front when the flag fell (it was before the starting-gate was thought of), and his jockey began to rouse him up with vigour. He rode him hard with his hands from the outset, whilst tickling his ribs in the orthodox manner to show that business was meant. The noble racehorse responded to the best of his ability, for he was game enough even if mediocre in other respects, so that he was soon out by himself, several lengths to the good. Hopes of victory blurred my vision to some extent, and I was too excited to see straight, as had happened"—he coughed modestly—"on previous occasions. To win a race at last!—such, undoubtedly, appeared to be my glorious fate."

"Our runner kept pegging away in front till the last quarter of a mile, when his stride shortened and slowed; he was very tired. The worst part of the expedition was over, the nicest bit had to come, whips were being used freely, and yet—" The orator grunted and paused.

"Well, and how did the play end?" I asked, anxious to reach the *dénouement* in Act VI.

"My candidate was stone-beat, and so were the others. He had strung 'em out for speed, and when it came to 'sticking' he had them at his mercy, albeit no 'sticker,' since he had established a lead and they were too much exhausted to reduce it. He had won by the length of a street, say Queer-street, which often seems interminable. In fact, they were all non-stayers who took part in that competition, and whether ours was the best or the worst of the bunch I have not been able to determine. His winning proved nothing."

"No?" I murmured, feeling my way into deep waters.

"No," retorted the trainer, emphatically. "Because the race was falsely run on a map of the-world sort of course, and without those coloured dots my jockey would never have got home. And there was," he winked, "another thing."

"Yes?" I ventured changing my form of salute.

"Yes—yes!" he cried, with flashing eyes. "Not only were they non-stayers in that race but they were also 'welshers' of the deepest dye and before they went to the post I had sneaked the last bottle of whisky in the paddock for mine—for me and for mine!"

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GROUSE DISEASE.

WITH the advent of another grouse season the Commission of eminent sportsmen appointed a few months ago by Lord Onslow, to enquire into the mysterious malady which periodically depopulates large areas of moor, has no doubt begun its labour. The appointment of the Government Commission is interesting in itself: the "Grouse Disease Commission" is entrusted with the duty of enquiring into a certain phase of sport in the interests of that sport. Previous Commissions have enquired into sporting matters, or into matters in which sportsmen were closely interested: the various fishery enquiries and the deer forests enquiry appealed very closely to the salmon angler and the stalker, but the former were instituted in the interests of the netsmen and the consumer, while the latter was almost an avowed attack upon the deer forest in the interests of the sheep farmer. The Grouse Disease enquiry is of a totally different character: it has peculiar interest, if only because it represents for the first time recognition of a Government Department at home that a sport deserves the care of the State. That, however, is a minor point of interest: we are far more concerned with the practical side of the business, the organised endeavour to discover the cause or causes of the disease and, if possible, the remedy.

It is rather curious that the first mention of Grouse Disease enquirers have been able to find occurs in the old *Oriental Sporting Magazine* of the year 1829. The passage we have in mind referred to an outbreak of a similar disease "some years ago" and states that in the birds then examined, as in those immediately under notice, a medical man had pronounced the malady to be tapeworm. Grouse Disease as a malady peculiar to that species was not recognised at this period: but the description of the symptoms given by Dr. Wallace in 1828 leaves no room for doubt that the disease he attributed to tapeworm was identical with that which causes such ravages on the moors in our own time. For very many years no practical steps were taken to solve the mystery of the disease: sportsmen of a past generation were much concerned with it: St. John in his classical work on Highland sport has a good deal to say about it: and we glean from his pages that when the disease made its appearance in the forties it was not less destructive in its effects than it is in modern times. Until, however, grouse shooting took the place to which its merits entitle it among our national sports, no very real endeavour, no organised endeavour was made to fathom it. From time to time, as an epidemic occurred and ruined large areas of moor for two, three or even four, seasons, owners applied themselves to the question, and by dint of study of conditions and comparison of notes acquired a certain bases of knowledge. Probably the disinclination of owners and lessees to admit the existence of disease on their grounds threw an obstacle in the way of enquiry, but eventually sufficient information was gathered to furnish what may be considered a starting point.

Thus it is recognised that the epidemic makes its appearance generally after a particularly good season: that there is some relation between prolonged wet weather and the disease: and, clearest testimony of all, that when the epidemic appears it always sweeps across the cruntry its ravages demonstrating a clearly definable course. So well defined is the course of the disease that in some cases it has

been traced along the course of a brook, the birds on one side suffering seriously, while those on the other escape completely. The path of the disease seems to be preordained, if we may use the expression: its progress is not necessarily arrested or checked by the absence of grouse: for it has been observed to ravage the moors up to a point where hill and heather gives place to lowland pasturage, and recommence its work on the moors beyond the valley, there continuing its track in a line continuous with that by which it travelled before: even as a forest fire may leap a stretch of naked ground and pursue its destructive course beyond. As regards the connection between a good season, or let us use the more appropriate equivalent phrase and say, a heavy stock of birds and grouse disease, the obvious inference is that overstocking predisposes a tract of moor to the pestilence. Nature has ordained that the grouse shall enjoy space if he is to thrive, and probably he needs more ground than any bird of his size. When we consider that a moor which carries a single grouse to every acre of its area, is a well stocked moor, we realise what "wing room" is necessary: this, however, is a particular detail of the general case. The point to be made is that there is reason to connect the disease with the existence of a large head of game: and this indicates an effort of nature to reduce the stock to the limits the ground can support. This is satisfactory enough in theory, but unfortunately it does not help us forward in practice; for experience shows that thinly-stocked moors suffer, in proportion, equally with well-stocked moors.

Much was hoped from the careful and able investigations conducted by Dr. Klein, who in the autumn of 1887 studied the disease on the spot; he made post-mortem examinations, kept living invalids under observation, cultivated bacteria and made series of interesting experiments to ascertain how far and in what fashion the disease is communicable between one bird and another. It would be wrong to say that Dr. Klein's labours did nothing to solve the mystery: but it must be allowed that the conclusions at which he was able to arrive did not of themselves go far towards a better understanding of it. That they may yet prove of great value and importance to Lord Onslow's Commission of sportsmen, or to future investigators, is more than probable: it is one of the hardships of science that one should sow the seed while a successor reaps the crop. Dr. Klein's investigation showed a certain variety of symptom internally, though the well-known external indications differed only in degree: the plumage of the back and throat lustreless and ruffled, the legs denuded of feathers: the call hoarse and weak and the flight slow and laboured. The internal symptoms usually showed congested liver, often congested kidneys and in some cases the lungs similarly affected: tapeworms were often present in great numbers: but Dr. Klein attached comparatively little importance to this last symptom for the good reason that birds which did not exhibit the characteristic indications of the disease, were often found suffering from the parasites. After close study he discovered certain fungi in the liver which he held accountable for the state to which that organ was reduced in diseased birds: and eventually he succeeded in isolating bacteria which he had reason to believe might be the responsible organisms. He proceeded to make a series of experiments accordingly: and the result of these was such as to convince him that he had not tracked the offender home.

The results obtained were somewhat curious. He administered bacilli to mice and birds in their food without effect: the microbes were successfully digested; this seemed to disprove the theory cherished by many authorities that bad food was the primary cause of the disease and that the crop was the assailable point. The next experiment was with the respiratory organs: a small bird, a yellowhammer, was successfully inoculated, and by placing the bird in a cage with others and beside another cage containing six healthy birds, the two cages being covered in with a cloth for a night, the malady was communicated, proving fatal to all the birds within three days. Up to this point the experiment seemed to promise ultimate success, though there is a very wide difference between the conditions of infection in cages placed in close juxtaposition, and those prevailing on the open hillside. Nevertheless, the peculiarity of the disease in travelling over well-defined belts of country suggested that it is communicable through the atmosphere and that infection is through the lungs; and further experiment was fully justified. Experiments were now made not with mice or finches, but with healthy grouse: it is manifest that if the disease which Dr. Klein had propagated with fatal results in yellowhammers were grouse disease, the grouse should have fallen an easy prey to the infection. Here it was that failure occurred: it proved impossible to infect healthy grouse with the cultures: and the disappointing conclusion was that the bacilli which had been isolated were not the cause of the disease. There the matter stands. What Lord Walsingham, Lord de Grey and their colleagues have to discover, if they can, is first the cause of the disease, and next the manner of infection or contagion. These things made clear, there will be time to consider remedies or, better, preventive measures.

Sporting Notes.

FOR a wonder last Saturday the long-suffering monsoon race-goer was vouchsafed a fine day, and the going was as near perfection as can be obtained at this season of the year in the land of regrets.

As a set-off to the excellence of the going, however, we were treated to a real hot afternoon, and at 3-30, the time fixed for the first race, the temperature was far more suggestive of a long chair and a punkah, than hedging and ditching around the paddock in search of winners. All the same, the attendance was well up to the average, and the ring was strongly represented.

The entries were good, but a terrible falling off ensued upon the publication of the weights, and it is not too much to say that though a certain amount of grumbling is inevitable over handicaps—more especially in the monsoon, when this branch of the business is in the hands of an amateur—still we never remember to have heard such general—not to say audible—dissatisfaction expressed before. Indeed we are only surprised that even more horses were not withdrawn.

All three jump races produced fields, which is all the more creditable since two of them looked on paper to be presentations.

One of them, it is true, went wrong, but when a horse persists in running a couple of miles in a mile and-a-half race, in addition to galloping through stiff hurdles as if he were out for a spin on the flat, well—he wants a bit of weight in hand in order to win.

The three flat races filled, but that is about all that can be said of them, except the Harington Plate, for which a real good field turned out, and which also provided one of the prettiest races of the day.

Proceedings opened with the City Plate, for which there were five starters. On paper this looked like a gift for Daffodil, and had it been a flat race of the same distance, run between high rails, there would have been no doubt of the result. The monsoon hurdle course, however, takes a little doing, and the second favourite, Parole, admirably ridden by Beasley, proved equal to the occasion. This is a real good horse, but one that wants knowing, and Beasley is the first who has grasped the true method of riding him, which appears to be to give him a couple with the flail between each flight, as a hint to keep going. Bob ran a real game little horse, and made the winner hurry in earnest to get home in front of him. Naiades is evidently right off colour and badly in need of a spell.

Eight went to the post for the hunters' hurdle race, and Blue Bell II, the previous winner, whose weight had, for some occult reason, been reduced 7lbs., was correctly installed an even money favourite, Cheer Up being generally fancied for a situation. The latter, who is a bit green at the game, was going strong up to the fifth flight, where, apparently dismayed by finding himself without a lead, he made a determined attempt to cut it, and floundered through the hurdle on his head, displacing Mr. Barrow and thereby destroying a good chance of landing the place money. Mr. Harold Smith rode a really artistic race on Blue Bell II, waiting until the last possible moment. When she *was* asked to come, however, the mare romped through her field as though they were standing still, and scored cleverly by a length, which after all is just as good business for her backers as the twenty or thirty lengths she could equally easily have won by. Another warm favourite got home in the pony hurdle race in Good Chap, who was ably piloted by Mr. Evers. Moss Rose, who shows to better advantage in her former pilot, Mr. Barrow's hands, than in any other, was chiefly backed for a place; she was never really on terms with Good Chap, but had little difficulty in disposing of the rest. The Owl was unlucky in standing off the fourth flight a bit too far and coming down, as she was going strong at the time, and though she would probably not have interfered with the winner, she would undoubtedly have made a good race for second place.

There were six starters for the Farewell Handicap, a so-called selling race. We have frequently hinted at the futility of a selling race in which the upset price is double the value of the stakes, and this proved yet another instance in support of our view, as of course there was no bid for the winner. There is, so far as we know, no necessity to have selling races at all, but all we can say is, if we are to have one, why let it *be* a selling race. Had the race been five furlongs the public would have been right in backing Profit, but not even the comparatively dry going enabled her to remain in front for six, and the result was a positive cake walk for Kittylea.

The Plassey Plate just missed drawing a field sufficient for 1, 2, 3 betting, and Mignon, Blue Bell and Black Patch were the three selected. The last named looked to have the best of the allotment, and he very nearly got there, but that uncertain quantity, Little Doris, got well away, and leading throughout was never quite caught, Black Patch, who was a close second, having lost a lot of ground by coming badly round the turn.

An almost record field of twelve faced the barrier for the last race, and Winklet was made favourite at two's. He ran a real game little horse and won a very pretty race from Fusilier by a length and a half, with Morris half a length away third. The faint-hearted Invincible was in front for five furlongs, but chucked it on commencing the sixth.

As an instance of the peculiarity of the handicapping, we would draw our readers' attention to the weights to be carried by Oom Paul and Step Ma in the Farewell Handicap and the Harington Plate, respectively. In two six-furlong races *on the same day*, Oom Paul, we are told, is 14lbs. better than Step Ma in one, and 2lbs. her superior in the other!!! Comment on this appears to be superfluous.

Appended was the betting on the two big autumn handicaps on the evening of the 2nd instant:—

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25	— 1	—	Mark Time (taken).
100	— 3	—	Wood Pigeon (taken).
100	— 3	—	Dean Swift (taken).
100	— 3	—	Rondeau (taken).
100	— 3	—	Sandboy (taken).
40	— 1	—	Santa Claus (taken).
40	— 1	—	Switch Cap (taken).
40	— 1	—	Bachelor's Button (taken).
40	— 1	—	Hands Down (taken).
40	— 1	—	Missovaja (taken).

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Run Wednesday, 26th October. One mile and a furlong.

25	to 1		on the field (offered).
100	— 3	agst.	Wood Pigeon (taken).
100	— 3	—	Barbette (taken).
100	— 3	—	St. Emilion (taken).
40	— 1	—	Donnetta (taken).

First Entries for the Lucknow Autumn Sky Races will be found further on.

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and with racing also in progress at Leopardstown and Phœnix Park, there were high jinks in the vicinity of the Irish capital the last week of August. In addition to all the leading sportsmen of Ireland and many from England, Scotland, and the principality of Wales, visitors were to be seen from all parts of the Continent and even more distant countries, and long before the date of the show the proprietors of the hotels and private apartments in Dublin had every available room engaged. The number of horses exhibited was not quite so large as last year, the 1,156 (independently of the jumpers) that were entered being something like 150 less than in 1903, the chief falling off being in the class for thoroughbred stallions calculated to get weight-carrying hunters, which only mustered eleven, showing a decrease of twenty-four. The quality, however, did not suffer, as amongst those that failed to get into the prize-list were Red Prince II, who was second last year and won the Croker Challenge Cup the year before, and Crotanstown, also a previous winner at Dublin, while Royal Mask, the winner in 1903, could only get second to Mrs. A. M. O'Callaghan's General Peace. Mrs. O'Callaghan had a great time with her thoroughbreds, as in addition to her victory with General Peace, she was first, second, and third in a lot of twenty-two brood mares and foals with Curlew, Erin, and Irish Girl, the foal of the last-named, a magnificent chestnut by Abercorn, taking the prize of £10 for the best filly-foal, and her foal out of Card Cutter, by General Peace, taking that of the same value for the best colt-foal.

We draw attention to the announcement among our Sporting Notices regarding the movements of the C. T. C. Official Measurer, whose tour begins at Rawalpindi about the 20th October and ends at Lucknow on the 3rd November.

The Dibrugarh Race prospectus is published to-day. The meeting extends over the 21st, 23rd and 25th January 1905, and there is to be a Polo Tournament and a Lawn Tennis Handicap between whiles, as per details in the programme which is practically on all fours with that which was so successfully carried out last year, save that this year the value of the Trial Plate, on the second day, has been raised from Rs. 250 to Rs. 500. Entries close on the 1st December, 1st January, and the day before the races. Our old friend, Mr. Stuart Baker, continues at the helm we are glad to see and we will trouble you to show us his superior as an Honorary Secretary.

An Open Gymkhana Race Meeting will be held at Meerut on the 15th and 17th October.

Entries for the Civil Service Cup so far number eleven, the third entries having brought in Parlour Maid and Ruin, as per details further on. Fourth entries close 1st December.

The programme of the Rawalpindi Sky Races will be found in the usual place. The card is an attractive one. On the first day there are five races for ponies and one for maiden horses. Six races for ponies figure on the second day's programme, while four flat races and a hurdle race for ponies and a steeplechase for horses are the items on the third day. All the events are for Rs. 200. Entries close on the 25th proximo, 19th November, and 5th December.

Seemingly those who go a-racing in America, occasionally carry their lives in their hands. We read that on the 26th August an outrage was perpetrated on the Hawthorne Racecourse whilst sport was in full progress. During one of the races a number of dynamite caps were scattered in the betting ring. Directly they were stepped upon explosions ensued, and, as these were frequent, a panic took place. Two persons had their feet badly lacerated and a third was thrown down. Thieves perpetrated the outrage.

Doubtless one of the chief attractions to sportsmen at the Saint Louis Universal Exhibition is the magnificent collection of guns, small arms, and accessories contributed by the world-renowned firm of Messrs. Charles Lancaster. Among those who handle guns, especially in this country, it is no mere *façon de parler* to say the name of Charles Lancaster is "a household word" in connection with everything that is superior and reliable in sporting weapons. We understand that the weapons in this exhibit are similar to those generally manufactured, supplied and sold by this firm, and nothing has been specially made as an exhibition sample. This is highly to be commended, being an endeavour to obtain patronage from visiting sportsmen on the actual article, so that purchasers can be certain of getting similar quality of weapons to those which are used by the leading sportsmen, and which have, in many cases, stood the test of 30 years' hard work, a convincing proof of the excellence of the productions of the firm of Lancaster. The enterprise of British gun-makers in getting prominently represented at St. Louis is deserving of success, and in this instance we trust to see it recognised by the highest awards.

The shooter of small game has already begun his operations for the season or is only waiting for the "sun's perpendicular ray" to be a little less scorching to do so. To him comes opportunely the latest catalogue of guns, rifles and ammunition issued by Messrs. Oakes and Co., Ld., Madras; and a rare good book it is. Well turned out and lavishly illustrated it takes us through the entire range of sporting weapons and accessories and makes us break the 10th commandment at almost every other page. There are several useful items and some novelties in this catalogue which we do not remember to have seen figured before.

It is announced that H. E. the Viceroy may make a short shooting trip to Dhami, a neighbouring Hill State near Simla.

It is frequently one of the most important questions when one has only a limited space of time at one's disposal for recreation and for the purpose of building up one's constitution, where to go; and this is of quite special importance for the many who yearly leave India after some years' residence here and who need, above all, a salubrious and invigorating climate.

There is no doubt that mountain air effects miracles in the restoration of shattered health, and among the various places which have been recommended there is none spoken of with more enthusiasm than the various health resorts in the Eastern, Austrian Alps.

We think we can do no better than to reproduce a short letter written to the Manager of the *Austrian Travel and Information Bureau* in London, by a well-known medical man in India who has already spent various winters at the charming Capital of the Tyrol.

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The Quetta Open Polo Tournament was won by the 3rd Lancers who beat the 35th Scinde Horse in the final by 14 goals and 13 subsidiaries to 3 goals 1 subsidiary.

Among the very many illustrated catalogues, Indian and English, that have been submitted to our notice this year we cannot recall any that have presented higher claims to novelty and artistic merit than two we have recently received from our friends the Elgin Mills Company of Cawnpore. All sportsmen are familiar with their tents and the firm's illustrated lists thereof; but in these two publications—one devoted to durries and the other to floor cloths and farash—we have specimens of the best class of colour printing which render these books, in their way, practically unique. Dwellers in the mofussil, where floor cloths and tent linings are more in general use than in the presidency towns, will have not the slightest difficulty in selecting what they may need, unless it be that the variety and beauty of design and colouring here exhibited render the task of selection a matter that calls for more consideration than usual. The same remark of course applies to the catalogue of durries, which, by the way, should be far more in evidence in our Calcutta offices, dining and living rooms than they are.

These catalogues are furthermore interesting, in that they give us specimens of one of the most interesting and ancient indigenous arts of India —farash printing, a process which we note the Elgin Mills Co. will be glad to show and explain to *bonâ fide* customers.

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Meeson should also have a black spot in her past, and why a chance remark of the chevalier should lead her also to think he knew all about it: but so it transpired. Mrs. Fulks Meeson eagerly promises to support the application which Sir John, under stress, is prepared to grant. The rest is clowning and patter, punctuated at intervals with the clash of "roundabout" music off. One grew a little tired of it before the end of Act III. The chevalier was amusing, but he was oppressively boisterous; and one came away with the feeling that a music hall "turn" had strayed into a theatre and expanded itself. One thing it did do: and that was to show Mr. Bourchier's untiring vitality: he carried the whole thing through and was seldom off the stage for three minutes together.

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Much more to my taste was the New Theatre bill on Tuesday. I pass lightly over "That Brute Simmons," a dramatised version of that clever little story by Mr. Arthur Morrison. You may remember it: Thomas Simmons deserts a shrewish wife and she, believing him dead, marries Bob Ford. Thomas turns up and tries to extract hushmoney from Bob on the mistaken supposition that Bob wants to keep the termagant wife; but Bob has had too much of her already and snatches at the opening of escape. The play follows the story very closely: clear proof of the dramatic character of a good Morrison tale. It makes a capital curtain raiser, and was very well received.

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The staple meal is "Beauty and the Barge" by W. W. Jacobs and Louis Parker. It is noisy, but in a manner different from "The Chevalier:" Mr. Jacobs' people are noisy because "it is their nature to;" the chevalier because his calling required blatant noise: and the difference is marked, for Mr. Jacobs' people do not weary you. For one thing the play is pure Jacobs: excessively clever dialogue bristling with wit and sharp retort which, however, is of that peculiar brand that seems natural on the lips of Mr. Jacobs' waterside characters. There is plot; but I shall remember it, and go and see it again, as a character piece that kept the house in roars of laughter from start to finish. It is less of a one-part piece than "The Chevalier," but Captain James Barley, master of the barge "Heart in Hand"—bulks large throughout. Captain Barley is a creation, and Mr. Jacobs was fortunate in having him presented by so ca able, sympathetic and versatile an actor as Mr. Cyril Maude. Captain Barley is amorous ashore and adamant afloat: he has "a way" with women and he keeps himself in practice at Coastham, where dwells Mrs. Baldwin, Major Smedley's housekeeper, who is the adored of the gardener; Mrs. Porter of the Old Ship Inn, who has a small but fiery husband; and Ethel Smedley, the Major's daughter, who is pursued by a young man in the person of Mr. Herbert Manners, whom her masterful papa has chosen for her while she loves Mr. Seton Boyne, R. N. All these, or whichever happens to be on hand, Captain Barley makes love to in his pleasant way: he will, he says, be six and thirty come Monday week, but I think he was transposing the figures. No matter: Captain Barley is a nautical Don Juan to whom love making is quite as essential, on shore, as breathing. On board the *Heart in Hand*, coasting trader, he is another being. An iron fisted autocrat before whom Tom Codd, the mate, and Augustus, the third hand, are almost abjectly submissive. There are two Captain Barleys, him seen of woman and him seen of the Third Hand, I warrant you.

Well, the plan of the play rests on Miss Smedley's unwillingness to marry Mr. Manners. He is expected at Coastham, and Captain Barley, meeting her in the garden, wins her confidence in his own inimitable fashion and persuades her to accept a passage in the *Heart in Hand* to London. Mrs. Porter finds her way on board the barge to play propriety. Seton Boyne had a hand in that and it struck me that if the Major's jealous gardener, Dibbs, had not brought Mrs. Baldwin to believe that Captain Barley was only "after" her house property, Mrs. Baldwin would have been on the barge too. She was not: but we have quite enough confusion and perplexity without her. Mrs. Porter escapes from the nether regions in a state bordering on frenzy and she "makes things hum." Mr. Boyne is aboard in place of Tom Codd who he had bribed to sham sick and stay ashore. How Captain Barley makes the most of his embarrassing opportunities on board would take too long to tell. The thing is all dialogue: one can't do justice to it, any more than to "Little Mary." Mr. Maude was really wonderful: the "affable" skipper ashore and the iron man aboard. Mr. Lennox Bawle's Tom Codd was no whit behind his skipper, and the several sailor men were real sailors as Mr. Jacob knows how to make them. Miss Jessie Bateman was quite in her element as Ethel and Mrs. Baldwin (Mrs. Chas. Calvert) and Mrs. Porter (Miss Mary Brough) were as good in their *rôles* as the rest. I never saw a piece better acted all round. It was uproariously received and deserved its welcome, for there it brought an entirely new atmosphere behind the footlights and the freshness of the thing delighted apart from its intrinsic humour.

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"Minnie Brooke Widow" is rather feeble: it is once again an example of the inability of the musical comedy "book" to stand without the music and its very slender attractions need not detain us.

"The Duke of Killierankie," transferred from the Criterion, was given at Wyndham's on Monday when that theatre re-opened its doors: it is a clever piece and wears well. I forget if I mentioned that Mr. Tree is restoring the pit to the Haymarket: the abolition of the pit was not well received when the innovation was made and discretion advised its restoration. "Miss Elizabeth's Prisoner" is the piece with which the Imperial opened yesterday: the author has added a prologue, which treats of a period three years before the action of the play. "The Orchid" reached its 300th performance on Tuesday, and is going as strong as ever.

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There is a new ballet at the Alhambra inspired by our agreement with France. The scene is a terrace before a palace. Knights with standard bearers represent the Great Powers who have assembled to do homage to Progress, Peace introducing the deputation. Enter Progress who begs the Knights to disarm and follow her and her friends Science and Industry. Knights hesitate, till Russia (!) leads off and throws down his sword. All have followed his example when a really excellent Demon comes on: he is the Demon of War and the Knights hurriedly pick up their weapons again. Drop scene to show clowns of war and the Knights quit. After this we have Ambassadors and their advent leads up to the Temple of Peace where the nations assemble and celebrate the occasion dancingly. It is all dancing from this point with an upper current of significance. Italy and Austria are on the verge of trouble when Germany dances in: France coquettes with Russia and renounces flirtation to chum with Britain; and so on. Very pretty and ingenious and much to the taste of faithful Alhambra patrons, but the music was less suggestive of peace than war in places. The new turn at the Pavilion is good, a lady who adopts the appropriate stage name of Arabella Allen is giving impersonations from Dickens' Rosa Dartle, Sairey Gamp and Grandfather Smallweed, among them. The last was the best: Sairey Gamp the least successful, oddly enough. A certain piquancy is lent to the business by Miss Allen's preference for "making up" on the stage.

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Dean Hole's regretted but hardly unexpected death early on Saturday morning removes a somewhat prominent figure. He was not often in London: the last time I saw him was in the window of the club on the memorable day of Queen Victoria's funeral. A humourist in a quiet way, the old man with the long white hair was immensely popular: he was blessed with that personal magnetism which made a total stranger feel his friend after five minutes of his society. He had been a keen man to hounds in his earlier days, and never lost his interest in hunting matters. To the world at large he was of course best known as a rose grower and an authority on rose culture: but he never touched upon flowers unless somebody led him on to the subject. He was a charming old man of the old school of ecclesiastics which is none too numerous nowadays.

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Various Items: *Truth* says that Grafton Home, Newmarket, has been sold to the King who wants more accommodation than his rooms in the Jockey Club afford. Labby is not on the Buckingham Palace visiting list, as he has found occasion ere now to tell his readers: but his opportunities of discovering things about the social leaders of whom he entertains such a low opinion are extensive if not peculiar.

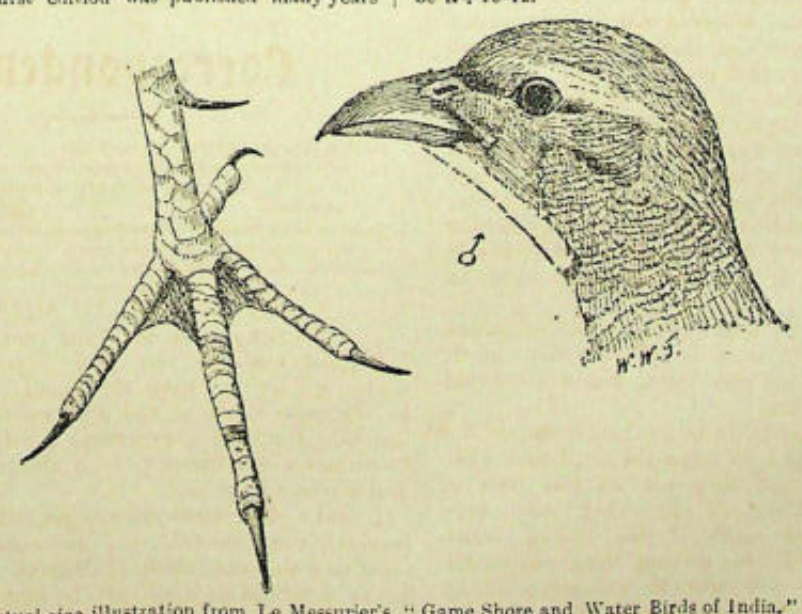
Mr. Wilson Barrett's will has been proved at £30,862. A place in the members' waiting room at the House of Commons must be a soft thing. Mr. Cove, who occupied it, died at the age of 85 years and left over £44,000, chiefly to London hospitals. Tips I presume.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

LE MESSURIER'S BIRDS.

THE virtual famine in books on the subject of the game birds of India has only been partially dispelled by the *Indian Field Shikar Book*. Much as we desired to introduce illustrations, we had to abandon the idea mainly on account of the urgency of the public demand and the delay consequent on preparation of drawings. Such being the state of affairs at the moment, the announcement that a new edition is approaching completion of Colonel Le Messurier's most excellent and useful handbook on the Game Birds of India comes as a piece of welcome intelligence. The first edition was published many years ago and almost immediately ran out of print and has never been re-published since. The publishers inform us that very great improvements have been effected in the forthcoming volume, which is practically double the size of the old one and contains upwards of 180 illustrations. Personally we await the arrival of Colonel Le Messurier's book with considerable impatience, and we would urge the publishers to have it ready before the cold weather sets in. The publishers are Thacker, Spink and Co., and the price, we understand, will be Rs. 18-12.



Actual size illustration from Le Messurier's "Game Shore and Water Birds of India."

Shikar.

A BIT OF BAD LUCK.

WHEN I come to think of it, I am not at all sure that I ought not to add to the above heading, "and bad shooting"; however, let it stand, and let me unburden my soul. It happened thusly:—

A few months ago, some coolies who had been sent to cut timber, disturbed an elephant, who had taken up his temporary abode in a small jungle, about half a mile from my house. The coolies, however, did not see him, and were in happy ignorance of his being anywhere in the neighbourhood, until on their return with the timber, they came across his fresh marks on the path, they had gone down in the morning. In the meantime, however, I had spotted him making off at his best pace over a big grass hill, across which ran a track which would eventually land him in the big valley which always holds elephants, but from which they seldom emerge at this season of the year. He was a big beast, but as I could not, even with the help of my glasses, detect any signs of tusks, I resolved upon letting him go.

Just as I had finished breakfast, one of my coolies came rushing up in a great state of excitement with the news that the elephant was coming back, and thinking that his fears had probably magnified one of the numerous rocks on the hillside into the beast, that of all beasts of the Forest my coolies seem to be most afraid of, in a very few minutes I got sight of him, and sure

enough he was making straight in the direction of the jungle from which he had been previously disturbed.

I was now able clearly to distinguish his tusks, and after seeing him enter the jungle, I left pretty sure I should get a shot and was already calculating as to what it would cost me to purchase his tusks,—for here in Travancore, the tusks of all elephants are the property of the Government,—never dreaming for one moment of the possibility of failure, for had I not succeeded in bagging a tusker only a couple of years before in this very spot? But I must not anticipate.

And now occurred the first bit of bad luck, though at the time it did not bother me much, I found that I had only four cartridges, and two only of these were loaded with 4½ drachms of powder, the other two with about three drachms, and unfortunately, I had quite run out of powder, having only a few days before, in a fit of idiotic liberality, bestowed all I possessed on some of my hillmen who were going out for a big monkey shoot.

Half way down the bungalow hill, I stopped a few minutes to reconnoitre and decide on my plan of attack, when a scream from the elephant arrested my attention, and, to my astonishment, I saw another elephant standing on the edge of the jungle about twenty yards from the big one.

I should mention that this jungle was right at the bottom of a valley surrounded by grass, the greater proportion of which was eight to ten feet high, which made it next to impossible to approach the elephants with any chance of success, so I decided on trying to beat them out.

Having given all necessary instructions to the coolies and shown them exactly where to go and what to do, I started off for the opposite side of the valley, and posted myself on the grass hill behind a rock within fifteen yards of the track by which the big tusker had come, and by which I meant him to be driven.

As soon as the coolies saw that I had reached my position, they started off, and I could see had the greatest difficulty in pushing their way through the long grass

In the meanwhile, the elephants had moved to my side of the jungle the smaller one was standing in the open, and I saw that he was a tusker also. This now accounted for the peculiar behaviour of the big one; they were evidently a pair not unknown to these parts, which always kept together, seldom, if ever, join a herd, and are known to the hillmen by the name of *Iruttilla*.

Some years ago, I came across a similar pair, a very old tusker, and a comparatively young one, but only managed on that occasion to get a shot at the smaller one

And now for the second bit of bad luck

My beaters having got down only about half way to the jungle, began to beat the tins they had taken with them and shout and make a most unearthly row, which at once had an alarming effect on the small tusker, who began to turn about, and at length made a start along a track that would take him right away from me, and which track, would, if my beaters had only carried out my instructions, have been effectually stopped.

It may be imagined that I did not bless those beaters, for I felt almost certain that all hopes of a close shot at him were now at an end.

The big tusker, however, had not so far shown himself outside of the jungle, so in hopes of turning the smaller elephant, I ran down the hill as fast as I could and tried to cut him off, but he had the legs of me, and I could not get nearer than about forty yards, when I was obliged to fire. He turned right round at the shot and nearly fell over, when I gave him the second barrel, with a similar result, but he managed to get away into a strip of jungle, where I had to leave him, as I saw the big tusker coming out of the jungle and making along the path at the head of which I had been posted.

Making my way back and up the hill as fast as I could go, I succeeded in reaching my post before the big fellow had got more than half way up the hill. He appeared rather undecided at first what to do, but eventually made up his mind to stick to the track, and as he came nearer and nearer, I had a splendid opportunity of watching him and admiring his tusks, which I now simply looked upon as my own, for I never dreamt that he could possibly escape me.

His tusks were of a dirty brown colour, which accounted for my not having seen them in the morning, about two feet and a half out, not very thick, but which would weigh probably about 80lbs

To make a long story short, at last he came up to the shoulder of the hill, and as he passed me, I took what I thought was a very steady shot and let him have it between the eye, and ear but the shot only staggered him a bit and the result of the second barrel was apparently nil except in making him reduce his pace, and when last I saw him, he was going along very groggy indeed, and I began to hope, that after all, I should get him.

Next day I sent out hillmen on the tracks of both, but they returned, after having been out the whole day, with the very unsatisfactory news that they had failed to come up with either. And so ended a most disappointing day's shoot.

What I most regret is, that in the excitement of the moment, I did not draw the two cartridges with the heavier charger, and keep them for the big tusker, for if this had been done. I cannot help thinking I should have bagged him, and done less damage to the smaller one.

SAVERNAKE

Fact of the late Boer War. The 40th Oxford I.Y. at Olifant's Nek. Several Tommies clearing their togs and their skins from the third plague of Egypt. Lord Methuen riding by asks encouragingly:

"Any sport, lads?"

Lambeth Tommy, springing to the salute: "Hexcellent, my lord, hexcellent! Hatey-hate (88) to my own thumb."

Fishing.

A FEMALE FISH DECOY.

"WE hear about hunters decoying the bull moose to his fate by the sound of a birch horn imitating the love notes of the female; but it is reserved for the Chinese to employ a female fish as a decoy to attract the male within reach of their spears," said my friend, Mr. R., as we sat lately before a fire of blazing logs in his island cottage up in the Adirondacks.

Above the fireplace and in the ingle nook were various sorts of Chinese guns and bows and arrows of native workmanship, the latter resembling those of the American Indian, only somewhat larger. On the floor was a beautiful silken rug, which had been cut in two by the widows of a prosperous Canton merchant on a division of their husband's personal property.

"You must know," continued my host, "that the Chinese are great hunters and fishermen in their way, using methods handed down by their ancestors to capture their game, and, I may say, that we Europeans are mere children compared with them in knowledge of the habits of birds, beasts, and fishes, and in the ability to effect their capture. One day, while floating along in my houseboat, I noticed a craft, containing a Chinaman and his wife, anchored on the shallows at the bend of a small river near Shanghai. They were evidently fishing, and I became at once interested. The boat was a small one and served as a home for these people, their cooking being done in the extreme stern. Above the boat a bamboo platform had been erected, about five feet high, and the man was quietly couched on this, spear in hand From time to time, after telling his wife to make no noise, he would spear a large fish—often of fifteen pounds weight—and float it to the side of the boat where his better half, who was at work would loosen the captive and stow it away inside.

This performance went on for some time, and I finally questioned my coolies as to the method employed. The boy said: He gotte she fish; bimebye catchee man fish.'

My barge had now drawn nearer, and I was able to investigate. From the roof of the platform a stout bamboo pole extended out about fifteen feet, parallel with the water From the end of this hung a stout cord having a small triangle of bamboo hanging from its extremity. This triangle was just above the water. From the angle nearest the bow of the boat hung another cord with heavy weight attached, resting on the bottom From the adjacent angle hung a cord, and from this was suspended a second and smaller triangle, anchored, like the larger one, from the extremity of the base line nearest the boat, while a small female fish about to spawn was 'haltered out' from the other angle, by running the cord through a sort of collar passing around the body.

The fish was on or near the ground, and could swim about freely to the extent of her tether. Whenever a strolling member of her species happened along, the little siren would use gentle arts to attract his attention, and by subtle flattery coax him within reach of her master's spear. At the conclusion of the day's sport, the decoy would be carefully fed by her owner and protected from attack of enemies by a stout bamboo basket, into which she would boldly swim. Of course, this method of angling is employed only during spawning time."

PETER FLINT.

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AN APPEAL TO SHIKARIS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I shall be very glad if you or any of your readers will let me have the benefit of their experience in big game shooting and give me the following information. I am trying to arrange a trip somewhere next Christmas with a friend, possibly two friends, but cannot decide where to go to.

I want a place where one can get all-round big game (sambur, tiger, cheetal, etc., not elephant), and which must be within easy reach of Madras, that is 14 to 20 hours by rail, as we shall only be able to get away for about 10 days to a fortnight, and naturally wish to spend as little time as possible in travelling. I shall also be very glad to have any tips and other information which you or your readers may be able to give as to outfit, provisions, shikaris and, if possible, the approximate cost of a fortnight's shooting.

VERY KEEN.

MADRAS, *16th September 1904.*

[Perhaps some fellow-sportsman *may* give the information asked for, though we are not sanguine on the point. Shikaris, as a body, were never keen to give away their grounds, and nowadays, with the much increased competition in sport (which, alas! has shared the fate of nearly everything else in this respect) men are to be found by the score who would as soon contemplate the presentation of a limb as think of giving away what they know.—ED.]

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Shall we *ever* arrive at some practical method under which the multitudinous cases of cruelty to dumb animals that are daily paraded under the public eye in Calcutta shall be minimised? I use the world "minimised" advisedly. I had intended writing you on this subject some days back, and the report of the annual operations of "The Howrah Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," as published in the local papers of the 16st instant has reminded me forcibly of the public duty we all owe to the furtherance of this important branch of humanitarianism. The word itself "Prevention" strikes one, upon reading the report mentioned above, as a humourous solecism! And this branch of the S. P. C. A. is but a subsidiary to the general movement in Calcutta proper. Is the fact that "the total number of convictions obtained during the year was 2,274, being an *increase* of 659 cases over those of the preceding year, "a matter for congratulation? Is the fact that those 2 274 convictions represented Rs 6,977 in fines, or an average of a little over Rs. 3 only for each offence of so dastardly a nature as cruelty to dumb animals, a matter for congratulation or one likely to be regarded by those of the public whose genuinely heartfelt sympathies are constantly centred upon our beasts of burden likely to be regarded as a deterrent? Does not the very increase in the number of cases inferentially prove that it is neither?

Anyone whose duties take him into the business parts of Calcutta, where the heavy traffic consists almost entirely of loaded bullock-carts, knows—for he can't *help* seeing—the extent to which overloading, combined with palpable starvation and consequent physical weakness and incapability, is allowed to be practised apparently with impunity. The other day, I saw one of a couple of bullocks yoked to a loaded cart fall down from sheer exhaustion. A police sepoy calmly watched the incident. The usual apathy and indifference! I watched also, but wishing to make sure of facts, I waited. The poor brute (whose ribs showed a sharp corrugated outline under the skin, painful, in itself to look at, to say nothing of the beast's pathetic pleading eyes!) was viciously prodded with the whip handle on to its feet, and made to move. It proceeded—literally *staggered*—a few feet, and then again collapsed. Of course, I then interfered, and forced the sepoy who had callously also "moved on," to take the driver in charge, taking the constable's number, and sending a note to the nearest police-station, whither I know for a fact he went. As a matter of fact, that bullock was incapable of helping to draw even an *empty* cart. The case was not reported in the daily papers, so I don't know what the issue was, but I had served my purpose!

The public do not appear to be acquainted with the fact that in cases of cruelty coming under their personal observation, *it is not necessary*, in order to obtain a conviction, and thus assist in furthering the humane—*manly* would be a better term—object aimed at by the S. P. C. A. for them to waste time and money by appearing in Court. Handing over the delinquent to a constable, and taking the latter's number, giving him at the same time one's name and address, is, in 99 out of 100 cases, quite sufficient; for the culprit can have no valid defence, and moreover the *corpus delicti* is, at any rate in the case of physical incapability, present, and the policeman's evidence is in such cases accepted as trustworthy. In the name of all the religions in India that so tenaciously fight for supremacy, let us unite in this one matter at least. There should be no conflict here!

I know, and you sir know, and no doubt the S. P. C. A. know equally well *why* there is no appreciable or noticeable diminution in the cruelty to animals practised in Calcutta. But let the public individually try to circumvent circumstances over which, amongst many others, even the Government appear to have no control, and good must result. It has been stated that the petty fines usually imposed by the magisterial benches are deemed to be adequately deterrent by reason of the impecunious position of the carters. Pshaw! What about the owners of the carts in the first place, and those whose goods are loaded on to the carts in the second? Are they not far more responsible than the drivers, who, besides being, probably in the majority of cases, ignorant men, are accessories to the cruelty merely by compulsion of circumstances? I have seen bullocks that have been temporarily turned loose from loaded carts greedily lick up stray wisps of old straw that have been scattered about from English packing-cases outside warehouses; and I have been compelled to listen many a time to the sickening sound of the dull heavy thud of a carter's whip stick upon the almost naked bones of a debilitated bullock's back, until I have been tempted, to the utmost limit of endurance, to illustrate my indignation upon the fellow's jaw-bone in a manner which, unfortunately in this case, the Law does not sanction or condone. What I have detailed, most people know. And yet the crime continues, and we read of increases in the number of convictions, and concomitant trivial fines! A greater number of convictions *may* be taken to argue greater vigilance on the part of the Agents of the S. P. C. A., and *not* an increase in the crime itself It *may*—but it *undoubtedly* argues a greater need for a more general individual and independent activity on the part of the public.

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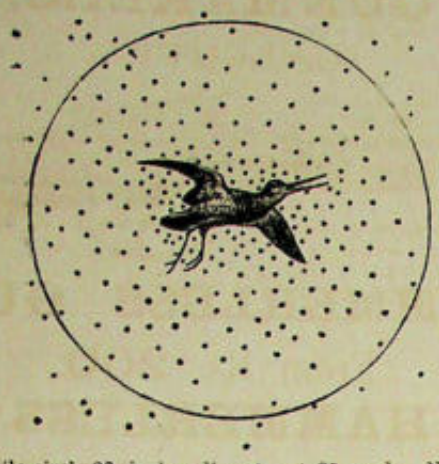
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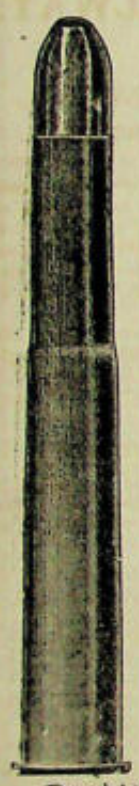
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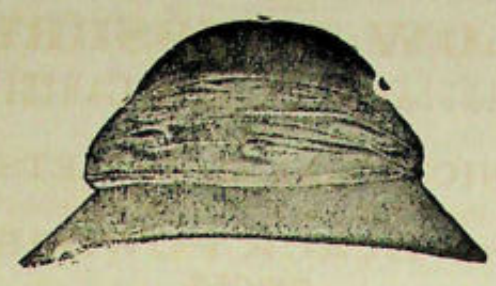
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NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Calcutta Monsoon Sixth	Sept.	24	
Poona Races and Steeplechases	"	24, 26, 28	
		Oct. 1, 3 and 8	
Quetta Autumn Meeting	"	22, 24	
Mussoorie Autumn	"	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	
Debra Dun	"	10 & 12	
Meerut Open Gymkhana	"	15, 17	
Darjeeling	"	17 & 19	471
Hyderabad	"	20 and 22	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	"	25 & 27	
Magwe Autumn	"	25 and 27	
Rangoon Second Extra	"	22	
" Third "	Nov.	12	
Jubbulpore Autumn	"	1 & 3	372
" Open Gymkhana	"	5	373
Southern Mahratta Autumn (Belgaum)	"	3 and 5	472
Umballa Autumn	"	5, 8 & 10	82
Meerut Autumn Sky	"	15, 17, & 19	
Sonepore	"	23, 25 & 27	
Rangoon Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn	"	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
" " (Army Cup)	Dec.	1	
Tezpore	"	6, 8 and 10	
Calcutta First Extra	"	10	
" Second "	"	17	
" First Meeting	"	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	"	27	
Rawalpindi Sky	Dec.	15, 17, 20	
Lahore X'mas	"	27, 29 & 31	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	Jan.	21, 23, 25	
Dacca	"	10, 12, 14	
Madras Winter	"	24, 26, 28	472
Calcutta Second Meeting	"	14 & 21	
" Third Extra	"	28	
" Fourth "	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana	Second	1st October.	
	Third	15th October.	
Jubbulpore Autumn	Second	1st October.	
	Third	15th October.	
Army Cup	Third	1st October.	
	Final	15th November.	
Civil Service Cup	Fourth	1st December.	
	Final	20th January.	
Hyderabad	Second	10th October.	
Rangoon Second Extra	First	1st October.	
	Second	15th October.	
Rangoon Third Extra	First	24th October.	
	Second	5th November.	
Magwe Autumn	First	12th October.	
	Second	19th October.	
	Third	22nd October.	
Umballa Autumn	Third	28th October.	
Southern Mahratta Autumn	First	10th October.	
	Second	22nd October.	
Rangoon Autumn	First	29th October.	
	Second	15th November.	
	Third	22nd November.	
Dacca	First	1st November.	
	Second	1st December.	
	Third	1st January.	
Calcutta First Extra		6th December.	
" Second "		13th "	
" First Meeting	First	1st November.	
	Second	30th "	
" Second "	First	20th November.	
	Second	7th January.	
Mussoorie Autumn	Second	19th "	
	Third	26th "	
Lahore X'mas	Second	1st November.	
	Third	1st December.	
Meerut Autumn Sky	Third	8th November	
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First	1st November.	
	Second	30th November.	
" " Second "	First	1st November.	
	Second	2nd January.	
Dibrugarh	First	1st December.	
	Second	1st January.	
	Third	20th January.	
Madras Winter	First	15th December.	
	Second	10th January.	

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I. P. A. Championship	(Umballa)	1st week in November.
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Meerut Autumn Tournament		14th, 16th, & 18th November

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Starter :—MR. R. G. BATES.
Time-taker :—MR. GEO. JAMIESON.
Offg. Secretary :—MR. G. B. DEAKIN.

Fifth Day, Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE racing this afternoon was brought off in fine weather and on a dry course. The attendance was not a very large one, the final in the Rugby tournament attracting a number of people. There was a perfect bowl over the handicapping and during the course of the afternoon one heard expressions of astonishment on every side coupled with remarks more or less offensive. The racing is dealt with in our Sporting Notes. Details :—

THE CITY PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High-weight Handicap Hurdle Race for Horses. About one mile and a-half over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. A. Matheson's b aus g Parole, 10st. 6lbs.	Beasley	1
Raja A. N. Roy's br aus g Bob 9st. 2lbs. ...	Hard	2
Messrs. Macdonnell and Paris' gr aus m Actress, 10st. 12lbs. (dec. 1lb.) ...	Mr. Smith	3
Mr. Raban's br aus m Naiades, 11st. 6lbs.	Toe	0
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil, 9st.	Howie	0

(*Winner trained by Beasley.*)

BETTING: 2½ to 1 agst. Actress, 4 to 1 Parole, 5 to 1 each Naiades and Daffodil, 10 to 1 Bob.

Totalisator paid Rs. 34 to win, Rs. 17 and Rs. 21 for places.

Parole went away at the start with Naiades and Daffodil next. The last named fenced very badly and was finished with after the third obstacle. Here Bob came up and took command till the turn. A great finish up the straight resulted in a win for Parole by half a length; five lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 19secs.

THE OUTRAM PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap Hurdle Race for Horses that have not won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race, or Steeplechase, value Rs. 500 or over since 31st March 1902, the property of members of the C. T. C., Bengal Club, United Service Club, Tollygunge Club, Calcutta Polo Club, New Club Saturday Club. Officers at present serving in the Presidency District, Active or Honorary Members, Calcutta Light Horse, or other Volunteer Corps in India. G. R.'s. About one mile and a-half-over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. Deakin's gr aus m Blue Bell II., 10st.	Mr. Smith	1
Mr. A. Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet, 10st. 12lbs.	Mr. Ismay	2
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus g Flamingo, 10st. 4lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth, 12st. ...	Mr. Cowper	0
Mr. T. Curtis-Haywards' b aus m Sylvia, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Turner	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up, 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. Barrow	0
Mr. Mackellar's b aus g Orphan Boy, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Tanner	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin, 10st. 6lbs.	Owner	0

(*Winner trained by Norton.*)

BETTING: 1½ to 1 agst. Blue Bell II., 4 to 1 Cheer Up, 6 to 1 Sylvia, 8 to 1 each Gauntlet and Odin, 12 to 1 each Flamingo, Orphan Boy and Jacinth.

Totalisator paid Rs. 24 to win, Rs. 14, Rs. 43, and Rs. 27 for places.

Flamingo, Gauntlet, and Odin were quickest at the start and led over the first two hurdles. Then Gauntlet took premier position till the fourth hurdle where Cheer Up led, with Sylvia and Gauntlet next. Cheer Up and his rider parted at the next fence and Sylvia ran out, Gauntlet went on with the lead into the straight where Blue Bell II. came up and won by a length; a length and a half between second and third. Time—3mins. 15secs.

THE RAMPART PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap Hurdle Race for Ponies 14-2 and under. About one mile, over six flights of hurdles.

Mr. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 9st. 6lbs	Mr. Evers	1
Mr. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 10st.	Mr. Barrow	2
Mr. B. Allen's b aus g Young Rake, 10st. 2lbs	Howie	3
Mr. Mackellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 11st. 4lbs.	Hard	0
Mr. J. D. Marshall's dk b aus m The Owl, 9st.	Bloss (fell)	
Mr. G. Pybus' br aus m Calm, 10st. 12lbs.	Toe	0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 1½ to 1 agst. Good Chap, 5 to 1 Moss Rose, 6 to 1 each Yuletide, Calm and Young Rake, 8 to 1 The Owl.

Totalisator paid Rs. 20 to win, Rs. 12 and Rs. 18 for places

Young Rake was first away, with Moss Rose and Good Chap as his nearest attendants. This was the order till the fourth hurdle where The Owl, who had begun to come up, fell. Good Chap went to the head of affairs and led all the rest of the distance. Moss Rose came away at the distance and beat Young Rake out of second place by a length and a half. Time—2mins. 52secs.

THE FAREWELL HANDICAP.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Horses, entered to be sold for Rs. 1,500. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Bodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea, 10st. 6lbs.	Mr. Deakin	1
Mr. J. Gove's b aus m Profit, 10st. 7lbs. ...	O'Neil	2
Mr. Hudson's b e m Stepma, 10st. ...	W. White	3
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Mulwala, 10st. 4lbs.	Owner	0
Mr T. G. Evers' br aus m May B, 9st. 8lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Trollop, 8st. ...	Hard	0

(*Winner trained by Norton.*)

BETTING: 1½ to 1 agst. Profit, 3 to 1 each Kittylea and Stepma, 8 to 1 May B, 10 to 1 each Mulwala and Trollop.

Totalisator paid Rs. 49 to win, Rs. 22 and Rs. 18 for places.

Kittylea and Profit showed out at the start and led all the way into the straight where the former came away and won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1 min. 20secs.

THE PLASSEY PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14-0 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 10st.	W. White	1
Mr. G. B. Deakin's bk aus m Black Patch, 8st.	Hard	2
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus m Blue Bell, 8st. 4lbs.	O'Neil	3
Mr. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 9st 7lbs.	Mr. Barrow	0
Mr. Galstaun's b aus m Not Yet, 10st. 8lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. B. B.'s b ch h Reveille, 10lbs. ...	Mr. Pugh	0
Mr. T. G. Evers' ch e g Mignon, 8st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 Mignon, 3 to 1 Blue Bell, 4 to 1 each Little Doris and Black Patch, 8 to 1 Not Yet, 10 to 1 Moss Rose, 12 to 1 Reveille.

Totalisator paid Rs. 49 to win, Rs. 41 and Rs. 31 for places.

There was some delay at the start, but when they did get away Little Doris had the lead of Mignon and Black Patch. At the turn Black Patch took second position, but Little Doris kept on and won by a length and a half; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 13secs.

THE HARINGTON PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Horses that have not won a race, value Rs. 750 or over since 31st March 1902. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Paris' b e g Winklet, 10st. 4lbs. ...	O'Neil	1
Mr. D. B Myers' b aus g Fusilier, 9st. 10lbs.	Howie	2
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris, 10st. 2lbs	Johnson	3
Mr. Evers' b aus m Sunshine, 11st. ...	Owner	0
Mr. Bham's b aus m Thunder Cloud (4yrs.), 10st. 12lbs.	Smallman	0
Mr. Rees' b aus g Oom Paul, 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. B. B.'s ch e m Beinzette, 10st. ...	Mr. Galstaun	0
Mr. Deakin's b aus g Invincible, 9st. 12lbs.	Owner	0
Prince W. A. Mirza's b aus g Flash, 9st. 8lbs.	Hard	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. White	0
Mr A. G. McGrath's b aus m Florence, 7st. 7lbs.	Bullowa	0
Mr. Sullivan's ch aus m Pubna, 7st. (dec. 10lbs.)	Cahill	0

(*Winner trained by Wishart.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Winklet, 5 to 1 Flash, 6 to 1 Invincible, 8 to 1 each Sunshine, Morris, Fusilier, and Tadmore, 12 to 1 the others

Totalisator paid Rs. 45 to win, Rs. 16, Rs. 20, and Rs. 27 for places.

Thunder Cloud led at the start with Fusilier and Sunshine next, Morris close up. On turning into the straight Winklet came away and won by a length and a half; Fusilier second the same distance ahead of Morris. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

POONA CLOSED MEETING.

Thursday, 5th September 1904.

A VERY successful afternoon's sport was brought off to-day. The attendance was not a very large one, but the racing was good and the finishes close. Details:—

THE HORSE HURDLES.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A hurdle race for horses which have not won a hurdle race value Rs. 50 or over. Weight 10st 10lbs. 1 mile over 5 flights.

Major Logan-Home's b aus g Corrie Roy, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Meynell	1
Mr. T. L. Roberts' br aus g Dumbell, 10st 7lbs.	Mr. Fischer	2
Mr. H. B. Pike's bl aus g Musketeer, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Bryan	3
Mr. H. B. Pike's roan aus g Rapid Rhone, 10st 7lbs.	Mr. W. H. Anderson	0
Mr. H A. Tomkinson's br aus g Carlton II., 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING: Evens Corrie Roy, 3 to 1 agst. Dumbell, 4 to 1 Musketeer, 6 to 1 Rapid Rhone, 12 to 1 Carlton II

Won by a length; six lengths between second and third. Time 3mins 12secs

THE GRAND STAND PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under, new measurement, which have not won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Capt Bayford's g a g Borderer, aged, 10st. 4lbs	Capt. Meynell	1
Mr. W. F. S. Casson's b a h Eager, 10st. 11lb	Owner	2
Mr. Maydwell's b a h Bumblepuppy, 7st. 13lbs.	A Hoyt	3
Major Edwards' g a h Kazban, 9st. 9lbs....	Owner	0
Majors Whitla and Murray's b a h Midshipmite, 9st. 9lbs	Mr. Dawn	0
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's b a h Bikanir, 9st. 9lbs.	Capt. Grove	0
Mr. E. C. O. Ross's g a h Wild Plunger, 9st. 6lbs.	Capt. Hopwood	0
Col. Anderson s b a h Mitre, 9st. ...	Oomer Khan	0
Major G. Moore's ch a g Champion, 8st. 8lbs.	Mr. Boase	0
Mr. W. H. Anderson's g a h Surhan, 8st, 5lbs.	Mr. J. Anderson	0

BETTING: Evens Bumblepuppy, 3 to 1 agst. Borderer, 8 to 1 Surhan, 10 to 1 each Kazban, Bikanir, Midshipmite, Mitre, 15 to 1 Eager, 20 to 1 each Champion and Wild Plunger.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs

THE GHORPURI STAKES.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Bayford's b aus m Rosie Ball, 10st-11lb.	Capt. Meynell	1
Mr, Graham's br aus m Shot Silk, 9st. 11lbs.	Major Jameson	2
Mr. Alston's b aus m Rosamond 10st. 4lbs.	Owner	3
Capt. Sullivan's ch aus g Curfew Bell, 11st. 10lbs. ... ... —	Mr. Casson	0
Major E. P. England's bl aus m Ena, 11st. 2lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. J. J. Pawson's ch e m Tight Lace, 10st. 10lbs. ... — ...	Owner	0
Capt. Lambert s bl aus m Formosa, 10st. 7lbs.	Maj Brown	0
Capt. F. Guest's bl aus m La Belle, 9st. 8lbs.	Mr. Dawn	0
Lt.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's b e m Richesse, 8st. 9lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Maj. G. Moore's b cb g Ding, 8st. ...	Mr. Boase	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Tight Lace, 3 to 1 Rosie Ball, 5 to 1 each Rosamond and Richesse, 6 to 1 each Ena and La Belle, 10 to 1 each Shot Silk and Curfew Bell, 20 to 1 each Formosa and Ding.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs

WELTER PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Maj G. Moore's ch aus g Daroji, 11st. 3lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. T. L. Roberts' br aus g Dumbell, 13st.	Mr. Fischer	2
Mr. W. F. S. Casson's b aus g Timoor, by 10st.	Owner	3
Mr. T. L. Roberts' ch aus g Moroney, 11st. 10lbs.	Mr. Deane	0
Maj G. Moore's br aus m Mimosa, 10st. 2lbs.	Capt. Grove	0
Maj Edwards' ch aus m Runaway Girl, 9st. 9lbs	Owner	0
Mr. Marshall Reid's ch aus g Sweet William, 8st. 13lbs. ...	Robinson	0

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Dumbell, 6 to 4 Moroney, 4 to 1 Sweet William, 6 to 1 each Runaway Girl, Daroji, 30 to 1 each Timoor and Mimosa.

Won by a half a length; a length separating second and third. Time—1min. 7secs.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, which have not won a race value Rs. 200 or over. 14 hands to carry 10st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902 of a race value Rs. 90, once 4lbs., twice 9lbs., thrice 14lbs., oftener 21lbs. ¼ mile.

Mr Maydwell's b a h Bumblepuppy, 8st. 4lbs.	A. Hoyt	1
Messrs Pawson and Badger's g a h Harpagos	Mr. Pawson	2
Maj. Edwards' g a h Kazban, 10st. ...	Owner	3
Capt. Darley's g a h Hailstorm II., 11st. 11b.	Owner	0
Maj. Jameson's b a h Bugler. 10st. 9lbs....	Owner	0
Mr. C. A. Beatty's g a h Vasco, 10st. 4lbs.	Capt. Hopwood	0
Mr D. Graham's b a h Haji, 10st.	Capt. Meynell	0
Capt. Bayford's b a g Hail Fellow, 9st. 11lbs.	Mr. Boase	0
Maj. Edwards' b a h Imperialist, 9st. 8lbs.	Capt. Grove	0
Mr. H. B. Pike's b a h Bandit II., 9st. 8lbs.	Mr. Bryan	0
Mr. Locke's g a h Euphrates, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. Dawn	0
Maj. G. Moore's bl a h Dachshund, 9st. 2lbs.	Capt. Casson	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Harpagos, 4 to 1 each Hail Fellow Vasco, Bandit II., 5 to 1 each Bumblepuppy, Haji, 6 to 1 Euphrates, 12 to 1 Kazban, 20 to 1 Hailstorm, 3 to 1 each Bugler, and Imperialist.

Won by one length and a quarter; two lengths separating second and third. Time—56secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For *bona fide* Arab Polo Ponies certified by Honorary Secretary, Polo Club, to have played polo regularly this season and holding I. P. A. certificates, or W. I. T. C. or C. T. C. certificates of measurements. Catch Weights over 11st. 3 furlongs.

Maj. F. Edwards' g a g Fiddler, 11st.	Owner	1
Capt. V. K. Birch's g a g Iman, 11st. ...	Capt. Casson	2
Maj. E. P. England's b a h Rocket, 11st.	Owner	3
Maj England's b a h Black Flag, 11st. ...	Owner	0
Mr. H. T. Walker's b a h Aramis, 11st. ..	Owner	0
Capt. Dennistoun's b a g Tioba, 11st. ...	Owner	0
Capt. Traill's ch a g Khalifa, 11st. ...	Capt. Grove	0
Mr. T. R. Badger's g a h Blue Moon, 11st.	Mr. Pawson	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Fiddler, 3 to 1 Rocket, 6 to 1 Iman, 12 to 1 each Khalifa, Black Flag, Blue Moon, 30 to 1 each Aramis and Tioba.

Won by a length; one length and a half between second and third. Time—12secs.

POONA EIGHTH EXTRA MEETING

STEWARDS:

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Clerk of Scales:—MR. CURSETJEE DHUNJEESHAW.
Judge:—Col. G. H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
Starter:—MR. A. O'GORMAN.

Saturday, 17th September 1904.

THE STICKS HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200; second Rs. 100; third Rs. 50. A Handicap Hurdle race for ponies 14-2 and under. 1½ miles over 7 flights.

Lt.-Col. Hazelton's b aus g Partician, 11st. 10lbs.	Hoyt	1
Mr. R. C. Bock's b aus g Rifleman II, 8st. 4lbs.	Syed	3
Capt. F. Guest's bl aus m Topsy, 10st. 6lbs.	L. Hoyt	2

Also ran:—Mirage, 9st. 5lbs., Morrison; Ding, 7st. 3lbs., ed. 7st. 9lbs, King.

BETTING: Evens Patrician, 5 to 4 agst. Topsy, 8 to 1 Mirage, 10 to Rifleman, 25 to 1 Ding.

Won by two lengths easily; three lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 10secs.

THE TALLYHO PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap Hurdle race for horses. 10 miles over 7 flights.

Maj. Logan Home's bl aus g Pope, 11st. 12lbs.	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. Locke's g aus g Badger, 9st. 8lbs. ...	L. C. Hoyt	2
Mr. Peel's b aus g Planet, 10st. 9lbs.	Mumford	3
Also ran:—Gunels, 10st. 4lbs.	Morrison	

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Pope and Planet, 3 to 1 Gunels, 4 to 1 Badger.

Won hard held; by four lengths six lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 59secs

2ND NURSERY HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200; second Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Maiden Arab Ponies 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1903. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Ali Bin Talib's g ah Kismut, 9st. 5lbs. C. B. Mahomed	Foster	2
Mr. Shamlan's g ah Falsestart, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Kamad	3
Mr. A. W. P.'s Cah Hopeful, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Heeroo	0
Mr. Finch's b a m Arab Maid, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Melsom	0

Also ran:—Sugger 8st. 10lbs., Oomerkhan; Grand Slam, 8s. 11b., Elliott; Result, 7st. 11lbs., A. Hoyt; Saizar 7st. 9lbs Native, Sharajon 7st. 6lbs Murph, Medina 7st. 4lbs. and 7st. 9lbs. Morrison, Young Mosamma 6st. 12lbs., Bennett.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Hopeful, 1 to 1 Sugger, 5 to 1 each Arab Mair and Result, 6 to 1 each False Start and Kismut, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by one and a-half lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 11secs.

THE SANDOWN STAKES.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 3,000 or over since 31st March 1902.

Mr. Kelso's ch eg Child's Guide, 8st. 5lbs.	Elliott	1
Mr. J. Gore's b aus g Kingston, 9st. ...	Egan	2
Aga S. Shah's b aus g Prestwick, 7st. 10lbs.	Kamad	3
Miss G. K. and D. D's. bl aus m Overture, 6st. 2lbs.	Melsom	4

Also ran:—Tubal Cain, 10st. 4lbs., Foster; Adelaide, 9st. 11b., Southall; Springlock, 8st. 11lbs., Robinson; Apology, 7st. 13lbs., A Hoyt; Miss Villier's 7st., Morrison: Fando, 6st. 7lbs., ed 7st. 4lbs., Native; Rossi 6st and 6st. 10lbs., Bennett.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Adelaide and Child's Guide, 5 to 1 Springlock, 6 to 1 each Tubal Cain and Prestwick, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won in a canter by three lengths, neck between second and third. Time—1min. 18secs.

THE 1ST NURSERY HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A handicap for Maiden Arab Ponies 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1903. Distance—5 furlongs.

Mr. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff, 9st. 2lbs ...	Penton	1
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Random, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Murphy	2
Mr. A. R. Nasrevla's bl a h Sabig, 8st 6lbs.	Oomerkhan	3
Mr. J. Jacob's b a h Chirag 7st. ...	Nama	0

Also ran: Dilerjung, 9st. 12lbs., Robinson; Young Gazelle, 8st. 3lbs., Koops; Redlips, 6st. 11b., A. Hoyt; Umber, 8st., C. B. Mahomed; Reflector, 7st. 13lbs., Elliott; Calcutta, 7st. 11lbs., ed. 7st. 12lbs, Heeroo; Rightful, 7st. 8lbs., Native; Cleverman, 7st. 7lbs., Kunia; Swazi, 7st. 3lbs., Kamad; Shirazi, 6st. 8lbs., ed. 6st. 9lbs., Melsom; Akyab, 6st. 5lbs., ed. 6st. 10lbs, Bennett.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Calcutta, 4 to 1 Zurriff, 6 to 1 each Random and Redlips; 7 to 1 each Chirag and Shirazi, 10 to 1 the other.

Won by half a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 11secs.

THE CONSOLATION STAKES—Winner 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arabs which have entered and not won a flat race at Poona Extras, 1904. 7 furlongs

Mr. S. A. Wahed's g a h Skylark, 7st. 9lbs.	Heroo	1
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan, 6lbs ed. 6st. 6lbs.	Native	2
Capt. Bayford's g a g Borderer, 8st. 4lbs.	Melsom	3
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Turn of Luck, 7st. 10lbs.	Kamad	4

Also ran:—Narunjee, 9st. 13lbs., Oomerkhan; Smasher, 8st., Hoyt; Hadur, 7st. 6lbs, ed. 7st. 8lbs., King; Champion, 6st. 12lbs., Dhondi; Royal Blood, 6st. 12lbs., ed. 7st. 4lbs., Native; Toby, 6st. 11lbs., ed. 6st. 12lbs., Morrison; Selim, 6st. 10lbs., Bennett; Bugler, 7st. 9lbs., Trahan; Regular, 6st. 8lbs. ed. 6st. 13lbs., Native; Duldul, 6st. 2lbs. ed. 6st. 11lbs., Nama.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Borderers, 3 to 1 Turn of Luck, 5 to 1 each Skylark and Narunjee; 6 to 1 Hadur, 10 to 1 and longer odds the rest.

Won easily by a length. Half a length between second and third. Time—1 min. 43secs.

A WELTER PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A Welter Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Graham's br aus m Shot Silk, 9st. 11lbs.	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. Locke's Gladstone b aus g 10st 4lbs. ...	Owner	2
Capt. Bayford's Rosie Ball, 10st. 9lbs. ...	Capt Meynell	3

Also ran:—Free Trade, 11st. 10lbs., Major Edwardes; Ena, 10st. 7lbs., Owner; Curfewbell, 10st. 6lbs., Capt. Casson.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Shot Silk, 4 to 1 each Free Trade, and Rosie Ball, and Gladstone, 6 to 1 the others.

Won by a head; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9sec.

THE BANGALORE RACES.

Sixth Extra Meeting 17th September 1904.

THE last of the series of six extra meetings in Bangalore was considerably the best of the lot from a racing point of view. Rose II. won the first race easily and deserved it, for the mare has been unfortunate in running second on several occasions. Then came a great finish in the Scurry for which seven starters went out. Baronet won by a short head and the result confirmed my former opinion that Jack Horner, although a good pony, does not like being tackled at the end. But he had a crushing impost on this occasion A dead heat followed, and it was agreed to divide. (By the way it is a long time since Fergusson has been seen in the saddle). An objection to the winner of the next race was upheld, and subsequently the Chargers' Race produced a very close struggle, a very hot favourite in David only just struggling home. In the Chester Plate Burns rode a good race on Massachusetts. He seemed to be lying a good way off, but could do nothing else when giving the leader no less than 45lbs.(!) and eventually he won comfortably. On the whole it was a good day for backers, but there were three excellent finishes. Might the Stewards not manage even one or two more meetings as these have gone so well? Details:—

THE CARDAMOM PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for Ponies. 1 mile.

Capt. E. J. R. Peel's b aus m Rose II., 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Lansdowne 1
Mr. A. West's ch aus m Firebrand, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Maj. Lawless 2
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... Meah Jan 3
Mr. A. P. Symonds' bk aus m Cleopatra II., 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Col Armstrong 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Firebrand and 4 to 1 agst. the others.

Won easily by two lengths; half a length dividing second and third. Time—1min. 53⅘secs.

THE SCURRY.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for Arab Ponies. 2 furlongs.

Mr. T. G. Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 10st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Randall 1
Maj. A. C. Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 11st. 12lbs. ... ... Lansdowne 2
Capt. E. J. R. Peel's g a h Charlie II., 10st. 2lbs. ... ... McQuade 3

BETTING: Evens Jack Horner, 2 to 1 agst. Baronet, 3 to 1 St. Gris, 4 to 1 Wonder and 5 to 1 each Delight, Charlie II., and Far East.

Won by a short head with Charlie II. third, two lengths behind the favourite. Time—42⅘secs.

THE CANTONMENT PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for Horses. 5 furlongs.

H. H. the Sultan of Johore's b aus g Johore, 10st. ... ... Mr. Ferguson } dead heat
Maj. F. C. Logan-Home's ch aus g Kingfisher, 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Meah Jan }
Mr. Jacob Sait's b aus g Medowra, 6st. 5lbs. (car. 7st. 11lb.) ... ... Abbas Sheriff 3
The Hon. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Sacristan, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Burns 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Johore, 5 to 4 agst. Sacristan, and 3 to 1 each Kingfisher and Medowra.

A good finish resulted in a dead heat, with Medowra third three lengths behind. Time—1min. 7⅘secs.

The Stakes were divided.

THE CITY PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for Ponies ¼ mile.

Capt. J. Randall's ch aus m Eva, 10st. ... Owner 1
Maj. Gunn's br aus g Dandenong, 10st. 8lbs ... ... Maj. Dougall 2
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' br aus g Swiveller, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. L. P. Reeves 0
Mr. D. Williams' b aus g Nonesuch, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. Neave 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Eva. 3 to 1 agst. Dandenong, and 4 to 1 each Swiveller and Nonesuch.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—54secs.

An objection was subsequently entered against the winner on the ground of a cross at the start and this objection was afterwards upheld by the Stewards, the race being awarded to Eva.

THE CHARGER RACE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for *bonâ-fide* chargers. 1¼ miles.

Maj. N. M. Smyth's b aus g David, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Maj Dougall 1
Mr. A. West's ch aus g Cracksman, 10st. 12lbs ... ... Owner 2
Capt. W. E. Watson's b aus g Ramilies, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Maj. A. C. Hamilton's br aus m Miss Muffitt, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Knight 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on David, 2 to 1 agst. Cracksman, 3 to 1 Ramilies and 4 to 1 Miss Muffitt.

Won by a neck; a length and a half between second and third. Time—2mins. 25⅘secs.

THE CHESTER PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. Handicap for Horses. 1 mile.

H. H. the Sultan of Johore's b aus g Massachusetts, 10st. 7lbs. ... Burns 1
The Hon. A. A. Apcar's ch aus g Senator, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 4lbs.) ... ... Abdul 2
Maj. A. C. Hamilton's b aus g Scissorman, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Dadoo 3
Lieut.-Col. H. Armstrong's b aus g Knight Templar, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Meah Jan 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Massachusetts, 2 to 1 agst. Knight Templar, 5 to 1 each Scissorman and Senator.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 47secs.

THE MATCH.—Rs. 100. 5 furlongs.

Mr. S. W. Webster's b a h Derision, 10st. ... Maj. Dougall 1
Maj. N. M. Smyth's g a h Diamond Rose, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Lansdowne 2

BETTING: Evens both.

Won easily by three lengths. Time—1min. 11⅕secs.

OOTACAMUND HUNT RACES.

Judge.—COL. SCHALCH, C.B.
Starter.—W. O. HORNE, ESQ., I. C. S.
Clerk of the Scales.—J. T. W. FILSON, ESQ.
Handicapper.—MAJOR F. C. LOGAN-HOME.
Honorary Secretary.—HENRY IRWIN, ESQ., C. I E.

First Day, Thursday, 15th September 1904.

WE had a most successful day's racing at the Hobart Park Race Course on Thursday, the course was much improved by the previous two days' rains and a fine card of five races was provided. In the second race three faced the flag including Viking. Mr. W. Morey, the well-known Bengal sportsman and a great rider after pig, took advantage of the country-bred's weight and after a great race won by just a neck. This win was most popular and our veteran sportsman was received in the Pavilion amidst quite an ovation. There were two other close finishes. The attendance was large and representative. The following are details:—

THE SCURRY.—Rs. 200 with Rs. 50 to second. For ponies. Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Capt. Sellar's br aus m Heather, 9st 6lbs Mr. Liebenrood 1
Mrs. Clementson's br aus m Paddy Melon, 12st 7lbs. ... ... Major Swan 2
Capt. Matthews and Jeffreys' b aus m Two Step, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Gillespie 3

Two Step led at the start and then all were together for a time, but at the bend home Two Step came to the front and there ensued a close race between all three, Heather winning at the post by barely a head with a neck between the second and third. Time—55⅘secs.

THE HOBART PARK PURSE.—Rs. 200 with Rs. 50 to second. A flat race for horses, the propertyof subscribers to the Ootacamund Hunt and that have been regularly hunted during the current season. The winner to be sold at the upset price of Rs. 800. Australasians and English to carry 11st. 7lbs. Arabs and Country-breds 10st. 1⅛ miles.

Mr. Morey's b cb g Kunigal R., 10st. ... Owner 1
Mr. Liebenrood s b aus g Ballyhooley, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Toogood 2
Major Swan's b aus g Viking, 12st ... Major Swan 3

(Winner declared ½lb.)

Kunigal R. took the lead and ran in advance of the other two, all along dangerous, from the bend home a great race ensued and Kunigal R. won by hardly a neck with Viking five lengths to the rear of Ballyhooley. Time—3mins. 40secs.

THE WILLOWBUND PLATE.—Rs. 200 with Rs. 50 to second. For horses. Weights—Handicap. 1 mile.

Major Campbell's b aus g Bengal II, 10st. Major Swan 1
Colonel O'Hara's b aus g Lima, 10st. ... Mr. Liebenrood 2
Miss Percy Smith's br aus m Brown Girl, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Clarke 3

(Bengal declared 1½lbs. and Brown Girl 2lbs.)

Bengal ran to the rear for a time, but at the far bend came to the front and in the straight improved the advantage. At the bend home Lima came up and another close race ensued, Bengal winning by two lengths; four lengths separating the second and third. Time—1min. 56⅘secs.

THE LADIES' PLATE.—Rs. 200 with Rs 50 to second. A flat race for ponies, the property of subscribers to the Ootacamund Hunt and that have been regularly hunted during the current season. Australasians and English 14-2, 12st. 12lbs. Arabs 14-2 11st. 12lbs, Country-breds 14-2, 11st. 5lbs. W. I. 1⅛ miles.

Mr. Clementson's br aus m Paddy Melon, 12st 9lbs. ... ... Major Swan 1
Mr. Liebenrood's b a h Gadabout, 9st. 4lbs. Owner 2
Capt. Kennard's b sa g Freddy, 11st. 2½lbs. Owner 3
Capt. Ballantyne's br aus m Sitanita, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's bl aus g Sirdar, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Major William 0
Mr. Morey s b a h Bangle, 10st. 8lbs. ... Owner 0
Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell s g aus g Foam, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Capt. Lauder's b aus m Little Mary, 12st. 9lbs. ... ... Capt. Toogood 0

(Foam declared 6lbs.)

After running a good distance in a bunch at the far bend Satanita, Gadabout and Paddy Melon came away. In the straight Freddy took Satanita's place and they won in that order, the winner by three-quarters of a length and two lengths and a neck separating the second and third and third and fourth respectively. Time—3mins. 14secs.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 200 with Rs. 50 to second horse. A flat race for horses, the property of subscribers to the Ootacamund Hunt and that have been regularly hunted during the current season. W. A. and C. raised 2 stone. 2 miles.

Major W. M. Campbell's b aus g Bengal, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Major Swan 1
Mr. Stewart Brown's b aus g Anchorite, 11st. ... ... Owner 2

(Anchorite declared 6½lbs.).

At the far bend Bengal came to the front and improved the advantage in the straight. At the bend home Anchorite began to close up but Bengal won by over a length. Time—4mins. 21⅘secs.

LHASSA RACES.

Second Day, 1st September 1904.

THE LHASSA HANDICAP.—A handicap for all ponies 13 hands and under. ½ mile.

Lieutenant-Colonel Waddell's Dorje 1
Captain Mainprice's Flying Fox 2
Mr. Maler's Lama 3

THE TIBET HANDICAP.—A handicap for all ponies 13-3 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Bone's Darkie 1
Mr. Skeen's Grey Girl... 2
Staff-Sergeant Green's Polly 3

THE POTA-LA HANDICAP.—A handicap for all ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Captain Peterson's Pretty Polly 1
Mr. Bennett's Crocodile 2
Mr. McPherson's Silly Ghori 3

THE MONASTERY HANDICAP.—A handicap for all ponies 14 hands and under. 1¼ mile.

Mr. Bone's Darkie 1
Captain R. C. Moore's Queen Bee 2
Mr. Magniac's Phil 3

THE GYANTSE HANDICAP.—A handicap for all *bonâ-fide* chargers that have been ridden as such during the advance from the base. Open to Officers, Warrant Officers, and Non-Commissioned Officers. ½ mile.

Battery Sergeant-Major Joyce's Ubique 1
Staff-Sergeant Green's Polly 2
Captain Skeen's Grey Girl 3

THE CHUMBI PLATE.—A handicap for ponies 13-3 and under to be nominated and ridden by active officers. 6 furlongs.

Captain Ottey's Lhassa 1
Captain Peterson's Sitters 2
Captain Peterson's Philosophy 3

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

THE ADELAIDE RACING CLUB GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE—Of 300sovs.; second 35sovs. and third 15sovs. out of stake. About three miles.

£309 10s Mr. G. Dally's bk g Convoy, by Pacific—King of the Hills mare, aged 10st 10lbs. ... ... M. Whelan 1
£122 Mr. S. Ferry's br m Idalia, 6yrs., 11st. 2lbs. ... ... J. Spooner 2
£164 10s. Mr. M. Quinn's b g Coalbox, aged, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... C. Mcknhill 3
£63 10s. Mr. H Dunn's bk g The Sheik, aged, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... A. Bennetts 0
£115 15s. Mr. A. G. Liddell's br g Coleon, aged, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... T. Barnes 0
£58. 10s. Mr. W. Mallen's b or br m Emilene, aged, 10st.—including 2lbs. over £10 10s. Mr S. Ferry's c g Hornpipe, aged, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... A. Ellis 0 C. A. Smith 0
£238 10s. Mr. J. Lewis's bk g Nickola, 6yrs., 9st. 10lbs.—including 10-lb. penalty ... H. Holmes 0
£80 10s. Mr. N. Wilson's br g Aeneas, aged, 9st. ... ... Hector Wilson 0
£185 5s. Mr. W. Mallen's b or br g Burlaway, aged, 9st. ... ... T. Tinham 0
£17 5s. Mr. L. T. Watts jun.'s g g Blue Rock, aged, 9st. ... ... J Painter 0

(Winner trained by *G. Dally.*)

Amount in totalizator, £1,395 15s. Dividends—Convoy, £3 Idalia, £2 13s.

The start, which was without the aid of a barrier, took place near the two-furlong post. Nickola, Burlaway, and Emilene took up positions on the rails, Coleon, Coalbox, and Hornpipe in the centre, and Blue Rock and Aeneas on the outside. The first jump was the initial obstacle of the treble, and this was taken by Emilene, Convoy, Nickola, Coleon, Edalia, and Burlaway, with Aeneas and The Sheik in the rear. At the stone was Convoy and Emilene were in command from Coleon, Burlaway, and Idalia. Taking the jump and the turn Emilene was showing the way to Nickola, Convoy, Idalia, Burlaway, and Blue Rock, while The Sheik, who was labouring in the rear, stopped. The field closed in as they swept around the turn, and at the jump on the far side Convoy held command from Emilene, Idalia, Burlaway and Nickola, with the others in a bunch and Blue Rock bringing up the rear. Jumping the South terrace double Convoy, Nickola (who struck the second heavily) and Emilene were out several lengths from Idalia, Aeneas, Coalbox, and Burlaway, with Coleon and Blue Rock half a dozen lengths further back. The field was fairly well bunched on the hill, and at the fence there the order was Convoy, Aeneas, Idalia, Emilene, Nickola, Hornpipe, Coalbox, and Burlaway, with Blue Rock last. Coleon toppled over. There was no change at the jump at the top of the straight, but taking the first of the treble Convoy and Emilene were four or five lengths out from Aeneas, Idalia, Nickola and Coalbox while Hornpipe fell. At the next obstacle the field was reduced by Nickola, and Aeneas coming to grief. Emilene piloted the remaining horses up to the stone wall, but the jump brought her down, and left Convoy to go on with the lead. At the obstacle on the far side Mr. Dally's gelding had a couple of lengths' advantage over Idalia, a dozen lengths behind whom followed Coalbox, with Blue Rock 100 yards further astern, and Burlaway absolutely last. Convoy had a slight lead from Idalia at the double. Coalbox was next, but the others were practically out of the hunt. Convoy increased his advantage approaching the last jump, and landed over it about three lengths in advance of Idalia. Coalbox was close to Mr. Ferry's mare, and then followed Blue Rock; but Burlaway refused to take the obstacle. Convoy had a nice lead into the straight, and, running on, won by nine lengths from Idalia, who beat Coalbox for second place by 11 lengths. Blue Rock was about 20 yards away fourth. Time—6mins. 30secs.

Entries for Races,

CALCUTTA MOONSOON RACES.

Sixth Meeting. Saturday, 24th September 1904.

THE ELYSIUM PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. Pritchard's br aus g Claymore.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Fusilier.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore.
Mr. McKellar's b aus g Orphan Boy.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up.
Mr G. B. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil.
Mr. Sullivan's ch aus m Pubna.
Mr. B. B.'s ch e m Reinzette.
Mr. A. G. McGrath's b aus m Florence.
Messrs. Muljee and Premjee's b aus g Harold.
Mr. Rees' gr aus g Quicksilver.
Mr Birkmyre's br aus m Gauntlet.
Mr R. Hudson's b e m Stepma.
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Planet II.
Mr. G B. Paris' gr aus g Grey Dawn.

THE HUNTERS' HANDICAP.—1½ miles, seven flights.

Mr. Evers' b aus g Flamingo.
Mr. Pritchard's br aus g Claymore.
Mr. Curtis-Hayward's b aus m Sylvia.
Mr. MacKellar's b aus g Orphan Boy.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin.
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet.
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Planet II.

THE AUTUMN PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. Evers' b aus m Sunshine.
Mr. A. N. 'Dass' b e g Trollop.
Mr. Rodocanachi's ch aus m Kittylea.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Invincible.
Mr. Gove's b aus m Profit.
Nawab Salimollah's br aus m Certitude.
Mr. C. H. A. Bham's b aus m Thunder Cloud.
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris.
Messrs. Muljee and Premjee's br aus g Bell Brand.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Hello.
Prince W. A. Mirza's b aus g Flash.
Mr. Rees' br aus g Oom Paul.

THE DALHOUSIE PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. Evers' br aus m May B.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Fusilier.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's b aus g Beau Brummel.
Mr. K. M Hamilton's b e m Pierrette.
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. C. H A. Bham's b aus m Thunder Cloud.
Mr. B. B.'s ch e m Reinzette
Mr. McGrath's b aus m Florence.
Mr, R. Hudson's b e m Stepma.

THE GIANT PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. MacKellar's bk aus m Yuletide, 14-1.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus m Perfect, 14-0½.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus g Shylock, 14-1½.
Mr. Gove's b aus m Irish, 14-1.
Mr H. P. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 13-3½.
Mr. B. B.'s b aus m Second Thought, 14-1.
Mr. W. Bartlett's b aus m Mademoiselle, 14-0½.
Mr. W. Atkinson's b aus g All Fours, 14-2.

THE LILLIPUT PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Mr. B. Allen's bk aus m Coal Queen, 13-3½.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's bk aus m Black Patch, 13-3.
Mr. Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 14-0.
Mr. Cecil's bk aus m Miss Beryl, 13-3½.
Mr. G. Powell's br aus m Ruin 13 3.
Mr. C. C Mackintosh's br aus g Jack Spratt, 14-0.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus m Blue Bell, 13-2½.
Mr. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 13-3½.
Mr. B. B.'s b eb h Reveille, 14-1
Mr McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose, 13-3.

LUCKNOW AUTUMN SKY MEETING, 1904.

1st Entries closed 1st September.

First Day, Tuesday, the 25th October.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—¼ mile.

1.	Major Maxwell's	ch cb m	Memory, 13-3½.
2.	Mr. C. Bleach's	b e m	Lady Cheltenham, 13-2½.
3.	Mrs. Berryman's	b aus m	Partridge, 13-3.
4.	Major Berryman's	b e m	Silver II.
5.	Captain J. Grech's	ch cb m	Hope Terry.
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	bk cb m	Shyam Kali, 14-1.
7.	Lt.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's	b e m	Richesse, 13-3½.
8.	Mr. Locke's	br e g	Golconda, 13-3½.

THE CLUB PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1.	Lieut.-Col. Brazier Creagh's	b Irish m	Lady Margorie.
2.	Major Maxwell's	b e g	Maddington.
3.	Captain Winter's	b aus g	Russley King.
4.	Mr. P. B Avasia and Mr. C. Bleach s	br e g	Testwood (4years).
5.	Mr. John Jackson's	b or br aus g	Toreador (3years).
6.	Major G. F. Steele's	br nth am m	Ritual.
7.	Mr. Locke's	br e f	Miss Villiers (4 years).
8.	Captain F. E. Guest's	b aus g	Ammendment.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1.	Major Maxwell's	ch cb m	Mosselle, 14-0½.
2.	Mr. W. Bass s	b cb g	Tam Ring, 14-0½.
3.	Major Berryman's	b aus m	Canary, 13-3½.
4.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch aus g	Whenan, 13-3.
5.	Lieut.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's	b e m	Richesse, 13-3½.
6.	Captain F. E. Guest's	bk aus m	La Belle, 13-3½.
7.	Mr. Locke's	br e g	Golconda, 13-3½.

THE DESERT PLATE.—¼ mile.

1.	Mr. W. Bass's	b cb g	Tam Ring, 14-0½.
2.	Captain J. Grech's	ch cb m	Hope Terry.

THE LAWN PLATE.—1,000 yards.

1.	Lieut.-Col. Brazier Creagh's	ch a h	Young Prince, 13 2½.
2.	Major Stisted's	g a h	Sorcerer, 13-2½.
3.	Major Stisted's	ch a h	Modesty, 13-0½.
4.	Thakur Buldeo Sahai's	b a h	Hazard, 14-0.
5.	Mr. H. L. Maydwell s	b a h	Bumblepuppy, 13-2.
6.	Colonel Leake's	g a h	Russia, 13-2½.
7.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	fl b g a h	Anderson, 13-3.
8.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	g a h	Mathura, 13-3.
9.	Mr. Locke's	g a h	Euphrates, 13-2½.

THE EMAMBARA PLATE.—1,000 yards.

1.	Thakur Buldeo Sahai's	ch cb g	Easterday, 14-2.
2.	Major Maxwell's	b cb g	Richmond, 14-2.
3.	Major Maxwell's	g cb m	Mabel Grey, 14-0.
4.	Mr. W. Bass's	br e m	Filbert, 14-1.
5.	Major Berryman's	b cn g m	Silver II.
6.	Major Berryman's	sk aus g	Quilt, 13-2.
7.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch aus m	Elsie, 13-3½.
8.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus m	Witchery, 14-1.
9.	Mr. Locke's	b e f	Elsie II., 14-1.

THE CITY PLATE.—1¼ miles over 6 flights.

1.	Mr. W. Bass's	b aus m	Stockbell, 14-1.
2.	Mr. John Jackson's	br aus m	Polly Hall, 13-3.

Second Day, Thursday, the 27th October.

THE AUTUMN CHASE.—R. C. about 2 miles.

1.	Captain J. V. Roche's	b a h	Warwick, 13-3.
2.	Captain F. E. Guest's	ch aus g	Funny, 14-1.

THE GOOMTEE PLATE.—9 furlongs.

1.	Major Maxwell's	ch cb m	Mosselle, 14-0½.
2.	Mr. C. Bleach's	b e m	Lady Cheltenham, 13-2½.
3.	Mr. J. Alston's	b aus m	Rosamund, 13-3½
4.	Mr. J. Jackson's	br aus m	Polly Hall, 13-3.
5.	Captain F. E. Guest's	bk aus m	La Belle, 13-3½.

THE HORSE HANDICAP.—6 furlongs.

1.	Major Maxwell's	b e g	Maddington.
2.	Captain Winter's	b aus g	Russley King.
3.	Mr. P. B. Avasia and Mr. Bleach's	br e g	Testwood (4years.)
4.	Major John Jackson's	b or br aus g	Toreador (3years.)
5.	Mr. G. F. Steele's	br nth am m	Ritual
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g	Flotsam (5years)
7.	Captain F. E. Guest's	b aus g	Spark.
8.	Mr. Locke's	br e f	Miss Villiers (4years).

THE OPEN HANDICAP.—5 furlongs.

1.	Mr. J. Alston's	b aus m	Rosamund, 13-3½
2.	Mr. W. Bass's	b cb g	Tam Ring, 14-0½.
3.	Major Berryman's	b aus m	Canary, 13-3½.
4.	Mrs. Berryman's	b aus m	Partridge, 13-3.
5.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	br aus m	Fairydale, 13-1½
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g	Idlebell, 13-3.
7.	Lieut.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's	b e m	Richesse, 13 3½.
8.	Captain F. E. Guest's	bk aus m	La Belle, 13-3½
9.	Mr. Locke's	br e g	Golconda, 13-3½

THE CHARBAGH PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1.	Thakur Buldeo Sahai's	ch cb g	Easterday, 14-2.
2.	Major Maxwell's	b cb g	Richmond, 14-2.
3.	Mr. W. Bass s	br e m	Filbert, 14 1.
4.	Mr. W. Bass s	b aus m	Stockbell, 14 1.
5.	Major Berryman's	b e m	Silver II.
6.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch aus m	Elsie, 13-3½.
7.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus m	Witchery, 14-1.
8.	Mr. Locke's	b e f	Elsie II., 14-1.

THE DILKUSHA PLATE.—¼ mile.

1.	Major Maxwell's	ch cb m	Memory, 13-3½.
2.	Major Maxwell's	g cb m	Mabel Grey, 14-0.
3.	Mr. W. Bass's	b cb g	Tam Ring, 14-0½.
4.	Major Berryman's	sk aus g	Quilt, 13 2.
5.	Major Berryman's	b aus m	Canary 13-3½.
6.	Captain J. Grech's	ch cb m	Hope Terry.
7.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	bk cb m	Shyam Kali, 14-1.
8.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch aus g	Whenan, 13-3.
9.	Lt.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's	b e m	Richesse, 13-3½.
10.	Mr. Locke's	br e g	Golconda, 13-3½.
11.	Captain F. E. Guest's	b aus g	Don John, 13-3½.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1.	Lt.-Col. Brazier Creagh's	ch a h	Young Prince, 13-2½.
2.	Major Stisted's	b a h	Pounds, 13-1½.
3.	Major Stisted's	ch a h	Modesty, 13-0½.
4.	Thakur Buldeo Sahai's	b a h	Hazard, 14-0
5.	Mr. H. L. Maydwell's	g a h	Titus II., 13 3½.
6.	Mr. H. L. Maydwell's	b a h	Bumblepuppy, 13-2.
7.	Colonel Leake's	g a h	Russia, 13-2½.
8.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch a h	Omar, 13-3½.
9.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	fl g a h	Anderson, 13-3.
10.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	g a h	Mathura, 13-3.

2nd Entries will close on 18th October.

H. CLAY,
for Hon. Secy., Lucknow Races.

JUBBULPORE RACES.

FIRST ENTRIES.

First Day, 1st November 1904.

DESERT PLATE.

1.	Captain Bailey's	Borderer.
2.	Captain Bailey's	Boostan.
3.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
4.	Mr. Morris'...	Belah.
5.	Mr. St. John's	Pommery.

SECRETARY'S PURSE.

1.	Mr. Blenkinsop's	Lobelia.
2.	Captain Goring-Jones'	Black Pearl.
3.	Mr. Cleveland's	The Dane.
4.	Mr. McCall's	Moss Rose.
5.	Mrs. Berryman's	Partridge.
6.	Major Berryman's	Canary.
7.	Mr. Howell's	Harebell.
8.	Mr. Stanley Coxon's	Optical.
9.	Mr. Stanley Coxon's	Shamrock.
10.	Mr. Stanley Coxon's	Kitty.
11.	Mr. Preston's	Zoe.
12.	Captain McAlister's	Zanzibar II.

NERBUDDA HURDLE.

1.	Mr. Slocock's	Flyaway.
2.	Mr. Slocock's	Charon.
3.	Captain Oven's	Sandy.
4.	Mr. Starky's	Fiddle & I.
5.	Major Berryman's	Quilt.
6.	Mr. Fagan's	Glory.
7.	Mr. Winser's	Prince Rupert.
8.	Captain McAlister's	Zanzibar II.

NOVICE PLATE.

1.	Messrs. Cleveland & Starky's	Otomie.
2.	Captain Goodfellows'	Delvin Cockie.
3.	Major Berryman's	Silver II.
4.	Major Berryman's	Hopeful II. (late Hopeful.)
5	Captain Stephen's	Halcyon
6.	Mr. Jolliffe's	Orchid.

ARAB PLATE.

1.	Captain Bailey's	Borderer.
2.	Mr. Blenkinsop's	Arrivelli.
3.	Captain Goodfellow's	Jodhpore.
4.	Mr. Morris'	Belah.
5.	Mr. Howell's	Comet.
6.	Mr. Winser's	Prince Rupert

CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S CUP.

1.	Captain Bailey's	Boostan.
2.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
3.	Messrs. Cleveland & Starky s	Otomie.
4.	Mr. Howell's	My Fancy.
5.	Mr. Winser s	Minorah.
6.	Captain Stephens'	Lucky Boy.
7.	Captain Ffrench-Mullen's	Swat.
8.	Mr. Jolliffe's	Pindi.
9.	Mr. Hallifax's	Hogmany.
10.	Mr. Ley's	Butcha.

Second Day, 3rd November 1904.

MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.

1.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
2.	Messrs. Cleveland & Starky's...	Otomie.
3.	Major Berryman s	Canary.
4.	Mr. Howell s	My Fancy.

CIVIL SERVICE CUP.

1.	Captain Bailey's	Boostan.
2.	Mr. Preston's	Zoe.
3.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
4.	Captain Goring-Jones'	Black Pearl.
5.	Mr. Cleveland's	The Dane.
6.	Mr. McCalls'	Moss Rose.
7.	Mrs. Berryman's	Howitzer.
8.	Major Berryman's	Silver II.
9.	Mr. Howell's	Harebell.
10.	Mr. Stanley Coxon's	Optical.
11.	Mr. Stanley Coxon's	Kitty.
12.	Captain McAlister s	Zanzibar II.

ARAB HANDICAP.

1.	Mr. Slocock's	Charon.
2.	Captain Bailey s	Borderer.
3.	Captain Bailey's	Boostan.
4.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
5.	Mr. Morris'...	Belah.
6.	Mr. Howell's	Comet.
7.	Captain Stephens'	Lucky Boy.

JUBBULPORE STEEPLECHASE.

1.	Mr. Slocock s	Flyaway.
2.	Mr. Fox-Strangway's	Cornelia.
3.	Captain Oven's	Sandy.
4.	Mr. Starky's	Fiddle & I.
5.	Captain Goodfellow's	Jodhpore.
6.	Major Berryman's	Quilt.
7.	Mr. Fagan s	Glory.
8.	Mr. Winser's	Prince Rupert.
9.	Mr Stanley-Coxon's	Shamrock.
10.	Captain McAlister's	Zanzibar II.

SEHORA PLATE.

1.	Mr. Blenkinsop's	Lobelia.
2.	Captain Oven's	Sandy.
3.	Messrs. Cleveland & Starky s	Otomie.
4.	Mr. Starky's	Fiddle & I.
5.	Captain Goodfellow's	Delvin Cockie.
6.	Mrs. Berryman's	Partridge.
7	Major Berryman's	Hopeful II
8.	Mr. Morris'	Belah.
9.	Mr. Winser's	Minorah.
10.	Mr. Winser's	Prince Rupert.
11.	Captain Stephens'	Halcyon.
12.	Mr. Stanley-Coxon's	Kitty.
13.	Mr. Preston's	Zoe.
14.	Mr. Ley's	Butcha.
15.	Captain McAlister's	Zanzibar II.

HUNT RACE.

1.	Captain Goring-Jones'...	Redwing.
2.	Mr. Cleveland's	The Dane.
3.	Captain Goodfellow's	Lawyer.
4.	Mr. Fagan's	Gwendolen.
5.	Mr. Jolliffe's	Fatling.
6.	Mr. Traill's	Hercules.

Second Entries close 1st October, Rs. 15.
Third Entries close 15th October, Rs. 20.

JUBBULPORE GYMKHANA MEETING

FIRST ENTRIES.

5th November 1904.

POLO PONY SCURRY.

1.	Captain Oven's	Sandy.
2.	Mr. Fagan's	Glory.
3.	Mr. Howell's	My Fancy.
4.	Captain Ffrench-Mullen's	Swat.
5.	Captain Bailey's	Dandy.

PIGSTICKER'S PLATE.

1.	Captain Goring-Jones'	Redwing.
2.	Mr. Cleveland's	The Dane.
3	Mr. Fagan's	Gwendolen.
4.	Captain Goodfellow's	Lawyer.
5.	Mr. Jolliffe's	Fatling.
6.	Mr. Traill's	Hercules.

VISITORS' PLATE.

1.	Mr. Preston's	Zoe.
2.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
3.	Mr. Blenkinsop's	Lobelia.
4.	Captain Goring-Jones'	Black Pearl.
5.	Mr. Cleveland's	The Dane.
6.	Major Berryman's	Quilt.
7.	Mrs. Berryman's	Partridge.
8.	Mr. Howell's	Harebell.
9	Mr. Winser's	Minorah.
10.	Mr. Stanley-Coxon's	Optical.
11	Mr. Stanley-Coxon's	Kitty.
12.	Mr. Stanley-Coxon's	Shamrock

STAND PLATE.

1.	Mr. Slocock's	Charon.
2.	Captain Bailey's	Borderer.
3	Captain Bailey's	Boostan.
4.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
5.	Mr. Blenkinsop's	Arrivelli.
6.	Mr. Morris'	Belah.
7.	Mr. Howell's	Comet.
8.	Mr. Winser's	Price Rupert.

JUBBULPORE PLATE.

1.	Captain Bailey's	Borderer.
2.	Captain Bailey's	Boostan.
3.	Mr. Preston's	Tawakel.
4.	Messrs. Cleveland & Starky s...	Otomie.
5.	Mr. Berryman's	Howitzer.
6.	Mr. Fagan's	Glory.
7.	Mr. Morris'	Belah.
8.	Mr Winser's	Minorah.
9.	Mr. Winser's	Prince Rupert.
10.	Mr. Ley's	Butcha.
11.	Mr. Howell's	My Fancy.
12.	Mr. St. John's	Pommery.

BEGINNERS' PLATE.

1.	Captain Bailey's	Telegram.
2.	Captain Bailey's	Dandy.
3.	Mr. Blenkinsop's	Butterfly.
4.	Captain Oven's	Sandy.
5.	Mr. Cleveland's	The Dane.
6.	Messrs. Cleveland & Starky's...	Otomie.
7.	Mr. Starky's	Fiddle & I.
8.	Captain Goodfellow's	Delven Cockie.
9.	Mr. Morris'	Belah.
10.	Mr. Winser's	Prince Rupert.
11.	Mr. Preston's	Zoe.

Second Entries close 1st October, Rs. 10.
Third Entries close 15th October, Rs. 15.

F. J. PRESTON,
Hon. Secy. Jubbulpore Races.

12th September 1904.

LUCKNOW SPRING MEETING, 1905.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—6 furlongs.

FIRST ENTRIES CLOSED 2ND MAY.

1.	Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus m	Rosa Lea, 13-3½
2.	Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus m	Not Yet, 13-3½
3.	Mr. S. Brandreth's	b cb h	The Butler, 13-2½
4.	Mr. W. H. Walmsley's	b aus m	Housemaid II., 13-2½
5.	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g	Idlebell, 13-3½
6.	Capt. Hon. F. E. Guest's	b aus g	Don John, 13-3½
7.	Col. Beaver's	br aus m	Bess, 13-3
8.	Lt-Col. E A. Kettlewell's	b e m	Richesse, 13-3½
9.	Capt. J P. Coley's	br e m	Sago, 13-3

SECOND ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST JULY.

Nil.

THIRD ENTRIES CLOSED 15TH SEPTEMBER.

10.	H. H. Koer Saheb of Patiala's	ch aus m	Parlourmaid, 13-3½
11.	Mr. G. Powell's	dr br aus m	Ruin, 13-3 (by Havoc—Brown Bess)

FOURTH ENTRIES WILL CLOSE ON 1ST DECEMBER.

H. CLAY,
Hony. Secy. Lucknow Races.

Races to Come.

PROGRAMME OF THE RAWALPINDI SKY MEETING.

To be held on
15th, 17th & 20th December 1904.
(*Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.*)

PATRONS:

LIEUT.-GENERAL SIR BINDON BLOOD, K.C.B.
MAJOR-GENL. J. H. WODEHOUSE, .B., C.M.G.

STEWARDS:

MAJOR COLIN CAMPBELL,	38th Central India Horse.
CAPTAIN E. WATERS,	Royal Artillery.
LT.-COL. R. PRINGLE, D.S.O.,	Army Vety. Department.
BRIG.-GENL. J. A. COXHEAD, C.B.,	Royal Artillery.
LT.-COL HON. C.H. WILLOUGHBY,	9th Lancers.
SYDNEY SMITH, Esq.,	D. I. G. of Police.

Honorary Secretary—CAPTAIN E. WATERS, R.A.

Note.—First Entries, Rs. 5, close at 10 P.M. on 25th October 190
Second Entries, Rs. 10, close at 10 P.M. on 19th November 190
Final Entries, Rs. 15, close at 10 P.M. on 5th December 190

First Day, Thusrday, 15th December 1904.

THE NOVICE PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under and other ponies 13-3½ and under that have never won a flat race of the value of Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10-7, C. B's. 14-1 to carry 11-2, others 13-3½ to carry 11-2. W. I. Distance—¼ mile.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under and other maiden ponies 13-3½ and under that have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,000. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10-7, C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11-2, others 13-3½ to carry 11-2. W. I. Penalties—Winners once 3 lbs., twice 7 lbs., oftener 10 lbs. Distance—1,000 yards.

THE STEEPLECHASE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Steeplechase for Maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other Maiden ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 11-7, C.-B's. 14-2 to carry 11-5, others 14-1 to carry 12-0. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a steeplechase or hurdle race once 3lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a steeplechase or hurdle race value Rs 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance about 2 miles.

THE OPEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 10-12. English and Australasians 14-1 to carry 11-7 W. I. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Distance—6 furlongs.

THE MAFEKING PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the, second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 11-7. W. I. Penalties—Winners once 3lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs Ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. in addition Distance R. C.

THE GRAND MILITARY STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden horses the *bonâ fide* property of Officers of His Majesty's Army on full pay. W. A. and C. raised 2 stone. Penalties—Winners of a steeplechase or hurdle race, once 4lbs, twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Horses that have never won a steeplechase or hurdle race of the value of Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance about 2¼ miles.

Second Day, Saturday, 17th December 1904.

THE GHARIAL PLATE —Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 11-7. W. I. Distance—5 furlongs.

THE MURREE CUP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Distance—5 furlongs.

THE STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Steeplechase for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance about 2 miles.

THE TRIAL PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Handicap for maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—6 furlongs.

THE NOVICE HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over and that ran in the Novice Plate 1st Day. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance—¼ mile.

THE MAIDEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under and other maiden ponies 13-3, and under. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance—1,000 yards.

Third Day, Tuesday, 20th December 1904.

THE HIE-OVER PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Hurdle Race for ponies, that ran at the Meeting. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance —1½ miles (over 6 flights).

THE POLO PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For *bonâ fide* polo ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-10 carry 10-0, C.-B's 14-1 to carry 10-7, others 14-1 to carry 12-0. W. I. Penalties—Winners once 3 lbs., twice 7 lbs., oftener 10 lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—3 furlongs.

N. B.—A certificate from an Honorary Secretary of a Polo Club stating that the pony is a *bonâ fide* polo pony must accompany the entries for this race.

THE GRAND MILITARY HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Steeplechase for Horses that ran in the Steeplechase 1st Day. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance about 2¼ miles.

THE OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies that have run at the Meeting. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance—6 furlongs.

THE SOHAN PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies that ran in the Mafeking Plate 1st Day. Weights.—Welter Handicap. Distance—1 mile.

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies that have run at the Meeting and not won. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance—7 furlongs.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1.—All Entries, Starting Sweeps and Forfeits go to the Fund (subject to Rule 139).

2. In the case of a walk-over, only half the added money will be given (under Rule 140).

3.—Entries must be accompanied by a remittance for the full amount of such entries, otherwise they will be refused.

4.—C. T. C and W. I. T. C Certificates only accepted. Ponies not in possession of above can be measured for this Meeting only under Rule 39 for which a fee of Rs. 10 will be charged.

5.—First Entries, for all races Rs. 5, close on 25th October 1904.
Second Entries, for all races Rs. 10, close on 19th November 1904.
Final Entries, for all races Rs. 15, close on 5th December 1904.

6.—Ponies not struck out by 12th December 1904 Rs. 5 extra Starters Rs. 5 in addition.

7.—Licensed Jockeys other than natives of India or Burma, to carry 5lbs. extra in all Races.
Native licensed Jockeys to carry 3 lbs. extra in all races.

8.—A Course Fee of Rs. 5 will be charged for each Pony running at the Meeting.

9.—Starting declarations accompanied by a Jockey's fee for a losing mount (if not already paid) must be in the box outside the Honorary Secretary's Office by 12 noon the day before the Race.

10—Unless there are 8 Entries for a Race, the Race may be declared void.

11.—Should the Entrance money in any race exceed the advertised prize the surplus will be divided between 2nd and 3rd horses in proportion of 2 to 1. In no case will the winner receive more than Rs. 199.

12.—If owners, when making entries, will notify their colours, they will be registered at the Honorary Secretary's Office, otherwise colours must be registered not later than 1 P. M. of the day preceding the race : any owner failing to have this done or running a horse in colours other than those registered with Honorary Secretary will be fined according to the discretion of the Stewards.

NOTICE.

1.—Lotteries will be held at the Club at 9-30 P. M. the night before racing ; 10 per cent. of Lotteries and 10 per cent. of Totalisator to go to the Fund.

2.—Admission to the enclosure by ticket only, which will be issued by the Honorary Secretary, or can be obtained at the gate for cash or cheque only. Rs. 5 for one day or Rs. 10 for the Meeting. Ladies and Owners free. Owners entered horses but no running will be charged full gate money.

3.—Admission to the 2nd Enclosure Re. 1 for one day and Rs. 2 for the Meeting. Soldiers in uniform free.

4.—The Starting Machine will be used at the Meeting.

5.—All communications and remittances to be made to "Honorary Secretary, Rawalpindi Races," and not by name of an officer.

E. WATERS, Captain,
B. A.,
Honorary Secretary, Races.

DIBRUGARH JANUARY 1905 MEET.

PROGRAMME OF THE RACES.

(UNDER C. T. C. RULES OF RACING.)

STEWARDS :

L. A. GRIMSTON, ESQ. | F. E. HOLDER, ESQ.
A. B. HAWKINS, ESQ. | M. M HADOW, ESQ.
F. E. WINSLAND, ESQ. | C. WOOD, ESQ.

Judge :—MAJOR COLE, D. C.
Starter :—A. C. WALKER, ESQ.
Clerk of the Course :—A. M. HARRY, ESQ.
Honorary Secretary :—E. C. STUART BAKER, ESQ.

NOTICE.

The Races will be held on the 21st, 23rd, and 25th January 1905.

There will be the following Handicap Tennis Tournaments :—

Men's Singles—a Cup, value Rs. 150, to winner—Entrance, Rs. 10.

Men's Doubles—Cups, value Rs. 75, to winner—Entrance, Rs. 5.

Ladies' Singles—Prize, value Rs. 75, to winner—No entrance.

Mixed Doubles—Prize, value Rs. 75, to winner—Men's Entrance, Rs. 5.

Mr. A. B. Hawkins is kindly presenting a bracelet on the Polo Tournament to be drawn for by ladies present at the opening match.

Mr. Hadow and Dr. Falkiner are also kindly giving bracelets on the second and third days' races, in the race which has most starters to be drawn for by ladies present in the Stand. The Race Fund will give a bracelet the first day.

RULES

The first race on each day will be started *punctually* at 2 P. M.

Lotteries will be held at the Station Club on the 20th, 22nd, and 24th January at 9 P.M.

Ten per cent. will be deducted from the lotteries and totalizator for the Fund.

Settling at same place on Monday, 27th January, from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M.

Ponies which are not qualified under C. T. C. Rules will be aged and measured on 12th and 26th December between 4 and 4-30 P. M. and on 9th January between 9 and 9-30 A.M. at the Dibrugarh Polo ground provided owners send the Honorary Secretary notice four days beforehand when a fee of Rs. 10 will be charged whether the pony is produced or not.

Tezpur, Jorhat, Cachar and Dibrugarh Race Club certificates will be accepted.

First Day, Tuesday, 21st January 1905.

SADIYA PURSE.—Rs. 250 for winner, Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-1 and under maidens on the 1st December 1904. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 13-1 to carry 8-13, Arabs 13-1 to carry 9-1, other ponies 13-1 to carry 10-2. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 200 or over since 1st December 1904 penalized 12lbs. Distance —¾ mile. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 20, 1st January, Rs. 25 and day before the race Rs. 30.

NEW PLATE.—Rs. 250 for winner, Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under maidens on the 1st December 1904. W. A. and I. C. B.'s 13-3 to carry 9-2, Arabs 13-3 to carry 9-7, and other ponies 13-3 to carry 10-9. Penalties and entrances as in Sadiya Purse. Distance—¾ mile.

STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 for winner, Rs. 100 for second. For maiden ponies 13 1 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 13-1 to carry 9-9, Arabs 13-1 to carry 9-13, and other ponies 13-1 to carry 11-0. Distance—About 1½ mile. Entrance—1st December, Rs 20, 1st January, Rs. 25, and day before race, Rs. 33.

CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 250 for winner, Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-1 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s. 13-1 to carry 9-0, Arabs 13-1 to carry 9-2, and other ponies 13-1 to carry 10 3. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs 200, 4lbs., Rs 300, 7lbs., Rs. 500, but not cumulative, 11lbs. ; allowance maidens allowed 7lbs. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 20, 1st January, Rs. 25, day before the race, Rs. 30.

LILLIPUTIAN PLATE.—Rs. 250 for winner, Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 12-3 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B 's 12-3 to carry 9-0, Arabs 12 3 to carry 9-2, and other ponies 12-3 to carry 10-3. Penalties—Allowances and entrances as in Club Plate. Distance —½ mile.

INNOVATION PLATE —Rs. 250 to winner, Rs. 75 to second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 13-3 to carry 8-7, Arabs 13-3 to carry 8-13, and other ponies 13-3 to carry 10-8. Penalties—Allowances and entrances as in Club Plate. Distance —¼ mile.

DIBRUGARH PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 50 to second. For ponies 13-1 and under which have never won a flat race value Rs. 250 or over and which belong to residents of the Dibrugarh District. C.-B.'s 13-1 to carry 9-12, Arabs 13-1 to carry 10-0, and other ponies 13-1 to carry 11-7. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs. Distance—5 furlongs Entrance—1st December, Rs. 15, 1st January, Rs 20, and day before the race, Rs. 25.

SCURRY.—Rs. 200 to winner, and Rs 50 to second. For *bonâ-fide* maiden polo ponies 13-1 and under. W A. and I. Distance—3 furlongs. Weights, penalties and entrances as in Dibrugarh Plate.

Second Day, Thursday, 23rd January 1905.

THE PLANTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 500 presented by the Fund and Cup, value Rs. 400, presented by the P. S. and A. Co., Ld., for winner, Rs. 200 for second and Rs. 100 for third—Handicap for ponies 13-1 and under. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—31st January Rs. 32 when race will close with Rs. 20 for ponies which are declared to start.

DOOM DOOMA PURSE STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 for winner, Rs. 100 for second and Rs. 50 for third. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B 's 13-3 to carry 9-13, Arabs 13-3 to carry 9-13, other ponies 13-3 to carry 11-0. Allowance—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Distance—About 2 miles. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 20, 1st January, Rs. 25, and day before the race, Rs. 30.

REHABARI PURSE.—Rs. 250 to winner, Rs. 75 to second. For ponies 13-1 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 13-1 to carry 9-0, Arabs 13-1 to carry 9-2, other ponies 13-1 to carry 10-3 Penalties—Winners of a race, value Rs. 200, 4lbs., Rs 300, 7lbs., Rs. 500, but not cumulative, 11lbs. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 20, 1st January, Rs. 25, and day before the race, Rs. 30.

TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 500 for winner, Rs. 100 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 13-3 to carry 9-2, Arabs 13-3 to carry 10-2, and other ponies 13-3 to carry 10-9. Penalties and entrances as in Rehabari Purse. Distance—5 furlongs.

DWARF PLATE —Rs. 250 for winner, Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 12-3 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 12-3 to carry 9-2, Arabs 12-3 to carry 9-8, and other ponies 12-3 to carry 10-9. Penalties, and entrances as in Rehabari Purse Distance—1 mile.

THE ASSAM CUP.—Rs. 250 for winner, Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 13-3 to carry 9-0, Arabs 13-3 to carry 9.2, and other ponies 13-3 to carry 10-5. Penalties and entrances as in Rehabari Purse. Distance—9 furlongs.

THE LAHOAL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, and Rs. 50 to second For maiden ponies 13-1 and under the property of owners who have not won a race value Rs. 250 or over since 1st December 1902. Distance—¼ mile. Weights, penalties and entrances as in Dibrugarh Plate.

ASSISTANTS RACE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 50 to second. For ponies 13-1 and under the property of Assistants and others drawing not more than Rs. 350 per mensem W. A. and I. Distance—¼ mile. Weights, penalties and entrances as in Dibrugarh Plate.

Third Day, Saturday, 25th January 1905.

BRAHMAPUTRA CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 250, presented by The R. S. N. Co., and I. G. N. and Railway Co., Ld., with Rs. 100 added by the Fund for winner and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-1 and under. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—Rs. 15 and starting fee Rs. 10.

LAKHIMPUR STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 for winner, Rs. 100 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance—About 2 miles. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 20, and day before the race Rs. 30 and starting fee Rs. 10.

KELLNER CUP.—Cup, value Rs. 250, presented by Messrs. Kellner and Co. and Rs. 100 from the Fund for winner, Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Rs. 15 and starting fee Rs. 10

THE GREAT EASTERN HOTEL PLATE.—A piece of plate, value Rs. 100, presented by the Great Eastern Hotel Co., Ld., with Rs. 200 added by the Fund, for winner, Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13 3 and under Distance—1 mile. Entrance —Rs. 15, starting fee Rs. 10.

LIKOM PURSE.—Rs. 300 for winner, Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-1 and under. Distance—½ mile. Entrance—Rs. 15 and starting fee Rs. 10.

TOURNAMENT CUP —Value Rs. 350 presented by the ASSAM Bank and Commercial Co., Ld., for winner, Rs. 50 from the Fund for second. For polo ponies that are played right through the tournament of this meeting. W. A. and I. C.-B.'s 13-3 to carry 9-4, Arabs 13-1 to carry 10-2 and other ponies 13-3 to carry 10 7. Winners of a flat race or steeplechase first and second day barred. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 11lbs. Distance—3 furlongs. Entrance—Rs. 20.

CACHAR PLATE.—Rs. 300 to winner, Rs. 75 to second. Handicap for ponies 12-3 and under. Distance—¾ mile. Entrance—Rs 15 and starting fee Rs. 10.

THE RICE PLATE —Value Rs. 100 presented by Messrs. David and Co., with Rs. 100 added by the Fund, for winner, Rs. 50 to second Handicap for ponies that have run in the Dibrugarh Plate, Scurry, Lahoal Plate, Assistants Race and in the Tournament Cup. Distance—¼ mile. Entrance—Rs. 10, acceptance Rs. 10.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. The scale of weight for age and inches is :—

	3 years.	4 years.	5 years.	6 years and aged
Arabs & C.-B.'s ...	8-7	9 7	10-2	10-7
Other ponies ...	8-0	9-0	9-9	10-0

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		3 years.	4 years.	5 years.	6 years and aged
14-0 hands C.-B's / 13-3 ,, Arabs	Carry	8-7	9 7	10-2	10 7
13-2 ,, Others	,,	8-0	9-0	9 9	10-0

In Races for 13-2 C.-B.'s 13-1 Arabs, and 13 hands others

		3 years.	4 years.	5 years.	6 years and aged
13-2 C.-B.'s / 13 1 Arabs	Carry	8-7	9-7	10 2	10-7
13-0 Others	,,	8-0	9-0	9-9	10-0

In Races for 13 hands C.-B.'s 12-3 Arabs, and 12-2 other

		3 years.	4 years.	5 years.	6 years and aged
13-0 C.-B.'s / 12-3 Arabs	Carry	8-7	9-7	10-2	10-7
12-2 Others	,,	8-9	9-0	9-9	10-0

In all cases 3lbs allowed for every ½ inch under full height

2. Australasian Arab and English Ponies landed direct from country of foaling after 1st July will be allowed 6lbs, until they have race and 3 lbs. until they have won two, handicaps excepted.

3. Licensed Jockeys other than native of India or Burmah will be penalised 5lbs., in all races including handicaps.

4. All owners or enterers must pay Rs. 20 subscription to enable them to start one horse or pony and Rs. 40 to start two or more.

5. Admittance to paddock and stand for non-subscribers Rs. 16 for the meeting ; ladies free.

6. In all races only half the second money will be given in the event of there being less than five entries and except when the terms of the race provide third money the third horse will receive half entrances where there are five or more starters limited to a maximum of Rs. 25 ; the balance of the entrances to go to the Fund.

7. Entrances for handicaps and starting declaration for other races must be in writting and reach the Honorary Secretary or put in the box by 11 A. M. the day before the Race Handicap will be published at the Station Club at 8 P. M. and starting declarations for these must be in the box by 7 P.M. Entrance money and jockey's losing fee if not already paid, must accompany starting declaration.

8. Half the added money will be given in the event of a walk-over in terms of Rule 140.

9. The order in which races will be run, will be declared the night before.

10. Entrances of polo ponies must be accompanied by a certificate on the form herewith signed by the Secretary and two other members of the Committee of the Club with which the pony has played. No other form will be accepted.

11. In steeplechases (including handicaps) if the highest weight starting is under 11st 4lbs the top weight will be raised to that amount and the lower weights accordingly.

In all flat races (including handicaps) if the highest weight starting be under 10st. 7lbs. it will be raised to that height and the lower weights accordingly.

12 In Rice Plate and races named in the terms of that race European professionals barred from riding.

NOTICE.

Two polo tournaments will be held during the meeting, and cup value £10 will be presented to each Member of the winning team of first tournament, and a cup value £5 to each Member of winning team in second tournament.

The Tournaments will be played subject to the rules contained in this notice and "the Rules of the game of Polo" of the Dibrugarh District Polo Association. Copies of the 1902 "Rules of the game" can be procured from the Secretary of that Association. Any question arising not provided for, by this notice and the said "Rules of the game of Polo" shall be decided by the Race Stewards. That the rule 40 of the "Rules of the game of Polo" of the Dibrugarh District Polo Association, shall be read as if the word "gun" were added after the word "Bugle."

1. Four a side. Ponies to 13 hands 3 inch or under. No. player or pony to play in more than one team.

2. A man wo plays in a match for any Club in the Lakhimpur District after 1st August 1901 cannot play in the Tournament for any other Club unless he has changed his domicile in which case he must declare within three weeks for which Club he will play.

Clubs in the Lakhimpur District must enter separately, but a combined team may enter from any other District.

4. First ties of second tournament will have to be played off the week before the meeting on neutral grounds.

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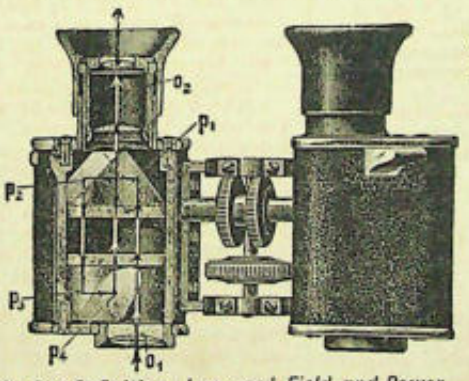
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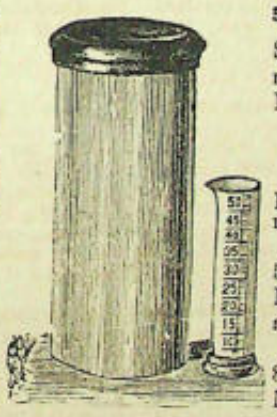
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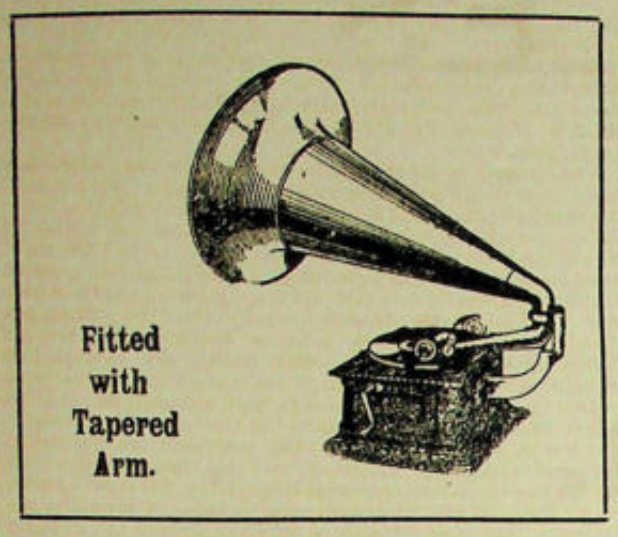
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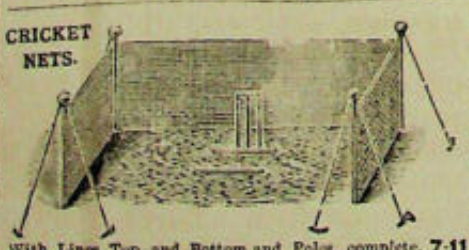
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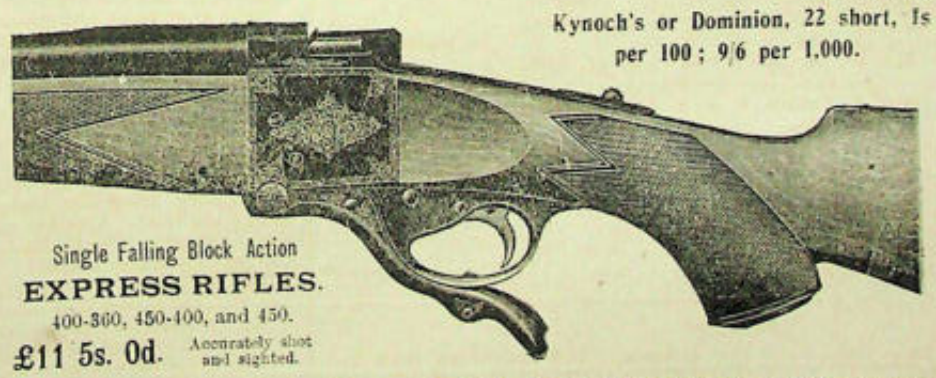
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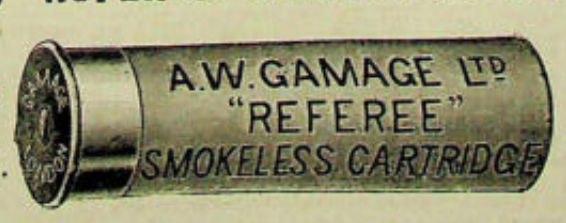
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7. Ponies will be measured on the dates as advertised in this Programme and Rs. 5 only will be charged for the polo certificates granted.

8. The Race Stewards will appoint Umpires and Goal Referees and decide at what times the ties to be played.

9. Teams may enter for whichever tournament they like, but the same team cannot enter for both and their entry for the second tournament must be subject to the approval of the Race Stewards.

10. Entrance Rs. 32 per team for first tournament and Rs. 16 per team for second tournament. Entries must reach the Honorary Secretary by the 1st January 1905.

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THE NEWDIGATE STAKES of 387sovs.; weight for age, with allowances. One mile and a-half

Mr. J. Musker's ch c Admiral Breeze, by Velasquez—Seabreeze, 3yrs., 9st. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. R. H. Henning's br c Yquem, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	F. Bullock	2
Mr. J. Gubbins's ch F. By John Morgan—Sinder, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	Griggs	3
Mr. E. A. Wigan's Lapsang, 4yrs., 9st. 9lbs.	D. Maher	0
Mr. H. Musker's Forest Flower, 4yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	W. Lane	0
Mr. E. L. Heinemann's Lucid, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	Trigg	0

(*Winner trained by Gilbert.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst. Lapsang, 9 to 4 Cinder filly, 4 to 1 Admiral Breeze, 7 to 1 Lucid, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by three-quarters of a length; three lengths divided the second and third. Forest Flower was fourth and Lucid last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 41secs.

THE HOME-BRED TWO-YEAR-OLD PLATE of 261sovs., for two-year olds; colts, 8st. 12lbs.; fillies and geldings, 8st. 9lbs; with penalties and allowances. Five furlongs.

Mr. F. E. Liddiard's b c Big Gun, by Symington—Elswick, 7st. 13lbs. ...	W. Lane	1
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing b or br c Song Thrush, 8st. 4lbs.	Randall	2
Mr. W. B. Purefoy's ch c Enceladus, 8st. 10lbs	D. Maher	3
Mr. S. Hanbury's Sauterelle, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Hardy	0

(*Winner trained by Lowe.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Big Gun, 2 to 1 Enceladus, 5 to 1 Song Thrush, and 11 to 2 Sauterelle.

Won easily by a length and a half from Song Thrush, who took second place at the distance; six lengths between the second and third.

THE AUGUST HANDICAP of 164sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b h Hopetoun, by Exile II.—Kookaburra, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	1
Mr. W. H. Moore's b f Effigy, 3yrs., 5st. 9lbs.* (car. 5st. 10lbs.) ..	W. Smith	2
Mr. J. Collins's b g Decave, 5yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	Griggs	3
Lord Clonmell's Rose Blair, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs.,	F. Bullock	0
Mr. H. Escott's Long Tom, 5yrs., 7st. 6lbs.*	C. Halsey	0
Mr. Edmund Lamb's Ancaster, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	Hardy	0
Capt. Michael Hughes's Wise Rosie, 5yrs. 6st. 8lbs.*	Saxby	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted

(*Winner trained by A. Taylor.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst Ancaster, 7 to 2 each Rose Blair and Decave, 7 to 1 each Long Tom and Hopetoun, and 100 to 8 each Wise Rosie and Effigy (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; three-parts of a length between the second and third. Wise Rosie was fourth, Rosie Blair fifth, and Long Tom last throughout.

Weather of the most perfect midsummer type favoured the concluding stage of the Gatwick Meeting, and the coffers of the executive were substantially replenished in consequence. Apart from the metropolitan division, who attended in unusual force for the slack season, the attendance was strongly augmented by pleasure-seekers from Brighton, and the old-time theory that August gatherings never pay their way was incontrovertibly falsified. Unfortunately runners were scarce, the sum total of the competitors only reaching thirty-seven, and the sport was not as brisk as a glance at the entries would have suggested. The struggle between Madden and Lane for the jockey premiership had reached an interesting stage when they tied for supremacy, and a certain amount of partisanship attached to their efforts on the 27th ultimo. The only addition was a single to the score of Madden, and, endowed as he is with a hardier physique than his rival—who, to tell the truth, seems to be feeling the effects of his recent exertions—the leader looks like staying on the better of the two.

THE SUTTON STAKES of 357sovs.; weight for age, etc. Six furlongs.

Capt. F. Forester's b g Golden Saint, by St. Angelo—Mouche d'Or, 3yrs., 8st. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. R. H. Henning's br c Xeny, 3yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	J. Jarvis	2
Lord Derby's ch f Altear, 3yrs., 8st. ...	W. Lane	3
Mr. James Joicey's Lady of the Vale, 3yrs., 9st.	Maher	0
Mr. J. S. Curtis's Reprieve III., 2yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	Griggs	0

(*Winner trained by Fallon*).

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst. Golden Saint, 5 to 2 Altear, 11 to 4 Xeny, 7 to 1 Lady of the Vale, and 20 to 1 Reprieve III.

Won by three-quarters of a length; three lengths divided second and third. Lady of the Vale was fourth. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 11secs.

THE KOSTRUM SELLING HANDICAP of 142sovs.; winners extra, second received 50sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. F. W. Day's ch f Red Mantle, by Red Price II.—Maddalena, 3yrs., 8st. ...	F. Bullock	1
Mr. P. Gleeson's ch g Beloseisky, 4yrs., 9st.	W. Lane	2
Mr. H. Bates's br g Glenhurst, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	O. Madden	3
Mr. R. Sherwood's Mimist, 3yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	Maher	0
Mr. J. S. Curtis's Leslie Carter, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. C. Wood's Matchboard, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	H. Ellis	0
Mr. S. Gottschalk's Beamish, 5yrs., 7st. 13lbs.*	Saxby	0
Mr. F. Bishop's Mediate, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs.*...	C. Halsey	0
Mr. John Hornsby's Honore, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	Lynham	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Glenhurst, 5 to 1 Red Mantle 11 to 2 Beloseisky, 6 to 1 Honore, 7 to 1 Mimist, 8 to 1 Beamish, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won an exciting race by a head; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Leslie Carter was fourth, Honore fifth, Beamish next, and Mimist last throughout. The winner was sold to Mr. J. Woodman for 150 guineas. Mimist to W. Downes for 92 guineas, and Beamish to Mr. Whurr for 40 guineas. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 10⅘secs.

THE KITE HANDICAP of 164sovs.; winners extra. One mile and a-half.

Mr. R. H. Henning's br c Airship, by Ayrshire—Silverling, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.*	Saxby	1
Mr. Edmund Lamb's b C. by Hackler—Erin, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (4lbs. ex.) ...	Hardy	2
Mr. A. Hamblin's b g Claqueur, 6yrs., 9st.	W. Halsey	3
Mr. Jersey's Belle Savile, 5yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	Jarvis	0

* 5lbs apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Brewer.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 Airship, 7 to 4 Erin colt, 7 to 2 Claqueur, and 10 to 1 Belle Savile (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; a length separated the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 40⅕secs.

DERBY.

The supreme attraction of the Derby September Meeting, is, as a rule, the inauguration of the Nursery season, but on the present anniversary the executive were precluded from introducing these popular juvenile contests into their programme until the final stage of the gathering, owing to the fact that the first two days fall in August. A fairly representative entertainment was arranged nevertheless, and the card on the 8th, which extended to seven items, fulfilled its promise, thanks to a big contingent of horses arriving from Newmarket in the morning. The official pasteboard, containing as it did the pedigrees of the entrants, was a great improvement on anything seen here hitherto, and the outside cover was handsomely embellished with the Rothschild colours. This may or may not have been done in honour of St. Amant, but it can be stated authoritatively that the St. Leger candidate, though on the spot, will not carry silk to-morrow unless rain falls during the night, as the course on the far side is a little hard. In the straight it yielded good galloping, and the sport was witnessed by a big company.

THE FIRST YEAR OF THE ELEVENTH CHAMPION BREEDERS' BIENNIAL FOAL STAKES of 995sovs., for two year olds; colts 8st. 10lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 7lbs.; penalties, etc. Five furlongs, straight.

Mr. J. W. Larnach's b f Hellene, by Inferno—Helen Mary, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Griggs	1
Sir E. Vincent's ch c Shah Jehan, 8st. 5lbs.	H. Aylin	2
Lord Londonderry's b c St. Florentin 8st 13lbs.	W. Halsey	3
Mr. Francis Alexander's Mowgli 8st. 10lbs.	W. Lane	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's chestnut, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Lynham	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's Captain Jack, 8st. 5lbs	Watts	0
Mr. Fairie's Endymion, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Hardy	0
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's Concetta, 8st. 2lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. Arthur James's Strathavon, 8st 2lbs. ...	H. Jones	0
Mr. John Robinson's Ziria, 8st. 2lbs	E. Wheatley	0
Sir J. Miller's Munera, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 4lbs.)	Maher	0

(*Winner trained by Sanderson.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst Shah Jehan, 4 to 1 Munera, 6 to 1 Chestnut, 7 to 1 Hellene, 9 to 1 Concetta, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won easily by three lengths from Shah Jehan, who took second place below the distance; four lengths separated the second and third. Chestnut was fourth, Concetta fifth, Mowgli sixth. Munera seventh, and Ziria last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 1⅘secs.

THE CHADDESDEN SELLING PLATE of 194sovs.; weight for age, etc.; the winner to be sold for 300sovs. The Straight Mile.

Mr. Chatterton's br c Lonnergan, by Bread Knife—Betsy Shannon, 3yrs., 7st 12lbs.	O. Madden	1
Mr. G. Miller's b or br c Jabman, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	G. McCall	2
Mr. H. Heasman's br c Stephanas, 4yrs., 8st 12lbs.	Watts	3
Mr. P. Gleeson's Candelaria, aged, 8st. 12lbs.	W. Lane	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's The Skipper, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	Lynham	0
Mr. F. Polehampton's Viviane, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs *	E. Pratt	0
Major Edward's Chronos, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	E. Wheatley	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Peacock.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Chronos, 4 to 1 Lonnergan, 6 to 1 each Candelaria and Stephanas, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a length and a-half; four lengths divided the second and third. Candelaria was fourth, Chronos fifth, and The Skipper last. The winner was sold to Mr. J. Muddimer for 190 guineas, and The Skipper for 72 guineas, cash. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 36⅘secs.

THE SHIPLEY HALL SELING PLATE of 191sovs.; weight for age, etc.; the winner entered to be sold for 500sovs. Five furlongs, straight.

Mr. G. Quin's b or br h Fontenoy, by Jacobite—Repulse, aged, 9st. ...	W. Lane	1
Mr. J. S. Jackson's br h Blue Diamond, aged, 8st. 9lbs.*	Sharples	2
Mr. G. Edwardes's br g Country Squire, 4yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	E. Wheatley	3
Mr. G. Miller's Silver Tyne, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. J. Larnach's Jedburgh, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. W. Stevens's c by Despair—Myrrh, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	Maher	0
Mr. W. Brechin's Shooting Star, 2yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. T. Burrow's Sweet Lilac, 2yrs., 6st. 9lbs.*	E. Pratt	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained in Ireland.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 each agst Fontenoy and Blue Diamond, 100 to 12 each Myrrh colt and Sweet Lilac, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; a like distance separated the second and third. Silver Tyne was fourth, Jedburgh fifth, Sweet Lilac next, and Myrrh colt last. The winner was sold to Mr. J. S. Jackson for 210 guineas. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 0⅘sec.

When heavy banks of thunder-clouds made their appearance on the horizon on the evening of 31st and the air became close and oppressive, it seemed fair to infer that a storm was imminent; but the disturbance was doubtless deflected from its course by one of the lofty ranges of the Peak District, and the night remained fine. This was regrettable, inasmuch as the question whether St. Amant should fulfil his engagement in the Champion Breeders' Foal Stakes depended wholly upon the contingency of rain intervening, and the enforced absence of Mr. Leopold de Rothschild's St. Leger candidate robbed the race of half its interest. The Derby winner was visible in the paddock towards the close of the proceedings, and, although he had his clothes on, it was manifest that he has made great improvement since last he was seen in public. The patrons of the gathering, who were again very numerous, were not favoured with such glorious weather as had prevailed twenty-four hours previously. The air was quite cold consequent upon a change of wind into the north-west, and rain detracted from the enjoyment of the latter half of the programme

THE SECOND YEAR OF THE TENTH CHAMPION BREEDERS' BIENNIAL FOAL STAKES of 925sovs., for three year olds; colts 8st. 10lbs. fillies and geldings 8st. 7lbs. One mile and a quarter and a few yards.

Mr. F. Alexander's br c Andover, by Right-away—Sister Lumley, 9st. 4lbs. ...	W. Lane	1
Lord Derby's ch c by Ayrshire—Pace Egger, 9st. 11lb.	Maher	2
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's b or br c Castello, 9st. 11lb.	O. Madden	3
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Queen Beauty, 8st. 9lb.	Croft	0

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Andover, 3 to 1 agst Race Egger colt, 11 to 2 Castello, and 20 to 1 Queen Beauty (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; a like distance between the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 22⅕ secs.

THE CHATSWORTH PLATE (a handicap) of 465sovs.; winners extra. One mile and a-half.

Mr. R. H. Henning's br c Airship, by Ayrshire—Silverling, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs. (inc. 9lbs. ex., st.)	Saxby	1
Mr. J. F. Wood's ch c Castro, 4yrs., 11b.* ...	Sharples	2
Mr. C. Hibbert's b c Scotch Cherry, 4yrs., 8st.	B. Dillon	3
Mr. J. G. Clarke's Mark Time, 4yrs., 9st. 6lbs.	G. McCall	0
Lord Ellesmere's Gower, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. E. H. Polehampton's Childwickbury, aged, 7st. 8lbs.	O. Madden	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's f by Ising ass—Sweet Duchess, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs ...	Griggs	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's f by Jeddah—L'Ete, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs....	Plant	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Brewer.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Airship, 7 to 2 Childwickbury, 5 to 1 Gower, 6 to 1 Castro. 100 to 12 Scotch Cherry, 8 to 1 Sweet Duchess filly, and 100 to 6 each L'Ete filly and Mark Time (offered).

Won cleverly by half a length; a length and a-half divided the second and third. Childwickbury was fourth, Gower fifth, L'Ete filly sixth, and Sweet Duchess filly last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 36secs.

THE HARRINGTON PLATE of 267sovs., for two year olds; colts, 8st. 10lbs, fillies and geldings, 8st. 7lbs.; penalties, etc. About five furlongs and 100 yards.

Mr. J. B. Joel's b c Lancaster Gate, by Orme—Serpentine, 8st. 13lbs. ...	Lynham	1
Mr. A. Belmont's b or br c Lord Hastings, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.)	K. Cannon	2
Mr. R. H. Henning's b f. by Sempronius—Queenwood, 8st. 7lbs.	F. Bullock	3
Major Joicey's Ardour, 8st. 5lbs. ...	Watts	0
Lord Derby's Molly Clarke, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Maher	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's f by Kilcock—Victoria May, 8st. 4lbs.	H. Jones	0

(*Winner trained by S. Loates.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Lancaster Gate, 7 to 2 Molly Clarke 5 to 1 Lord Hastings, 8 to 1 Victoria May filly, 100 to 12 Queenwood filly, and 20 to 1 Ardour.

Won easily by three lengths; a head between the second and third. Molly Clarke was fourth and Ardour last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 6⅕secs.

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Derby is in the throes of a great upheaval, nearly all the principal streets being in the hands of an army of road-breakers, who are busily occupied in the installation of a system of electric tramways, together with a new sewerage scheme. The town has long laboured under the reproach of having the most antiquated means of locomotion in the Midlands, and it is well that the Corporation have realised the necessity of keeping abreast of the times and doing justice to their admirable railway service The racecourse management have also been stimulated into commendable activity, much pains having been devoted to painting and renovating the permanent structures. Amongst Newmarket trainers in particular the venue is one of the most popular in the whole kingdom, and another big contingent of horses arrived from "headquarters" this morning, making the final day's business the heaviest of the three. The weather was delightfully bright, and there was a fair attendance.

THE PEVERIL OF THE PEAK PLATE (a handicap) of 925 sovs.; winners extra. The straight mile.

Mr. A. Stedall's b g Marsden, by Orvieto—Virtus, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs.	J. Jarvis	1
Sir E. Vincent's ch c Countermark, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	W. Lane	2
Mr. G. Edwardes's b h Pollion, 5yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	Lynham	3
Mr. E. de Blaskovits's Hazafi, 5yrs., 8st. 11lb.	Maher	0
Lord Carnarvon's Valenza, 6yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. J. M. Kern's Melayr, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	G. McCall	0
Sir E. Cassel's Love Charm, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Surbiton, 4yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Best Light, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	F. Bullock	0
Mr. J. A. Miller's Muriel II., 4yrs., 7st. 11lb.	Butchers	0
Mr. Creet's Killeevan, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs.*	Saxby	0
Mr. W. Dunne's Court Scandal, 3yrs., 6st. 3lbs *	Sharples	0
Mr. G. Miller's Week End, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Heppell	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Hymeneus, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Griggs	0
Lord Derby's c by Ayrshire—Pace Egger, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs... ...	Bollason	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Sadler, Jun.*).

BETTING.: 5 to 1 agst. Killeevan, 11 to 2 each Love Charm and Court Scandal, 10 to 1 each Hazafi and Surbiton, 100 to 8 each Countermark and Best Light, 100 to 7 Pace Egger colt, 100 to 6 Pollion, and 20 to 1 any other (offered.)

Won by a length and a-half; a length divided second and third. Hazafi was fourth, Killeevan fifth, Court Scandal sixth, Week End seventh, Valenza next, and Muriel II. last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 36⅘secs.

THE DEVONSHIRE NURSERY PLATE (handicap) of 462sovs., for two year olds, winners extra. Five furlongs, straight.

Mr. H. J. King's b c Comedian, by Mimic or Orme—Blare, 9st.	H. Jones	1
Mr. C Archer's b f Little Dolly, 6st. 5lbs.	E. Piatt	2
Sir E. Vincent's b c Reggio, 7st. 4lbs (car. 7st. 5lbs.)	S. Jones	3
Mr. Hugh Peel's Laughter, 8st. 5lbs. ...	W. Lane	0
Mr. T. Simpson Jay's Irish Bride, 8st. ...	Hardy	0
Mr. H. Lindemere's Ariadne, 7st. 13lbs....	Trigg	0
Mr. W. Low's Olivares, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Saxby	0
Mr. F. R. Fry's Livingstone, 7st. 10lbs....	O. Madden	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's c by Isinglass—Landrail, 7st. 9lbs.	Croft	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's Little Willie, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Sharples	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Sweet Clover, 7st. 6lbs....	J. Jarvis	0
Mr J. Buchanan's Esclavo, 7st. 5lbs. ...	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. J. Adamthwaite's Truffle de Perigord, 6st. 12lbs.	G. H. Bullock	0
Mr. D. J. Pullinger's Stray Moments, 7st. 11lb.	Hunter	0
Mr. D. E. Higham's Eagerly, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 10lbs.)	C. Russell	0
Duke of Devonshire's f by Cherry Tree—Strike a Light, 6st. 12lbs. ...	Griggs	0

(*Winner trained by Leach.*)

BETTING: 11 to 8 agst. Laughter, 100 to 12 each Olivares, Livingstone, Esclavo, and Strike a Light filly, 10 to 1 Comedian, and 100 to 6 any other (offered.)

Won by a short head; a like distance separated the second and third. Ariadne was fourth, Olivares fifth, Esclavo sixth, Laughter seventh, Little Willie eighth, and Irish Bride last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 59⅘secs.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(*Compiled from 21st March to 20th August.*)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unplaced	Percentage
Lane, W. ...	494	105	109	68	212	21·25
Madden, O. ...	510	105	81	61	263	20·58
Maher, D. ...	269	88	46	39	116	30·43
Halsey, W. ...	402	69	50	63	220	17·11
Wheatley, E. ...	304	58	54	45	147	19·07
Griggs, William ...	414	43	54	49	268	10·38
Dillon, B. ...	223	42	29	23	129	18·83
Trigg, C. ...	412	41	47	58	266	9·94
Sharples, A. ...	243	39	46	29	129	16·04
Randall, H. ...	189	36	28	39	86	19·04
Jarvis, J. ...	202	28	16	22	136	13·86
Jones, H. ...	203	28	37	23	115	13·30
Cannon, M. ...	234	26	36	35	137	11·11
Lynham, B. ...	149	24	16	16	93	16·10
Heppell, T. ...	125	23	12	9	81	18·32
McCall, G. ...	162	22	25	13	104	13·58
Martin, J. H. ...	216	22	24	29	141	10·18
Saxby, W. ...	253	22	32	29	140	9·86
Butchers, G. F. ...	185	20	15	33	117	10·81
Cannon, K. ...	205	20	28	24	133	9·75

PRINCIPAL WINNING TRAINERS IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 30th August.*)

	Winning Horses.	Races Won.	£	s.
Mr. P. P. Gilpin ...	12	24	25,071	15
G. Blackwell ...	14	23	20,041	0
J. Porter ...	10	14	17,706	0
P. Peck ...	6	15	12,493	0
A. Hayhoe ...	1	2	11,750	0
J. Fallon ...	13	27	11,624	0
W. T. Robinson ...	11	21	11,231	0
H. Braime ...	10	15	9,934	0
Major Edwards ...	20	28	8,826	0
P. Greusil ...	14	23	7,384	0
W. Elsey ...	29	53	6,534	0
Mr. G. Lambton ...	13	16	6,228	15
R. Sherwood ...	18	23	5,626	0
R. Marsh ...	12	16	5,531	0
S. Darling ...	8	9	5,287	10
A. Sadler, Jun. ...	19	35	5,166	10
Mr. F. Lambton ...	10	16	4,917	0
A. Taylor ...	12	21	4,913	0
A. J. Gilbert ...	6	10	4,737	0
C. Brewer ...	8	17	4,625	0
E. Robson ...	14	19	4,470	0
W. Nightingall ...	9	16	4,341	0

PRINCIPAL WINNING OWNERS IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 30th August.*)

	Winning Horses.	Races Won.	£	s.
Sir J. Miller ...	10	19	18,489	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild ...	3	7	13,487	0
Major E. Loder ...	1	4	12,280	0
Duke of Portland ...	3	5	12,199	0
Lord Rosebery ...	3	8	9,512	0
Mr. F. Alexander ...	5	10	9,193	0
Mr. P. P. Gilpin ...	4	10	7,154	0
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe ...	2	8	4,945	0
Sir E. Cassel ...	10	16	4,937	10
Mr. L. Neumann ...	3	5	4,805	15
Lord Carnarvon ...	9	11	4,742	10
Mr. J. Musker ...	6	10	4,737	10
Mr. R. H. Henning...	7	16	4,361	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker ...	4	6	4,284	0
Duke of Westminster ...	4	6	4,209	0
Lord Derby ...	6	8	4,088	15
Mr. A. James ...	6	9	3,643	0
Mr. de Wend Fenton ...	2	7	3,629	10
Lord H. de Walden ...	5	6	3,557	0
Captain Orr Ewing ...	6	12	3,553	0
Mr. W. B. Purefoy ...	4	9	3,545	0
Lord Durham ...	4	9	3,522	0
Mr. E. Dresden ...	4	5	3,454	0
Mr. J. Buchanan ...	6	7	3,412	0
Mr. Lionel Robinson ...	3	4	3,404	0
Lord Harewood ...	1	5	3,366	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer ...	7	15	3,168	0
Mr. J. Miller ...	5	9	3,156	0
Mr. H. E. Randall ...	12	25	3,082	0
Mr. S. B. Joel ...	7	10	3,056	10

PRINCIPAL WINNING HORSES IN 1904.

(*Compiled to 30th August.*)

	Races Won.	£	s.
Roca Sand (4yrs.), b c, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune	4	12 284	0
Pretty Polly (3yrs.), ch f, by Gallinule—Admiration	4	12,280	0
St. Amant (3yrs.), b c, by St. Frusquin—Lady Coverule	2	11,750	0
Darley Dale (3yrs., b c, by St. Simon—Ismay	2	10,410	0
Cicero (2yrs.), ch c, by Cyllene—Gas ...	5	8,591	0
Ypsilanti (6yrs), b h, by Galore—Stefanette ...	6	4,507	0
Vedas (2yrs), b or br c, by Florizel II.—Agnostic	6	3,529	10
Amesbiff (3yrs.), b c, by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead	5	3,366	0
Delaunay (3yrs.), ch c, by Fortunio—Act ...	5	3,263	0
Throwaway (5yrs) b h, by Rightaway—Theale	1	3,260	0
Andover (3yrs.), br c, by Rightaway—Sister Lunley	3	3,198	0
Zinfandel (4yrs), ch c, by Persimmon—Medora	2	3,015	0
Sanatoy (4yrs), b c, by Ravensbury—Sandblast	3	2,913	0
Cannas (5yrs.), b h, by Ladas—Polka ...	2	2,720	0
Thrush (2yrs.), b c, by Misselthrush—Chemistry	5	2,615	0
Galantine (2yrs.), by Gallinule—Volante ...	2	2,542	0
Full Cry (2yrs.), b f, by Flying Fox—Lady Vilikins	1	2,400	0
Linguiboy (2yrs.), ch c, by Wildfowler—Collocussion	2	2,377	5
Merry Andrew (5yrs.), ch g, by Xury—Merry Foot	4	2,368	0
Bitters (3yrs), b f by St. Serf—Mara ...	3	2,348	0
Challenger (3yrs.), b c, by Isinglass—Meddlesome	2	2,337	0
Henry the First (3yrs.), br c, by Melton—Smena	2	2,210	10
Robert Le Diable (3yrs.), br h, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay	3	2,129	0

CRICKET.

SUSSEX *vs.* MIDDLESEX.—Played at Brighton on 25th, 26th and 27th August. Middlesex won by nine wickets. The luck in winning the toss practically decided the issue of this match, for whereas Middlesex were batting all the first day on an easy wicket, their bowlers had the Sussex men more or less at their mercy on the following day. Warner and Douglas made a good beginning for Middlesex, the latter showing very good form indeed in making his 58 But four wickets were down at lunch time for 111, and although Bosanquet hit brilliantly for 47 afterwards while Wells played a useful innings, seven wickets were down for 189. Macgregor and More then came to the rescue of their side, and in course of an hour and five minutes' attractive batting increased the score by 103. More hit tremendously hard, and reached his 50 in three-quarters of an hour, while Macgregor made several fine strokes. There was a heavy fall of rain during the night, and the wicket on Friday exactly suited Bosanquet, who, being at his very best, completely demoralised the Sussex batsmen. In the first innings Fry made the top score, but as it was only 22 it was not of much use to his side. In the follow-on he played splendid cricket, until he ran out Vine when the first wicket had produced 75 runs in an hour. Both men were playing so well that they looked like putting up a big score for the first wicket. After this piece of good fortune things went splendidly for Middlesex. Fry was beautifully caught by Douglas in the long field off a hard and low drive. Killick was in great form, while Ranjitsinhji played delightful cricket for an hour and ten minutes, and speedily compelled the Middlesex captain to take Bosanquet off. But as soon as Ranjitsinghji was out Bosanquet reappeared, with disastrous results to Sussex, who just before the time for drawing stumps were all out. Killick, who played one of his best innings of the year, was at the wickets for two hours and a quarter, and during his partnership with Leach 73 runs were put on in a little over half an hour. Leach hitting with great determination. Bosanquet was expensive in this innings, but he got the batsmen out, which was, after all, the main object when Middlesex had such a long lead in the first innings. Thanks chiefly to him Middlesex only had to make 39 runs to win on Saturday, and although Warner was bowled first ball Beldam and Douglas hit off the runs in twenty minutes.

MIDDLESEX

F. F. Warner, c Butt, b Killick	23	C. Palmer, b Relf ...	4
J. Douglas, l-b-w, b Leach	58	G. Macgregor, c Latham, b Cox	45
G. W. Beldam, b Killick ...	16	R. E. More, b Leach ...	69
J. H. Stogdon, c Ranjitsinhji, b Relf ...	0	Trott, c Butt, b Cox ...	15
F. J. T. Bosanquet, c Butt, b Cox	47	Hearne (J. T.), not out ...	15
C. M. Wells, c Cox, b Relf	21	B. 8, lb. 1, w. 1 * ...	10
		Total	328

Second innings.—Warner, b Beldam, not out, 13; extras, 0. Relf, 0; Douglas, not out, 26; Total (1 wkt.) 39.

It was at Colenso, and a poor Tommy who had been severely wounded in the foot, implored his comrade Pat to carry him under cover. Pat, with dreams of the V. C., hoisted him on his shoulder and made for the trenches. Unfortunately, however, before he had gone far, a shell burst and completely decapitated the wounded man. Pat, oblivious of what had happened, arrived at safe quarters with his burden, but was surprised at the derision he received from his comrades. "Oh, begorra," said he on finding he had only saved a headless man, "the devil take the liar, he told me 'twas his phut"

SUSSEX.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C. B. Fry, b Trott	22	c Douglas, b Bosanquet	45
Vine, c Palmer, b Bosanquet ...	13	run out	26
Killick, b Trott	3	b Bosanquet ...	76
K. S. Ranjitsinhji, c Douglas b Bosanquet	1	l-b-w, b More... ...	52
R. R. Heygate, b Bosanquet ...	8	l-b-w, b Bosanquet ...	8
P. H. Latham, l-b-w, b Bosanquet	12	c Macgregor, b Bosanquet	0
Relf, st Macgregor, b Bosanquet	0	c More, b Bosanquet ...	1
C. L. A. Smith, st Macgregor, b Bosanquet	9	c More, b Bosanquet ...	2
Leach, b Bosanquet ...	6	st Macgregor, b Bosanquet	46
Cox, not out	5	b Trott ...	1
Butt, c Trott, b Hearne ...	1	not out	4
B. 10, w. 5	15	B. 3, lb. 2 ...	5
Total ...	95	Total ...	266

MIDDLESEX.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Cox ...	34·4	10	92	3	.....	4	1	15	0
Relf ...	24	3	77	3	.....	4·2	1	24	1
Killick ...	34	8	89	2	.....				
Leach ...	18	4	55	2					

Killick bowled one wide.

SUSSEX.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.		Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Douglas ...	3	1	13	0	.....				
Bosanquet ...	18	8	45	7	.....	33·2	3	145	7
Trott ...	15	7	22	2	.....	32	3	57	1
Hearne ...	0·3	0	0	1	.....	16	5	30	0
			reldom		.....	2	0	5	0
			More		.....	10	3	24	1

Bosanquet bowled five wides.

YORKSHIRE *vs.* SOMERSET.—Played at Taunton on 25th, 26th, and 27th August. Yorkshire won by an innings and 152 runs. The Yorkshiremen were seen to great advantage in this match. On the first day they got rid of Somerset on a very good wicket for 109, and made 146 for the loss of only two men. The Somerset batting was so weak as to surprise everybody including themselves, but the Yorkshire fielding was brilliant, and the bowling excellent. When Yorkshire went in Haigh who required 69 runs to complete his thousand runs, went to the wickets first with Grimshaw, and before he was dismissed his total was 81. He was out just before rain stopped play, and was batting for an hour and a half. Denton was not out 42, which had taken him a little over half an hour to put together. On Friday Somersetshire were completely outplayed. All the Yorkshiremen who went in made runs quickly, and the bowling was very soon mastered. Denton, who had a very narrow escape of being run out when he had scored 99, played a most attractive game, his fine innings of 111 including nineteen fours: in an over of Braund's he made four boundary hits in succession. Hirst and Tunnicliffe both hit well, and the former made four 4's of successive balls from Robson. At about four o'clock Lord Hawke was able to declare the innings closed, Rhodes being then not out 49. Somerset had to bat for an hour and three-quarters, and although Palairet played a beautiful innings, the side fared so badly that when it was time for drawing stumps it was decided to finish the match that evening if possible. But Poyntz and Lee batted so well for the ninth wicket that after all it was necessary to wait until the next morning. When stumps were drawn Lee was not out 27, and Poyntz not out 17, and the total 159 for seven wickets, so that Somerset still required 204 to save the innings defeat. On Saturday the two not outs added 38 runs, their entire partnership producing 80 runs in an hour and ten minutes. It was an exceedingly plucky effort, and it is a pity that it came too late.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J. Daniell, b Hirst ...	0	b Hirst ...	0
Lewis, b Myers ...	29	b Hirst ...	5
P. R. Johnson, b Hirst	17	b Myers ...	3
L. C. H. Palairet, b Hirst ...	2	c Smith, b Rhodes ...	59
Robson, c Hawke, b Myers ...	8	c Rhodes, b Hirst ...	8
Braund, c Hunter, b Hirst ...	18	c Hunter, b Hirst ...	3
S. M. J. Woods, c and b Hirst	15	c Grimshaw, b Rhodes	23
H. Martyn, c Tunnicliff, b Rhodes	11	b Haigh ...	12
H. E. Poyntz, b Hirst ...	1	c Tunnicliffe, b Haigh	36
F. M. Lee, not out ...	5	not out ...	53
Cranfield, c Hunter, b Rhodes	0	b Haigh ...	7
Lb. 2, nb. 1	3		
Total ...	109	Total ...	211

YORKSHIRE.

Grimshaw, l-b-w, b Lewis .	19	Rhodes, not out ...	49
Haigh st. Martyn, b Lewis ...	81	E. Smith, c Palairet, b Cranfield ...	16
Denton, c Lewis, b Cranfield	111	H. Wilkinson, c Woods, b Daniell ...	16
Tunnicliffe, c Johnson, b Braund	90	B. 10, lb. 2, w. 4, nb. 3	19
Hirst, c Palairet, b Braund ...	71	Total (7 wkts.)* ...	472

Lord Hawke, Myers and Hunter did not bat.

* Innings declared closed.

SOMERSET.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hirst ...	22	3	69	6		25	3	104	4
Myers ...	19	6	84	2		7	3	14	1
Rhodes ...	24	1	3	2		24	4	69	2
			Haigh			11·1	3	21	3
			Smith			3	2	3	0

Myers bowled one no-ball.

YORKSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	19	2	69	2	Palairet	6	1	28	0
Lewis ...	38	9	113	2	Lee ...	2	0	13	0
Braund ...	29	8	108	2	Daniell	0·2	0	0	1
Robson ...	17	4	94	0					

Cranfield bowled one wide, Lewis three wides and three no-balls.

LANCASHIRE *vs.* DERBYSHIRE.—Played at Old Trafford on 25th, 26th, and 27th August. Lancashire won by 131 runs. Thanks chiefly to fine cricket by Tyldesley and Poidevin, who put up 170 runs in an hour and three quarters for the third wicket, Lancashire had somewhat the best of the game on the first day, for against their total of 288 Derbyshire only scored 54 for the loss of two of the best men on the side—Wright and Ollivierre. But on Friday Derbyshire played a very plucky game, and but for the fact that two men were badly run out when they were comfortably set, the total might have been as large as that of Lancashire, instead of 69 behind it. Ashcroft and Lawton both played excellent cricket. In their second innings Lancashire ran up 204 for the loss of nine wickets before stumps were drawn, and were thus in an excellent position. The chief feature of the Lancashire batting was the splendid cricket played by Spooner and Hallows, who scored 161 of the runs between them. Hallows, had to retire soon after he went in hitting a full pitch into his face, but later he resumed his innings, and played in splendid form. His partnership with Spooner realised 131 runs in 80

minutes. On Saturday the innings soon came to an end, but Derbyshire found the task of making 295 runs too difficult for them on a wicket which helped the bowlers. They began well enough, Wright, Ollivierre, and Storer all playing excellent cricket, but although at lunch time the score was 96 for two wickets, the remaining eight only added 67 runs. If Derbyshire had won the toss they would very likely have been victorious

LANCASHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A. C. Maclaren, c Wright, b Bestwick	0	c Humphries, b Warren	20
R. H. Spooner, l-b-w, b Warren	11	c Bestwick, b Warren...	88
Tyldesley, c Humphreys, b Lawton	104	b Warren... ...	0
L. O. S Poidevin, c Cadman, b Warren	66	run out	4
Hallows, b Bestwick ...	5	c and b Storer ...	78
A H. Hornby, b Bestwick ...	8	b Storer	2
Sharp, c Warren, b Ashcroft	35	c Humphries, b Storer	9
I'Anson, b Warren ...	14	c Cadman, b Warren ..	0
Harry, c Wright, b Ashcroft	16	b Warren	1
W. Findlay, l-b-w, b Cadman	9	not out ...	15
Rowlands, not out ...	8	b Warren... ...	5
B. 11, nb. 1 ...	12	B. 5, lb. 2, w. 1 ..	8
Total ..	288	Total ...	225

DERBYSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. G. Wright, b Rowlands	21	b I'Anson	51
C. A. Ollivierre, b I'Anson	13	b Rowlands	20
Storer, b Hallows ...	20	l-b-w, b I'Anson ...	30
E. M. Ashcroft, b Hallows	66	b Hallows ...	7
G. Curgenven, run out ...	21	b I'Anson	5
Humphries, run out ..	15	c Poidevin, b Ha lows ...	1
A. E. Lawton, b Hallows ..	29	c Spooner, b I'Anson ...	15
Cadman, b Rowland ...	14	c Maclaren, b Hallows ...	4
Morton, b Hallows ..	1	not out	1
Warren, not out ...	10	b Hallows	22
Bestwick, run out ...	0	b I'Anson	3
B 7, lb. 1, nb 1 ...	9	Byes	4
Total ...	219	Total ...	163

LANCASHIRE.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bestwick	... 30	71	78	3	11	1	45	0
Warren	... 19	5	45	3	21	5	62	6
Curgenven	... 5	0	24	0	2	0	19	0
Morton	... 6	1	31	0				
Cadman	... 12	1	30	1	9	1	34	0
Ashcroft	... 8·5	0	44	2	3	0	19	0
Lawton	... 6	1	24	1	2	0	10	0
					Storer	11	2	28	3

Bestwick delivered a no-ball and Warren bowled a wide.

DERBYSHIRE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hallows	... 39·4	9	81	4	31	13	55	4
I'Anson	... 23	7	55	1	34·2	15	75	5
Rowlands	... 25	7	59	2	10	5	17	1
Harry	... 6	2	15	0	6	0	12	0

Rowland delivered a no-ball.

HAMPSHIRE *vs* WARWICKSHIRE.—Played at Bournemouth on the 26th, 27th, and 28th August. Hampshire won by 40 runs. On a slow wicket, which helped the bowlers, Hampshire were batting nearly the whole of the first day for 248 runs. By far the best innings was the 75 by Sprot, who, after he had once settled down, played a beautiful game; he was at the wickets for an hour and three-quarters. Major Poore, who has not succeeded this season in getting back his old form, played careful cricket for 25, and later in the innings Stone kept up his wicket for two hours for a most useful 56. Warwickshire had a few minutes batting before stumps were drawn, and scored three runs without loss. On Friday some very interesting cricket was seen. On a difficult wicket most of the Warwickshire men made useful scores, but the only outstanding innings were the 41 by W. G. Quaife and the 48 by Lilley. Hampshire were in the satisfactory position of leading by 81 on the first innings, and by the time that stumps were drawn they seemed to have a fair chance of victory, for they were 253 runs on with four wickets in hand. Sprot again played a splendid innings, and was again run out when he was rapidly approaching his hundred. Johnston played a good game, and at the end of the day Stone made some good hits in his 24 not out. The remaining four wickets were soon disposed of on Saturday, and Warwickshire had to go in to make 259 to win. They made a great effort for victory, and Kinneir held his own for four hours and a quarter, while Lilley played an excellent innings, helping Kinneir to put on 87 for the fourth wicket. While this partnership lasted there was always a chance that Warwickshire might win. But seven wickets were drawn for 178, and although Kinneir and Moorhouse kept together for fifty minutes, Hampshire succeeded in gaining their second victory of the season.

HAMPSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Webb, b Santall	7	l-b-w, b Santall ...	3
Bowell, b Santall	3	c Charlesworth, b Hargreave	16
E. M. Sprot, run out ...	75	run out	67
Major R. M. Poore, b Santall ...	25	b Santall... ...	2
A. C. Johnstone, l-b-w, b Hargreave	17	c Lilley, b Whittle ...	35
G. N. Bignell, b Field ...	7	c Kinneir, b Whittle...	9
Llewellyn c Kinneir, b Hargreave	12	b Whittle ...	2
Stone, not out	56	b Santall... ...	28
Langford, c Field, b Quaife ...	23	b Whittle... ...	2
C. Hesketh-Prichard, c Lilley, b Quaife	2	st Lilley, b Santall ...	0
Baldwin, b Santall ...	8	not out	4
B. 6, lb. 5, w. 2 ..	13	B. 16, lb. 3 ...	19
Total ...	248	Total ...	187

WARWICKSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hargreave, b Prichard ...	5	not out	1
Field, c Langford, b Prichard	12	b Llewellyn ...	7
Charlesworth, b Baldwin	18	b Baldwin ...	7
Quaife, b Llewellyn, b Prichard	41	c Sub., b Baldwin —	15
T. S. Fishwick, l-b-w, b Llewellyn	14	c Sub., b H.-Prichard...	25
Kinneir, b Llewellyn ...	0	c Stone b Llewellyn	73
Lilley, l-b-w, Baldwin ...	43	c Poore, b Llewellyn	51
J. F. Byrne, st. Stone, b Llewellyn	2	b Prichard ...	4
Whittle, not out	24	c Bignell, b Llewellyn	9
Santall, c Stone, b Baldwin ...	0	c Llewellyn, b Baldwin	2
Moorhouse, c Stone, b Prichard	0	b Prichard ...	24
B. 8, lb. 4, w. 1 ...	8	B. 2, lb. 8 ...	10
Total ...	167	Total ...	228

HAMPSHIRE.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Santall	... 40·1	16	79	4	26	11	55	4
Hargreave	31	9	70	2	17	4	49	1
Moorhouse	11	2	21	0	2	0	3	0
Charlesworth	4	1	6	0	8	2	22	0
Byrne ...	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Field ...	18	6	40	1				
Quaife ...	8	1	19	2				
				Whittle ...	16·2	3	38	4

Field bowled two wides.

WARWICKSHIRE.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Prichard ...	20	4	52	4	32	10	77	3
Langford ...	1	1	0	0	11	3	17	0
Baldwin ...	23	5	59	3	36	15	45	3
Llewellyn	16	4	44	3	23·4	7	64	4
Bignell ...	2	1	4	0	3	1	5	0
				Johnston	2	0	10	0

Prichard bowled a wide.

THE CHELTENHAM WEEK.

SURREY *vs.* GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—Played at Cheltenham on 25th and 26th August. Surrey won by 119 runs. For the first time since 2nd July, when they beat Derbyshire, at Derby, Surrey succeeded in winning a match in the county championship, outplaying the Gloucestershire team from the first. For once their captain had a perfectly easy task in managing his bowling, for there was not the slightest necessity to change Crawford and McDonell in either innings. On the first day Surrey had much the best of the game, for they scored 206, and then dismissed their opponents for 79. They began badly enough on a slow wicket by losing Davis and Raphael for 11 runs, but Nice then joined Hayward, and both batsmen hit so vigorously that when their partnership ended 95 runs had been put on in an hour and a-quarter. Nice played particularly attractive cricket, while Hayward played quite the right game for his side. So far so good. But at lunch time six wickets were down for 121, and shortly afterwards eight for 135. Then once more Lees came to the assistance of his side, and hit with much energy, while he found a most valuable partner in Baily, who contented himself with playing a quiet game. The two men put up 64 runs during their partnership of thirty-five minutes and quite altered the appearance of the game. But for their useful stand Dennett would have had a fine analysis, and even as it was he bowled exceedingly well. The Gloucestershire batting broke down so badly before Crawford and McDonell that just before the time for drawing stumps the side was out. The first five wickets fell for 62, while the tail could do nothing with the Surrey bowling. Barnett played a fine defensive game, and, going in first, was last man out after staying at the wicket for about an hour and three quarters for his 15. On Friday the wicket was very difficult after heavy rain in the night followed by powerful sun-light in the morning. With a useful lead of 127 Surrey began badly enough in their second innings, by losing four wickets for 18, but, as in the first innings, Nice played resolute cricket, and scored a very plucky 44, which put a better appearance on the game. The rest of the team found it impossible to do much with Mills and Dennett, but thanks to their lead on the first innings Surrey were able to give Gloucestershire the task of making 219 to win. It was generally anticipated that this would be far too great for the home team and as things turned out Crawford and McDonell again bowled so finely that no one except Jessop and Langdon could make any resistance against them. It is worthy of notice that McDonell and Crawford bowled unchanged through both innings.

SURREY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hayward, c Wrathall, b Brown	53	run out	10
Davis, c Barnett, b Dennett ...	5	c Brown b Mills ...	3
J. E. Raphael, b Dennett ...	0	c Wrathall, b Mills ...	4
Nice, c Mills, b Jessop ...	51	c Brown, b Mills ...	44
Hayes, c Jessop, b Dennett ...	2	c Brownlee, b Mills ...	0
J. N. Crawford, c Mills, b Dennett	3	b Mills	11
H. C. McDonell, c Jessop, b Dennett	12	l-b-w, b Dennett ...	10
R. H. Baily, run out ...	32	c Wrathall b Dennett	0
Montgomery, c Langdon, b Dennett	0	b Mills	0
Lees, c Sewell, b Dennett ...	42	c Jessop, b Dennett ...	7
Stedman, not out ...	2	not out	1
B. 1, lb. 1, w. 2 ..	4	Leg-bye ...	1
Total	206	Total ...	91

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
E. Barnett, c Montgomery, b McDonell, ...	15	b Crawford ...	6
Wrathall, c McDonell, b Crawford	7	c Raphael, b Crawford	4
W. S. A. Brown, c Stedman, b McDonell	3	b Crawford ...	6
C. O. H. Sewell, c Baily, b McDonell ...	21	c Raphael b McDonell	9
G. L Jessop st Stedman. b McDonell	20	c McDonell, b Crawford	23
F. H. B. Champain. b Crawford	0	b Crawford ...	5
Langdon l-b-w, b McDonell ...	4	c McDonell, b Crawford	23
Board, c and b McDonell ..	5	c Stedman, b Crawford	2
L. D. Brownlee, c Lees, b McDonell	4	c Raphael, b McDonell	1
Mills, b Crawford	0	not out	2
Dennett, not out	0	c Hayward, b McDonell	7
Extras ...	0	B. 7, lb. 2, w. 1 nb. 1	11
Total ...	79	Total ...	99

SURREY.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dennett ...	36·5	9	117	7	20	3	52	3
Mills ...	16	5	38	0	19	6	38	6
Jessop ...	19	7	36	1				
Brown ...	3	1	11	1				

Dennett bowled two wides.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M	R.	W.
Crawford ...	17	6	35	3	17	2	43	7
McDonell ..	16·2	3	44	7	164	5	45	3

Crawford delivered a no-ball and one wide.

SOUTH AFRICANS TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* KENT.—Played at Canterbury on 25th, 26th, and 27th August. Kent won by 104 runs. There was some most interesting cricket on the first day of this match, but the South Africans were unfortunate to have to bat at the end of the day in an exceedingly bad light for 40 minutes, during which they lost four wickets for 45. Alec Hearne and Humphreys put up 72 runs in a little over three-quarters of an hour for the first wicket, although the ball from the fast bowlers got up very awkwardly at times. The most attractive cricket of the day was seen during the partnership of J. R. Mason and Captain Livesay, who made 70 runs in half-an-hour, hitting the South African bowling all over the field. Livesay, who came into the team because Blaker was unable to play, was in brilliant form, and his innings of 78 was not only the highest but the best of the day. The total made by Kent was quite large for the wicket, which was never easy. With a heavy leeway to make up, the South Africans on Friday played a plucky uphill game, but when the day's play ended there did not seem much chance that they would be able to pull the match out of the fire. With four of their best batsmen out for 45 they were heavily handicapped, and although Hathorn, Schwarz, Mitchell, and Snooke all played excellent cricket, the total of the first innings was nearly a hundred behind that of their opponents. When Kent went in again nearly every man on the side made a useful score, but the bowling was never collared and the visitors struggled desperately to put a better appearance on the game. White met with great success with the ball towards the end of the innings, doing the hat trick and taking five wickets for 46 runs. For the second time in the match the South Africans had to go in to bat at the end of the day for about forty minutes and as in the first innings they fared badly, although they only lost two wickets instead of four. When stumps were drawn they still required 260 runs with eight wickets in hand. Although Schwarz batted well four more wickets fell on Saturday for the addition of 45 runs, so that the position of the South Africans seemed hopeless. But White and Halliwell made such a plucky and stubborn resistance that they put a far better appearance on the game, and then Kotze and Horwood by most vigorous cricket made 59 runs in a quarter of an hour, but the efforts of the tail were unavailing. Blythe bowled with great success.

KENT.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Hearne, b Schwarz ...	37	b Schwarz ...	27
Humphreys, b Snooke ...	49	b Kotze	13
Seymour, c and b Schwarz ...	0	b Kotze	16
S. H. Day, b Snooke ...	21	st. Halliwell, b White	45
J. R. Mason, b Kotze ...	39	st. Halliwell, b White	0
Capt. R. O'Hara Livesay, run out	78	c Kotze, b Schwarz ...	1
C. H. B. Marsham, b Sinclair	22	b White	35
Huish, c and b Sinclair .	7	b Schwarz ...	18
Fairservice not out ...	14	not out	16
Blythe, c Snooke, b Sinclair ...	4	c Mitchell, b White	0
Fielder, b Kotze	0	b White	0
B. 13, nb. 1 ...	14	B. 19, lb. 5, w. 1 ...	25
Total	285	Total ...	196

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. J. Tancred, st Huish, b Blythe	9	c Seymour, b Fielder...	0
W. Shalders, c Hearne, b Fielder	6	c Huish, b Fielder ...	1
F. Mitchell, not out ...	39	c and b Blythe ...	1
M. Hathorn, b Humphreys ...	41	c Seymour, b Fielder	39
G. C. White, b Fielder ...	7	c Seymour, b Blythe	29
J. H. Sinclair, b Blythe ...	12	c Seymour, b Blythe	1
R. O. Schwarz, c Hearne, b Mason	46	c Livesay, b Blythe ...	31
E. A. Halliwell, c Fairservice, b Humphreys	0	c Seymour, b Blythe...	22
S. J. Snooke, b Blythe ...	11	b Fairservice ...	0
S. E. Horwood, c Fairservice, b Humphreys	8	c Seymour, b Blythe...	34
J. J. Kotze, b Humphreys ...	4	not out	27
B. 3, lb. 1, nb. 1 ...	5	B. 1, nb. 3 ...	4
Total ...	188	Total ...	189

KENT.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kotze ...	23·1	5	79	2	11	4	39	2
Sinclair ...	21	3	73	3	3	0	24	0
Schwarz ...	13	1	55	2	13	1	46	3
White ...	4	0	21	0	15·1	2	46	5
Snooke ...	8	2	33	2	5	1	16	0
Tancred ...	3	0	10	0				

Kotze delivered one no-ball and Snooke one wide.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fielder	13	4	52	2	13	3	53	3
Blythe ...	21	2	67	3	24·5	5	76	6
Fairservice	8	3	17	0	7	1	32	1
Mason	11	1	28	1	2	0	5	0
Humphreys	12	6	19	4	7	2	19	0

Fielder delivered three, and Mason one, no ball.

OTHER MATCHES.

August 25th, 26th and 27th, Worcestershire drew with Leicestershire at Worcester. August 29th, 30th and 31st. The match between Surrey and the South Africans was abandoned. The Bournemouth Festival, Sussex *vs.* Kent—abandoned. Somerset *vs.* Hampshire—abandoned. Scarborough Festival. Yorkshire *vs.* M. C. C. and Ground—drawn.

FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES. (18 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Ranjitsinhji, K. S. ...	31	6	2,054	297*	82·16
Fry, C. B. ...	39	2	2,704	229	73·08
Tyldesley ...	39	5	2,349	225	69·08
Jones, A. O. ...	34	5	1,756	187	60·55
Iremonger ...	34	1	1,983	272	60·09
Hayward ...	53	5	2,850	203	57·00
Hirst ...	43	3	2,185	157	54·62
Perrin, P. A. ...	32	4	1,486	343*	53·07
Quaife, W. G. ...	38	5	1,689	200*	51·18
Day, S. H. ...	18	4	715	152*	51·07
Evans, W. H. B. ...	19	1	861	115	47·83
Spooner, R. H....	40	3	1,702	215	46·00
Jackson, Hon. F. S. ...	23	2	928	158	44·19
Knight ...	35	4	1,385	203	43·79
Tancred, L. J. ...	29	3	1,130	115	43·46
Foster, H. K. ...	38	0	1,635	119	43·02
Mason, J. R. ...	22	3	806	138	42·42
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	37	4	1,351	145	40·93
Hallows ...	30	4	1,058	137*	40·69
Glover, A. C. S. ...	27	2	1,011	121	40·44
Denton ...	48	3	1,796	111	39·91
Hathorn, M. ...	33	1	1,271	139	39·71
King, J. H. ...	46	4	1,663	186	39·59
Raphael, J. E. ...	39	0	1,541	201	39·51
McGahey, C. H. —	41	3	1,477	225	38·86
Warner, P. F.	33	4	1,126	163	38·82
Kinneir ...	36	4	1,242	152	38·81

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Palairet, L. C. H. ...	33	0	1,268	203	38·42
Wood, C. J. B. ...	45	4	1,564	123	38·14
Sharp, J. ...	33	8	938	107*	37·52
Bowley, F. ...	41	2	1,435	153	36·79
Humphreys, E. (Kent) ...	40	1	1,425	143	36·53
Tunnicliffe ...	45	2	1,557	139*	36·20
Sprot, E. M. ...	27	1	940	118	36·15
Poidevin, L. O. S. ...	37	3	1,219	153	35·85
Vine ...	46	4	1,501	169	35·80
Wilson, F. B. ...	18	3	529	75	35·26
Hayes ...	54	2	1,827	273*	35·13
Carpenter ...	33	1	1,121	199	35·03
Wright, L. G. ...	38	0	1,322	140	34·78
Ollivierre, C. A. ...	38	1	1,268	229	34·27
Mitchell, F. ...	31	5	994	102*	31·27
Beldam, G. W. ...	39	1	984	141	33·93
Rhodes ...	41	3	1,287	196	33·86
Coe, S. ...	38	5	1,069	103	32·39
Carlisle, K. M. ...	18	2	512	114*	32·00
Gunn, J. ...	40	3	1,179	100	31·86
Tarrant ...	19	4	461	81*	30·73
Fishwick, T. S. ...	38	1	1,121	113	30·29
Whittle ...	32	5	812	104	30·07

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES. (40 wickets.)

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Schwarz, R. O. ...	236·5	25	931	52	17·90
Hearne, J. T. ...	1079·3	312	2,493	138	18·06
Hallows ...	885·3	277	2,021	108	18·71
Kotze, J. J. ...	710·1	149	2,167	114	19·00
Haigh ...	800	216	2,075	109	19·03
Myers ...	533·1	115	1,493	78	19·14
Blythe ...	935·2	253	2,438	125	19·50
Dennett ...	1018·4	282	2,541	129	19·69
Cuttell ...	986·5	338	1,992	100	19·92
Napier, G. G. ...	476·2	121	1,370	66	20.75
Warren (A.) ...	780·0	139	2,597	124	20·94
Rhodes ...	1058·1	320	2,102	114	21·7
Brearley, W. ...	593·4	97	1,882	89	21·14
Tate, F. W. (Sussex) ...	398·1	88	1,084	51	21·37
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	648	57	2,522	118	21·73
Hesketh-Prichard, H. ...	716·4	171	2,123	99	21·19
Smith, W. C. (Surrey) ...	346·5	83	1,011	47	21·51
Santall ...	489·2	125	1,108	51	21·72
McDonell, H. C. ...	519·2	128	1,329	61	21·78
Mason, J. R. ...	432·3	122	1,188	54	22·00
Sinclair, J. H. ...	577·5	114	1,583	89	22·28
Fielder ...	658·3	131	2,109	94	22·43
Hirst ...	885·1	182	2,427	108	22·40
Gill, G. ...	464·4	88	1,553	69	22·50
Wass ...	949·5	209	2,769	117	23·66
Kermode ...	562·5	165	1,542	65	23·72
Cox ...	1225·1	315	2,904	122	23·80
Arnold ...	918·2	211	2,639	110	23·99
Huggins ...	743·3	248	1,792	74	24·21
Relf ...	1035·1	313	2,407	97	24·81
Odell, W. W. ...	993	261	2 719	109	24·94
Lees ...	1171·4	312	2,913	116	25·11
Trott, A. E. ...	797·2	173	2,391	95	25·16
Allsopp ...	578·2	135	1,798	71	25·32
Gunn, J. ...	1 070	283	2 989	117	25·37
Reeves ...	862·2	186	2,774	106	26·16
Braund ...	856·5	135	2.868	109	26·22
Bestwick ...	832·1	202	2,424	92	26·34
Cranfield (Somerset) ...	574·4	96	1,898	72	26·38
Hayes ...	420	82	1,112	42	26·47
Bird (Worcestershire) ...	419·5	78	1,254	47	26·68

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

(Relative Positions to 1st September.)

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	26	16	0	10	16	100·00
Yorkshire ...	27	9	2	16	7	63·63
Kent	20	10	4	6	6	42·85
Middlesex ...	18	9	4	5	5	38·46
Notts	20	7	4	9	3	27·27
Sussex	24	5	4	15	1	11·11
Leicestershire ...	19	6	5	8	1	9·09
Warwickshire ...	16	5	5	6	0	—
Gloucestershire ...	13	5	6	7	— 1	— 9·09
Derbyshire ...	18	5	8	5	— 3	— 23·07
Somerset ...	18	5	11	2	— 6	— 37·50
Surrey	26	5	12	9	— 7	— 41·17
Worcestershire ...	13	3	8	7	— 5	— 45·45
Essex	20	3	10	7	— 7	— 53·84
Hampshire ...	18	2	12	4	—10	— 71·42

GOLF.

IRISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

FIRST ROUND.

C. E. Stuart, Royal Portrush, w.o., P. F. Wood, Thames Ditton, scratched.

F. Healing, Luton, beat A. Saunderson, Bungay, by ½ up and 1 to play.

E. A. Apthorp, Bedford, beat Geo. Wilkie, Leven Thistle, by 2 up.

S. M. Cairnes, Portmarnock, beat J. Paterson, Watsonian, by 6 and 5.

Lord Glerawley, Co. Down, beat C. J. Rutherford, Foxrock by 2 up.

J. Macleish, Glasgow, N. W., beat A. Cormack, St. Nicholas, by 3 and 1.

J. F. Gore, Little East Brighton, beat W. Morgan, St. Matthew's, by 6 and 5.

F. Harman Orr, Royal Dublin, beat F. T. Terry, North Surrey, by 6 and 5.

H. G. S. Stewart, Royal Musselburgh, beat Robert Hunter, St. Nicholas, by 4 and 2.

J. T. Lawson, Edinburgh University, beat J. Bremner, Pollock, by 2 and 1.

E. A. Lassen, Lytham and St. Annes, beat H. C. Booth, Mid-Surrey, by 4 and 2.

A. T. Broughton, Birkdale, w. o., M. W. Mossop, Sunningdale, scratched.

Angus McDonald, Edinburgh Burgess, beat S. Cook, jun., Birkdale, by 7 and 5.

A. F. Duncan, Kilmancolm, beat H. J. Walker, Hesketh, by 6 and 4.

David Forster, Frinton, beat C. D. Macniven, Mortonhall, at the 21st hole.

W. G. Ritchie, Watsonian, beat H. A. Boyd, Portmarnock, by 4 and 3.

J. D. Brown, Murrayfield, beat F. H. Mingay, Ranfurley, by 2 and 1.

A. Robertson, Edinburgh Thistle, beat F. G. Gillespie, Edinburgh Burgess, by 8 and 6.

H. Morgan, St. Matthew's, beat John McAvoy, Ormeau, at the 20th hole.

D. Mangan, West Derby, beat C. P. Saunderson, Torwoodlee, by 1 up.

F. Easterbrook, Prince's, beat H. Gawith, Hesketh, by 2 and 1.

H. E. Reade, Royal Belfast, beat A. G. Archibald, Edinburgh Burgess, by 5 and 4.

P. C. Thornton, Royal Wimbledon, beat J. A. Grundy, Formby, by 6 and 5.

H. C. Bruce, Malone, w. o., W. A. Robb Manson, St. Nicholas, scratched.

Adam Brawn, Torwoodlee, beat C. Morgan, St. Matthew's, by 6 and 5.

G. S. Clark, Co. Down, beat A. L. Hetherington, South Hearts, by 1 up.

A. L. Edgecombe, West Lancashire, beat Ernest Young, Co. Down, by 4 and 3.

D. J. Mackenzie, Mortonhall, beat W. W. Bury, Rye, by 2 up.

B. J. B. Coulson, K.O.S.B., beat A. J. Stanley, Royal Wimbledon at the 20th hole.

J. S. Worthington, Mid-Surrey, beat W. S. Colville, Glasgow, by 1 up.

Andrew Crawford, St. Nicholas, beat A. R. Hunter, Greenore, by 2 and 1.

F. G. Dickson, North West, beat J. J. Brickhill, Lytham and St. Ann's, by 3 and 1.

T. F. O'Donnell, Greenore, beat J. R. Donaldson, St. Nicholas, by 6 and 5.

Lieut. Goldfinch, Co. Down, w. o., J. R. Whyte, Knock, scratched.

A. D. La Touche, Sutton, beat W. Malcolm, Largs, by 6 and 5.

Mr. T. Allen, Cambridge University, beat Cecil Barcroft, Royal Dublin, by 3 and 1.

A. S. Mays Smith, Surbiton, beat C. D. Whyte, Royal Musselburgh, by 5 and 4.

Jos. Livingston, Mid-Surrey, w. o., T. A. Kennedy, Edinburgh University, scratched.

SECOND ROUND.

C. E. Inglis (Dublin University) beat A. B. Babbington (North West) by 3 and 2.

C. J. W. Brown (Glasgow) beat E. A. Morrison (Seaton Carew) by 5 and 3.

T. W. Robb (Glasgow) beat W. Cadzon (Western) by one hole.

R. H. Dunn (Chislehurst), w. o., T. Young ("Scotsman"), scratched.

C. E. Stuart (Royal Portrush) beat E. G. Dobson (Royal Wimbledon) by 8 and 7.

G. S. Clark (Co. Down) beat A. L. Edgecombe (West Lancashire) by 4 and 2.

C. E. Palmer (Handsworth) beat F. L. Francis (North Surrey) by one hole.

H. G. S. Stewart (Royal Musselburgh) beat F. H. Orr (North Dublin) by 7 and 5.

H. M. Cairns (Portmarnock) beat Lord Glerawly (Co. Down) by 6 and 5.

J. A. Mitchell (Royal Musselburgh) beat C. X. Potter (Lytham and St. Anne's) at 20th hole.

C. M. Halsall (West Lancashire) beat G. Somerville, jun. (Grampian) by one hole.

A. E. Apthorp (Bedford) beat F. Healing (Luton) by 6 and 5

J. F. Gorelittle (East Brighton) beat J. M. Leish (Glasgow North-Western) by 5 and 3.

A. E. Lassen (Lytham and St. Anne's) beat J. T. Lawson (Edinburgh University) by 3 and 2.

Angus Macdonald (Edinburgh Burgess) beat A. T. Broughton (Birkdale) by 8 and 7.

D. Forster (Frinton) beat A. F. Duncan (Kilmalcolm) by 3 and 1

A. Robertson (Edinburgh Thistle) beat H. Morgan (St. Matthew's) by 4 and 3.

F. Easterbrook (Princes) beat D. Mangan (West Derby) by 8 and 7.

H. E. Reade (Royal Belfast) beat P. C. Thornton (Royal Wimbledon) by 5 and 4.

I. D. Brown (Murrayfield) beat W. E. Ritchie (Watsonians) by 3 and 1.

H. C. Bruce beat Adam Brown by 5 and 4.

G. S. Clark beat A. L. Edgeworth by 4 and 2.

D G. Mackenzie beat B. J. B. Coulson by 4 and 3.

J. S. Worthington beat Andrew Crawford by 2 up.

F. G. Dickson beat T. F. O'Donnell at the 20th hole.

A. D. La Touch beat Lieutenant Goldfinch by 5 and 4.

M. T. Allen beat A. S. Mayo Smith at the 19th hole.

Robert Andrew, St. Cuthbert, beat Jas. Livingston, Mid-Surrey, by 2 up.

Captain Reade, Richmond, beat J. B. Dickson, Glasgow N.-W. by 6 and 5

W. D. McNiven, Mortonhall, beat W. D. Charles, Royal Liverpool, by 2 and 1.

F. Holt, Romford, beat T. Thornton, jun., Insurance and Banking, by 1 up.

D. M. Wilson, Royal Dublin, beat C. D. O. Morrison, Craigmillar, by 4 and 3

W. Mathieson, Watsonian, beat F. L. H. Weaver, Wallasey, by 1 up.

C. A. Palmer, Handsworth, beat F. L. Francis, North Surrey, by 1 up.

THIRD ROUND.

C. C. Inglis beat C. J. W. Brown by 7 and 5.

R. H. Dunn beat T. W. Robb by 6 and 5.

J. F. Mitchell beat Halsall by 3 and 2.

Apthorp beat C. B. Stuart at the 19th hole.

Cairns beat Gore Little by 4 and 3.

H. G. S. S. Stewart beat Lassen by 1 up.

D. Forster beat McDonald by 6 and 5.

Robertson beat J. D. Brown by 2 and 1

H. E. Reade beat Easterbrook by 5 and 3.

Bruce beat Clark by 5 and 3

Worthington beat McKenzie by 4 and 3.

F. G. Dixon beat La Touche by 2 and 1.

Andrew beat Allen by 4 and 3.

McNiven beat Captain Reade by 6 and 5.

D. M. Wilson beat Holt by 5 and 3.

Palmer beat Mathieson by 1 up.

FOURTH ROUND.

R. H. Dunn, Chislehurst, beat C. C. Inglis, Doublin University, by 3 and 2.

J. F. Mitchell, Royal Musselburgh, beat E. A. Apthorp, Bedford, by 4 and 3.

H. G. Stewart, Royal Musselburgh, beat H. M. Cairnes, Portmarnock, by 4 and 2.

David Forster, Frinton, beat A. Robertson, Edinburgh Thistle, by 6 and 5.

H. C. Bruce, Malone, beat H. Read, Royal Belfast, by 3 and 1.

J. S. Worthington, Mid-Surrey, beat F. G. Dickson North-West by 2 and 1.

Robt. Andrew, St. Cuthbert, beat W. D. McNiven, Mortonhall, by 2 up.

C. E. Palmer, Handsworth, beat D. M. Wilson, Royal Dublin, by 3 and 1.

FIFTH ROUND.

Mitchell beat Dunn by 4 and 3.

Forster beat Stewart by 3 and 2.

Worthington beat Bruce by 1 up.

Palmer beat Andrew by 1 up.

BOXING.

THE WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP.

SAN FRANCISCO, *25th August.*

No less than 9,000 persons witnessed the fight between Jeffries and Munroe for the heavy-weight championship of the world.

Munroe is almost unknown in the pugilistic world, but Jeffries has been the victor in many a hard fight.

The contest proved a miserable fiasco. Munroe exhibited undoubted terror in the ring, and failed to stand up to his opponent. He lacked both the necessary strength and science, and made a most pitiable show. Jeffries had all his own way and, after beating his opponent almost to pulp, knocked him, out in the second round.

After the required ten seconds had been counted the fight was awarded to Jeffries, and the disgusted spectators hooted Munroe out of the ring. The value of the gate was £7,000.

Reuter gives the following details of the fight:—

FIRST ROUND.—Munroe led off, but Jeffries immediately floored him with a left hand hook on the jaw. On rising he was received with a right on the head and a left just above the belt. Another hook on the jaw drove him to the ropes, where he clung for eight seconds. During the round Munroe did not get in a single blow and was so severely punished that he had to be helped to his corner.

SECOND ROUND.—Jeffries viciously renewed the attack and smashed Munroe in the body with rights and lefts, again knocking him down. By this time blood was flowing from Munroe's face and ears and, rendered helpless by a terrific lefthander, he sank on the floor and was counted out.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

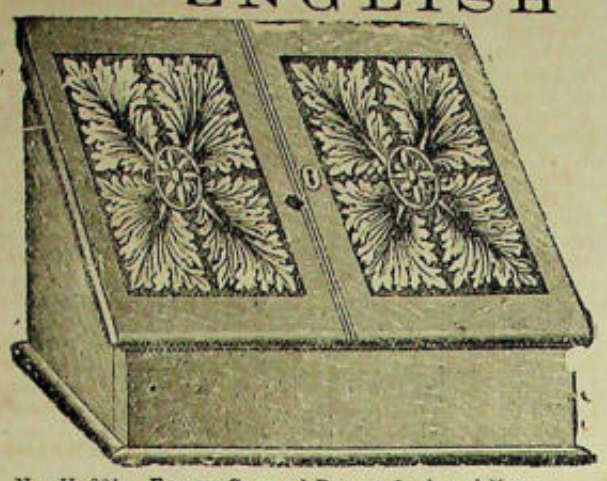
ON Monday, the 12th September, the meet was at Sandy Nullah Foll Bar at 7-15. It was a bright morning with a high cold wind, but the country was much improved by the recent rain. Hounds trotted to the junction of the Dunsandle Road and began to draw. They picked up a line almost immediately but scent was very cold and after some slow hunting as far as the nullah which runs down to waterfall streams scent faded completely. The Master drew the Dart moor Valley and then went over the ridge below Wapshare's Hare Shola. At this point hounds spoke to a line and carried it slowly across the swamp and round the end of the spur which runs down between Wapshare's Hare Shola and Wenlock and on below Rheel Shola. The hound work was beautiful but scent was so poor that it seemed as if the field would never get on terms with the jack; opposite the seventh milestone of the Old Pykara Road, hounds began to run and after another momentary check at the road, they crossed it and streamed away over the beautiful galloping line towards the Pykara Falls. A herd of buffaloes and some dogs caused a check in the swamp below Toda Coffee Shop Shola but hounds soon crossed the swamp and went away at a tremendous pace to the opposite hill. At the Pykara Falls path the jack ran along the path for a good distance and then turned to the left and crossed the ridge above the Pykara river. Here the Master viewed the jack with his back up and very beat and he entered a small Shola about 100 yards in advance of hounds, this was a thick Shola and a brace of fresh jack went away, but the hunted jack after going on into the next Shola, finding that he couldn't shake hounds off turned back and was marked to ground in an earth where we left him. Hounds then trotted back to Briar Shola which was drawn blank. The Master next drew over Lawley's Course up Rawling's Nullah and down Newmarket without finding and came home. Scent was good but if hounds had been pressed at the beginning of the run they could not have stuck to the line.

On Thursday the meet was at Rees' Corner at 7 A.M. It was a fine day after two days' rain, but very few were out, probably due to the races. Mill Cover was first drawn blank. Above the Treble Crossing hounds spoke to a line and hunted slowly up to Blackmoor Vale with frequent checks. They went up between Rallywood and Bluegums but here scent completely failed. The Master next drew the west side of Newmarket as far as the Double Crossing, but though hounds more than once spoke to a cold scent, they could make nothing of it. We then drew over Lawley's Course and found in the swamp between that and Gibb's Shola. The jack was not viewed away and very probably had a good start but scent was good and hounds pressed him from the start they ran up the spur at the top of Gibb's Shola and turned towards the Pykara Road: this was an extraordinary jack for he did not cross the road, but ran on the road through the whole length of Briar Shola and on to and through Bacon wood, even leaving the turn pike on past Windy Gap and still continued on the roads above the forest bungalow. Here, when the turn of the road leads to Wenlock he at last took to the grass, but the pace had proved far too hot for him and hounds were at his brush. He made a sharp turn in the Nullah between the forest bungalow and Chemmund and but for Chemmund but hounds got sight of him and pulled him down at the top of the Nullah. He was an old dog jack. We next trotted back and drew Bluegums and Jackal Shola on our way home, but did not find.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

SUCH a select few turned up at the meet on the 11th of September at Dapuri (celebrated for its brewing of good ale) 7 miles on the high road to Bombay and my sporting informants having got sadly slack in following hounds of late, I am indebted to the local paper once more and to scraps of gossip for an account of the day's proceedings. The original intention to cross the Pauna River was frustrated by that stream, like Iser, "flowing rapidly," thanks to the recent copious rains which providentially came in the nick of time to avoid famine and desolation in this part of India. Going along the trunk road for a mile or so a move was made to some likely looking sugar cane fields on the right. The spirited account in the Poona paper seems to smack of a new chronicler and while one cannot but admire his graphically descriptive powers I would on behalf of hunting men entreat the talented writer to avoid the irritating trick of referring to the gallant varmint who gives such delight to many as if by his Christian name. It is too but a poor compliment to the Master to infer that the wild rover he is hunting with such skill answers to the name of "Jack" as the advertisements say. But to return to the records of the chase. Hounds opened on a line in the direction of the celebrated Two Sisters and the pace was soon greatly improved, though the country was very deep and holding and horses at times up to their fetlocks. Through and out of a sugar patch with scarcely a check and away to some rough country on the further side. After some pleasant galloping the jack altered his course, and crossing the main road skirted the railway line and, the wire fencing proving impracticable, the field divided for neighbouring crossings. This gave the jackal and hounds a start, and when horseman got on terms again it was to find that this evidently very stout jack had plunged into the swift flowing Pauna had saved the brush his pluck and innate wiliness fully entitled him to retain. Hounds were then taken back to the original starting point near the eight milestone and no delay occurred in finding, the jack breaking away up the neighbouring big *nullah*. The pace was apparently good and this jack seemed no less of a hero than his predecessor. Across the road he went and under the railway bridge. After running along the river side he turned off into the open country. The pace seems to have varied and the line was scarcely as straight as the proverbial crow's flight, but it seems to have been an enjoyable hunting run. Regarding this *finale* the talented writer I have

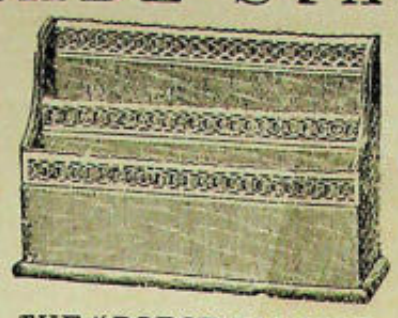
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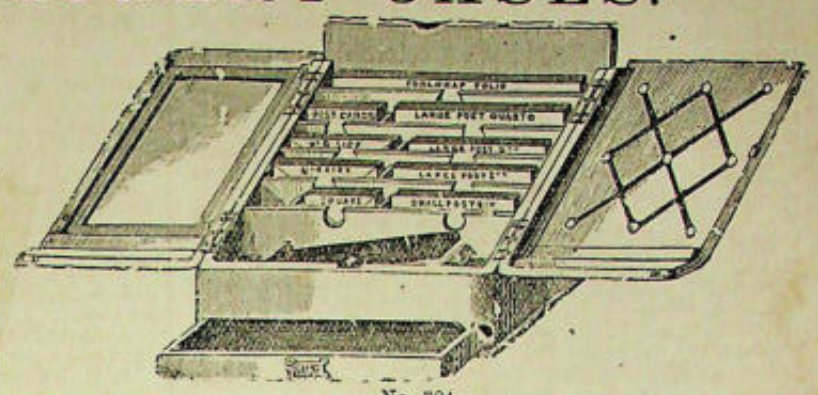


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referred to chronicles that "the Master considered it advisable to render some assistance to his pack in order that they should not lose the reward they deserved" and after several lines of defensive argument urges that it is "a matter "we can safely leave to our worthy Master." *Qui s'excuse s'accuse* runs the French motto.

Many of us have been brought up in the doctrine that the legitimate "assistance" which a Master may rightly and sportingly render his hounds consists in helping them when in real doubt with a judicious cast or on occasions 'lifting" team to a view or a trusted "holla." Were it not for the spirited *apologia* tendered by the narrator referred to no credence would have been given to the doubtless incorrect rumours that the "assistance" in question was of a more definite and drastic description.

SCARAMOUCH.

Polo.

QUETTA OPEN TOURNAMENT.

35TH SCINDE HORSE *vs.* WEST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT.—This was the opening game and was played on the 14th instant; the Scinde Horse quite outplayed their opponents and won by 11 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

First Chukker.—Play opened very fast till Ajaipal Singh got on and hit a subsidiary, up and down play closing the period. *Score:* 35th 1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—Off-side was given against the 35th, then Ajaipal Singh rushed down and scored a goal. A collision between Mr. Armitage and Captain Deverell stopped play, but on resuming the Yorks got on and hit a subsidiary; a free against the 35th for a foul followed but without result. *Score:* 35th, 2 goals and 1 subsidiary; West Yorks 1 subsidiary.

Third Chukker.—Mr. Armitage's place was taken by Mr. Gretton Ajaipal Singh got away and hit a subsidiary, another being added shortly after. *Score:* 35th, 2 goals and 4 subsidiaries; West Yorks, 1 subsidiary

Fourth Chukker.—The Scinde Horse pressed throughout this period and scored four goals and one subsidiary in quick succession. *Score:* 35th, 6 goals and 4 subsidiaries; West Yorks, 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Yorks got away but were stopped and the 35th coming down hit a goal, adding another almost immediately after. Fast play in midfield followed till the end of the *chukker*. *Score:* 35th, 8 goals and 4 subsidiaries; West Yorks, 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—The 35th got on and hit two goals. From the hit off they again got possession and scored a subsidiary. *Score:* 35th, 10 goals and 5 subsidiaries; West Yorks, 1 subsidiary.

Seventh Chukker.—The 35th scored a goal. Then the Yorks got away and taking the ball down hit a goal, which they followed up with a subsidiary. *Score:* 35th, 11 goals 5 subsidiaries; West Yorks, 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

Eighth Chukker.—Play ruled very fast, but there was no further scoring: the 35th Scinde Horse winning as stated.

Teams:—

WEST YORKSHIRE REGT.		35TH SCINDE HORSE.	
Mr. R. J. McLaren	... 1	Capt. R. L. Benwell	... 1
Mr. F. A. W. Armitage	... 2	Resaldar Ajaipal Singh	... 2
Capt. C. J. Deverell	.. 3	Capt. A. F. Hislop	.. 3
Mr. P. S. Fryer	(*back.*)	Mr. E. D. Giles	(*back.*)

Umpires:—Captains Ready and Griffiths.

WELSH REGIMENT *vs.* 32ND LANCERS.—This game was played on the 15th instant and resulted in a win for the Lancers by ten goals and 9 subsidiaries to 3 goals. In spite of their defeat the Welsh Regiment made a great fight.

First Chukker.—The Lancers went away at once and scored two goals. Continuing to have the best of matters they hit two more goals and a subsidiary, fast play closing the *chukker*. *Score:* 32nd, 4 goals and 1 subsidary.

Second Chukker.—The Lancers got on and hit a goal. Then the Welsh rushed down but the ball was stopped and taking it back the 32nd hit a subsidiary. *Score:* 32nd, 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—Off-side against the Lancers gave the Welsh a free hit, but nothing came of it and the 32nd got on and obtained two goals. A foul against them a little later gave the Welsh another free from which they scored a goal. The Lancers then pressed once more and secured a subsidiary. *Score:* 32nd 7 goals and 3 subsidaries; Welsh Regiment, 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—Play ruled fast and even till the end of the period when the Lancers hit a subsidiary. *Score:* 32nd, 6 goals and 4 subsidiaries; Welsh Regiment, 1 goal.

Fifth Chukker.—A foul was given against the Lancers but they soon got away and hit a subsidiary which they followed with a goal. *Score:* 32nd, 8 goals and 5 subsidiaries, Welsh Regiment, 1 goal.

Sixth Chukker.—The Lancers pressed and scored a goal, Bhur Singh adding another soon after, and just before the close of the period another subsidiary was scored. *Score:* 32nd 10 goals and 6 subsidiaries; Welsh Regiment, 1 goal.

Seventh Chukker.—The Lancers attacked and scored 2 subsidiaries, the second from a free hit for a foul. Then following on some fast play the Welsh got away and scored a goal. *Score:* 32nd 10 goals and 8 subsidiaries; Welsh Regiment, 2 goals.

Eighth Chukker.—After a run by the 32nd, the Welsh got on and hit a goal. The Lancers replied with a minor point. *Final Score:* 32nd 10 goals and 9 subsidiaries; Welsh Regiment, 3 goals. Teams:—

32ND LANCERS.		WELSH REGIMENT.	
Jemadar Bhur Singh	... 1	Mr. M. Haggard	... 1
Mr. R. A. Cassels	... 2	Mr. W. M. Hore	... 2
Mr. R. C. Fergusson Pollock	?	Capt. R. T. Ready	... 3
Capt. W. W. G. Griffith (*back*)		Mr. B. F. Vernon Harcourt	(*back*)

35TH SCINDE HORSE *vs.* STATION.—This game was played on the 17th instant and provided an interesting and even struggle, the Scinde Horse being eventually victorious by 6 goals and 6 subsidiaries to 6 goals and 1 subsidiary.

First Chukker.—Play opened very fast the Station team doing most of the attacking, then the 35th got on and hit a goal. *Score:* 35th 1 goal

Second Chukker.—A fast and exciting period. The Station put on 3 goals and the 35th added a goal and two minor points to their score. 35th 3 goals 2 subsidiaries; Station 3 goals.

Third Chukker.—The ball travelled all over the ground, then the Scinde Horse got away and scored 2 goals and a subsidiary, the Station hitting a goal just before the close of the *chukker*. *Score:* 35th 4 goals 3 subsidiaries; Station 4 goals.

Fourth Chukker.—The 35th scored a goal. Then Captain Goldingham got in a good run for the Station, a subsidiary resulting. The 35th added a subsidiary. *Score:* 35th 5 goals 4 subsidiaries; Station 4 goals 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Scinde Horse got away immediately and hit a goal. Fast play followed till a foul against the Station let in the 35th, who scored a minor point from the free hit. *Score:* 6 goals 5 subsidiaries; Station 4 goals 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—Play ruled fast all over the ground but there was no scoring.

Seventh Chukker.—Up and down play terminated in a subsidiary for the Scinde Horse. Then Mr. Woodhouse got in a good run and scored a goal for the Station. *Score:* 35th 6 goals 6 subsidiaries; Station 5 goals 1 subsidiary.

Eighth Chukker.—Following on some fast play Captain Goldingham scored a goal for the Station *Final Score:* 35th 6 goals 6 subsidiaries; Station 6 goals 1 subsidiary.

35TH SCINDE HORSE.		STATION.	
Capt. R. L. Benwell	... 1	Mr. Dyer ...	... 1
Resaldar Ajaipal Singh	... 2	Capt. Goldingham	... 2
Capt. A. F. Hislop	... 3	Mr. Menzies ...	... 3
Mr. E. D. Giles	(*back*)	Mr. Woodhouse	(*back*)

Umpires:—Captain Ready and Mr Cassels.

FINAL.

32ND LANCERS *vs.* 35TH SCINDE HORSE.—The final game was played on the 19th instant and resulted in a brilliant victory for the Lancers by 14 goals and 13 subsidiaries to 3 goals 1 subsidiary. The Lancers displayed good combination while they were better mounted. The Cup was presented to the winners at the conclusion of the game by Mrs. Smith Dorrien

First Chukker.—The Lancers began to press at once and before the close of the period had scored a subsidiary and a goal *Score:* Lancers 1 goal 1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—Griffiths got on and hit a subsidiary, they continued to press and put on three goals in quick succession. Then the Scinde Horse got away and scored a goal but the ball was soon back again in their territory, where a foul against them gave the Lancers a free hit, from which they scored a goal. The period closed with the ball in the 32nd's ground. *Score:* Lancers 5 goals 2 subsidiaries; 35th 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—The Lancers pressed hard and put on 4 subsidiaries in quick succession, adding a goal shortly after. *Score:* Lancers 6 goals 6 subsidiaries; 35th 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The 32nd opened with a subsidiary, the result of a long shot. Play ruled even for a while, then they obtained another minor point. Another foul was given against the Scinde Horse, their opponents scoring a subsidiary from the free hit. *Score:* Lancers 6 goals 9 subsidiaries; 35th 1 goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The Lancers scored two subsidiaries and followed them up with a goal. Then Cassels got away and hit another goal. A subsidiary was next added, after which Griffiths can down and put on a third goal which was shortly supplanted by another. Midfield play closed the *chukker*. Just before time Captain Benwell's pony came down with him, and he was obliged to be replaced by Mr. Dyer for the rest of the game. *Score:* Lancers 10 goals 12 subsidiaries; 35th 1 goal.

Sixth Chukker.—The Lancers took the ball down but were stopped and Giles coming away hit a goal. Play was very even till the 32nd got away and scored a goal, the ball remaining to the end of the period in the 35th's territory. *Score:* Lancers 11 goals 12 subsidiaries; 35th 2 goals.

Seventh Chukker.—Following a goal to the Lancers, the 35th took the ball down but there opponents got possession and hit another goal. The 35th replied with a subsidiary. Even play followed and a goal to each team was signalled; the Lancers added a minor point before time. *Score:* Lancers 14 goals 13 subsidiaries; 35th 3 goals 1 subsidiary.

Eighth Chukker.—Play ruled fast and even all over the ground but there was no further score, the Lancers winning as stated by 14 goals and 13 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary. Teams as before.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

LONDON, *Friday, 2nd September* 1904.

STILL another death of a racing cyclist is reported from the Continent caused through the high powered pacing machines now in vague, which developing enormous speed makes a fall a far more serious affair than was formerly the case. This time it is George Leander, the American rider, who has only been in Europe six weeks, although in America he has raced with marked success for over three years. He met with a fall whilst racing last Sunday and lingered in an unconscious condition for thirty-six hours at Beaujau Hospital. This class of paced riding has claimed Elkes, Nelson, Goernemann, Dangla, Kaesser and now Leander within the space of a few months, and one cannot help thinking that the National Cyclists' Union has acted extremely wisely in imposing restrictions on the h.p. of the pacing machines to be used at the World's Championships to be decided at the Crystal Palace to-morrow and on 8th and 10th September. We do not want the track to be turned into a slaughter house. It is more than likely that the International Board will move in the matter.

Many cyclists complain that the large number of cycle thefts that occur every week are due to the indifference shown by the police and the inadequate sentences meted out to offenders when convicted. Personally I hold very different views on the subject, and would place the blame on the riders themselves who leave their machines about in a manner that can only court loss. They pay twelve guineas or more for a machine, and then leave it unattended by the roadside as if it possessed no value. Would they leave anything else even of quarter the value in a like manner? As to the police, it must be acknowledged that a bicycle is one of the most difficult articles to trace, and if they fail in following up a theft, it is scarcely to their discredit. Magistrates, too, have imposed some very heavy sentences on men known to be old offenders.

One of the best unpaced road rides achieved this season stands to the credit of Mr. E. A. Boyle of the Bath Road Cycling Club, who last Friday morning at the early hour of 4 o'clock in the morning started from the General Post Office, Edinburgh, and unpaced, rode on his safety bicycle to the General Post Office in London in the record time of 29 hours 8 minutes, an improvement on the old record of 2 hours 40 minutes. The ride is a meritorious one, the record breaker experiencing a strong head wind all the way, heavy rain at the commencement of the journey and sundry punctures.

Another road event decided at the end of last week was the 24 hours race organised by the North Road Cycling Club—an unpaced scratch race for members of the Club. Ten men started, including two mounted on the old time three wheeler, and favoured with an ideal night for riding some good distances were covered At the end of twelve hours, W. Ward, had covered 191 miles and pushing strongly forward completed the twenty-four hours with 364 miles to his credit. The two riders mounted on the tricycles—W. W. Robertson and C. H. Banyard—covered 291 and 276 miles respectively.

The importation of motor-cars, motor-cycles and motor parts into this country continue at an unsatisfactory high figure, the July returns giving the number of cars imported as 632 of a value of £251,472. Parts too, amounted to the large total of £26,656, but this item does not effect the home industry to the same extent, since a large portion of the parts are for use in the manufacture of British-made cars. This year the imports into this country amounts to the enormous total of £1,545,958. "Wake up England" were the words of the Prince of Wales after his tour in the "Ophir" and the home industry should bear his words to heart. But perhaps the fault is not due to any laxity on the part of manufacturers, for many of the British cars are the equals of French productions both in reliability and finish, and quick deliveries can be made, yet, the purchasing public consider it the right thing to drive a French-made car and they will continue to do so until the fashion changes. Why it is they will encourage foreign industry and allow British labour to stand idle, it is difficult to say unless it is entirely due to thoughtlessness.

A very large proportion of the accidents that occur between motorists and pedestrians are where children figure as the victims. It is certainly not to be wondered at and the marvel is that more are not run down. I do not know what is the practice with children in Calcutta, about the age of 10 or 12, but over here they make the public highways their playing grounds, even if a public recreation ground is in the immediate vicinity, and no one seems to interfere with them. Here they rush about as only children can, heedless of everything moving on the road, and especially motors and cycles. One cannot blame motorists unless they were really driving recklessly at the time of an accident, and I have noticed that. Coroners invariably return a verdict of Accidental Death when sitting on such a case. Only last week Earl of Leven and Melville whilst driving in Fulham had the misfortune to run over a little girl. At the inquest a verdict of Accidental Death was returned, and the driver in giving his evidence stated that just before the accident some children playing in the road defied him to run over them.

For fourteen years the Vicar of Folkestone has held an annual Cyclists' Church Parade in connection with his Church, and the one held last Sunday proved the most successful of the lot. It is surprising the amount of enthusiasm displayed by wheelmen throughout the surrounding neighbourhood in this parade and last Sunday the church was packed, the Vicar, Rev. E. Husband, giving an appropriate address entitled "Cycles and Motors," in which he dwelt upon the many advantages surrounding so healthful an exercise as cycling. Motoring, however, was not so favourably commented upon by the Reverend gentleman, and his remark that motor riding was "injurious to health owing to the constant vibration and the entire absence of exercise on the part of the rider" will be bound to be commented upon, although there is a large amount of truth in his remarks The collection amounted to a sum of £17, which will be devoted to the Folkestone Victoria Hospital.

A. L Reed, the London sprinter, has made a flying journey across to Belgium where amongst other events he competed in the Grand Prix de Belgique, winning easily from H. D. Buck and Charvier, who are riding in the Worlds' Championships to-morrow. This race carries with it a first prize valued at forty guineas which consists of a valuable gold stop watch, besides a gold medal valued at £5 and a sash of honour. Reed has every reason to be satisfied with his success since he brought back with him prizes representing close on £50; by no means a bad day's result.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* GYMKHANA RESERVES.—The match between these teams resulted in a win for the Reserves by 43 runs. Lieutenant Selby batted well for the winners, scoring 65, while Douglas took eight wickets for 70 and did the hat trick. Score:—

GYMKHANA RESERVES.

Lieut. Douglas, c Coombs, b Powell ...	... 27
Mr. Gratwicke, c H. O. Carroll, b Milne ...	... 6
Lieut. Selby, c Aston, b Coombs	... 65
Mr Dawson, 1-b-w. b Milne	... 15
Mr. T. J. Reed, b Coombs	... 8
Mr. R. Reid, c Richardson, b Coombs ...	... 1
Capt. McDonald, c Powell, b Richardson ...	... 0
Capt. Wilson, c Sub., b Richardson ...	... 0
Mr. West, b Richardson	... 6
Lieut. Schafer, not out	... 12
A. N. Other, c Vlasto, b Richardson ...	... 11
Extras	... 30
Total	...181

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr. Aston, c Reid, b Douglas	... 9
Mr. Powell, b Douglas	... 38
Mr. L. Carroll, 1-b-w, b Douglas	... 12
Mr. J. S. Milne b Reid	... 30
Mr. Coombs, b Douglas	... 9
Mr. H. O. Carroll, b Reid	... 9
Mr. Vlasto, b Douglas	... 0
Mr. Gillum, c Gratwicke, b Douglas ...	... 0
Mr. Richardson, not out	... 20
A. N. Other, b Douglas	... 0
B. N. Other, b Douglas	... 1
Extras	... 10
Total	138

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

RESERVES' INNINGS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Coombs ...	... 22	6	60	3
Mr. Milne ...	... 13	1	86	2
Mr. Powell ...	... 6	2	20	1
Mr. L. Carroll	... 4	0	16	0
Mr. Richardson	... 5·5	2	18	4

GYMKHANA INNINGS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Douglas	... 18·2	1	70	8
Mr. West ...	... 6	1	18	0
Mr. Reid ...	... 11	3	40	2

CRICKET IN SOUTHERN INDIA.

MADRAS C. C. *vs.* CAPTAIN CHALLENOR'S XI.—This match was played at Chepauk on the 13th instant and resulted in a win for the M. C C. by three runs. Score:—

CAPT. CHALLENOR'S XI.—1st Innings.

Capt. Challenor, b Strouts	... 8
C. Palmer, b Strouts ...	... 2
W. G. More, b Strouts	... 22
M. H. Armsby, c Atkinson, b Strouts ...	... 2
L. R. A. Hall, c McIvor, b Phillips ...	... 9
Sergt.-Major Wood, run out	... 7
W. A T. Feris, c McIvor, b T. Phillips ...	... 35
L. A. Fanshawe, b T. Phillips ...	... 0
C. Probyn, c Ingram, b Phillips ...	... 44
Pte. Daft, c Brooke Leggatt, b Strouts ...	... 2
C. H. Middlemast, not out	... 0
Extras	... 11
Total	... 142

M. C. C.—1st Innings.

J. G. Smith, b More	... 16
P. W. Partridge, b Challenor	... 49
J. McIvor, b Probyn	... 8
M. R. Ingram, b Challenor	... 11
R. C. M. Strouts, run out	... 6
C. Brooke Leggatt, b Probyn	... 12
H. F. T. Phillips, b Daft	... 1
A. H. Steele, b Daft	... 0
E. A. Wilson, b Hall	... 4
W. F. Pelly, b Challenor	... 7
A. W. Atkinson, not out	... 14
Extras	... 17
Total	... 145

A story which is declared to be strictly true is told in *Public Opinion* by a high official in North Nigeria, where, though it is British soil, cannibalism still exists. A native chief was found dead, and the district commissioner, an Englishman, acting as coroner, summoned a jury of twelve natives hold to an inquest. The jury being unable to come to decision, the coroner locked them up, and went to lunch. When he returned back he found that the jury, who were also hungry, had eaten the deceased. He wrote to the Chief Commissioner. "Kindly send instructions, as the Proclamation does not seem to provide for this incident."

CRICKET AT KARACHI.

PARSIS *vs.* KARACHI GYMKHANA.—This game was played on the Parsi Gymkhana ground and resulted in a win for the home team. Score:—

KARACHI GYMKHANA.

S. C. Woodward, b N. Mobed	... 11
J. W. Wilson, c Contractor, b Gorwalla ...	... 1
L. T. S. Ussher, b N. Momed	... 3
Capt. Price, b N. Mobed	... 28
J. R. Creagh, c N. Mobed, b Gorwalla ...	... 49
C. B Newton, b Bamboat	... 0
O. M. Barnes, c N. Mobed, b Gorwalla ...	12
C. D. McIver, b Gorwalla	... 8
K. H. Bruce, b N. Mobed	... 14
T. B. Peterkin, c F. Mobed, b Dastur ...	... 13
P. H. Creagh, not out	... 0
Extras	... 16
Total	... 185

PARSIS.

F. J. Mobed, b Ussher	... 30
P. D. Dastur, b Newton	... 51
N. M. Dinshaw, c J. Creagh, b Ussher ...	... 3
S. B. Contractor, not out	... 77
J. D. Minwalla, not out	... 66
G. M. Dinshaw, N. J. Mobed, M. M. Dinshaw, B. T. Gorwalla, J. A. Bamboat, B. H. Mehta } did not bat.	
Extras	... 16
No ball	... 1
Total	... 344

Football.

CALCUTTA RUGBY UNION CHALLENGE CUP.

GLOSTERS *vs.* ARMENIANS.—These teams met on the Calcutta ground on the 14th instant, a well-contested game resulting in a win for the Lucknow team by two penalty goals to *nil*. The Armenians kicked off but the Glosters brought the ball back and play ruled for a while in the local team's 25. Off-side against H. Apcar gave the soldiers a penalty kick, Parsons doing the needful. On resuming the Glosters pressed once more but a free to the Armenians relieved the pressure and a good run by A. S. Apcar followed. The Armenian forwards worked the ball down but were brought up by the Glosters' back, who was playing a fine game. The visitors took the leather down to the opposite 25 where H. Apcar was once more off-side—a penalty resulting. Holder made no mistake with the place and the Glosters led at the interval by 2 penalty goals to *nil*. On changing ends the soldiers attacked but could not get through. The Armenians playing hard, made great efforts to score, Yakchee made a brilliant attempt to drop a goal, and Simmons almost placed a goal from a free kick. They failed, however, to put on any score and the Glosters won as stated. Teams:—

GLOSTERS.—Edwards, *back*; Lieutenant Ford, Berry, Holder, and Lister, *three quarters*; Coldrick and Lieutenant Blyth, *halves*, Ball, Frost, Morris, Stevens, Murray, Dance, Parsons, and Prosser, *forwards*.

ARMENIANS.—Simmons, *back*; A. S. Apcar, Mathews, Gregory, and Yakchee, *three quarters*; H. Apcar, Russell, *halves*; Martin, Basil, Staynor, Manuk, Peters, Callahan Roser, and Creet *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. E. A. Smith.

SEMI-FINALS.

KING'S OWN *vs* WEST RIDINGS (holders).—This match was played on the King's Own ground on the 16th instant, when the Fort team defeated the holders off the Cup by a goal and a try (8 points) to a try (3 points). The Dum Dum team attacked at the start but some opportunities were lost owing to wild passing. Then the King's Own got away and a good dribble by the forwards terminated in Lieutenant Scott crossing the line. No goal resulted and the West Ridings had the best of matters to the interval. On resuming the Dukes again attacked and Beaumont scored a try. The place failed but the Dum Dum men continued to press. Then the King's Own broke away once more and Basonett got over. Scully converted and the match ended shortly after. Teams:—

KING'S OWN.—Scully, *back*; Basonett, Ashworth, Lieutenant Baker, and Walker, *three-quarters*; Lieutenant Marshall and Marsden, *halves*; Lieutenants Scott and Gribbon and Lee, Chadwick, Waite, Morgan, Marshall, and Fowler, *forwards*.

WEST RIDINGS.—Quin, *back*; Beaumont, Harrison, Coldwell, and Davey, *three-quarters*; Holgate and Morris *halves*; Garside, A. Robinson, E. Flarity, Newhold, Leister, H. Robinson, P. Flarity, and Reilly, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. C. Thorburn.

CALCUTTA *vs.* GLOSTERS.—The Devons having retired from the tournament, Calcutta on their own ground met the Glosters on the 16th instant. The home team kicked off and for the first fifteen minutes play was very even; Calcutta got over with a try, Martelli failing with the place. Then the Glosters asserted themselves and pressed hard, their back division got away occasionally but could not break through. At last just before the interval Lieutenant Ford got possession out of the loose and scored a try. The place kick failed and the teams crossed over with a try each.

In the second half the Glosters did all the attacking and play was confined to the home 25. The Calcutta backs were kept hard at it. They played up to the last minute, but just before time the soldiers got through once more, Coldrick getting over with the winning try. No goal resulted and the Glosters won as state. Teams:—

GLOSTERS.—Edwards, *back*; Lieutenant Ford, Berry, Holder, Maslen, *three-quarters*; Coldrick and Lieutenant Blyth, *halves*; Ball, Frost, Gunston, Stevens, Dance, Morris, Parsons, and Prosser, *forwards*.

CALCUTTA.—Dick, *back*; Ismay, Martelli, Siddons, and Barns, *three-quarters*; MacDonald and Cumberlege, *halves*; MacLeod, Heilgers, Todd, Kurr, Curtis-Hayward, Berridge, Bishop, and Greyburn, *forwards*.

Referee:—Captain Moberly.

FINAL.

GLOSTERS *vs.* KING'S OWN.—The final game in the tournament was played on the Calcutta ground last Saturday, a large crowd of spectators lining the ropes. It was a fine display of football and was played in the best spirit throughout. The Fort team won and they thoroughly deserve their victory. By steady practice they have worked up their players and are now quite a strong team.

The Glosters kicked off and Marshall picking up set the King's Own threes going but Holder relieved. Once more the Fort backs got away and Basonett nearly got in Edwards bringing him down on the line. Loose play by the forwards took the ball into the Glosters' 25 where after some hard scrums Marshall got possession and a smart bout of passing resulted in Walker crossing the line. Scully converted. On resuming the Glosters were seen to advantage and pressed hard for a while but the Lancaster three-quarters brought the ball back to the visitors' 25 where Lieutenant Ray obtained a try. The place fell short.

The Glosters attacked once more, the forwards doing good work. Shortly before the interval the King's Own were penalised and Holder, taking the place, kicked a fine goal.

On changing ends, the Lucknow men made great efforts to score. The game was a fine struggle between the two sets of forwards and a deal of loose scrummaging was got through. The Fort team broke away once or twice but were brought up by Edwards. The Glosters kept the game in their opponents' 25 for a time and looked like scoring on several occasions, but the King's Own defence was good and they could not break through. The match thus ended in a win for the King's Own by a goal and a try (8 points) to a penalty goal (3 points). At the conclusion of the game Brigadier-General Leach presented the Cup to Lieutenant Baker the captain of the winning team.

KING'S OWN.—Scully, *back*; Bassonett, Ashworth, Lieutenant Baker and Walker, *three-quarters*; Marsden and Lieutenant Marshall, *halves*; Lieutenants Scott, Ray, and Gribbon, and Private Waite Morgan Marshall, Lee, and Fowler, *forwards*.

GLOUCESTER.—Edwards, *back*; Lieutenant Ford, Barry, Holder, and Maslen, *three quarters*; Coldrick and Lieutenant Blyth *halves*; Ball, Frost, Morris, Stevens, Dance, Grimston, Parsons, and Prosser, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. E. Martelli. C F C.

Touch Judges:—Messrs. Berridge and Cumberlege.

PREVIOUS WINNERS.

1890—Calcutta.	1898—Calcutta.
1891—Bombay Gymkhana.	1899—Calcutta.
1892—The Buffs.	1900—Calcutta.
1893—Calcutta	1901—Borderer Regiment.
1894—The Buffs.	1902—Welsh Regiment.
1895—Calcutta.	1903—West Riding.
1896—Calcutta.	1904—King's Own.
1897—Welsh Regiment.	

FOOTBALL NOTES.

IT is a long time since Calcutta has enjoyed such a week of good and interesting Rugby Football, the results in most cases being close and the losers generally putting up a good fight.

On Monday evening Calcutta on their own ground met the Services, and the King's Own were the guests of the Customs. In the former game the home XV back division was too much for the opposition and crossed their line no fewer than six times, and Martelli being on the spot with his place kicking (converting five out of six attempts, the sixth striking the bar) the Service men had to put up with 28 points—3 margin against them. Their forwards, however, had none the worst of the argument, and were ably led by Moberley, who was well seconded by Thorburn, the old Blairlodgian and Edinburgh Wanderer. Though out of training he played a hard game and made his presence felt in the scrum Captain Wilson also was very conspicuous in the loose and most of the others individually played well, and had they had two or three more matches together they would be as hot a pack to hold in Calcutta as you could find. At half Reeves and Grimshaw were beaten by the opposing pair and the first-named, and Cumberlege had several lively tussles. At three-quarter Garstin and Landon were most in evidence, but the latter had little opportunity of shining in attack, his special forte. At back the side was badly served and this was their weakest point. For the homesters Kerr played the best game he has since he came to Calcutta, which is saying a lot, while Heilgers, MacLeod and Todd were all good. The backs all played well and it would be invidious to single out any one in particular.

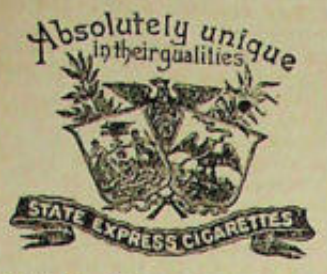
On the next ground the Customs gave the men from the Fort a good run for victory, and indeed the soldiers were rather lucky to be leading by three points at the interval. The game was mainly a forward one and up to half time there was nothing to choose between the teams, but thereafter the King's Own had the best of matters, eventually running out winners by 13 points to *nil*. For the losers, who were at a distinct disadvantage by having to take the field without Anderson, who is not far from being the best full back in Calcutta, Rowe, Maitland, and Harris were good, especially in defence, while Fitzgerald worked hard forward. For the winners Lieutenants Ray, Marshall, Scott and Baker were very prominent.

The City on Tuesday gave the West Ridings a good game and for the first quarter of an hour pressed hard and had most of the play, the want of scoring power in their back division alone keeping the Ridings' line intact. Half time found the Tommies leading by a penalty goal and a try to *nil*. On resuming the City men went to pieces for a time and the Ridings put on four tries in quick succession and it looked as if they might repeat their score of the previous week. The Red jerseys, however, rallied again and held their own for the rest of the game. Amongst their forwards Oakley stood out above the rest, his following up being especially good. Cunliffe, Grieff and Clayden also played well, Williams at half gave a good display and his partner Schaumberg, was by no means bad. For the West Ridings Morris and Holgate combined well and behind them Coldwell and Beaumont were most conspicuous.

On Wednesday evening on the Calcutta ground, the only up-country team in the tournament this season, the Gloucester Regiment, tackled the Armenian XV and a remarkably even game resulted. It was curious from the fact that, the lines of neither team were crossed during the game, the Gloucesters winning by 2 penalty goals to *nil*. The Armenians suffering their usual *penchant* for off-side play. Otherwise they had none the worst of the deal with their heavier opponents. Their forwards lasted well and were going as hard at the end of the game as at the start. Their following up was very keen and the Gloucester backs when they got the ball out were generally downed before going far. Peters played a splendid game and was probably the best forward engaged, while Creet and Roser were also good. Outside all were very smart, the two Apcars and Yackchee especially so, whilst the latter's attempts at goal dropping were good; his second effort being a brilliant one which deserved a better fate The Gloucesters have a powerful set of forwards, who can play the loose rushing game while they have no laggards in the scrum. At half Lieutenant Blyth was very nimble and the third line is sound in defence if not brilliant in attack. Holder's penalty goal was a really fine kick. Edwards at back was excellent and made no mistake.

On Friday evening the semi-finals were decided and to the losers in each case, the results must have been somewhat of the nature of a surprise, the King's Own beating the West Ridings and Calcutta succumbing to the Gloucesters. Dealing with the former game first, from start to finish the pace was a scorcher, the game being up and down the field the whole time. The King's Own deserved their win, if only because they took the opportunities presented to them. Their forwards played pluckily and the backs were quite good and to Ashworth belongs the credit of the winning try. He made a very nice opening for Bassonet. Lieutenants Baker and Marshall as usual played well, and Lieutenants Scott, Ray, and Gribbon were the best of the forwards. Of the Duke's Morris and Beaumont in the back division were good as also was Coldwell, to whom it must be rather a novelty

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not having a dropped goal at least to his credit at the end of a game.

The game on the Calcutta ground, where although the score was only 6 points to 3 against the ground team, had the Gloucesters an offensive back division, they must have won by nearly a score of points. After the first quarter of an hour when Calcutta scored, and Greyburn had to be carried of the field owing to a severe kick on the head and Siddons hurt his arm, the home team were not once in their opponents' twenty-five and hardly ever out of their own.

Summing up the teams; for the winners Edwards did all that was asked of him in his usual neat style, while his vis-a-vis Dick though he had by no manner of means a pleasant job played a sound game and saved his side from a far heavier defeat. Of the remainder of the back division, not one of them played up to form, bar Cumberlege, whose kicking into touch and tackling alike being worthy of the highest praise. From the form they showed one is forced to the conclusion that outside the scrum the team is only a fair weather one. Forward Kerr again was the best, being always on the ball, and he seemed to be the only one of the forwards who could raise a gallop at the end of the game. In the mauls the Gloucesters were far superior, and even though Calcutta had only seven men, from the way they were swept of the ball, it was evident that not one but several of them must have been passengers, as was the case twelve months ago when there were also too many forwards who were brilliant in loose to the detriment of the shoving power of the pack. For the Gloucesters Lieutenant Blyth at half was good, as was his partner Coldrick, whose touch kicking was the feature of his play. Of the line behind Lieutenant Ford was the best, while Barry and Holder kicked well. The forwards were undoubtedly good and played better than against the Armenians, while their loose rushes took a lot of stopping.

The final between the King's Own and the Gloucesters, which took place on the 17th on the Calcutta ground, proved somewhat of the nature of surprise, the Fort William men overcoming the Lucknow team by 1 goal and 1 try (8 points) to a penalty goal (3 points). The game was played before a fair crowd of spectators who were treated to a most interesting game, and on the day's play the King's Own were undoubtedly the better team, the forwards holding their own and getting the ball often enough to give the men behind a chance of showing their pace. Of the forwards Lieutenant Scott has rarely played a finer game and he was well supported by Lieutenant Ray and Gribbon and Waite, though the first named was rather inclined to play off-side. At half Marshall was in his best mood and time and again saved some ugly looking rushes of the opposing forwards Behind him all did well, Walker's try being a very pretty one, while Lieutenant Baker did a lot of useful saving. On the other side the forwards had the best of the tight scrums, but did not seem to be getting the ball as often as the other eight, but their loose rushes were always dangerous. Of the men behind Lieutenants Blyth and Ford were good and Edwards at back was again brilliant, but the inside three-quarters' kicking was not as good as on the previous evening, and it would have been more to the side's advantage had they tried fewer drops at goal. In conclusion Lieutenant Baker and his brother officers are to be congratulated in the manner in which they have taught and trained the team which before this season had never played Rugby Football.

Results at a glance are:—

	G.	T.	Pts.		G.	T.	Pts.
Calcutta ...	5	1	28	United Services ...	0	1	3
King's Own ...	2	1	13	Customs ...	0	0	0
West Ridings ...	1	5	18	City	0	0	0
Gloucester Regt. ...	2	0	6	Armenians ...	0	0	0
King's Own ...	1	1	8	West Ridings ...	0	1	3
Gloucester Regt. ...	0	2	6	Calcutta ...	0	1	3
King's Own ...	1	1	8	Gloucester Regt. ...	1	0	3

TOUCH.

BOMBAY ROVERS' TOURNAMENT.

CHESHIRE REGIMENT *vs.* YORK AND LANCASTER.—This match was played on the Cooperage on the 14th instant. The Cheshires had the best of the first moiety and pressed hard. After a series of attacks, which were repulsed, a fine bit of passing by the Cheshire forwards ended in Gaffney putting the ball through. From the kick off they once more worked the ball down and Gaffney was responsible for another goal. On resuming after the interval play ruled very even for a while, then the Cheshires pressed once more but Lowthorpe, who was playing an excellent game in goal, kept out all their shots. But the York and Lancaster were penalised in their own territory and the Cheshires scored their third goal. The remaining stages of the game were in favour of the York and Lancaster, but they failed to score and the Cheshires were victorious by three goals to *nil*. Teams:—

CHESHIRE REGIMENT.—*Goal:* Pte. Chard; *backs:* Pte. Branson and Lce.-Corpl. Beers; *half-backs:* Pte. Fletcher, Walker, and Thornley; *forwards:* Ptes. James, Gaffney, Dowell Johnson, and Jarvis.

YORK AND LANCASTER REGIMENT.—*Goal:* Pte. Lowthorpe; *backs:* Ptes. Lambert and Taylor; *half-backs:* Pte. Manchester, Lce.-Corpl. Leach, and Pte. Watson; *forwards:* Lce.-Corpl. Morris, Ptes. Thwaites, Linford, Lce-Corpl. Hood, and Pte. Bland.

Referee:—Mr. W. Nicholl.

SEAFORTHS *vs.* SOUTH LANCASHIRES.—This match was also played on the 14th instant and resulted in a victory for the Highlanders by two goals to *nil*. The opening exchanges were even, then the Seaforths got away and Walsh was called upon to save, which he did at the expense of a corner. Nothing resulted, but after some more even play the Lancashires got going and almost scored on two occasions. They forced a corner, but the Highlanders cleared and returning to the attack Dewar found the net after a couple of unsuccessful shots. After the interval the Seaforths had the best of the play, but their opponents offered a plucky defence and it was not till just before the close of play that a splendid dribble by Fergusson resulted in a second goal, the Seaforths thus winning as stated. Teams:—

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.—*Goal:* Pte. Fairburn; *backs:* Lce-Corpl. Stephens and Pte. Thompson; *half-backs:* Ptes. Lees, Tullock, and Hutchinson; *forwards:* Ptes. Drummond, Dewar, Macnamara, and Lennie, and Corpl. Fergusson.

SOUTH LANCASHIRE REGIMENT.—*Goal:* Pte. Walsh; *backs:* Bandsman Roach and Pte. Berry; *half-backs:* Ptes. Thomas, Dunkin, and Crowther; *forwards:* Drummer Prytherick, Ptes. Birch, Cook, and Hatton, and Corpl. O'Connell.

Referee:—Lieutenant W. R. Connigham.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* R. G. A. (*Colaba*). This match was played on the Cooperage Ground on the 15th instant, when the Scots beat their opponents by four goals to one. The gunners pressed at the start, but the Scots took the ball back and Hughes was kept busy. He saved in good style, but at last a rush by the Kamptee forwards resulted in the first point being scored. Keeping up the attack the Scots had the best of matters, but could not score again before the interval. The gunners broke away once or twice without success. On changing ends the Colaba team kept their opponents out for a while, but they returned to the charge and a bout of passing ended in Eltham finding the net. The Scots continued to press and Kennaway obtained the third goal Then the R. G. A. got together and taking the leather down almost scored, but a moment later they secured a goal, one of the Scots sending the ball into his own net. The Scots however got away immediately and made up for the mistake, Hughes failing to stop a low shot. Teams:—

ROYAL SCOTS.—*Goal:* Pte. Bryce; *backs:* Ptes. West and Ballantyne; *half-backs:* Ptes. Kinnigan, Easton, and Lakin; *forwards:* Ptes. Ross, Kennaway, Webber, McMillan and Hucker

ROYAL GARRISON ARTILLERY.—*Goal:* Bombr. Hughes; *backs:* Bombr. Eltham and Gr. Hynes; *half-backs:* Bombr. Cornish. Grs. Roke and Powell; *forwards:* Sergt. Key, Grs. Jones, Hartley, Parsons, and Smith.

Referee:—Mr. W. Nicholl.

ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS *vs.* EAST LANCASHIRES.—The first meeting of these teams resulted in a draw of a goal each, but the tie was replayed and the Highlanders proved victorious by three goals to one. The opening play was very even then the Highlanders got going and a run down and centre by Hogg resulted in Pollock scoring. They continued to attack on resuming, and McLay found the net with a stinging shot. The Lancashires made great efforts to score and they worked the ball down, but the 93rd backs were safe and once more the leather was taken to the Lancashires' territory where Pollock scored a third goal. Another determined effort by the Lancashires just before the interval was successful, Boothe getting the ball through. The Highlanders had the best of the game after half time, but neither team could score and the game ended as stated in a win for the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders by three goals to one.

Teams:—

ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS.—*Goal:* Pte. Mullen; *backs:* Ptes. Wallace and Ballantyne; *half-backs:* Ptes. McLean, Lapsley and Benton; *forwards:* Ptes. Pollock and Fleming, Bandsman Quin, and Ptes. McLay and Hogg.

EAST LANCASHIRE.—*Goal:* Corpl, Carefoot; *backs:* Ptes. Gregson and Smallwood; *half-backs:* Lce. Corpl Hubberstey, Ptes. Bryce and Naylor; *forwards:* Ptes. Boothe and Walsh, Lce.-Corpl. Coupe, and Ptes. Answorth and Hearne.

Referee:—Lieutenant Conningham.

SHROPSHIRES *vs.* PAREL GYMKHANA.—More by good luck than anything else the Parel team managed, while fresh, to save their goal from most of the attacks made on it by the Shropshires with the result that by half time the score stood 2 goals in favour of the latter to *nil*. It would be a waste of space to dwell on what happened in the second half so let it suffice to say that the Shropshires did exactly as they like and left the ground victors by 8 goals to *nil*. The Rovers' Committee manage their tournament so well that I am surprised they encouraged a scratch team like the Parel Gymkhana to enter, a team, be it noted, that did not even take part in the Harwood League games.

SHROPSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY.—*Goal:* Sergeant Willie; *backs:* Private Andrews and Lance-Corporal Stapleton; *half-backs:* Privates Evans and Roberts, and Sergeant Humphreys; *forwards:* Privates Oliver, Ledgette, and Bryan Lance-Corporal Graham and Private Skyrme.

PAREL GYMKHANA.—*Goal:* Mr. F. E. Murphy; *backs:* Messrs. W. Dennehy and J. Dennehy; *half backs:* Messrs. E. Torpy, J. Paterson, and P. S. Holtham; *forwards:* Messrs. S. Alcock, A Pitcher, H. Hotz, R. Hogan, and W. Alcock.

CALCUTTA F. C. *vs.* H. M. S. PERSEUS.—No game played so far attracted as much interest as that between the Calcutta team and the *Perseus* eleven which was played on Saturday afternoon The Calcutta men looked just a trifle stale after their long journey, but there were evidences in the occasional glimpse they gave of their true form that they are a highly trained combination and likely to prove formidable opponents. The *Perseus* eleven have trained on into a first-rate team and in meeting the naval men the Calcutta team had to encounter a very dangerous side The game throughout was of a most even character and although Calcutta did most of the pressing the defence offered by the *Perseus* combination was too good to enable them to score after the first ten minutes during which they registered the only goal scored. This goal was the result of fine bit of combined play by the centre half and the inside left, the latter netting the ball. Calcutta pressed their opponents very much during the first quarter and for some minutes bombarded the *Perseus* goal and twice only missed netting the ball by the smallest margin. The naval team towards the end of the first half played up well and Calcutta had to concede a corner, but this was the only time the Calcutta goal was in serious danger and a minute before the whistle went for half time Calcutta, who had worked the ball down to their opponents goal, put in a hot shot which was only saved with difficulty. The second half was most exciting, each side attacking in turn, but on the whole Calcutta had the best of exchanges and when the whistle went without any addition to the score had the satisfaction of leaving the ground victors by one goal to *nil* after a splendidly contested game. The Calcutta halves showed up well while of the forwards H Sherman, Cooper, and Cudlip at times were brilliant.

The meeting between the Warwicks and Shropshires in the Rovers' Tournament on the 19th furnished a surprise to those who expected to see the Shropshires run out winners by a big margin. The game was splendidly contested, from start to finish, the Warwicks not only holding their opponents, but having the best of exchanges in the first half especially; they more than held their own and when the whistle went neither side had been able to score and though time was extended by quarter of an hour the game ended in a pointless draw.

The game was replayed on Tuesday morning and ended in favour of the Shropshires by one goal to *nil* after an intensely fexciting game. During the first half the game was splendidly contested and ten minutes before half time the Shropshires scored as a result of magnificient piece of combined play. The second half was all in favour of the Shropshires but nothing further was scored.

ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS *vs.* ROYAL SCOTS.—These teams met in the third round of the tournament on Wednesday afternoon when another well contested game was witnessed. The Highlanders scored a goal in each half eventually winning by two goals to *nil*. Play in the first half was of a most exciting nature, both teams attacking strongly in turn. The Royal Scots, however, could not break through the Highlander's defence.

CHESHIRES *vs.* CALCUTTA.—This game, played on Wednesday evening was rather a disappointment, the soldiers gaining an easy victory by three goals to love. Calcutta played a very feeble game compared with what they did when they met the *Perseus* men on the last occasion. However, the Calcutta back line made a game defence, but their forwards were very erratic in passing and invariably lost ground in consequence.

The Seaforths, from Nusserabad, meet the Artillery, from Kirkee, this afternoon when a good contest is expected.

THE DURAND TOURNAMENT.

NEW CLUB *vs.* VOLUNTEERS "B" TEAM.—This was the first match in the tournament and was played at Simla on the 19th instant, the result being a draw of 2 goals each. The ground was in a very slippery state, and the display of football given was not of a very high standard. The Volunteers were the first to score, but it was not long before their opponents had equalised. Just before the interval the Volunteers scored once more. The second half was not particularly interesting. After an encouraging burst by both teams on resuming, the play settled down and ruled even till time was called. The New Club obtained a second goal after half time. The game was prolific in corners none of which gave any advantage.

BEDFORD REGIMENT *vs.* SOUTH STAFFORDS.—This match was also played on the 19th instant on the Annandale ground. It was, however, a more interesting game than the one between the New Club and Volunteers. The Bedfords attacked at once and the Stafford's custodian was called upon to save a series of hot shots which he did in good style. Continuing to press, the Bedfords at last got though. A smart centre by Scrivener being banged into the net by McNulty. The game then settled down and ruled very even till the interval. On changing ends, both teams worked hard, the Staffords making great efforts to score, but their opponents' defence was good and they were unsuccessful. The Bedfords showed good combination and got some fine runs, but there was no further scoring, and the match ended in a win for the Bedfords by a goal to *nil*.

OXFORD L. I. *vs.* QUEENS.—This game, played on the 20th instant, attracted a large number of spectators. The match was evenly contested throughout, play in the first half being especially level. On changing ends, however, the Queens showed up to advantage and the Oxford's goal was frequently in a state of siege. The Oxford's goalkeeper played a splendid

game and kept the Queens forwards out in great style. At last they got away and a brilliant run resulted in a shot by Moore finding the net. Shortly after, another goal was scored by the Queens and the issue put beyond doubt, the Oxfords being defeated by two goals to *nil*.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES (holders) *vs.* BLACK WATCH.—These teams met on the 20th instant, a good game resulting in a win for the Black Watch by two goals to one. In the first moiety the Rifles were obliged to defend and after some fast play a pass by Connelly enabled Shepherd to score the first goal for the Black Watch. They rushed down again and in a few minutes a second goal has been obtained, on being responsible. On changing ends the Rifles played very hard and had the best of matters. They pressed during most of the time, but it was not till a few minutes before time that Smith found the net. Encouraged by this success they made desperate efforts to make a draw of the game, but without success, and the Black Watch ran out victors as stated.

Golf.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

1st September 1904.

THERE really is very little golf going on just now, that is to say, golf worthy of comment. A few desultory matches; here and there an exhibition match by the leading professionals, claims a paragraph all to itself and treats of the contest stroke by stroke, this minute of detail being probably due to the scarcity of other material for press. Then, of course, there are the never failing monthly Medal Competitions, the number of the returns immensely swollen at sea-side Clubs and proportionately reduced from inland courses. The letters and articles anent golf on the public commons continue to appear regularly, some are reasonable, some utterly illogical and the subject is not likely to die out for some time, nor does there seem any probability of any definite or appropriate and propitiatory solution of the matter in question being arrived at. It is a very vexed question, and assuredly a most difficult one to arbitrate, and as in most cases, "what is one man's meat is another man's poison." Golf allowed *ad libitum* and open to everyone on commons would be meat indeed to the players—but poison indeed to those not devotees of the game.

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Poor Mr. Travis! never was a victory more hard won—it is now nearly three months since he took the Amateur Cup and Title of Champion back with him across the Atlantic and scarcely a week has passed without some comment usually of a deprecatory nature being made on the side of the water, on his play, his style, his ability, and on himself, and then the following week warmly taken up and refuted by his friends and fellowcountrymen on the other side of the water. There is, too, a great deal of talk about a Representative Team of British Golfers going out to St. Louis, this team is to be so strong and so representative that they are to thoroughly indicate the honour of the British Lion and carry all before them, and high are the hopes and many the good wishes they will carry with them from thousands of golfers over here!

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Great interest is being taken in the match between the "golfing cricketers" and "cricket golfers" at Lords. The rival teams are nearly complete, the former including J. H. Taylor, James Braid, Jack White, and Harry Vardon. Messrs. Horace Hutchinson, C. K. Hutchinson, W. H. de Lœtte, A. S. Johnston, H. M. Braybrooke and the Hon'ble Osmond Scott with Mr. Beldam as Captain there are all men whose chief game is the Royal and Ancient, but who have been known on some occasions to indulge in the National English Game! On the other side are men who are great with the willow or in other departments of cricket yet who where cricket "is" not, are not, averse to a round on the links and who do not despise the "Sport of Kings and Queens." In the team of cricket golfers are Messrs. Roe, Jessop, Smith, Turberville, P. J. de Paravicini, E. D. Compton, Lacey, Captain Guggisbery, etc.

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The Annual Tournament of the Dornoch Golf Club began on Tuesday, 16th August, when over 90 players from all parts of the United Kingdom competed for the Club Gold Medal, and many handicap prizes. In the former which was a Scratch Competition, the prize fell to Mr. J. L. Low with the excellent core of 78, details of which were:—

Out 4, 3, 5, 4, 4, 3, 6, 4, 3 = 36.
In 5, 4, 5, 4, 7, 5, 5, 3, 4 = 42.

The next best score was made by the Oxford University player A. G. Thomson with 81, whilst the best return under handicap was made by Mr. A. H. Savage—82—4 = 78 and B. A. Hill Dornoch—93—15 = 78.

In the afternoon the Carnegie Shield (handicap) was played for the best aggregate of two rounds deciding the winner Mr. Low again played fine golf, taking 79, but was beaten by one stroke on the aggregate by T. Munro, junior, with 182—24 = 158, as against Mr. Low's 157 + 2 = 159.

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Lady golfers are very busy organising there Autumn Matches and Competitions, but the present time is a bad one for any sort of attempt at getting together players, or even of managing to collect a quorum for a meeting of Committee—but another six weeks will see the fair sex hard at work with driver and iron. Short skirts, thick boots, very often no hat (that is the latest idea for the English sportswoman as conclusive to growth of woman's glory and as a preventitive of headache and megrims!) a very unattractive object is the enthusiastic golfeuse when got up regardless of effect, on a cold damp autumn morning; she is to be met with everywhere, in London streets in underground trains, or in the ubiquitous bus, the Tube knows her, the electric trams are laden with many of her, she is to be descried in Motor-Broughams, or bicycle, or driving herself in a smart "Ralli" and though she looks so undesirable and masculine, for a true staunch friend, for a straight, thoroughly reliable, honest, and well meaning woman, for a thorough "good sort," give me the golfing woman—and these golfing women intend to begin there autumn campaign in a very determined manner. Already the various Coronation Medal Competitions are arranged and advertised. Kent are holding theirs on 19th October, at Sundridge Park. The Worcestershire Club at Malvern are holding an open meeting on 18th and 19th October, and many other interesting events are on the tapis of which particulars and results will be given anon.

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A wonderful performance of Mr. Robert Maxwell's is just recorded at Preswick, in which he beat the record held by John Hunter by 3 strokes, Mr. Maxwell went round in 66, going out in 30 strokes and coming home in 36.

The Army Cup Competition is being played with great vigour and enthusiasm. In the third round the Corps Artillery beat the 1st Division R. F. A. by 22 holes to *nil*. The 2nd Coldstream Guards defeated the 2nd Grenadier Guards somewhat signally by 9 matches to 1. Mr. B. M. Brooke being the single winner for the Grenadiers—while Mr. Boswell (Grenadier Guards) halved with Mr. Burton (Coldstream Guards). The Harlech Summer Tournament of the Royal St. David's Club was concluded in perfect weather on 30th August. In the semi-final for the Harlech Town Bowl J. Ronald Clive (4) beat S. Rowland Parkes (18) by 5 and 4, and R. E. Myddleton (scratch) beat W. Keith Anderson (11) by 4 and 3. In the final 36 hole match between the two winners in the penultimate heat, Mr. R. E. Myddleton beat J. R. Clive by 5 and 4. The latter was 1 up on the first eighteen holes and won the 19th after which Mr. Myddleton went right away and never gave his adversary a chance to keep the lead.

Seventy-two Cards were taken out for the Mixed Foursome Competition, the winners were Miss D. Ellenshaw and Lord Maidstone 94—8½ = 85½. In the Ladies' Meeting which was held at the conclusion of the men's—Miss N. Lloyd Williams with 86 won the Gold Medal and the Silver Medal open to visitors was won by Miss Hilda Clive. Those who are fortunate enough to know the Harlech Green will understand that it is no easy course to make a good score on but play throughout the meeting was distinctly good and, of course, the lovely weather contributed no little quota in the success of the meeting.

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The Aberdovery Summer Meeting commenced on Saturday, 27th August. Many Midland players took part in the competitions and over 90 Cards were taken out. In the "Bogey" Competition five players succeeded in beating the Military Foe. Mr. C. R. Minchin playing from scratch was 4 up—next to him came Messrs H. Walker and T. S. Whitefield with 2 up. That same afternoon the first round for the Alcock Challenge Bowl with Memento was played and the meeting was concluded on 30th August with the Medal Competition for the Aberdovery Town Vase, with memento resulting in a tie between Messrs. W. W. Howard and O. Crane with returns of 79 net. The Foursome Competition was productive of much interest and altogether the meeting was an unqualified success

The 13th Annual Irish "Open" Championship, under the auspices of the Irish Golfing Union was commenced on the New Castle (Co. Down) links on Monday, 29th August. The day was occupied with the International matches, in which much interest was evinced and in which Scotland came out victorious, each country was represented by two teams of 10 aside, and each of these teams played as will be seen by the subjoined table a different foe in the afternoon:—

MORNING ROUND.

SCOTLAND		*vs.*	IRELAND.	
A. McDonald	4		H. A. Boyd	0
W. S. Colville	1		H. M. Cairnes	0
J. L. Lawson	6		C. Barcroft	0
W. D. Macniven	0		F. G. Dickson	4
W. Matheson	0		C. C. Inglis	2
D. G. McKenzie	1		E. Morrisey	0
W. G. Bitchie	11		A. R. Hunter	0
A. G. Archibald	6		A. De La Touche	0
H. Morgan	0		G. S. Clark	1
J. D. Brown	0		Lord Glerawley	4
	29			11

SCOTLAND		*vs.*	ENGLAND.	
G. Wilkie	2		J. S. Worthington	0
J. F. Mitchell	0		C. A. Palmer	1
J. W. Robb	0		E. A. Lassen	0
H. G. Stewart	9		W. Holt	0
J. Livingstone	3		C. M. Halsall	0
A. T. Duncan	9		C. K. Potter	0
John Patterson	4		A. J. Stanley	0
G. D. Macniven	3		F. Easterbrook	0
J. Bremner	2		A. T. Broughton	0
A. Cormack	0		Capt. Reade	7
	32			8

ENGLAND		*vs.*	IRELAND.	
D. Foster	0		H. H Reade (absent.)	
W. B. Charles	1		C. E. Stuart	0
R. H. Dun	0		A. C. Newett	1
G. G. Brickhill	5		A. Babington	0
A. L. Edgecombe	6		D. Mangan	0
A. S. Mayne Smith	0		D. M. Wilson	2
F. W. H. Weaver	0		Lieut. J. H. Goldfinch	1
C. T. Althorp	0		M. T. Allen	4
A. L. Hetherington	2		J. F. Gore Little	0
H. G. C. Booth	0		A. Saunderson	5
	14			13

IN THE AFTERNOON.

IRELAND		*vs.*	SCOTLAND.	
Reade (absent.)			Wilkie	
Stuart	7		Mitchell	0
Newett	8		Thornton	0
Babington	0		Stewart	6
O Donnell	0		J. Livingstone	4
Wilson	3		Duncan	0
Goldfinch	0		Patterson	0
Allen	2		Macniven	0
Gore Little	0		Bremner	0
Saunderson	0		Cormack	4
	20			14

ENGLAND		*vs.*	SCOTLAND.	
D. Forster	7		A. McDonald	0
W. B. Charles	0		Colville	1
R. Dun	5		Lawson	0
Brickhill	0		Macniven	1
Edgecombe	2		Matheson	0
Mayne Smith	0		McKenzie	8
Weaver	0		Ritchie	0
Althorp	1		Archibald	0
Hetherington	2		Morgan	0
Booth	0		Brown	5
	17			15

IRELAND		*vs.*	ENGLAND.	
H. A. Bond	4		J. S. Worthington	0
H. M. Cairns	0		C. A. Palmer	1
C. Barcroft	0		C. A. Lassen	7
F. G. Dickson	3		D. Holt	0
C. C. Inglis	0		C. M. Halsall	1
E. Morrisey	0		C. K. Potter	3
D. Mangan	0		A. J. Stanley	12
A. De La Touche	4		A. T. Broughton	0
G. S. Clark	1		F. Easterbrook	0
Lord Glerawley	1		Capt. Reade	0
	13			24

In my next note I hope to give a full account of the Irish Championship Heats also of the Medal Competition which preceded the Tournament.

M. E. S.

The Horse.

SOME RECORD JUMPS.

THE generally-accepted record wide-jump is the 39 ft. supposed to have been negotiated by Chandler at Warwick over 50 years ago. The exact accuracy of this measurement has frequently been disputed; anyhow, it is very doubtful if at that time a steeplechase jump would be measured as precisely as the distance of Mr. C. B. Fry's long jump was gauged. Thirteen yards certainly seems rather a "tall order"; but one thing is quite certain, and that is that Emblem did 36 ft., over water, with a stiff hedge on the off-side, in the Birmingham Steeplechase at Sutton Coldfield a few weeks before he won the Grand National. Strangely enough, this jump was negotiated within a few miles of Chandler's old home at Moor Hall. Perhaps there is "something in the air!"

A well-known authority has stated that The Colonel was the finest 'chaser he ever saw. A big, upstanding horse, standing rather high on the leg, The Colonel was a magnificent jumper and a very safe conveyance across country; indeed, if anything, he jumped too "big," and at Tamworth, where he won a small hurdle-race, it is said that he took the hurdles as if they were haystacks. He afterwards won the Grand National, giving away 6lb. to The Doctor, which horse Custance, in his "Riding Recollections," describes as "the boldest, biggest jumper I ever rode."

The Doctor accomplished several magnificent performances; and, in addition to running second to The Colonel for the Grand National, occupied the same position three years later in the big steeplechase at Bedford, where, giving away 28 lb. to Albrighton, he was beaten after a punishing finish by half a length. In later years no horse was better known in Leicestershire than The Doctor, who for six seasons cut down the best "leppers" in the county.

Though but a "little 'un," The Lamb was a marvellous jumper, who always seemed to have a leg to spare in an emergency. Many will have heard of the extraordinary agility he showed in the Grand National which he won. The second time round Bechers Brook proved too much for many of the field, and on the landing side the ground was literally strewn with prostrate horses and riders. The Lamb, however, was equal to the occasion, and managed to get clear of them, after giving a "finished exhibition" of how "hop-scotch" should be played.

Robert I' Anson declares that Austerlitz was the best jumper who ever crossed the Aintree country, and he trained him, and would have ridden him had not unforeseen circumstances occurred. The Squire eventually had the mount, and proved equal to getting home. Salamander was a fine natural jumper, and few owners perhaps have more pleasant memories of "The Blue Riband of the Chase" than Mr. Studd, who took £32,000 out of the ring when his horse proved victorious. The commission was executed at a long price, never less than 33 to 1 being taken—a fine price in comparison to the cramped odds so frequently offered in these days.

"The distressful country" has turned out more than its fair share of champion jumpers, undoubtedly one of the best of which was Ilex. As a four-year-old (with Arthur Nightingale up) Ilex won a selling steeplechase at Leicester, afterwards being bought in for 250 guineas. The next year he was beaten in a close finish by Battle Royal for the Great Sandown Steeplechase, and also ran fourth for the Irish International at Leopard's Town. Carrying 10 st. 5 lb., as a six-year-old, he won the Grand National in a trot. There were sixteen runners, out of which number eleven fell; but without this aid to success Ilex's owner obviously "feared no foe," for so confident was he of success that he was content to accept evens about his horse's chance as they passed the stand for the first time. A long away from home the issue was never in doubt, and the "finest lepper of the day," as he was frequently described, passed the post with Arther Nightingale patting his neck and easing him up. Although in the two succeeding years Ilex ran third for the National, he had nevertheless developed unsoundness, and in 1802 finished on three legs. In response to an inquiry on one occassion as to whether Ilex could jump, his owner replied "Jump! He could jump the Victoria Club."

It is not an easy matter to record the exact measurement of any big jumps made in the hunting-field, for when hounds are are running the last thing in the world a sportsman would do is to pull up, dismount, and fish out a measure from his pocket in order to gauge the exact measurement of the jump his mount has made.

There are some stiffish jumps in Leicester and Rutland, and in his "Riding Recollections" Custance makes special mention of one in particular. It is on record that a certain fence near Manton Gorse was so formidable that on one occasion the whole field gave it a "miss in baulk," and took another line, regardless of the fact that hounds were in full cry. A few days afterwards Manton Gorse was the first draw, and, a fox having been found, Custance and Mr. "Timber" Powell both went at the dreaded obstacle and succeeded in getting over. That magnificent horseman and pluckiest of riders, Frank Goodall, was not, however, so successful, for his horse hitting the top rail, come a cropper, whilst Goodall was picked up exactly nine yards away—he must have cleared over 40 ft. Custance describes the jump as "a double post-and-rail fence, with a quick-set hedge in the middle, the rails three and a half feet high, one leaning towards and the other away from you, and they were exactly twelve feet apart at the top. There was no chance of doubling it, as there was a ditch to drain the quick in the middle. The rails were very stiff, and would not allow any liberties to be taken with them."

Truly a nasty fence. A couple of stiff three-and-a half feet rails, twelve feet apart, and with a stiff hedge in between, would stop many a good man to hounds.

A short time ago a well-known member of the Southdown Hunt, riding a rather "hot-headed" mare, negotiated a big jump quite close to the Plumpton racecourse. His mare always jumped "big," and on this occasion actually cleared 38 ft., with a stiffish hedge on the off-side.

Shannon Lass, winner of the National in 1901, is a very safe jumper, and, in fact, has only fallen once in her life, and then through no fault of her own, for the going at Sandown Park, where she came a cropper, was perfectly awful.

Poor gallant old True Blue! What a neat jumper he was! And such an example to a horse who bungled or scrambled over his fences. He was an ideal hunter, and the man who could manage to fall off such a mount must have been a very poor performer in the saddle.

Many very good leaps have been made at horse shows, and some of the jumps at the Dublin Horse Show want a deal of doing. The Stone wall has not much "give" about it; in consequence, a horse soon learns that he cannot take any liberties with this obstacle. There are a large number of horses who have a great objection to jumping in cold blood, and there have been many examples where a really good jumper in the hunting-field has absolutely refused to jump a sheep wattle in a show.

It is on record that dining-tables, fully equipped, have been negotiated by well-known hunters—indeed, of trick jumping there are many amusing anecdotes. A good story is told of the late Marquis of Waterford, who on one occasion made a wager that he could produce a horse who could jump a six-foot wall. This feat was actually performed several times from one side of the wall, but each time the horse approached it from the other he always refused. Later on the discovery was made that the ground was six inches lower on the bad side.

Of records of big jumps made in the circus-ring there are an endless number; but a horse will naturally jump a greater height without a man on its back, and therefore such leaps cannot be fairly compared with those accomplished by a man and horse in the hunting-field or "over the sticks."

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THE CALCUTTA MONSOON MEETINGS.

WE publish the usual statistics of the Calcutta monsoon season, which do not call for very much comment. The amateurs, both as regards trainers and riders, have more than held their own, in spite of the improved class of horse now running at these meetings, in consequence of the increase in the value of stakes instituted two seasons ago. This is the first monsoon season within our memory in which we have been treated to six meetings, and we can only hope that it will form a precedent, and that the sixth meeting will now become a permanent fixture. If owners will respond as readily in the future as they have this year, there is no reason why six meetings should not always fill well.

As regards this season, entries have been very good throughout, though on two occasions the open hurdle race has been in danger of falling through; and on the whole the fields also have been satisfactory, though in one or two of the handicaps the big J was freely used after the publication of the weights. As is usually the case, the largest fields have invariably turned out for the second class races, closed to horses that have won more than a specified amount, and this is evidently the class that it pays best to cater for.

Of the owners, Mr. Rodocanachi easily heads the list with the very respectable sum—for the monsoon—of Rs. 2,640. This has been mainly put together by that game old mare Kittylea, who, good mare as she is, came in for her full share of luck to win quite as often as she did. Mr. Harold Smith stands second with Rs. 1,925, mainly earned by Hello, who has proved himself as good a performer in the mud as he is on the hard.

Of the riders, Mr. Evers easily heads the poll with 5 wins, 2 seconds, 7 thirds and 13 unplaced, making a total of 27 rides, or eight more than any other riders, professional or amateur. Hard comes next with 17 rides, out of which we has had 3 wins and 4 seconds, and he is followed by Howie, O'Neil and Mr. Galstaun and Shelldrake with 3 wins each to their credit. We append the usual figures and give in our Turf columns the Form at a Glance statement.

JOCKEYS.

Name.	1st.	2nd	3rd	Unplaced.	Total.
Hard	3	4	1	9	17
Howie	3	3	3	10	19
O'Neil	3	3	2	7	15
Shelldrake ...	3	1	1	2	7
W. White ...	2	1	1	6	10
Smallman ...	2	...	...	2	4
Regan	1	...	1	4	6
Cahill	1	...	1	2	4
Beasley	1	...	...	...	1
Bloss	...	2	...	7	9
McCallum ...	...	1	2	2	5
S. White ...	...	1	1	3	5
McNamara ...	...	1	...	...	1
Johnson	...	...	2	5	7
Walker	...	...	1	1	2
Piper	...	...	1	...	1
Toe	...	...	...	4	4
Balloowa ...	...	...	...	3	3
Wall	...	...	...	2	2
Rahman	...	...	...	2	2
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GENTLEMEN RIDERS.

Mr. Evers	5	2	7	13	27
Mr. Galstaun	3	2	2	6	13
Mr. Deakin	2	6	...	4	12
Mr. Smith	2	2	2	4	10
Mr. Dudley	2	2	...	14	18
Mr Hamilton	1	...	2	4	7
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh —	1	...	...	3	4
Mr. Barrow	...	1	2	5	8
Mr. Cowper	...	1	1	2	4
Mr. Turner	...	1	1	2	4
Mr. Ismay	...	1	1	...	2
Mr. McCall	...	...	...	3	3
Mr. Westmacott ...	...	...	...	2	2
Mr. W. O. Rees ...	...	...	...	2	2
Mr. Tanner	...	...	...	2	2
Mr. Mackellar	...	...	...	2	2
Mr. Stewart	...	...	...	1	1

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Special Telegrams.

THE PRINCE EDWARD HANDICAP.

(From our own Correspondent.)

THE PRINCE EDWARD HANDICAP of 2,000 sovs.; winners (selling races excepted) after 1st September, at noon, of a race value 250 sovs., 4lbs.; twice or once of 400sovs., 7lbs.; twice of 400sovs., or once of 1,000sovs., 10lbs. extra: second to receive 200sovs. and the third 100sovs.: entrance 4sovs., the only liability if forfeit be declared; or 16sovs. in addition for acceptors, and 10sovs. more for starters. One mile and a quarter. (43 entries, 15 of whom declared). Closed 16th August.

London, *Saturday, 24th September 1904.*

Mr. E. R. Polehampton's br c THUNDERBOLT, by St. Angelo—Chimera, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs., Madden 1

Lord Carnarvon's br c ROBERT LE DIABLE, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay, 5yrs., 9st., Maher... 2

Mr. Dunne's EARLA MOR———3yrs., 6st. 10lbs., Plant 3

Sir E Vincent's b f DONETTA, by Donovan—Rinovata, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs. 0

Mr. R. H. Henning's ch c FLOWER SELLER, by Florizel II.—Curbstone, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. 0

Mr. C. Hibbert's b f CAMPHOR, by Crafton—Amphoollahra, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. ... 0

Mr. S. M. Nolan's bk c THE ARROWED, by Gallinule—Little May, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. 0

Mr. Wm. G. Singer's b c JOLLYBIRD, by Gallinule—La Joie, 4yrs., 6st. 12lbs. ... 0

Mr. F. Stroud's b f SWEET KATIE, by St. Simonmimi—Katie Dougal, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs. 0

Lord M. Beresford's b c KIRKBY, by Royal Hampton—Mrs. Butterwick, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs. 0

Mr. J. G. Clarke's ch c MARK TIME, by Marco—Semitone, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs. ... 0

Mr. F. Langstaff's br c CATTY CRAG, by Wolf's Crag—Nobody's Child, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs. 0

(*Winner trained by Bates.*)

Betting: 5 to 1 against Flower Seller. 8 to 1 each Thunderbolt, Robert le Diable and Earla Mor.

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

An American lady, who was in Port Arthur during the bombardment by Admiral Togo's fleet, tells a curious story of the behaviour of the Port Arthur cats under fire. When the big shells began to fall during the day five or six cats used to come out on to a roof opposite her house. "With my family I spent hours in looking at them," the lady writes; "but only during the day, for at night I dared not stir out of bed. At each gunshot the cats arched their backs and stiffened their legs, and seemed both terrified and furious. Then when a hissing shell arrived it gave the signal for a frightful battle. They jumped at each other raging like tigers, and seemed to hold each other responsible for what was taking place. The effect was so comical that we could not help laughing, though the occasion was not one to inspire gaiety. After having fought, the cats retired for a while, but as soon as the bombardment began again they went through the same business.

Sporting Notes.

THE Calcutta Monsoon season was brought to a close with a capital day's racing at the sixth meeting held last Saturday. It was in many ways the best meeting of the season, and even in the matter of weather we were not so scurvily treated as we have grown accustomed to being. There was a sharpish shower during the hurdle race, and an occasional drizzle during the remainder of the afternoon, but nothing to speak of, and a steady breeze rendered the afternoon pleasantly cool.

Perhaps the most noticeable feature of the day was the immense improvement in the handicapping. At the last meeting there was rightly, we think, more grumbling over this section of the arrangements than we ever remember to have heard before: but apparently the openly expressed dissatisfaction was not without result, since in the closing meeting the allotment of burdens was worthy of Mr. Cursetjee at his best. In support of this it is only necessary to glance at the detailed account of the racing, which shows that out of the six races coloured on the card, in no case was the verdict given by more than a length, while there were two short head victories, and what is perhaps more important, all the placed horses were close enough up to come under the proverbial sheet. This *is* handicapping, and we can only regret that we did not get a taste of it earlier in the season.

It was a bit of a day out for Smallman, who not only rode two winners, but trained the winners of three out of the six events, though we notice that he is robbed of one-third of this distinction by an esteemed daily *confrere*, who gives Second Thought (who finished third) as the winner of the Giant Plate, and also, we notice, gives Pierette who finished among the "also ran" brigade (if not behind them) as running third for the first race, the Dalhousie Plate! Whatever eccentricities a reporter indulges in, he might reasonably be expected to get the first three horses placed accurately.

Proceedings opened with the Dalhousie Plate, for which eight turned out. The money was all for Step Ma and Fusilier, but the former got off badly and ran terribly green, swerving all over the course as soon as Mr. Dudley sat down to bustle her in earnest. Fusilier ran a good horse, but could only get within a length of Thunder Cloud ridden by Smallman, who started at the nice price of "tenses."

The Hunters' Handicap produced a like field, of which Gauntlet and Planet II were the most fancied. The latter apparently cannot be induced to gallop in the mud, and declined further interest in the proceedings after going a mile. Sylvia led throughout, fencing in a far less irresponsible style than is her wont, and it was only in the run in that she was collared by Cheer Up who, after a great race, lauded the verdict by a short head.

Only five were weighed out for the Giant Plate and Mademoiselle was installed favourite at twos, though Little Doris had also a strong following. The start was greatly delayed by the vagaries of Second Thought and Little Doris, the latter of whom whipped round as the gate went up, and took no part in the race. Irish led a part of the way, but Mademoiselle assumed command at the turn and won comfortably by a length.

Nine went to the post for the Autumn Plate and that gay deceiver Invincible, was once more served up favourite, with Profit next in demand. The winner turned up in Hello, ridden by Smallman, who started at sixes, as the popular notion was that 11-0 was asking too much of him in the heavy going. Profit led to the turn, but died away there, and Mr. Smith's second horse, Morris, was the nearer to the winner, who got home by a bare half length. Morris, we hear, has passed into Mr. Turner's possession as a paperchaser, and ought to prove a more than useful one.

Black Patch was almost unanimously selected as the plum of the seven who went out for the Lilliput Plate, in spite of her somewhat tucked-up appearance. Little Doris got well away, and in spite of her steadier of 11st. ran very prominently all through and secured third place. Black Patch looked like a winner at the distance, but Golden Tip coming with a rush on the post, snatched the race by half a length. Eight faced the barrier for the last race and Step Ma and Pubna were installed equal favourites. Pubna led from the start to the half distance, where she looked to be beat, and Claymore came to the front. Mr. Evers had not quite finished with the chestnut mare, however, and timing his last effort with the greatest accuracy snatched the race out of the fire by a short head, thus furnishing a good example of the better jockey, and not the better horse, winning the race. More power to your elbow.— T. G. E.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes:—I regret to state that Mr. C. G. Brown, proprietor of the Cubbon Hotel, is at present lying in a very critical state owing to injuries caused by a wounded panther. The particulars of the accident, which occurred about a fortnight ago, are as follows:—Mr. Brown, who is an experienced shikari, went out with another sportsman after a panther which had mauled a native a few miles from Bangalore a day or two previously. The expedition was an errand of mercy as well as of sport, for the party carried antiseptic dressing for the injured native. Arrived at the scene of action, the stories told by the natives were, as usual, vague and contradictory, and it was difficult to sift the truth from the fiction. Eventually, after the panther had been represented as unwounded, it was discovered that this was not so, principally by the unwillingness of the natives to beat the jungle in which the beast was said to be lying. Then it was said that the animal had been seen, and was so badly hurt that it could hardly crawl and only required the *coup de grace*. Although acting on this presumption, considerable caution was still observed, but it must naturally have come as a shock to Mr. Brown to suddenly discover the beast, which was alleged to be helpless, charging down on him like an express train. The natives bolted, and Mr. Brown's arm was seized and somewhat badly bitten, he firing two ineffectual shots when the animal was close upon him. He then knocked it off with his fist, and a native shikari, pluckily returning, shot the animal dead. Mr. Brown's companion meanwhile had no notion that an accident had occurred and only arrived when the whole thing was over, it having occupied only a few seconds altogether. The injuries were attended to on the spot, and on his return to Bangalore Mr. Brown had the best possible medical attendence. As I write, however, his condition is very serious. The panther was a female with cubs, another fact which was not mentioned by the lying natives.

I re-open this letter to say that Mr. Brown died from the effects of his injuries at 3-30 P.M. to-day (24th instant). He will be much missed in Bangalore: the greatest sympathy is felt for Mrs. Brown.

The programme of the next Dacca Races, fixed for the 10th, 12th and 14th January next, appears in to-day's issue of this journal. There are half a dozen races each day, and though there are some slight alterations the cards follow pretty closely those of last year, and there may be an Extra or two. Calcutta owners will, of course, be represented, numerously we hope. Mr. C. H. Holder is Honorary Secretary.

The Punjab Horse Show will be held at Rawalpindi about the beginning of April 1905. Improvements are being extensively made, classes re-arranged and more valuable prizes offered, so that the show promises to be even a greater success than its predecessor.

The Madras Race Stewards have just got out the programme of their X'mas Meeting, which is to be held on Tuesday, the 27th December, and full details of which will be found further on in to-day's paper. If the weather permits this meeting will be held on the island, if not at Guindy. First entries close on the 15th December.

This little meeting is in addition to the winter meeting, details of which have already been published.

The occupation of the Chumbi Valley by a British garrison, and carrying a road through it, will open

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up a base for shooting in the higher mountains of the central Himalaya that many sportsmen, ever on the look-out for fresh fields will duly appreciate. True the accounts of game encountered by the "Mission" on its onward march were rather meagre, and limited to notice of such lesser items as hare and pheasant, but it was not to be expected that the larger animals would tarry within view of imposing caravans or military columns, though indications were abundant enough to prove that the particular bovines inhabiting these places only need hunting up by small parties, whose presence would not attract much attention. Of course it goes without saying that the road through the valley is but the first section of a high way to Lhassa and, eventually, to Mongolia, but just at present we are but concerned with the game preserve of the Chumbi proper, and facilities it should afford for deer to the east and west, though from the rather sparse information as yet available we know next to nothing of the practical passes to the country north of Bhutan. The few Tibetan traders that come from there have up to date, from fear of divulging secrets that might have got them into trouble, been rather reticent, though the wares they bring show that yak, kyang, the musk ox, the huge hill sambur and the half wild goats roam the lower pine forests in considerable numbers; and as confidence is established between these people and our road making parties and engineers, no doubt the judicious distribution of the almighty dib will induce guides to offer their services. The Bhutias have recently shown themselves well disposed, so that not only may the hunter traverse the Chumbi by the military road, but reach the desired grounds *viâ* Punaka—the Bhutan capital—and as Sarat Chandra tells us the land slopes gradually down from the meridian of Lhassa merging into a prairie-like expanse extending to the Kham province of China being known as the Dayab (or meadow), there is a grand stretch opening up that has never been disturbed by the crack of the rifle. True the tribes on the Northern Assam border have to be thought of, but so marked a change has come over their behaviour towards strangers—Europeans specially—of late years, if one will respect their peculiarities not essaying bullying or "*zubberdust*," he should be able to penetrate from end to end their country as safely as Wilcox did eighty years ago. In fact we see no great difficulty in our tramping from the Chumbi to the Dehong without molestation, and in fact as a welcome guest. Not only should these new fields invite the hunter, but those venturesome individuals who seem never so happy as when risking their necks and limbs might essay the ascent of Jomulhari, that huge snowclad hummock marking the entrance of the Chumbi on the east. Viewed from Dewangiri, or even the Shillong Peak, there seems a way up from the north-east which may be practical.

The Calcutta Zoo has just received the following:—

2 Emus, 3 Leopards (one of them with a cub), 1 White Jackal and 2 Demoiselle Cranes. All presented by the Bhawal Raj State, Jovdebpur, Dacca.

Our readers will be interested to hear that the Zoo authorities are expecting a fine pair of Giraffes at the end of October or beginning of November. They were caught in the desert of Kordofan in June last, and are now at Hamburg.

We are glad to see the Chamba State has increased the shooting license fee from Rs. 5 to Rs. 25. In future only a fixed number of these licenses will be granted.

Messrs. Walter Locke & Co., on the threshold of the ensuing cold season, remind us, in the latest edition of their general catalogue and price list, that they are as enterprising as ever and that they maintain their position in the fore-front of Indian commercial enterprise. The large extensions the firm have made to their workshops, the establishment of their foundry at Kidderpore and the rapid increase in their electrical business are alluded to in this catalogue, but they want a book to themselves and doubtless our friends W. L. and Company will see to it later on. The catalogue under notice exhibits all the perfections of its predecessors and introduces us to some novelties in sporting implements and gear. The firm's motor cars, bicycles, and launches are well worth inspection.

Mr. R. H. A. Gresson has been elected a Steward of the Calcutta Turf Club in place of Mr. H. T. Peter, resigned.

Appended was the betting on the two big Autumn Handicaps on the 9th instant when the mail left:—

THE CESAREWITCH.

(Run Wednesday, 19th October. Two miles two furlongs.)

100 to 6 agst.	Bondeau, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs. (t) ...		Blackwell
20 to 1	—	Mark Time, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs. (t) ...	Robinson
20 to 1	—	Hands Down, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (t)	Major Edwards
25 to 1	—	Saltpetre, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs. (t) ...	Baker
25 to 1	—	War Wolf, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs. (t) ...	Mr. Sullivan
25 to 1	—	Palmy Days, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs. (t)	Peacock
25 to 1	—	Gahzal, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (t) ...	In France
100 to 3	—	Galapas, 3yrs., 7st. (t) ...	Brewer
40 to 1	—	Admiral Breeze, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (t)	Gilbert
40 to 1	—	St. Kitts, 3yrs., 6st. (t) ..	J. Watson
40 to 1	—	Rydal Head, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs. (t)	J. Porter

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

(Run Wednesday, 26th October. One mile and a furlong.)

20 to 1 agst.	Wood Pigeon, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs. (t)		G. Chaloner
25 to 1	—	Marsden, 3yrs., 7st., 4lbs. (inc. 10lbs. ex.) (t) ...	Sadler, Jun.
25 to 1	—	Wild Oats, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs. (t) ...	Blackwell
100 to 3	—	Grey Plume, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs. (t)	J. Porter
100 to 3	—	Donnetta, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (t) ...	R. Day
100 to 3	—	Newsboy, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (t) ...	Robinson

Full details of the St. Leger will be found in our English Sporting Letter. Pretty Polly won in the record time of 3mins. 5⅘secs., and she came in practically cantering it must be remembered. What a marvel she is?

The following curious incident is recounted in *The Field* by Sir Godfrey Lagden, Johannesburg. "There were a lot of rats in the forage-room of my stable, and we had great difficulty in getting at them. They were shy of all traps, and did a tremendous lot of damage at night time, lying quiet all day. At length I put in the room a square tin-lined box about 3 feet deep, and in it placed some burnt cheese. The rats immediately got interested in the cheese, climbed up the outside of the box, and, having got inside, could not ascend the slippery tin lining. In this way we killed a great many. One morning my children took a cat, who was a very good ratter, and placed it in the box, where there was already a good sized rat. The cat, instead of tackling the rat appeared to make friends with it. They put their noses together and frisked around, but no harm was done, and eventually the cat jumped out, refusing to tackle the rat. The children then put in a keen dachshund, who immediately snapped at the rat and missed it. The rat ran round the box two or three times, dodging cleverly, and eventually, by climbing on the dog's back, adroitly jumped out of the box and escaped.

Mr. W. M. Beresford returns in the *Arabia* and will probably be back in Calcutta about the middle of next month.

The Calcutta Polo Tournament will begin on the 3rd January instead of the 6th idem as originally arranged.

According to an American paper, the first attempt to use the Australian totalizator in America was made at the Vallejo race meeting last month, the Ward machine being used. Although auction pools were sold and a book was also on, the machine was quite well patronized and the public seemed highly pleased with the result. On the last day the ticket sellers were kept busy when the 2-10 pace was on, as it was a split heat affair and each heat closely contested. The odds were so much better than those offered by the bookmaker that the latter did very little business and it is said lost money on the meeting. In the pacing event on the last day, after three heats had been decided and Zolock had lost two of them, one to two was the best odds offered by the book against Zolock, while the totalizator paid better than even money on him when he won the fourth heat. In the second heat of the 2-24 class trot, won by Lady Madison, the machine paid $24.70 for a dollar. Tickets were sold at $1 each, and there were but four heats where the odds were not better than even money. Tickets on the favourite paid better than two to one in many instances where the books had one to two and one to three chalked up.

The Ward Totalizator Company has secured the privileges to operate their machine at Spokane, Boise, and several other points on the North Pacific Circuit and we believe it will be well received by those who wish to back the horses at those points. It is a very attractive looking piece of furniture and the system is so simple that anyone can understand its workings.

On the subject of the evolution of speed a writer in *The American Sportsman* remarks that while we all believe in evolution, and that under favouring conditions every generation is bound to be better than the preceding one, the average student of the American trotter doubtless gives too much credit to scientific breeding and too little to the many modern speed enhancing devices and improved race tracks.

When we reflect that it is almost forty years from the 2-22 of George Wilkes, the champion trotting stallion of his time, to the 2-02¼ of Cresceus, the champion trotting stallion of his time, we are too apt to attribute the gain of nearly twenty seconds to scientific breeding or evolution. But good judges think the tracks of forty years ago were from eight to ten seconds slower than the best tracks of to-day.

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If we take all the facts and circumstances into consideration it is probable that the real difference in speed between George Wilkes and Cresceus (both rigged the same) would not be more than six or seven seconds. This is a guess, of course, but look at the reason for it. George Wilkes' record does not indicate his speed limit. He worked a half-mile over the old Union track on Long Island in 1-04 hitched to a 120 pound road wagon. He trotted a quarter in 29 seconds hitched to an 85 pound wagon. In this trial he was timed by Wesley Bishop and Hamilton Busbey. Mr. Busbey, in his new book, claims that George Wilkes, if alive to-day, would defeat every horse in the world easily. In this Mr. Busbey is entirely mistaken. Modern speed provoking devices and modern shoeing cannot be made to measure the distance between the best trial mile that George Wilkes ever made and the 1-58½ of Lou Dillon. Concede that George Wilkes did pull an 85 pound steel tire, friction axle wagon a mile in 2-18. Give five seconds' credit to the modern bike and eight seconds to the modern track, and two seconds to modern modes of training, and still George Wilkes is some strenuous seconds behind Lou Dillon.

This looks like slow progress, but evolution is always slow. Professor Darwin does not tell us in his great book on "The Descent of Man" how many years elapsed between the man-like ape and the ape-like man, nor the crisis in that development when the man-like ape discarded his tail, but it was many thousand years. And notwithstanding the many thousands of years since the first advent of the ape-like man, he is still in imitative existence in many parts of the world. Hence, by comparison with the development of the human race, the speed development of the American trotter has been rapid, even if we have only gained a second in a decade.

We print the programme for the Hyderabad Races further on, and remind our readers that second entries close on Monday, 10th October 1904.

On Mr. R. H. Rimington Wilson's grouse moor of Broomhead, near Sheffield, on the 24th ultimo, all records, says the *St. James' Gazette*, were broken by a shooting party of nine guns, which killed on that day no fewer than 2,743 grouse, or, in other words, 1,371½ brace. This bag surpasses by nearly fifty brace of grouse the previous record for one day's shooting by a party which was made as far back as 1893 on the same moor by Mr. Rimington Wilson and his guests when 2,648 grouse, or 1,324 brace were accounted for on 20th August.

This record-making shooting party consisted in addition to Mr. R. H. Rimington Wilson, of eight other guns—*viz.*, the Earl of Onslow, the Earl of Powis, Lord Cecil Manners, Lord Savile, the Mackintosh, Major Acland Hood, Mr. Heatley Noble, and Mr. H. Rimington Wilson from which it can be seen that it embraced many of the finest grouse shots living, Mr. R. H. Rimington Wilson himself being regarded as the best grouse shot in England. The ammunition used by the members of the party contained 1⅛oz shot along with the standard charges of Schultz E. C. smokeless diamond, Kynoch and Heurite, while the guns were of the most modern manufacture, the majority of them being single triggers on the Boss system, similarly bored in both barrels. Mr. Rimington Wilson was the first English sportsman to adopt this system some nine years ago.

It is noteworthy that the same number of guns (nine) made the record on Broomhead in 1893 as took part in the 1904 record mentioned. The latter record shows that where care and skill have been exercised in grouse preservation this year there should be abundant grouse. It also shows that the straightest possible power is requisite, owing to the wildness and strength of the birds, and that, we may be certain, was the rule last month at Broomhead or such a splendid bag would not have been made.

The Lucknow Autumn Meeting second entries and third entries for the Army Cup will close to-morrow.

The delay in getting out the Dehra Dun race programme has necessitated an extension of the closing date of entries which are now advertised for the 29th September and 7th October.

Our Poona Correspondent writes:—Everyone was delighted to welcome back Mr. Cecil Grey, the popular Secretary of the W. I. T. C., who was looking wonderfully well after his six months rest at home. He has doubtless come primed with new ideas for the furtherance of the welfare of the Turf Club for which he has already done so much. It must have been a great source of satisfaction to him to find how admirably Mr. Cursetjee Dhunjeeshaw had carried on during his absence. Lady Jenkins also returned by the same steamer and received a warm welcome from her many friends. Ramshaw, the erstwhile jockey, and now developed into an owner, and Ames, a prophet of the most pronounced American seat also caught the race special, and it was interesting to note the arrival of a little English light-weight lad of the well-known family of Barrett coming to try his luck.

It is, I believe, considered ungracious to adversely criticize lady and gentlemen amateurs when they give their services in the cause of charity, but we are used to the best of most things, and when good natured people get up public entertainments and charge for admission, even in the cause of charity, they should bear in mind that in Poona we expect the best. The *Café Chantant* held during the past week scarely came under this category and showed obvious signs of hasty preparation and lack of proper stage management which people resented.

The Big Meeting opened in fine if rather sultry weather, and the attendance was perhaps slightly restricted in consequence. After the large fields we have been accustomed to throughout the "extras" it was quite a novelty to find only four starters for the Stand Plate for 14 handers, and of this quartet the public would consider nothing but Veera and La France; and rightly, the former beautiful pony winning somewhat comfortably in just a tick over 51 seconds. Travelling indeed!

In the Maiden Plate for Arab ponies, the well-known dealer, Talib, started Moon and Nainawa, backing the latter to win and the former for a place, but had evidently made some mistake in his trial, as Nainawa could get no nearer than third, while Moon admirably handled by Penton won with a bit to spare.

Once again the public spotted which thimble the pea was under and went for the lovely, honest little Russley Rose with determination at 6 to 4 on, and J. Robinson found little difficulty in putting things in a safe state by a convenient half length.

In the Trial Plate, however, the *cognoscenti* could not make up their mind and a deal of money was circulated by the adherents of Loch Clievedon, Blue Blood, and Child's Guide. Why in the face of the consummate ease with which the later won over 7 furlongs there was a strong opinion current that he could not get the extra one it is difficult to imagine. The English horse certainly never gave his backer much mental anxiety, as he soon drew out with Harpist, and when it came to the distance little Eliott had merely to give him his head (adorned as usual in the insulting cap and blinkers) to draw away and win pulling up.

In the Aga Khan's Commemoration Plate that fine Arab horse Mameluke was rightly made favourite. He is about the only really first-class Arab horse in training. To Hyderi, who was heavily backed by his stable, he conceded 1st. 11lbs., and won cleverly in Penton's clever hands.

A large field of a baker's dozen faced the starter for the half mile race for Lilliput Arabs and gave that patient official a deal of trouble. The lovely little Ptarmigan was made favourite, but was interfered with, Rose, ridden by Ames, eventually winning. So ended a very enjoyable day's racing which augured well for a most successful meeting.

Athletic Notes.

WE learn that the Annual General Meeting of the Calcutta Golf Club will be held on Friday, 28th October, and that Saturday, 5th November, has been fixed upon for the opening day of the new season with its customary handicap and the annual tiffin. The fixture card is much the same as usual, except that this year one of the medal competitions will be brought forward to fill the somewhat long gap between the opening day and the Xmas Meeting. The Amateur Championship of India will once more be played over the links of the Tollygunge Club by kind permission of the Committee and members, and as the event is yearly growing in importance and popularity, a large entry of competitors from all parts of India may be confidently expected.

Page after page of this week's home sporting papers is full of averages and statistics of the closing cricket season, which may, or more probably may not, deeply interest our readers, but there is one player who deserves and will receive the hearty congratulations of all cricketers, his many friends in India included, and that is Jack Hearne upon his place at the very top of the year's bowling averages. A splendid position for a man of his years, and one who always has so much hard to do, and does it. The figures of the South African tour are interesting too, and make the team out at least fully up to tip top county form if not a little more, and the Yorkshire executive will no doubt rejoice at the decision of the Colonial Captain, Mr. Frank Mitchell, to stay at home next year and play regularly for the county of the White Rose once more. His fine and reliable batting should give the side once again that cohesiveness which, with F. S Jackson so often not available, would appear to have been lacking more than once this year.

Mr. J. S. Worthington, the popular Mid-Surrey crack player, is one of those golfers who has literally forced his way to first-class rank by merit and determination, and his performances in this year's Amateur Championship at Sandwich will have prepared many judges for his fine victory in the Irish Open Amateur Championship at Newcastle Co. Down the other day, and his achievement in beating his opponent 6 and 4 on the thirty-six holes, after being thrice down at the end of the first eighteen and in equalling the record of the difficult links with a splendidly played round of 74, speaks volumes for his nerve. Mr. Worthington will go further yet. Another very popular Championship victory was that of Mr. Hal Ludlow, the well-known artist, in the Amateur Championship of Wales at Pembrey, though he had not the same class of rivals to meet as Mr. Worthington, and in fact rather spread eagled his field, winning the final match against Mr. R. M. Brown by no less than 13 up and eleven to play.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes:—The Baronet Cricket Club, one of the best local Parsee clubs, will, I learn on good authority, send a team to Calcutta during the Christmas holidays. Calcutta cricketers may be prepared to meet a fairly strong side, including some of the Parsee representative players. None of the players, however, who assist the Parsee Gymkhana will be in the team which is composed of players who are not members of the Parsee Gymkhana. Meherhomji Daruwalla, the Rajas, Colabawalla and Kapadia, are all likely starters.

The last of the weekly mounted sports were held on Wednesday afternoon, when, owing to the counter attractions of the Rovers' Football Tournament and the Races at Poona, half the items on the programme had to be abandoned for want of entries, while the others drew so few competitors that the afternoon fell flat and uninteresting to competitors and spectators alike.

The local golfers who competed at Nasik in the Western India Golf Tournament have all returned, and it must be said of them that they rendered a poor account of themselves on the whole, in fact I do not remember any year in which the Bombay contingent has shown up so poorly. [Full results of the Nasik Tournament appear in our Golf Columns. ED.]

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The Maharaj Kumar Tagore, we hear, is giving a Cup for competition among members of the Bengal Automobile Association. The conditions, we understand, have not yet been definitely settled; but it is likely the decision will be in favour of a speed contest over a more or less tricky course, a reliability trial being rather difficult to work in this part of the world unless it was held between this and say Barrakur and back.

The Bengal-Nagpur Railway Company, with the desire to cater for the public which has always distinguished its management, announce a special Poojah trip to Puri—an attractive little outing that is sure to be taken advantage of by many "Ditchers" who want a glimpse of the sea and a lung full of ozone. It occurs to us that a little more variety could be got out of the trip if a certain amount of cycling were combined with it. The main road from Midnapore to Puri runs close to the Bengal-Nagpur Railway for the greater part of the way, so that a tripper taking a return ticket could, we presume, go by train to Kharagpur, cycle or take the branch train to Midnapore, and reach Puri, alternately cycling and training; or if "so disposed" one might cycle all the way down and return by train. We give full details of the cycle route from Calcutta to Puri in our Cycling columns; but we would make one reservation; we strongly recommend the section between Calcutta and Midnapore being done by train. The last time we were awheel over this stretch of road we had the reverse of a comfortable ride most of the journey. From Midnapore southwards the road is always good.

In our Golf columns will be found the complete results of the R. W. I. G. C. Tournaments at Nassik, some of the finals of which had not arrived for inclusion in our last issue.

The All-India Hockey Tournament will commence at Allahabad on the 12th December, entries closing on the 20th November. The Tournament is open to British Regiments, attached men not to be played in regimental team; teams of British officers of any two Native Regiments combined; batteries or companies R.A. (any two may combine); Station Gymkhanas; Police Officers' Teams, and Volunteer Teams of same Corps or station.

The final game in the Walter Locke Football Competition in Rangoon was played on the 22nd instant between the Rangoon Gymkhana and the Border Regiment from Thayetmyo. There was a large crowd in spite of bad weather. The Gymkhana were expected to win, but their play was much below their usual standard and they were defeated by three goals to one. Each team scored a goal in the first half.

There is no doubt the trend of modern athletics verges on the sensational. Happily, however, oarsmen do not yet make matches to row from Oxford to London, or for many hours at a stretch. Sensational feats or trials of mere physical endurance do not yet appeal to the boating world, we are glad to say. Personally, we fail to see the good of the current discussion on long-distance rowing at all—but that is another story. Is the game worth the candle? Hear what Mr. W. H. Grenfell says:—"My most tedious rowing experience was when I pulled in a treble sculling boat from Oxford to Putney—a distance of 120 miles—in twenty-two hours. The chief hardship was sitting so long in such a cramped position. The thirty-three locks we passed afforded quite a rest." Exactly; such feats are only the outcome of misdirected enthusiasm.

A General Meeting of Members of the Calcutta Rangers' Club was held at the Dalhousie Institute on Friday evening, 23rd September, at 9-30 P.M. Mr. W. J. Bradshaw presided, and in opening the proceedings, he expressed his regret that the President, Mr. Martyn Wells, was unable to be with them on this occasion, but he was enjoying a well-earned holiday and they all hoped he would return much benefited by his trip Home. He next referred to the belated Annual General Meeting and said that it was not in the interests of the Club that a meeting which should ordinarily have been held in January should have been held over till September, and in order that this should not occur another year, a new bye-law would be proposed that evening which would make it compulsory for the Executive to call the annual meeting between the 15th September and 15th October of each year.

He referred to the rules of the Club under which the membership was unlimited in number and said that although the rules gave them power to admit any number of members, yet in his opinion members had not exercised that care which they might have done in the selection of many, who during the last few years had been admitted. There were instances where men had made a convenience of the Club for a few months and then had walked off and never paid their subscriptions; others had joined the Club because they found it an easy way to get drinks, sign for them and then leave the Club without paying their bills; the result was a large amount had had to be written off as bad debts, quite irrecoverable and the Club was consequently on the wrong side. He urged members to be careful in their selection of new members, and thought if they did so the standard of the Club would be raised and there would then be no dearth of good players. As far as he personally was concerned, he would rather the Club not be in a position to enter a team to compete in any event, than pack it with outsiders just brought in for certain occasions.

This brought him to another question which has caused some feeling in the Club during the past season, *i.e.*, the admission of soldiers into the Football Team under the rule which empowers the General Committee to elect temporary members for three months, without their names going to the ballot. He would impress upon the meeting that the Committee had the interests of the Club at heart and their great desire he knew was to put in the best team they could, but in their zeal for the sport, he thought they had not exercised that discretion which the general body of members expected them to do. He had the greatest admiration for the British soldier, and could testify to the excellent behaviour and great assistance the military element introduced in the football team last season had been to the Club, but they must remember that the Rangers was intended to be a Civilian Club from its foundation and he hoped it would always remain so. He mentioned this matter as it had been the cause of some friction of late and he hoped it would now be a thing of the past, and now the Committee knew the wish of the members, or he should say the majority of the members, he hoped in future they would only elect under the rule for temporary members such candidates as would be sure of election had their names gone up to the ballot.

He then referred to the large sums run up by some of the members for refreshments and he suggested that the older members should be a little more careful in the way they had encouraged a habit to grow up lately, by fostering what was termed "creeps." He knew of instances where men were let in to pay for a large number of drinks for others, which they could not afford to pay for, and he was sure if they only gave the matter serious thought they would see that it was not in the best interests of the Club, or its members, to encourage this. He then referred to the accounts and said it was to be regretted that the balance was on the wrong side: with a Club of 100 members this should not be so, and it was necessary that members should take a livelier interest in the welfare of the Club if they wished to carry it on. He pointed out that the duties of Treasurer were such as made it difficult to get any member to take it up and it was proposed that Messrs. Patton and Company, Incorporated Accountants, should take over the accounts, make all collections, pay all bills, and submit a monthly statement to the Committee of the state of the Club finance. He felt certain, it would pay the Club to pay a fee and have the accounts well looked after, rather than run the risk of having to write off large sums each year in bad debts. He then read a letter from Mr. Theo. Walsh referring to the accounts of the past year and giving his reasons for having resigned the Club, which were recorded.

He briefly referred to the work of the Sports Section of the Club during the past year, and said that the Club's visit to Dacca would long be remembered owing to the princely hospitality and pleasant time they had as guests of that good sportsman H. H. The Nawab of Dacca.

The Committee's report and statement of accounts were then passed with acclamation. The following office-bearers were appointed for the ensuing year:—*President.*—Mr. Martyn Wells, *Vice-Presidents:*—Messrs. W. J. Bradshaw, A. Burrup, and H. Hobbs. *Honorary Secretary*—Mr. P. C. Margretts *Honorary Ground Secretary.*—Mr. Alexander Mathieson. *Official Treasurers.*—Messrs. Patton and Company. *Committee.*—Messrs. Aldridge, Haines, Henderson, and Nugent.

The Captain and Vice-Captains and Sports Committee to be appointed by the General Committee.

The meeting then considered and revised the Bye-laws of the Club which were ordered to be printed and circulated to all members.

A vote of thanks was recorded to the past officers of the Club and the meeting terminated.

The complete list of those who have played four or more innings of a hundred in English cricket this season is as follows:—

Hayward	—116, 128, 127, 122, 148, 203, 161*, 106, 112, 188*, 197	11
C. B. Fry.	—120, 191*, 226, 177, 105*, 150, 191, 181, 211, 229	10
Hirst.	—102 153, 152, 157, 108, 103, 140, 121, 112 ...	9
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P. Perrin —100*, 190, 134, 348*, 143	...	...	5
R. H. Spooner.—122, 126, 101, 102*, 215	...	...	5
A. O. Jones.—113, 119, 108, 187, 150*	...	...	5
King —128, 117, 104, 109*, 186	...	...	5
H. K. Foster.—107, 118, 118, 112, 119	...	...	5
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Bowley.—153, 107, 138, 116	...	...	4
M Hathorn.—117, 130. 138, 127*	...	...	4
J. R. Mason.—138, 126, 133, 100	...	...	4
J. E. Raphael —201, 123, 111, 111	...	...	4
Tunnicliffe.—119, 128, 135, 139*	...	...	4
Vine.—174, 169, 111, 111	...	...	4
A. C. Maclaren.—108, 151, 166, 114	...	...	4

*Signifies not out.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—The sports of the 12th Battery, R. F. A., which have taken place during the past week, were especially interesting as they celebrated the 50th anniversary of the sanguinary battle of the Alma, at which the 12th Battery fired the very first shot discharged on either side, and were subsequently wiped out almost to a man. To go into each and every item on the programme would occupy too much space, but a special word of praise must be given to the jumping of the battery horses, which was almost phenomenally good ; whilst the training of the animals in the section jumping, when led horses were introduced, was also excellent.

The tent-pegging too was far above the average and the accuracy of both Sergeant-Major Crouch and Farrier-Sergeant Wall was wonderful, pegs placed edgeways appearing to present no difficulties at all to them. Crouch seemed to possess the better style, but the judges were unable to separate the men and a tie was announced. The Skill Stakes, an event which was open to the Bangalore Gymkhana, and was well-named, embracing as it did the negotiation of three hurdles, the cutting of a head, the slicing of a lemon and the taking of a peg with the sword, went to Lieutenant Young of the 58th Battery, R. F. A., Captain Cowey R. A. M. C., being second.

Major Johnson, D. S. O., and the officers of the 12th Battery R. F. A., were "At Home" to their friends, and their guests were numerous.

The Madras Rugby football tournament, which fell through for lack of entries, was re-opened to admit a sporting entry from "The Hyacinth," which has been for some time past in Madras Harbour. A match was played last evening between "The Hyacinth" and the Gymkhana, when the latter won easily by 4 goals two tries to *nil*.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
London, *Friday, 9th September 1904.*

TO-DAY have we for the first time a full telegraphic account of an action in Manchuria from an "own correspondent." He, of the *Times*, sends a painfully detailed story of the struggle for Liau Yang : three general assaults in 24 hours and a fourth 24 hours afterwards ! One can forgive General Kuropatkin for calling his subsequent movement the "advance northward" as he did in a recent telegram after the extraordinary tenacity of his defence. The latest news speak of a concentration round Mukden and the certainty of another ghastly fight there ; but as we are told there are no defences to speak of at Mukden we can only hope the "advance north" of Kuropatkin will not be interrupted by useless repetition of slaughter. Word from Port Arthur speaks of the garrison as disheartened. A message from Kronstadt indicates that the much talked of Baltic fleet has hardly any existence except on paper. Russia, we are told, possesses two new or comparatively new, battleships, and outside the Pacific not a single first-class armoured cruiser save the *Dmitri Donskoi* whose machinery is poor and whose steaming power is little over 15 knots. On the credit side, she has three inferior armoured cruisers, all old ; and four iron cruisers dating from 30 to to 40 years back, and three battleships near completion or running trials. And such is the Baltic Fleet the Tzar goes to-day to inspect.

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The Home Office has spoken at last. Lord Justice Henn Collins, Sir Spencer Walpole, and Sir John Edge, late of the N.-W. P. High Court, are appointed a committee "to inquire into and report upon the circumstances of the conviction of Mr. Adolf Beck in 1896 and 1904." Let us hope that the committee will give the widest interpretation to their terms of reference, as what the public mind is most concerned with is not the actual conviction, but the way the police got up the case and the action of the Home Office after Beck's distinct identity from Smith was revealed.

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The Army Manœuvres in Essex began in earnest on Wednesday, when Sir John French's invading force of ten or eleven thousand men landed at Clacton. The disembarkation was an interesting business as the plan of operations required the whole force to land on the beach. The transports and their cruiser escort lay about a mile and a half off shore and thanks to the smoothest of seas the whole army with guns and horses landed comfortably between half-past seven and four in the afternoon without hindrance on the part of any but sight-seers. General Wynne, commanding the defensive force, kindly looked the other way, thinking, no doubt, that the enemy would be seasick and glad to feel firm ground under his feet again : besides if he had prevented the disembarkation, as it is presumed he had it in his power to do, there wouldn't have been any manœuvres at all. Boats in strings towed by launches and crammed with men offer marks for rifle fire, to say nothing of artillery, which I imagine would make such disembarkation impossible. The mere pen and ink fellow also sees tangible difficulties in landing a mixed force on a very flat beach in a sea, but we must have manœuvres, and must have some make-believe as a first condition.

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Mr. Albyne Ireland, who has been contributing some remarkably able letters to the *Times* on Eastern affairs, has brought to the front again the question which occupied much attention twenty years ago, to wit the severance of Burma from India. What he says is true enough : Burma is geographically distinct from India, and knowledge of affairs acquired in Bengal or any other province does not apply to a country so utterly distinct as the land across the Bay. That perhaps is a minor matter ; experience gained in the Punjab might only mislead a man who took over a district in Madras if such a transfer should ever be made : the real crux is purely one of the pocket. Burma is the richest province under the Viceregal sceptre and the best part of her surplus goes to Calcutta while she cries aloud for roads and other public works. The old proposition to make Burma a crown colony is revived, but in conjunction with Malaya, which latter region has "come on" so enormously in recent years.

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Sir Charles Elliot has been giving us, in the *Nineteenth Century*, a glimpse of the way responsible administrators in Africa are treated by the people in Whitehall. For example, in answer to a general demand he proposed to check extortion and violence among the Mombassa boatmen who land and embark passengers by steamer, by licensing a number and giving them a uniform at their own expense —consisting of a blue jersey. Not only was he obliged to refer Home for authority to do this, but permission to do it was actually refused !

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Impressed by the number of solicitors whose names appear in the latest Report of the Inspector-General in Bankruptcy, Mr. J. B. Mathews has put forward a scheme for the protection of confiding clients with whose money it is assumed these men of law have been gambling and come to grief. His idea is that the Incorporated Law Society should extend its functions and, by levying heavy entrance fees on all members of the profession, whom he would oblige to join, become a guarantee society pledged to make good any defalcation in the matter of clients' moneys. The plan is one which would commend itself in the main to all solicitors of standing and repute who are jealous for the honour of their calling. The number of solicitors who have been struck off the rolls and sentenced to imprisonment during the last few years is much larger than they who have the credit of their profession at heart can regard unmoved : but I doubt much whether Parliament will see its way to grant the loan which Mr. Mathews finds necessary for the proper flotation of his scheme.

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An uneasy seat that of the Army Reformer. The absence of Parliamentary eloquence leaves the columns of the newspapers clear, and Mr. Arnold Forster is learning day by day exactly what the unofficial army reformers, whose ranks he adorned not so long ago, think about him and his scheme. Lord Haliburton, late of the War Office, is the most active critic : Sir Howard Vincent has lots to say about it also : neither of them like the Dual Army idea, and truly there is much to say against it. The military chiefs do not seem to like it, and it is doubtful whether their attitude can be attributed to the soldier's general antipathy to changes. The main difficulty Mr. Arnold Forster has to solve is the dearth of recruits : the hot fit of the South African War is well over and natural reaction has brought us to the torpid stage. Mr. Arnold Forster's idea as regards the Regular Army is based on the principle of making the Service more popular, the soundest basis, as I humbly venture to think, from which any reformer can start : but his critics opine that he goes much farther than is at all necessary with his Dual Army, the Home moiety of which is to have no prospect of serious soldiering while his foreign service troops get all the work. It needs little knowledge of human nature to see the gulf that will separate these two armies and the magnificent contempt with which one will regard the other.

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Jersey does not like the prospect of losing her garrison. A deputation waited on the Lieutenant-Governor last week to seek advice and to tell him that the States' action in regard to the Militia did not represent public opinion in the Island. The Lieutenant-Governor told the deputation that the Jersey Militia in its present condition was useless as a fighting force and was therefore not worth retaining in time of peace : the Army Council was determined not to leave regular troops on the island. The State met on Wednesday to consider whether the matter should be treated as one of urgency, and decided that it would take no steps in the matter. Doesn't it seem a little odd, injudicious even, to leave it to a sort of parish council to say whether an outlying fraction of the empire shall be garrisoned or not ?

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The steam coal question is being agitated vigorously. There is a strong body of opinion in favour of keeping what remains of our supplies of smokeless coal for naval consumption, and another which regards the advantages of smokeless coal as so problematical that the stuff is not worth reserving for ourselves, while others are so convinced that the motive power of the near future will not be coal at all they deem the subject not worth considering. Meantime, pending the application of electricity, explosive oil or liquid air as prime factors of locomotion, Russia among other countries draws heavily upon South Wales to fill her ships' bunkers. I wonder if the *Smolensk* and *Peterburg* were using Welsh smokeless coal. You heard, of course, that our cruiser *Forte* had delivered the Russian cypher message to these vessels last Tuesday near Zanzibar. The captains indicated their intention to return at once to Europe.

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Mr. Sydney Gundy's adaptation of Mr. Forman's story as "The Garden of Lies," which Mr. Alexander produced at the St. James's on Saturday, is reminiscent of Anthony Hope : that is not in its disfavour. The resolute firmness with which it scorns the probabilities, however, is rather against it, though I am bound to say the audience was very well pleased. It is a bustling sort of play with a good deal of shouting for Mr. Alexander, whose strength, to my mind, lies another way : but to the story. A member of the royal house of Novodnia, it appears, had married Miss Mannering, daughter of an American millionaire in New York. Coming home from the wedding there was a carriage accident and the unfortunate bride, falling on her head, was unconscious for a fortnight. While she lay unconscious, large happenings were afoot in Novodnia, and Carol, the bridegroom, had to rush off home to that vague region to save the throne from pretenders and get crowned as Carol III. Now, such are the results of getting out of the carriage on one's head, that when Eleanor recovered consciousness her memory was an absolute blank concerning events prior to the date of her first meeting with Carol. It was a particularly awkward time for the mental clock to stop, because the lady thus didn't know of Carol's existence much less that she was Mrs. Princess Carol. Her friends enlightened her on this head, which was proper enough : but then they took the very curious step of sending her to the care of Sir Gavin Mackenzie, M. P., expert in mental diseases, at Paris. I suppose they couldn't find Novodnia on the map, and being rich Americans, Paris occurred to them as the happiest place on earth for anybody. All this we learn from Sir Gavin, whose acquintance we make at curtain rise in the Café d'Alençon where he is having drinks with Colonel von Altdorf and Creighton (the last named was never baptised : so one infers from his lack of Christian name). She must have her husband or Sir Gavin wont answer for the lady's mind : she is perpetually asking for him, which doesn't seem unreasonable. The Colonel explains that Carol can't possibly leave Novodnia : let him

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Under these circumstances you or I would have recourse to the expedient of conveying the lady to her prince as her prince cannot convey himself to her: but merely shows that you or I don't know how to write a play of this kind at any rate. It is Creighton who hits upon means of avoiding the common sense solution. Some body must be found to personate Carol III. The other two jump at the happy thought, and all three flatly refuse to personate: wherein they seem quite right. Enter Mr. Alexander—pardon, Denis Mallory—"drunk, drunk, but still a gentleman." Mallory is the man: they overcome his scruples with lies and cheques: there is no husband really, its only an idea of this poor lady. He agrees after suasion: he has as a matter of fact seen Eleanor from his window and fell in love at sight. To his credit be it said this is the mainspring of his objection. In Act II he is introduced to Eleanor in the Doctor's Garden: he loves: she loves. Enter Jessica, Eleanor's sister, who reveals to Denis that the husband is no fiction. Denis throws up the job in disgust and sends back the cheque: nothing shall induce him to go on with it—till Colonel von Altdorf mentions Carol's powers with the rapier. That is enough for Denis: he put in an afternoon of drink and D. T's. and resumes love-making, next day hugging the prospect of a fight.

I thought his idea was to kill the prince and make Eleanor his own: but I was wrong: you can't follow the workings of a mind which is obscured by D. T.'s in the evening and is clear as spring water next morning.

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Well, they went on love-making for a week, until suddenly the prince jumped in at the window: then there is trouble. The prince wants to fight Denis, but Denis wont do it till he is called a coward: then he sends for swords and disarms the prince twice, just to show what he could do if he chose. Explanations: the prince shakes hands with Denis, but Eleanor calls upon Jessica to help her now to hate the only man she ever loved. Telegram. Revolution in Novodnia: exit prince with Denis to do a little real fighting for a change. Need I add that long before the curtain rises on Act IV the prince has got killed, while Denis has taken the pledge and turns up (in the Doctor's Garden again) to explain that he is not dead, as reported, and to ask for Eleanor? I must confess that my sympathies were with Carol III: an unattractive person certainly, but the victim of misguided relations and Scotch doctors. Miss Lilian Braithwaite was charming as the princess and Mr. Herbert Danny was good as the prince. Mr. Alexander faced the huge contrarieties of his part with unflinching courage and was drunk and sober by turns with enviable facility and ease. Mr. Mark Kinghome is excellent as the "Caledonian stern and wild" as Creighton calls him. The other characters have little to do.

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Mr. Zangwill is a humorist, so permeated is his system with humour that he mars his effects by making us laugh in the wrong place. I hardly know whether to describe his comedy "Merely Mary Ann," as a farce with tears in it or tragedy with an undercurrent of smiles. It is very simple. Mary Ann, an overworked maid of all work in a lodging house, is desperately in love with Lancelot, a long-haired musical composer, who has a room upstairs. Lancelot is one of those hypersensitive beings who wont degrade his art to pay his bills, and, unlike men of that kind generally, shows himself an ill-conditioned cad in his treatment of the wretched servant. Turned out of the lodgings because he can't pay his rent, Mary Ann proposes to follow and serve him. He is quite willing, but the plan is checked by news that Mary Ann's brother has died leaving her a fortune. Mary Ann proposes to him and is refused. Six years later the curtain rises on Mary Ann "in society." How she has submerged the grubbly serving-maid and has caught the tone of breeding is rather remarkable. Almost as remarkable is Lancelot's success as a composer. He did not promise well in Mrs. Leadbetter's lodgings. He meets Mary Ann in her own drawing-room and proposes: she refuses, but gives way, and going "off" returns to accept him in her old servant's cap and a pair of gloves he gave her years ago because he couldn't bear the sight of her black and red hands. Miss Eleanor Robson as Mary Ann was magnificent: she has extraordinary capacity for acting the emotional, and Mr. Zangwill's play gives her great scope. Mr. Henry Ainley as Lancelot did the best he could with a thankless part. I have not referred to the dozen or so of subordinate characters, the sisters Trippet, music-hall dancers, Rev. Samuel Smedge, comic cleric and others. Miss Ada Dwyer as Mrs. Leadbetter has the best written part in the piece, and deserves far more notice than I have been able to give her. The dialogue is exceedingly clever without being laboured: but we expect this from Mr. Zangwill. Did I say that the play is at the Duke of York's?

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That singularly foggy and futile play "The Chetwynd Affair" is now preceded at the Royalty by a curtain-raiser, whose power is something quite exceptional. It is eminently tragic, but the strength of "Eriksson's Wife" is undeniable: in its intensity it reminds me of those "grim realities" Charles Ross published years ago in "Behind a Brass Knocker." Here is the story. Erik Eriksson is a dissipated, worthless youth, whose sole redeeming point is the affection he cherishes for the memory of his mother, who died less than a year ago. Halder Eriksson, his father, announces his intention of marrying again to the unveiled disgust of Erik. Disgust deepens into something else when Halder brings home Brita and requires his son's respect for and obedience to her: for Erik instantly recognises in Brita the loose character who first led him astray. His father turns him out, but he returns to find Brita alone and in a horribly realistic scene he insists that unless she reveals her real character to Halder he will do it. He uses violence and Halder coming in shoots him: only to learn the truth before Erik dies. The piece is the very antithesis of the poor stuff that follows.

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I must certainly make a point of seeing "The Golden Light," with which Mrs. Brown Potter is going to open her career as Manager of the Savoy on a date not yet named. Mrs. Brown Potter, as we all know, has a strong sense of the importance of clothes, but "The Golden Light" will mark a new dramatic era, inasmuch as the dresses Mrs. Brown Potter is to wear are to "denote not only the striking personality" of the lady, but "the moral progress of the heroine." This is alluring. We don't know of course whether the moral progress is up or down, though the title may give us a hint: but it doesn't much matter anyway, as it would not help us to solve the clothes mystery. The dressmakers have got to "express ideas in colours and curves" in order to produce "emotional gowns." There are a few well recognised sartorial trade marks on the stage; the adventuress' carious preference for red frocks, in example, but clothes to express moral progress are quite new. They would take much responsibility off the hands of Madame Raval Duval, who writes the play.

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Various Items: The sea is making such serious inroads at freshwater in the Isle of Wight that the Local Government Board have advised the Rural District Council to construct a sea wall to prevent the erosion continuing. The difficulty in these cases seems to be the question whether the nation or the parish is responsible for the expense involved by maintaining the integrity of these islands. It would seem to be the parish in this case, as removal of sand and shingle from the beach appears to be partly the cause of the sea's invasion.

Swan and Edgar were fined 40s. and costs at Malborough Street on Monday a fortnight ago, They hired the man or mannikin "Phroso" and put him (or it) in the window: the attraction drew such crowds that extra police had to be called and the street was blocked. A hard-headed magistrate, insensible to the ingenuity of the advertisement, dealt with it as an "obstruction."

The P. and O. are reported to have given a strong hint that unless capital and labour at Marseilles can manage to settle their differences without paralysing all work at the port, their steamers well seek another place of call. Much labour seems in a striking humour, as the example of the Marseilles people has been followed at a dozen other places to "show sympathy."

The unhappy Nerbudda Coal Company winds up its affairs and sells the whole undertaking—lock, stock and barrel—to the Indian Government for £40,000, the chairman telling the shareholders they might think themselves lucky to get that; in which estimate not all the shareholders agreed.

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AFTER WINTER SNIPE IN SOUTH CHINA.

ALONG the southern and south-eastern coastline of China, there are each year two, and sometimes three, distinct snipe seasons. These do not, as a rule, in any way run into each other, but there is, generally speaking, a marked interval between each.

The first one—known locally as the autumn snipe season—commences about the beginning of September in early years, sometimes not before the end of that month in late ones. The autumn snipe are very irregular and erratic in the times of their arrival, which depends on the weather of the preceding month of August more—it appears—than on the temperature of September itself. If August be wet and the paddy-fields flooded—as sometimes occurs—the snipe, although they undoubtedly arrive along the coast, make no long stay in these overflooded districts. It is believed that at such seasons they betake themselves to the hills and the higher ground, too distant from the coast to admit of their being readily got at.

This is what happened during the last season of 1903, when owing to the excessive rains of August along the whole of the south-east coastline the snipe were fewer than they have been for years past during the autumn months.

In a normal year, however, the autumn shooting is good all along the lowlying cultivated tracts near the coast; and bags of from 30 to 40 couple per gun are not uncommon without working excessively for them.

This of course compares not very favourably with India, but it must be remembered that conditions are different, the cultivated tracts of paddy being more limited in extent, at least near the coast where sport is usually obtainable only.

The second season sets in about a month after the conclusion of the first. The last of the autumn birds usually disappear about the middle of October, and for a month thereafter it is rare to find snipe, except perhaps a solitary one or two in the mountain nullahs.

About the middle of November generally, provided the weather begins to get cold, the winter snipe begin to arrive in some numbers.

These winter snipe, although resembling in plumage the autumn flight—for they are all the "Fan-tail" or full snipe—can be at once recognised as a bird of very different habits to their earlier flighting brethren. They come in as great, or even greater, numbers, but are far wilder and more difficult shooting. They are, too, somewhat heavier birds and stronger in flight and more resembling those at home in their wariness and wildness. When flushed they are the more lethargic birds of the autumn, which latter more resemble the Indian and Burman snipe in habits.

These winter snipe, moreover, are found in entirely different country to those of the earlier flight. For whereas the latter congregate in the small stretches of paddy fields in the vicinity of villages, the former never frequent these; for at the time of year that they begin to arrive, the autumn crops have been reaped or are, at any rate, in process of being reaped.

At the estuaries of the various rivers that flow into the sea all along the south coast, there is another kind of cultivation which the Chinese carry out. On either side of these estuaries, commencing from the sea and extending for many miles inland on either bank of the rivers, they have in the course of centuries gradually reclaimed from the mud and ooze of the tidal flats, large tracts of land. These they have enclosed and bunded by high dykes, some of them being 15 or 20 feet above high water mark and 20 to 25 feet wide at the base. The summits of these dykes are planted with banana trees, and within them enormous fields are enclosed, many of them a square mile in area and often even exceeding this.

These fields are irrigated by means of sluices in the dykes, and are planted about the beginning of August with a coarse species of paddy, that grows to a height of 4½ or 5 feet with very thick and strong stems.

This paddy is reaped about the beginning of November and the stubble that is left is often a foot or a foot and a half in height

It is here, then, that the winter snipe assemble, and are found frequently in large numbers. Owing, however, to the fact that the Chinese work continually in these fields all through the winter, gathering in the stubble for fodder, the birds are kept continually on the move, and it is rare to find a field without a hundred coolies or more working in different parts of it.

Each field is, as mentioned above, of enormous size, and although one part may be thus disturbed, birds are found in other parts of it; if with luck one finds a field temporarily deserted by workers, then sport is sure to be good.

In November of last year it was my good fortune to be offered the opportunity of getting some of this winter shooting, which is different to any single shooting that I had previously had during a residence of some 16 years altogether in the East, including India and Burma. My first experience was a two days' shoot in the West River, which flows into the sea about 25 miles to the S.-W. of Canton. The whole estuary of this river, from the mouth to the northern limit of the tidal water, has been greatly confined and narrowed by reclamation on either bank, as described above; the original width of the estuary being clearly recognisable by the miles of bunded fields extending inland from the present shores.

Our start was made in the evening so as to reach our shooting ground during the night and anchor in the river until morning. Four or five hours' steaming brought us

to the mouth of the river, which however could not be entered until daylight, owing to the existence of a bar. However, the weather being at this season bitterly cold we—the two other guns and Y, who composed the party—had no desire to start shooting before a good breakfast had been discussed, so that a start from our launch was not made until 8 o'clock.

We then rapidly collected our impedimenta, and with our Chinese snipe pickers and luncheon coolies soon tumbled into the boat alongside and were quickly rowed across to the eastern shore, where we had determined to commence operations.

On reaching the nearest wall of the dyke, we disembarked, climbing up its nearly precipitous sides with some difficulty, but by means of holding on to the squared edges of the blocks of stone with which it was constructed and getting one's feet on the edges that these presented, we managed to accomplish it.

On gaining the top of the dyke we saw before us an enormous field newly reaped and with patches of stubble standing. This, however, a large number of Chinese were already busy in digging out by the roots in places, but the nearer side of the field—a stretch of about a mile long and several hundreds of yards wide—was undisturbed.

We now therefore essayed our first beat, and of course, the prevailing anxiety present in our minds was, to know whether the winter flight was yet in or not, as it was still a little early for the birds.

A notable feature of this paddy cultivation is the absence of small bunds that one could walk on. Barring the big dykes there are no bunds at all, and so one must perforce face the mud, which is of an extremely rotten nature and of as much as 18 inches or 2 feet in depth throughout. It can then be easily imagined that shooting under these circumstances was particularly difficult and progress very slow. However, despite the coldness of the day and the bitter north wind blowing, having separated and formed line at about 70 paces interval, we plunged into the mixture of bog and stubble, the latter reaching often above our waists. For the first hundred yards or so nothing was seen, and our anticipations of sport began to descend to the lowest ebb, when suddenly a wisp of fine snipe got up in front of the right gun. They rose at least 30 yards in front of him, and so quick away were they, that as he pulled trigger they must have gained 10 yards more—and he was, as later experience showed me, one of the best and quickest snipe shots on the southern coast. The first barrel failed to score, but with the second he got his bird, a very long shot though. A few yards further on, a second wisp rose between him and me. They were on wing as quickly as the others, but rose more, coming obliquely down the line. The gun on my right got one, I got a second, and the left gun also got one of them.

All now knew, at any rate, that the birds were well in, and having picked up the slain—and it took a little time to find them in the high stubble—we then formed line once more with coolies between the guns, and prepared to carry on the beat to the farther limit of the field, about three-fourths of a mile away.

We had taken care to start walking down wind, for with these winter snipe it is otherwise impossible to approach them. By doing this however, the birds, which sometimes rise 100 yards ahead, come back towards the line against the wind, giving one capital rocketing shots overhead, which are, nevertheless, by no means easy ones, owing to the fact of one's feet and legs being firmly embedded in the boggy ground.

Proceeding then, we shot with varying luck. Sometimes the birds would give one a real chance by lying until one was within some 20 yards of them, and then as they rose against the wind one might get a right and left out of the wisp. This was, however, the exception ; for more often they got up clean out of shot and only gave one a flukey chance coming back overhead.

It took us over half an hour to work to the end of this field and then we returned on a parallel beat. Coming up wind, however, we had but little luck, most of the birds rising out of shot and going right away unfired at. We noticed, though that their flight was almost invariably over a certain portion of the bund that lay in front of us ; so when we had completed about one half of the return journey it occurred to us that a gun on these might have some good shooting, as the birds did not rise high, but just topped the banana trees on the dyke. We accordingly called a halt, and decided for one gun to go on and get on to this bund, making a detour by the right. As soon as he was in position, which took some time to accomplish, we extended our line again—two guns only now and the coolies—and moved forward. The man who had gone on was too far ahead for us to see what sport he was having, but apparently was not short of shooting from the reports we heard. We two, on the other hand, hardly got a shot on the return journey, all the birds getting up out of range. The mud, too, seemed more tenacious and more deep as we got tired, so that we were by no means sorry to reach the end of the beat. About 100 yards from the dyke we saw our companion ensconced in the banana trees, and from his signals it appeared that there was something in the thick clump of stubble that lay between us and himself. This proved to be the case, for on proceeding to walk it up, a very large wisp of snipe—some 30 in number—got up between us and him. We each got a couple of these, but it was disappointing to see so many birds going away unaccounted for. We hoped, however, to come on them later.

We found that H., who had gone forward, had got ten birds, all of which had been driven forward by us. Our total bag for the two beats only amounted to 20 couple, so we could not claim to have had very good sport, as we must have put up in all between 200 and 300 birds. Most of these were, however, out of shot, and of those killed it is safe to say that hardly one was shot under 35 yards. After two miles of this truly awful walking we were glad to take a rest, sitting on the dyke and debating as to our next move, which was not very clear, for we noticed that the greater part of the remainder of the field had been disturbed by the Chinese, who were even then working in it.

We thought we would try one more beat, however, and after we had rested, started again. This time we had no luck, not finding any birds, owing, no doubt, to the fact of the ground having been trampled over by the coolies working there.

These, too, now that we approached them, began to take an undue interest in our proceedings, and insisted on following us up to recover empty cartridge cases—of which, however, there were few. But more annoying still was it when they would insist on crossing our front and flushing the few birds we might have got.

As we soon got "fed up" with this sort of thing, we beat a retreat to our boat and crossed the river—a mile or more in width. On the far bank we found some better ground and walked it steadily until lunch time. Birds were, however, terribly wild, and towards 4 P.M. we decided to knock off and found that our bag was 42½ couple only.

Next day we had only two hours' shooting, for we had to catch the tide to cross the bar. We had fair sport, nevertheless, getting 17 couple, all on the further bank to that on which we had commenced the previous day.

Fifty-nine and a half couple, then, was the total bag and of course nothing compared to autumn bags for a similar period ; but in spite of the bad walking the sport was really good, for every bird accounted for was in nearly every case a long and difficult shot.

DAHMAH.

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SIR,—Here is a hand held by me the other night, what is the proper declaration? Game all, adversary 24 up I love? As a matter of fact I went diamonds, but I maintain I was wrong, though I scored 5 by tricks : that was luck. I say I should have gone no trumps as being more likely to make three in N. T. than 5 in D.

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Hearts, King.
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Clubs, A. 98 5.

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[With the score as given we think the dealer should declare "no trumps."—ED.]

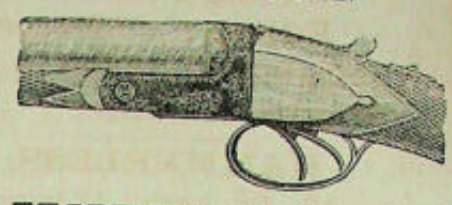
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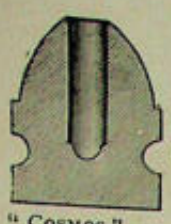
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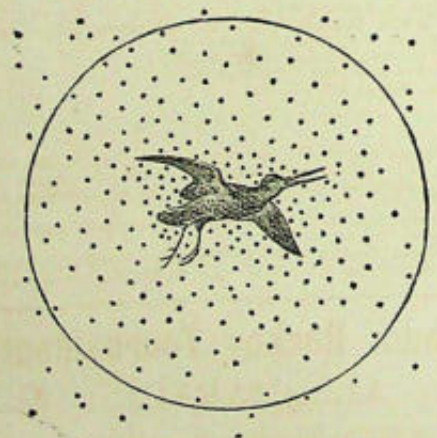
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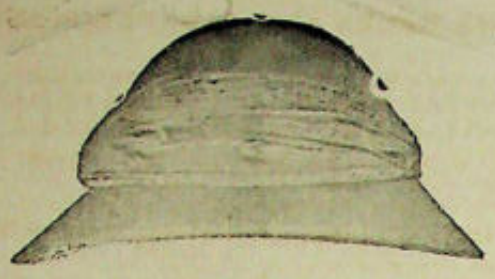
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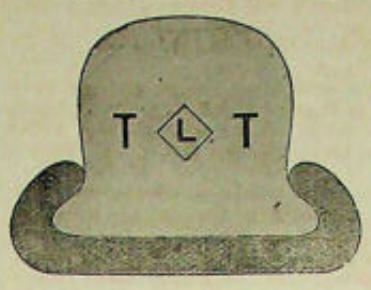
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NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page.
Poona Races and Steeplechases ..	Oct.	1, 3 and 8	
Mussoorie Autumn	Sept.	29 & Oct. 1	
Simla Autumn	Oct.	4 & 6	
Dehra Dun	,,	10 & 12	
Meerut Open Gymkhana	,,	15, 17	
Darjeeling ..	,,	17 & 19	471
Hyderabad	,,	20 and 22	
Lucknow Autumn Sky	,,	25 & 27	
Magwe Autumn	,,	25 and 27	
Rangoon Second Extra	,,	22	
,, Third ,, ..	Nov.	12	
Jubbulpore Autumn	,,	1 & 3	372
,, Open Gymkhana ..	,,	5	373
Southern Mahratta Autumn (Belgaum)	,,	3 and 5	472
Umballa Autumn	,,	5, 8 & 10	82
Meerut Autumn Sky	,,	15, 17, & 19	
Sonepore	,,	23, 26 & 27	
Rangoon Autumn	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
,, ,, (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	
Tezpore	,,	6, 8 and 10	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	10	
,, Second ,, ...	,,	17	
,, First Meeting	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	27	
Rawalpindi Sky	Dec.	15, 17, 20	495
Lahore X'mas	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Madras Xmas	,,	27	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	Jan.	21, 23, 25	496
Dacca	,,	10, 12, 14	
Madras Winter	,,	24, 26, 28	472
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	14 & 21	
,, Third Extra	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,, ...	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Dehra Dun	First ..	..	29th September
	Second ..	..	7th October.
	Second	..	1st October.
Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana ..	Third ..	..	15th October.
	Second ..	..	1st October.
Jubbulpore Autumn ..	Third ..	..	15th October.
	Third ..	..	1st October.
Army Cup	Final ..	..	15th November.
	Fourth ..	..	1st December.
Civil Service Cup	Final ..	..	20th January.
Hyderabad	Second ..	..	10th October.
	First ..	..	1st October.
Rangoon Second Extra ..	Second ..	..	15th October.
	First ..	..	21th October.
Rangoon Third Extra ..	Second ..	..	8th November.
	First ..	..	12th October.
Magwe Autumn	Second ..	..	19th October.
	Third ..	..	22nd October.
Umballa Autumn ..	Third ..	..	28th October.
	First ..	..	10th October.
Southern Mahratta Autumn ..	Second ..	..	22nd October.
	First ..	..	29th October.
Rangoon Autumn	Second ..	..	15th November
	Third ..	..	21nd November,
	First ..	..	1st November
Dacca	Second ..	..	1st December.
	Third ..	..	1st January.
Calcutta First Extra	..	..	6th December.
,, Second ,, ...	..	..	13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	30th ,,
,, Second ,, ...	First ..	..	20th November.
	Second ..	..	7th January.
	Second ..	..	13th ,,
Mussoorie Autumn	Third ..	..	26th ,,
	Second ..	..	1st November.
Lahore X'mas	Third ..	..	1st December.
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	Third ..	..	8th November.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	30th November.
,, ,, Second ,,	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	2nd January.
Dibrugarh	First ..	..	1st December.
	Second ..	..	1st January.
	Third ..	..	20th January.
Madras 'Xmas	First ..	..	15th December.
	Second ..	..	20th ,,
Madras Winter	First ..	..	15th December.
	Second ..	..	10th January

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO.

I. P. A. Championship	(Umballa)	..	1st week in November.
Naini Tal Tournament	..	..	Now on.
Sonepore Open Tournament	..	..	Begins 23rd November.
Meerut Autumn Tournament	..	..	14th, 16th, & 18th November
Calcutta P. C. Tournament	..	..	Begins 3rd January.
Rajputana and Central India Tournament		..	Begins 24th October.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club The Power Cup	..	5th November.

SPORTS.

Bombay Gym. Annual Athletic Meeting	..	Begins 10th October.
,, Mounted Sports	..	12th 13th 15th October.

HOCKEY.

All India Tournament (Allahabad)	..	Begins 12th December.

RACQUETS.

Club of W. India Tournament	..	Now on.
Northern India Tournament	..	Now on.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament (Simla)	..	Now on.
Bombay Gymkhana Rugby Tournament	..	From 16th Sept. to 1st Oct.

GOLF.

Calcutta G. C. Opening Handicap	..	5th November.

SHOWS.

Poona Horse Show	..	29th & 30th September.
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show	..	28th December.
Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show	..	30th September.
Ahmednuggar Horse show	..	29th October.
Punjab Horse Show (Rawalpindi)	..	Beginning of April.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Jockey Club Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Thursday, 29th Septem
Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	.. Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	.. Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (6 furlongs) ..	.. Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) ..	.. Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 5furlongs)	.. Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 26th November.

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	..	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	..	1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

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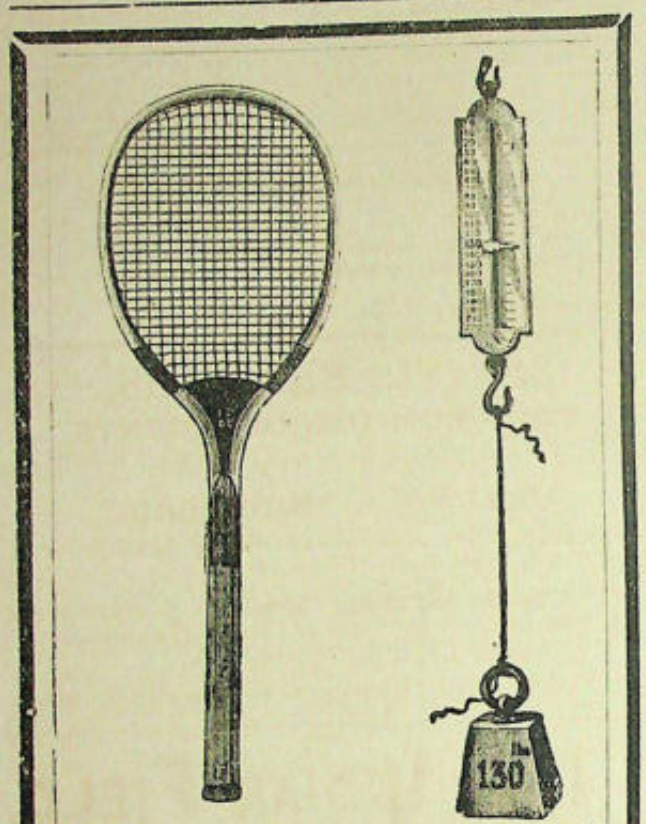
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Sixth Day, Saturday, 24th September 1904.

THE extra day's sports brought the monsoon season to a close this afternoon. The course was in fair order, and in spite of a little rain, the weather was fine. There was a marked improvement in the handicapping, a matter of comment, and good racing produced some close finishes. The sport is dealt with at length in our Sporting Notes. Details:—

THE DALHOUSIE PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Horses that have not won a race value Rs. 450 or over since 31st March 1902. Five furlongs.

Mr. C. H. A. Bham's b aus m Thunder Cloud, 10st. 7lbs.	Smallman	1
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Fusilier, 9st. 12lbs.	Mr. Smith	2
Mr. B. B.'s ch e m Reinzette, 10st ...	Walker	3
Mr. A. N. Dass' br aus g Tadmore, 9st. ...	S. White	0
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b e m Pierrette, 10st.	Rahman	0
Mr. R. Hudson's b e m Step Ma, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr Evers' br aus m May B., 8st 7lbs. ...	Owner	0
Mr. McGrath's b aus m Florence, 7st. ...	Balloowa	0

(Winner trained by Smallman.)

BETTING: 14 to 1 Step Ma, 2½ to 1 Fusilier, 5 to 1 May B.; 8 to 1 each Thunder Cloud, Reinzette, and Tadmore; 12 to 1 each Florence and Pierrette.

Totalisator paid Rs. 113 to win; Rs. 51, Rs. 14, and Rs. 31 for places.

May B., Fusilier and Thunder Cloud were smartest away and raced to the turn where Thunder Cloud took the lead and, in spite of a challenge by Fusilier in the straight, kept ahead winning by a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 10⅕secs.

THE HUNTERS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap Hurdle Race for *bonâ-fide* Paperchase Horses that have never won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race, or Steeplechase, value Rs. 550 or upwards. G. R.'s—About one mile and a half over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. R. A C. Pugh's b aus g Cheer Up. 10st. 3lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia. 11st. (dec. 7lbs.)	Mr. Turner	2
Mr. Birkmyre's br aus g Gauntlet, 10st. 11lbs (dec. 2lbs.)	Mr. Ismay	3
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's ch aus g Odin, 9st. 7lbs. (dec. 1lb.)	Mr. Barrow	0
Mr. Holmes' br aus g Jacinth, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Cowper	0
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Planet II., 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Smith	0
Mr. Evers' b aus g Flamingo, 10st. ...	Owner	0
Mr. Mackellar's b aus g Orphan Boy, 9st.	Owner	0

(Winner trained privately.)

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst Gauntlet and Cheer Up 4 to 1 Planet II, 5 to 1 Sylvia, 6 to 1 Jacinth, 10 to 1 Flamingo; 12 to 1 each Odin and Orphan Boy.

Totalisator paid Rs. 33 to win: Rs. 19, Rs. 18, and Rs. 14 for places.

Sylvia and Gauntlet were first away followed, by Cheer Up, Odin and Planet. Passing the new stand Cheer Up began to gain on the leaders. On entering the straight Cheer Up improved his position, and after a great race home just beat Sylvia by a short head. Gauntlet three lengths behind. Time—3mins. 16⅗ secs.

THE GIANT PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Ponies 13-2 and under. Five furlongs.

Mr. W. Bartlett's b aus m Mademoiselle, 8st. 10lbs.	Howie	1
Mr. J. Gove's br aus m Irish, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Bloss	2
Mr. Rodocanachi's b aus g Shylock, 9st.	Shelldrake	3
Mr. B. B.'s b aus m Second Thought, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Barrow	0
Mr. H. P. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 9st.	W. White	0

(Winner trained by Smallman.)

BETTING: 2½ to 1 agst Mademoiselle, 3 to 1 Little Doris; 4 to 1 each Irish and Shylock, 5 to 8 Second Thought.

Totalisator paid Rs. 26 to win; Rs. 16 and Rs. 23 for places.

Little Doris and Second Thought gave a deal of trouble at the start, the former refusing to start when the barrier went up. Mademoiselle was first away with Irish and Shylock next and this order was preserved to the end.

Won by a length; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 11⅘secs.

THE AUTUMN PLATE.—Rs. 750 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Horses. Five furlongs.

Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Hello, 11st. ...	Smallman	1
Mr. H. E. Smith's ch aus g Morris, 9st. 3lbs	McNamara	2
Prince W. A. Mirza's b aus g Flash, 8st. 13lbs.	Piper	3
Mr. Evers' b aus m Sunshine, 9st. 11lbs.	Owner	0
Messrs. Muljee and Premjee's br aus g Bell Brand, 10st. 11lbs.	Howie	0
Mr. Rees' br aus g Oom Paul, 9st. 11lbs. ...	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr. Gove's b aus m Profit, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Bloss	0
Mr. G. B. Deakins' b aus g Invincible, 8st. 11lbs.	Shelldrake	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Trollop 8st. 7lbs, (dec. 1lb.), ...	Bijli	0

(Winner trained by Smallman.)

BETTING: 2½ to 1 each agst. Profit and Invincible; 4 to 1 each Flash and Morris; 6 to 1 Sunshine; 8 to 1 each Hello, Oom Paul, and Bell Brand, 12 to 1 Trollop.

Totalisator paid Rs. 94 to win: Rs. 48, Rs. 37, and Rs. 25 for places.

Profit was quickest away with Flash next, the others in a bunch. At the bend Hello came up to Morris, who had taken the lead and a good race resulted in a win for Hello by half a length; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅖ecs.

THE LILLIPUT PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14-0 and under. Five furlongs.

Mr. Dutton's ch aus g Golden Tip, 9st. (dec. 5lbs.)	Mr. Deakin	1
Mr. G. B. Deakin's bk aus m Black Patch, 8st.	W. White	2
Mr. Banker's ch aus m Little Doris, 11st.	Mr. Barrow	3
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 10st.	Rahman	0
Mr. McCall's ch aus m Moss Rose. 9st. 2lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus m Blue Bell, 8st. (dec. 1lb.).	Mr. Evers	0
Mr C. C. Mackintosh's br aus g Jack Spratt, 8st.	Balloowa	0

(Winner trained privately.)

BETTING: Evens Black Patch, 4 to 1 agst. Golden Tip; 5 to 1 each Little Doris and Blue Bell, 8 to 1 Moss Rose, 10 to 1 Good Chap, 12 to 1 Jack Spratt.

Totalisator paid Rs 16 to win; Rs. 18 and Rs. 14 for places.

Little Doris again delayed the start, but when they were let go Black Patch showed out with Jack Spratt and Little Doris next. At the turn Golden Tip caught the leaders and there was good race home between Black Patch and Golden Tip, the latter winning by half a length: a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 13secs.

THE ELYSIUM PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for horses that have never won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race or Steeplechase value Rs. 50 or upwards. G. R.'s—Five furlongs.

Mr. Sullivan's ch aus m Pubna, 8st. ...	Mr Evers	1
Mr. G. B. Paris' br aus g Claymore, 10st.	Mr. Cowper	2
Mr. A. G. McGrath's b aus m Florence, 8st.	Mr. Barrow	3
Mr. A. N Dass' br aus g Tadmore, 10st. 5lbs.	Mr. Pugh	0
Messrs. Muljee and Premjee's br aus b Harold, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Smith	0
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Daffodil, 10st. 10lbs	Owner	0
Mr. Hudson's b e m StepMa, 10st. 8lbs. ...	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr. Mackellar's b aus g Orphan Boy, 9st.	Owner	0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Harold and Pubna; 4 to 1 each StepMa Daffodil; 6 to 1 Tadmore, 10 to 1 Claymore; 12 to 1 each Orphan Boy and Florence.

Totalisator paid Rs. 40 to win; Rs. 20, Rs. 35, and Rs. 65 for places.

Pubna, Claymore, and Florence got away together and led the field all the way. On entering the straight a fine struggle was witnessed Profit just beating Claymore by a neck: half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

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Starter:—MR. A. O'GORMAN.

First Day. Wednesday, 21st September 1904.

The big meeting opened this afternoon when a large attendance witnessed good sport. The fields were good with one exception, only four ponies coming under starter's orders in the Stand Plate. Six events made up the card, the betting was brisk, the course in good condition, and the meeting a great success. Mr. Ali bin Talib secured two wins, Moon getting the verdict in the Maiden Plate and Mameluke winning easily in His Highness the First Aga Khan's Commemoration Plate. Mr. Kelso was also credited with a couple of victories, Russley Rose accounting for the New Plate and Child's Guide for the Trial Plate. The Lilliputs was won by Mr. R. R.'s Rose from a field of thirteen, while Veera romped home in the Stand Plate. Details:—

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. For Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, which have not won flat race (handicaps excepted) value Rs. 1,000 or over since 31st December 1903. 14 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 600 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or over 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. ½ mile.

Messrs G. K and D. D.'s ch aus m Veera. 9st. 2lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. Finch's b aus m La France, 8st. 13lbs.	Robinson	2
Mr. D. L. Khimjee's b aus m Bandicoot, 8st. 10lbs.	Foster	3
Mr. A. W. P.'s b aus m Nanette, 8st. 3lbs.	Murphy	0

(Winner trained by M. Cassim.)

BETTING: Evens Veera and La France, 20 to 1 Bandicoot, 40 to 1 Nanette.

Bandicoot was first to show out, then La France took charge, but was displaced by Veera who led all the way up the straight and won easily by a length; 2½ lengths between second and third. Time—51⅕secs.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement which have not won race value Rs. 900 or over previous to 1st January 1904. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners since 31st December 1903, of a race value Rs. 700 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Moon, 9st. 7lbs.	Penton	1
Aga S. Shah's b a h Arabistan, 8st. 11lbs.	Robinson	2
Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's g a h Nainawa, 8st. 8lbs.	C. B. Mohamed	3
Mr. A. R. Amer's g a h Young Kohinoor, 9st. 3lbs.	Omerkhan	0
Mr. Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 9st.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. A R. Sulleman's g a h Cardigan, 8st. 11lbs.	Barret	0
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 8st. 5lbs	Foster	0
Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's br a h Mosumma, 8st 2lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. A W. P.'s g a h Random, 7st. 13lbs.	Murphy	0
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan 7st. 4lbs. ...	Melsom	0
Messrs. A. A. Amer and A. M. Saib's ch a h Gold, 7st. 2lbs.	Kamad	0
H. H. The Kour Saheb's ca h Shah Jehan, 7st. 11lbs.	Southall	0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Nainawa, 4 to 1 each Mooreed and Moon, 8 to 1 each Young Kohinoor and Mosumma 10 to 1 each Shah Jehan and Arabistan, 20 to 1 each Cardigan, Random, Erhan and Gold.

Gold led from the start to the fourth furlong with Mosumma, Mooreed and Moon next. At the bend Moon began to overhaul the leader and, coming away, won by three-quarters of a length. Arabistan half a length in front of Nainawa. Time—1min. 42⅕secs

THE NEW PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. For ponies 14-2 and under, new measurement, which have not won flat race (handicap excepted) value Rs. 1,000 or over since 31st December 1903. 14-2 to carry 9st. 3lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 600 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice 7lbs; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or over 4lbs in addition to above penalties. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Kelso's b aus m Russley Rose, 9st. 2lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. R. R. S.'s bl aus g Comeback, 9st. 4lbs.	Elliott	2
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's br aus m Signorina, 9st. 4lbs.	Penton	3
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus, 9st. 11lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy, 9st. 5lbs.	Ames	0
Mr Kelso's ch aus g Indabba, 9st. ...	Heeroo	0
Mr. A. W. P's b aus m Min, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Murphy	0

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

BETTING: 4 to 6 on Russley Rose, 5 to 1 agst Signorina, 6 to 1 Yankee Boy, 4 to 1 Comeback, 10 to 1 Indabba, 12 to 1 each Minimus and Min.

Russley Rose and Yankee Boy had the best of the start, but Comeback was soon up to them and they raced together till the turn into the straight, where Yankee Boy fell back and Russley Rose got ahead of Comback and won by half a length. Time—1min. 19⅖secs.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 3,000, out of which second receives Rs. 600 and the third Rs. 400. For horses W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902 race value Rs. 2,000, 4lbs.; value Rs. 4,000 7lbs.; value Rs. 10,000 or over, 12lbs. Allowances—Horses which have not won race value Rs. 1,000 or over, 5lbs.; Maidens, 12lbs. (not accumulative) Horses which have not won race 1 mile or upwards, 5lbs additional. 1 mile.

Mr. Kelso's ch e g Child's Guide, 8st. 2lbs.	Elliott	1
Mr. Mehta's br aus m Blue Blood, 7st 9lbs.	O'Neill	2
H.H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus m Loch Clieveden, 9st.	Southall	3
Mr. Galstaun's bl aus g Dulcimer, 8st. 2lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr Kelso's b aus g Haroist, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Huree	0
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral, 8st. 2lbs....	Melsom	0

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Loch Clieveden, Child's Guide and Blue Blood, 10 to 1 Dulcimer, 15 to 1 Red Coral, 20 to 1 Harpist. They got away in a bunch. Then Harpist led with Child's Guide close up. This order was unchanged to the half mile, where Child's Guide came away and romped home four lengths to the good; half a length between Blue Blood and Loch Clieveden. Time—1min. 46⅘secs.

H. H. THE FIRST AGA KHAN'S COMMEMORATION PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Arabs W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of race value Rs. 900 or over : once, 4lbs. ; twice, 7lbs. ; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000, 4lbs ; of Rs. 7,000 or over, 7lbs in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens 5lbs. Ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. 1¼ mile.

Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Mameluke, 9st. 13lbs.	Penton	1
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's b a h Hyderi, 8st. 2lbs.	Foster	2
Mr. A Davies-Cooke's br a g Marquis II, 8st.	Ames	3
Mr. F. M. Garda's b a h Narunjee, 9st. 11b.	Robinson	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Connaught, 8st. 12lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0
Mr. Peel's g a h Precious, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Oomerkhan	0
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Talisman, 8st. 5lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Syed Rasheed's ch a h Saheb, 7st 13lbs.	Southall	0
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Berlin, 6st. 7lbs. ... ... —	Melsom	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : 4 to 5 on Mameluke, 2 to 1 agst. Hyderi, 6 to 1 Talisman, 10 to 1 Berlin, 12 to 1 each Narunji, Connaught, Precious, Marquis, and Saheb.

Berlin showed the way at the start and took them into the straight where he began to die away and Mameluke coming away won by a length and a half; half a length between second and third. Time—2mins. 28⅘secs.

THE LILLIPUTS.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. For Arab ponies 13-3 and under, new measurement. 13-3 to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of race value Rs. 900 or over, once 4lbs. ; twice 7lbs. ; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or over 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. ½ mile

Mr. R. R. S.'s b a h Rose, 10st. ...	Ames	1
Mr. W. Moran's g a h Young Gazelle, 7st. 5lbs.	Bennett	2
Mr. Abdool Razak Nasroola's bl a h Sabig, 8st.	Oomerkhan	3
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s g a h Dispute, 9st. 7lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0
Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Heeroo	0
Lieut. Col. J. Desaraj Urs' g a h Ptarmigan, 8st. 6lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Preston's g a h Tawakel, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Elliott	0
Mr. S. A. Wahed's b a h Reflector, 8st. 3lbs.	O'Neill	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Grey Fox, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Foster	0
Aga Mirza Ahmed's g a h Young Shahin, 8st.	Barrett	0
Messrs. Goolamally S. Mahomed and A. A Saif's b a h Guiding Star, 7st. 11lbs. ..	Murphy	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch a g Tommy Titus, 7st. 8lbs.	Kamad	0
Messrs. Goolamally S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's b a h Settler, 7st. 5lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	0

BETTING : Evens Ptarmigan 4 to 1 each Tommy Titus and Rose, 6 to 1 Grey Fox, 8 to 1 Hermit, 10 to 1 each Young Gazelle and Settler, 12 to 1 Dispute, 30 to 1 Guiding Star, 40 to 1 each Sabig, Young Shahin and Tawakel.

There was some delay at the start, but when they did get off Rose had the lead with Sabig and Ptarmigan next and Young Gazelle close up. On entering the straight Ptarmigan passed Rose but fell back again and Young Gazelle coming through on the outside was just beaten by Rose for first place by three-quarters of a length ; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

Second Day, Saturday, 24th September, 1904.

The racing to-day attracted a very large gathering of spectators and the card of six events provided excellent sport. It was anything but a favourites' day, Tubal Cain in the Criterion being the only one who did not disappoint his backers. Proceedings opened with the Dealers' Plate for which Bay Middleton was most fancied but could only run into third place, Little Joker securing the verdict. The Arab Pony Derby was won by Yerbo who went out at eights. The Western India Stakes produced a splendid finish, Stand Off was favourite, but finished in the ruck. H. H. the Aga Khan's Ayrdale came away in the last few strides and won by a head, Trenton and Loch Clievedon making a dead-heat of it for second place. Arabistan won the Poona Derby and Veera accounted for the International Plate, beating the favourite, Yankee Boy, by three-quarters of a length. Details :—

THE DEALERS' PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. For Arab Ponies, 14 hands and under, new measurement, 14 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March, 1902, of a race value Rs. 900 or over : once, 4lbs. ; twice, 7lbs. ; oftener, 10lbs. Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 and upwards, 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. Artin A. Essayie's g a h Little Joker, 7st. 3lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's ch a h Gallant, 8st. 11lbs.	Elliott	2
Messrs M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's b a h Bay Middleton, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Foster	3
Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's g a h Nainawa, 7st. 12lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0
Mr. R. R. S.'s b a h Sirjamal, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Kamad	0
Major Stisted's b a h rounde, 7st. ...	A. Hoyt	0

(*Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.*)

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Bay Middleton, 10 to 1 Gallant, 20 to 1 each Little Joker and Nainawa, 30 to 1 the others.

Won by Rs. one and a half length ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 59⅘secs.

THE CRITERION.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over, since 31st March 1902. W. A. and C reduced 10lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 500 : once, 4lbs. ; twice of race value Rs. 500, or of race value Rs. 900, 7lbs. ; three times of race value Rs. 500, or of race value Rs. 1,400, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. 7 furlongs.

Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus g Tubal Cain, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Foster	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 7st. 6lbs.	Morrison	2
Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum, 8st. 11lbs.	Thomson	3
Mr. B. P. Roy Chowdhuri's b aus g Forthcringay, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Robinson	0
Major F. C Logan-Home's b aus g Corrie Roy, 8st. 11lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus h Idler, 8st. 8lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. Galstaun's b e g Pure Gold, 7st. 8lbs.	O'Neil	0

(*Winner trained by Pearson.*)

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Tubal Cain, 6 to 1 Fotheringay, 8 to 1 Corrie Roy, 10 to 1 Idler, 12 to 1 each Honest Lady and Pure Gold, 15 to 1 Gum.

Won by six lengths ; two lengths and a half separating second and third. Time—1min. 33⅘secs.

THE ARAB PONY DERBY.—Rs. 2,500, out of which second receives Rs. 500, and the third Rs. 300. For Arab Ponies 13-3 and under, new measurement, which have not won a flat race value Rs. 900 previous to 1st January 1904, 13-3 to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st December 1903, of a race value Rs. 700 or over : once, 4lbs. ; twice, 7lbs. ; oftener, 10lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Yusuff Yunasee's b a h Yerbo, 8st. 2lbs	O'Neil	1
Messrs. G. H S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 9st.	A. Hoyt	2
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Farewell, 9st. 11b.	Foster	3
Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 9st. ...	Elliott	0
Mr. Mahomed Haji Ebrahim's br a h Mosumma, 8st. 11lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. Preston's g a h Tawakel, 8st. 8lbs.	Lansdown	0
Mr. Mahomed bin Talib's b a h Umber, 8st. 8lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0
Mr. S. A. Wahed's ch a h Dilerjung, 8st. 8lbs.	Robinson	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch a h Shah Jehan, 8st. 6lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. Abdool Razak Nasroola's bl a h Sabig, 8st. 5lbs.	Oomerkhan	0
Aga Mirza Ahmed's g a h Young Shahin, 8st. 5lbs.	Baichan	0
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's g a h Clever Boy, 8st. 5lbs.	Kunai	0
Mr. Gustadjee's g a h Firdosi, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Hard	0
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Barrett	0
Messrs. A. A. Amer and A M. Saif's ch a h Gold, 7st. 11lbs.	Melsom	0
Aga S. Shah's g a h Swazi, 7st. 10lbs. ...	Kamad	0
Mr. W. Moran's g a h Young Gazelle, 7st. 10lbs.	Bennett	0
Major Stisted's ch a h Modesty, 7st. 11b. ...	Dhondi	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : 4 to 1 Mosumma, 6 to 1 each Hermit, Dilerjung, and Firdosi, 8 to 1 each Yerbo, Mooreed, and Shah Jehan, 10 to 1 each Farewell, Young Gazelle, and Erhan, long odds the others.

Won by a length ; quarter of a length separated second and third. Time—1min. 26secs

THE WESTERN INDIA STAKES.—Rs. 10,000, out of which second receives Rs 2,000, and the third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Horses. 1¼ miles.

H. H. Aga Khan's br e g Ayrdale, 7st. 7lbs.	Heeroo	1
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus m Loch Clievedon, 9st 10lbs ...	Southall	Dead-heat
Lieut.-Col. J Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton, 7st. 6lbs. ...	Melsom	Dead-heat
Mr. Kelso's ch e g Child's Guide, 9st. 12lbs.	Robinson	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ch aus h Progedior, 9st 11b. ...	Foster	0
Hon'ble Mr A A Apcar's b aus g Stand Off, 8st,. 10lbs.	Penton	0
Mr. Mehta's br aus m Blue Blood, 8st. 6lbs.	Ames	0
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Goldsmith, 8st. 5lbs.	Bennett	0
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b e g Simon, 7st. 12lbs.	Wahan	0
Capt Wilson's bl h Misty, 6st., 8lbs.	Kamad	0
Dr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Rifleman, II., 6st 9lbs.	Morrison	0
Mr. Peel's b aus g Planet, 7st. 3lbs.	Baichan	0

(*Winner trained by Aga S. Shah.*)

BETTING : 5 to 4 agst. Stand Off, 2 to 1 Child's Guide, 6 to 1 Ayrdale, 7 to 1 Progedior, 10 to 1 Rifleman II., 12 to 1 Goldsmith, 20 to 1 each Loch Clievedon and Trenton, long odds the others

Won on the post by a short head, Trenton and Loch Clievedon running a dead heat, a short head before Rifleman II. Time—2mins. 14secs.

THE POONA DERBY.—Rs. 3,500, out of which second receives Rs. 700, and the third Rs. 300 For Arab Horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 900 or over previous to 1st January 1904. W. A. reduced 5lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st December 1903, of a race value Rs. 700 or over : once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs. ; oftener. 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies, 14 hands and under, new measurement, 5lbs. 1½ miles.

Aga S. Shah's b a h Arabistan, 8st. 7lbs....	Robinson	1
Mr. A. Davies-Cooke's br a g Marquis II., 8st. 9lbs.	Ames	Dead-heat
Mr. S. A. Wahed's g a h Skylark, 8st. 3lbs.	Heeroo	Dead-heat
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Berlin, 6st. 7lbs	Melsom	0
Mr. Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 8st. 7lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Syed Rasheed's ch a h Sahab, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Hard	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Moon, 9st. ...	Penton	0
Mr. Peel's g a h Precious, 8st. 13lbs. ...	Oomerkhan	0
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Adonis, 8st. 8lbs.	Foster	0
Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's ch a h Faithful, 8st. 11b.	C. B. Mahomed	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Hadhur, 7st. 7lbs.	Kamad	0

(*Winner trained by Aga S. Shah.*)

BETTING : Evens on Marquis II., 4 to 1 Moon, 6 to 1 Arabistan, 7 to 1 Skylark, 10 to 1 Berlin, long odds the others.

Won by a length ; dead-heat for the second place. Time—2mins. 57secs.

THE INTERNATIONAL PLATE.—Rs. 2,500, out of which second receives Rs. 500, and the third Rs. 300. A Handicap for Ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s ch aus m Veera, 6st. 8lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy, 8st. 13lbs.	Ames	2
Mr. Kelso's b aus m Bus-ley Rose, 8st. 11lb	Robinson	3
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Ping Pong, 7st. 7lbs.	O'Neil	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus m Olga, 6st. 10lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Finch's b aus m La France, 6st. ...	Bennett	0

(*Winner trained by M. Cassim.*)

BETTING : 3 to 2 each agst. Russley Rose and Yankee Boy, 6 to 1 Ping Pong, 8 to 1 the others

Won by three-quarters of a length ; a head separating second and third. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

Third Day, Monday, 26th September 1904.

A most ornate card was discussed this afternoon. There was a real big Poona gathering and capital racing. So excellent was the handicapping that in two events it looked almost as if triple dead-heats might be declared. The Poona Grand National was a big upset for the many who backed Pope. He ran out early in the race and Daroji, a 6 to 1 chance, came in with Peppercorn, who was as much fancied as Pope, second. Details :—

THE BREEDERS' PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Country-Bred horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's Saloon, 10st. 5lbs. ...	Ames	1
Capt. Randall's Miss Ascot, 6st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 2lbs.)	O'Neil	2
Mr. J. M. Misty's Upstart, 9st. 6lbs. ...	Heeroo	3

Also ran : Philistine, 7-2 ; and Lady Newbrook, 6-13

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Saloon, 4 to 1 each agst. Upstart and Philistine, 6 to 1 Miss Ascot and 8 to 1 Lady Newbrook.

Won by a length and a half ; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 18secs.

THE POONA GRAND NATIONAL.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third, Rs. 200. A Steeplechase for horses. W. A. and C. raised 21lb. Penalties—Winners since 31st. March, 1902, of a Steeplechase value Rs. 500 or over : once, 5lbs., twice, 10lbs. ; oftener, 14lbs. Winner since the above date, of a Steeplechase value Rs. 3,000 or over 10lbs., in addition to above penalties. Allowances.—Maidens, 10lbs. About 2 miles 1 furlong.

Mrjor G. Moore's Daroji, 9st. 11lbs, ...	L. Hoyt	1
Sultan of Johore's Peppercorn, 9st. 11lbs, ...	Koops	2
Mr. H. B. K. Pike's Rapid Rhone, 9st. 11lbs.	Mumford	3

Also ran : Pope, 11-3 (ran out) ; and Musketeer, 9 11, jockey fell off.

BETTING : 5 to 4 each agst. Pope and Peppercorn, 5 to 1 Daroji, 10 to 1 Rapid Rhone, and 15 to 1 Musketeer.

Won by a length and a half ; bad third. Time—4mins. 21secs. Pope ran out.

THE KIRKEE CHASE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third. Rs. 200. A Steeplechase for Arab and C.-B., ponies 14-2 and under, new measurement, and other classes, 14 1 and under, new measurement. Weight—Above heights to carry 11st. 10lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner since 31st March 1902, of Steeplechase value Rs. 500, or over : once, 4lbs ; twice 7lbs. oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens, 7lbs.; Arabs, ; 16lbs. ; C.-B.'s, 8lbs. About 1 mile 7 furlongs over the Pony Steeplechase Course.

Mr. Vincent Clifford's Patrician, 11st. 5lbs.	A. Hoyt	1
Capt the Hon. F. Guest and Mr. Dawn's Funny, 11st.	L. Hoyt	2
Mr. Beck's Toby, 8st. 6lbs.	Hard	3

Also ran : Rifleman II., 10-9 ; and Mary Jane, 10-11. (fell.)

BETTING : 5 to 4 agst. Patrician, 2 to 1 Funny, 4 to 1 each Mary Jane and Rifleman II, and 10 to 1 Toby.

Won by a length and a half ; third nowhere. Time—3mins 58secs.

THE SEPTEMBER PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third. Rs. 200. A handicap for horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 2,000, or over since 31st March. 1902 1 mile

Messrs. Goculdass and Nanjee's Tubal Cain, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Foster	1
Mr. W. Bass' Stoddart, 6st. (car. 6st. 2lbs.)	Native	2
Colonel Desaraj Urs' Red Coral, 7st. 5lbs.	Melsom	3
Aga Shah's Prestwick, 7st. 8lbs. ...	Kamad	0

Also ran : Child's Guide 10-0, Riverside II., 8-1 ; Glen Albyn, 8-0 ; Idler, 7-8 ; Misty, 7-3 (car. 7-4) ; Saint Marquise, 7-2 ; and Spark, 6-12.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Child's Guide, 4 to 1 each Tubal Cain and Misty, 6 to 1 each Glen Albyn and Prestwick, 8 to 1 each Saint Marquise and Spark, and 10 and 15 to 1 the others.

Won by a head ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 15secs.

THE WANOWRIE PLATE.—Rs. 3,000, out of which second receives Rs. 600, and the third Rs. 400. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under, new measurement ; 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 900 or over : once, 4lbs. ; twice, 7lbs. ; oftener, 10lbs Winners since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 5,000 or over, 4lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Maidens, 5lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Sirjamal, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Heeroo	1
Mr. H. Maydwell's Titus II, 9st. 11b. ...	A. Hoyt	2
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's Little Joker, 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 8lbs.)	Melsom	3
Aga S. Shah's Achilles, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Robinson	0

Also ran : Bay Middleton, 9-5 ; Moon, 9-4 ; Nainawa 8-9 ; Sugger, 7-11 ; Shah Jehan, 7-8 ; Tawakel, 7-5 ; and Swazi, 6-7.

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst. Titus II., 2 to 1 Bay Middleton, 6 to 1 each Moon, Achilles, and Little Joker, 10 to 1 Shah Jehan, and 15 to 1 the rest.

Heads divided the first four ; a magnificent finish. Time—1min. 23⅘secs.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arabs. 1 mile.

Col. Kavanagh's Money Spinner, 7st 12lbs.	Heeroo	1
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s Talisman, 8st. 2lbs.	Melsom	2
Mr. J. D. Scots's Secunder, 7st 8lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Ames	3
Mr. Peel's Precious, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Kamad	0

Also ran : Narunjee, 9-1 ; Connaught, 8-10 ; Hadhur, 7-1 ; Berlin, 6-13 ; and Syndic, 6-5.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Talisman, 4 to 1 each Money Spiner and Secunder, 5 to 1 each Narunjee and Connaught, 6 to 1 Precious, 10 to 1 each Hadhur and Berlin, and 12 to 1 Syndic.

Won by a neck ; half a length between second and third. Syndic left at the starting post. Time—1min. 55⅘secs.

QUETTA AUTUMN RACES.

STEWARDS :

LT.-COL. W. V. DICKINSON. | MAJ. H. L. SHOWERS.
MAJ. H. M. PATTERSON. | CAPT. R. L. BENWELL.
R. E. D. GOLDINGHAM. | C. P. MARTEN, ESQ.

Honorary Secretary :—G. O.' HARA, ESQ.

First Day, Tuesday, 20th September 1904.

ALL who assisted at the opening of this popular meeting were agreed in pronouncing it an unqualified success, a recognition of the labours of the Honorary Secretary and his Committee that was thoroughly well deserved. Everything conspired towards this end The arrangements were perfect, the attendance was unusually good and the sport provided was rather above average quality. Quite one of the pleasantest features of the day was the prominent part played by Major-General Smith-Dorrien who got second on Muskerry and Alexis in the first two races. A favourite's day it undoubtedly was, only two second favourites getting verdicts out of the seven races. The disqualification of Sirocco in the Novice Stakes for having interfered with Federation gave very general satisfaction, for everybody was glad to see Mr. O.'Hara get the winning bracket : he also got a couple of thirds with Chorister and Margaret, having the mount himself on each occasion, while he rode a winner in Captain Greer's Auric who beat Alchemix

cleverly by a length in the Australasian Stakes. Quite a day out for the Honorary Secretary it was. Details :—

THE PONY HURDLES.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, R's 50 to the third. For maiden ponies. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, and others 14-0 and under. Above heights to carry 12st. W. I. one mile over six flights.

Capt. Ready's Toofan, 11st. 10lbs. ... Churchward 1
Maj.-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's Muskerry, 11st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Capt. Hislop's Roburite, 9st. 12lbs. (car. 10st. 11b.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Mousme, 11st. 5lbs. ; Red Light, 10st. 4lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Toofan and Muskerry, 10 to 1 each Roburite Mousme, and Red Light.

They were first led by Mousme ; then Toofan left the rest and with Muskerry as his nearest attendant, sailed away and won by ten lengths ; six lengths between second and third. Time.—2mins. 6⅗secs.

THE BALUCHISTAN PURSE.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. C.-B's 14-2 to carry 12st. Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W.I. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Lane's Najib, 9st. 6lbs. (car. 9st. 12lbs) ... ...Mr. Woodhouse 1
Maj.-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's Alexis, 10st. 11b. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Haggard's Heathen, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 8st. 11lbs.) ... ... Churchward 3

Also ran : True Blue, 11st. 3lbs. ; Jamil, 10st. (car. 10st. 4lbs.) ; Shawani, 11st 2lbs.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Heathen. 4 to 1 Alexis ; 20 to 1 each Najib, True Blue, Jamil, and Shawani.

Led throughout and won by three lengths ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

THE NOVICE STAKES.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and others 14-0 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over ; C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st. 7lbs.; Arabs 14-2 and others 14-0 to carry 12st. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Mr. O'Hara's Federation, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Capt. Greer's Conceit, 10st. 6lbs. ... Churchward 2

Also ran : Polly 10st. 8lbs ; Grass Widow, 10st. 8lbs. (car. 11st.); Sirocco, 9st. 6lbs. (car. 9st. 10lbs.) (disq.) ; Sally, 8st. 9lbs. (car. 10st. 6lbs.) ; the Monk, 10st. 2lbs. (car. 10st. 4lbs.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Federation, 4 to 1 each Conceit, Polly, and Grass Widow; 6 to 1 each Sirocco, Sally, and Monk.

First Conceit, then Sirocco showed the way with Federation lying quite close up. Conceit was passed by the other two in the run in, and after a fine struggle Sirocco came in first by three-quarters of a length ; but was disqualified for interfering with Federation who got the race and Conceit, was placed second. Time—48secs.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STAKES.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Australian ponies 14-1 and under. Above height to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs

Capt. Greer's Auric, 10st. 4lbs. car. 10st. 6lbs , Mr. O'Hara 1
Col. Dickinson's Alchemix, 10st. 9lbs. ... Churchward 2
Mr. Anderson's Grace, 9st 10lbs. ... Capt. Hislop 3

Also ran : Idolator, 11st. 5lbs.; Muskerry, 9st. 8lbs.

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Alchemix and Muskerry, 4 to 1 each Grace and Auric, 5 to 1 Idolator.

Alchemix led for some distance, and looked a possible winner till tackled by Auric who after a good finish landed the verdict by a length ; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

THE CLUB PLATE.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden horses W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. 6 furlongs.

Maj. Maxwell and Capt. Winter's Russley King, 11st 3lbs. ... ... Moongya 1
Capt. Benwell's Aureole, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Beatty 2
Mr. O'Hara's Chorister, 11st. 10lbs. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Motion, 10st. 7lbs.; Maddington, 10st. 11lbs (car. 10st. 13 lbs.); Welfare, 10st. 7lbs.; Nameless, 10st. 7lbs.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Maddington, 3 to 1 Russley King, 4 to 1 Chorister; 10 to 1 each Aureole, Motion, Welfare and Nameless.

Chorister made the pace with Russley King and Aureole lying nice and handy. Coming into the straight these two passed him and Russley King won by half a length ; two lengths between second and third. Time.—1min. 22secs.

THE PAVILION PLATE.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden ponies, Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-0 and under. C.-B.'s 14-0 to carry 11st. 7lbs., Arabs 14-0 to carry 11st. W.I. Half a mile.

Capt. Goldingham's Grey Friar, 10st. 4lbs. Owner 1
Mr. Anderson's Turin, 10st. 6lbs. ... Capt. Hislop 2

Also ran : Comus, 9st. 13lbs.

BETTING : Evens agst. Grey Friar, 4 to 1 Turin, 6 to 1 Comus.

Led from start to finish and won by two lengths anyhow. Time—57⅗ secs.

THE PORT PLATE.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden ponies, Arabs and C. B.'s 14 2 and under, and others 14-0 and under, C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs.; Arabs 14-2 and others 14-0 to carry 11st. W.I. Half a mile.

Mr. J. Smith's Arina, 10st. 3lbs. ... Mr. Beatty 1
Capt. Winter's Detective, 10st. 7lbs. ... Moongya 2
Mr. O'Hara's Margaret, 10st. 11lbs. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Vi, 11st. 2lbs. ; Alexis, 9st. 12lbs. ; Nasaralla, 7st. 5lbs. (car. 7st. 8lbs.)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Margaret, 2 to 1 Arina, 3 to 1 Detective 5 to 1 each Vi, Alexis, and Nasaralla.

Another easy win by a length, after being in front all the journey ; but there was a good race for second place, only a head dividing them. Time—55secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 22nd September 1904.

A good day's sport, with the course in excellent order, were the features of this afternoon's racing. It was again a favourite's day, five of the public selections coming in first. Captain Hislop, Mr. Beatty, Mr. O Hara rode a couple of winners each. Details :—

THE SEPTEMBER PLATE.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-0 and under which started on the first day. 6 furlongs.

Maj.-Genl. Smith-Dorrien's Alexis, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Capt. Lane's Najib, 10st. 2lbs. ... Mr. Beatty 2
Mr. Haggard's Heathen, 9st. 2lbs. ... Churchward 3

Also ran : Grey Friar II, 9st. 8lbs. ; Turin, 9st. 3lbs.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Grey Friar, 2 to 1 Heathen, 3 to 1 Alexis. 4 to 1 Najib, 6 to 1 Turin.

Turin was first away, then Alexis, closely attended by Najib and Heathen, showed the way to the home turn where Alexis drew out and won by a length; a neck between second and third. Time.—1min 33⅘secs.

THE HORSE HURDLES.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden horses. W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. one mile and a half over eight flights.

Mr. O'Hara's Chorister, 10st. 11b. (car. 10st. 12lbs.) ... ... Owner 1
Capt. Hislop's Motion, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Capt. Benwell's Aureole, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 11st.) ... ...Major Paterson 3

Also ran : Welfare, 10st. 7lbs. ; Nameless, 10st. 7lbs.

BETTING : Evens agst. Chorister, 3 to 1 Aureole, 4 to 1 Motion: 10 to 1 each Welfare and Nameless.

Chorister led from the start and drawing away after the last obstacle won in a canter by two lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—3mins, 6secs.

THE HIE OVER STAKES.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap hurdle race for all ponies which started in the pony hurdles on the first day. One mile and a half over eight flights.

Capt. Hislop's Roburite, 9st. 8lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Picton Warlow's Redlight, 9st. ... Owner 2

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Roburite. 5 to 2 agst. Redlight.

Roburite soon went to the front, and, jumping in great style, won by three lengths. Time—3mins. 26secs.

THE CRITERION STAKES.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for maiden ponies, Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and others 14-0 and under, which started on the first day. Seven furlongs.

Capt. Greer's Auric, 11st. ... Mr. O'Hara 1
Major-General Smith-Dorrien's Alexis, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. Woodhouse 2
Major-General Smith-Dorrien's Muskerry, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Shawani, 7st. (car. 7st. 9lbs) ; True Blue, 9st. 8lbs.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Auric, 5 to 2 Muskerry, 4 to 1 True Blue, 10 to 1 each Alexis and Shawani.

Alexis and Auric were first away the latter taking command in the straight and winning by three lengths ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 45secs.

THE BEGINNERS' PURSE.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third, For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under that have not won races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 600. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st., Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st 7lbs. W.I. Half a mile.

Capt. Ready's Toofan, 9st. 12lbs. (car. 10st. 2lbs.) ... ... Mr. Beatty 1
Mr. Maxwell's Sirocco, 9st. 2lbs. ... Hassen Khan 2
Capt. Winter's Detective, 10st. 11lbs. ... Moongya 3

Also ran : Nasaralla, 8st. 8lbs. ; Golden Eagle, 10st. ; Jamil, 10st. (car. 11st. 2lbs.) ; The Monk, 9st. 9lbs. (car. 9st. 10lbs.,

BETTING : Evens agst. Toofan, 3 to 1 Detective, 4 to 1 Sirocco, 6 to 1 each Nasaralla and Golden Eagle, 10 to 1 each Jamil and Monk.

Sirocco showed in front to the home turn closely followed by Toofan, a good race home resulting in a win for the latter by three-quarters of a length ; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time—56secs.

THE SCURRY STAKES.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden ponies, Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and others 14-0 and under. C.-B.'s 14-2 and others 14-0 to carry 11st. 7lbs., Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st. W.I. Three furlongs.

Mr. J. Smith's Arina, 10st. 13lbs. ... Mr. Beatty 1
Mr. Haggard's Mousme, 10st. 12lbs. (car. 11st. 11b.) ... ... Owner 2
Mr. O'Hara's Federation, 10st. 4lbs. (car. 10st. 6lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Sally, 11st. 11lbs. ; Grass Widow, 9st. 8lbs.

BETTING : Evens agst. Arina, 2 to 1 Federation, 8 to 1 Grass Widow, 10 to 1 each Mousme and Sally.

Grass Widow and Sally bolted the course On their return they were sent off and Arina led the whole way, winning by two lengths ; same distance between second and third. Time—42⅖secs.

THE NEW PLATE.—Value Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for maiden Australian ponies 14-1 and under, which started on the first day. Six furlongs.

Mr. Anderson's Grace, 9st. 9lbs. ... Capt. Hislop 1
Col. Dickinson's Alchemix, 11st. 2lbs. ... Churchward 2
Mr. Haggard's Idolator, 11st. 5lbs. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Muskerry, 9st. 7lbs ; Margaret, 10st. 12lbs. ; Conceit, 8st. 7lbs. ; Vi, 10st. 12lbs.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Alchemix, 4 to 1 each Grace, Idolator, Muskerry, Margaret, Conceit, and Vi.

The first show out from a good start were Grace and Alchemix and leaving the others after the home turn the former won by a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 25secs.

Third Day, Saturday, 24th September 1904.

(By Special Telegram.)

We wound up the meeting to day, good sport and a full gallery to witness it attending us to the end. The General's Muskerry and Alexis credited the stable with two more wins, while Mr. O'Hara's Margaret won the Scurry Handicap after having run third in the opening race, his Chorister won the Paddock Stakes and in the last race of the day his Golden Eagle, nicely handled by Mr. Woodhouse, won the Consolation Stakes. Details :—

THE PESHIN PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. Half mile.

Col. Dickinson's Alchemix, 11st. ... Mr. Beatty 1
Mr. Haggard's Idolator, 10st. 12lbs. .. Owner 2
Mr. O'Hara's Margaret, 10st. 4lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Grace, 10st. ; Auric, 11st. 4lbs. ; Vi, 9st. 5lbs.

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Alchemix, Margaret, Grace, and Auric, 4 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length ; a neck between second and third.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. One mile over six flights.

Major-General Smith-Dorrien's Muskerry, 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Capt. Hislop's Roburite, 9st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.) .. .. Owner 2
Mr. Picton Warlow's Redlight, 9st. (car. 9st. 2lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Toofan, 11st. 6lbs. (ran out).

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Toofan, 6 to 4 agst. Muskerry, 3 to 1 Roburite, 4 to 1 Redlight.

Won easily by two lengths ; third nowhere.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. Two miles over ten flights.

Mr. O Hara's Chorister, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Capt. Benwell's Aureole, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 10st. 8lbs.) ... ... Mr. Beatty 2
Capt. Hislop's Motion, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Welfare, 9st. 10lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.) ; Nameless, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Chorister, 5 to 2 agst. Aureole, 4 to 1 Motion, 6 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths ; third nowhere.

LILLIPUT HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. Five furlongs.

Capt. Ready's Toofan, 11st. 4lbs. ... Owner 1
Capt. Goldingham's Grey Friar, 9st. 2lbs. (car. 9st. 4lbs.) .. ... Owner 2
Capt. Lane's Najib, 10st. 3lbs. ... Churchward 3

Also ran : Turin, 8st 8lbs. ; Heathen, 8st. 11lbs. ; Nasaralla, 8st. 3lbs.

BETTING : Evens agst. Najib, 6 to 4 on Toofan, 3 to 1 Grey Friar, 5 to 1 the others.

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

KELAT CUP.—A cup value Rs. 150 presented by H. H. the Khan of Kelat and Rs. 50 from the fund to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. R. C.

Major-General Smith Dorrien's Alexis, 11st. Owner 1
Mr. Anderson's True Blue, 10st. 4lbs. ... Capt. Hislop 2
Capt. Greer's Jamil, 9st. 12lbs. Churchward Alizun 3

Also ran : Comus, 8st. 5lbs.

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Alexis, 3 to 1 agst. True Blue, 4 to 1 Jamil, 6 to 1 Comus.

Won by a length ; indifferent third.

SCURRY HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Three furlongs.

Mr. O'Hara's Margaret, 10st. 2lbs. (car. 10st. 5lbs.) ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Smith's Arina, 11st. ... ... Mr. Beatty 2
Col. Dickinson's Alchemix, 10st. 12lbs. ... Maj-General Smith-Dorrien 3

Also ran : Grace, 10st. ; Auric, 11st. ; Mousme, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 10st. 9lbs.) ; Grass Widow, 7st. 9lbs. ; Sally, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.)

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Arina, 2 to 1 agst. Alchemix, 4 to 1 each Grace and Auric, 5 to 1 Margaret, 6 to 1 Sally, 7 to 1 the rest.

Won by a head ; a neck between second and third.

THE CONSOLATION STAKES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Half mile.

Mr. O'Hara's Golden Eagle, 9st. 8lbs. ...Mr. Woodhouse 1
Capt. Greer's Conceit, 10st. 5lbs. ... Churchward 2
Capt. Winter's Detective, 11st. 8lbs. ... Moongya 3

Also ran : Turin, 9st. 5lbs. ; True Blue, 10st. ; Vi, 11st. ; Sally, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 8lbs.)

BETTING : Evens agst. Detective, 2 to 1 Conceit, 4 to 1 each Golden Eagle, True Blue, Vi. 5 to 1 Turin, 8 to 1 Sally.

Won by three-quarters of a length ; half a length between second and third.

OOTACAMUND HUNT RACES.

Judge.—COL. SCHALCH, C.B.
Starter.—W. O. HORNE, ESQ., I. C. S.
Clerk of the Scales.—J. T. W. FILSON, ESQ.
Handicapper.—MAJOR F. C. LOGAN-HOME.
Honorary Secretary.—HENRY IRWIN, ESQ., C. I. E.

Second Day, Saturday, 17th September 1904.

NOTWITHSTANDING the distance, for the day's racing was at Newmarket, a very large attendance witnessed the racing. Their Excellencies the Governor and Mr. Thomson were "At Home" and some 400 partook of an excellent luncheon, while H. E.'s band discoursed sweet music. The card comprised five races and ten faced the starter in the Hunt Cup race, which is the event of the day, as well as in another race. The win of the Cup by Warrior, owned by another of our veteran sportsman, Mr. Colin A. Mackenzie, was most popular, and how much of a surprise the win was can be guaged from the fact that only two tickets were taken in the totalizator, which paid Rs. 90 on Warrior. Appended are details :—

HUNT CUP.—Presented by Colonel the Hon'ble R. T. Lawley. Value Rs. 600 with Rs. 350 added from the fund, of which Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to third. A Point-to-Point Steeplechase for horses the property of subscribers of not less than Rs. 100 to the Hunt and that have been regularly hunted during the season. Not less than 4 miles of fair Hunting Country.

Mr. C. A. Mackenzie's rn aus g Warrior, 12st 7lbs. ... .Capt. Toogood 1
Major Campbell's br aus g Bengal, 13st. 3lbs. ... ... Capt. Fife 2
Mr. Liebenrood's b aus g Ballyhooley, 12st. ... ... Owner 3
Col. Boteler's b e m Lady Bird, 12st. 7lbs.... Capt. Goldie 0
Maj.-General Sir George Pretyman's ch aus g Glenfield, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Hay 0
Mr. H. D. Taylor's rn aus g Togo, 12st. 7lbs. Capt. Kennard 0
Mr. C. A. Mackenzie's b aus g Brigadier, 12st. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. Clementson's ch aus g The Cardinal, 12st. ... ... Owner 0
Major Williams' br aus g Dum, 12st. 0
Mr. Stewart Brown's br aus g Anchorite, 12st. ... . Owner 0

The course laid down was from the top of the valley above Black Bridge on the old Pykara Road, over the hill into Wenon Valley, then across the nullah and over Rocky Cover above the Potato Field to the Barber's Shop, from here down back to the Pykara short cut to the sixth milestone, thence across Sandy Nullah to Newmarket and from here round Point-to Point Tree and home. At the Barber's Shop Bengal was viewed leading with Warrior close up. From this point these two did the running and after going round Point-to-Point Tree, Bengal and Warrior ran a grand race down the hill to the post, Warrior winning by two lengths, the rest a long way off. Time—16mins. Totalizator—Rs. 90.

LADIES' HORSE POINT-TO-POINT.—A cup value Rs. 100 to winner and Rs. 50 to second. A Steeplechase for horses that are owned and have been regularly hunted by ladies with Ooty Hounds during the season. Catch weights. About 2 miles.

Miss Percy Smith's br aus m Brown Girl ... ... Owner 1
Mrs. Gordon-Price's blk aus g Blackthorn Owner 2
Mrs. Calvert's br aus m Durham ... Owner 3
Mrs. Blunt's blk aus m Black Bird 0

The start was at Newmarket, round a flag and round a second flag at Staircase and home. At Staircase Blackthorn came away for a moment ; but Brown Girl jumping the water well got ahead and won by four lengths with only a length between the second and third. Time—8mins. 5secs.

LADIES' SUBSTITUTION PONY POINT-TO-POINT RACE.—A cup value Rs. 100 for Ponies that have never won Rs. 50 or over on the flat and are the property of Ladies and have been regularly hunted with the Ooty Hounds by Ladies during the season. Catch-weights. About 2 miles.

Mrs. Gordon-Price's br aus m Colleen ... Owner 1
Mrs. W. O. Horne's blk a g Blackcock ... Owner 2
Miss Morgan's b c b g Bobbee ... ... Owner 3

The start was from Newmarket, round a flag and home. Colleen led early and coming down the hill at a great pace won by three lengths. No time was taken.

PONY POINT-TO-POINT RACE.—A cup value Rs. 150 to winner and Rs. 50 to second. A Steeplechase for Ponies that have been regularly hunted with the Ooty Hounds during the current season. About 2 miles.

Mr. Liebenrood's b a g Gadabout, 9st. 6lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Hamilton Grace's ch aus g Corbett, 11st. 6lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's g aus g Sirdar, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Major Williams 3
Capt. Lauders' b aus m Little Mary, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Toogood 0
Mr. Marc. Clementson's br aus m Paddy Melon, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Marc. Clementson 0
Mr. A. D. Jackson's gr aus g Coxcomb, 11st. 12lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Capt. Ballantyne's br aus m Satanita, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Capt. Kennard's b s a g Freddy, 11st. ... Owner 0
Mr. W. G. Morey's b a h Bangle, 10st. 3lbs. 0
Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's g aus g F..m, 10st 2lbs. ... ... Owner 0

The course was from a point facing the winning post on the opposite hill, leaving Mills' Cover on the right, across Brick Kiln Crossing and home. The field took different courses between the points Paddy Melon was seen to lead with Gadabout very close up. A close race home ensued and Gadabout won by three lengths. Time—11mins. and 55secs.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—A cup value Rs. 150 to winner and Rs. 50 to second. A Steeplechase for medium sized horses 15 hands and under that have been regularly hunted with the

Ooty Hounds during the current season. Not less than 3 miles.

Major Logan-Home's b e m Dodo, 11st. 7lbs, Capt. Fife 1
Hon'ble Mr. H. P. Hodgson's b aus g Cockey, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Clementson. 2
Miss Percy-Smith's br aus m Brown Girl, Capt Ballantyne 3

Starting at the sixth milestone of the old Pykara Road with a view to keeping the hill between Lowley's Course and Staircase, on the left round a flag in the pools at Bluegums and keeping it on the left round Point-to-Point Tree, keeping it also on the left and home, the field went off and Dodo led from start to finish with Cockey nicely ridden dangerous throughout, and won a beautiful race in which the pace was good by three lengths Time—9mins. 45secs.

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

THE S. A. J. C. SPRING MEETING.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DERBY.—At sweepstakes of 10sovs. each, with 250sovs added; second 50 sovs., and third 25 sovs. out of stake. For three years olds—Colts, 8st. 10lbs.; fillies, 8st. 5lbs. One and a half miles.

£178 5s. Mr. W. A. Blackler's br c Ganymedes, by Port Admiral—Calirrhoe, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... T. Rogers 1
£82. Mr. J. Rowen's b c Step Out, by Thunderbolt—Footstep, 8st. 10lbs. ... B. Carslake 2
£68 15s. Mr. R. Howie's g c His Eminence, by Eminence—Dalliance, 8st. 10lbs. ... J. H. Mills 3
£9 15s. Mr. R. Thomson's b or br c Mainbrace, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... A. Anderson 0
£496 15s. Mr. F. Cumming's bk f Class, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... W. H. Ross 0

(*Winner trained by Owner*)

Amount in totalisator, £835 10. Dividend for 10. £2 2s. Won by a neck; eight lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 45⅘secs.

MORPHETTVILLE PLATE of 200sovs.; second 40sovs. and third 20sovs., out of stake. For two years olds—Colts, 8st. 5lbs.; fillies, 8st. (geldings at time of starting allowed 5lbs.) Four furlongs. £28 10s. Mr. T. Kelly's b f Adroit, by Eminence—Dexterity, 8st. ... B. Carslake 1
£161. Mr. F. Bailey's br f Shell Storm, 8st. ... ... A. Pile 2
£74. Mr. A. D. McDonald's br c St. Andrew, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... W White 3
£199 10s. Mr. G. Anderson's b c Torah, 9st. 11lb.—including, 10lbs. penalty ... T. Matthews 0
£18 15s. Mr. F. W. Allen's b or br c Royal Alliance, 8st. 5lbs.... ... J. Reed 0
£14. Mr. W. Wilson's br c Penel, 8st. 5lbs. W. Lake 0
£3 10s. Mr. T. Kelly's br c Brightlight, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... J. McDonald 0
£64. Mr. W. L. Watkin's c f Flora, 8st. A. Anderson 0
£108. Mr. J. H. Hill's b f Spiraway, 8st. J. H. Mills 0
£10 5s. Mr. C. Quinn's b f Suppose, 8st. W. Burns 0
£44 5s. Mr. C. Quinn's br f Ziska, 8st. ... D. J. Hall 0
£14 15s. Mr. T. Kelly's br f Penitence, 8st. ... ... H. McPhee 0
£6 5s. Mr. W. J. Tremellen's b or br f Ruby, 8st. ... ... J. Bailey 0

(*Winner trained by T. Kelly.*)

Amount in totalisator, £746 15s. Dividend for 10s. £11 15s. 6d. Won by two and a half lengths; a head between second and third. Time—53secs.

CALCUTTA MONSOON RACES.

FORM AT A GLANCE.

FLAT RACES.—HORSES.

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Maiden Horse Plate ...	6-8-04	5 f.	Winklet 9-3 ...	Morris 9-3 ...	May B. 9-3 ...	Thunder Cloud 9-3, Trenton Prince 9-3, Calm 9-3, Sylvia 9-3, March 9-4, Cheer Up 9-3, Euryalus 9-3, Flash 9-3	½ l.	1-11
The July Plate	,,	5 f.	Clynder 10-3 ...	Profit 9-10 ...	Pylara 9-10 ...	Bell Brand 10-10, Hello 9-13, Kellnerin 9-13, Trollop 9-10, Belmeath 9-10...	1½ l.	1-12
The Monsoon Plate (Hcp.) ...	13-8-04	6 f.	Sunshine 8-10 ...	Clynder 10-10 ...	Invincible 8-7 ...	.....	1 l.	1-29
The Fort Plate	,,	6 f.	Euryalus 9-3 ...	Reinzette 9-3 ...	Morris 9-3 ...	Thunder Cloud 9-1, Pierrette 9-3, Pubna 9-7, Tadmore 9-3, Quicksilver 9-3, Daffodil 9-3	1½ l.	1-32
The Middleton Plate (Hcp.) ...	20-8-04	5 f.	Flash 8-9 ...	Winklet 9-7 ..	May B. 8-12 ...	Tadmore 8-12, Thunder Cloud 9-10, Morris 9-4, Jacinth 9-0	1 l.	1-7⅘
The Amateur Plate ...	,,	5 f.	Pierrette 11-0 ...	Daffodil 11-0 ...	Gauntlet 11-7 ...	March 11-0, Cheer Up 11-0, Quicksilver 11-0, Planet II. 11-0, Road Metal 11-0	3 l.	1-12
The Kidderpore Plate (Hcp.)...	,,	7 f.	Sunshine 9-0 ...	Pylara 9-8 ...	Hello 9-12 ...	Naiades 8-12, Euryalus 9-6, Kellnerin 9-4	1 l.	1-42
The September Plate (Hcp.) ...	10-9-04	5 f.	Hello 9-12 ...	Invincible 8-0 ...	Sunshine 9-1 ...	Clynder 11-0, Certitude 10-7, Oom Paul 9-3, Profit 9-0, Trollop 7-12 ...	1½ l.	1-12
The Entally Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Morris 10-0 ...	Fusilier 9-4 ...	Winklet 10-7 ...	Pierrette 10-3, May B. 9-11, Jacinth 9-11, Tadmore 9-6, Ding Dong 9-4, Sylvia 9-0	A Hd.	1-29⅘
The Farewell Handicap ...	17-9-04	6 f.	Kittylea 10-6 ...	Profit 10 7 ...	Step-Ma 10-0 ...	Mulwala 10-4, May B. 9-8, Trollop 8-0	1 l.	1-20
The Harington Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Winklet 10.0 ...	Fusilier 9-10 ...	Morris 10-2 ...	Sunshine 11-0, Thunder Cloud 10-12, Oom Paul 10-10, Reinzette 10-0, Invincible 9-12, Flash 9-8, Tadmore 9-3, Florence 7-7, Pubna 7-10 ...	1½ l.	1-9⅘
The Dalhousie Plate (Hcp.) ...	24-9-04	5 f.	Thunder Cloud 10-7	Fusilier 9-12 ...	Reinzette 10-0 ...	Tadmore 9-0, Pierette 10-0, Step-Ma 9-3, May B 8-7, Florence 7-0 ...	1 l.	1-10⅕
The Autumn Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Hello 11-0 ...	Morris 9-3 ...	Flash 8-13 ...	Sunshine 9-11, Bell Brand 10 11, Oom Paul 9-11, Profit 9-5, Invincible 8-11, Trollop 8-8	½ l.	1-9⅘
The Elysium Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Pubna 8-0 ...	Claymore 10-0 ...	Florence 8-0 ..	Tadmore 10-5, Harold 11-7, Daffodil 10-10, Step-Ma 10-8, Orphan Boy 9-0	A Nk.	1-10

FLAT RACES.—PONIES.

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Pony Trial Plate ...	6-8-04	5 f.	Rezia 10-0 ...	Golden Tip 10-7	Little Doris 9-13	Moss Rose 10-2, Good Chap 9-11, Coal Queen 9-11, Blue Bell 8-13, Lall 8-9	1 l.	1-15⅘
The Stand Plate ...	,,	5 f.	Mademoiselle 9-8	The Owl 9-5 ...	Yuletide 10-0 ...	Moonlight 8-10, Irish 10-0, Pat C 10-0, First Guide 9-5, Lall 7-9 ...	1 l.	1-13⅘
The Pony Plate (Hcp.) ...	13-8-04	6 f.	Second Thought 10-7	Irish 9-8 ...	Moonlight 8-7 ...	Perfect 10-1, Mademoiselle 9-12	2 l.	1-32⅘
The Small Pony Handicap ...	20-8-04	5 f.	Miss Beryl 9-10...	Rezia 10-2 ...	Good Chap 8-13	Blue Bell 8-7, Not Yet 11-0, Western Queen 10-10, Golden Tip 9-12, Coal Queen 9-8, Little Doris 9-2	1½ l.	1-9⅘
The Pony Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Moonlight 8-0 ...	Perfect 9-7 ...	Second Thought 11-0	Norman 9-13, All Fours 10-0, The Owl 8-12	¾ l.	1-26
The Pony Handicap ...	10-9-04	5 f.	Second Thought 11-0	Perfect 9-10 ...	First Guide 8-7 ..	Florin 10-0, Irish 9-6, All Fours 9-5	1 l.	1-14
The Maidan Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Little Doris 8-10	Golden Tip 9-3 ...	Not Yet 10-10 ...	Miss Beryl 11-0, Reveille 10-0, Mignon 8-10, Whiff 8-10	4 l.	1-17
The Plassey Plate (Hcp.) ...	17-9-04	5 f.	Little Doris 10-0	Black Patch 8-0 ..	Blue Bell 8-4 ...	Moss Rose 9-7, Not Yet 10-8, Reveille 10-0, Mignon 8-7	1½ l.	1-13
The Giant Plate (Hcp.) ...	24-9-04	5 f.	Mademoiselle 8-10	Irish 9-2 ...	Shylock 9-0 ...	Second Thought 11-7, Little Doris 9-0	1 l.	1-11⅘
The Lilliput Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Golden Tip 9-5 ...	Black Patch 8-0	Little Doris 11-0	Good Chap 10-0, Moss Rose 9-2, Blue Bell 8-1, Jack Spratt 8-0 ...	¾ l.	1-13

HURDLE RACES.—HORSES.

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Bhowanipore Plate (Hcp.)	6-8-04	1½ m.	Kittylea 11-0 ...	Naiades 10-4 ...	Bob 9-10 ...	Odin 9-0, Parole 10-8, Florence 9-7, Stelliform 9-7	Nk.	3-21⅕
The August Plate (Hcp.) ...	13-8-04	1½ m.	Kittylea 11-0 ...	Bob 9-6 ...	Road Metal 9-4	Belmeath 10-12, Macedon 9-3	5 l.	3-36⅘
The Hunter's Plate ...	,,	1½ m.	Odin 10-10 ...	Planet II. 10-10	Whisper 10-10 ...	Sylvia 11-13, Blue Bell 10-10	10 l	3-31
The Ellenborough Plate (Hcp.)	20-8-04	1½ m.	Naiades 10-9 ...	Kittylea 11-8 ...	Odin 9-0 ...	Bob 9-7	2 l.	3-23⅘
The Belvedere Plate (Hcp.) ...	10-9-04	1½ m.	Actress 10 0 ...	Parole 10-0 ...	Bob 9-2 ..	Kittylea 11-8, Naiades 11-4, Gauntlet 10-4, Flamingo 9-7, Odin 9-4, Macedon, 9-0	10 l.	3-2⅘
The City Plate (Hcp.) ...	17-9-04	1½ m.	Parole 10-6 ...	Bob 9-2 ...	Actress 10-12 ...	Naiades 11-6, Daffodil 9-0	¾ l.	3-19
The Outram Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1½ m.	Blue Bell II. 10-1	Gauntlet 10-12 ...	Flamingo 10-4 ...	Jacinth 12-0, Sylvia 11-7, Cheer Up 10-10, Orphan Boy 10-7, Odin 10-6 ...	1 l.	3-15
The Hunters' Handicap ...	24-9-04	1½ m.	Cheer Up 10-3 ...	Sylvia 11-7 ...	Gauntlet 10-13 ...	Odin 9-8, Jacinth 11-7, Planet II. 10-7, Flamingo 10-0, Orphan Boy 9-0 ...	Hd.	3-16⅘

HURDLE RACES.—PONIES.

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
Pony Hurdle Race (Hcp.) ...	13-8-04	1 m.	Shylock 9-12 ...	Good Chap 9-0 ...	Norman 10-10 ...	Yuletide 10-7, Young Rake 10-0, Rezia 9-10, Moss Rose 9-7, The Owl 9-5 ...	2 l.	3-9⅘
The Zeerut Plate (Hcp.) ...	10-9-04	1 m.	Yuletide 10-2 ...	Shylock 10-7 ...	Good Chap 9-2 ...	Young Rake 9-12, Jack Spratt 9-0	5 l.	3-4
The Rampart Plate (Hcp.) ...	17-9-04	1 m.	Good Chap 9-6 ...	Moss Rose 10-0 ...	Young Rake 10-2	Yuletide 11-4, The Owl 9-0, Calm 10-12	2 l.	2-52

Races to Come.

PROGRAMME OF THE DACCA RACES.

SEASON 1904-1905.

Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.

STEWARDS :

THE HON'BLE NAWAB SALIMOLLAH BAHADUR. | W. A'COURT BEADON, ESQ.
H. C. STREATFEILD, ESQ., I.C.S. | G. MORGAN, ESQ.
J. T. RANKIN, ESQ., I.C.S. | LT.-COL. R. N. CAMPBELL, I.M.S.

Honorary Secretary :—C. H. HOLDER, ESQ.

First Day, Tuesday, 10th January 1905.

THE GUNNY MEAH PURSE.—Rs. 500 with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second pony to receive Rs. 100 out of the entire stakes. For ponies 14-2 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-2 to carry 9st. 7lbs., C.-B. ponies 14 2 to carry 8st., Arab ponies 14-2 to carry 6st. 9lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners after 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 200, 7lbs.; of a race value Rs. 900 or over, 11lbs. (not cumulative). Winners of races value Rs. 200 or upwards amounting in the aggregate Rs. 2.000 or over since 31st March 1904, 7lbs. in addition to other penalties. Entrance—1st November Rs 20, 1st December Rs. 25. 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40. 1,000 yards.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 500 with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second to receive Rs. 100, and the third pony Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-0 and other ponies 13-3 and under. English and Australasian ponies 13 3 to carry 9st. 7lbs., Arabs and C.-B. ponies 14 0 to carry 8st. 12lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners once-7lbs.; oftener, 12lbs. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40. Three-quarter mile.

THE CACHAR PURSE.—Rs. 500 with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second to receive Rs. 100, and the third pony Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 13-0 and other ponies 12-3 and under. English and Australasian ponies 12-3 to carry 9st. 7lbs., Arabs and C.-B. ponies 13 0 to carry 8st. 12lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners once, 7lbs.; oftener, 12lbs. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40. 1,000 yards.

THE DWARF DERBY.—Rs. 300, out of which Rs. 75 will go to the second and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For C.-B. ponies 12-2 and under. Ponies 12-2 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. No licensed jockeys allowed to ride, Entrance—Rs. 8, to close on 22nd December. One-half mile.

THE NARAYANGANJ PURSE.—Rs 500, with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second pony to receive Rs. 100 out of the entire stakes. For Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14-0 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs.; C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 9st.; Arab ponies 14-2 to carry 8st. 7lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners after 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 200, 7lbs., of a race value Rs. 900 or over, 11lbs (not cumulative). Winners of races value Rs. 200 or upwards amounting in the aggregate to Rs 2,000 or over since 31st March 1903, 7lbs. in addition to other penalties. Entrance—1st November Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40. 1,000 yards.

THE ASSAM PURSE.—Rs. 500, with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second to receive Rs. 100, and the third pony Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 13-2 and other ponies 13-1 and under. English and Australasian ponies 13-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs.; Arab ponies 13-2 to carry 9st. 2lbs.; C.-B. ponies 13-2 to carry 8st. 2lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners once, 7lbs.; oftener, 12lbs. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40. Seven furlongs.

Second Day, Thursday, 12th January 1905.

THE BARISAL PURSE.—Rs. 500, with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second pony to receive Rs. 100, and the third pony Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-0 and other ponies 13-3 and under. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40. 1,000 yards.

THE K. A. O. PURSE.—Rs. 1,500 presented to the Fund by the heirs of the late Nawab Sir Ahsunollah Bahadur, K.C.I.E., of which Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. For Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14-0 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs.; C. B. ponies 14-1 to carry 9st.; Arab ponies 14-2 to carry 8st. 7lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners after 31st March 1902, of a race value Rs. 200, 7lbs.; of a race value Rs. 900 or over, 11lbs. (not cumulative). Winners of races value Rs. 200 or upwards amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1903, 7lbs. in addition to other penalties. Entrance—1st November Rs. 50, 1st December Rs. 75, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 100. Seven furlongs.

THE SYLHET PURSE.—Rs 500, with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second pony to receive Rs. 100, and the third pony Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 13-0 and other ponies 12-3 and under. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40. Six furlongs.

THE SALIMOLLAH PURSE.—Rs. 1,000 presented to the Fund by the Hon'ble Nawab Salimollah Bahadur, of which Rs. 200 to the second and Rs. 100 to the third pony. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 13-2, other ponies 13-1 and under. English and Australasian ponies 13-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs., Arab ponies 13-2 to carry 9st. 2lbs., C.-B. ponies 13-2 to carry 8st 2lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 200 or over 4lbs. Winner of the Assam Plate, the first day, 7lbs. in addition to other penalties. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 30, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 50. 1,000 yards.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Rs. 250, of which Rs. 50 to the second, Rs 30 to the third, and Rs. 20 to the fourth. For C.-B.'s 12-1 and under. Ponies 12-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W.I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. No licensed jockeys allowed to ride Entrance—Rs. 8 to close 22nd December. Seven furlongs.

THE ATTICKOLLAH PURSE.—Rs. 500, presented to the Fund by Khajeh Attickollah, of Dacca, to the winner, Rs 100 to the second. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close. Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 extra for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M. on Tuesday, 10th January. 6 furlongs.

Third Day, Saturday, 14th January 1905.

THE ICH DIEN CUP.—A cup value Rs. 800 presented to the Fund by Messrs. Hamilton and Company and Rs. 200 from the Fund to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under entered the first and second days. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 70, with Rs. 20 extra for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M. on Thursday, 12th January. One and a quarter mile.

THE CRITERION HANDICAP.—Rs. 250, of which Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A handicap for C.-B.'s 12-2 and under. Entrance—Rs. 8 to close on 22nd December with Rs. 10 extra for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M. on Thursday, 12th January. No licensed jockeys allowed to ride. Six furlongs.

THE DILKOSHA PLATE.—Rs. 500, with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second to receive Rs. 100, and the third pony Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes A handicap for Arabs 14-2, C.-B's 14-1, other ponies 14-0 and under, entered the first and second days. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 30, with Rs. 20 extra for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M. on Thursday, 12th January. One and a quarter mile

THE MERCHANTS' PURSE.—Rs. 500, with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second to receive Rs. 100, and the third pony Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-0 and other ponies 13-3 and under, entered the first and seconds days. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 30, with Rs. 20 extra for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M. on Thursday, 12th January. One and a quarter mile.

THE JANUARY PLATE.—Rs. 500, with a starting sweepstake of Rs. 20, second to receive Rs. 100 and the third Rs. 50 out of the entire stakes. A handicap for Arabs and C. B.'s 13-0 and other ponies 12-3 and under, entered the first and second days. Entrance—1st November Rs. 20, 1st December Rs. 25, 1st January, when race will close, Rs 30, with Rs. 20 extra for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M on Thursday, 12th January. One mile.

THE JOYDEBPUR CUP.—Value Rs. 1,000 presented to the Fund by Kumar Ranendra Narayan Roy of Joydebpur, to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 13-2 and other ponies 13-1 and under, entered the first and second days. Entrance—1st November Rs. 25, 1st December Rs. 30, 1st January, when race will close, Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 extra for ponies not struck out by 7 P.M. on Thursday, 12th January. One mile.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. In the event of there being less than six entries for any race, such race may be declared void.

In the event of a walk-over only half the added money will be given under Rule 140.

No third money will be given if there are less than five starters.

2. All riders to ride in colours, starting declarations (which must include rider's colours and weights to be carried) to be made to the Honorary Secretary at 10 A.M. the day before the race. Jockey's fee for losing mount, if not already paid, must accompany starting declarations.

3. In all races, other than selling races and handicaps, a landing allowance of 6lbs. will be given to every English and Australasian horse and pony landed in Indian direct from the country of foaling on or after the 1st July 1904, the allowance to be reduced to 3lbs. on a horse or pony winning one race and to cease on his winning two races.

4. Owners are entirely responsible for the weight their own horses or ponies should carry, and any mistakes in the programme shall be notified by owners or trainers in charge to the Clerk of the Scales, who will notify such alteration on the Stewards' Notice Board.

5. A course fee of Rs. 5 will be charged for each horse or pony entered for the Dacca Meeting and trained or schooled on the Dacca Course between 1st November 1904 and 20th January 1905, and a course fee of Rs. 10 for every horse or pony between those dates and not so entered.

6. When a race is advertised to close on a particular day, it shall, unless otherwise specified, close at 7 P.M. on that day.

7. Entries must be accompanied by a remittance for the full amount of such entries, otherwise they will be declined.

8. When a remittance is made to the Secretary without specifying the way in which it is to be applied, the money will be credited to the *stakes* in the order of the programme.

NOTICE.

Admission to grand stand enclosure. Rs. 5 a day. Ladies, Rs. 2. Subscribers of Rs. 16 to the Fund, free.

Losers must settle their account on or before the 19th January.

A POLO TOURNAMENT

Will be held during the Meeting, the terms of which will be published hereafter.

PROGRAMME OF THE HYDERABAD RACES, 1904.

TO BE HELD ON THE FUTTEH MAIDAN RACE COURSE.

(Confirmed by the Calcutta Turf Club)

STEWARDS :

LT.-COL. AFSUR-UL-MULK BAHADUR, C. I. E. | CAPTAIN R. DE L. FAUNCE, D. A. A.-G.
COL. A. P. WESTLAKE, D. S. O., 26th L. C. | CAPTAIN J. E. S. MACCARTHY.
MAJOR R H. HAYES, 1ST MIDDX. REGT. | HUGH GOUGH, ESQ.

Honorary Secretary :—CAPTAIN C. R. BONIFACIO.

First Day, Thursday, 20th October 1904.

THE NEOPHYTE PLATE.—Rs. 150, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Arab horses that have not won a race value Rs. 50 or over. W. A. C. raised 1st. Distance—4½ furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15.

THE ARAB DERBY.—Rs 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Maiden Arabs, W. A. raised 1st. 4lbs. *Penalties*—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 12lbs extra. Winners of races of the value of Rs. 50 or over aggregating Rs. 500 or more, 14lbs. extra. (Cumalative.) *Allowance*—Horses that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 5lbs. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15.

THE ASIATIC PLATE.—Rs 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st., Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs W. I. *Penalties*—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 12lbs., extra. *Allowance*.—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 5lbs. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15.

THE HYDERABAD CUP.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For horses. W. A. C. raised 1st, 7lbs. *Penalties*—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 12lbs. extra. Winners of races value Rs. 50 or more aggregating Rs. 500 or over, to carry 14lbs. extra. (Cumulative.) *Allowance*—Horses that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 5lbs. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15

THE CHUDDERGHAT PLATE.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other classes 14-1 and under. English and Australasians 14-1 to carry 11st. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs., Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. W. I. *Penalties*—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 12lbs. extra, Winners of races value Rs. 50 or more aggregating Rs. 500 or over, 14lbs. extra (Cumulative.) *Allowance*—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 5lbs. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance Tuesday, 20th September 1904. Rs. 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15.

THE MALLET PLATE.—Rs. 125, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For *bonâ-fide* Arab polo ponies with I. P. A. Certificates, that have regularly played in station games during the season 1903-04. C. W. over 11st. G. Rs. Distance—3 furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 8 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 10.

Second Day, Saturday, 22nd October 1904.

THE HURDLE HANDICAP.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Ponies. Weight—Handicap. Distance—1 mile over 5 flights of hurdles. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15.

THE ORIENTAL HANDICAP.—Rs. 250, out of which the second receives Rs. 50. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. Weight—Handicap. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 15 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 20.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—Rs. 250, out of which the second receives Rs. 50. For Arabs. Weight—Handicap. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 15 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 20.

THE COLONIAL HANDICAP.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For horses. Weight—Handicap. Distance—1 mile. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15.

THE SAIFABAD PLATE.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, and other classes 14-1 and under. Weight—Handicap. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 10 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 15.

THE DECCAN PLATE.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For ponies. Weight—Handicap. Distance—3¼ furlongs. Entrance, Tuesday, 20th September 1904, Rs. 8 : Entrance, Monday, 10th October 1904, Rs. 10.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. Entrance money goes to the Fund, subject to Rule 139.

2. A Course Fee of Rs. 3 will be charged for every horse or pony trained on the course between the 15th September and 22nd October 1904.

3. The full advertised money will be given in every case, except in the case of a "walk over" when only half the advertised money will be given, according to Rule 140.

4. Remittances *must* accompany entries for the full amount of such entries.

5. If, in any race, there are less than *three* entries in *bonâ-fide* separate interests, such race will be declared void, under Rule 140.

6 Entries must be made on forms which will be supplied by the Honorary Secretary.

7. All telegrams must be confirmed by letter.

8. In W. I. races, the height, and in W. A. races, the age, must be stated at the time of entry.

9. In all races, except in handicaps, a landing allowance will be given to all horses and ponies landed in India direct from the country of foaling. To Arabs landed after 1st July 1904, 6lbs. To other classes if landed on or after the 1st January 1904, 3lbs., if landed on or after the 1st June 1904, 6lbs. (not cumulative). The allowance to be reduced by 3lbs., on a horse or pony winning one race of the value of Rs. 50 and upwards, and to cease on his winning two races of that value or upwards after arrival in India.

10. Mares and geldings will be allowed 3lbs. in all races, except in handicaps and N.'s C.-B.'s 5lbs. extra—Cumulative.

11. Starting declarations, accompanied by a jockey's fee for a lossing mount (Rule 72) if not already paid, must be sent in on forms which will be supplied by the Honorary Secretary, showing correct weight, colours, and name of rider, to be placed in a box kept for the purpose at the Grand Stand, Futteh Maidan, Chudderghat, and at the Club, Secunderabad, by 12 noon the day before the race.

Omissions or errors in the starting declaration will render the owner or person making it subject to a fine at the discretion of the Stewards.

12. C. T. C and W. I. T. C. Certificates and Certificates by the local Stewards, under Rule 39, will only be accepted.

13. There will be a measurement by the local Stewards (Rule 39) at the Grand Stand, Futteh Maidan, Chudderghat, on Monday, the 17th October 1904, at 8 A.M.

14. Handicaps will be published at the Secunderabad Club, the Officers' Mess, Futteh Maidan, and at the Grand Stand, by 9 A.M. the day before the race and acceptances and starting declarations to be placed in the declaration box at the Grand Stand, Futteh Maidan, and at the Club, Secunderabad, by 12 noon the day before the race.

15. Gentlemen riders, who have never ridden the winner of a race, value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 3lbs. in all races, except handicaps.

16. Any three Stewards to form a quorum.

NOTICE.

1. Lotteries will be held at the Grand Stand, Futteh Maidan, Chudderghat, at 9-30 P.M., on the evening before each day's racing.

2. Settling day for losers—

THURSDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER 1904.

3. Rupees throughout the programme mean Government rupees

4 Ten per cent. of the lotteries to go to the Fund.

5. The Stewards reserve to themselves the right to call upon any person attending the lotteries to deposit Rs. 200, before he be allowed to take a ticket in any lottery and should his losings at any time exceed that amount, to call for a further deposit before he shall be allowed to take a ticket in any subsequent lottery.

6 Entrance to the Grand Stand and enclosure Rs. 4 per diem, or Rs. 6, for the meeting.

Ladies of ticket holders and owners, who are starting horses, free.

7. Sites for drags inside the course along the rails Rs 5 per diem, or Rs. 8, for both days.

N.B.—This charge does not entitle occupants, who are not ticket holders, to free admission to the Grand Stand.

8. The special attention of owners is drawn to general conditions 4 and 11 of the prospectus ; the latter, regarding jockeys losing mounts.

9. All communications to be addressed to—

The Honorary Secretary,
Hyderabad Races,
CHUDDERGHAT.

C. R. BONIFACIO, *Captain,*
Honorary Secretary,
Hyderabad Races.

PROGRAMME OF THE MADRAS RACES. 1904-1905.

X'MAS MEETING

TO BE HELD ON THE ISLAND

if weather permitting ; if not, at Guindy,

On Tuesday, 27th December 1904.

Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.

STEWARDS :

MAJOR F. C. LOGAN-HOME. | HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H. T BODDAM
MAJOR W. DUNN, C. V. D | A. J. YORKE, ESQ.
KUMARA RAJAH OF PITTAPORE. |

Honorary Secretaries : MAJOR R. M. BELL AND MAJOR W. D. GUNN, C. V. D.

No. 1. THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For Ponies 14-2 and under. Weights.—Handicap. Distance—4 furlongs.

No. 2. THE MUNRO PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For Horses. Weights.—Handicap. Distance—5 furlongs.

No. 3 THE XMAS PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25 For Arab Ponies 14-2 and under. Weights.—Handicap. Distance—6 furlongs.

No. 4. THE HUNTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For Horses regularly hunted with

Ootacamund and Madras Hounds. Weights.—Handicap. Distance—1¼ miles.

No. 5. THE NEW YEAR PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25 For *bonâ-fide* Arab Polo Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 39 or over. Weights.—Handicap. Distance.—3 furlongs.

No. 6. THE JATPROLE PLATE.—Rs. 150, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 25. For *bonâ-fide* Australasian Polo Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 39 or over. Weights.—Handicap. Distance.—3 furlongs.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. Entrances for all races are as follows :—First Entries, 15th December, 1904, Rs. 10. Second Entries, 20th December, 1904, Rs. 15.

(i) Entrance must be accompanied by a remittance for the full amount or they will be refused.

(ii) All entrance money goes to the Fund, subject to Rule 139.

2. With less than 6 entries in *bonâ-fide* separate interests in any race the Stewards reserve the right to declare such race void under Rule 140.

3. Certificates of height and age of C. T. C., W. I. T. C. and local Stewards (under Rule 39) will be accepted.

4. In the case of a walk-over, only half the added money will be given, subject to Rule 140.

5. Handicaps will be published at 8 A. M. on the day before the race. Starting declarations must be placed in the box, on forms provided at the Race Stand by 9 A. M. on the day before the race.

6. The losing fee of a Jockey must be paid to the Honorary Secretary with the starting declaration, if not otherwise arranged.

7. All telegrams must be confirmed by letter in accordance with Rule 54.

All entries and communications should be addressed to

The Honorary Secretary,
MADRAS RACE CLUB,
Mount Road, Madras.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measuerments.

CALCUTTA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged, and measured at Calcutta, on 17th September 1904, by the Official Measurer :—

Pony's Name.	Description.	Owner's Name.	Age	Height.	Entitled to run at such height up to
Hazel Nut	bk aus m	Mr. H. Willis ...	3	14-2	31st March 1905.
Miss Predominant...	b aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths ...	Aged	12-2½	For life.
Dove ...	ch aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Polo Bell...	dk br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	6	14-1	For life.
Doom Dooma	b aus g	Mr. A. A. W. Jones	Aged	13-3	For life.
Black Pearl	gr aus m	Capt. M. D. Goring Jones ...	Aged	14-2	For life.
Miss Clarke	dk br aus m	Messrs. A. Milton and Co ...	Aged	14-0	For life.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

POONA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged, and measured by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Poona, on the 8th September 1904 :—

Horses Name.	Description.	Owner's Name.	Age.	Height.	Entitled to run at such height.
Aramis ...	b a h ...	Mr. H. T. Walker	Aged	13-3	For life.
Ludhiana	b a g ...	Capt. H. H. Were	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Silvio ...	g a h ...	Lt. F. H. B. Passy	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Virbala ...	ch aus m	Mr. G. K. ...	4	14-1½	Until 31st March 1905.
Woodstock	ng aus g	Mr. R. J. Hunter...	Aged	14-0½	For life.

THE following horse was classed and aged by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Poona, on the 8th September 1004 :—

Primrose II. b aus m Capt. J. Dorgan ... Aged ....

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 9th September 1904.*

THE TURF.

DONCASTER.

HONOURED by the patronage of the King, the Doncaster Meeting was ushered in under the most brilliant auspices from a social point of view, nearly all the county magnates entertaining house-parties for the occasion. Amongst them mention may be made of Earl Fitzwilliam, Lord Savile, Earl of Scarborough, Viscount Halifax, Lord Derwent, Lord Wenlock, Lord St. Oswald, Sir William Cooke, Sir Thos. Pilkington, Sir Henry Meysey Thompson, Mr. R. C. Vyner, Mr. E. Beckett Faber, and Mr. Arthur Wilson, whose distinguished guests filled the county and private stands to overflowing. His Majesty was looking the picture of health after his Continental holiday, and his arrival with Lord Savile's party was the sign for a loyal and hearty demonstration from the huge crowd asembled on the Town Moor. The course, profusely covered with herbage, was looking beautiful, but the going underneath was firm. Summerlike conditions prevailed, but the entertainment was a little too long, and the officials were hard pressed to keep pace with their work. The judge had an exceptionally busy time of it, as so close were two of the finishes that he was unable to separate the two leaders past the post ; and, taken as a whole, the sport was highly interesting.

THE CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 1,740sovs., for two-year-olds ; colts, 9st.; fillies, 8st. 11lbs. Red House in (five furlong 152 yards).

Mr. E. Dresden's b c Galangal by Gallinule—Galingale, 9st.	W. Halsey	1
Lord Derby's b or br f Verdiana, by Florizel II.—La Reine, 8st. 11lbs.	D. Maher	2
Mr. L. Robinson's br f Costly Lady, 8st. 11lbs.	B. Lynham	3
Mr. J. W. Larnach's c by Jeddah—Rondino, 9st.	H. Jones	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Brother Bill, 9st.	G. McCall	0
Mr. W. Bass's King Duncan, 9st. ...	Hardy	0
Sir J. Thursby's Standen, 9st. ...	W. Lane	0
Duke of Devonshire's Full Cry, 8st. 11lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Carita, 8st. 11lbs. ...	F. Bullock	0
Duke of Portland's Pamfiete, 8st. 11lbs. ...	M. Cannon	0

(*Galangal trained by C. Archer. Verdiana trained by Mr. G. Lambton.*)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Costly Lady, 4 to 1 Pamfiete, 11 to 2 Brother Bill, 6 to 1 Full Cry, 10 to 1 Verdiana, 10 to 1 Galangal, 100 to 8 Standen, 100 to 7 Carita, 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Verdiana was fractious at the post and delayed the start for nearly a quarter of an hour before Galangal, on the inside, cut out the work from Costly Lady, in the centre, Full Cry on the outside, and Pamfiete, with Verdiana and Brother Bill next and Rondino filly whipping in, to the bend, where Costly Lady joined Galangal, with Pamfiete, Verdiana, and Brother Bill in close attendance. At the distance Verdiana began to creep up on the rails, and, in and exciting encounter, she just managed to get up and make a dead-heat of it with Galangal ; a short head divided the pair and third. Standen was a placed fourth, close up, Pamfiete was fifth, Carita sixth, Brother Bill next, and King Duncan last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 11⅗secs.

THE GREAT YORKSHIRE HANDICAP PLATE of 975 sovs. The Old St. Leger Course (about one mile six furlongs and 132 yards.)

Major E. Loder's b f Hammerkop, by Gallinule—Concussion, 4yrs., 8st. 9lbs. ...	W. Lane	1
Mr. J. Buchanan's b c Hands Down, 3yrs., 7st 9lbs.	E. Wheatley	2
Mr. H. J. King's b c Whistling Crow, 4yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	H. Jones	3
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Bellivor Tor, 5yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Sandboy, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. J. Musker's McYardley, 6yrs., 8st 5lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's Ambition, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. G. Faber's Loveite, 5yrs., 7st. 4lbs.* ...	Sharples	0
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's St. Hubert, 5yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. C. Perkins's William's Hill, 3yrs. 7st. 2lbs.	Heppell	0
Mr. C. Russell's Florinda, 4yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	Plant	0
Mr. W. Low's Imari, 3yrs., 6st. 11lb.* ...	Saxby	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's f by Jeddah—L'Ete, 3yrs., 5st 9lbs.*	Robertson	0
Mr. R. Marsh's Mrs. Hodgson, 3yrs., 5st. 9lbs.* (car. 5st. 10lbs.)	E. Pratt	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Mr. Gilpin*).

BETTING : 4 to 1 agst. Loveite, 9 to 2 Ambition, 8 to 1 Hammerkop, 100 to 12 Whistling Crow, 100 to 12 William's Hill 10 to 1 each Sandboy and Hands Down, 100 to 8 Bellivor Tor, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

William's Hill, was the quickest away, but Ambition settled down from Whistling Crow, Imari, and William's Hill, these being clear of St. Hubert, Hands Down, and Loveite, with Florinda and McYardley last, for about half a mile, when St. Hubert went on from Ambition, Whistling Crow, Imari, Hands Down, and William's Hill, the whipper in being Mrs. Hodgson. At the Rifle Butts Whistling Crow took a slight lead of Imari, Hands Down, Ambition and William's Hill, with Bellivor Tor next, but at the distance Whistling Crow gave way to Hammerkop and Hands Down, the former winning easily by three-parts of a length ; half a length between second and third ; a neck behind Bellivor Tor was placed fourth. Ambition was fifth, Imari sixth, William's Hill seventh, Sandboy eighth, Loveite next, and Mrs. Hodgson tailed off last. Time by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 4⅕secs.

THE FITZWILLIAM STAKES of 490sovs.; weight for age, etc. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr S. B. Joel's br h Ardcer, by Ayrshire—Silene, aged, 9st. 2lbs. (£660) ...	W. Halsey	1
Mr. J. B. Joel's ch h Kilcheran, 6yrs., 8st. 10lbs. (£300)	M. Cannon	2
Mr. F. Hardy's ch m Wild Night Again, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs. (£300)	O. Madden	3
Mr. Fern's Lovetin, aged, 8st. 4lbs. (£300)	Griggs	0
Mr. J. A Miller's Compliment, 6yrs., 8st. 7lbs. (£300)	D. Maher	0
Lord Carnarvon's Bushy Boy, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs * (£300)	Pike	0
Capt. Beetle's Kibrit, 3yrs., 8st. (£300) ...	G. McCall	0
Mr. L. E. B. Homan's Norman Bride, 2yrs., 6st. 12lbs. (£600)	A. Young	0
Mr. A. Harris's Nellie H., 2yrs., 6st. 11lb.* (£300)	Saxby	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by C. Peck.*)

BETTING : 5 to 4 agst. Compliment, 4 to 1 each Wild Night Again and Ardcer, 9 to 1 Nellie H., 10 to 1 Kilcheran, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by a length ; four lengths between second and third. Bushy Boy was fourth, Norman Bride fifth, Kibrit next, and Lovetin last. There was no bid for the winner.

The fact that the St. Leger was at best a two-horse race, whilst many regarded it in the light of a walk over for Pretty Polly did not detract one whit from the popularity of the great Yorkshire festival, and never in the proud history of the contest has it attracted a bigger concourse to the Town Moor. The pulse of the vast county of acres was quickened before dawn, and big brakes, full of holiday makers who had driven a score of miles, began to arrive soon after eight o'clock. By ordinary and special trains the excursionists flocked into the town from all parts of the Kingdom throughout the morning of the 7th instant and by noon a surging stream of humanity flowed unceasingly in the direction of the course. It was a relief to breathe the purer crisp, country air after inhaling the heavy, pungent fumes of westrumite, with which the main streets of the borough had been saturated, and the day turned out delightfully fine, although there was a sting in the wind which was strongly suggestive of autumn

The arrival of the King was once more the signal for a hearty demonstration of loyalty, but this was as nothing to the spontaneous outburst of cheering which greeted the victory of the Royal candidate, Chatsworth, in the Bradgate Park Plate. The Triumph of Pretty Polly was decisive, sensational, and wonderfully popular, and she stands out as one of the greatest fillies of all time. Only twice during the past sixty years has the big race been contested by a smaller field than the half-dozen who tried conclusions to-day, *viz.*, last year and in 1897, when Rock Sand and Galtee More each had but a quartette opposed to them. With Pretty Polly and St. Amant measuring strides there was no lack of quality, if quantity was missing, and partisanship ran high as between the respective admirers of the pair. Although quite a number of people professed to believe in the ability of the colt to win, their confidence was not reflected in the market, the odds laid on Pretty Polly increasing to 5 to 2, whilst "fours" could always be had about the Derby winner's chance. It was almost impossible to obtain a clear view of the favourite from the moment she entered the paddock, and the mobbing to which she was subjected slightly upset her equilibrium, so much so that for the first time she showed signs of nervousness on emerging on to the course, and had to be led by an attendant during the parade. It was clear that she had thickened out somewhat since Goodwood, nor had St. Amant been standing still, for he filled the eye as having improved considerably. It was not one of his good days, however, and, throwing up the sponge about half a mile from home, where Almscliff wrested the lead from him, the son of St. Frusquin quickly dropped out of the race. Almscliff was done with a little latter, and Pretty Polly was closely attended by Henry the First for a few strides, but he could not live with the flying daughter of Gallinule, who won in her own inimitable style without the semblance of an effort. Her performance was a marvellous one, for she beat all previous records for the course by nearly three seconds, and when her faithful attendant, the hack, met the victress and escorted her to the unsaddling enclosure she showed no signs of having unduly exerted himself.

This was the first time that either Major Eustace Loder, Mr. Gilpin, or Lane had been primarily concerned in a St. Leger success. Pretty Polly is the sixth filly to win this race in twenty years and she joins the select band consisting of Formosa, Hannah, Apology, La Fleche, and Sceptre, who have carried off the One Thousand Guineas and Oaks in addition to the St. Leger.

THE CLEVELAND HANDICAP PLATE of 440sovs., winners extra ; the second received 50sovs. The Sandall Mile.

Mr. L. Robinson's br m Niphetos, by Bill of Portland—Tea Rose, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs.*	Sharples	1
Sir E. Vincent's ch c Countermark, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	W. Lane	2
Lord Carnarvon's b c St. Emilion, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	J. H. Martin	3
Capt. Forester's Hackler's Pride, 4yrs., 9st. 5lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Sir E. Cassel's Nabot, 5yrs., 9st. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. H. F. de Paravicini's Vidame, 6yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	O. Madden	0
Lord Derby's Chaucer, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ...	Rollason	0
Mr. Ed. Lamb's Ancaster, 4yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. J. B. Leigh's Wood Pigeon, 3yrs, 6st. 5lbs.	Hunter	0
Mr. C. Perkins's Norham, 4yrs., 6st. ...	Heppell	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by S. Darling.*)

BETTING : 4 to 1 each agst. Hackler's Pride, St. Emilion' and Niphetos, 6 to 1 each Countermark and Wood Pigeon, 10 to 1 each Nabot and Vidame, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won by a length ; three lengths divided the second and third. Ancaster was placed fourth. Hackler's Pride was fifth Nabot sixth, Vidame next, and Chaucer last, behind Wood Pigeon. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 46⅘secs.

THE ST. LEGER STAKES of 25sovs. each, of three-year-olds ; colts, 9st. ; fillies, 8st. 11lbs. ; the owner of the second received 300 sovs and the owner of the third 100sovs. Old St. Leger Course (about one mile six furlongs and 132 yards). (202 subs.)—Closed 16th September 1902

Major Eustace Loder's ch f Pretty Polly, by Gallinule—Admiration, 8st. 11lbs.	W. Lane	1
Mr. J. Musker's br c Henry the First, by Melton—Simena, 9st	O. Madden	2
Lord Harewood's b c Almscliff, by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead, 9st	D. Maher	3
Mr. F. Alexander's Andover, by Rightaway—Sister Lumley, 9st.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. Leopold de Rothschild's St. Amant, by St. Frusquin—Lady Loverule, 9st. ...	K. Cannon	0
Mr. S. B. Joel's St. Denis, by St. Simon—Brooch, 9st	W. Halsey	0

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

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Pretty Polly, 4 to 1 agst. St. Amant, 100 to 6 Almscliff, 25 to 1 St. Denis, 50 to 1 Henry the First (offered), 50 to 1 Andover (offered).

Almscliff was the first to leave the paddock, and he was followed in the parade by Andover, Henry the First, and Pretty Polly, with St. Amant bringing up the rear They cantered in the same order, except that Pretty Polly dropped back last, and the white flag was hoisted at 3 15. A capital start was effected a minute later, Pretty Polly being the first to show in front of St. Denis, Andover, and St. Amant, with Henry the First whipping in, but after going about a quarter of a mile St. Amant was rushed to the head of affairs and held a slight lead of Pretty Polly, with Almscliff and St. Denis next, till rising over the hill, where the leader drew out clear and Almscliff slightly headed Pretty Polly, Andover now bringing up the rear. On reappearing into view Almscliff took close order with St. Amant, and soon after passing the Rifle Butts his colours were a little in advance of Pretty Polly, whilst Henry the First came next and St. Amant began to drop out beaten. About half a mile from home Pretty Polly, on the outside, ranged along-side Almscliff, and, taking up the running in the straight from Henry the First and Almscliff, cantered home with her ears pricked, winning without the semblance of an effort amidst uproarious applause by three lengths ; six lengths separated the second and third. St. Denis was placed fourth and St. Amant was last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 5⅕secs., a record for the race. Value of the stakes, £4,625.

THE RUFFORD ABBEY PLATE (handicap) of 325sovs., winners extra. Two miles over the Old Course.

Sir J. Miller's b h Colonel Wozac, by Bartigan—Miss St. Aubyn, 5yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	Plant	1
Mr. G. Faber's ch h Fermoyle, 5yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	M. Cannon	2
Mr. L. de Rothschild's b St. Kitts, 3yrs., 5st. 9lbs.* (car. 5st. 10lbs.) ...	E. Pratt	3
Lord Penrhyn's Haresfield, 6yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	R. Jones	0
Mr. W. Bass's Wet Paint, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs....	Hardy	0
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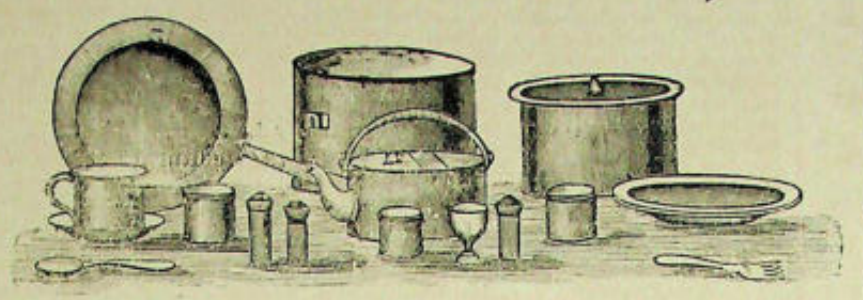
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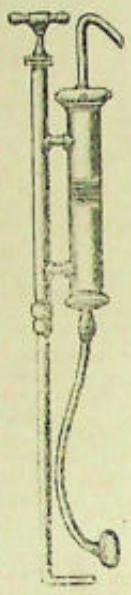
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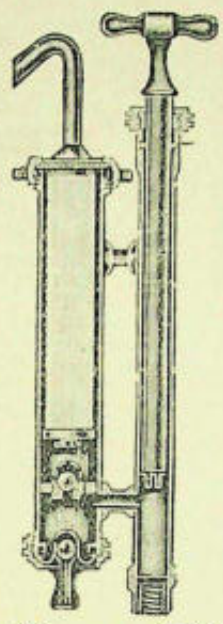
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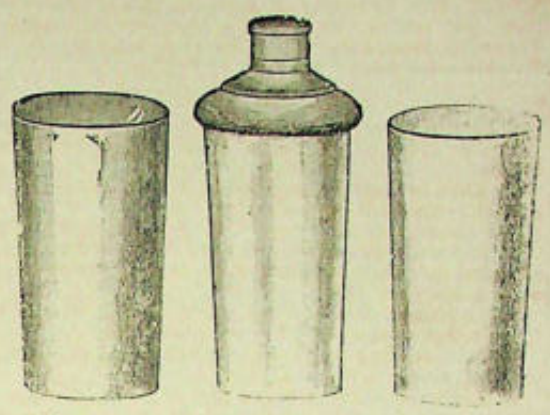
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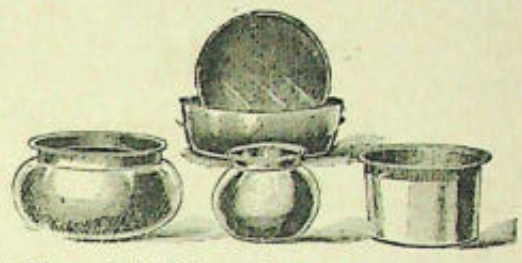
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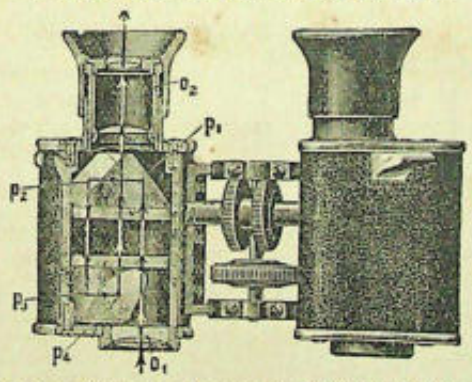
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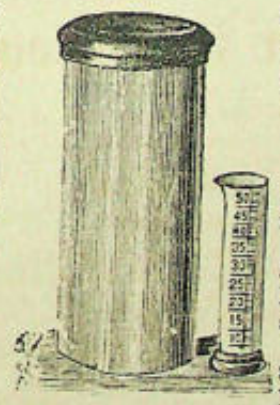
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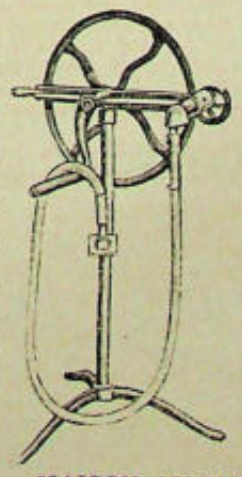
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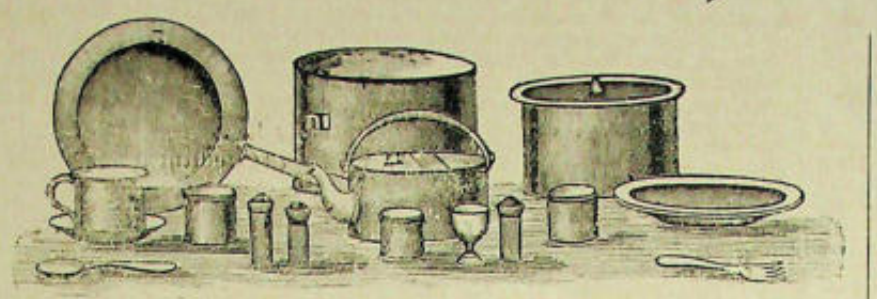
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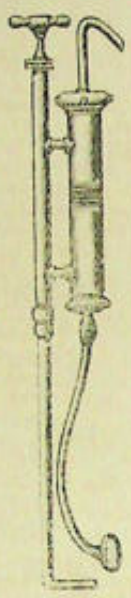
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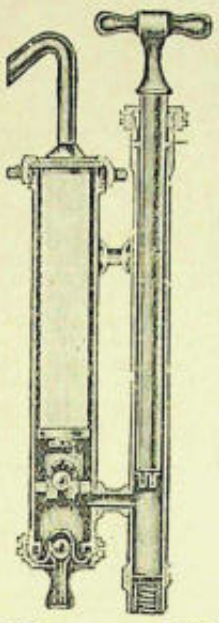
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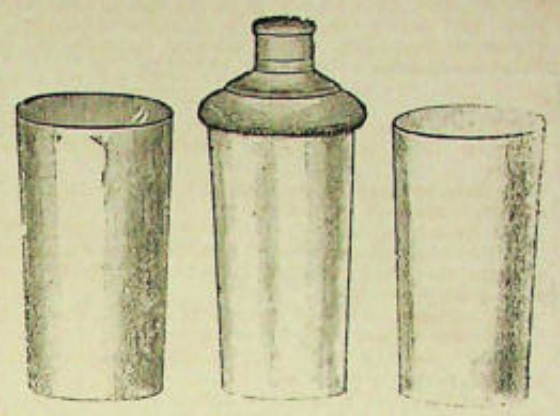
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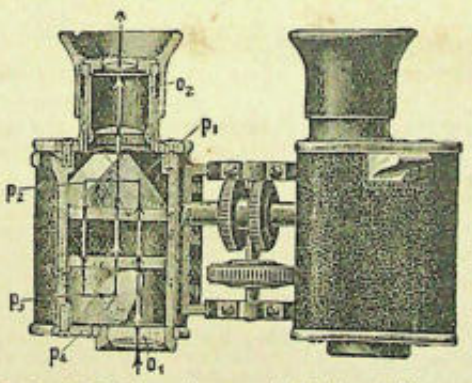
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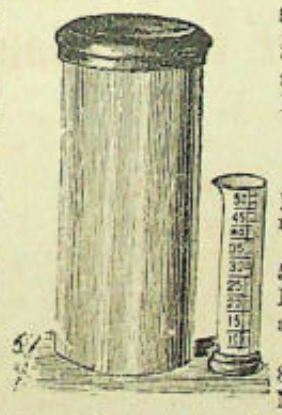
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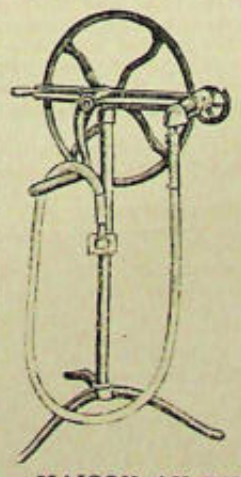
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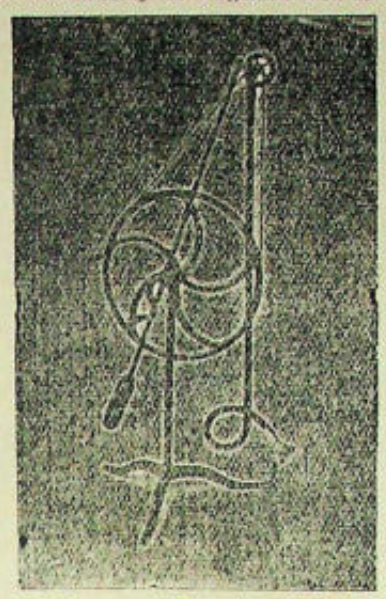
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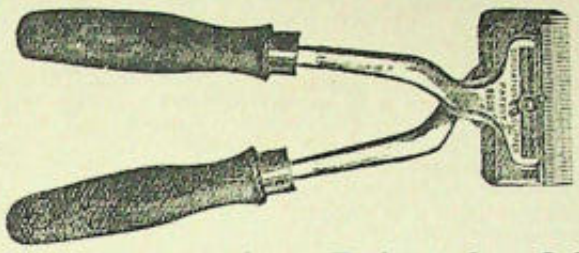
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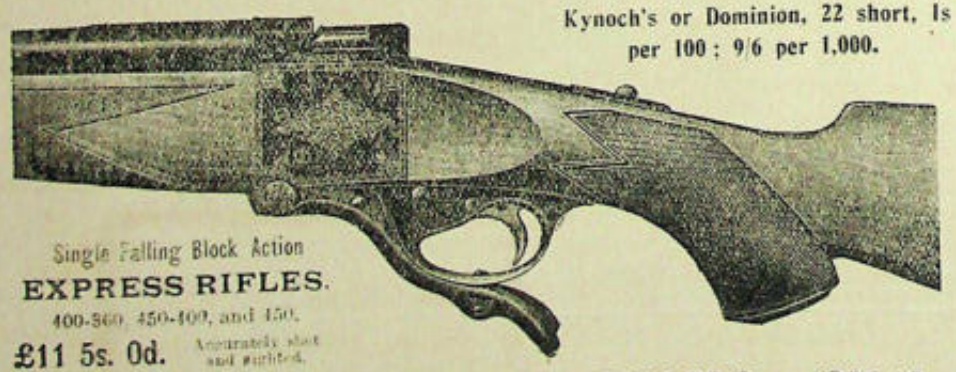
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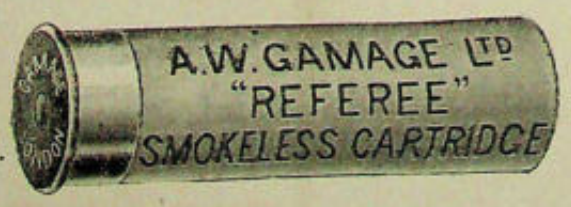
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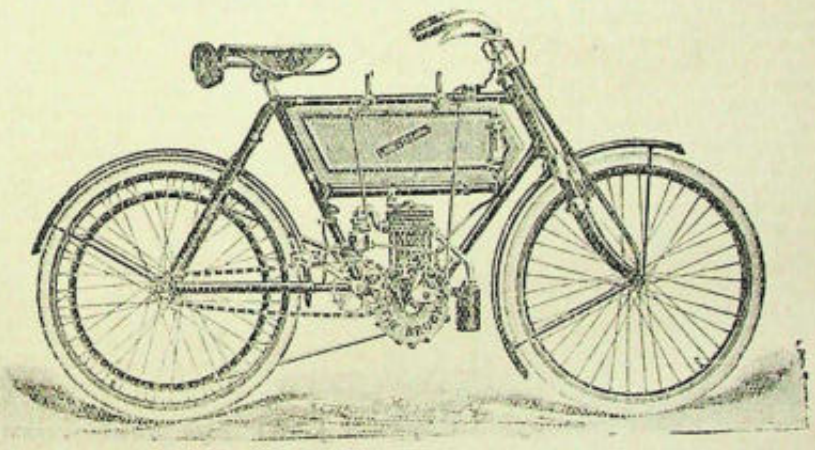
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THE ALEXANDRA PLATE (handicap) of 135sovs.; winners extra. Last mile and a half over the Old Course.

Mr. Reid Walker's ch g Courlan, by Gallinule—Clarion, aged, 8st. 3lbs. ...	W. Lane	1
Mr. L. Robinson's ch c Glenamoy, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.*	Sharples	2
Mr. H. J. King's b c Whistling Crow, 4yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	H. Jones	3
Lord Ellesmere's Gower, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. J. C. Sullivan's Winkfield's Charm, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs.*	E. Pratt	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Lucinda, 6yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. H. Keswick's Alderman, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. J. T. Wood's Castro, 4yrs., 7st. 11b.* ...	Saxby	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Galapas, 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Sir E. Cassel's Lanfine, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs. ...	Rollason	0
Mr. Ed. Lamb's c by Hackler—Erin, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. G. Perkins's Inverkeithing, 3yrs., 6st. 3lbs.	Heppell	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by A. Taylor.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Glenamoy, 4 to 1 Whistling Crow, 6 to 1 Courlan, 10 to 1 each Lucinda, Erin colt, Inverkeithing, and Galapas, 100 to 8 Lanfine, 100 to 7 Castro, and 100 to 6 any other (offered).

Won by a length; a head divided the second and third, Lanfine was placed fourth, Galapas fifth, Erin colt sixth, Castro seventh, Inverkeithing next, and Winkfield's Charm last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 30⅖secs.

THE ROUS PLATE of 463sovs., for two-year-olds; colts, 8st. 12lbs.; fillies and geldings, 8st. 9lbs.; penalties, etc. Three-quarters of a mile.

Mr. W. Low's br g Olivares, by Velasquez—Meta III., 8st. 9lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. J. Buchanan's ch c Golden Measure, 8st. 7lbs.	E. Wheatley	2
Sir J. Miller's b c Mozart, 8st. 7lbs ...	D. Maher	3
Mr. H. Lindemere's Outbreak, 9st. 3lbs ...	Randall	0
Mr. F. Alexander's Mowgli, 8st. 12lbs. ...	M. Cannon	0
Lord Bradford's Sir Hector, 8st. 7lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Lord Richester's c by Gallinule—La Joi, 8st 7lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. C. J. Merry's Glengarnock, 8st. 7lbs.	Hardy	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's f by Bay Ronald—Mamia, 8st. 4lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. L. Neumann's Nirvanah, 8st. 4lbs. ...	W. Lane	0

(*Winner trained by Pickering.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Mozart, 100 to 30 Nirvanah, 4 to 1 La Joi colt, 100 to 15 Golden Measure, 10 to 1 Olivares (Meta III. gelding), and 100 to 8 any other.

Won a fine race by a neck; a short head divided the second and third. Nirvanah was placed fourth, Outbreak was fifth, Mowgli sixth, La Joi colt next, and Mamia filly last.

When the concluding stage of what will probably rank as the most successful meeting ever held on the Town Moor was entered upon this afternoon, there was once again a capital attendance, including a large proportion of ladies, who invariably attend in good numbers to see the Cup run for.

THE DONCASTER STAKES of 10sovs. each, 5 ft. to the fund, the only liability if declared with 50sovs. added, for three-year-olds; second to receive 50sovs and the nominator of the winner 50sovs. out of the stakes. One mile and a half over the Old Course.

Mr. J. Musker's Admiral Breeze, by Velasquez—Seabreeze 8st. 12lbs. ...	Madden	1
Lord Falmouth's Esquire, 8st. 5lbs. ...	Hardy	2
Lord Stanley's Flamma, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Maher	3
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's Castello, 8st. 12lbs.	M. Cannon	0

(*Winner trained by Gilbert.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Admiral Breeze, 6 to 1 agst. Castello, 7 to 1 Flamma, 10 to 1 Esquire.

Won easily by a length and a half; four lengths separated the second and third. Time—2mins. 38secs.

THE PRINCE OF WALES'S NURSERY PLATE (handicap, of 1,000 sovs. for two-year-olds; second to receive 100sovs. The Sandall Mile.

Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Kuroki, by Florizel II.—Great Dame, 8st 11b. ...	Madden	1
Mr. H. J. King's Carrelet, 6st. 12lb. ...	Bott	2
Mr. C. Lythe's Bibiani, 7st. 4lbs. ...	A. Sharples	3
Mr. L. Neumann's Petit Bleu, 8st. 4lbs. ...	W. Lane	0
Capt. J. G. B. Homfray's Princess Ikbal, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 5lbs.) ...	Maher	0
Mr. N. C. Cockburn's Post Karte, 7st. 13lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. George Faber's Queen of the Earth, 7st. 12lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing's Song Thrush, 7st. 11lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. F Alexander's Chuckaway, 7st. 9lbs.	Hardy	0
Mr. H. Lindemere's Romulus, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Trigg	0
Lord Carnarvon's Hegemony, 6st. 12lbs. ...	Pike	0
Mr. H. Combe's Cadwal, 7st. 11lbs. ...	Rollason	0
Mr. Richard Croker's Lady Dainty, 7st. 11b.	Hunter	0
Major J. D. Edward's Perita, 7st. ...	G. Bullock	0
Mr. E. Tayleur's La Sortija, 6st. 13lbs. ...	Faulkner	0
Mr R. Marsh's Shiskin, 6st. 8lbs. ...	E. Pratt	0
Mr J. T. Wood's Filippo, 6st. 12lbs. ...	Griggs	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Cherry Ripe, 6st. 5lbs	C. Halsey	0
Mr. A. Stedall's St. Royal, 6st. 10lbs. ...	Jarvis	0
Mr. L. E. B. Homan's Superabundance, 6st. 5lbs.	Saxby	0
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild' Pieces of Eight, 6st. 5lbs. (car. 6st. 6lbs.)	Barnard	0
Mr. J. G. Menzies's Alyth, 6st. 5lbs. ...	Plant	0
Mr. Ed. Lamb's Cossette, 6st. 5lbs. ...	East	0

(*Winner trained by A. Taylor.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 agst. Hegemony, 100 to 15 Superabundance, 10 to 1 each Post Karte and Filippo, 100 to 9 Queen of the Earth, 100 to 8 each Petit Bleu, Princess Ikbal, and Bibiani, 100 to 7 each Kuroki, Romulus, and Cherry Ripe, 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won easily by a length; half a length between the second and third; Cherry Ripe was fourth, Alyth was fifth, Queen of the Earth sixth, Hegemony seventh, Filippo eighth, Petit Bleu ninth, Chuckaway tenth, St. Royal eleventh, Perita next, and Pieces of Eight last.

THE DONCASTER CUP of 1,000sovs (a cup value 100sovs. and the remainder in specie), added to a sweepstakes of 10sovs. each, 5 ft., the sweepstakes to be divided between the second and third horses, *viz*, two thirds to the second and one third to the third. Two miles over the Old Course.

Lord Carnarvon's Robert Le Diable, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay, 5yrs., 9st. 5lbs....	W. Lane	1
Mr. S. B. Joel's Bachelor's Button, 5yrs., 9st. 5lbs.	W. Halsey	2
Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's Palmy Days, 4yrs., 9st. 11b.	Maher	3

(*Winner trained by Grewsil.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Bachelor's Button, 5 to 2 agst. Palmy Days, 11 to 2 Robert de Diable.

Won by five lengths.

THE PARK HILL STAKES of 15sovs. each, 10 ft., with 300 sovs. added, for three-year-old fillies; second to receive 100 sovs., and the third to save stake. Old St. Leger Course.

Maj. Eustace Loder's Pretty Polly, by Gallinule—Admiration, 9st. 8lbs. ...	W. Lane	1
Mr. F. Alexander's Bitters, 8st. 13lbs. ..	Hardy	2
Mr. L. de Rothschild's Pieria, 8st. 10lbs ...	K Cannon	3
Mr. Douglas Baird's Leucadia, 8st. 13lbs ...	H. Aylin	0
Lord Durham's Rhodanthe, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Maher	0

(*Winner trained by Mr. Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 25 to 1 on Pretty Polly, 33 to 1 agst. Bitters, 33 to 1 Pieria.

CRICKET.

SURREY *vs.* LEICESTERSHIRE.—Played at the Oval on 5th, 6th, and 7th September. Surrey won by an innings and 206 runs. In beautiful weather, and on a good wicket, Surrey batted first on Monday, and ran up a score of 393. Hayward and Raphael put up 76 for the first wicket, while Hayes and Raphael made 88 for the second. Raphael, who was missed very early in his innings, played beautiful cricket, and seemed likely to make a hundred when he was caught and bowled by King. Nice batted in excellent form, but, when he had made 51 in an hour and a quarter, he was obliged to retire on account of a strain. Goatly failed, but J. N. Crawford was in good form and later in the day Baker and Davis had a splendid partnership, which in the course of an hour and fifty minutes realised 174 runs. Davis made the first hundred of his career in first-class cricket, and played a most promising game, which must have given Surrey men great hopes for his future. When stumps were drawn, Baker, who had shown very steady cricket, was not out 70. There was no play at the Oval on Tuesday owing to continuous rain. The Surrey captain declared his innings closed on Tuesday, and yesterday Leicestershire had a formidable task. For once Surrey were in luck's way, and yesterday the wicket proved to be so difficult from the first that it soon became very doubtful whether Leicestershire would be able to make enough runs to save the innings defeat. J. N. Crawford met with great success at first, and when the total was 15 he claimed the three wickets which had fallen. He met with no further success during the innings, but by dismissing Wood and De Trafford he had done a great service to his side. Smith then took up the running, and was so difficult to play that Knight alone ever looked like making a long stand against him; Knight hit very hard and was especially severe on Crawford. The innings was over before half-past one, and Leicestershire had to follow on against a balance of 273. They began badly, for J. N. Crawford bowled De Trafford first ball. But Wood and Joyce then kept together until lunch time, when the total was 24, of which 20 were claimed by Joyce. Their partnership was broken when the score was 28, at which total three wickets fell. Knight was well caught in the long field by Hobbs, who was fielding as substitute for Nice. Before another run was scored King was missed at the wicket and also at point off successive balls, but these mistakes made very little difference except to the bowler. Half the side were out for 41, but Whitehead made some fine hits. The tail could do nothing against J. N. Crawford and Smith, who both took the utmost advantage of their opportunities. Crawford had the satisfaction of bowling his brother, V. F. S., for 2 runs. By a quarter to four Surrey had gained a fine victory.

SURREY

Hayward, c Whiteside, b King	28	J. N. Crawford, l-b w, b King	27
J. E. Raphael, c and b King	59	Baker, not out ...	70
Hayes, c Joyce, b Odell	37	Davis, c King, b Odell ..	102
Nice, retired	51	Stedman, not out ...	0
Goatly, c Crawford, b Odell	0	B. 7, lb. 6, w. 1 nb. 5 ...	19
		Total (6 wkts.)	*393

* Innings declared closed. Montgomery and Smith did not bat.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

First Innings			Second Innings.	
C. E. de Trafford, c and b Crawford, ...	8	b Crawford ...	0
C. J. B. Wood, c Davis, b Crawford	6	c Montgomery, b Smith	4
E. Joyce, b Crawford	0	c Hayward, b Crawford	41
King, c Crawford, b Smith ...	10	c and b Crawford ...	2
Knight, c Davis, b Smith ...	50	c sub., b Smith ...	0
Whitehead, c Davis, b Montgomery	19	c sub., b Smith ...	32
V. F. S. Crawford, b Montgomery	12	b Crawford ...	2
Gill, c Haywards, b Smith ...	19	b Smith ...	0
W. W. Odell, b Smith ...	11	c and b Crawford ...	0
Allsopp, c sub., b Smith ...	2	not out	0
Whiteside, not out ...	0	b Crawford ...	0
Byes	3	B. 3, lb. 3 ...	6
Total ...	120	Total ...	97

SURREY.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Odell ...	33	11	91	3	King ...	26	7	50	3
Allsopp ...	18	1	70	0	Whitehead ...	14	0	53	0
Gill... ...	18	0	86	0	Wood ...	5	0	24	0

King bowled one wide. Gill delivered three, and Wood two no-balls.

LEICESTERSHIRE.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Smith ...	16·5	6	43	5		11	3	33	4
Crawford ...	11	1	55	3		11·1	3	28	6
Montgomery ...	5	1	19	2					

THE BOURNEMOUTH FESTIVAL.

GENTLEMEN OF ENGLAND *vs.* PLAYERS OF THE SOUTH.—Played at Bournemouth on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd September. Gentlemen won by 94 runs. As two strong teams had been together for this match, a fairly large crowd went to see the first day's play, which turned out to be greatly in favour of the bowlers. The Gentlemen's team included Fry and Ranjitsinhji, who alone were sufficient attraction to induce spectators to put in an appearance in large numbers. Play began late owing to the heavy rain of the previous day. The Gentlemen's eleven, which might have been termed "Gentlemen of the South (with Mr. Brearley)," won the toss but could make very little progress at first, and six wickets were down for 58. Captain Wynyard played well and Jessop seemed to be quite comfortable when he stepped on his wicket while watching the result of a chance in the slips. Fry, who played splendid cricket, received great help from Johnston, and when the innings seemed almost over Robson, the old Hampshire amateur wicket-keeper, knocked up a most useful 28 not out. Trott bowled well all through the innings. After losing Vine for a duck the Players of the South did so well that when stumps were drawn the total was 125 for three wickets, so that they were only 46 runs behind with seven wickets in hand. Wrathall played a most brilliant innings and both he and Sewell hit finely; they put on 84 runs for the second wicket. Wrathall survived until the last over, when he was out for an excellent 66, which had taken him about an hour to put together. On Friday, Brearley bowled so finely on a slow wicket that the last seven wickets of the Players fell for 54 runs and the Gentlemen had a lead of 8 runs. When the Gentlemen went in again they chose a fresh wicket, according to arrangements which had been made before the match began that a new wicket might be chosen for each innings. Beldam and Jessop were the only two men who could take the measure of the Players' bowling, Fry and Ranjitsinhji both failing. Beldam occasionally hit very hard and occasionally played slow cricket, while Jessop hit vigorously as usual. The last five wickets fell very quickly. Before stumps were drawn the Players, with 188 to win, lost three wickets for 21, all to Hesketh-Prichard's bowling. There seemed more than a probability that a desperate struggle for victory would be seen on Saturday, but as things turned out, the Players could make no fight at all. So much rain fell during the morning that it was not possible to resume the game until nearly three o'clock, and although Vine and Butt raised the score from 21 to 67 before they were parted, the wicket was always becoming more difficult, and the rest of the team could do nothing with More and Jessop. The last six wickets fell for 26 runs.

GENTLEMEN OF ENGLAND.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
W. G. Grace, b Trots ...	2	not out	6
G. W. Beldam, c Butt, b Trott	6	b Trott	50
Capt. E. G. Wynyard, run out	20	b Llewellyn ...	8
G. L. Jessop, bt. wkt., b Cranfield	10	c and b Braund ...	68
R. E. More, c Sewell, b Cranfield	0	b Braund... ...	1
C. B. Fry, c Butt, b Braund ...	61	c Relf, b Trott ...	7
K. S. Ranjitsinghi, b Trott ...	1	b Trott	6
A. C. Johnston, l-b-w, b Trott	13	st Butt, b Trott ...	14
C. Robson, not out ...	28	c Sewell, b Llewellyn	4
Hesketh-Prichard, b Trott ...	9	b Llewellyn ...	4
W. Brearley, c Butt, b Trott ...	1	b Llewellyn ...	4
B. 13, lb. 7... ...	20	B. 19, lb. 1 ...	20
Total ...	171	Total ...	195

PLAYERS OF THE SOUTH.

First Innings		Second Innings.	
Wrathall, c Fry, b Brearley ...	66	c Brearley, b Prichard	0
Vine, b Prichard ...	0	b More	44
Sewell, b Jessop	32	c Robson, b Prichard ..	9
Knight, b Brearley ...	27	b Prichard ...	0
Webb, b Brearley ...	2	c Fry, b More ...	4
Relf, b Brearly	8	b Jessop	1
Braund, c Brearley, b Prichard	1	not out	5
Llewellyn, b Brearley ...	12	st Robson, b Jessop	6
Trott, b Prichard	17	b More	6
Butt, not out	2	c Johnston, b Jessop ...	18
Cranfield, b Brearley ...	2	c Beldam, b More ...	0
B. 7, lb. 1, nb. 2 ...	10	B. 2, lb. 1, w. 1, nb. 2	6
Total ...	179	Total ...	93

GENTLEMEN.

First Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cranfield ...	16	5	54	2	...	7	0	26	0
Trott ...	26·1	7	52	6	...	18	3	67	4
Relf ...	6	0	29	0	...	5	0	24	0
Braund ...	5	0	16	1	...	12	2	38	2
					Llewellyn ...	7	2	20	4

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PLAYERS.

	First Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Prichard ...	17	3	79	3	... 6	1	22	3
Brearley ...	12·2	2	46	6	... 7	1	19	0
Ranjitsinhji...	3	0	22	0	... 3	0	16	0
Jessop ...	5	0	22	1	... 9	4	20	3
					Beldam ... 2	2	0	0
					More ... 10	5	10	4

Prichard bowled a wide and two no-balls and Brearley and More each a no-ball.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN'S TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.—Played at Hastings on 5th, 6th, and 7th September. Drawn. The absence of Dr. Grace from the South of England team was a great disappointment to everybody who took an interest in the Hastings Week, for the Doctor had previously taken part in every Week since the institution of the Festival sixteen years ago. There was some extraordinary cricket on the first day, for a strong but not representative South of England team had lost seven men on a good wicket for 80 runs, when an astonishing display by Jessop put an entirely different appearance on the game. Jessop went in at the fall of the third wicket with only 18 runs on the board. He was suffering from an attack of lumbago, and after he had been in for some time he had a man to run for him. But this did not prevent him from jumping in to hit, and while he was at the wickets for about two hours he scored 159, his hits including twenty-six 4's. His first fifty runs were made in about an hour, his second fifty in fifteen minutes and the third fifty in forty minutes. His partnership with Cox changed the fortunes of the game: it lasted for about an hour and produced 125 runs. At one time Cox only made a single, while Jessop was making 56. Chiefly as the result of Jessop's brilliant hitting the total made by the South of England was quite respectable. The South Africans had to bat for an hour and fifty minutes, and in the course of that time lost six wickets for 118 runs, so that their position was anything but satisfactory. Sinclair hit very finely, and twice drove Braund out of the ground: at another time a fine drive of his only just missed a lady in the crowd. On Tuesday, Llewellyn, who was not out 29 overnight, was joined by White, and the two men played excellent cricket until heavy rain put an end to play for the day. They added 86 runs to the score, and thus very greatly improved their side's position. Yesterday play was resumed in beautiful weather, but after Trott had bowled a maiden over, a heavy and unexpected rainstorm made the pitch so wet that there was no more play before two o'clock, after an early lunch. Llewellyn only survived two more overs, and was then out for his highest score of the season. He had played splendid cricket, and his hits included eleven 4's. White also played a very fine game. When the South went in again with a balance of 18 against them, they tried to make runs quickly on the chance that they might be able to declare and snatch a victory. Wickets fell pretty quickly, and no one made much of a stand except Payne. Eventually the South declared their innings closed with six wickets down, and the South Africans had to make 108 in about an hour, a difficult but not impossible task. The visitors made their position secure, and scored 38 for one wicket.

SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

First Innings		Second Innings.	
Hearne (A), b Schwarz ...	4	c Llewellyn, b Schwarz ...	11
Wrathall, c Tancred, b Schwarz ...	19	c Hathorn, b Llewellyn ...	19
Braund, c Halliwell, b Sinclair ...	2	b Sinclair ...	18
S. H. Day, c Mitchell, b Schwarz ...	1	c Sinclair, b Llewellyn ...	13
G. L. Jessop, not out ...	159		
Seymour, c James, b Sinclair	0	c Horwood, b Sinclair ...	8
Trott, b Schwarz ...	12	c Mitchell, b Sinclair ...	0
M. W. Payne, c and b Schwarz ...	2	not out ...	41
Cox, b Kotze ...	17	not out ...	15
Hearne (J. T.), c Mitchell, b Kotze ...	14		
Hesketh-Prichard, l-b-w, b Schwarz ...	0		
B. 4, lb. 2, w. 1 ...	7	Extras ...	2
Total ...	237	Total (6 wkts.)	*125

*Innings declared closed.

SOUTH AFRICANS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
L. J. Tancred, l-b-w, b Braund ...	3	c A. Hearne, b Wrathall	15
W. A. Shalders, b Braund ...	0	not out ...	12
M. Hathorn, c J. T. Hearne, b Braund ...	20	not out ...	3
F. Mitchell, b Prichard ...	27		
J. H. Sinclair, c A. Hearne, b Braund ...	27		
Llewellyn, c Braund, b Trott ...	81		
J. J. Kotze, run out ...	0		
G. C. White, c Wrathall, b Hearne ...	47		
R. O. Schwarz, not out ...	10		
E. A. Halliwell, c and b Trott ...	8		
Horwood, c Braund, b Trott ...	15		
Extras	17	Extra ...	8
Total	255	Total (1 wkt.) ...	38

OTHER MATCHES.

South Africans *vs.* Yorkshire, Played at Scarborough on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd September ended in a draw. Surrey *vs.* Kent, at the Oval on the same dates, abandoned. North *vs.* South at Scarborough on 5th, 6th, and 7th instant abandoned.

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

FINAL POSITIONS.

	Plyd.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.	Per-centage.
Lancashire ...	26	16	0	10	16	100·00
*Yorkshire ...	27	9	2	16	7	63·63
*Kent	21	10	4	7	6	42·85
Middlesex ...	18	9	4	5	5	38·46
Notts	20	7	4	9	3	27·27
Sussex	24	5	4	15	1	11·11
Leicestershire ...	20	6	6	8	0	——
Warwickshire ...	16	5	5	6	0	——
Gloucestershire ...	18	5	6	7	— 1	— 9·09
Derbyshire ...	18	5	8	5	— 3	— 23·07
Somerset ...	18	5	11	2	— 6	— 37·50
Surrey... ...	28	6	12	10	— 6	— 33·33
Worcestershire ...	18	3	8	7	— 5	— 45·45
Essex	20	3	10	7	— 7	— 53·84
Hampshire ...	18	2	12	4	—10	— 71·42

According to the rule laid down by the M.C.C., "One point shall be reckoned for each win; one deducted for each loss; unfinished game shall not be reckoned. The county which, during the season shall have, in finished matches, obtained the greatest proportionate number of points shall be reckoned champion county."

* The Yorkshire and Kent match, played at Harrogate on 7th and 8th July, was abandoned, and is not included in the above records

THE FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES.

BATTING AVERAGES. (18 innings).

	Innings.	Times not out.	Total runs.	Most in an innings.	Aver.
Ranjitsinhji, K. S. ...	34	6	2,077	207*	74·17
Fry, C. B.	42	2	2,834	229	70·60
Tyldesley ...	39	5	2,319	235	69·08
Jones, A. O.	34	5	1,756	187	60 55
Iremonger	34	1	1,983	272	60·09
Hayward	58	5	3.068	203	57·88
Hirst	45	3	2,308	157	54·95
Perrin, P. A.	32	4	1,486	343*	53 07
Quaife, W. G. ...	38	5	1,689	200*	51·18
Evans, W. H. B. ...	19	1	861	115	47·83
Spooner, R. H.... ...	42	3	1,826	215	46·82
Day, S. H.	20	4	735	152*	45·93
Jackson, Hon. F. S. ...	25	2	1,037	158	45·08
Tancred, L. J.	35	4	1,251	113	43·13
Foster, H. K.	38	0	1,635	118	43·02
Warner, P. F.	35	4	1,330	163	42 90
Denton	50	3	1,980	119	42·12
Knight	37	4	1,382	140	41·87
Hill, A. J. L.	18	1	698	117	41·05
Hallows	30	4	1,058	137*	40·69
Mason, J. R.	21	3	853	138	40·63
Glover, A. C. S. ...	27	2	1,011	124	40·44
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	39	4	1,371	145	39·17
Raphael, J. E.	42	0	1,636	201	38·95
McGahey, C. H. ...	41	3	1,477	225	38·86
Kinneir	36	4	1,242	152	38·81
King, J. H.	48	4	1,684	186	38·27
Wood, C. J. B.	45	4	1,564	123	38·14
Palairet, L. C. H. ...	34	0	1,277	203	37·55
Sharp, J.	33	8	938	107*	37·52
Hathorn, M.	36	1	1,294	139	36·97
Bowley, F.	41	2	1,435	153	36·79
Sprot, E. M.	28	1	991	118	36·70
Tunnicliffe	47	2	1,650	139*	36·66
Humphreys, E. (Kent) ...	44	2	1,524	143	36·28
Poidevin, L. O. S. ...	37	3	1,219	153	35·85
Wilson, F. B.	18	3	529	75	35·26
Mitchell, F.	36	6	1 055	102*	35·16
Vine	49	4	1,579	169	35·08
Carpenter	33	1	1,121	199	35·03
Wright, L. G.	38	0	1,322	140	34·78
Ollivierre, C. A. ...	38	1	1,268	229	34·27
Hayes	57	2	1,866	273*	33·92
Beldam, G. W.	32	1	1,040	111	33·54
Rhodes	43	3	1,392	196	33·30
Coe, S.	38	5	1,069	103	32 39
Wynyard, Capt. E. G. ...	20	0	642	147	32·10
Carlisle, K. M.	18	2	512	114*	32·00

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES. (40 wickets.)

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver'
Hearne, J. T. ...	1,096·3	316	2,551	139	18·35
Hallows	885·3	277	2,021	108	18·71
Schwarz, R. O. ...	287·5	30	1,101	58	18·98
Blythe	984·2	262	2,569	134	19·17
Smith, W. C.	372·1	93	1,070	55	19·45
Haigh	862·1	225	2,301	118	19 50
Dennett	1,018·4	282	2,541	129	19·69
Kotze, J. J.	767·1	162	2,346	119	19·71
Cuttell	986·5	388	1,992	100	19·92
Myers	572·1	119	1,592	78	20·41
Brearley, W. ...	613	100	1,947	95	20·49
Warren (A.)	780	139	2,597	124	20 94
Tate, F. W. (Sussex) ...	399·1	88	1,084	51	21·25
McDonell, H. C. ...	534·3	134	1,375	61	21·48
Bosanquet, B. J. T. ...	673·2	58	2,632	122	21·57
Napier, G. G.... ...	496·2	125	1,447	67	21·59
Rhodes	1,138·1	341	2,628	121	21·71
Santall	489·2	125	1,108	51	21·72
Mason, J. R.	436·5	122	1,206	55	21·92
Hesketh-Prichard, H. ...	755·4	138	2,305	105	21·95
Hirst	951·2	195	2,575	115	22·39
Fielder	689·3	138	2,200	98	22·44
Gill, G. (Leicestershire) ...	484·4	83	1,553	69	22·50
Wass, T.	949·5	209	2,769	117	23·66
Cox	1,266·1	357	3,007	127	23·67
Kermode	562·5	165	1,542	65	23 72
Sinclair, J. H. ...	626·5	118	2,217	93	23·83
Trott, A. E.	841·3	183	2,510	105	23·90
Arnold	918·2	211	2,639	110	23·99
Huggins	743·3	248	1,793	74	24·21
Odell, W. W.	993	261	2,719	109	24·94
Lees	1,171·4	312	2,913	116	25·11
Allsopp	578·2	135	1,798	71	25·32
Gunn, J.	1,170	283	2,969	117	25·37
Relf	1,110·1	325	2,574	100	25·74
Braund	893·5	143	2,966	115	25·79
Reeves	862·2	186	2,774	106	26·16
Bestwick	832·1	202	2,424	92	26·34
Bird (A) (Worcestershire)	419·5	78	1,254	47	26·68
Cranfield (3) (Somerset)	597·4	101	1,978	74	26·78
Nice	407	94	1,456	53	27·47
Fairservice	479·2	105	1,350	49	27·55
Hargreave	983·4	279	2,315	85	27·70
Wilson (G. A.) (Wrestr.) ...	615·2	70	172	78	27·84
Moorhouse ...	487·5	104	1 374	49	28·04
King (J. H.)	859	221	2,241	74	30 28
Buckenham ...	641·1	111	2 032	65	30·78
Llewilyn	529	59	2,024	63	32·12
Gooder	456·4	91	1,369	49	33·39

SWIMMING.

THE CHANNEL SWIM.

Two more names have to be added to the rapidly increasing list of those who have tried to swim the Channel and failed, for late on Tuesday night, too late to send any news, both Weidman and Burgess had to give up their attempts. The latter came out after being in the water only two hours, but then he was quite fresh. He found that Weidman's pace was too slow for him and that he could not keep himself warm. The burly Yorkshireman, who weighs quite 15st., swims the underhand side stroke, and, if not an attractive mover, is certainly speedy. Weidman is almost as slow as Holbein, and thus they were hardly the two men likely to swim in company. Once Burgess got clean ahead of his companion and had to come back and in the end he left the water quite fresh. Concerning Burgess's retirement, it is only fair to state that the tug was engaged for Weidman, and that it was distinctly understood that the boat was there in his interests. Weidman made the plucky effort that was expected of him, but was beaten by both the tide and the conditions.

At the start everything was favourable, the water being smooth and warm and the course shaped excellent. However, then came one of those remarkable changes for which the Channel is notorious. A rushing inset sent him careering along the coast, and a very cold current caused the temperature of the water to fall to 58 degrees. Thus, he accomplished a wonderfully good performance in staying in so long as five hours. The water never changed, and was calm all night, the rain helping not a little in this respect, but the cold water and the hard battle took the strength away from Weidman, who was attacked by cramp in the loins shortly before the fifth hour, and had to be pulled out of the water. It was a brave effort, that demonstrated to the full that the Dover seaman is no ordinary man. The way he pegged along last night spoke for his great pluck, and there is little doubt that under good conditions he would make a first-class show. However, the last five Channel attempts have taught the lesson that, so far as the end of August and early September are concerned, the swim is almost impossible owing to the coldness of the water. So far this has affected four of the five men that have attempted the journey. Burgess we cannot speak about too quickly, for he is going to make another attempt at 7 o'clock this morning, and, as he thinks the Press did not treat him too well last time, the reporters have all promised to go out and see him. Concerning Weidman's attempt I can only state that Mr. A. S. Wauchop Watson did his utmost for the swimmer and that Professor Marquis Bibbero was also of the greatest assistance.

CYCLING.

THE WORLD'S CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

It was unfortunate that the international Cycling Meeting, which was commenced last Saturday, clashed with the opening of the football season, and still more unfortunate that the weather conditions, in the forenoon, should be as bad as they could. The former accounted for the absence of a great many provincial spectators, and the latter for many Londoners; nevertheless, there could not have been far short of 10,000 people present.

The principal events on the programme were the 100 Kilometres Professional Championship, and the preliminary heats of the Two Kilometres Amateur Championship. The entry included representatives of thirteen of the fifteen countries affiliated to the Union Cycliste International. In the professional event W. T. Hall, the holder of the one hour record, could not get a pacing machine to conform to the regulations, whilst Piet Dickentmann, the holder, was a non-entrant, and so both England and Holland were unrepresented. The result was, as had been anticipated, a win for Robert Walthour, the American; but he was given a hard race by C. Simar, France. The Frenchman, however, went weak before the finish, and Walthour won by about a mile in 1 hour 33mins. 57⅘secs. Gerbi, the Italian representative, rode pluckily and would, doubtless, have finished a close third, but, when he had only about six miles to cover, fell and sustained concussion of the brain.

In the Two Kilometres Amateur Championship the English representation was very strong, in fact, the home talent could, with advantage, have been considerably curtailed without seriously jeopardising our chance of again supplying the winner. As it was, the inordinate length of this one event, prevented the whole of the programme being carried out. A. L. Reed, the present champion, a London rider; J. S. Benyon, Liverpool, last year's runner-up; and Marcus Hurley, the American Amateur Champion, had no difficulty in qualifying for the semi-final round, although Hurley, in his heat, was drawn against H. D. Buck, London, the British Empire One Mile Champion. Walter Engelman, who finished first in the annulled championship at Copenhagen last year, also had no difficulty in surviving the day's racing. The great surprise was the defeat, by B. Jones, of Wigan, of Christen Rode, the other young German, who, since riding a very close second to Reed in the Amateur Grand Prix de Paris last June, had held an unbeaten record.

The programme included a One Mile Professional Scratch Race, in which D. J. Walker, the celebrated Australian handicap rider, made his first appearance in competition on an English track, but he was well beaten by the two Welsh riders, S. Jenkins and T. James, who were respectively first and second.

SCOTTISH SPORTING ITEMS.

The Racing Board of the Scottish Cyclists' Union has duly made application on behalf of that body for admission to the I.C.A. Dan Flynn, Scotland's only representative, will by now have been placed in a position to try his luck in the short-distance amateur world's championship. Much satisfaction is felt in Scotland at the victory of Miss Mackay, of the Fairfield Swimming Club, in the 100 Yards Ladies' Championship at Leeds last week. Miss McLaughlin, of the South Side Club, also made a good fight in the same event. James McAulay, of Dumbarton, the greatest of Scottish International goalkeepers; R. Kelso, of Dumbarton and Everton; Joe Lindsay, of the former club; and W. Robertson—all veteran Internationalists—took part in a charity match in aid of Dumbarton Cottage Hospital last week, at Dumbarton. Mr. Robertson is now a captain of local volunteers. The benefit match played last week at Tynecastle for R. Walker, the Heart of Midlothian's International forward did not come up to expectations. Still, what with tickets sold, etc., Walker should be the richer by £150. Port Glasgow has long been famous, or infamous, for rowdy spectators, and assaults on players and referees are not unknown. The local Athletic, in order to protect itself from such characters, had one prosecuted last week for using foul language. The culprit was fined 20s. or 14 days. The Border Rugby clubs, which include Carlisle, have decided not to go in for a league or a trophy, but that their home and home fixtures are to be for the championship of the Borders. The Earl of Dudley, Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, has arraged to spend a golfing holiday at North Berwick this month. He may also make a short stay at St. Andrews. A rising young St. Andrews golfer, David Cuthbert, jun., has gone as a professional to the Southdown Golf Club, Shoreham. T Straiton has been chosen as the West of Scotland Harriers' fourth man for the South London Harriers' Relay Team Race. The Clyde yachting season was brought to a close on Saturday last by the Royal Northern Y.C., starting from Rothsay Bay and finishing at Lamlosh Bay. There was an almost entire absence of wind. Mr. J. Howe, Perth, won the annual Angling Championship of Loch Leven last Friday, his catch being ten trout, weighing 11lbs. 12oz. Mr. J. B. Smith, Sterling Club, gained the sweepstakes prize, his take being seventeen trout, weighing 7lbs. 9oz. Howe had one trout of 3lbs. The cycling parade held in Glasgow last Saturday was favoured with splendid weather. Fully forty cycle clubs participated in the fancy dress parade, while a contingent of the local fire brigade took part in the show. The procession started from Yorkhill, and through the principal streets to Hampden Park, where the judging took place. It returned to the City *viâ* another route, and dispersed in Blythwood Square. D. Billington, of Bacup, will appear at the Vulcan S. C.'s (Springburn) gala on Monday, 12th September, and will compete in a half mile handicap race against W. R. Stewart, of Alloa, Scottish half-mile champion.

THE WEASEL.

Twice recently (writes a correspondent to the *Westminster Gazette*) I have witnessed the curious spectacle of blackbirds chasing a cat. Puss came bounding over a green, with the two birds in hot pursuit. When reaching the shelter of a friendly wall she turned on her pursuers as she would on a dog. With back up and tail erect she stood at bay. One bird took up a position right in front of the cat and the other close up to the wall a little distance off. In this way the cat was threatened from two points. Bird number one kept hopping and chirping in front and making occasional attempts at attack. Each time the cat tried to strike at her assailant the second bird would attack from the rear, and thus distract her attention, till the poor thing appeared to be in a terrible state of fright. At last, after this manœuvring had gone on for fully a quarter of an hour without any definite attack being made, the cat, seizing a favourable opportunity, made a dash for an open door and escaped, and brought the chase to a close.

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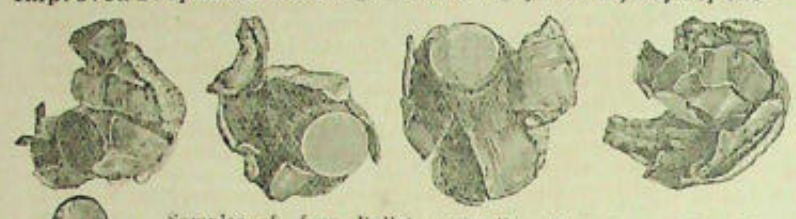
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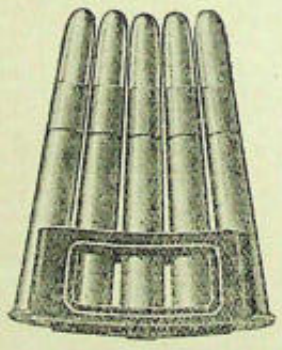
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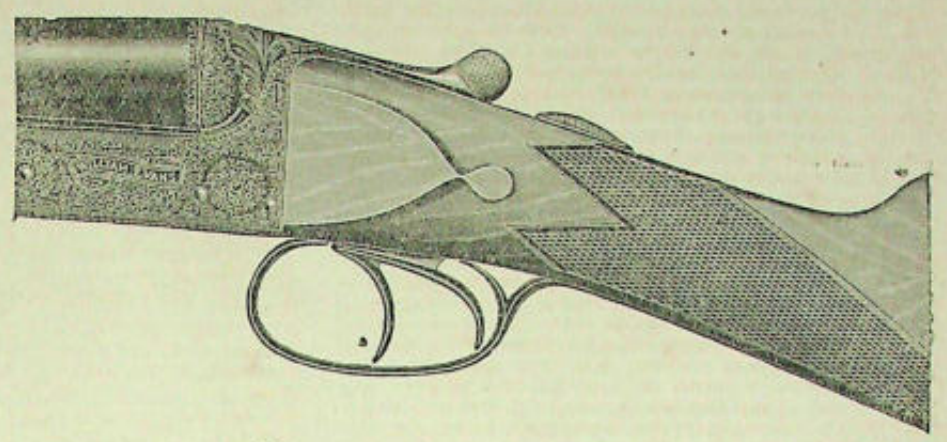


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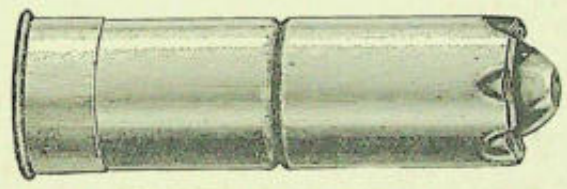
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Hunting.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

MONDAY, *19th September.*

WE met at the kennels at 7-30. The Master first drew Gascelle's Cover, Bingham and Brooklands blank. This may be accounted for by the large crowds that assembled on Newmarket on Saturday, the occasion of the Hunt races. We went on across the stream at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar and drew up past Barber's Shop to the swamp below Wapshare's Hare Shola. Here hounds picked up a line and hunted it slowly towards Chemmund, a little short of which they were stopped. The Master then drew Briar Shola blank and next went over Lawley's Course to Rawling's Nullah, at the head of which hounds got on a line which failed on the top of Newmarket. Thinking that the jack had probably gone to Rallywood the Master took hounds round the top and Mr. Colin Mackenzie viewed him across the spur below the potato fields. Hounds were laid on and they ran through the Cover, forcing the jack away towards Jackal Shola. He kept to the right of this and skirted the top of One Tree Hill where, as has often happened before, there was another line which caused a momentary division of the pack. Swinging round into Jackal Shola hounds hunted their jack to the spur in the middle and back into the bottom of Rallywood, but of this he was viewed not far in front of hounds and he breasted the hill and took the field into Porlock, from here the jack ran the road right through the Cover after passing the Toda Mund turned into Andy Plantation before reaching which he turned again and skirted the top of Tiger Shola to Swamyar Bluegums and from this he took us down to Leed's Shola, through it and on to Monkey Shola, through the latter and on to Baikie, where we lost him. It was a fast and severe run with scent rather catchy.

I regret to have to record that the fine hunt mare, Theodora, presented to the hunt last year by Mr. Mackinnon, died on Sunday of peritonitis.

THURSDAY, *the 22nd.*

We met at Rees' Corner at 7-30 A.M. It was a damp and cloudy morning after the recent rains. A very small field turned out and a start was made by trotting to Mills' Cover which was drawn blank. Hounds then went on past Drouble Crossing above which they got on a cold scent. They followed this very slowly towards Rawling's Nullah but the Master found it too stale to persevere with. The Master then drew over Lawley's Course and Gibbs' Shola and all the country beyond as far as Road Shola without finding. Turning back Lawley's Course and Rawling's Nullah were drawn and hounds touched a line which they slowly puzzled out to the bottom of Governor's Shola, where scent failed completely, starting from the South-West Sheffield Plantation was drawn downwards and Monkey Shola upwards. In the latter a jungle sheep jumped up in front of hounds. They followed him to Sheffield where they mixed him. After a pause hounds emerged on the Tiger Hill side and appeared to be running a jack. They followed through Tiger Shola and on over the top of Swamyar Bluegums to Hecuba. They ran through the scrub here and they crossed to the Cover beyond Andy Plantation where scent again failed. On the whole it was a very disappointing morning.

BLUE GUM.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

AFTER a long continued drought the gentle rain which falleth from heaven is," while not forgetting the passing claims of the "poor cultivator," a blessing to none more than a heart broken M. F. H. with an impossible scent to show sport on, or a despairing chronicler with no straw wherewith to mould his sporting bricks. An endeavour is occasionally, I am actually assured, made in other parts of the universe but never needless to say in this quarter of the globe to endeavour to slur over bad times by means of fulsome flattery wedded to a vivid imagination. Such a course must make wise and sporting men (and all sporting men are wise in that they love sport) smile in sorrow and but renders ludicrous what it intends to defend. If my humble unscholarly lines are happily a source of interest to men and women who, like myself have to enjoy the great sport of kings from afar I venture to opine that it is so in that offering my glass of sherry I at times in being truthful have to dash in just a drop or two of bitters ; that in gathering my bouquet of roses I do not spoil Nature by slavishly evading every tiny thorn. The man that would fear to pluck his rose lest he should prick his finger is but a sorry sportsman. This week my pleasant task is to chronicle most excellent sport and Colonel Sheringham's heart must indeed be full of joy at the capital runs he has been able to show his followers after the days of tribulation and regret consequent on the sun baked Deccan. As a well-known writer said the other day. "Scent is a thing we all talk much about—knowing little." On the 18th the meet was a brace of miles beyond Diggi to the left of the Two Sisters and a very flattering field considering the long way to covert turned up pay their *devoirs* to "the Colonel." Turning off to the left hounds soon opened on the line of an early traveller and ran at a great pace for a long ten minutes into a *pan* garden from

which they could not evict him and after hustling him about for nearly a quarter of an hour killed him in covert. This was such a racing jackal that it seems a thousand pities the field had not a better chance of testing his lasting powers. After a short breathing time the Master moved on and drew the sugar-cane fields near Alundi and at once proclaimed the presence of a tenant and hounds brooking no denial hustled him out with scant ceremony and a galloping jack pointed straight for "the Sisters." So far as I can gather as my informants are a bit sketchy on the actual direction, for a quarter of an hour or so this speedy jackal led hounds and field a merry galloping till ever increasing heat rendered scent hopeless and Colonel Sheringham wisely decided to stop hunting and take hounds to their van. A thoroughly enjoyable morning's sport it evidently was—a good jack killed and a good jack saving his brush. Honours easy and all in the way of sport, which is as things should be.

But a still greater bean feast was in store for the followers of this illustrious Hunt. On the following Thursday, the 22nd September, hounds met at the 7th milestone on the 'Grand Trunk Road" to Bombay and a very "large and aristocratic" field, headed by Lord Lamington who seems seldom to miss any meet within reasonable hail of Government House, assembled, filled with hope and favour by the inspiriting accounts of the previous day's gallops. Nor were their fond hopes damped. After generously giving a few moments' grace to any possible laggards the Master moved off towards a hamlet called Bosree. There in some half-grown crops hounds owned to the line of a jack opportunely found at the psychological moment and proclaimed the tidings of great joy in a burst of delightful melody which so is so gladdening to the faded heart. Out of the crop land and away over the level to a big *nullah* in the direction of the river and so away to the left to the main road and across it and to the forbidding wire fencing along the iron road. Here the jack finding the pace a trifle too hot to be gratifying indulged in the artifice of "lying low" like Brer Rabbit, and with success as hounds flashed over in some green crops and the wily varmint would have reaped the benefit of his guile but human eyes came to the rescue of erring hounds—(it does seem a trifle rough on the poor little game devils at time doesn't it?) and the Master had hounds back again into the path of rectitude Frustlated in his artfulness though force of numbers the jack "pinked" back and re-crossed the high road and away at a rare galloping pace I hear. Over some sporting country the chase continued till after 19 minutes running and a very sporting line—if not quite as the crows fly home to roost the jack died that sport might live. A capital little run. Jogging on to some sugarcane another jack was found "At Home" and, as a mouse may at times help the Beast King. So on this occasion a jungly "pussie cat" came to the assistance of the jack who taking advantage of the temporary excitement sneaked away at a further corner. But once more artfulness was conquered by extraneous aid and he was viewed away by a watchful "whip" and little delay occurred in getting most of the hounds on to the line. This jack like his forerunner didn't seem to know the lie of his land very fluently and couldn't make up his hound as to his point and his line was consequently slightly globular. But it was, I hear, from all sources a capital gallop over a genuinely sporting line of country and the pace in the main all that could be desired and after about 25 minutes this jack surrendered his trophies to grace a Gubernatorial Hall. And yet immortal Cæsar dead and turned to clay thrill but stopt a bung to keep the wind away. What a fortunate jackal! So ended two thoroughly enjoyable runs. There is a rumour that Colonel Sheringham entertains an idea of retiring at the end of the season. Nothing, I am sure, could be further from the thoughts of every member of the Hunt who one and all appreciate to the full the skill and keenness of the gallant old man who has grown grey in the furtherance of the sport he loves so well and knows so well. If the most carping can find a possible fault it is possibly that of super-keenness. And that is a fault readily forgiven. Yet in every community—saving only in absolute Monarchies—the view of the multitude—be it right or wrong—must prevail. Everyone, I am sure, hope that the rumours, of the gallant old sportsman's retirement are unfounded and that any trivial obstacles there may be will be smoothed away. Colonel Sheringham's experience of Indian hunting must be absolutely unique.

SCARAMOUCH.

Polo.

POONA OPEN TOURNAMENT.

THE two games in the first round were played on the 22nd instant, before a large gathering of spectators. The weather conditions were perfect and the ground muchly improved.

BARODA *vs.* 33RD CAVALRY.—This was rather an uninteresting game the Cavalry had it all their own way and when at the end of five *chukkers* the 33rd had put on 14 goals and six subsidiaries to 1 subsidiary, their opponents elected to stop.

First Chukker.—The 33rd rushed away at once and put on a goal, another was added shortly after and followed up with a subsidiary. Play was in midfield for a space then Major Browne got away and passing to Captain Hopwood the latter sent it through. Another minor point was realised and then Major Browne got on once more and hit another goal. *Score :* 33rd 4 goals 2 subsidiaries.

Second Chukker.—The ball was taken to the Baroda territory where Allar Khan scored a goal. Then Baroda got away and a shot by Prince Fateh Singh missed. Hopwood next scored a goal for the 33rd to which he added another on re-starting Baroda got on once more and offside against the 33rd gave their opponents a penalty hit—nothing resulted. *Score :* 33rd 7 goals 2 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—Allar Khan scored a goal, which was followed by two subsidiaries. The 33rd continued to press and a goal was scored from a scrimmage. *Score :* 33rd 9 goals 4 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—Major Browne hit an easy goal. Then Allar Khan obtained a subsidiary and immediately after a goal. Prince Fateh Singh got away and scored a minor point but the ball was taken back and Hopwood hit a goal. *Score :* 33rd 12 goals 5 subsidiaries Baroda 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—Major Browne scored a goal : a minor point being added by Captain Hopwood. The ball was kept at the Baroda end where from a penalty hit Allar Khan hit a goal. Baroda then retired. *Score :* 33rd Cavalry 14 goals 6 subsidiaries, Baroda 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

33RD CAVALRY.			BARODA.		
Capt. H. R. Hopwood	...	1	Prince Fateh Singh	...	1
Major A. J. W. Browne	...	2	Mr. Anwar Ali	...	2
Daf. Allar Khan	...	3	Mr. R. N. Patak	...	3
Maj. Fitze J. M. Edwards (*back*)			N. G. Scinde		(*back*)

Umpires :—Major England and Captain Hon'ble H. Guest.

FIRST ROYAL DRAGOONS *vs.* SCOUTS.—This game produced a splendid exhibition of polo, play being fast and brilliant throughout. The Scouts eventually won by 8 goals and 8 subsidiaries to 5 goals and 1 subsidiary.

First Chukker.—Grenfell drew first blood for the Scouts and on resuming put on a subsidiary. Two more minor points were scored before the close of the *chukker*. *Score :* Scouts 1 goal 3 subsidiaries.

Second Chukker.—The Scouts obtained a subsidiary and from a penalty hit for a foul shortly after they hit a goal. Fast up and down play followed of which the Royals had the better. Then Herbert got possession and taking the ball down hit a goal. *Score :* Scouts 3 goals 4 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—Fast play. The Royals tried hard to score but the ball went wide and the Rajah getting on hit a goal. On resuming the Rajah scored another goal. Fast gallops followed and DeLisle registerd the first goal for the Royals. *Score :* Scouts 5 goals 4 subsidiaries, Royals 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—This was a period of hard play and the only score was a subsidiary to the Scouts hit by the Rajah. *Score :* Scouts 5 goals 5 subsidaries, Royals 1 goal.

Fifth Chukker.—Herbert opened with a goal which was followed by a subsidiary. A free hit to the Royals for offside resulted in a goal, DeLisle putting through. Another free hit for a foul gave the Royals a minor point. The Royals scored two more goals and then Herbert got away and hit a goal for the Scouts. DeLisle cut his hand badly towards the close of the period. *Score :* Scouts 7 goals 6 subsidiaries, Royals 4 goals 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—The Royals pressed but the ball was returned and Herbert taking it down hit a goal. *Score :* Scouts 8 goals 6 subsidiaries, Royals 4 goals 1 subsidiary.

Seventh Chukker.—Fast up and down play ended in a subsidiary to the Scouts, another being hit a short time afterwards. The Royals then rushed down but the Rajah saved cleverly. *Score :* Scouts 8 goals 8 subsidiaries, Royals 4 goals 1 subsidiary.

Eighth Chukker.—The Royals got away and Tomkinson scored a goal. On resuming the ball was taken down by the Scouts but no score resulted. *Final Score :* Scouts 8 goals 8 subsidiaries, Royals 5 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

ROYALS.			SCOUTS.		
Mr. Tomkinson	...	1	Mr. F. Grenfell, 60th Rifles		1
Capt. Hon'ble H. Guest	...	2	Mr. Herbert, 93rd	...	2
Col. DeLisle ...	...	3	H. H. the Rajah of Rutlam		3
Capt. Hon'ble Laighton (*back*)			Capt Hon'ble F. Guest 1st Life Guards.		(*back*)

Umpires :—Major England and Captain Frazer.

THE FINAL.

33RD CAVALRY *vs.* THE SCOUTS.—This game was played on the 27th instant, and was left undecided. Three *Chukkers* were played during which the Scouts had somewhat the best of matters. They had put on a goal and four subsidiaries to *nil* and were half way through the fourth period when the rain came down in torrents and further play was out of the question. The game will have to be replayed.

Rowing.

MODEL ROWING CLUB OFFICIALS.

THE CAPTAIN.

WHILE the President is the nominal ruler of the rowing club, its real autocrat is the captain. He it is that shapes its future, and can do more to make or mar it than a wilderness of championships. But if he enjoys the pleasures of despotism, he has also to suffer its penalties. If he be the Czar of the club, he is also maid of all work to the member. Does an oar display a weird objection to going in square and coming out clean at the end of the stroke, it is not the fault of the man at the dry end of the oar, but entirely due to a malformation of the oar itself, which, of course, the captain must remedy. Does a stretcher shake loose, or a sweater mysteriously vanish, the captain must mend the one and find the other. Anything and everything is his business—from the amount of water in the river to the cut of the club cap. Hard work, worry, and anxiety dog his footsteps from the moment of his election, even unto the going down of the sun on the last day of the season.

The eximious beginner is his earliest trouble. When a young man is first seized with a desire to learn the whole science and art of oarsmanship he comes down to the river with a light heart and a general idea that it is the simplest thing in the world. Then the captain takes him in hand. At the end of the first week that young man comes to the conclusion that an oar is the original protoplasm of all evil and mischief, and that the ordinary span of life is all too short for such a complex study. By the time he has rowed his first race, however, his confidence has revived, and he is a peripatetic guide to rowing and training generally. It is a strange rhythmical fact in connection with the embryo wetbob that, as a rule—

The worse he rows
The more he knows.

The long-suffering captain is, of course, the appointed vessel to receive all this accumulated knowledge. It is difficult to understand what some captains do with all their superfluous advice. I have a private theory that the result of a good deal of it is to be found under the standing heading in the summer papers of "Another Boating Accident"—but that is another story. The thing that sows the most youthful captain's head with grey hairs and wrinkles is, however, the choice of the regatta crews. He must, of course, be a perfect judge of rowing, and entirely unswayed by any personal feelings, for the onus of a defeat rests on him—the credit of a win, of course, goes to the crew. One by one he goes through his men, and, one by one he discards them. At last, however, he makes his choice, and the crews start practice. He now finds he has become an Ishmaelite, for every man's hand is against him. The great army of unemployed are, of course, indignant that their prowess should be overlooked and even amongst the elect there is not peace. There is a state of nervous irritability produced by the early stages of strict training in even the most placid of men; and each member of the crew has a private grievance, ranging from his stretcher to the unnecessarily vituperative remarks of the coach on the towpath. The latter functionary is also gloomy. He informs the crew collectively and individually that they would be more at home in a mud barge than a best boat, and implores the captain, with tears in his eyes, to take away the whole lot to a quiet spot and drown them. It is the captain's pleasant task to reconcile these conflicting claims, and generally pour oil on the troubled waters. He must, therefore, be a man of infinite tact. He must also be an animated Rowing Almanack, well posted in the names, weights, and form of all prominent oarsmen on the river, for he should be able to gauge the chances that his crew will have against the representatives of other clubs, and not waste them in unnecessary defeats.

The whole subject of the duties and trials of a captain is one that might well fill a dozen volumes, but, from what has been said, it will be seen that the perfect captain, like a poet, is born, not made. However, for the benefit of future generations, it may be stated that to make a fair average captain, one should take the foresight of a statesman, the resolution of a general, the pluck of a bull-dog, the resource of an omnibus conductor, and the tact of a Prince. Mix well together, enclose in the frame of a Hercules, and then—well, *trust in Providence*.

Wheeling.

TO PURI FOR THE POOJAHS.

DISTANCE.—Total distance from Calcutta 318 miles; by road or river steamer to Ooloobaria 20 miles; by road to Midnapore 52 miles; by road from Midnapore 246 miles.

ROAD.—One of the finest in India, kept by the P. W. D.

ACCOMMODATION.—Dâk bungalows at Ooloobaria, Midnapore, Chaitan Bazaar, Jellasore, Balasore, Bhadruck, Cuttack, and Puri. Inspection bungalows about every ten miles.

This is a delightful trip combining variety with, for most of the journey, the most perfect cycling conditions. It takes us over road, river canal, and sea, and occupies at the outside eight or nine days, allowing for the easiest stages on the road The road is a fine metalled track from beginning to end, maintained by the P. W. D. and under European supervision throughout. There is an abundance of shade, good water, resthouses every ten or twelve miles, and seven good dâk bungalows, in fact as a public way it is second only to the Grand Trunk Road. Several rivers have to be crossed and in every case the ferry arrangements are both easy and expeditious. The P. W. D. inspection bungalows, or resthouses alluded to above, are furnished, and in some there are cooking utensils, but no cooks or *khansamahs* are retained. The *chowkidars* in charge can, however, always be induced to boil water for tea or get a bath ready on the suggestion of *backsheesh*, and, if supplies are forthcoming, they can us ually produce *chapatis*, a curry, eggs milk, etc. But if the stages are properly arranged there should be no necessity to rely on the culinary art of the *chowkidar*, though these bungalows will be found cool and comfortable places in which to make the long midday halt. The charge for occupying them is one rupee per day for travellers, subject to the proviso that they are not required by Government officers, in which case the cyclist would have to move on.

The Bengal-Nagpur Railway line crosses the road between Midnapore and Cuttack five times and runs parallel toit for many miles, so that one feels comfortable when contemplating the possibilities of a serious breakdown, and there are refreshment rooms at Khargpur, Balasore and Cuttack where cyclists can supplement the dâk bungalow menu if so inclined. It is three hundred and eighteen miles by road and there are dâk bungalows at Midnapore, Chaitan Bazaar, Jellasore, Balasore, Bhadruck, Cuttack, and Puri, so that the commissariat question in one that need not trouble us at all. The road runs on to Madras through Berhampore, Rajahmundry, Kistric, Ongole and Nellore, at all of which there are bungalows and the going is uniformly good throughout. We have this on the authority of a cyclist who has frequently cycled from one end to the other and is enthusiastic on the excellence of the surface and the pleasures of the ride. But our present concern is with the section between Midnapore and Puri, as we do not propose to go beyond the limits of the Bengal Presidency in these Chapters.

Ooloobaria can be reached by road or steamer. One can either cycle down to Budge Budge (17 miles) and cross in a dinghy or take one of Hoare Miller's steamers preferably that leaving Armenian Ghât at 4 P.M. This lands us at Ooloobaria about dusk, and just beyond the bazaar, taking the road to the right from the top of the landing stage, is the dâk bungalow. There is absolutely nothing of interest to see here. The bungalow is comfortable and well found in every respect, and what is of equal importance the old *khansamah* in charge is active and intelligent. Ice is unobtainable, but can easily be brought down from Calcutta. *Verb sap.* It will be necessary to take something in the way of light refreshment, for whether we arrange to get into Midnapore for tiffin, or occupy the whole day on the journey, there are fifty-six miles before us, and a few sandwiches, cold tea &c. won't come amiss.

Presuming it is the intention to make it a half-day run we shall so arrange that *chota hazari* shall be discussed, and a start made at 5 A.M. The road turns sharp to the left from the bungalow gate, and after crossing the wooden bridge over the locks the turning to the left takes us to the main road. There are no further turnings and no tributary roads; we have but to watch the mile posts and pedal straight away. Several small villages occur on the right hand side of the road till we part company with the canal at the 4th mile out, the biggest being Chandipur. At the 44th mile (8 miles from Ooloobaria is the Damuda river with Mohesh-danga on the east bank. The ferry takes us over leisurely, but it is a pretty spot, and we would fain linger near the babul avenues and big banyan tope while we enjoy the cool morning breeze off the water. The road is well shaded from this point to the 36th mile, close to which is Nowpolla where we dismount and hail the ferry to take us across the Roopnarain about half a mile broad here. On the opposite bank is Kola, quite a busy place, the embankment, cantilever bridge and other railway works requiring a large resident European staff. An enterprising Rajput from Bombay has opened a shop here, and keeps almost everything but liquor. There is capital drinking water everywhere. If we are out for the day an hour or so may be put in here; if not we proceed.

At the 21th mile we find ourselves on the banks of the Cossaye river with the rather extensive villlage of Punchkura on the other side. At the thannah milk, sweetmeats, fruit, and excellent drinking water can be obtained, or one can use the excellent P. W. D. Bungallow on the opposite river bank about 300 yards off the road to the left. The road continues very pretty and the rise more perceptible up to Debra just opposite the 15th milestone. On a little knoll to the right is a P. W. D. bungalow and in the verandah a lie back in the easy chairs will be welcome. The *chowkidar* can procure fresh milk, about all the provender the place can supply, and while he is away we can find amusement in watching the gambols of the enormous lungurs which infest the village.

Continuing our journey with the reflection that "there's one more river to cross" we realise the fact at the 5th mile near a little hamlet called Kongsaputty. There is no ferry here except in the rains, so having seen the bikes safely carried across we wade in after them, and remounting at Monnighur, after a scramble up the bank, continue to the new dâk bungalow which stands in the racecourse outside the station. Opposite is Messrs. Watson's bungalow beyond which lies the town. There is a church, an American Mission, one of the biggest and finest jails in the world, and one or two objects of local or general interest, and some fine roads in and about the station.

The road to Puri begins here, the distance being two hundred and forty-six miles. In the first thirty miles we pass Benapore, Naraingarh and Ranisarai with a P. W. D. bungalow at each village; the next place of any importance is Dantan, seven miles further on, and another ten miles brings us to Jellasore, forty-eight miles from Midnapore, where there is a dâk bungalow. About five miles from Jellasore we come to the Subarnarikha river, the limit of the Midnapore district.

We cross at Rajghat, and twelve miles further on is Basta, fifteen miles after passing which we dismount on the banks of the tortuous Bina Balong river, three miles on the other side of which lies Balasore. The town is situated on the right bank of the Bina Balong (literally "Old Twister") about seven miles from the sea in a straight line, but fifteen by river. Balasore was one of the first English settlements in the east and the story of its acquisition is quite romantic. According to Sir W. W. Hunter in 1636, Mr. Gabriel Broughton, Surgeon of the ship *Hopewell*, cured the Emperor's daughter, whose clothes had caught fire, and in 1640 he successfully treated one of the ladies of the

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Bengal Viceroy's Zenana. When asked to name his own reward, he replied that he wished nothing for himself, but begged that his countrymen might be allowed a maritime settlement in Bengal. Accordingly, in 1642 imperial commissions were made out granting the East India Company a land factory at Hughli, and a maritime settlement at Balasore. But the gradual silting up of the river mouth seriously injured the port; and the last blow was struck at its prosperity when, in 1863, the Government abandoned the monopoly of the salt manufacture and trade. Meanwhile the English were firmly establishing themselves at Calcutta, and the Commerce of Balasore and its importance were gradually transferred to that place.

There is a dâk bungalow here and a good deal to see about the place.

Bhadruck is the next important place on the road forty-three miles from Balasore with Soro, a busy village with a large bazaar about midway. The last place we run through in the Balasore district is Aguapada, sixteen miles further south and then we come to the Brahmini Byturnee river, the Indian Styx, which defunct Hindoos cross by the aid of the sacred bull's tail. This forms the boundary between Balasore and Cuttack. In the course of the next sixteen miles we cross the Byturnee, the Kursoon, the Brahmini and the Mahanuddy rivers. Burchunna is the next halting place, then Tangi, twelve miles nearer Cuttack, and after another ten miles, the dâk bungalow at Cuttack gladdens the Sight. Cuttack (*Kataka*—the fort) is the chief town and administrative headquarters of the district and the capital of the Province of Orissa. It was once a flourishing place, its trade and commerce being considerable, while among its manufactures the silver filigree work—its speciality—has a world-wide reputation, and is perhaps, increasing with indication of a growing demand; but it is not a particularly lively place now and is associated chiefly in the European mind with those embodiments of rascality, the pestiferous Ooryia bearer and the debased *palkee wallah*, who hail from these parts.

It is about 56 miles from Cuttack to Puri. If time does not permit of our doing the extra stage, we can return by the B.-N. Railway or Chandbally steamer. If we decide to keep on we make for Khurdah Road passing through Barang and Bhubaneshwur. At Khurdah Road there is the Railway Refreshment Room at which a comfortable meal can be got, and from this point to Puri it is about twenty-eight miles, the road turning to the left (East) and taking us through three or four extensive villages. At Puri the dâk bungalow is our first quest; then we may do the temples, the pilgrims, the bazaar, and have a look at the Bay of Bengal.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

LONDON, *Friday, 9th September* 1904.

THE dates for the World's Championships have arrived, last Saturday being the first of three days' racing, yesterday the second and to-morrow the last and concluding day. These championships are competed for annually in the different countries affiliated to the Union Cycliste Internationale and this year, for the first time, they have been alloted to England. The crowd that surrounded the Crystal Palace track last Saturday was by no means large owing to the heavy rain experienced throughout the morning, but still, if it was not large, it was undoubtedly enthusiastic and thoroughly appreciated the superior racing provided by the competitors. The heats for the two Kilometres World's Amateur Championship were first decided, and as these mounted up to eleven in number, they occupied the best part of the afternoon, indeed, the 100 Kilometres Professional Championship was finished in the dark. A. L. Reed (holder), London, accounted for the first heat; M. Hurley, American, the second; H. C. Bouffier, London, the third; J. S. Benyon, Liverpool, fourth; B. Jones, Wigan, fifth; Dan Fivna, Scotland, sixth; E. Payne, Worcester, seventh, A. E. Wills, London, eighth; W. Engelmann, Germany, ninth; D. Roudelli, France, tenth; and A. Charvier, France, eleventh. Some of these heats provided grand exhibitions of finishes and although plenty of "loafing" was indulged in the early stages of each heat the finishes amply compensated for this crawling. The finals for this event as well as the finals of the two Kilometres Professional Championship will be decided to-morrow the programme also including the race for the 100 Kilometres Amateur Championship which should prove an even more exciting race than the professional event over the like distance.

It is many a day since I witnessed a more interesting and exciting race than was provided in the contest for the World's Professional 100 Kilometres Championship. Amongst the riders who entered for this event the name of only one Britisher appeared, namely, Ned Barkaway, of Wales, and as he failed to start, the race from an International standpoint possessed no interest for the British spectators, but still, they were treated to some keen racing between C. Simar, France, and R. Walthour, America. The starters were R. Walthour, America; C. Simar, France; Vanderstuyft, Belgium; E. Andemars, Switzerland; Gerbi, Italy, and A. Hansen, Denmark. The American was first to pick up his motor pacing machine, and his easy and even style stamped him at once as the likely winner. But it was soon apparent that there was another competitor to be reckoned with, for when the Frenchman, Simar, got into his strides, he could cover the ground at a terrific speed and soon after the tenth kilometre passed Walthour like a flash and eventually lapped him. Walthour, too, could move at times, and the pace these riders travelled was an eye-opener to many of the spectators. At twenty-five kilometres the American regained the lead and although Simar made repeated efforts to take it from him he was unsuccessful and had to content himself with second place. In the hour Walthour covered 40 miles 976 yards and completed the 100 kilometres in 1 hour 33 minutes 57⅘ seconds.

Included in the afternoon's programme was a one lap professional scratch race decided in two heats and a final and which eventually fell to Syd Jenkins, of Wales, Tom James, another Welshman, occupying second position, and Dan Walker, the Australian Champion, third. In the second heat, an amusing incident occurred at the start. The competitors were H. B. Howard, Walker, and Hedspath, a negro rider. When the pistol fired the men slowly moved off and Howard found himself with the lead, a position he did not desire until the end of the race, and, as the others did not seem inclined to take it from him he turned round and rode in the opposite direction with the intention of forcing to the front. In this he was most successful, for immediately Walker and Hedspath saw his move they sprinted off and left Howard right in the rear.

From the Monday to the Saturday of last week the Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland successfully carried through their Reliability Trial for small Cars, on the roads around Hereford, making two daily runs of about 50 miles each. There were non-stop runs, hill climbing competitions and brake tests so that the competing vehicles were thoroughly tested and came through the ordeal in a highly satisfactory manner. These trials were organised by the Automobile Club in order to give full encouragement to the opening of a new field by manufacturers of motor cars. Hitherto the trade has neglected the small car of about 6 horse-power to 10 horse-power and has paid more attention to higher powered vehicles, but lately there has been a growing demand for a light car priced about £150 to £200 which could carry two or four passengers and travel well up to the legal limit. A great body of professional and business men, who have little use for a pleasure car, will welcome the advent of a small cheap but reliable car which they could put to practical purposes.

The "loafing" indulged in by racing men more especially in short distance events, has frequently been the subject of discussion, but so far, no effective method of overcoming the practice has been discovered. It is an acknowledged fact amongst racing men, that the competitor who outs out the pace throughout the case rarely, if ever, wins, therefore it is only natural that each competitor should endeavour to keep to the rear during the earlier stages of the race and in doing this they create the "loafing" complained of. The Guernsey Cycling Club however, have introduced a novel way of endeavouring to grapple with the difficulty and in a five miles scratch race have instituted a sort of sliding scale for the prizes. If the winner covers the distance in 12 minutes 30 seconds the first prize will be value £10, the second prize £5, and the third £2. 10s. Should, however, the riders indulge in "loafing" and occupy fifteen minutes in completing the distance they will only receive half these amounts.

Some very sensible remarks on the dust question appears in the current issue of *The Builder*, a trade journal of good standing. The writer says that in common with his readers he suffers much from the dust raising capacity of motor vehicles; but in spite of personal inconvenience, he is inclined to look upon it as a blessing in disguise, as it emphasises the fact that the highways are unsuitable for present-day requirements. "It is obviously the duty" he continues "of local authorities and their professional advisers to find materials of construction suited to the requirements of the travelling public. The character of our road surfaces must *inevitably* be changed and the sooner this truth is realized the better it will be for everyone concerned." Inhabitants of roadside dwellings, pedestrians, in fact, every member of the community are all inconvenienced by the dust, and although it will be an expensive matter to change the character of the roads, it will have to be done some day, so why not do it at once and let the present generation benefit thereby?

COTTER PIN.

THE BROWN MOTOR BICYCLE FOR 1904.

THE advertisement, which appears for the first time in this paper, gives our readers some idea of the new "Brown" Motor Cycle. By this mail we received a large quantity of printed matter relating thereto and to the firms' general business in cars and bikes, accessaries, tools &c., from the large four-seated motor car to nuts and screws small enough to require tweezers wherewith to pick them up. Very fine catalogues they are, and of great interest to those who are either motorists or on the verge of joining that daily increasing happy band of speedy travellers. We have read what the catalogue has to say about the "Brown" Motor bike, and while we regret we are unable to reproduce the illustration which accompanies it, we think the following particulars will be of interest to our cycling readers.

The experience of past seasons has enabled this firm to produce a motor bicycle which can be depended upon to start when wanted, to go wherever it is guided, and to carry its rider comfortably and safely home again. Only the very best materials are used throughout; for reliability and all round good workmanship, the Brown will bear comparison with any other machines on the market.

Adequate strength is imparted to the frame by re-enforcing the always substantial construction at all vital points; the front fork, which in all bicycles is the weakest part of the frame, is triply strengthened by the extension of the fork blades upward and the provision of a pair of tubes from the front wheel spindle to clip cone above the steering head, so as to counteract the breaking tendency always prevent at the crown of single fork. The machine throughout is so beautifully balanced making remarkable smooth running over the roughest roads also reducing the risk of side-slip to a minimum. The driving wheel, which has to bear the greater part of the weight as well as all the propelling strain, is built in an exceptionally staunch manner; and the belt rim, initiated of being clipped on to the spokes, is attached direct to the tyre rim by a double set of spokes alternately set at opposite tangents, thus ensuring perfect truth in the belt rim. Abundant brake power is provided by means of a pull up brake on the front wheel rim actuated by a lever under the right handlebar, and a Bowden brake on the back wheel actuated by a lever under the left handlebar.

The motor itself is carried centrally in a vertical position, the crank case being attached to a substantial cradle strongly bolted to a lug on the front down tube and the bottom bracket in the rear, so that when fixed in position the motor forms a rigid unyielding part of the bicycle frame, but when occasion necessitates its detachment for adjustment or repairs it can be removed by loosening three bolts only without risk of any part being out of alignment. Large and heavy fly-wheels ensure great smoothness of running.

The dimensions are:—2 horse-power 64 m/m bore and 70 m/m stroke; 2¾ horse-power 74 m/m bore and 76 m/m stroke; 3½ horse-power 82 m/m bore and 90 m/m stroke.

The cylinder, the combustion head, and the valve chamber, are all cast in one piece and very accurately finished, thus doing away with all joints and consequent loss of compression; they are secured to the crank case by means of two long vertical bolts surmounted by nuts.

The inlet as well as the exhaust valve is mechanically operated, by means of a substantially constructed train of spur wheels actuating separate cams covered by a dust-proof gear box. These valves are interchangeable, so that only one spare valve need be carried. The 2 horse-power motor (and, if preferred, the 2¾ horse-power) has not the mechanically operated inlet valve, but is supplied with automatic inlet valve.

Petrol is carried in the rear half of the single tank, which has a capacity of 1¼ gallons, and conveyed by a pipe at the lower corner of the tank to a beautifully constructed specimen of the genuine Longuemare carburetter with throttle and air control lever.

The forward half of the tank holds accumulator and coil, and a separate compartment contains lubricating oil sufficient for about 500 miles. On the right hand side of the tank, forward, is a pump with celluloid barrel, by which lubricating oil is supplied to the engine.

Ignition is regulated by means of a single make-and-break contact breaker actuated by the foremost of three operating levers on the top of the tank, and when this lever is drawn right back it not only retards the ignition to the utmost, but also raises and holds open the exhaust valve. The 3½ horse-power is furnished, in addition, with a Bowden exhaust valve lifter worked on the handlebar. Plain coils are fitted to the 2 and 2¾ horse-power engines, but a high-speed trembler coil to the 3½ horse power. Two accumulators and a two way switch are fitted to 3½ horse power machines.

The operating lever, on the right hand side of the tank, controls the throttle.

The operating levers above described are furnished with ratchets which prevent their shaking away from whatever position the rider may have placed them.

On the left hand side of the tank, not visible in this illustration, is a small rod terminating in a lever by which the amount of air admitted to the carburetter can be regulated.

The sparking plug is situated vertically on the top of the cylinder head, over the inlet valve, where it is protected by the tank from rain; this position enables an extremely short wire to be exposed for the conveyance of the secondary current. The position of the accumulator, moreover, similarly allows the length of primary wire to be reduced to the smallest possible dimensions. Above the tank, the primary wire rises to an interrupter on the top rail, whence it is carried into and along the handlebar to a switch actuated by twisting the left handle. Fluted felt switch handles are fitted.

The exhaust pipe and box are right in front of the engine, where they are exposed to the fullest possible current of air.

The power is transmitted from the engine shaft through the medium of an oil-retaining belt pulley very deeply dished, ensuring a long bearing, thence through a "Duco" V shape belt 13/16ths wide. The crank case being oil-tight, and the driving-pulley oil retaining, it is impossible for oil to reach the belt and cause it to stretch and slip.

The connecting-rod bearings are of steel, and the main bearings of gun-metal.

The mudguards are 3 inches wide, the front one being extended well forward off the head.

The wheel base is 50 inches, and the size of frame 22 inches, this being the only size which can be supplied.

The wheels are 28 inch diameter with N. P. rims fitted with 2-inch Dunlop tyres.

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Cricket.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* POONA YOUNG CRICKETERS.—The latter team came down to Bombay on the 20th instant and were defeated by the Gymkhana by 58 runs. The homesters batted first and scored 169, Aston making 62. Coombs took 8 wickets for 36 runs. The Young Cricketers made 111, Joshi being top scorer with 34. Score :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr. S. N. Powell, b Kale	26
Mr. T. Dawson, c S. Mehendale, b Agashe	4
Mr. F. G. Clarke, c Karandikar, b Kale	14
Mr. A. H. Aston, b Agashe	62
Mr. A. R. Burney, c Karve, b Agashe	11
Mr. L. Carroll, c Bhopatkar, b Agashe	20
Mr. E. Coombs b S. G. Mehendale	1
Lieut. H. O. Carroll, not out	9
Lieut. Selby, c S. Mehendale, b L. Mehendale	2
Lieut. Douglas, c Agashe, b S. Mehendale	6
Mr. West, b Kale	1
Extras	13
Total	169

POONA YOUNG CRICKETERS.

Shevede, l-b-w, b Coombs	4
Kulkarni, b Coombs	6
Samel, l-b-w, b Coombs	17
Karandikar, l-b-w, b Coombs	0
Karve, run out	28
Bhopatkar, c L. Carroll, b Coombs	6
S. G. Mehendale, b Coombs	0
Joshi, run out	34
Agashe, b Coombs	0
Kale, b Coombs	1
L. G. Mehendale, not out	13
Extras	2
Total	111

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. L. G. Mehendale	7	2	11	1
Mr. Agashe	24	4	73	4
Mr. S. G. Mehendale	17	6	37	2
Mr. V. G. Kale	10·4	2	24	3
Mr. N. L. Samel	8	1	12	0

HINDUS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Coombs	18	8	36	8
Lieut. Douglas	8	0	37	0
Mr. S. N. Powell	10	0	32	0
Mr. West	1·5	0	3	0
Mr. F. G. Clarke	1	0	1	0

CRICKET AT POONA.

POONA *vs.* BELGAUM.—This match ended on the 20th instant in a draw. The first innings of both teams produced small scores but in their second venture Belgaum put up 312, Aitcheson's 88 not out being scored in good style. The home team made 197 for 6 wickets, Wilkins (60) being top scorer. Score :—

BELGAUM.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Capt. T. H. G. Hutchinson, c Kindersley, b Umfreville	2	b Kindersley	42
Mr. R McTier, c Umfreville, b Hazelton	24	run out	14
Mr. C. F. Potter, run out	21	b Hazelton	43
Mr. W. E. Copplestone, c Leslie, b Umfreville	8	b Hazelton	23
Mr. G. H. Laco, not out	5	b Tillard	4
Mr. P. E. Aitcheson, c and b Umfreville	0	not out	88
Mr. A Boxwell, c Wilkins, b Umfreville	0	b Carroll	12
Mr. B. H. Howell, b Carroll	11	b Hazelton	8
Mr. C. J. La Costa, b Carroll	0	b Carroll	8
Mr. J. A. Budden, c Umfreville, b Carroll	0	b Wilkins	18
Mr. W. B. Bell, c Noake, b Carroll	0	c Stiffe, b Wilkins	14
Extra	1	Extras	38
Total	72	Total	312

POONA GYMKHANA.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr. A. D. Wilkins, c and b Copplestone	0	b Lacon	60
Lieut.-Col. Hazelton, not out	4	c Boxwell, b Coppleston	14
Mr. B. M. Carroll, c and b Bell	35	c Potter, b Lacon	24
Mr. G. S. Tillard, b Bell	11	c and b Lacon	3
Major Leslie, c Copplestone, b Bell	9	b Lacon	21
Capt. Umfreville, b Copplestone	2	not out	29
Capt. Holbrooke, b Bell	21	b Lacon	7
Mr. R. D. Kindersley, b Bell	10	not out	3
Mr. A. S. Noake, c McTier, b Copplestone	0	did not bat.	
Capt. Stiffe, l-b-w, b Copplestone	0		
Mr. H. J. Fry, c McTier, b Bell	0		
Extras	6	Extras	26
Total	98	Total (for 6 wkts)	197

CRICKET AT NAGPUR.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* NAGPUR GYMKHANA.—This match was played on the 17th instant and resulted in a win for the Gymkhana. Scores :—

ROYAL SCOTS.

Lieut. Henry, c Cowie, b Cleveland	17
Lieut. Farquharson, c and b Ratnam	80
Lieut. Lumsden, c Slocock, b Fagan	20
Lieut. McCallum, b Slocock	24
Lieut. Kruger, c Fagan, b Ratnam	4
Corpl. Pickett, b Ratnam	0
Lieut. Hamilton, st. Cowie, b Ratnam	12
Pte. Mackenzie, b Ratnam	0
Lieut. Pope, c Ratnam, b Fagan	1
Lieut. Booth, c Cleveland, b Ratnam	3
Lieut. Fitz John, not out	5
Extras	11
Total	127

NAGPUR GYMKHANA.

Mr. Cleveland, b Lumsden	5
Capt. Goring Jones, b McCallum	16
Mr. Cowie, l-b-w, b Lumsden	0
Mr. Fagan, l-b-w, b McCallum	5
Mr. Ratnam, c Pickett, b Lumsden	60
Mr. Hullah, st. Farquharson, b Fitz John	31
Capt. Plowden, c Hamilton, b Pope	7
Mr. Slocock, st. Farquharson, b McCallum	0
Mr. Playfair, c Fitz John, b Henry	6
Mr. Leftwich, b Pope	6
Mr. Hogarth, not out	0
Extras	13
Total	149

CRICKET IN THE NORTH-WEST.

MURREE C. C. *vs.* PESHAWAR DISTRICT—Played at Gharial on the 16th and 17th instant and resulted in a draw. Murree batted first and put up 243, Banks (120) and Sergeant Lowes (69) played fine cricket. Peshawar District made 221, Watson Smythe (85), C. Kirkwood (54) and Mr. T Kirkwood (37) being top scorers. In their second innings Murree made 246 for seven wickets, their opponents scoring 221 for five wickets. Score :—

MURREE.

Major R. S. Oxley, b Lancaster	19	not out	56
F. H. Dansey, c Young, b Lancaster	1	c C. Kirkwood, b Leith	46
P. D. A. Banks, b Lawrence	120	c Lawrence, b Lancaster	1
Captain Laverton, b Lancaster	0	c C. Kirkwood, b Lawrence	46
K. S. Clarke, c Young, b Lancaster	0	c T. Kirkwood, b Talbot	58
Sergeant Lowes, b Lancaster	69	b Leith	3
F. G. Willan, c Leith, b Lancaster	6	b Leith	2
Captain Taylor, c Lancaster, b Talbot	0	b Lancaster	5
W. A. Hagger, c T. Kirkwood, b Talbot	0	not out	10
H. A. Vernon, not out	2	did not bat	
R. H. Willan, c Lawrence, b Talbot	3		
Extras	23	Extras	19
Total	243	Total	246

PESHAWAR DISTRICT.

C. Kirkwood, c R. Willan, b Clarke	54	l-b-w, b Oxley	4
T. Kirkwood, b Oxley	37	c Laverton, b Willan	42
C. Watson Smythe, c Dansy, b Laverton	85	b Laverton	29
W. E. Wilson Johnston, b Oxley	11	l-b-w, b Lowes	53
F.E.G. Talbot l b w, b Oxley	1	b Lowes	40
G. H. Young, c Lowes b Oxley	0	not out	0
E. H. Lancaster, b Laverton	9	did not bat	
T. G. Leith, b Clarke	3	not out	4
E. R. Hagger, b Clarke	4	did not bat	
H. L. Haughton, not out	13		
H. Lawrence, b Clarke	9		
Extras	2	Extras	34
Total	221	Total	221

Football.

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NEW CLUB "A" *vs.* VOLUNTEERS "B".—These teams having made a draw of their first meeting re played the tie on the 21st instant when the New Club were victorious by two goals to one. The Club rushed away at the start but the ball was brought back and midfield play followed for a time. Then the Club attacked once more and after Meakin, the Volunteer goal-keep. had stopped several shots, he was beaten by Sherbourne. On resuming after half time the Volunteers pressed hard and Greenway equalised. This put the New Club on their mettle and they kept the ball in their opponents' territory, where, after a smart defence by the backs, Sherbourne scored a second goal. There was no further scoring and the New Club won as stated.

GORDONS *vs.* NEW CLUB "B".—This match played on the 21st instant was a very onesided affair. The Gordons had the best of matters all through and won by six goals to one. The New Club custodian played a plucky game, but could not stop the persistent shots of Patterson and Hodds.

ROYAL SCOTS FUSILIERS *vs.* VOLUNTEERS "A".—This match played on the 22nd instant was the last game in the first round. Play during the first half was fairly even. The Fusiliers attacked first and obtained a penalty kick. They failed to score however and the Volunteers had a turn at attacking and just before half time a nice bit of passing ended in a goal for the Volunteers. Winning finding the net. After the interval the Volunteers attacked again, but the ball was brought back and a foul against the Volunteers gave the Fusiliers a penalty kick from which they scored a goal. They put on another shortly afterwards and then play became fast. The Volunteers tried hard to equalise but were unable to get through the Fusiliers' defence and the game ended in a win for the Allahabad team by too goals to one.

SECOND ROUND.

NORTH STAFFORDS *vs.* NEW CLUB "A."—This game commenced on the 23rd instant in a shower of rain, the ball and ground being very slippery in consequence. The Staffords attacked throughout and put on four goals in the first half. After the interval the New Club played better and on occasions got away but were unable to score. They got a penalty towards the end of the game, but the kick failed the ball glancing off the cross bar. The North Staffords thus won by 4 goals to *nil*.

THE QUEEN'S *vs.* BEDFORDS.—Also played on the 23rd, an interesting and well contested game resulting in a win for the Queen's by three goals to two. Shortly after the start the Queen's scored a goal from a penalty kick for a foul. Almost immediately the Bedfords got a penalty for a foul and equalised. Even play followed till half time. On resuming White scored for the Queen's, Lovell putting on a third goal later on. The Bedfords played all they knew and their efforts were rewarded by a goal, McNulty finding the net. Though pressing till the close of play they failed to score again and the Queen's won as stated.

GORDONS *vs.* BLACK WATCH.—Played on the 24th instant. A large gathering of spectators witnessed an exciting match between these teams. They both had a fair share of attacking in the first moiety and the interval arrived without score. On changing ends the Gordons pressed hard, and fast play followed. They obtained two corners in quick succession but could not get through, and the ball being taken down to the other end the Black Watch scored, thus winning by a goal to *nil*.

WELSH *vs.* SCOTS FUSILIERS.—Another fast game was witnessed. Shortly after the start a free kick to the Scots resulted in a goal. Then both teams pressed in turn, but there was no further scoring till half time. In the second half the Welsh got away and equalised with a fine shot. Fast up and down play followed and both teams almost scored. Then the Welsh took the ball down and after a fine bout of passing they put on their second goal. The Scots pressed again towards the end and obtained a corner which they just failed to turn to account. The game ending in favour of the Welsh by 2 goals to 1.

SEMI-FINALS.

NORTH STAFFORDS *vs.* THE QUEEN'S.—A big gathering was present at the meeting of these teams on the 26th instant. The game was a fast one. The Queen's got away after twenty minutes' even play and put through from a scrimmage in front of goal. Then the Staffords attacked and kept their opponents busy till the interval. On resuming a foul against the Queen's enabled the Staffords to equalise from the free kick. The Queen's tried hard to get the lead, but their opponents got away once more and the ball was put through. The kicker was ruled offside, however, and after an unproductive corner to the Queen's the game ended in a draw of a goal each. Ten minutes extra each way produced more fast play. The Staffords got the ball and running down notched a second goal, and all the Queen's efforts being unsuccessful the North Staffords won by 2 goals to 1.

BLACK WATCH *vs.* WELSH FUSILIERS.—It had been expected that the Black Watch would have an easy victory over the Welsh on the 27th instant, but a splendid game was put up and the Highlanders just managed to win by a goal scored a few minutes before time. In the first half play was rather wild for a time, then they settled down and both teams had an equal share of the game. Nothing was scored and they crossed over. The Highlanders then pressed, but were unable to score and the Welsh assuming the offence almost put through on two occasions The Black Watch next rushed down and just before time was called the ball was headed into the net, the Highlanders winning as stated. The final between the Black Watch and North Staffords will take place to-morrow.

BOMBAY ROVERS' TOURNAMENT.

THIRD ROUND.

WARWICKSHIRE *vs.* SHROPSHIRES.—The first game the third round in the Bombay Rovers, Tournament on Monday afternoon of the 17th instant, between the Warwickshire Regiment from Belgaum and the Shropshire Light Infantry from Ranikhet, aroused more enthusiasm among the spectators than perhaps any other game played in the Tournament so far. In the first half the pace was very hot and was maintained until half time was piped. The distinctive the features in play during thisperiod were the effective short passing and some defence of the Warwicks in which Johnson, Merry, Millward, and Turner were conspicuous and the really brilliant form shown by the backs Stapleton and Andrews, and the forwards Roberts and Skyrme for the Shropshires. During this period the Warwicks made three determined attacks on their opponents' goal and narrowly missed scoring, Willie, the goalkeeper, and Andrews being instrumental in averting the danger. The ball was rushed from end to end, and the warwicks' goal on several occasions was in jeopardy, Locke saving with difficulty a hot shot from the right wing, and again later on negotiating a similar shot. But perhaps the closest thing in the way of scoring was when the Warwicks, in one of their attacks sent in a shot which only missed the net by a few inches, the ball rebounding off the goal post. Towards the end of the first period the Shropshires were hard at work in front of their opponents' goal, but the fine defence of the backs and skill of Locke the goalkeeper, was too good to enable the Ranikhet team to score. The second half was practically a repetition of the except that towards the end the pace sackened perceptibly. On the whole the a Wrwicks did most of the attacking, their play at this stage being particularly attractive. In the first ten minutes or so they kept the ball in the Shropshires' territory and gave that team an anxious time. The Shropshires asserted themselves later, and Locke was called upon to save several times before the whistle went. The end of the hour found the Warwicks attacking, and Willie, the opposing goal, keeper, was kept hard at work. Play in the extra period was of a very open character and neither side could claim any advantage, the game ending in a pointless draw.

The tie was replayed on Tuesday morning and another interesting game resulted in the Lhropshires winning by the narrow margin of one goal to *nil* scored ten minutes after the start. The Warwicks made desperate efforts to equalise, but their display hardly reached the same standard of the previous evening. The Shropshires had much the best of the game throughout and had hard luck in not adding at least two more goals to their score.

ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS *vs.* ROYAL SCOTS.—A good deal of interest entered in this game and the Royal Scots were regarded as having more than an outside chance of lowering the Argyll's colours. That they failed to do so and were beaten by two goals to *nil* by no means represented that they were outplayed or had the worst of the game. Although the Highlanders scored a goal in each half, the Scots did just as much attacking, in fact they kept their opponents on the defensive for the greater portion of the first half. They were the first to become dangerous and only for a few minutes late in the first quarter when the Highlanders by brilliant combined play managed to find the net had they the worse of exchanges. A few minutes after the start Webber, who played a brilliant forward game for the Scots, missed the net with a long shot. A little later the Argyll's goalkeeper was called upon to clear twice, and as the result of a third attack by the Scots the Aaryll's had to concede a corner. A series of long exchanges near midfield followed, and then the Scots attacked again, the ball being twice lifted over the Argyll's crossban. But for weak play in front of goal the Scots at this period would have scored. Mullen, the Argyll's goalkeeper, played a cool game and had a good deal of work to do in the first half. He was well backed up by Wallace and are Bannantyne the backs : and McLean, the nippiest half in the tournament, and McLay who has no superior in any of the teams as a forward were always prominent when their side was attacking. The Royal Scots did most of the attacking during the first fifteen minutes of the second half. They were the first to break away and sent in a series of long valleys which kept Mullen, the Argyll's goalkeeper, busy. A couple of corners followed and latter a desperate attack on the Argyll's goal, culminated in three good shots, one of which only missed the net by a foot. The Argylls asserted themselves in the last quarter and be sides scoring a goal kept the Scots on the depensive, with the exception of for a few minutes during this period.

CHESHIRES *vs.* CALCUTTA.—Despite the fact that they had to take the field without Jervis, their left wing, who had sustained an injury in the second round, the Soldiers entered on the struggle confident of victory and the result fully justified the confidence they felt. Calcutta, however, although defeated were by no means disgraced, and considering the calibre of their opponents, they made a grand and plucky fight, and it speaks

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volumes for the defence offered by their backs that they should only have been beaten by three goals to *nil*. A full description of the game would be monotonous, so I shall confine myself to a few comments on the principal features. Since their game with the *Perseus* team, Calcutta had greatly improved and had they been in as good training as the Cheshires, the struggle would have been an even closer one. Their weak point in the game last week had been their play in front of goal, but they shewed marked improvement in this respect on Wednesday. The brothers Sherman in the forward line strove very hard for their side, but were so closely marked that they never had an opportunity of becoming really dangerous. The game at the start was very fast, but in the second half the pace varied and at times was very slow, the Calcutta men showing up badly against the superior training of the Cheshires. Fortunately they had a tower of strength in Baker, their goal keeper, who time after time saved attaeks on his charge in the most brilliant fashion Had a less experienced man been in his position, the margin against Calcutta would have been much bigger The Cheshire played a scientific game throughout and were at all times brilliant. They were only in difficulties once in the first half when Calcutta got the ball up their end, but fine play by the back carried it away again. Their first goal was obtained about ten minutes before half time and was the result of a finely judged shot by Gaffwy which gave Baker no chance of keeping out. The latter just previous to this had cleared three hard volleys in grand style. Calcutta had a good chance of scoring early in the second half, Chard, the Cheshire goalkeeper, being called upon to save twice, a foul against the Cheshire giving Calcutta an attcking the net and the shot being fisted out by Chard into the circle. Shortly after this the Cheshries scored their second goal. For a brief period Calcutta kept the Cheshires on the depensive, a shot from V. Sherman just clearing the cross bar. The Cheshires had all the best of the game from this to the end and scored their third and last goal five minutes before the whistle went.

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS *vs.* ROYAL FIELD ARTILLERY.—After a close and intensely exciting game this tie resulted in a victory for the Seaforths by 2 goals to 1. The latter had all the best of play in the second period and kept the Kirkee team on the defensive. The Gunners on the other hand held the advantage in the first half and whe the teams changed over led by a goal to *nil*. The superior passing tactics of the Seaforths in the concluding half carried the day and found the Kirkee team hard pressed for nearly the whole period. The Seaforth's second goal was scored three minutes before the whistle went.

SEMI-FINALS.

CHESHIRES *vs.* ARGYLL AND SOUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS.—The meeting between these teams on Friday afternoon was invested with perhaps more interest than any other game played in the tournament so far, and was in every respect a grand struggle. Both teams gave a highly scientific display, and although the Cheshires obtained the only point scored in which they were helped by luck there was absolutely nothing to choose between the two teams.

The goald scored by the Cheshires was obtained ten minutes before half time, and was the result of a kick from Blears, the Cheshire back, from "hands" against the Argylls. The ball went in front of goal, where James, one of the forwards, received it and sent in a stinging shot which struck the left upright and bounded off into the net—an impossible shot for any goalkeeper to negotiate. The Argylls despite the fact that the only point scored was in the first half, had, if anything, the best of the game during this period, but in the scored half the Cheshires had a shade the better of exchanges.

SHROPSHIRES *vs.* SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.—This game was played on Saturday and provided a most interesting struggle, but was somewhat marred by a nasty display of temper on both sides, which called for the referee's interference on several occasions. There was besides a good deal of rough play, especially in the first half. A few minutes after the start the Shropshires found the net and scored their first goal as the result of a vigorous attack. The Highlanders quickly retaliated, and pressing their opponents closely, had three corners conceded to them in quick succession, none of which, however, resulted in anything. From this to the end of the first half the Highlanders continued to press and their correct passing and well-judged play enabled them to equalise from a magnificent shot by Bryan. The struggle during the opening ten minutes of the second half also went slightly in favour of the Highlanders, but they were unable to penetrate the defence of the Shropshires, whose superior staying powers now enabled them to beat back the Highland attack and press their opponents in turn. In one of the Shropshires' now frequent attacks a mistake by one of the opposing backs gave them the lead, the back in question kicking the ball into his own net. After this, although the Highlanders occasionally pressed their opponents, the latter had the best of exchanges and when the whistle went were able to claim a victory by two goals to one.

The Seaforths entered an objection to the first goal scored by the Shropshires. A meeting of the Executive Committee was held in consequence on Sunday afternoon, at which representatives of bot teams were present. After a careful enquiry into the matter it was ruled that the Shropshires *were* off-side and that the game should be replayed. The game was accordingly replayed on Monday morning and resulted in a win for the Seaforths by two goals to *nil*.

(By Special Telegram.)

THE FINAL.

CHESHIRES *vs.* SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.—On Monday afternoon the Cheshires gained a well-deserved victory by two goals, one against the Seaforths, who however played a good defensive game; but in the second half the northerly wind was much against them. After the match Mr. Justice Russell, who has for years been the patron of the tournament eulogised the winners and runners up, particularly the former, who have won the Cup for the last three years. Mrs. E. Gray, wife of the Collector of Bombay, presented the Cup and medals.

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(By Special Telegram.)

FIRST ROUND.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* GLOUCESTERSHIRE REGIMENT.—The game in the first round of our rugger tournament between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Gloucesters on Tuesday afternoon ended in an easy win for the Gloucesters by three goals and two tries (twenty-one points) to one try (three points). Except for a brief period in the first half, play was mostly confined to the Gymkhana twenty-five, the tackling, kicking and running of the latter being very feeble. After play had been in progress a quarter of an hour, Prosser got a try for the Gloucesters which was converted and the Gymkhana just on half time, obtained a try, the kick failing. Crossing over the splendid combination of the Gloucesters enabled them to completely outplay their opponents, and four more tries were obtained, two of which were converted, the other two being charged down. The Gloucesters three quarters played a brilliant game and their halves gave the opposite halves no chance. Frost, Russell, Morris, and Ball obtained the other tries for the Gloucesters, Holder kicking the goals.

(By Special Telegram.)

THE SEMI FINALS.

DEFEAT OF THE CALCUTTA TEAM.

WELSH REGIMENT *vs.* CALCUTTA F. C. The first game in the semi finals of this tournament was between the Welsh Regiment and the Calcutta F. C. It was played on Wednesday evening and resulted in an easy victory for the Welsh by one goal, one dropped goal and two tries to *nil*. Calcutta gave a most disappointing display, their three quarter back line being completely over shadowed by the opposing quartette and their forwards being overrun by the Welsh pack.

In the first half and for the opening ten minutes Calcutta kept the play confined in the Welsh 25, but after that except for occasional bursts, the Welsh pressed them hard only. One try was obtained in the opening period, but when ends were changed the Welsh had it all their own way and added the remaining points. The poor combination shown by the Calcutta forwards gave their backs no chance, and this was the explanation of their defeat Martelli and Cumberlege played like Trojans and were frequently brilliant and Schaumberg, the Calcutta back, played a splendid game saving the situation time after time

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Probably a grander mover than Wild Dayrell, the Derby winner of 1855, was never seen on a racecourse. So little was thought of him by his breeder, Mr. Popham, however, that the colt was parted with for a mere song though through the earnest entreaties of a friend Mr. Popham very fortunately was induced to repurchase the animal. As a two-year-old Wild Dayrell made but one appearance—namely, at Newmarket, when he literally ran away from his solitary opponent, and from that time forth he occupied aposition int he Derby price current, being originally quoted at 40 to 1, and eventually starting a very hot favourite.

In the spring of 1855 Mr. Popham was advised to purchase some trial horse of acknowledged public form in order that Wild Dayrell's merits might be tested at home, and eventually for a long figure Tom King, a speedy miler, capable of telling the time of day at any rate up to that distance, was secured.

Jack Charlton, then in the zenith of his fame as a first-class jockey, was specially retained to ride Tom King in the trial whilst the late Robert Sherwood, father of the present "Bob" of that ilk, then a mere stripling, had the mount on the Derby, horse—as he had, indeed, in the actual race itself. Charlton used often afterwards to recount the details of this famous trial, concluding almost invariably with the expression—

"By gad! Wild Dayrell was the greatest wonder in horseflesh ever foaled. I believe the day he was tried with Tom King he could have carried Sherwood and me too, and then won!"

Golf.

THE NASIK WEEK.

THE tournament opened on the 12th instant when three competitions were brought off with the following results:—

GENTLEMEN'S MORNING HANDICAP.

	Score.	Handicap.	Net Score.
Elliott ...	86	— 4	82
Sewell ...	90	— 4	86
Bedwell ...	94	— 6	88
Young ...	94	— 6	88
Stewart ...	97	— 8	89
Williams ...	107	—18	89
Scott ...	97	— 8	89
Byrne ...	95	— 6	89
Duxbury ...	95	— 6	89
Miller ...	99	— 9	90
Anderson ...	94	scr.	91
Kelley ...	102	—10	92
Gray ...	92	scr.	92
Butler ...	92	scr.	92
Luck ...	107	—14	93
Darnford ...	109	—15	94
Greig ...	94	scr.	94
Pechey ...	95	scr.	95
Onslow ...	98	— 3	95
Jones ...	114	—18	96
Meikle ...	97	scr.	97
Meade ...	108	—10	98
Shoubridge ...	116	—18	98
Kerrich ...	105	— 6	99
Creswell ...	106	— 7	99
Roberts ...	108	— 5	103
Brand ...	111	— 8	103
Bolus ...	126	—18	108
Gardner ...	128	—12	116

Retired: Falconer Stewart, (scr.) Fry (scr.), Millett, (8) Symington, (18), Campbell, (4), Griffiths (8).

GENTLEMEN'S AFTERNOON HANDICAP

	Score.	Handicap.	Net Score.	
Miller ...	93	— 9	84	1st.
Williams ...	105	—18	87	
Plunkett ...	89	— 2	87	2nd.
Duxbury ...	93	— 6	87	
Keeley ...	99	—10	89	
Luck ...	103	—14	89	
Young ...	95	— 6	89	
Pechey ...	89	scr.	89	
Byrne ...	98	— 6	92	
Roberts ...	98	— 5	93	
Heaton ...	102	— 9	93	
Butler ...	93	scr.	93	
R. B. Stewart ...	101	— 8	93	
Scott ...	101	— 8	93	
Shoubridge ...	112	—18	94	
Onslow ...	97	— 3	94	
Brand ...	102	— 8	94	
Mead ...	104	—10	94	
Haslope ...	99	— 4	95	
Northcott ...	104	— 9	95	
Fry ...	96	scr.	96	
Greig ...	96	scr.	96	
Millett ...	104	— 8	96	
Gray ...	97	scr.	97	
Jones ...	115	—18	97	
Elliot ...	101	— 4	97	
Durnford ...	112	—15	97	
Sewell ...	104	— 3	101	
Gardner ...	115	—12	103	
Creswell ...	110	— 7	103	
Symington ...	128	—18	110	
Osmaston ...	129	—18	111	

Campbell (4), Falconer Stewart. (scr.), Bedwell (6.), Meikle. (scr.) retired

LADIES' COMPETITION.

	Score.	Handicap.	Net Score.
Mrs. Anderson...	82	scr.	82 (*a*)
Miss Mannering ...	99	—16	83 (*b*)
Miss Mitchell ...	102	—18	84 (*c*)
Miss Willis ...	93	— 8	85
Miss Heaton ...	94	— 8	86
Mrs. Heaton ...	95	— 6	89
Miss Hutchinson ...	103	—14	89
Mrs. Ormiston...	109	—18	91
Mrs. Luck ...	110	—18	92

(a) Winner of scratch prize.
(b) Winner of first handicap.
(c) Winner of second handicap.

On Tuesday, the 13th instant, a handicap was played, the best eight scratch players qualifying for the R. W. I. G. Club Cup and the best eight handicap qualifying for Captain Leman's Cup

	Gross Scores.	Handi-cap.	Net Scores.
Anderson	82	scr.	82
Cresswell	92	9	83
Northcott	97	11	86
Heaton	98	11	87
Griffiths	95	8	87
Butler	87	scr.	87
Williams	104	16	88
Campbell	92	4	88
Haslope	95	6	89
Bedwell	94	5	89
Thubron	101	12	89
Durnford	104	15	89
Pechey	89	scr.	89
Onslow	93	4	89
R B. Stewart	99	8	91
Shoubridge	109	18	91
F. Stewart	91	scr.	91
Kerrick	97	6	91
Young	97	6	91
Byrne	98	6	92
Scott	100	8	92
Miller	98	6	92
Grey	92	scr.	92
Jones	111	18	93
Luck	198	14	94
Kelley ... —	104	10	94
Meikle	95	scr.	95
Roberts	101	6	95
Sewell	98	3	95
Greig	96	scr.	96
Fry	96	scr.	96
Edie	111	14	97
Brand	105	8	97
Plunkett	98	scr.	98
Elliott	111	3	98
Meade	109	11	98
Duxbury	104	5	99
Bimbush	114	9	105
Millett	8		
Symington	18	no return.	
Gardner	18		
Murphy	18		

R. W. I. G. C. Cup.—The following qualified. Anderson (82). Butler (87), Pechey (89), F. Stewart (91), Grey (92), Campbell (92), Cresswell (92), and Onslow (93).

Captain's Leman's Cup.—Northcott (86), Griffiths (87), Heaton (87), Williams (88), Haslope (89), Durnford (89), Thubron (89).

R. W. I G. C. Cup.—First round was played on the 15th instant with the following results :—

Anderson beat Onslow by 2 up and 1 to play.
Stewart beat Cresswell by 7 up and 6 to play.
Pechey beat Grey by 2 up and 1 to play.
Butler beat Campbell by 2 up 1 to play after a tie.

Semi-finals played on the 14th instant.
Pechey beat Stewart by 5 up and 4 to play.
Anderson beat Butler by 3 up and 2 to play.
Final played on the 19th instant.
Pechey beat Anderson by 4 up and 3 to play.

Capt. Leman's Cup.—The first round was played by match play on the 13th instant with the following results :—

Bedwell beat Haslope by 4 up and 3 to play.
Durnford beat Griffiths by 1 up.
Williams beat Heaton by 1 up.
Thubron beat Northcott by 3 and 1 to play.
Semi finals played on the 14th instant.
Durnford beat Bedwell by 5 up and 2 to play.
Thubron beat Williams by 2 up.
The finals was played on the 15th instant when after a tie
Thubron beat Durnford by 1 up.

Bombay Members' Prize.—Lady's play. Won by Miss Mitchell. Scores.—

	Gross Score.	Handi-cap.	Nett. Score	
Miss Mitchell ...	95	—19	76	1st Prize
Mrs. Murphy ...	94	—16	78	2nd Prize
Miss Manwaring ...	96	—16	80	
Mrs. Osmaston ...	103	—22	81	
Miss Hutchinson —	99	—17	82	
Mrs. Anderson ...	78	plus 4	82	
Mrs. Heaton ...	92	—10	82	
Miss Willis ...	93	—10	83	
Miss Heaton ...	92	— 9	83	
Mrs. Northcott ...	90	— 7	83	
Mrs. Luck ...	113	—22	91	
Mrs. Edie ...	retired			

Scratch Foursomes.—The first round was played on the 15th instant with the following results :—

Anderson and Fry beat Greig and Gray by 3 and 1.
Griffith and Plunket beat Stewart and Butler by 3 and 2 to play.
Sewell and Kerrech, and Meikle and Pechey drew byes.

Second Round.

Fry and Anderson beat Sewell and Kerrech by 1 up.
Meikle and Pechey beat Griffith and Plunket by 6 and 4 up.

Final.

Fry and Anderson beat Meikle and Pechey by 7 up and 6 to play.

Handicap Foursomes.—The first round was played on the 15th instant.

Campbell and Bedwell beat Williams and Gardner ...	Scratch 9	5 up and 4 to play.
Northcott and Byrne beat Stewart and Luck ...	5 5	3 up and 2 to play.
Millett and Elliott ... beat Jones and Symington ...	1 11	2 up and 1 to play.
Onslow and Young ... beat Meade and Heaton ...	6 1	2 up and 1 to play.
Cameron and Millar — beat Roberts and Cresswell ...	2 2	5 up and 4 to play.
Haslope and Duxbury beat Scott and Osmaston ...	1 7	2 up and 1 to play.
Durnford and Wimbush ...		a bye.
Thubron and Shoubridge ...		a bye.

Second Round.

Durnford and Wimbush beat Campbell and Bedwell by 2 up and 1.
Onslow and Young beat Cameron and Millar by 8 up and 6 to play.
Northcott and Byrne beat Millett and Elliot by 3 up and 2 to play.
Haslope and Duxbury beat Thubron and Shoubridge by 5 up and 4 to play.

Semi-final.

Northcott and Byrne (—3) beat Durnford and Wimbush (—7 by 4 up and 3 to play.
Onslow and Young (—1) beat Haslope and Duxbury (—1) by 3 up and 2 to play.

Final.

Onslow and Young (—1) beat Northcott and Byrne (—3) by 4 up and 2 to play.

Ladies Competition for Mr. Heaton's Prize.

Mrs. Northcott beat Miss Heaton.
Miss Willis beat Mrs. Edie (scratched.)
Miss Hutchinson beat Mrs. Osmaston (scratched.)

Semi-finals.

Mrs. Northcott beat Mrs. Anderson.
Miss Willis beat Miss Hutchinson.

Final.

Miss. Willis beat Mrs. Northcott by 3 up and 2 to play.

Ladies Foursomes.

Mrs. Osmaston and Miss Mitchell beat Mrs. Luck and Mrs Manwaring by 2 up 1 to play.
Mrs. and Miss Heaton (—8) beat Mrs. Osmaston and Miss Mitchell (—4) by 2 up
Miss Hutchinson and Miss Willis (—11) beat Mrs Anderson and Mrs. Northcott (Scr.) by 2 up.

Final.

Miss Hutchins on and Miss Willis beat Mrs. and Miss Heaton

Bombay Gymkhana Cup.—The conditions for this competition had been altered from medal play to match play against Bogey whose score was fixed at 86, *i.e.*,—

5, 5, 3, 4, 5, 6, 5, 5, 5.
5, 5, 3, 4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 5.

Mr Roberts with a handicap of 5 came in a winner being all square with Bogery. Scores :—

Roberts	—5	all	square 1
Young	—5	1	down 2
F. Stewart	Scr.	2	down 3
Griffiths	—6	2	down 3
Onslow	—3	3	down
Pechey	+2	3	down
Thubron	—7	3	down
Kelly	—8	4	down
Greig	Scr.	4	down
Fry	Scr.	4	down
Butler	Scr.	5	down
Plunket	Scr.	5	down
Kerrich	—5	6	down
Scott	—6	6	down
Northcott	—8	8	down
Luck	—11	8	dowd
Brand	—6	8	down
Haslope	—5	8	down
Millet	—6	9	down
Gray	Scr.	9	down
Wimbush	—9	10	down
Heat n	—8	12	down

On the 17th instant three competitions were brought off, the Allied Pairs and President's Cup and the Ladies' Putting Competition.

Allied Pairs.

	Score.	Handicap.	Net Score.
Mr. Miller ... Mrs. Manwaring ...	55	- 10	45 (a)
Mr. and Mrs. Heaton ...	56	- 10	46 (b)
Mrs. Luck and Wimbush ...	64	- 16	48
Miss Hutchinson and Thubron	62	- 13	49
Mr. Byrne and Miss Heaton...	55	- 6	49
Mr. Sewell and Miss Manwaring	59	- 10	49
Mr. and Mrs. Osmaston ...	66	- 17	49
Major and Mrs. Anderson ...	50	+ 2	52
Mr. Plunkett and Mrs. Edie...	68	- 15	53
Mr. and Mrs. Jones ...	71	- 18	53
Capt. and Mrs. Northcott ...	61	- 7	54
Mr. Griffiths and Miss Mitchell	69	- 10	59
Mr. Williams and Miss Willis	70	- 10	60

(a) Winners; (b) second.

President's Cup (Scratch) : also a Handicap.

	Score.	Handicap.	Net Score.
Kerrich	88	— 7	81 (a)
Young	91	— 4	87 (b)
Northcott	99	—11	88
Duxbury	94	— 6	88
Plunkett	91	— 2	89
Butler	89	scr.	89
Meikle	89	scr.	89
Campbell	95	— 5	90
Luck	105	—15	90
Anderson	90	+ 2	92
Heaton	103	—11	92
Millet	102	—10	92
Byrne	98	— 6	92
Bedwell	97	— 5	92
Griffith	101	— 8	93
Dunford...	105	—12	93
Roberts	97	— 4	93
Thubron	103	— 9	94
Scott	104	— 9	95
Haslope	103	— 7	96
Miller	102	— 6	96
Fry	97	+ 1	98
Cresswell	105	— 6	99
Gardner	120	—18	102
Wimbush ...	115	—12	103

(a) Winner of Cup ; (b) winner of Handicap.

No returns :—Jones, Shoubridge, Onslow, Cameron, Cameron, R. B. Stewart, Symington, Williams, Greig, Pechey, Sewell and Elliot.

Ladies' Putting Competition.

Miss Hutchinson	18 Winner,
Mrs. Northcott	21 Tied for
Mrs. Manwaring	21 2nd place.
Mrs. Heaton	22
Miss Mitchell	22
Miss Manwaring	23
Mrs. Anderson	23
Miss Heaton	23
Mrs. Edie	23
Miss Willis	24
Mrs. Jones	24

Mrs. Osmaston, Mrs Miller and Mrs. Luck retired.

On the play off for second prize. Mrs. Manwaring won from Mrs. Northcott.

The general meeting of the Club was held on Saturday afternoon and was well attended. Mr. Ferrers Nicholson was appointed Captain, and various matters were brought forward in connection with the working and expenses of the Club and Club House. Mr. Symington was elected Trustee in the place of Mr. Stiven, who has gone home.

Nasik Gymkhana Cup.—This was competed for on the 19th instant and resulted in a win for Luck. Score :—

	Gross Score.	Handi-cap.	Net.	
Luck	91	15	76	Winner of cup.
Greig	82	Scr	82	Divide second and third prize.
Byrne	88	6	82	
Sewell	87	3	84	
Scott	94	9	85	
Duxbury	93	6	87	
Griffiths	95	8	87	
Northcott	98	11	87	
Butler	88	scr.	88	
Bedwell	93	5	88	
Thubron	98	9	89	
Haslope	96	7	89	
Roberts	93	4	89	
Campbell	95	5	90	
Williams	105	15	90	
Gray ...	91	scr.	91	
Millett	103	10	93	
Meikle	93	scr.	93	
Pechey	91	+ 2	93	
Anderson	92	+ 2	94	
Fry	94	+ 1	95	

The rest sent in no returns.

Choice Scores :—Won by Greig with 78, Fry and Butler next with 83 each.

Other Prizes :—*Gold Medal* Anderson (87-2-3) ; *Silver Medal* Mr. Grieg 8-2.

Ladies' Silver Medal, Mrs. Anderson.

GOLF AT KARACHI.

Pritchard Cup.—The half-yearly competition for the Pritchard Cup was held on Friday, 16th instant, when a large number of competitors came forward. The result was an easy win for Major Braid, whose gross score of 54 was too good for a handicap of 9, thus beating bogey's score by one point. Score :—

	Gross	H'cap	Net.
Major Braid	54	9	45
Capt. Lowsley	57	8	49
H. B. Caw	55	5	50
E. H. Leggatt	56	5	51
J. McK. Davidson	52	scr.	52
D Miller	52	scr.	52
R. Campbell	58	5	53
T. B. Peterkin	54	scr.	54
D. A Sandford	64	10	54
Col. Cubitt	64	9	55
J. Richardson	55	scr.	55
Capt. Wallace	61	6	55
M. Maclean	68	7	61
Capt. Rolland	75	12	63
D. George	73	10	63

No returns :—Major Cummings, N. Fitzgerald, C. Kennedy, E. A. Miller, J. N. Brice and Colonel Acton.

Quoits.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB *VS.* CALCUTTA RANGERS.

THIS interesting old game always attracts a certain amount of attention at the Calcutta Golf Club during the rains, and a challenge to play a match six a side, against the Calcutta Rangers on Saturday last was cordially received. Unfortunately, however, only four members of the Rangers team were able to put in an appearance with the result that for the Golf Club F. H. Stewart and Pym stood out of the Singles and T. Drimmie and Steven out of the Doubles. The Rangers, too, were distinctly handicapped by the difference of the ground, and the change of rules from those under which they usually play, and were, with the exception of A. O. Henry, who played a strong game all afternoon, especially in the Singles against T. R. Theakston, no match for the Golf Club men, who won an easy victory by four matches to two, and 113 points to 77, the full score being as follows :—

Calcutta Golf Club.		Calcutta Rangers.	
Doubles			
F. H. Stewart / T. R. Theakston ...	21	G Cook / E. Gasper ...	12
D. Pym / W. T. Reid ...	16	A. O. Henry / C. Cameron ...	21
Total ...	37	Total ...	33
Singles.			
T. R. Theakston ...	13	A. O. Henry	21
W. T Reid	21	G. Cook	7
W. D. Steven	21	E. Gasper	7
T. Drimmie	21	C. Cameron	9
Total ...	76	Total ...	44

Swimming.

CALCUTTA SWIMMING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

STEWARDS :

Mr. W. S. J. Willson.	Mr. G. H. Harnack.
Mr. G. W. H. Batho.	Mr. A. E. B. Siddons.
Mr. H. P. Henderson.	Mr. G. W. F. Buckland.
Mr. A. R. C. Miller.	Mr. G. O. Rushton.
Mr. A. R. Coard	Mr. J. Knox Ord.
Lieut. A. T. Pott, *King's Own.*	Mr. H. G. Rempry.

Judges :—Mr. F. E. H. Power and Mr. W. Bushby.
Starter and Timekeeper :—Mr. H. P. Henderson.
Handicappers :—The Committee.
Honorary Secretary :—Mr. W. Govan.

Saturday, 24th September 1904.

The Calcutta Swimming Club successfully brought off their annual swimming gala this afternoon. The meeting was well attended. the "ladies' gallery" being well filled, as well as the seats round the Bath for the mere men. Five events were decided, the preliminary heats having been swum off during the week. and a water polo match, and a display of diving completed the programme. The diving was much appreciated, Messrs. Brown and Walker in particular showing considerable talent. Lobo's band played selections and an amphibious clown and a bibulous policemen supplied the comic element. During the afternoon the Aggregate Cup, presented by Mr. E. C. H. Power, and gold and silver time badges were given away by Mrs. W. Bushby, who distributed the prizes Mr. A. E. B. Siddons had secured the Aggregate Cup with 22 points. He was also the recipient of the gold and the silver time medals. Messrs. W. Govan and L. Prike were also awarded silver time badges. **Details :—**

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Final.

	Start.	Net time.	
	Secs.	Secs.	
R. Jones ...	13	53 ...	1
F. B. Prike ...	12	54 ...	2
A. L. Clarke ...	10	58½ ...	3
J. C. Chaplin ...	12	59 ...	0

SOLDIERS' RACE.—Three lengths (100 yards) open to all men serving in British Regiments.

Final.

Sergeant Everett, R.I.R., 1min. 26secs. ... 1
Private Robinson, King's Own, 1min. 29secs. ... 2

THE VICEROY'S MEDAL HANDICAP.—200 yards (six lengths) open to all members of the Calcutta Swimming Bath.

The medal to be won three times by a competitor before becoming his absolute property.

	Start.	Net time.	
W. S. J. Willson ...	35 secs.	3·25	1
G. Brown ...	Scr.	12-57½	2
L. Prike ...	20 Scr.	3 18½	3

A. Munro did not finish.

A good race Brown made a plucky effort but could not beat Willson who won in good style.

PREVIOUS WINNERS.

The Dufferin Medal,	1888—92,	H. P. HENDERSON	— Scratch, 2 mins. 47 secs.
The Lansdowne ,,	1893—95,	G. W. H. BATHO	— Scratch, 2 ,, 50 ,,
The Elgin ,,	1896—98,	H. O. PUGH	— Scratch, 3 ,, 15 ,,
The Curzon ,,	1899—	E. P. JONES	36 secs. start, 3 ,, 36 ,,
The Curzon ,,	1900—	L. PRIKE	24 secs. start, 3 ,, 26 ,,
The Curzon ,,	1901—	J. F. SEATON	Scratch, 3 ,, 42 ,,
The Curzon ,,	1902—	J. F. SEATON	12 secs. start, 2 ,, 57 ,,
The Curzon ,,	1903—	H. L. HARVEY	25 secs. start, 3 ,, 25 ,,

DISPLAY OF DIVING by Messrs. Walker, Brown, Clarke, Jones, Collier, Kennedy, and Siddons.

C. S. C. TEAM RACE CHALLENGE CUP.—(Presented by the Calcutta Football Club.) Eight lengths (266 yards 2ft.), teams of four; each members to swim two lengths only. Open to all European Amateur Sporting and Athletic Clubs, to Regimental teams composed of British officers, to members of the Bengal Pilot Service.

The Cup to be won three times in succession before becoming the absolute property of any one club.

C. F. C.—Messrs. C. O. Walker, W. Govan, A. E. B. Siddons, and T. B. Ching.

C. S. C.—Messrs. G. Brown, A. B. C. Miller, H. P. Henderson, and K. Kennedy.

Officers. A. S. N. Co.—Messrs. Atkinson, Newbury, Ravenscroff and Lefaucheur. The Asiatic Officers were soon out of it, and the contest lay between the Football and Swimming Clubs the latter winning after some exciting racing. Time—3mins. 17½secs. The Cup is now the absolute property of the Swimming Club who have secured it three years in succession.

PREVIOUS WINNERS.

1899, 1900 and 1901. Calcutta Football Club.
1902 and 1903. Calcutta Swimming Club.

TUB RACE—Won by G. B. Collier; W. Govan second.

WATER POLO—Civil *vs.* Military.

The Civilians had matters all their own way and quite out classed the Soldiers. They scored three goals in the first half, Kennedy, Brown, and Siddons being responsible. On changing ends, Kennedy and Brown each scored goals, the Civilians thus winning by 5 goals to *nil*. Teams:—

Civil.—F. Prike, *goal*; K. Kennedy, A. E. B. Siddons, A. L. Cox, G. Brown, F. Prike and H. G. Remfrey.

Military.—Corpl. Scully, *goal*; Lce.-Corpls. Mitchell, Coney, Stransfield, Pte. Robinson, Sergeant Everett and a substitute.

Referee:—Mr. A. B. C. Miller.

The Kennel.

THE ENGLISH BULLDOG.

IT is over three hundred years ago since the breed which is looked upon as the national one of England was first mentioned in literature under the name it is now known by, with simply a modern variation of spelling. A few years ago it would have been quite sufficient to have headed this chapter with the simple one of "The Bulldog," but the modern craze of finding or creating new breeds of dogs for show purposes, and the subdivision of existing breeds for the same reason, has gathered in its net two other kinds of dogs called Bulldogs—one being designated a French animal and the other a Toy. It is, however, of the real Bulldog proper that I write—the national dog of Old England.

The Bulldog was something over three hundred years ago known as the Bonddogge, or the Boudogge, and these names obtained in the time of King Henry VII., they both being used in the literature of the year 1500. Seventy-five years later, Dr. Caius, in his "Treatise on the Dog," used the term Bandogge and William Harrison, when writing his description of England, in 1586, gives the reason for the latter name—namely, "Manie of them are tied up in chains and strong bonds in the daie time for doing hurt abroad, which is an hugh dog, stubborn, ouglie, eager, ourthenouse of bodie (and, therefore, of little swiftness), terrible and fearful to be hold, and oftentimes more fierce and fell than any Archadian or Corsican cur." That the Bouldogge of those days was not like the animal one sees on the show bench of the present time is unquestionable. He was a larger animal, without doubt; at the same time, he possessed the same characteristics. Dr. Caius, in writing of the dog three centuries ago, refers to the animal as the Mastive, or Bandogge, and, seeing what a change can be produced in a breed in the comparatively short space of fifty years—to wit, the present show-bench Bulldog—it is not surprising, then, the breed, in the course of time, took at first a more modified form, and then, after the decadence of pit fighting, it has been bred to a still more altered type to meet the requirements of the present day standard of points. These show points were framed for the preservation of the animal, and which incidentally enables its owner to win valuable prizes in the peaceful enclosure of the modern show ring, instead of by the bloodcurdling melees which so amused our ancestors, writers Mr. Fred. Farnam in the *Illustrated Kennel News*.

As long ago as in the reign of King Charles I. the dog was known by the name it has retained ever since those stirring times, for as far back as 1631, there is indisputable evidence of the term "Bulldogge" being applied to the breed—quite a remote enough period for the animal to claim an ancient lineage.

In the Record Office there is evidence that in the above year a gentleman named Eaton, writing from St. Sebastian to a friend in England, George Willingham of St. Swithin's Lane, London, asked him to procure him three dogs. In his letter he asks his friend to obtain for him "a good Mastive doggie," and then proceeds to say:—"Pray procure me two good Bulldogs, and let them be sent by the first ship," which exhibits the fact that in those days Bulldogs, in 1631, were being imported into Spain from England. Not only did Eaton name Bulldogs, but he required that they should be of some use, and stipulated that they should "be good at the bull and cost what they will, but let them be good curs." It is quite clear from this letter that nearly 300 years ago the Bulldog was known by the same name as now, and also required for the purpose of bull-baiting in Spain, because of its courage, tenacity, and pluck, and through which it has become symbolical of British pluck and daring.

As in this letter, there is also a request for a Mastive, it is clear that the breeds of Bulldogs and Mastives, both of which had one common ancestor, the ancient "Alaunt," had become distinct one from the other, even in these early days. It is indisputable that for several hundred years the English Bulldog has been an animal of a distinct breed, and that it is indigenous to these islands. It was an animal bred for a specific use. At first this use was the baiting of various animals, principally the bear and the bull, and for years the dog was fostered and kept by all classes of society, high and low, reach and poor, for the carrying on of this national pastime. It is not to be wondered at, in view of the prevailing taste for such sights as must have been seen in the bull ring, that dog fighting also became common, and right down to less that a hundred years ago Bulldogs where bred to exhibit their prowess in fighting pits.

In the days when the dog was used for the practical purpose of fighting, it was naturally bred with a view to a certain amount of activity, as well as courage and strength, and consequently, it was not like the superlatively cloddy, low-to-ground, thick-set animal which stands for the Bulldog at the present day. Still, the present day Bulldog is certainly a reflection of its predecessor, with every "point" exaggerated to the utmost possible degree—in fact, it is a glorious example of the triumph of man, and the possibilities of breeding for show points and prizes.

From being an animal used for fighting, the dog has, under the changed condition of the times become one of peace, and the instincts of humanity of latter-day times has prompted the suppression of the revolting scenes by means of legislation, which has now swept away all but historical traces of this once favourite pastime. At the close of the eighteenth century, baiting and fighting by Bulldogs had fallen into the hands of a class which used the animal for the delectation of the "sports" of the day, and sickening were the scenes of barbarity and cruelty which were seen in the dog pits and fighting dens.

This was the last era through which the dog, as a fighting dog, passed, an era when it was attended by the lowest associations, and one cannot help coming to the conclusion that amidst its sow surroundings, amidst the squalor of the scene and the depravity of it all that the dog itself stood out by far the superior animal to those two-legged ones who gloried and gloated over the nauseous sights which so delighted the gentry of the dog-fighting pits of those days. It is not to be wondered at that the poor Bulldog got a bad name in the end, and that a writer in *British Field Sports* in the year 1818, described him as the "blackguard of his species," forgetting that the plucky dog was not to blame, but the biped who trained and used him for a degrading pursuit.

It was a Mr. W. H. Scott who in 1818, penned the above description of the Bulldog, but in addition to this he declared that the Bulldog had "no claim upon utility, humanity, or common sense and the total extinction of the breed is a desirable consummation." Osbaldeston, a few years previous (1792) referred to the Bulldog as "one of the most fierce and strong of the canine race, having the nose short, and the under jaw larger than the upper."

At the commencement of last century the breed was certainly on the decline. Bull-baiting was on the down grade and the dog went with it, and, referring to this, Taplin, writing in 1803, also gives as a reason that great numbers were taken abroad. Still the decline does not appear to have, at that time, been anything more than a numerical one, for he describes the dog at that day as having a 'natural ferocity, strength, and thirst for blood" so much so that the owners did not allow them full liberty.

The study of the English Bulldog, its history and its antecedents, is one of absorbing interest to all those who take an enlightened interest in the breed, apart altogether from the standpoint of the modern show bench—in fact, there is no other breed in this country which can surpass its historical interest, or can claim to be so English to the core as the Bulldog. It has passed through centuries of time and flourished, and it was not until the extinction of bull-baiting and dog-fighting (in common with other similar pastimes) that there arrived a time when it really looked as if it would disappear from the face of the earth. This period was between the time when its use had gone and the advent of the establishment of dog shows as we now have them in our midst. I have already shown that in 1803 a current dog-writer stated that the breed was declining numerically. Idstone asserts that twenty years later the breed was said to be degenerating; at any rate, it is clear that the Bulldog, about a hundred years ago, was on the down grade. The breed suffered in consequence of the objects for which it was bred going out of fashion, and at one time it certainly looked for this reason and the legislative measures taken, as if it would become extinct and lost in the vortex of mongrelism. It looked as if the dog, whose claim to be the National breed is undisputed, was within a measurable distance of disappearing in the country of its origin. Happily, however, all the specimens were not extinct when the spirit arose in this country fifty years ago to foster the interests of the various breeds of dogs and it is not at all surprising that one of the first objects to which attention was given was the preservation of the race of the Bulldog of England.

The preservation of the breed up to the earlier part of last century is clearly attributable to the use it was bred for—bull and bear baiting and fighting generally. Right away from the earliest period of English history, after the Norman Conquest, bull-baiting was practiced. In 1154 (Henry the Second's time) it was clearly in vogue, and it continued onwards during succeeding reigns. From 1374 to 1778, it was annually resorted to at Tutbury, in Staffordshire; and at Wokingham, in Berkshire, it flourished from 1661 to at least 1802. The bull ring at Birmingham is one of those historic localities in the annals of bull-baiting, and there it flourished for years under the very walls of the Parish Church. From the reign of Henry VIII. to 1773, and in fact, all over the country for centuries bull-baiting flourished, and the Bulldog was bred and fostered accordingly. The "sport" was patronised by royalty, including those of the fair sex, and Queen Elizabeth herself was a frequent spectator of these exhibitions.

As civilization advanced with the centuries, a more humane phase passed over the inhabitants of these isles. The better classes withdrew their patronage, and, finally, a bill was introduced into Parliament, with a view to absolishing this "sport" but the measure was defeated on the 24th of May, 1802, Mr. Charles Windham opposing it upon the ground that British pluck would certainly decrease if it were allowed to become law, and for another thirty years the practice continued to be a legal one. Two years before our late Queen Victoria ascended the throne the "sport" received its deathblow, for in the year 1835 bull in common with bear, baiting and dogfighting was prohibited, and thus ended a national pastime, and thus it came to pass that the Bulldog's occupation ceased. The suppression of bull-baiting was naturally detrimental to the preservation of the dog, and it being of no further use, the breed was allowed to degenerate. Its specimens became rarer as the years rolled on, and it bade fair to cease to exist as a separate breed. The advent of dog shows, however, saved it, and although the specimens we have around us at the present day are highly in-bred for points there is no question but that they are the direct descendants of the animals which were bred on more active lines when they were used for baiting the bull. The breeds future is now perfectly secure, and there is no fear of the National breed ceasing to exist for want of patronage.

As regards the Bulldog of the present day, and its "points" for show purposes, this is a matter of little interest compared with the history of the breed. The various clubs have their scales of points for the guidance of judges, and anybody wishing for information under this head can have as much as he wants by obtaining it from the associations which have drawn up the scales, or adopted them. To win a prize on the modern show bench is certainly a matter of interest to the owner of a Bulldog, and one of more congratulation if the exhibitor has bred the successful animal; but, after all, the main object of those who foster the breed should be its preservation in form and character as it existed when the national breed was bred for a national pastime. Can it be truthfully asserted that the Bulldog of today is really like the Bulldog of baiting days, or that the clubs which foster the breed appoint judges who take as their ideal the shape and make of the old English Bulldog? I think not. A hundred years ago the legislature refused to pass a bill for the abolition of bull-baiting it being contended by opponents to it that the measure, if passed, might prejudicially affect the pluck of the British nation. The Bulldog has always been a dog emblematic of the English race an animal which, for his fearlessness, activity, pluck, daring, stanchness, and indomitable gameness, has always been held as a dog to be proud of. Does the animal we now see around us, overburdened with its glossly exaggerated points, inspire one with the same feeling? Can it be pointed to as the the old English Bulldog, which could, if called upon, bait the bull, or perform the work which it was called upon to do when the breed was at the zenith of its prosperity—as the Fox-hound is at the present day?

As a model of strength though possessing immense bone, a heavy body, large skull and great ugliness, the Bulldog of today is certainly an object of interest as exhibiting what can be done by breeding for points. As a model of what the English

Bulldog was he is not good, but a gross exaggeration all over. However, perhaps it is just as well from one point of view that Bulldogs are not like their ancestors, for, as Taplin wrote of them a hundred years ago, they were then "seldom seen at their full liberty, either in town or country," and it might be owners would nowadays have to keep them always indoors "from a proper fear of the law fiding it more prudent to keep them properly confined." The Bulldog of today is about the most genial and docile of the whole canine race.

Shows.

QUETTA HORSE SHOW.

TAKEN all round this show was successful in point of general arrangement, number of entries and quality of exhibits, while one has seen judging that was far more open to question than we had here. To Mr. O'Hara's Chorister fell Championship honours for best horse in the show; General Smith-Dorrien's Grey Arab Alexis, Captain Gray's grey country bred Cherry, and Mr. Haggard's brown waler mare Mousme were selected as best in their class, the latter gaining the distinction of being considered the best pony in the show. There was some very superior jumping in both divisions. Details:

CLASS I. CHARGERS.

(*a*) Cavalry or R.F. A.—First, Major Lewis' Gretchen; second, Captain Benwell's Aureole: 17 competed.
(*b*) Chargers, R. G. A.—First, Major Giles' Ladybird; second, Major Grier's B. W. G.: 7 competed
(*c*) Infantry Chargers.—First, Captain Ready's Toofan; second, Captain Twigg's Phyllis: 10 competed.

CLASS II. POLO PONIES.

(*a*) Arabs.—First, Captain Hislop's Roburite; second, Captain Ready's Toofan; and third, Captain Sarel's Banker: 18 competed.
(*b*) Others.—First, Mrs. Cooper's Signal; second, Captain Grey's Cherry; and third, Mr. Haggard's Mousme: 9 competed.
(*c*) Heavy-weights.—First, Mrs. Cooper's Signal; second, Mr. Haggard's Black Leg; and third, Captain Sarel's pony: 10 competed.

CLASS III. HACKS.

(*a*) Horses.—First, Mr. Giles' Oxide; second, Mr. Green's Black Nell; and third, Mr. Cassels' Glendale: 14 competed.
(*b*) Ponies.—First, Major Shower's Shelter; second, Mrs. Cooper's Signal; and third, General Smith-Dorrien's Chiltan: 21 competed
(*c*) Ladies' Hacks (Ponies).—First, Mr. Haggard's Mousme; second, Captain Hislop's Roburite; and third, Captain Greer's Conceit: 18 competed.
(*d*) Ladies' Hacks (Horses).—First, Colonel Donnel's Ulysses; second, Captain Menzies' Heart's-ease, and third, Mr. Dyer's Nameless: 10 competed.

CLASS IV. PONIES OTHER THAN POLO PONIES.

(*a*) Arabs.—First, Captain Goldingham's Grey Friar; second, Mr. Hore's Princelet: 12 competed.
(*b*) Country-breds.—First, Major Maxwell's Detective; second, Major Patterson's Quebec: 7 competed.
(*c*) Others.—First, Mr. O'Hara's Margaret; second, Mr. Haggard's Idolator: 9 competed.

CLASS V. HORSES OR PONIES IN SINGLE HARNESS.

First, Mrs. Smith-Dorrien's Lady Mystic; second, Mr. O'Hara's Gingerbread; and third, Mrs. Maunsell's Erin: 9 competed.

CLASS VI. JUMPING COMPETITION.

(*a*) Horses.—First, Captain Menzies' Heart's-ease; second, Mr Ferguson Pollock's Daisy; and third, Colonel Gordon's Trumpeter: 15 competed.
(*b*) Ponies.—First, General Smith-Dorrien's Muskerry; second, Mr. O'Hara's Federation; and third, Mr. Haggard's Mousme: 9 competed.

CLASS VII. PONIES OR HORSES.

The property of Warrant Officers, Staff Sergeants, Non-Commissioned Officers, Departmental Subordinates, Railway Subordinates, European tradesmen.
First, Mr. Butler's turnout: 4 competed.

The Story Teller.

"CLEVER MR. GREEN."

THAT his name happens to be Green is a singularly inappropriate fact, having regard to the artfulness of his nature. His cunning is supreme; no trace of verdancy may be discerned in connection with the development of his sporting schemes; and he is not assumed to possess an extreme delicacy of conscience. Some of his taps below the belt are denounced by *connoisseurs*.

He began to race in a small way when he was quite young, having a little cash which a maiden aunt, whose brain was as soft as her heart, had been foolish enough to leave him and he had to learn everything for himself Naturally, his money was lost while he was acquiring valuable information. By the time we have gained experience our capital is often gone, so that we are obliged to start again, like sharks refreshed, to make some more. We know then what to do, whom to do, and how it is done in an artistic manner. If the mines explored are only auriferous!

Thus working with desperate courage and talent, to rehabilitate his fortunes, our hero gained the title of "clever Mr. Green," and men forgot to think how clever they were themselves, especially as to feats of mastication, when he entered the arena with his hat on one side, cigar in mouth, and a plater or two in ambush. He always kept a few useful platers up his sleeve, so to speak; his methods of "slipping" them were remarkable. Those he backed with spirit generally came up more than a head first.

"Oh! yes," said a compatriot, admiringly, "he is a very good fellow—to himself; and when you see him with two apples in his hand you may be sure that he will eat the best at once and keep the other for his future consumption."

That was not an unfair sketch of his idiosyncrasy. Even apples were treated by him as currency: to wit, Eve would not have had a thousand-to-three chance if he had been in the garden; one could not get a bite with him near the core. It was the same all round. When he played a friend at billiards for cigars and drinks and a dollar side bet, the other fellow might easily miss at a critical moment, the tip of his cue, or a foul ball might be interpolated for his discomfiture when he looked like winning. If money is the root of all evil, what price the resulting foliage?

"Ah! but such a nut on him," cried a poor punter, referring to owner Green with ecstasy; "and when we dare to step into the market before him, he is certain to give us a rude shock. Nobody is let up on the inside if he is leading in the pigskin." . . . Such statements were substantially accurate.

So it came to pass, after several seasons' racing, that Green's "hot pots," few of which boiled over, were anxiously watched for by the experts who bet to live, and live well until they are "broke" again. They interfered with his wagering enterprise more than once. When he wished to back his candidate he found sometimes that the price was shortened against him to a painful extent, and that, if he won, he would be chiefly benefiting other people not disposed to lend him a trifle in case of need. He realised what the mercy of the world means—outside, Eliza, with more kicks than half-pence for your wedding portion!

At last, according to Green's view, the state of affairs as indicated became intolerable. He was not able to get any money on his horses when they had a chance except at a cramped quotation, since he was admitted to be extremely dangerous when he was trying. When he wasn't—well, anybody might rush in (for aught he cared) to secure the cream of the market. What scum it turned to i' the mouth ere its flavour was emphatically execrated!

Meeting his friend Timkins in the paddock at glorious Trodmore, Green conceived a great idea. "Why," he muttered, "have I never thought of it before, with money staring me in the face and the plot as simple as 'saucering' warm tea regardless of convention? What fatuity on my part!"

He clasped his brow, like an arch or dome near the top; his visage, dark in repose, brightened. Then, ambling across the enclosure with an air of undoubted supremacy, he tapped, winningly tapped, the shoulder of dear Timkins.

"A word in your ear," he said stopping short, "and it will be as good as coin in your pocket. Come,' he bowed, "with me. Get a move on you."

"Yes, yes, brave sir," exclaimed the rapturous Timkins, who was young and guileless. "No matter how far you may wish to go, it will be a treat for me to come with you as commandeered."

"The first quiet corner," said the other, "will suit our purity of purpose. I am a sportsman of few words, but I like the long ones to score."

"I bottle up my longest for that object," replied Timkins, "and when I draw the cork my *confrères* rarely know what the explosion means. They are doubtful whether they ought to be under the table or on the roof."

"Do not enlighten them," urged the wily owner, "until they are partly up the chimney. That experience, even if there is not much soot, is sure to do them a great deal of good."

Having found a nook secluded enough for the proposed symposium, he proceeded to describe the nature of his startling plot. He had, as appeared, a smart three-year-old, which he wished to put in a selling race and bet with infinite enthusiasm. But, he explained, if the horse were entered in his name—and the punters were always watching for him—there would be no chance to obtain a decent price, so his ambition was to put them away—his eyes sparkled like coals of fire—by a clever *ruse* of his own invention. All he wanted was the help of an unsuspected conspirator who possessed sufficient tact to keep his mouth shut except at prescribed intervals.

"You see, my boy," Green went on, frankly, "you have not earned a reputation for sharpness on the Turf. No one ever dreams that you are likely to win a race if there is a solitary runner to oppose you and he is so bad that he certainly would not be pulled out for any other mission."

"Oh! thanks," replied the neophyte, colouring up. "You read me like a book with the title-page missing. But, if I am such an ass, how can I be of use to such a genious as you?"

Clever Mr. Green chucked softly. "That is the essence of our contract," he affirmed, just as if he were engaged in building new rainbows on a large scale.

"Who is supposed to be the trickster," asked Timkins, "and do the trick in style?"

"Trust all that to me," replied Green, with an aspect of dignity. "I intend to enter my smart three-year-old in your name in a selling race. The public know nothing about him; running for you, he will be quite neglected, a perishing quantity, and my agents will be able, therefore, to put the shekels on him at a nice price."

"Don't leave me quite out," pleaded Timkins, "when the spoils are divided."

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Soon after the conversation noted Mr. Timkins's Flamingo appeared amongst the runners for a £100 race, winner to be sold for £50, at an important meeting, where the ring was large and representative. There was a big field, including sundry smart platers, whose owners were betting on that occasion. The market was brisk and lively; money came pouring in for several of the highly-fancied performers. It was delightful to watch the bookmakers engaged lustily in their beautiful work of speculation.

Any odds were offered against Flamingo as a matter of course. Carefully primed by his astute confederate, Timkins put all his friends away with unblushing effrontery. They had no right to ask questions, and he answered accordingly—a practice which many owners consider to be not unmeritorious.

"I have," he averred, "nothing to try my horse with, and I have no line as to his form. He does not carry a penny of my board. He may be able, for aught I can say, to beat a barrel-organ in full blast; but if the organist knows his business he would probably win by a tune or two. My poor gee," he winked, "is only slightly musical." . . . Alas for the turpitude of human nature as revealed (for pelf) at the races!

Mr. Green kept himself consistently in the background while those preliminaries were arranged. He leaned against the buffet, smoked a cigarette, and told a funny story. It had so much point that an anæmic youth present by mistake flushed to such an extent that his acquaintances scarcely recognised him in his new colours.

"Ah! no, my lads," went on Green, merrily, "I cannot give you a hint as to what will win this next race, because I have left my books of form in the lavatorium at home. Besides, I do not care to back other people's horses, even if the other people are not sunlight marauders."

In the meantime, however, when the runners were cantering to the gate, two or three agents began quietly to operate in favour of Flamingo. They backed him from twenties down to fives, and, if the start had been delayed, he might have touched a shorter figure.

But the barrier went up quickly; there were no recalcitrants. Jumping off in front, Flamingo made all the running, and won by three lengths. It was a surprise packet for the poor punters, while Timkins strutted about the paddock as if it had been made for him, and, even so, was not spacious enough to satisfy his aspirations for more grass The demon Green made no sign, mirthful or diabolic.

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Still, a whisper having gone round with respect to the merit of Flamingo, a few awkward moments were experienced by our sporting hero when his horse was offered for sale in the usual manner. He was run up with exceptional earnestness and desperation. Timkins trembled in his shoes; if he had been in his sheets he would probably have done the same or worse.

Unfortunately for Green, the whisper aforesaid had reached the owner of the second, who refused to listen to reason on any terms. "This colt," he growled, "would look well in my stable, and I wish to see him nestling there if I can whack you in a cash encounter."

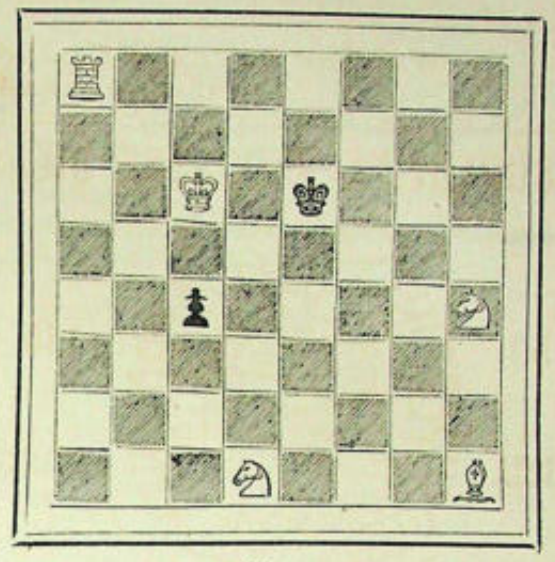
He failed to do that, since clever Mr. Green knew more than he did, always an advantage where money or love is concerned and the winner was retained for—well, let us say, many hundred guineas. That is near enough to save us in this veracious chronicle. He was reported in the papers to have been sold to Mr. Green, who remarked:

"It is as expensive to buy back one's own horse as to kiss one's own wife when she has made other arrangements."

Chess.

PROBLEM XXXVIII.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME No. 37.

	BLACK.	WHITE.
1.	P. to K. 4	P. to K. 4
2.	Kt. to K. B. 3	Kt. to Q. B. 3
3.	B. to Q. B. 4	B. to Q. B. 4
4.	P. to Q. 3	P. to. Q. 3
5.	B. to K. 3	Kt. to K B. 3
6.	Kt. to Q. B. 3	Castles
7.	P. to K. R. 3	B. takes B.
8.	P. takes B.	Kt. to K. R. 4
9.	P. to K. Kt. 4	Kt. to K. B. 3
10.	Q. to K. 2	Kt. to Q. R. 4
11.	P. to Q. 4	Kt. takes B.
12.	Q. takes Kt.	Kt. takes K. P.
13.	Kt. takes Kt.	P. to Q. 4
14.	Q. to K. 2	P. takes Kt.
15.	Kt. takes K P.	Q. to K. 2
16.	Castles Q. R.	P. to K. B. 3
17.	Kt. to Q. B. 4	P. to Q. B. 3
18.	Kt. to Q. 2	B. to K. 3
19.	P. to Q. Kt. 3	P. to Q Kt. 4
20.	K to Q. Kt.	P. to Q. R. 4
21.	Kt. takes K. P.	B. to Q 4
22.	Kt. to Q. B. 5	B. takes R.
23.	R. takes B.	K. R. to K.
24.	P. to K 4	Q. to Q. 3
25.	Q. to Q. 3	P. to Q. Kt. 5
26.	P. to K. R. 4	Q. to K. B. 5
27.	R. to K. Kt	Q. to K. B. 7
28.	R. to K. B.	Q. R. to Q.
29.	Q. to Q. B. 4 ch	K. to R.
30.	Kt. to K. 6	R. to Q. 3
31.	P. to Q. 5	P. takes P.
32.	P. takes P.	Q. to K. B. 6
33.	R to K. B.	Q. to K. Kt. 7
34.	R. to K. B. 5	P. to K. R. 3
35.	P. to K. Kt. 5	K. B. takes Kt.
36.	P. takes R.	R. to Q. 8 ch
37.	K. to Kt. 2	Q. to Q. 7

Andwins.

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THURSDAY, 6th OCTOBER 1904.

STAMPEDES OF HORSES.

THAT was a curious but by no means unprecedented mishap which prevented the 8th Hussars from taking part in the autumn manœuvres in Essex. The home papers told us that one of the troop horses having broken a leg, the veterinary-surgeon decided to destroy him with a revolver as he stood, or lay, in the lines. The shot must have been fired while it was still dark, for it is difficult to imagine that troop horses would be panic-stricken by the discharge of a pistol in daylight. However that may be, the discharge caused instant panic and all but three of the 500 horses belonging to the 8th Hussars tearing up their picketting gear and bolting. The inevitable ensued: the terrified horses swept through the camp killing and injuring themselves and infecting every horse they approached, ed with their own alarm until a mob of over a thousand animals was scouring over the country, broken up into mobs which rushed blindly as stampeding horses do into every obstacle that happened in their way. A drove of about 200 rushed into the sea by Southampton Harbour: another mob jammed itself in the narrow Bargate, which most people know, who have been through Southampton: while a third mob headed for Aldershot by Winchester. Many of the horses were drowned or otherwise killed themselves: a train load of injured had to be sent to Aldershot for treatment: and exhausted or dying horses were collected from the roadsides in scores. Altogether about two-thirds of those which broke away were killed or injured. We regret to read, further, that many men were more or less gravely hurt by the stampede through the camp.

This constitutes about the worst case of stampede among horses on record. Perhaps it would be unfair to blame the veterinary-surgeon whose pistol shot was the primary cause of the incident. He no doubt reasoned that the troop horses, broken to fire, would take no notice of the flash and report, and that he might safely adopt this means of killing the disabled beast. We have assumed that the shot was fired in darkness, if it were, the panic is what might have been expected: troop horses in England are not accustomed to hear shots at night, and every one who has any acquaintance whatever with horses knows how nervous they are at night, more particularly under new conditions. Here are horses used to the seclusion of a stable, brought out on the march and picketted in the open. Every sound, we may say, is new to them, and a noise otherwise perfectly familiar takes a strangeness and novelty that is alarming. Even in daylight such panic is not inexplicable: a shot fired in the lines is a different thing from a shot or shots fired under circumstances where the horses have learned to expect them just as the horse which regards motor-cars in town with indifference, evinces often the greatest fear of a car meeting it on a quiet country road.

The Southampton stampede differs in one respect from others we can recall, in that the cause was on the surface: there was no doubt what produced the panic: quite different were the "Cove Common Panics" of 1871 which attracted a great deal of interest, and the true cause of which has never, so far as we are aware, been discovered till this day. The manœuvres of that year were, if we mistake not, the first to be held on an extensive scale: among the cavalry regiments engaged was the 1st Life

Guards who, on the 30th August, pitched camp on Cove Common, picketting their horses in the way which had then been but recently introduced, with a peg and shackle securing the off fore and near hind leg. The panic occurred soon after dark when the officers were in the mess tent: and every horse, save the few whose owners had time to run to their heads, drew his picket pegs, and joined in the stampede. An incident of the rush was the action of a turnpike keeper on the Farnham Road. Hearing the thunder of hoofs and seeing riderless horses dash past his cottage, he ran out and shut the gate in the face of the mob. The turnpike gate was by no means a weak one: an outcome perhaps of the detestation in which these things were held when first established when it was a popular feat to smash up or destroy the "pike gate." These obstructions were always very strongly built. The gate in question, however, went to pieces like match wood before the rush of the heavy Life Guards troop horses. A searching enquiry was made into the cause of the stampede, but nothing definite could be ascertained: some of the men had seen a couple of geese wandering near the line, and it was thought that horses whose work lies in the London Streets might easily have been alarmed by the unfamiliar sight of the big white birds: another suggestion was that a fox might have found his way into the lines and frightened the horses: but as we have said nothing conclusive was discovered.

Three nights passed without incident: night guards were strengthened, officers remained on duty all night in the lines, and special care was taken to make the gear secure. On 3rd September the Life Guards were joined on the Common by the Bays and the 10th Hussars. Forwarned the officers of these regiments took special precautions against panic, and thanks to these the results of the stampede which did take place were not serious. The singular and mysterious thing was that again the cause of the panic could not be traced: a sudden access of fear swept over the lines of all three regiments, and about 160 broke away: others flung themselves down in their struggles to escape, and some were injured. Those that broke away travelled fast and far, but by great good luck there were no casualties, save to three horses of the Bays which killed themselves. After this second stampede the animals were carefully watched. It was observed that during the whole time the regiments remained on Cove Common they displayed symptoms of nervousness, particularly during the first hours of darkness. It may have been that having once been alarmed, the infection spread to new arrivals, and that all the animals were continually on the look out for some strange sound, sight or smell which terrified them: but when in course of the manœuvres Cove Common was left behind and the horses were picketted on new camping grounds, there was no further trouble.

Similarly obscure, and more remarkable in that it took place in broad daylight was the stampede which occurred a good many years ago in a dragoon regiment which was on the march in Southern India. The regiment had camped about half a mile from a large tank, and in the evening the men took the horses, bare back, from the lines, squadron by squadron, to water them. The first squadron were drinking when suddenly they threw up their heads, dashed out of the water and stampeded: meeting the second squadron on the way to the tank they dashed through these and carried with them most of the horses they did not knock down, through the lines sweeping up more horses and away into the desert. As usual the runaways split up in mobs and took different routes. In all seventy horses broke away, and of these fifty were recovered by ten o'clock next day: none had gone less than 15 miles, some very much further. Four horses were not recovered for upwards of a fortnight, and then only by employing native trackers who pursued them for hundreds of miles. Inquiry could discover no reason whatever for the panic: none of the men had seen so much as a water snake in the tank: and whether it was a case of one horse taking alarm and communicating his terror to the rest in the mysterious way panic is communicated: or whether again, it was some strange smell which would not be appreciable to human nostrils, but which frightened the whole squadron at once could never be ascertained. Mons. Emile Zola, in one of the most vivid passages of a terribly graphic book, has described the stampedes of riderless and starving horses after Sedan. His descriptions bear the impress of accuracy in every word, and they serve to show that under given conditions the state of panic may continue for days together.

It goes without saying that cattle are just as liable to panic as horses: are perhaps even more easily alarmed. The author of a remarkable book on the experience of a cowboy driving thousands of oxen on a march of some 2,000 miles from Southern Texas to the fatting pastures, told how such a trifle as the stumble of a horse while jogging round the resting mob, or the striking of a match is enough to cause a stampede. The only difference is that men well mounted can manage to keep the flying drove of horned beasts together and eventually round them up, while with stampeding horses their greater speed and staying power makes it impossible to stop the rush or control them in any way: they must be left to go on till they stop from sheer exhaustion, or, to use the hunting term get "pounded" by an impassable wall or other obstacle. It is a curious feature of panic among horses that if thus brought to a stand by such a chance they almost immediately recover from their fright: appearing to ask themselves and one another what all the trouble is about: while the arrival of a man seems welcome, and helps greatly to restore their courage and composure.

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(*Winner trained by Blackwell*).

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Rock Sand, 40 to 1 William Rufus.

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

This has hardly been a cricket veterans, year at home. Mr. A. P. Lucas has only played once or twice. Mr. Murdoch has not done as well as last year when he had an average of 35, and was high up in the list. Nor has W. Gunn approached his last year's record. Dr. Grace played an innings of over a hundred in his birthday match, but even he is at last beginning to show signs of falling off, although one can never guess what he may do in another season. Mr. Newham has not played much, but is as capable as ever of keeping up an end. Lord Hawke still holds his own, and this season he has played several fine innings when his side was in great difficulties.

Sporting Notes.

WE draw attention to an alteration in certain of the conditions and dates connected with the Dibrugarh Races, the programme of which appeared in our issue of 22nd ultimo. For example the value of The Assam Bank Tournament Cup is Rs. 600 and not Rs. 350. Entries for the Planters' Plate close on the 19th January and not on the 31st as originally set forth. An advertisement regarding these changes appears further on.

The final game in the Poona Open Polo Tournament, which had been postponed owing to rain stopping play on the 27th ultimo, was played off on the 30th when the Scouts beat the 33rd Cavalry by eight goals and three subsidiaries to one goal.

Pretty Polly has, up-to-date, won her owner £31,692 for her fifteen wins.

The Burma Polo Association Tournament will probably be held in Mandalay between the 10th and 20th November.

The latest betting we have received on the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire is given below:—

THE CESAREWITCH.

(Run Wednesday, 12th October. Two miles two furlongs.)

100 to 8 agst.		Foundling, 3yrs., 7st. 11lb. (t) ...	Brewer
100 to 8	—	Rondeau, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs. (o) ...	Blackwell
100 to 7	—	Dean Swift, 3yrs., 7st. (t & w) ...	Morton
100 to 7	—	Hands Down, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (t) ...	Major Edwards
100 to 7	—	Saltpetre, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs. (t & o) ...	Baker
20 to 1	—	Wood Pigeon, 3yrs., 6st. (t) ...	G. Chaloner
20 to 1	—	Mark Time, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs. (t(...	Robinson
20 to 1	—	Roe O'Neill, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs. (t & o)	Mr. Gilpin
25 to 1	—	St. Patrick's Day, 4yrs., 7st. 11lb. (t & o)	Grensil
100 to 3	—	Gabzal, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (t) ...	In France
50 to 1	—	Bachelor's Button, 5yrs., 9st. (t) ...	C. Peck

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

(Run Wednesday, 26th October. One mile and a furlong.)

100 to 9 agst.		Delaunay, 3yrs., 8st. 10lbs. (t & w)	Mr. Gilpin
25 to 1	—	Golden Saint, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs. (t) ...	J. Fallon

A full report of the Mussoorie Meeting appears among our race reports to-day. A rather curious incident occurred on the second day, during the running of the Arab Handicap. Mr. C. Fitch's ch a h Bend Or, after the first lap, was seen to stagger and shut up completely a few strides further on, and it was found, on examination, that he had broken his off fore in more than one place. He was not shot; his owner having some hope of setting the leg and using the unfortunate pony for stud purposes: at least so we are told.

The Poona Horse Show of 1904 was, on the whole, a success, the number of entries being large and the quality of exhibits of a high order. The ground was, however, awkward and altogether inadequate for the requirements. The rings were cramped and horses had little opportunity of showing freedom being jumbled one on to the tail of the other. There was considerable dissatisfaction at the judging in not a few classes, but popular feeling reached a climax in the pony jumping competition in which the public verdict was for Colonel Kettlewell's Luxury who fenced a faultless round in the most brilliant style; Major Anderson's Freda, a well known performer being but little behind, two or three others doing excellent rounds. To everyone's astonishment the judge asked neither of the two named to go a second time and awarded first prize to General Mahon's Simon Pure who did a safe, but decidedly sticky first round. Great, too, was the wonder when the blue rosette was given to Mr. Bleach's Lady Cheltenham who hit the wall and twice struck the post and rails in each instance sending the top rail flying! It is curious to note that in the Horse Competition on the very next day Simon Pure went a purler on to his head over the bush fence while Freda, the spurned, won the Horse Jumping outright from an exceptionally fine lot of jumpers. Judging of such a fantastic description and so contrary to public opinion (and public opinion round an Indian show ring when so strongly held and so freely expressed is not likely to be wrong) must mar the popularity of any show and the committee would do well to avoid the selection of any judge who holds faddist views so opposed to those of the large majority of horsemen. In the Horse Competition the verdict was no less free from adverse criticism as the claims of a magnificent fencer in Mr. W. Anderson's

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Gossip were wholly ignored. It was unfortunate the lack of strict punctuality rendered it impossible to hold so interesting an event as the Champion Stone Wall which many were looking forward to with pleasure. Apart from these little drawbacks which fell short of perfection the show was a decided success, the class of animals of an unusually high order, the prizes most generously handsome and the attendance good and the thanks of the public are due to all those gentlemen who took so much trouble to provide two most pleasant afternoon's amusement. A list of the prize winners appears elsewhere.

The Poona Senior Polo Tournament was scarcely as great a success as was at one time hoped for, only four teams eventually coming to the scratch, two of whom obviously had not the slightest chance of success and the final set to was left to the local champions the 33rd Cavalry and the team of sporting visitors calling themselves the "Scouts." Ill fortune attended the tournament, as on the day appointed for the final after two *chukkers* were played with the result that the Scouts obtained the useful lead of a goal and 3 subsidiaries when torrential rain put an effectual stop to proceedings, the polo ground becoming a veritable lake. Play had consequently to be renewed on Friday morning at 9-30 in intense and sultry heat. In the meanwhile Major Wogan Browne of the 33rd fell sick and his place was filled, and as events proved was admirably filled, by Mr. Passey who had shown dashing form in the junior tournament. After the brief display on the previous day it must have required a very whole hearted adherent of the Cavalry to believe strongly in their chance of ultimate victory as the Scouts clearly held them all the time with ease. This subsequent events, proved ; as though a reference to the Polo Association resulted in the game having to be re-started afresh the Scouts soon put matters beyond any further doubt and obtaining a goal and a subsidiary in the first round slowly, but surely, increased their lead till the seventh *chukker* ended in their favour by no less than 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to a single goal. The game was not, however, nearly so one-sided as these results would tend to show, and the Cavalry played with the utmost dash up to the very last moment and long after it was impossible that victory could be theirs. For the victors Captain F. Guest played one of the finest back games seen on this ground for some time I imagine, while the Rajah Saheb of Rutlam played quite brilliantly hitting with wonderful precision and strength. Mr. Grenfell was a veritable thorn in the side of Duffadar Aliar Khan the well known back of the Cavalry, while Mr. Herbert, a local player who kindly took the place of Captain Cameron, disabled by a recently broken collar bone, played a capital game throughout. The 33rd, one and all, played a losing game in the pluckiest and most determined manner, galloping hard from start to finish, and were perhaps beaten more by the marked superiority of the winning team's ponies than anything else.

The Naini Tal week, which ended last Saturday, was a great success. The polo tournament resulted in a win for the 3rd Skinner's Horse who beat the Civil Service "A" team by five goals to four goals one subsidiary. The Gymkhana Hockey Cup was won by the Diocesan School which beat St. Joseph's College by a goal to *nil*.

Many and cruel are the devices resorted to by horsedealers in order to enable them to dispose of their animals to uninitiated buyers ; but the latest case, which comes from Burnley, is one of the most revolting we have heard of. The crust of a hoof had been cut down to the quick, and a veterinary surgeon, who gave evidence, said this was a practice known as "levelling." When it was found that an animal was lame in one foot a certain class of dealers purposely lamed it in the other, to make it "go on the level," to deceive buyers. The magistrate who heard the case said if the defendant took all the nails off his fingers and then walked on his fingers he would be suffering the same agony he had caused this horse. It was a pity he could not receive the same punishment, but he was sentenced to three months' hard labour and ordered to pay £3 4s. costs—a sentence all too lenient.

An amusing story is going the rounds in shooting circles concerning the late Lord Leicester. His lordship was entertaining a shooting party, and overnight the talk turned upon shooting accidents. One of the guests declaimed with much energy against the careless gunner, and vowed that if a man shot him he would not scruple to pepper him in return. Next day, as luck would have it, his lordship had the ferocious gentleman shooting next to him, and as the guns were popping away merrily and the sport was at its height, a yell was heard, and the truculent guest was seen to fling down his gun and hold his leg. Rubbing the injured member, he looked round fiercely and shouted to his host, "Coke, was that you?" "Yes," replied his lordship, at the same time placing his gun to his shoulder ; "I believe it was. I have got the other barrel here." The guest did not carry out his threat.

This season has seen not only the grouse records broken in England, but also in Wales, by driving parties. We learn that on Mr. Wynne-Corrie's moors of Penycae Hill, near Ruabon, in Wales, Mr. Wynne-Corrie and nine other guns, including Lord Harlech, Lord Kenyon, Lord Trevor, Sir O. Wakeman and Mr. P. Laming, shot 1,356 grouse on the first day's driving and 1,346 grouse on their second day—bags which are believed to have been hitherto unsurpassed in Wales by grouse-driving parties in one day's shooting. While records are this year being broken in England and Wales, the old records stand in Scotland both for dogging and driving, the first having been made sixty years ago by Colonel Campbell, of Monzie in Perthshire, and the second by the Mackintosh, at Moyhall, Invernessshire. The other records still standing are Sir Frederick Milbank's 728 grouse in eight drives and 190 grouse in a single drive to his own gun in 1872, and Lord Walsingham's 1,058 grouse to his own gun by driving in one day in 1888. These are the existing grouse records, and those of partridge shooting may now well be added. These are Lord de Grey's 240 partridges in one drive, the Maharajah Dhuleep Singh's bag of 780 partridges to his own gun in one day at Elvedon in 1876, and Lord Ashburton's bag of 1,458 partridges to his party of six guns in one day at the Grange, in Hampshire, in 1897.

The twentieth century has revived in a novel form the ancient sport of hawking and falcon flying. Highways and by-ways of Normandy are filled, says the *Figaro*, with merry troops of motor cars, whose tenants carry hooded falcons on their wrists. From Dieppe and down the valley of the Dun, on the plateau of Veules les Roses, the sport has become immensely popular. Old books are being consulted for hints, and everything done to make the pastime exactly like that of our ancestors. The birds, quite unaffected by the speed of the vehicles, or the tooting of the horns, are as ready to return to the owner's leather-clad wrist as though he rode the charger of flesh, bone and hide, instead of a steel and iron one.

The game laws are very strict in Johore. A Malay man was fined 100 dollars lately for killing two snipe at Sekarama, a place somewhere near the Pahang boundary. He is now in gaol for six months as an alternative to payment.

"Talking of strange food and baits for fish," says "Spinning Minnow" in the *Bath Herald*, "once upon a time an honest angler went out a-fishing. He was an unmethodical man, and had provided no lunch, so was perforce obliged to take the food the gods supplied in the shape of the remains of a beefsteak and onions he had for dinner the previous day. While eating his frugal meal down by the river side, he flung in a few strips of the fried onion, when he noticed a goodly-sized tench come up and eagerly devour it, although it would not take the angler's lures. In about three or four days more our fisherman was once again fishing at the same spot when he saw a tench, which proved to be the one he had seen there last, swimming towards him with something in its mouth, which the scaly carefully deposited on the bank. and then stayed in mid-stream till the angler had picked it up and examined it. It proved to be a fair-sized raw onion that had evidently fallen in the river from a neighbouring garden, and which the sagacious *tinca vulgaris*, not liking the taste of a raw onion as well as one cooked, evidently wanted the angler to take home and fry for his tenchship's dinner." Next please.

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Here it is: "It is about a poor blind angler on the Broads who can find his way along the water side, select his swims, adjust his tackle, bait his hook, make a cast, and tell when he has ever so small a nibble. The explanation of this seemingly incredible performance is that the blind angler has cultivated to the highest degree his other senses, especially that of hearing. Now listen. One of the stories recorded of him is about an angler who placed his rod on the bank with the line in the water near the blind fisherman and moved away to fetch some of his impedimenta. He was quickly recalled by the blind man, who told him there was a fish at his bait! The angler returned, observed the float quivering, and found that a fish was nibbling. 'I thought so ; I could hear them!' said the blind man." And next?

We have received the news of the death in England of Mr. F. J. Townsend who years ago was a

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It is proposed to hold the Burma Polo Association Tournament at Mandalay between 10th and 20th November, the conditions being probably much the same as those previously adopted for Commission Cup Tournaments *viz.*, six *chukkers* of five minutes each, each team to be allowed thirteen ponies.

A letter from our old friend Mr. Fred. Greenhill, dated from Port Said, tells us that he is coming out to Calcutta again with another lot of specially selected English thoroughbreds. The shipment of twenty-three "Mr. Fred" considers to be "about as good as money can buy" so we shall be on the lookout for something super excellent. He continues—"they are the most classy horses that have ever been known to leave England for India or any other country (not excluding Australia) and are streets in front of the lot I brought out two years ago. There are two pairs of carriage horses that must take first and second prizes at the Tollygunge Show, and the most perfect saddle and harness horses, hacks, chasers and ponies. One little pony, Mischief, is about as cunning as a wagon load of monkeys, took second prize at the Bexhill-on-Sea show and has since put in his time carrying Lord Curzon's children. The whole lot in short will open the eyes of Calcutta buyers, so you may tell them to follow the man who *was* in Cook's."

In drawing attention to Messrs. Bell and Company's advertisement among our Sporting announcements this week we may mention that recent importations by this firm include such rare good ponies as Fun, Gordon, Chatterbox, Almont, and Miss Oracle.

The *Gracchus*, which sailed this week for Australia, took from Calcutta, the well-known turf disappointment, Friar Tuck, the brown English horse, who goes to Tom Uphill's Pranjip Park Farm. His destination is the stud at which he ought to do well; his sire was Friar's Balsam, a Middle Park Plate winner, and his dam was by the famous Galopin. He will probably serve Uphill's Busy Bee filly as a lead off. The same steamer took down the following broodmares—Perfect, Granny, Actress, and Sweet Talk.

Athletic Notes.

THE final match in the Rangoon Rugby Football Competition was won by the Gymkhana who beat the Garrison Club by two goals and two tries to two tries.

The Bechtler Hockey Tournament at Mussoorie was won by the "A" team, St. George's College, who beat the "B" team by two goals to one.

Complete results of the Northern India Racquets Tournament will be found further on.

The Durand Football Tournament was brought to a conclusion on the 30th ultimo when the Black Watch and the North Staffordshire Regiment met in the final, a splendid game resulting in a win for the latter by two goals to *nil*. Lady Ampthill presented the trophies to the winners, and His Excellency the Viceroy made a short speech in which he said that the North Staffords had thoroughly deserved their victory in the magnificent play which had been witnessed in the final and they fully sustained the reputation of the north country for football. He specially congratulated the goalkeeper and backs of the Staffords upon their long kicking, and went on to say that the regiment, in its victory over the Black Watch, for the Blue Ribbon of Indian Football, had turned the tables upon the opponents, who, in 1898, had beaten it in the finals by exactly the same two goals to love. The Black Watch, he said, had made a gallant fight, and throughout the tournament had had the hardest of the work, having had to meet the Royal Irish, who won the Durand Tournament last year, the Gordons, who won the football trophy at the Delhi Durbar, and the Welsh Fusiliers, who had also played a splendid game. As the North Staffords had sustained the reputation of the north of England, so the Queen's Royal West Surreys had sustained that of the south. The present tournament was noticeable for a record number of its entries, for the splendid weather, in which it was played, and for the growing popularity it displayed. In evidence of which His Excellency referred to the sporting gift by the members of the Government of India and Secretariat of an additional Challenge Cup. Up to the present only the Scotch Regiments, namely, the Black Watch and the Highland Light Infantry had won any Durand Football Challenge Trophy outright by three victories in succession. Being an Englishman himself, he hoped that an English team would be the next to repeat this performance. His sympathies, however, were also with the Scotch, and especially with the Black Watch, a regiment which had given him no less than two members of his staff, one of them being no less important a person than his Military Secretary. His Excellency went on to refer appreciatively to what Sir Edmund Elles had done to encourage the tournament, and referring to a remark made by the latter in his introductory words as President, in which he had said that the speaker was not unknown in the athletic world. Lord Ampthill said that this fact and the interest he took in soldiers, made the Durand Tournament appeal to him especially. He believed that such a competition, when played in a proper spirit, could do nothing but good. He was glad to recognise that this condition had been amply fulfilled in the present case, the whole of the play having been of a most sportsmanlike and gentlemanly character, a fact to which the services of the referee, Corporal Muddle, had materially contributed. His Excellency also congratulated the committee and their Honorary Secretary, Captain Onslaw, upon the success of the tournament.

At the Hampstead C.C. Sports last month, F. R. Spofforth, the famous old Australian, won the Throwing at the Wicket competition.

As a sport, bicycle racing has been dead for a good many years, but if it had not it would assuredly have been killed by the melancholy exhibitions which were witnessed at the so-called "world's championships" which are dealt with by "Cotter Pin" in our wheeling columns. Since the institution of banked tracks cycle racing has become nothing more than trick-riding, and many of the competitors in these contests seemed desirous of seeing how slowly they could possibly go for a greater part of the distance. One would think, too, that they had an understanding between themselves, for his opponents seemed to think they had been badly used when Ivor Lawson, in the two-kilometres' race, spurted half a mile from home, and stole a lead of fifty yards which they could never make up. The Englishmen had matters all their own way in the long-distance event, but Leon Meredith's fine performance is discounted by the circumstance that motor-pacing was allowed.

It is somewhat curious that E. H. D. Sewell, who has hardly ever been put on to bowl for Essex this season until two men have become thoroughly set, is very easily at the head of the Essex Club and Ground bowling averages. Sewell is also easily top of the batting averages with 6 innings, 1 not out, 451 runs, highest score 232, average 90·2. The records of the three chief bowlers in these matches are as follows:—

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver
Sewell ...	46·4	6	127	24	5·29
Reeves ...	177	42	504	35	14·4
Buckenham ...	98·2	18	241	16	15·06

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—Those of your readers who know how inconvenient and altogether unsuitable the present Bombay Gymkhana pavilion is, will be interested to learn that the executive committee has called for designs for a new pavilion which among other things is to include a billiard room, a card room, and a large clock in front. The site of the new pavilion will be the piece of ground to the south of the cricket pitch which will be a great convenience to cricketers and golfers and will do away with the necessity of pitching tents.

Polo players in Bombay have been turning out regularly for practice on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, but I have not heard anything further regarding the bumblepuppy tournament it is proposed to hold some time in October. Some of the players, I understand, are not very keen on the tournament idea and it may not be possible to make up the four teams mentioned in my notes a few weeks ago. Two players are crocked as the result of injuries at football and a third will be going on leave in October.

Gymkhana cricketers are looking forward to some good games this cold weather, especially during Christmas week. Captain J. G. Greig will be in Bombay with His Excellency the Governor's staff and H. Cheetham will be back from England where he has been on six months leave. Captain Bayford, also a member of the Governor's staff, will be another useful acquisition as will J. H. Du Boulay, I. C. S., the Governor's Private Secretary. We shall not, however, on the other hand, have the Langhornes or Major Carnegy here. Lieutenant A. P. Langhorne left last week for Delhi and Captain J. A. D. Langhorne proceeds to Aden this month. Major Carnegy leaves on the 12th instant for Poona with his regiment, the 121st Pioneers.

I regret to state that J. S. Milne has been obliged to abandon the idea of taking a team across to Calcutta during the Christmas holidays owing to the difficulty of getting together a sufficiently strong side.

Bombay hunting men are getting ready for the first run of the season which will take place in a few weeks and hunting prospects generally are spoken of as being more promising than has been the case for some years. A new huntsman in the place of Stacey, who died last year, has been secured, but where prospects are most promising is in the number of new members who have joined the Jackal Club.

The Bombay Gymkhana Racquets Tournament this cold weather will be more interesting than usual by reason of the number of players expected to compete who were in the front rank of public school players of their respective years. There is some talk of Jamsetjee, the Gymkhana marker and champion of India, making another trip to England. Want of the necessary funds to carry out the project will not stand in his way as Mr. D. J. Tata and other Parsee gentlemen are prepared to furnish the wherewithal.

The annual Bombay Golf week which commenced last Monday, was in a great measure spoiled by the arrival of a circus which proceeded to erect tents on the second green in the middle of the match. The second green is one of the best on the course and a new green, which had to be prepared at a moment's notice, proved very rough. "The week," it is significant, never attracts players from outside Bombay but this is hardly to be wondered at considering the difficulties under which the game is played. The results of the two days' scratch competition against "Bogey" hardly saw the crack players at their best for the "Colonel's" score, which was put at 39 for the first day and 40 for the second, though somewhat low should not have offered insuperable difficulties.

The Bombay Rugby Football Tournament ended on the 1st instant in a win for the Welsh Regiment who beat the Glosters by a dropped goal and 2 tries (10 points) to a goal. A report of the tournament will be found in our Football columns.

The Annual General Meeting of the Caledonia Athletic Club was held on Saturday, 1st October, when the officers for the Club's athletic year were elected. Amongst other business, new and revised rules were passed and adopted. The Treasurer gave a very satisfactory financial statement. The Club had started on the year from last October with only a small membership and with an unsatisfactory balance sheet. But the energy and enterprise of

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the officials have been the means of trebling the list of members and, what is still more satisfactory, putting the affairs of the Club on a sound and good-going basis.

It was decided to hold the annual dinner on Friday, 28th instant. The officers elected are :—Captain of Cricket, Mr. J. H. Dimsdale (Re-election) ; Vice-Captain of Cricket, Mr. E. O. Elliot ; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J. H. Dimsdale (Re-election) ; Honorary Secretary, Mr. G. V. Wade (Re-election) ; Joint Ground Secretaries, Messrs. G. V. Wade and R. J. Davis. We wish the Club all success during the ensuing season.

Mr. E. E. Coombs, the Bombay Gymkhana fast bowler, by taking seven wickets for 47 runs in the match against the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday, brought his total number of wickets for the monsoon season to 81 for just under 10 runs apiece ; is a record for the Gymkhana, no bowler in a single season ever having previously taken more than 60 wickets.

With sincere regret, which will be shared by hundreds of people in Calcutta, we heard yesterday of the death of Mr. E. J. King who was, up to a few years ago, a prominent figure in business, volunteering, and social circles here. He was a rare good athlete in his day and many a good race stood to his credit in the good old days when the Ballygunge C. C. Sports was our big annual athletic fixture. Ofttimes in by gone years have we toed the mark with "the Monarch," in many a hard tug-of-war have we felt his brawn and muscle doingi ts full share on the rope behind us, for E. J. was always "anchorman." He will long be remembered as the officer who did more than any other for the old Calcutta Naval Artillery Volunteers and what a fine figurehead he was in his uniform ! He resigned in disgust, and to the great regret of his brother officers and men, when a new order of things came in, but not before he had earned his V. D. Generous to a fault, he was a most liberal patron of sport and volunteering. We recall his readiness with his cheque book and his almost boyish enthusiasm many and many a time when we have taken round the hat in aid of some sporting or amateur soldiering event. Alas ! a few years ago a great and terribly sudden calamity overtook him, his health was completely shattered and his retirement from India soon followed. Recent news of him said he was much better, so that the announcement of his death at Southsea has come as a big shock to his friends in Calcutta.

Fishing.

THE FOOD OF FISHES.

FOR a number of years past investigations have been carried on to ascertain the food consumed by the various kinds of fish, and very interesting are the results. Nearly all fishes live on marine animal food, preying either upon weaker members of their own family or upon animals of lower organisation. The two great ends of existence from a fish's point of view are to eat and to avoid being eaten. Hence the conditions of life under the waters, so to speak, are dreadful in the extreme. When the vastness of the ocean population is considered, and it is realised that nearly every fish devours a score or several scores of other living things daily, it is obvious that the slaughter which goes on without ceasing is appalling in its immensity. Fortunately for themselves, it may be inferred, fishes have a poorly developed nervous system, and probably the fear of death gives them little trouble. Of course, as we go down the scale of marine life we reach a class of animals that live entirely on vegetable matter. But even among the most highly organised are vegetable feeders—not wholly vegetarian, but living on a mixed diet. A well known scientist, Mr. Cunningham, classifies the fishes, as those which prey on other fishes only, those which also prey on lower marine animals, those which eat the lower animals alone, and those which partake of a mixed animal and vegetable diet, the last being few in number.

The ways in which fishes feed are various. Some, for instance, hunt only at night, others feed in the day time. Some lie in ambush, others pursue their prey. Some feed at the bottom of the sea, others at the surface, and others still in mid waters. Those which live on very small fry have curious straining organs, by means of which they separate the food from the immense quantity of water which passes through. Among them are the herring, pilchard, and sprat. The plaice, which feeds mainly on shell fish, has a powerful crushing apparatus in its throat. So has the catfish. Some, like the spotted dog-fish hunt by smell, and are equally successful night or day. Mackerel and whiting hunt by sight, and therefore in the day time only. Then some of the cod family have been liberally dealt with by Nature, for they can use both sight and smell in capturing prey, while their chin is armed with a barbel to bring in the aid of touch. This barbel permits hunting at night, and it is then the ling and the rockling seek their prey. Those curious markings on the backs of flat fishes are designed to aid them in the capture of food as well as in concealing themselves from enemies. They lie on the bottom, sometimes partly buried in gravel or sand, and when a desirable victim comes near it is pounced upon and devoured. The sole lies quiet all day, having the power to assimilate its color to that of the ground, but at night it makes full use of its acute sense of smell. Its curious habit is to tap the ground with the side of its head in search of shrimps and worms. The angler fish, some times a monster six feet long, will lie close to a weed-covered rock quite undistinguishable from it, until his prey approaches, when he will seize it with the rapidity of a flash.

Red mullet are armed with barbels with which they rake up worms and other ground denizens. The turbot will cover itself with sand, and become the very color of the ground. There it will wait patiently until its prey comes by, when it will rise quickly and seize it. One would suppose that a fish thus stationary would not obtain any great abundance of food. But the fact, that as many as sixty small fishes have been found in the stomach of a turbot, shows how the ocean teems with life. Perhaps the most curious prowler of the ocean is the John Dory, so called, who takes advantage of his extraordinary flatness to approach his prey unperceived. This fish swims in an upright position with its side turned towards the prey —a herring or pilchard usually—and so small is its antero posterior diameter that it can steal quite close without being observed. When it gets within striking distance there is no escape. Undoubtedly the weaker fishes' wits, if they possess any wits, have need to be sharp. If in the stomach of a single turbot sixty sand eels were found—that being probably only a fraction of the day's diet—it seems a mystery how the vast multitudes of marine animals obtain sufficient food. A single shoal of herrings or mackerel will require millions of their favorite prey every day in the year. The food of a whale should be estimated by the hundred-weight. And not only does the ocean supply food to its own denizens, but it feeds countless millions of sea-birds. Ultimately the whole of the pabulum must be furnished by the vegetables which grow in the waters and on the shores. Marine plants are, indeed, extraordinarily abundant and various. Muddy shores are covered with grass-wrack ; on the rocks is a thick carpet of green, red and olive weeds ; but of greatest importance as food are the microscopic plants which multiply so amazingly as to color immense areas of the ocean surface, or make the water turbid to a considerable depth. A great quantity of vegetable matter is also carried by the rivers to the sea. On this food live the lower forms of animal life, themselves very often of microscopic minuteness. The periwinkle and other shell fish browse on the weeds of the inshore waters.

In the ocean are great quantities of foraminifera which feed on diatoms and other minute vegetable matter. The bivalve molluscs live on diatoms, foraminifera and other such things insignificant in size, but almost infinite in number. Scallops, oysters, mussels, moving scarcely at all, suck in continuously a stream of water, from which they strain off these tiny articles of food. In the mud and sands are myriads of worms, molluscs and crustaceans which form the food of animals higher in the scale. On the bottom of the sea the ground-fishes find their food—starfishes, oysters, clams, mussels, shrimps, hermit crabs, razorshells, cockles, etc. Most of these are practically stationary, and many lie quite exposed, so that, except for their defensive armour, they are easy prey. But floating in the water is also an immense quantity of food. If the stronger fishes feed on their weaker brethren, they do not hesitate to swallow the lower orders of sea life as well. The larvæ of shrimps, lobsters, crabs, hermit crabs etc., rise to the surface, being decimated on the way by the smaller fishes and almost entirely devoured before it is time to descend again. The spawn of herrings is such a dainty that great number of cod and haddock, etc., follow the spawning herrings and grow fat upon it. One authority, Mr. McIntosh, states that eighty boxes of haddocks have been trawled and that the stomach of every fish was found distended by the eggs of herring. The cod itself will give off as many as five million eggs of which all but a score possibly are sure to be eaten by other fish. Then there are countless numbers of little copepods said to be found everywhere. On food of this kind some fishes live mainly or altogether, such as sprats, pichards and herrings. Thus every kind of lower animal is eaten by one fish or another. But every fish, except the strongest, is also eaten by another fish. The mackerel prefers sprat and other small fish. The brill eats sprats and sand-eels. The whiting eats herrings, but is equally satisfied with a member of its own tribe. The pollack eats sprats and gurnard. The ling preys on gurnard, haddock, seabah, and mackerel. The hake, a night-hunter, devours mackerel, herrings, and anchovies. The skate feeds on whiting, mackerel and pollack. The spiny dog-fish on herrings, sprats, whiting, and mackerel ; the eel on almost anything it can get ; while the female conger will appease her hunger with one of the males. The cuttle fish or squid, preys on a great variety of fishes, and also forms the chief part of the sperm whale's food. Among the fishes which prey on the lower animals are the cod, plaice, sole, haddock, turbot, flounder, striped bass, and grey gurnard. The plaice eats cockles, scallops, lug-worms, ragworms, sea-mice, and razorshells swallowing the smaller razorshells entire and dragging the larger from their shells. The sole lives chiefly on worms ; the cod on squids, anemones, swimming crabs ; and the turbot and grey gurnard on a variety of crustaceans and molluscs

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THE Essex manœuvres have come to an end with the re-embarkation of the invading force at Clacton. An indulgent public took them seriously for as long as it could, making believe more than ever did Marchioness over orange peel and water: but there is a limit to all things: and when the invaders marched recklessly on Colchester without provisions or transport or anything else: when hostile armies had to pretend not to know of one another's existence while there was nothing but a hedge between; and when about seven-tenths of the ground was closed in the interests of the farmers, it was felt that the business was not sham fighting but sham sham fighting from which nobody was likely to profit and might be brought to a close as soon as it decently could.

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The most interesting incident of the war this week has been the apparition of the Russian transport *Lena* at 'Frisco which provides Uncle Sam with just the same nice problem which has befallen other neutrals to solve. The *Lena* happened into 'Frisco with boilers in need of repair: she had strained them, we gather, in the ardent pursuit of her duty which was to arrest American ships which might be carrying contraband of war. Survey indicated that the boilers could not be made seaworthy without putting the *Lena* into a condition of efficiency superior to that in which she left Vladivostock: and the latest is that her captain proposes to dismantle the ship, thus relieving America of a difficult task. The billigerents about Mukden appear to be resting and small blame to either of them. There are rumours now concerning the failure of provisions at Port Arthur.

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The Baltic Fleet left Kronstadt on Saturday for the Far East after receiving the Imperial benediction and symbols indicative of its immediate patronage by the Czar: and it got as far as Reval, at the mouth of the Gulf of Finland, which is about 200 miles: and there it is reported to remain pending the arrival of certain information from the seat of war. I confess to some curiosity concerning the colliers from which the Fleet is to replenish its bunkers on the high seas *en route* to the Pacific. Have they or any of them started? If so where are they and how long are they going to wait? The exceeding benevolence of Germany's neutrality towards Russia is attracting some attention. It is averred that the Kaiser's Government made advances to the Czar whereby the latter was enabled, without anxiety, to denude the Russo-German frontier of troops and even to remove siege guns from certain frontier fortresses to supply Port Arthur, Liao Yang and other Manchurian garrisons. Every facility was given for the execution of Russian orders for war material at Essen and other factories more or less controlled by the German Government which further is kind enough to arrest and surrender Russian deserters. The failure of Admiral Prince Ukhtomsky,to take his ships to the German port of Kiao-chan when the last sortie from Port Arthur failed, is said be the reason of his supersession: preparations had been made to coal the Russian vessels with such expedition as would allow them to leave within the 24 hours limit. Altogether Germany seems to be sailing, or to have been sailing, uncommonly close to the wind.

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His critics say that the Russian officer in Manchuria takes no interest in his business and loafs in cafés and haunts of more questionable character in the hour when the enemy is at the door. The Russian officer on his part seems to have grounds for complaint: a letter from one who was at Mukden on 20th July said that Transbaikalia was flooded with gendarmes who continued to arrive from home and pursued with unremitting vigour the task of searching the men's quarters and belongings for evidence of revolutionary leanings. "They are for ever prying after 'revolution'" says the writer. If this be true it is only in obedience to the notorious "secret" instructions which were promulgated a few weeks ago enjoining commanding officers to make surprise visits to privates' quarters and rummage for revolutionary literature. What an extraordinary condition of affairs it is!

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The shipowner who carries contraband of war and omits to proclaim the fact from the main top before his crew "signs on" incurs responsibilities towards the crew under the Employers and Workmen Act. The case of the *Cheltenham*, which was captured by the Gromoboi and taken to Vladivostock in July, has furnished her German crew of nineteen men with cause of action against the vessel's owners. They sued for damages £10 each in compensation for their privations and the danger of sailing seas studded with mines: and they won their case at the Guildhall the Alderman holding that the owners knew the *Cheltenham* was carrying contraband (railway material) and the men did not. But supposing the case of a ship captured with what a Russian prize court and nobody else holds to be contraband of war—fish manure for instance—how does the unlucky shipowner stand towards his crew then?

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The *Discovery* arrived from the Antarctic region on Saturday, after an absence of three years, to receive the welcome she deserves at Portsmouth; and yesterday saw her alongside in the East India Docks. The King with his inevitable sense of the right way to do things caused Commander Scott to be notified of his promotion as soon as he reached Portsmouth and ordered a new Polar Medal to be struck which is to be granted to the officers and men of the *Discovery*. The men are an excellent advertisement of the nutritive properties of seal meat on which they have been living: the provisions supplied from home were so bad that the crew left them alone; and to a man they are stouter than when they left. The Biographical Society entertains Captain Scott to-day; but into welcoming festivities I had better not enter; the atmosphere is one of dinner, toast, speech, and compliment.

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The "outrage" in Westminster Abbey last Sunday seems to have been one of those deeds which *pace* Mr. Bernard Shaw and the Humanitarians would be best met by application of the birch-rod. An idiot who means to do mischief does not seek to accomplish his end with a couple of two-penny crackers, though he may have reckoned on creating a panic. Thanks to the good sense of the congregation in the North Transept where the explosions occurred, any alarm they created speedily subsided. A man who was in the Abbey says he thought somebody was firing at large with a revolver—I see Canon Duckworth formed the same idea—and though there was a rush from the North Transept, it stopped almost immediately and people at once calmed down. Some half-destroyed writing was found which purported to connect the Kensit movement with the matter: but Mr. Kensit's disclaimer is frankly accepted.

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How far ought the public character of the Lord Mayor of London's office to extend to his domestic family? The question is suggested by the strenuous endeavours of some papers to make journalistic capital out of the misfortune that has befallen the Lord Mayor's daughter. Miss Ritchie was to have been married on Monday to a Mr. McCalman, and on Saturday evening a relative of Mr. McCalman called at the Mansion House with a letter for the Lord Mayor which letter informed him that Mr. McCalman saw reason for not marrying Miss Ritchie and for withdrawing to the Continent. With discretion Mr. McCalman left no definite address, as Miss Ritchie has male relatives who might see reason to follow him with cutting whips. One ha'penny paper affirms that its representative was accorded an interview with the lady's brother, but this statement I find it difficult to believe. The knife-and-boot-boy at the Mansion House (if there be so humble a functionary in an establishment so august) could have told the interviewer that Mr. McCalman was expected to lunch on Saturday and did not turn up and that Miss Ritchie remained in her room. Mr. McCalman's "reasons" for his conduct are known only to himself and those to whom he thought proper to confide them. They must be reasons of exceptional soundness to extenuate. He has an appointment in the Egyptian Irrigation Department: I hope it may be correct to write "had."

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The Lord Chamberlain has promulgated new Regulations to secure the greater safety of audiences in theatres. The authority of the London County Council ceases: no longer does the London County Council enjoy power to control licences and the granting or withholding of theatre licences now rests entirely with the Lord Chamberlain whose permission is required before any structural alteration may be made. A new and stricter rule is made as regards smoking: it is prohibited in the auditorium: this will be a blow to the music hallite. The newer theatres give the occupant of stall or dress circle seat as much room as he or she can reasonably require, but the new Regulations provide that each person must be allotted a space at least two feet from back to front and eighteen inches wide. I could name at least one West End theatre which will have to reduce the money the house "holds" in obeying this order. A new clause says that masquerades or public balls may be held in a theatre provided the consent of the Lord Chamberlain be procured, such functions were not allowed at all under the old Regulations.

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"The Catch of the Season" is a musical comedy by Mr. Seymour Hicks (who plays the Duke) and Mr. Cosmo Hamilton: the Lyrics are by Mr. Charles Taylor and Mr. H. E. Haines and Evelyn Baker are answerable for the music. It is Cinderella modernised and furnished with accessories, notably a very small and ugly page-boy who answers to the name of Bucket and who is deeply, desperately, hopelessly in love with Cinderella—that is to say, with Angela. The first act is quite within the realm of the possible,—only it strikes one as a shade too modern to present a large "At Home" in Mayfair with all the women smoking cigarettes. The Duke of St. Jermyns is just arrived home and he is going to give a ball which is the topic of hour. Lady Crystal and her two daughters are going, but Angela, the step daughter, is not for reasons akin to those which sought to deny Cinderella a similar gratification. The Duke, however, has seen Cinderella at the school-room window every day for a week, and being a Duke of enterprise he walks into the school-room, shares Angela's bread and butter, tea, and avows his love. Then at the eleventh hour enter the fairy godmother in the person of Lady Caterham with a bevy of dress maker's girls who dress Angela for the ball. She is to go as Lady Caterham's Irish cousin Molly O'Halloran. Act II is the ball: a mad ball I promise you! Saw you ever a peer capering round his own premises singing a catchy song with all the women folk after him? Then we have a curious scene with ladies on pink cushions, playing with toy butterflies and nets: very pretty but passing strange. Act I is musical comedy and good musical comedy: Act II lapses into riotous farce: but it served the Vaudeville audience and the piece had the reception which spells success. What matter if Angela took an Irish accent with her Irish *alias* and expanded from the subdued school-room Miss into the seasoned beauty, self-sure and collected in the hour? What if the Duke did fail to recognise her and made love to Miss O'Halloran in place of Angela his adored of two hours agone? These be the stock in trade of musical farce, and let them go. There is some comical dialogue and some of the songs are very charming: best is Angela's "I'll be a good little Girl"; though another solo "Can't you speak" runs it close. Very catchy and haunting is the Duke's song "Church Parade" and sung in that weird racket of a ball-room. Miss Lena Dare is Angela and the part fits her perfectly in Act I. Mr. William Gibson (Mr. Compton Coutts) with his ten Dana Gibson daughters was a valuable acquisition to the play. Miss Ethel Mathews and Miss Hilda Jacobson were the wicked but handsome sisters. Master A. Valchera as the lovelorn melodramatic buttons was inimitable. Miss Dare is tall, and Bucket is such a small boy: I really felt for him when he had to cease adoring Angela and go downstairs to answer the bell which announced the advent of his rival the Duke.

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The dramatic event of the week was, of course, Mr. Beerbohm Tree's production of "The Tempest" at His Majesty's on Wednesday night. It was well received: an audience would be more than human and less than reasonable if the spectacle of a mediæval galley breaking up before its eyes to the accompaniment of the very best stage thunder and lightning failed to secure sympathetic attention at the outset: it is one of the most remarkable scenic efforts I have ever witnessed. Whether Mr. Tree's conception of "The Tempest" meets yours or mine or anybody else's is an open question. I must admit it never struck me that Caliban was a personage of such importance as to deserve interpretation by Mr. Tree himself: so it is however: a monster, tusked and hirsute but human enough; an object for pity in the concluding scene where we have him standing solitary on yellow sands gazing wistfully after the departing vessel that carries away from the island his gods worthy and the reverse, his glimpse of a higher order of things. Ferdinand and Miranda have their turn of love-making and very well they do it, though Miss Norah Kevin's coquetry struck me as a shade out of place: Mr. Basil Gill as Ferdinand was admirable. Mr. Lionel Brough was Trinculo and Mr. Louis Calvert Stephens; both were superb, and their entry brought new life to the play when Ferdinand and Miranda had taken a back seat and the arrival of the shipwrecked passengers kept the story in a state of suspended animation. Their appearance, of course, brings Caliban to the front and gives him the prominence he does not enjoy in the printed book. Ariel, delightfully and enthusiastically played by Miss Viola Tree, pervades the piece; which I presume is as it should be, as there is the atmosphere of enchantment to maintain. Concerning that atmosphere, by the way, Mr. Tree will none of those divers spirits in shape of dogs

and hounds when the scene shifts to Prospero's Cave; nought so tame: his idea of spirits is that of weird uncanny monsters such as Mr. Reed gives us in *Punch*. Mr. William Haviland as Prospero was rather heavy: it goes without saying that the wronged Duke of Milan can't be made a cheerful character: but Mr. Haviland's reading of the part is slow and ponderous to tedium; had he solemnly wound up "and now my dear brethren" pulpit-wise, one would have felt the utterance quite in accord with his method of rolling out Prospero's speeches: he was more a Church Dignitary than a magician. There is "ballet with a purpose" (more than slightly reminiscent of pantomine, this) in which the most audacious of Cupids figures largely. Cupid caught the fancy of the house amazingly, and his persistence in using his bow were after Ceres had informed us that the chubby godlet had "broke his arrows" and had given up shooting only strengthened his claim to popularity. The whole play is a marvel of stage craft from the wonderful wreck scene down to Ariel's exit through the flies by some ingenious arrangement of wires: the scenic effects alone are enough to give the piece a long run.

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The Post-Master-General contemplates the introduction of the V.-P.P. system for which a section of the public has long agitated. It would suit the tradesman dealing with an unknown customer to throw the work of collecting his account on the postman; but personally, I can't see that the innovation is very urgently needed. It is invaluable to residents in the mofussil, but with postal orders and post office orders at everyone's hand it does not seem very necessary in this country.

A Coroner, while holding an inquest a few days ago, protested against the regularity with which juries tack on the qualification "while of unsound mind" to a verdict of suicide. It is the charitable habit of juries to do this in about 299 cases out of 300, though there is no evidence whatever of insanity: the popular idea being that the suicide's remains will be refused Christian burial if a naked verdict of *felo de se* be returned: which is quite a mistake as the Coroner pointed out.

Some little time ago Mr. Pierrepont Morgan brought in Italy a remarkable vestment which was said to be of thirteenth century workmanship and he kindly lent it to the Victoria and Albert Museum. The authenticity of the garment has now been upheld by Signor Luca Beltrami who identifies it as the cope which Nicholas IV presented to Ascoli Pecino in 1288: it was stolen from the cathedral of that city two years ago, and the first receiver being arrested committed suicide. Signor Beltrami suggests that Mr. Morgan's proper course is to restore the cope to its lawful custodians; but it is understood that the eminent millionaire had already promised to do this.

Mr. Kipling has written a letter to Mons d'Humieres who translated his works into French. As far as the quotations published allow one to judge it is a letter worthy of the Imperialist poet who makes some singularly happy and unhackneyed remarks on the inter-relations of England and France. In a curious passage he explains the British taste for exercise as a necessity imposed upon us by the artificial conditions under which a crowded population must live in chastity. No doubt he could make out a plausible case for his view of the matter.

The War Office is arranging for the shipment of 50,000 of the new short rifles to India before the end of the current financial year that regiments first for service may be armed therewith.

Mussulman London wants a mosque and an architect has been commissioned to prepare plans for it.

A new, if not convincing, defence was offered by a bookmaker charged with street betting at Brierley-hill: he weighed 33 stone and was thus unable to do any sort of work. ONLOOKER.

Mr. Charles Greville, the Talleyrand of the Turf, seems to have occupied an enviable position. Through the interest of his grandfather he was appointed Secretary of Jamaica, and Clerk of her late Majesty's Privy Council—an office which he held for forty years. The two offices brought him upwards of £4,000 a year, besides his honorarium as manager of the Duke of York's racing stud.

At first, however, with all his cleverness, he does not appear to have been successful in his betting transactions. He used himself to tell an amusing story illustrating the difficulties in which he was occasionally landed in his early days.

Having lost £3,000, which he was unable to pay, he applied to his uncle, the Duke of Portland, for a loan of the money, and the Duke readily lent him the amount. As soon as Mr. Greville was in funds he put three brand-new Bank of England notes for £1,000 each in his pocket, and presented himself before his uncle to discharge the debt.

"Oh! no, Charles; keep the money by all means. It will bring you luck. I never meant it as a loan," said the Duke, good-naturedly.

Greville made some show of reluctance, and unluckily laid the notes on the table. He was quite sure, he used to say, that if he had offered a bundle of dirty notes or a cheque, the Duke would have refused to take the money. But bright, clean, crisp notes had a kind of fascination for his grace which he was unable to resist. He picked them up folded them neatly, and placed them in his pocket-book, saying—

"Well, well, Charles, since you insist upon it I'll take the money; but whenever you have a bad time come to me."

Review.

THE EGG-HUNTER IN LAPLAND.

THE appearance of this attractive and beautifully illustrated volume affords an excellent instance of the fascination which egg-collecting exercises on its votaries. After having experienced in 1895 all the hardships and difficulties inseparable from an expedition to such a desolate and inhospitable country as Lapland, to say nothing of having been nearly eaten alive by mosquitoes, the author took another trip to the same district in 1899, and repeated his performance in 1901 and again in 1903. It is to these last three trips that the present volume is devoted, Mr. Pearson having given his experiences of 1895 in the earlier work entitled "Beyond Betsora Eastward." To anyone contemplating a trip to Russian Lapland it may be pointed out that the expenses are heavy and the travelling, both by sea and land, difficult. For instance, according to the author, a special vessel is a *sine qua non*, and as the steam yacht employed by Mr. Pearson was found unsuited to negotiate the ice in the White Sea, it would appear that a wooden whaler would be the best type of craft for the trip. Then, again, it must be borne in mind that although fine salmon are taken at times, both the fishing and shooting are described by the author as indifferent, big game being apparently for the most part wanting, although wolves may be met with, and we should think there ought to be bear and perhaps an occasional glutton and lynx, although the country may be too devoid of trees for the latter animal. It must likewise be borne in mind that in ordinary seasons the country is wrapt in a snowy pall till well into May, while in late seasons the snow may last well into June. Moreover, almost directly the ground is clear of snow, mosquitoes of a most venomous type make their appearance in such swarms as to render life to a well-fed, tender-skinned Englishman (to use the author's own phrase) almost unendurable in some districts.

Although grassy meadows of a few acres in extent are to be met with in the neighbourhood of some of the towns, the country produces little in the way of fodder except reindeer moss, which affords, however, ample sustenance to large domesticated herds of the animal from which it takes its name. In summer, however, the moister districts are rendered gay by a spangling of marsh marigolds, while a still more brilliant display is afforded by the fields of the splendid yellow *Trollius europæus*, which is by far the finest flowering plant of the country.

If, however, the traveller be an ornithologist and an egg-collector (and we suppose few others would have any inducement to undertake the trip), and at the same time prepared to face the above-mentioned hardships and other drawbacks, there would seem few countries better worthy of his attention, for in the breeding season it is a perfect paradise for birds of all sorts and sizes, ranging from the willow-wren and the wheatear to the lordly white-tailed sea-eagle. An example of its richness in bird-life is afforded by the author's statement that during his 1899 trip he encountered no less than 76 different species, of 44 of which he was fortunate enough to obtain the eggs.

The enthusiasm which the country excites in the mind of the enthusiastic egg-collector may be gleaned from the author's introduction to his experiences during the 1901 trip, where he writes as follows:—

"A man leaving the coast of Northern Russia, his body well bitten by mosquitoes and his mind full of the hundred and one little annoyances inseparable from all travel, may vow he will never venture there again, but in six months all the troubles are forgotten, and only the recollection of some of those glorious days spent within the Arctic circle, which no other region of the world can give, remains; and when the spring returns he is as restless to be off once more as are the birds to return to their northern homes."

Thus it is with every ardent sportsman and field naturalist throughout the world, if only he can afford the time and money.

Among the birds to be found in the greatest profusion in Northern Lapland during the brief summer are puffins—the miscalled "ducks" of the *Arctic Pilot*—which breed in thousands in their burrows and whose bodies and eggs are collected in vast numbers by the natives and by Russians who visit the country at this season for the purpose of collecting them for food. Eider ducks and long-tailed ducks are likewise met with in profusion; while on the higher grounds are flocks of ptarmigan and willow-grouse. These two latter by the way, are all-important to the other birds, since they are the only species which undergo a spring moult, and are consequently the only ones which afford a supply of feathers for the nests of their fellows. The birds dear to the heart of the collector are, however such species as the herring and glaucous gulls, the turnstone, dotterel, little stint, and numerous other shore and wading species which nest only on the barren tundras of the frozen north.

Of the eggs and nests of these and numerous other species, whose breeding haunts were first made known in civilised Europe by John Wolley, and subsequently by Seebohm and other hardy explorers, the author gives a number of exquisite reproductions from photographs taken on the spot, which confer on his interesting volume a permanent value to the scientific ornithologist. The author, however, by no means confines himself to a description of the bird life of the country, but furnishes much interesting information with regard to the natives of the country, with several excellent photographs. From its attractive style, both as regards letterpress and illustrations, the book may therefore be commended, not only to those who contemplate a trip to the country, but to all interested in bird-life and adventure.

Three summers among the Birds of Russian Lapland. By H. G. Pearson London (Porter) 1904. pp. xvi, 272, illustrated Price 21s. net.

A CRICKET MANUAL.

IT would seem to be impossible for a writer on cricket to produce a book which shall be worth reading: yet Mr. F. C. Holland, a member of the Surrey team, has accomplished the feat. His contribution to the literature of the game consists of about ninety pages and every line is to the point: it is in fact the handiwork of an intelligent and thoughtful cricketer who has the gift of self-analysis and who has consistently asked himself what is the right thing to do, and how to do it: who has made use of exceptional opportunities for studying all the best exponents of the game and has profitted by his observation: and who above all for instructive purposes, can impart his knowledge. Mr. Holland writes in a straightforward simple style, giving his reader advice exactly as he might do by word of mouth on the field: and the result is an unpretentious, but sound and sensible book whose perusal will profit the keen beginner more than that of many much more ambitious volumes. Particularly have we reason to commend the chapter on "Stopping, catching, and throwing in:" the author is fully alive to the fact that work in the field is unduly neglected by the average cricketer and he is at pains to show how much of the success of a team depends upon the alertness and skill of the fielder.

The book is profusely illustrated from photographs to show the position of the batsman under various circumstances, the proper method of holding and handling the ball by the bowler and the various ways the fieldsmen should go about their work. We can heartily praise the book for its directness, simplicity, and good sense.

Cricket (the all-England Series) By F. C. Holland. Geo Bell and Sons.

Shikar.

A TIGRESS AND HER CUBS.

I AM personally well acquainted with the chief and his nephew referred to in the following account of the latter's experience lately with a tigress and her cubs and can vouch for its accuracy. In April last information was brought to the chief of one of the native Feudatory States that a tigress was playing havoc in one of his villages, situated about 25 miles from his *gurh*, and that the villagers who had during the previous few weeks lost a considerable number of cattle were thoroughly terrorized. Only one tiger had been actually seen occasionally by woodcutters, but it was believed that there were others about. The Rajah, himself a good sportsman, was in bad health and disinclined to face the heat then prevailing in the *Nichi Ghaut*, where the report came from, but his nephew, Beni Singh, a fine young Rajput of about 20 years of ago, who, though he had never shot a tiger was a keen and ambitious sportsman, arranged to go out. He rode down the same evening to ——— where the Rajah has a bhandar or zemindary cutchery and grainary, situated in the centre of the neighbourhood reported to be affected by the tigers.

The following morning he began to make enquiries regarding them, when it appeared that in all 22 head of cattle had been killed during the previous six weeks, and the day before his arrival a man cutting wood in the jungle had been seized by a tiger, but had been fortunately rescued by his companions before he could be carried off. During the next two days no news was brought in of the animals, which appeared to be unusually quiet. Beni Singh visited all the villages in the neighbourhood on an elephant in order to get any *khubber* that was to be had, and had buffaloes tied out at night at likely spots in five different villages, but day after day reports were brought in to him that there had been no kills and the tigress appeared to have left the neighbourhood. Beni Singh was beginning to get impatient and determined to beat all the adjacent jungles thoroughly in turn, and in this way passed four more days unsuccessfully.

Disappointed on the fourth day he returned home in the afternoon and had just bathed and eaten when two men came running to the bhandar in great excitement saying they had been out in the jungle with Munsi Pilhi, the wife of the elder of them, collecting goolab fruit; the woman had climbed a large goolab tree which overhung a deep well wooded ravine, and was picking and throwing down the fruit to them when a tiger had silently crept up out of the ravine torwards them, and making a sudden spring seized her husband by a shoulder, throwing him down, but his companion at once threw his axe at it, striking it well behind the shoulder, when it dragged the man and made off, they had both then run away as quickly as possible. Beni Singh immediately ordered his elephants to be got ready and was preparing to go out when the woman also turned up in a great hurry, and said that being greatly frightened when her husband had been seized by the tiger she had climbed up to the next branch above her, and that as soon as the men had disappeared the tiger had again come up out of the ravine under the tree she was on, when she endeavoured to climb a little higher and more out of the animal's reach, but in her terror missing her hold she had slipped and fallen right on to its back, it was so startled at her advent that with a loud roar it had made one spring back down the ravine, where it sat growling, though unseen by her. She had on recovering from the shock crawled away a few feet and then getting up had made the best of her way to the bhandar.

Beni Singh mounting his elephant at once and started, accompanied by the one unwounded man and some half a dozen villagers. Mounting the tree where the woman had sat he directed all the men to get on to the neighbouring trees and to keep a good lookout, and then sent the elephants round to beat up the ravine towards him. In about half an hour a low growl was heard, followed by the tremendous roar of a tiger close at hand and growls of cubs with her, with squeals and trumpeting of the elephants, these latter however remained staunch and steadily advanced towards Beni Singh's tree, when suddenly a tigress with two small cubs bounded up out of the ravine behind the tree and into a small patch of grass jungle some 50 yards off. Their appearance on that side had been so altogether unexpected that Beni Singh had not been able to get in a shot, but on the elephants coming up they were put into the grass, and after one or two ineffectual charges by the tigress they managed to hustle her and the cubs back towards the ravine, when Beni Singh dropped her in the open with a ball in the spine; she was unable to get up again, and a second ball in the head finished her.

The cubs had in the meantime gained the ravine, and a search was at once commenced for them, headed by Beni Singh, they were soon found, but proved to be such little spitfires that it was no easy matter to secure them, several men got severely clawed and scratched, but one of them at length managed to throw a cloth over the larger of the two cubs, and getting entangled it was then captured, the other however, had in the meantime crept into a prickly bush, and every now and then made rushes thence at the men's hands as they tried to seize her, eventually the bush had to be gradually cut away from over her, when she was also secured in a cloth thrown over her. They appeared to be only a few weeks old and were a male and female. The tigress measured only 8 feet 8 inches, but was a young animal with a magnificent dark ruddy coloured coat. The cubs have since been reared at the bhandar where they have been loose in a courtyard, and are at present absolutely tame and follow the men about like dogs. They were at first

brought up entirely on milk, and afterwards on milk and rice, and cooked meal, they also eat flour and *atta chapathies* and even fruit, a most unusual thing in my experience. Beni Singh is justly very proud of his first tiger, and the cubs, which now measure over 4 feet in length, and stand over 16 inches high at the shoulders will shortly be sent down to the Calcutta Zoo.

RAJAH.

PROPOSED INDIAN GAME LAW.

VIEWS OF THE BENGAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE following letter has been forwarded to us for publication :—

From the Secretary, Bengal Chamber of Commerce, to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Revenue Department, No. 1437—1904, dated Calcutta, 21st September 1904.

Sir,—I am directed by the Committee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 2909 of 25th July 1904, enclosing copy of a Bill to make better provision for the protection and preservation of game and fish, the introduction of which is contemplated by the Government of India, and also copy of a letter, No. 1084 of 23rd May 1904, from the Government of India, Home Department, explaining in full detail the reasons for the introduction of the measure and commenting upon the provisions of the Bill. You ask that the Government of Bengal may be furnished with an expression of the opinion of the Chamber on this measure. I am instructed to say in reply that the Committee have given their most careful consideration to the Bill and have also read with great interest the letter from the Government of India, which, in their opinion, states the case for the introduction of a general Game Law for the whole of British India with extreme fairness and considerable force. I am now instructed by the Committee to submit the following comments on the letter in question and on the provisions of the Bill. In considering the whole matter, the Committee have been assisted by a special Sub-Committee of members of the Chamber, more or less interested in sport. They have discussed the proposals from the point of view of the requirements of the Province of Bengal only, as they feel it would be going beyond their province to make suggestions in connection with other parts of India, of the local circumstances of which they are ignorant, and the residents in which will, no doubt, judging from the interest the matter has aroused throughout the country, make suitable representation on their own account.

With regard to the statement in paragraph 7 of the Government of India letter that a great number of Indian birds are migratory and need no protection even against the extensive netting by which the markets are supplied, the Committee are of opinion that the netting of wild duck and teal should be restricted (as there has been visible diminution of several descriptions in the jheels of Bengal during recent years) and they go so far as to recommend that snipe should not be allowed to be brought into any market or station in their live state. The Committee consider that the practice of snipe netting is attended w th a great deal of cruelty, as snipe when caught are almost invariably maimed, and in any case they are birds that it is most difficult, if not impossible, to keep alive in captivity. With regard to the proposals for the classification of sportsmen, referred to in paragraph 10 of the letter, the Committee are of opinion that sportsmen in India should be divided into only two classes, *viz.*, residents, and non-reidents, and that the respective rates for ordinary licenses should be Rs. 20 and Rs. 100. The Committee strongly deprecate any differentiation in regard to rate of classification between official and non-official residents, and trust that the Government of India will see their way to withdraw this objectionable provision. The Committee find themselves entirely in accord with the principles laid down in paragraph 14, Clause (*a*) of the letter with regard to the prohibition of the practice of sitting up over water holes in order to shoot animals which come to drink. With regard to the question of an export duty on horns, skins and other trophies of game raised in Clause (*b*) of this paragraph, the Committee are inclined to think that before any such duty is imposed an inquiry should be made as to what quantities of such articles, exclusive of shed horns, have been exported during the last five years. With regard to Clause (*c*) of this paragraph, the Committee differ from the Government of India as to the necessity for the protection of eggs. They consider that provision should be made in the Bill for the protection of the eggs of game birds, the nests of which they have reason to believe are frequently plundered.

The Committee are not inclined to support the proposal embodied in paragraph 15 of the letter from the Government of India to appoint a special officer in connection with the administration of the Game Law. In their opinion a single officer for the whole of India would be quite unable to cope with the work, and it would be practically impossible to obtain any officer with the requisite knowledge of the country and game, the circumstances in different parts of India being so entirely different. The Committee suggest as an alterative the formation of local Committees of sportsmen and others, or Associations to assist Government in the administration of the law. The Committee are strongly opposed to employing revenue from license fees in providing guns gratis, for persons holding licenses for the protection of crops or for the destruction of dangerous animals, and consider a better way of dealing with any surplus fees would be to offer rewards for the destruction of such animals, as are the natural enemies of game. The suggestions already made if adopted will involve certain alterations in the provisions of the draft Bill, with regard to which latter the Committee have only the following further recommendations to make :— They suggest in Section 15 (1) (*b*) the substitution of the words "and or" in place of the word "and" in the third line of this Sub-Clause, and in Section 15 (1) (*c*) they recommend the substitution of the words "and or" in place of the word "and" in the fourth line of this Sub-Clause. With regard to Section 16, providing a fine which may extend to Rs. 500, in respect of every head of game not accounted for by the holder of a license limiting the number of head of any specified kind of large animal which might be killed or killed in excess of the number so permitted, the Committee consider that a fine extending to Rs. 100 would be sufficient.—I have, etc.,

W. PARSONS,
Secretary.

THE BOLD WILD DOG.

LAST month on my way to a forester's camp I came to a batch of logs lying in khere grass by the side of the L. Creek ready for me to measure. My travelling elephants and men had passed probably about ten minutes, and as I had only my hunter with me I sent him to fetch men from the forester's camp to help me to measure these logs whilst I sat on the end of one with my rifle close to me. I had been sitting there about five minutes when I heard the patter of feet in the creek, and thinking it was my men coming back at first took no notice, but as the sound seemed unnatural, I looked up and saw a barking deer swimming in deepish water very slowly with only the top of its head and back showing out of water. The first thought that struck me was of wild dogs and so I did not shoot, but stood up on the log from where I could see about 200 yards up the creek and then watched the antics of the deer. He had not noticed me although I was only about ten yards off him and he seemed to be trying to remain in the water as much hidden as possible, sometimes when the water was too deep for him to touch the bottom he went right under. Eventually he spotted me and made off down the creek, and as nothing was in sight above I took a shot and missed.

I then sat down again on my log and had not been there half a minute before a wild dog came cantering slowly along the sand about 6 yards off me and between me and the water. (I had no more cartridges, my bag being with the hunter.) He took not the slightest notice of me, his tongue was hanging out and his nose well up, never on the ground and he seemed to be using his eyes only, evidently expecting to catch sight of his quarry in front of him. Another two or three minutes passed and along came three more dogs all in grand condition cantering easily with their tongues out. One came within two yards of me and stopped short and looking at me for fifteen seconds or so and then went on as though nothing had happened, after the others. He was lame and whining piteously. Before he was out of sight my men turned up and as I was showing them how close the dogs ran to me I spotted the deer sitting on the side of a landslip behind a bamboo clump on the opposite side of the creek to that down which the dogs had run. I went up close to him and as he did not get up and only moved his head a little I thought I must have wounded him when I shot, so finished him off. On examining him I found only the one wound and so he must have been only done up and unable to go further. How I wish I had made certain before shooting again.

I wonder whether my presence put the dogs off although they seemed to take no notice of me or whether the deer was one too good for them. Evidently his game was to cut off his scent by using the running water. Many is the wild dog I have seen up here and never once have they seemed shy as you invariably read in books. When after bison I have three or four times put a wild dog up within two yards of me.

Two years ago I was coming back from shooting jungle fowl walking along the side of some cut paddy-fields about half mile in length when on the opposite side I saw a barking deer run from the jungle into and across the fields to the creek. Shortly afterwards two wild dogs appeared and one followed the deer and the other cut across the fields to a point some way down the creek and so (if the deer followed the creek) saving one-fourth of a mile or so. I had been shooting with a Holland and Holland and Paradox and had one bullet with me. I was standing right in the open and yet the latter dog came almost straight for me passing within thirty yards. It was quite dusk, but I could still see fairly well and took a shot as he was broad side on and knocked one of his front legs clean off at the knee point. I followed him till too dark to see, but never came up to him.

I see in the "Indian Field Shikar Book" in the description of wild dog :—"The young are sooty black throughout." Last cold season in this same creek abovementioned two wild dogs about a week old were found in a nest in thick undergrowth and given to the forest Officer here—they were quite red, a rusty red over, getting darker on the back.

C. B. M.

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Fishing.

FISHING THAT IS FIGHTING.

THE region where most of this fishing takes place is in America, and lies between New London on the Connecticut shore and Chatham on the southernmost shore of Cape Cod, where annually thousands of sword-fish are taken, though the most important fishing grounds seem to be about Martha's Vineyard and Block Island, or nearly in the centre of this region. Here are found boats sent out from New London and Stonington, New Bedford and Hyannis, Boston and Provincetown, the waters in a good season being fairly dotted with them. Here they may be seen, shifting and turning over the ever-restless waters, their look outs stationed at the topmost part of the main-mast, their skipper, harpoon in hand, leaning from the pulpit, or supporting-iron, at the outermost edge of their prows, and all the others of the crew anxiously holding to the tillers or keeping a hand to the guy ropes, so as to lose no time in bringing the ship about should fish be seen. In this position they cruise, all searching the waters for that tell-tale show of dorsal fin which indicates the presence of a sword-fish.

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The manner in which the sword-fish conduct themselves in the water is so peculiar that it forms the basis, as well as the method, of fishing employed. They usually swim in schools of hundreds, and even thousands, but never close enough together to permit of more than a single catch at a time. Their size and habit of swimming with the upper or dorsal fin showing above the water provides a means of detecting them, and their leisurely manner of progressing gives the opportunity of overtaking and killing them. They have an idle manner, and when one is even so close on them as ten feet they do not always seem to notice. Only when the harpoon is hurled and a wound inflicted is the savage, fighting instinct of the fish aroused, and then they show a degree of energy and power which, if it does not disturb, at least arouses a sense of respect in the observer.—

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SIR,—The rather feeble attempt to furnish Calcutta with a seaside resort, which from time to time is paraded by the Balasore bungalow proprietor, has, we observe, brought other projects of a similar kind to the front, the latest contemplated being the erection of a cluster of cottages on the north end of Sundip Island at the entrance of the Megna, with a pile pier running out over the shallows like those on shelving shores in Europe. The place is salubrious enough and could be reached from Calcutta in 18 hours, from Dacca in 8, and even from the uttermost parts of Assam in less than 30. Shell fish, shrimps, etc., are plentiful enough and in both the main river and the western creek bummaloe, becktie pomfret bameen and even dol. hin abound; sharks and muggers are to the fore affording good sport in their way Sea bathing in a properly constructed palisade could be safely indulged in, while all necessaries such as bazar supplies are to be had cheap and plentiful enough from the villages on the main land. The north end site is well protected from cyclones and is free from surf

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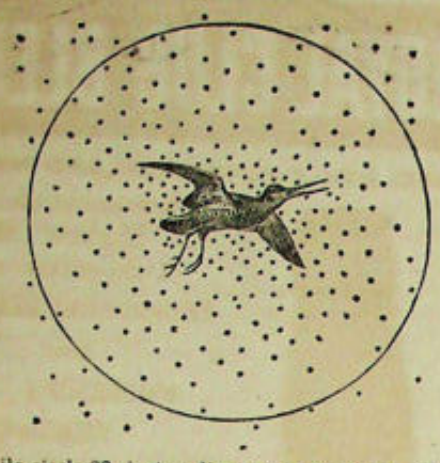
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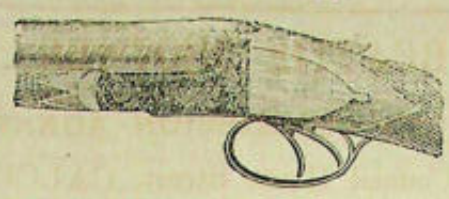
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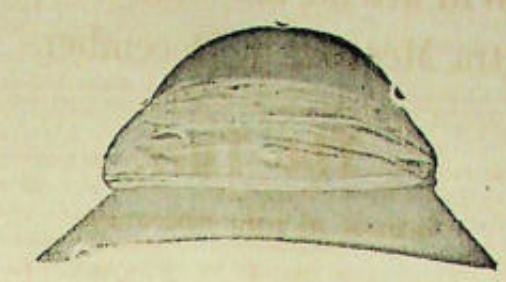
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Darjeeling	,,	17 & 19	471
Hyderabad	,,	20 and 22	521
Lucknow Autumn Sky	,,	25 & 27	
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Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	Jan.	21, 23, 25	496
Dacca	,,	10, 12, 14	521
Madras Winter	,,	24, 26, 28	472
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	14 & 2.	
,, Third Extra	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,,	Feb.	4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpere Open Gymkhana	Third		15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn	Third		15th October.
Army Cup	Final		18th November.
Civil Service Cup	Fourth		1st December.
	Final		20th January.
Hyderabad	Second		10th October.
Rangoon Second Extra	Second		15th October.
Rangoon Third Extra	First		24th October.
	Second		5th November.
Magwe Autumn	First		13th October.
	Second		19th October.
	Third		22nd October.
Umballa Autumn	Third		28th October.
Southern Mahratta Autumn	First		10th October.
	Second		22nd October.
Rangoon Autumn	First		29th October.
	Second		15th November.
	Third		23nd November.
Dacca	First		1st November
	Second		1st December.
	Third		1st January.
Calcutta First Extra			6th December.
,, Second ,,			13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First		1st November.
	Second		30th ,,
,, Second ,,	First		30th November.
	Second		7th January.
Muscoorie Autumn	Second		18th ,,
	Third		26th ,,
Lahore X'mas	Second		1st November.
Meerut Autumn Sky	Third		1st December.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	Third		8th November.
	First		1st November.
	Second		30th November.
Second ,,	First		1st November.
	Second		2nd January.
Dibrugarh	First		1st December.
	Second		1st January.
	Third		20th January.
Madras Xmas	First		15th December.
	Second		20th ,,
Madras Winter	First		15th December.
	Second		10th January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO		
Simla Tournament		2nd week in October.
I. P. A. Championship	(Umballa)	1st week in November.
Sonepore Open Tournament		Begins 23rd November.
Meerut Autumn Tournament		14th, 16th, & 18th November
Calcutta P. C. Tournament		Begins 3rd January.
Rajputana and Central India Tournament		Begins 24th October.
Burma Polo Assn Tournament		From 10th to 20th Novembe
ROWING.		
Calcutta Rowing Club The Power Cup		5th November.
SPORTS.		
Bombay Gym. Annual Athletic Meeting		Begins 10th October.
,, Mounted Sports		12th, 13th, 15th October.
HOCKEY.		
All India Tournament (Allahabad)		Begins 12th December.
SHOOTING.		
Calcutta Revolver Club.		
Monthly Meeting		8th October.
Rapid Fire Competition		22nd October.
FOOT BALL.		
Harris Tournament		Begins 8th October.
GOLF.		
Calcutta G. C. Opening Handicap		5th November.
SHOWS.		
Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show		26th December.
Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show		30th September.
Ahmednaggar Horse Show		29th October.
Punjab Horse Show (Rawalpindi)		Beginning of April.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Duke of York Stakes (1½ miles)	Saturday, 8th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 12th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes(1 mile 1 furlong)	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 2furlongs)	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	Saturday, 26th November

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	1st November.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

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Fourth Day, Wednesday, 28th September 1904.

GOVERNOR'S Cup day was one of incidents. Heavy rain rather marred the proceedings but the racing was full of interest. There was a very large attendance, His Excellency the Governor and Lady Lamington being present. There were some surprises, a couple of disqualifications and a bad accident. Marquis II. started favourite for the big race of the day and did not disappoint her backers for she won easily by four lengths. At the first course Precious fell with Baichan and brought down Skylark, O'Neil and Baichan getting kicked. They were carried off insensible but happily no bones were broken and they recovered consciousness ere the close of the sport. The only other favourite to roll in was Rifleman in the Steward's Purse, Riverside who got home third in this race was disqualified for short weight. La France won the Paddock Plate but an objection for crossing was upheld and the race given to Veera. The Lawn Plate went to Hermit, who went out at fives, Achilles the public fancy finishing down the course. The Ganeshkhind Plate and the Coronation Plate provided upsets. The former was won by Harpist and S. P. came right away in the latter winning by six lengths. Details :—

The Paddock Plate.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs 300, and the tihrd Rs. 200. A handicap for ponies 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Messrs G. K. and D. D.'s ch aus m Veera, 9st. 7lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. D. L. Khemjee's b aus m Bandicoot, 6st. 12lbs	Barrett	2
H H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's ch aus g Cocos, 8st. 4lbs.	Robinson	3
Mr. Finch's b aus m La France, 8st. 7lbs....	Bennett	0

Betting : Evans, La France, 3 to 1 Veera, 4 to 1 each Cocos and Bandicoot.

(*Winner trained by M. Cassim.*)

Veera led at the start but soon gave place to Cocos, who in turn was passed by La France. The latter however interfered with Veera boring out and winning by a neck : half a length between second and third. Time.—1min. 8secs. An objection for crossing was upheld and La France disqualified.

The Lawn Plate.—Rs. 2,000 out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under.

Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 7st. 5lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. R. R. S's b a h Sir Jamal. 8st. 6lbs ...	Elliott	2
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Grey Fox, 8st. 13lbs.	Foster	3
Mr. R. R. S's b a h Rose 9st. 12lbs. ...	Ames	0
Aga S. Shah's g a h Achilles, 9st. ...	Robinson	0
Mr. A. R. Ameer's g a h Young Kohinoor, 8st. 7lbs.	Oomerkhan	0

Mr. Artin A. Essayie's g a h Little Joker, 8st. 5lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. F. M. Garda's br a h Kour Saheb, 7st. 7lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Mustapa bin Talib's ch a h Faithful, 7st. 2lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's br a h Mosumma, 7st.	Dhondi	0
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's g a h Clever Boy, 6st. 8lbs.	Native	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Achilles, 5 to 1 Hermit, 6 to 1 Mosumma, 7 to 1 each Grey Fox and Rose, and 10 to 1 Young Kohinoor and Faithful.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

Kour Sahib was first to show out and led to the half mile where Achilles took command. At the home turn Sir Jamal, Grey Fox and Hermit came through, the last-named getting the verdict.

Won by three-quarters of a lengh one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 26⅘secs.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Rs. 2,000 out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1902. 1¼ miles.

Mr. S. Hart's b aus g Rifleman, 7st. 10lbs.	Murphy	1
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Ur's b aus g Red Coral, 8st. 5lbs.	Melsom	2
Mr. Galstaun's bn aus c Riverside II., 7st. 10lbs.	O'Neil	3
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus g Tubal Cain, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Foster	0
Mr. Galstaun's bl aus g Dulcimer, 9st. ...	Robinson	0
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ch aus g Courara, 8st. 7lbs.	Lansdown	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's b aus g Glen Albyn, 7st. 8lbs.	Wahan	0
Aga S. Shah's b aus g Prestwick, 7st. 5lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. Peel's b aus g Planet, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Morrison	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus h Idler, 7st. 2lbs.	Baichan	0
Captain Wilson's bl e h Misty, 6st. 12lbs	Dhondi	0
Major F. C. Logan-Home's b aus g Corrie Roy, 6st. 8lbs.	A Hoyt	0
Mr. W. Bass' br aus g Stoddart, 6st. 8lbs. ..	Native	0
Aga S. Shah's br aus m Shotover, 6st. 3lbs.	Kamad	0

BETTING: 3 to 1 Rifleman, 5 to 1 Idler, 6 to 1 each Misty, Red Coral, Shotover, 12 to 1 each Tubal Cain, Dulcimer, Glen Albyn, Prestwick, Planet, Stodddart, and 20 to 1 Courara.

(Winner trained by Ferguson.)

Prestwick led to the half mile with Riverside next. Then Rifleman came away and won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—2mins. 16secs

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.—Rs. 4,000 (1,000 presented by H. E. the Right Hon'ble Lord Lamington, G. C. I. E., G. C. M. G., and the balance from the Fund) the second to receive Rs. 700 and the third Rs. 300 out of the entire stake. A handicap for Arabs. R C and distance.

Mr A Davies Cooke's br a g Marquis II., 8st.	Ames	1
Colonel Kavanagh's g a h Money Spinner, 8st. 3lbs.	Elliott	2
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch a h Gallant, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Heeroo	3
Messrs M. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's b a h Hyderi, 9st. 6lbs. ...	Foster	0
Mr. F. M. Garda's b a h Narunjee, 8st. 9lbs.	Oomerkhan	0
H. H. Aga Khan's ch a h Sandow, 8st. 5lbs	Robinson	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Connaught, 8st. 2lbs.	C.B. Mahomed	0
Mr. S. A. Wahed's g a h Skylark, 7st. 10lbs.	O'Neill	0
Mr. Peel's g a h Precious, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Baichan	0
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Adonis, 7st. 8lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b a g Secunder, 7st. 6lbs.	Murphy	0
Mr. Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 7st. 5lbs.	A Hoyt	0
Major A. C. Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 6st. 11lbs.	Kamad	0
Major S. W. Webster's b a h Syndic, 6st. 7lbs.	Dhondi	0

BETTING: 4 to 1 Marquis, 5 to 1 Narunjee, 6 to 1 Gallant, 7 to 1 Hyderi, 10 to 1 each Money Spinner, Connaught and Skylark, 20 to 1 each Secunder, Precious and King Cobweb.

(Winner trained by J.D. Scott.)

They got away to a splendid start with Money Spinner and Precious in front. At the corner Precious fell and brought down Skylark. Both O'Neil and Baichan were badly hurt and were carried off the field insensible. Money Spinner kept ahead to the turn into the straight, here Sandow, who was running second, fell back and Marquis came through and won by four lengths; a length between second and third. Time—3mins. 12secs.

THE GANESHIND PLATE.—Rs. 4,000 out of which second receives Rs. 700 and the third Rs. 300. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Kelso's b aus g Harpist, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Heeroo	1
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Malto, 7st. 8lbs.	Murphy	2
Mr. P. B. Roy Chowdhuri's b aus g Fotheringay, 7st. 3lbs.	Barrett	3
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus m Loch Clieveden, 9st. 12lbs. ...	Southall	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Forest, 9st. 10lbs.	Ames	0
Mr. Finch's b e m Court Belle, 9st. ...	Bond	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus h Vigorous, 8st. 10lbs.	Lansdown	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's ch aus h Progredior. 8st 4lbs. ...	Foster	0
Mr. Moran's b aus g Kingston, 8st. 3lbs.	H. J. Morrison	0
Mr. T R. Badger's br e g Thomond, 8st. 2lbs.	Hard	0
Mr. Mehta's br aus m Blue Blood, 8st. 11b.	Melsom	0
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Springlock, 7st. 12lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. R. R. S's ch aus g Wedlock, 6st. 11lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Curmer's b aus g Rossi, 6st.	P. Morrison	0

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Kingston, 6 to 1 each Loch Clieveden and Harpist, 7 to 1 each Thomond, Blue Blood and Wedlock, 8 to 1 each Forest and Vigorous, and 10 to 1 Springlock.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

Rossi led out and showed the way to the turn with Harpist and Fotheringay next. On entering the straight Rossi dropped back and Harpist going on won by half a length; a neck between Malto and Fotheringay. Time—1min 18secs.

THE CORONATION PLATE.—Rs. 3,500 out of which second receives Rs. 600, and the third Rs. 300. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. W. Bass' b e m S. P., 6st. 8lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy, 8st 10lbs.	Ames	2
Mr. R. R. S's bl aus g Comeback, 8st. 13lbs.	Heeroo	3
Mr. Kelso's b aus m Russley Rose, 9st. 2lbs.	Oomerkhan	0
Mr. Galstaun's b aus h Metalgia, 8st. 7lbs.	Native	0
Mr. Artin e. Essayie's br aus g Koko, 8st. 8lbs.	Morrison	0
Mr. J. J. Pawson's ch e g Idleness, 8st. 2lbs.	Southall	0
Lieut.-Col. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus, 8st. 11b	Melsom	0
Mr. D. Norton's g aus g Bestman II., 8st. 11b.	Robinson	0
Mr. A.W. P's ch aus m Min, 8st ...	Murphy	0
Mr. Kelso's ch aus g Indabba. 7st. 12lbs. ...	Trahan	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's b aus m Picture, 7st. 9lbs.	Dhondi	0
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's b aus m Wakeful, 7st. 4lbs.	Barrett	0
Messrs M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus m Olga, 6st. 4lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' ch aus m Queen Cole, 6st.	Native	0

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Russley Rose and Minimus, 6 to 1 S. P., Olga, Wakeful, Comeback and Yankee Boy, 8 to 1 Westman, 10 to 1 Metalgia, 12 to 1 Idleness, 20 to 1 each Koko, Indabba, Picture and Queen Cole.

(Winner trained by C. Bleach.)

After some delay at the start caused by Picture, Yankee Boy led with Russley Rose next. Wakeful then got ahead and was in front entering the straight but went back to his field and S. P. came right away and repeated his win of last year.

Won by six lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 33⅘ secs.

Fifth Day, Saturday, 1st October 1904.

Excellent sport was provided to-day but the attendance was not as big as usual. There were but two upsets—Sandow's victory in the winner Handicap, for which Marquis II. was most fancied and Oriental's win in the Lilliput Handicap. The Turf Club Cup went to Saloon. Dulcimer secured the verdict in the October Plate; another favourite, King Cobweb, having rather an easy win in the Desert Handicap. S. P. was the tip for Commissioner's purse and made no mistake winning by a length and-a-half. The race for the Aga Khan's Cup proved a splendid finish between Rifleman and Trenton, resulting in a head verdict in favour of the former. Details;—

THE TURF CLUB CUP.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third Rs. 200. A Handicap for Country-Bred Horses. 1 mile.

Mr. J. D. Scott's br cb h Saloon, 12st. 13lbs.	Ames	1
Col. J. P. Grant's ch cb h Philistine, 6st. 10lbs.	Kamad	2
Capt. Randall's b cb m Miss Ascot 7st. 9lbs	Barrett	3
Mr. Jaffer Mahomed Mistry's b cb g Upstart, 9st. 4lbs.	Heeroo	0
Col. J. P. Grant's b cb b Prime, 10st. 13lbs.	Dhondi	0
Mr. Johnes' b cb m Lady Newbrook, ...	Melsom	0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Saloon, 4 to 1 agst. Upstart, 5 to 1 Prime, 8 to 1 the others.

Philistine was first away with Saloon and Newbrook close up; then Saloon took command but resigned it to Philistine who led into the straight. Saloon came through and won by length; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 49⅘secs.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500 out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs 200. A Handicap for Arab Ponies 14 hands and under. 1 mile.

Mr. Moss King's b a h King Cobweb, 7st 5lbs.	A Hoyt	1
Aga S. Shah's b a h Arabistan, 8st. 9lbs. ..	Robinson	2
Mr Artin A. Essayie's g a h Little Joker, 8st. 3.bs.	Ames	3
Colonel Kavanagh's g a h Money Spinner, 9st. 11b.	Heeroo	0
Mr. R. R. S.'s b a h Sirjamal. 8st. 3lbs. ...	Elliott	0
Major Stisted's b a h Pounds, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Melsom	0
Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's ch a h Faithful, 6st. 8lbs	Kamad	0

(Winner trained privately.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. King Cobweb, 5 to 2 Arabistan, 3 to 1 Money Spinner, 5 to 1 each Sirjamal and Little Joker, 6 to 1 the others.

Faithful led them to the turn where he was passed by King Cobweb and Arabistan, the former winning rather easily by three lengths; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 53⅘secs.

THE COMMISSIONER'S PURSE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A Handicap for Ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs

Mr. W. Bass' b e m S. P., 8st. 11lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Mr Kelso's b aus m Russley Rose, 9st. 6lbs.	Robinson	2
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy, 9st. 8lbs.	Ames	3
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Ping Pong, 8st. 3lbs.	Native	0
Messrs. M Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus m Olga, 6st. 8lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. D. L. Khemjee's b aus m Bandicoot 6st.	Melsom	0

(Winner trained by Bleach.)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. S. P., 3 to 2 Yankee Boy, 3 to 1 Russley Rose, 4 to 1 Olga, 20 to 1 the others.

Ping Pong and Bandicoot showed out first, but came back to their field and Olga led. Coming into the straight S. P. and Russley Rose went to the head of affairs the former winning by a length and-a-half, half a length between second and third Time—1min. 18secs.

THE AGA KHAN'S CUP.—A cup value £100 sterling presented by H. H. the Aga Sir Sultan Muhammad Shah Aga Khan, G C. I. E., and Rs. 4,500 from the Fund out of which second receives Rs. 800, and the third Rs. 400. A Handicap for Horses.

Mr. S. Hart's b aus g Rifleman, 7st. 10lbs.	Murphy	1
Lieut-Col. Desara jUrs' b aus g Trenton, 7st. 7lbs.	Melsom	2
Mr. Kelso's ch e g Child's Guide 9st. 5lbs.	Ames	3
H. H Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus m Loch Clieveden, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Southall	0
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Stand Off, 9st. 11bs	Penton	0
Messrs. M Goculdas, and A. Nanjee's ch aus h Progrediors 8st. 12lbs. ...	Foster	0
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron. 8st. 8lbs.	Robinson	0
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Goldsmith, 8st.	A. Hoyt	0
Lieut.-Col J. Desaraj Urs' ch aus g Courara, 7st. 11b.	Barrett	0
Capt. Wilson's bl ch Misty, 6st. 9lbs. ...	Kamad	0

(Winner trained by Ferguson.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Trenton, 5 to 2 Rifleman, 4 to 1 Child's Guide, 5 to 1 Stand Off, longer odds the rest.

After some delay at the start, caused by Rifleman, they got away very level, Goldsmith and Stand Off then taking the lead. Courara and Hoop went up to the leaders at the home turn where Trenton and Rifleman began to come through, an exciting finishs resulting in a win for the latter by a head: half a length between second and third. Time—2mins. 40secs.

THE WINNER'S HANDICAP.—Rs 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A Handicap for Arabs 1¼ miles.

H. H. Aga Khan's ch a h Sandow, 8st. 11b.	Robinson	1
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch a h Gallant, 9st. 12lbs. ...	Heeroo	2
Mr. A. Davies-Cooke's br a g Marquis II., 9st. 4lbs.	Ames	3
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Connaught, 7st. 9lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Messrs G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Adonis, 7st.	Melsom	0
Major A. C. Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 6st.	Kamad	0

(Winner trained by Aga S. Shah.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Marquis II., 3 to 1 each Gallant and Sandow, 4 to 1 Jack Horner, 8 to 1 the others.

Adonis led for half the distance, when Jack Horner got the lead but dropped back at the corner, a good race home between Gallant and Sandow ending in a win for Sandow by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 53⅘secs.

THE OCTOBER PLATE.—Rs. 2,000 out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A Handicap for Horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1902. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Galstaun's bl aus g Dulcimer, 9st. 2lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. W. Moran's b aus g Kingston, 8st. 13lbs.	H. J. Morrison	2
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b aus g Roscommon, 7st. 10lbs.	Melsom	3
Mr. B. P. Roy Chowdhuri's b aus g Fotheringay, 8st. 3lbs.	Barrett	0
Mr. J. D Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 8st. 2lbs.	Ames	0
H. H. Aga Khan's br aus g Beadsman, 8st. 11b.	Oomerkhan	0
Mr Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum, 7st. 12lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. R R. S.'s ch aus g Wedlock. 7st. 11lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. Guest's b aus g Spark, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Kamad	0
Messrs. G K. and D. D.'s bl aus m Overture, 6st. 11lbs.	Dawood	0

(Winner trained by Mumford.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Dulcimer, 4 to 1 each Kingston and Roscommon, 5 to 1 Fotheringay, 8 to 1 each Honest Lady, Beadsman, and Spark, longer odds the others.

Roscommon was first away and took them along to the home turn with Kingston in close attendance. Then Dulcimer came away and won by a length and-a-half; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

THE LILLIPUT HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500 out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third Rs. 200. A Handicap for Arab Ponies 13-3 and under. 5 furlongs.

Aga S. Shah's b a h Oriental, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Kamad	1
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch a h Mint, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Ames	2
Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Robinson	3
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Farewell, 8st. 2lbs.	Foster	0
Mr. Yusuff Yunasee's b a h Yerbo, 7st. 13lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Percy Fischer's ch a h Governor, 7st. 12lbs.	Oomerkhan	0
H. H. Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch a h Shah Jehan, 7st. 11b.	Southall	0
Mr. Abdool Razak Nasroola's bl a h Sabig, 7st. 5lbs.	Dhondi	0
Mr. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim's br a h Mosumma, 7st. 4lbs.	Heeroo	0
Mr. Ally's ch a h Napoleon, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Murphy	0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's b a h Malabar, 6st. 11b.	Hoyt	0
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's g a h Clever Boy, 6st. 8lbs.	Nama	0
Mr. Preston's g a h Tawakel, 6st. 6lbs. ...	Barrett	0
Mr. Henry's g a h Gendarme, 6st. ...	Native	0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING: 3 to 1 each Mint and Yerbo, 4 to 1 each Governor, Hermit, Oriental, Shah Jehan, Malabar, and Clever Boy, 5 to 1 Farewell, 8 to 1 the others.

Governer led to the corner where Mint went to the front but was overtaken at the distance by Oriental who won by a length and-a-half; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 10⅘secs.

Sixth Day, Monday, 3rd October 1904.

(By Special Telegram.)

To-day's programme provided more interesting sport. There was a large attendance and the racing was good. The Grand Annual was won by Daroji who beat the favourite by a head. Tubal Cain created a surprise in the Poona Handicap. It was a magnificent finish, Tubal Cain, who went out at tens, coming in by a head, Forest and Dulcimer made a dead-heat of it fo second place, while Fotheringay was next a head behind Details:—

THE GHORPURI PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for Arab ponies 13-3 and under. 6 furlongs.

Aga Shah's b a h Oriental, 9st. 4lbs. ...	Kamad	1
Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 8st. 10lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	2
A. W. P.'s gr a h Random, 6st. 9lbs. (car. 6st. 10lbs.)	Morrison	3

Also ran: Grey Fox, 9-7; Yerbo, 8-7; Masumma, 7-8 (car. 7-9); Malabar, 6-13; Sold, 6-3 (car. 6-7).

BETTING: 4 to 1 each agst. Grey Fox, Oriental, and Hermit 5 to 1 each Yerbo and Masumma, 6 to 1 each Malabar and Random, and 10 to 1 Gold.

Won easily by two lengths between the second and third. Time—22⅘secs.

THE POONA GRAND ANNUAL.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap steeplechase for horses. About 2 miles 1 furlong.

Major G. Moore's ch aus g Daroji, 10st. 11lbs.	Mumford	1
Major Logan-Home's bk aus g Pope. 12st. 4lbs.	A. Hoyt	2
Sultan of Johore's Peppercorn, 9st. 13lbs.	Koops	3

Also ran: Rapid Rhone, 9-0 (car. 9-2); Musketeer, 9-0.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Pope, 4 to 1 agst. Daroji, 12 to 1 Peppercorn, 20 to 1 each Musketeer and Rapid Rhone.

Won by a head ; three lengths between the second and third. Time—4mins. 20secs.

An objection was lodged against Daroji for interfering with Pope on the course beyond the trees, but was overruled.

THE GANESHKHIND CHASE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs 300, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap steeplechase for ponies 14-2 and under. About 1 mile 7 furlongs, over pony steeplechase course.

Mr. Vincent Clifford's b aus g Patrician, 11st. 11lbs.	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. Becher's b aus g Rifleman II., 8st. ...	Hayd	2
Major Logan-Home's ch aus m Mary Jane, 8st. (car. 8st. 12lbs.)	Johnson	3

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Patrician, 2 to 1 agst. Rifleman, II., and 5 to 1 Mary Jane.

Won by four lengths ; same between the second and third. Time—4mins. 7secs

THE ALL PONY PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs 200. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Kelso's b aus m Russley Rose, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Ames	1
Col. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus, 7st.	Melsom	2
Mr. Ramshaw's br aus m Signorina, 8st. 10lbs.	Penton	3
Mr. A. W. P.s b aus m Min, 6st. 11lbs. (car. 6st. 12lbs.)	R. Morrison	0

Also ran : Anne Comeback. 8-11, Koke, 8-2 ; Metalgia. 8-1 ; Gun Metal, 7-13 ; Bestman II., 7-7 ; Idleness, 7-3 ; Picture, 6-5 ; Wakeful, 6 0 (car. 6-7).

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst Signorina, 5 to 1 each Russley Rose and Bestman II., 6 to 1 each Comeback and Wakeful, 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by one and-a-half lengths ; a neck between the second and third. Time—1min. 2⅘secs.

THE POONA HANDICAP.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs

Messrs. Goculdass and Nanjee's br aus g Tubal Cain. 8st. 12lbs.	Foster	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Forest, 9-t. 12lbs.	Ames	dead-
Mr. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer, 8st. 10lbs.	Robinson	heat
Mr. Chowdhuri's b aus g Fotheringay, 7st.	Barrett	0

Also ran : Harpist, 8-13 ; Courtbelle, 8-8 ; Thomond, 7-10 (car. 7-11) ; Malto, 7-9, Correwick, 7-6 ; Wedlock 6-9 ; Rossi, 6-0 (car. 6-7).

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Malto, 3 to 1 Dulcimer, 6 to 1 Forest, 8 to 1 each Harpist and Fotheringay, 10 to 1 each Tubal Cain and Thomond, and 15 to 1 the others.

Won by a head from the dead-heaters, who again were a head in front of the fourth. Time—1min. 3secs.

THE KIRKEE PLATE.—Rs. 1,500, out of which second receives Rs. 300, and the third Rs 200. A handicap for Arab ponies 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 8st. 4lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. Pibe's b a h Bandit II., 6st. (car. 6st. 2lbs.)	Kamad	2
Mr. Goculdass and Nanjee's b a h Bay Middleton, 9st. 13lbs.	Foster	3
Mr. Gardia's br a h Kour Sahib, 6st. 13lbs.	Melsom	0

Also ran : Money Spinner, 3-10 ; Achilles, 8-6 ; Governor, 7-2 ; Clever Boy, 6-0 (car. 6-6).

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Achilles, 4 to 1 each Hermit, Bay Middleton, and Bandit, 5 to 1 each Governor and Kour Sahib, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by one length ; half a length between the second and third. Time—1min. 8½secs.

MUSSOORIE AUTUMN RACES.

STEWARDS :

COL. H. B. MORTIMER, A. A. G. | V. A. MACKINNON, ESQ.
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CAPT. H. N. HOLDEN, G. G. BODYGUARD. | CAPT. J. B. CAUTLEY, R.A.M.C.

Judg :—MAJOR W. H. KEMP.
Starter and Clerk of Scales :—MR. J. N. BLAKE.
Honorary Secretary :—MR. C. F FITCH.

First Day, Thursday, 29th September 1904.

There was a good attandance—in beautiful weather—at the racing to-day. The arrangements, too, were all that could be desired. The course has improved since last meeting ; not only has the rain settled it well, but it is now nearly covered with turf. The entries were on the whole excellent and several good races were witnessed Details :—

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Capt. H. N. Holden's b a g Tagra, 9st. 4lbs. (car. 9st. 8lbs)	Native	1
Mr. C. Wilson's g a h High Flag, 9st. 3lbs. (car. 9st. 10lbs.)	King	2
Mr. Crawshay's g a g Niblick, 10st. (car. 10st. 6lbs.)	Owner	3

BETTING : 2 to 1 on High Flag, same odds agst. Tagra, and 2 to 1 Niblick.

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

THE NOVICE STAKES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. For ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Capt. O. De L. Williams' g a h Mail, 9st. (car. 10st. 2lbs.)	Mr. Johnson	1
Capt. Grech's ch cb m Hope Terry, 8st. 11b. (car. 8st. 8lbs.)	King	2
Nawab Shah Mohamed Khan's g cb m Silver Princess, 10st. 9lbs. ...	Native	3
Mr. G. R. Maitland's g s afr m Koodoo, 12st. 4lbs.	Owner	0
Munshi Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 9st. 5lbs.	Native	0
Capt. Holden's b a g Bumble Bee, 10st. 11b.	Native	0
Mr. J. Beldham's br cb m Ring Sydona, 10st. 13lbs.	Native	0

BETTING : Evens Hope Terry, 6 to 4 each agst. Silver Princess and Ring Sydona, 6 to 1 each Mail, Bumble, Bee and Labyrinth, and 10 to 1 Koodoo.

As splendid race, won by a neck ; one and-a-half lengths between second and third. Totalisator paid Rs. 36 on the winner.

THE KAPURTHALA CUP.—Rs. 199. Presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Kapurthala, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For English and Australian ponies 14-1 and under. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11-0. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Capt. Holden's br aus g Pathfinder, 9st. 10lbs.	Native	1
Capt. A. E. Walters' ch aus m Jean, 10st. 5lbs.	Capt. Holden	2
Capt. Davis' b aus m Maureen, 8st. 11lbs.	Native	3
Capt. J. B. Cautley's b aus m Twinkle (by Lochill), 10st. 6lbs.	Native	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Maureen, 2 to 1 Pathfinder, and 3 to 1 Twinkle.

A grand race, resulting in a dead-heat between Pathfinder and Jean with Maureen half a length behind. In the run off Pathfinder (10st.) (Native up) won by half a length. Mr. Johnson rode Jean.

THE SERVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. maiden ponies the property of officers of the Army and members of all Government Services who have been on duty in Chakrata, Kailana, Landour or Mussoorie for some period since 1st May 1904 (not necessarily so now), W. I. 4½ furlongs.

Mr. Steele's b a h Birdcatcher, 9st. 5lbs. ...	King	1
Mr. Crawshay's b a g Horseplay, 11st. 12lbs.	Owner	2

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Birdcatcher, and 2 to 1 agst. Horseplay. Won easily in a canter.

THE CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, Rs. 10 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, others 13-3½ and under. W. I. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. C Wilson's g a h High Flag, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 3lbs.)	King	1
Mr. J. H. Symond's b cb g Salootrie, 9st. 11lbs.	Native	2
Raja of Tikari's b a h Merrick, 11st. ...	Manolescu	3
Capt. J. B. Cautley's b aus m Dandy Lady, 11st. 7lbs.	Native	0
Mrs. Cautley's ch a h Mukhtar, 9st. 9lbs,...	Native	0
Mr. J. H. Symond's b a h Targa, 9st. 5lbs.	Native	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Salootrie, 3 to 1 agst. Targa, 4 to 1 Dandy Lady, 6 to 1 High Flag, and longer odds the rest.

Won by a length ; a poor third.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For *bonâ-fide* polo ponies 14-1 and under which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Capt. A. E. Walters' g aus m Margaret, 12st.	Capt. Holden	1
Mr. G. R. Maitland's g s afr m Koodoo, 11st. 11lbs.	Owner	2
Capt. O. De L. Williams' g a g Pat, 10st. 11lbs.	Mr. Crawshay	3
Capt. O. De L. Williams' g a h Mail, 9st. 7lbs	Mr. Johnson	(disq.)

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Margaret, 2 to 1 agst. Mail, and 4 to 1 the other two.

Won easily by four lengths ; three lengths between the second and third. Mail finish first, but was subsequently disqualified.

Second Day, Saturday, 1st October 1904.

Once again there was a good attendance to witness the racing, an excellent card being provided, Major Humfrey's handicapping was most successful and resulted in some close finishes. The same gentleman also judged in the absence of Major Kemp. Details :—

THE CHARLEVILLE HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under which have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. About 4 furlongs.

Capt. Grech's ch cb m Hope Terry, 7st. 7lbs.	King	1
Nawab Shah Mohamed Khan's g cb m Silver Princess, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Native	2

BETTING : Evens Hope Terry, and 6 to 4 agst. Silver Princess. Won easily by five lengths. Time—59⅘secs.

THE MACKINNON PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arabs and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. About 5 furlongs.

Capt. O. De L. Williams' g a h Mail, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. Johnson	1
Capt. H. N. Holden's h a g Tagra, 9st. 11lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. C. Wilson's g a h High Flag, 9st. 6lbs.	King	3

Won easily by six lengths ; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 20secs.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Mail, 3 and 4 to 1 agst. High Flag and Tagra respectively.

THE SAVOY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. H. Symond's b cb g Salootrie, 8st. (car. 9st)	Native	1
Capt. A. E. Walters' ch aus m Jean, 10st.	Capt. Holden	2

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Salootrie, and 2 to 1 agst Jean. Won comfortably by two and-a half lengths. No time taken.

THE SCURRY HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for Arab and C.-B ponies 14-1 and under. About 3 furlongs.

Capt. Grech's ch cb m Hope Terry, 9st. 9lbs.	Native	1
Nawab Shah Mohamed Khan's g cb m Silver Princess, 12st. 4lbs. ...	Capt. Holden	2
Capt. O. De L. Williams' g a g Pat, 9st.	King	3

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Hope Terry, 5 to 1 agst. Silver Princess, and 3 to 1 Pat.

Won by two lengths ; two and-a-half lengths between second and third. No time taken.

ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs 10 to the third. A handicap for Arabs 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 500 or over. About 4½ furlongs.

Capt. Holden's b a g Tagra, 9st. 13lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. J. H. Symonds' b a h Targa, 8st. 7lbs	Native	2
Mr. Steele's b a h Birdcatcher, 9st. ...	Native	3
Raja of Tikari's g a h Merrick, 10st.	Mr. Manolescu	0
Mr. C Wilson's g a h High Flag, 9st. 11b.	Native	0
Capt. Holden's b a g Bumble Bee, 8st. 3lbs.	Native	0
Mr. C. Fitch's ch a h Bend Or, 7st. 4lbs....	King	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Tagra, 2 to 1 agst High Flag, and longer dods the rest.

Won by a length ; three-quarters of a length between second and third. No time taken.

CONSOLATION PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and have not won. About 3 furlongs.

Capt. Davis' b aus m Maureen, 10st. ...	Capt. Holden	1
Capt. O. De L. Williams' g a g Pat, 9st. (car. 10st. 1½lb.)	Mr. Johnson	2
Mr. G. R Maitland's g s afr m Koodoo, 9st. 10lbs.	Native	3
Raja of Tikari's g a h Merrick, 9st. 5lbs (car. 10st. 6lbs.)	Mr. Manolescu	0
Munshi Fazel Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 8st.	King	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Maureen, 2 to 1 each agst. Merrick and Labyrinth, 3 to 1 Pat, and 7 to 1 Koodoo.

Won comfortably by three lengths ; two and-a-half lengths separated second and third. No time taken.

There is, says an Australian exchange, a well-known bookmarker in Sydney whom we shall call "Puddin'" Stone. This isn't his name, but it will answer.

One day "Puddin'" who weighs anything between 20 and 30 stone, was fielding at an up-country meeting, and had clerking for him a Yiddisher of pronounced type "Puddin'" had a mare engaged in one of the events, which he considered good enough to have a plunge on, and his clerk also had a flutter on the supposed "certainty."

About a furlong from home the mare and another horse cleared out from the field, and were fighting out a great finish. "Puddin'" at this stage, recognising a probability of defeat, was energetically "riding" his champion along at the top of his voice. "Go on, you beauty, Go on ! Go Hon. ! !" he yelled

Then turning to his clerk excitedly, he added—"I wish to goodness I was on the old mare. I'd shift hear along a bit."

The clerk glanced at his employer's elephantine proportion a moment ere he replied, in tones of despair —

"Do you ! Lor' bli'me, I wish you were on the other run.'

Entries for Races.

UMBALLA AUTUMN MEETING, 1904.

FIRST AND SECOND ENTRIES.

First Day, Saturday, 5th November 1904.

PONY STEEPLECHASE.—Distance About 2 miles over Steeplechase Course.

1.	Mr. Pawson's	b aus m	...	Manette, 13 3½.
2.	Mr. Pawson's	ch cb g	...	Kadir, 13-2.
3.	Mr. Badger's	ch cb m	...	Lotus, 14-1.
4.	Mr. Hunt's ...	b cb m	...	Silver Belle.
5.	Mr. Guest's ...	blk aus m	...	Topsy, 14-1.
6.	Mr. Ollivant's	b aus m	...	Swallow.
7.	Mr. Ollivant's	b aus m	...	Eileen.
8.	Captain Palaeologus'	b aus g	...	Vanguard.
9.	Captain Laverton's	b cb m	...	Silly Loo, 14-1.
10.	H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	ch cb h	...	Tom, 14-0.
11.	Nawab Jaffar Ali Khan's	ch cb g	...	Mirage, 14-2.
12.	Mr. White's ...	b cb g	...	Larry.
13.	Captain Coley's	br e m	...	Sago, 13-3.

2ND ENTRIES.

14.	Mr. Beck's ...	g a g	...	Toby, 13 3½.
15.	Mr. Beck's ...	b aus g	...	Bifleman II., 14-0.

NOVICE PLATE.—Distance 4 furlongs.

1.	Mr. Badger's	b a h	...	Sheik.
2.	Mr. Badger's	gr a h	...	Blue Moon.
3.	Mr. J. Atkinson's	ch a g	...	Cyllaros, 13-2½.
4.	Messrs Pawson & Badger's	gr a g	...	Harpagos.
5.	Mr. R. B. Wood's	br a g	...	Lyditte II., 13-2½.
6.	Mr. R. B. Wood's	ch a g	...	All Sir Garnet, 13-2½.
7.	Major Lecky's	g a g	...	Pegasus, 14-0½.
8.	Mr. S. J. S.'s	b a h	...	Jimmy, 14-0½.
9.	Mr. S. J S.'s	b a h	...	Mirza, 13-3½.
10.	Captain Coley's	b a h	...	Visitor, 14-0½.

2ND ENTRIES.

11.	Captain Grant's	ch a h	...	Sherriff, 13-2½.

TRIAL PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1.	Mr. Pawson's	ch e g	...	Idleness.
2.	Mr. R. B. Wood's	b aus m	...	Rusty.
3.	Mr. S. J. S.'s...	b aus g	...	Klondyke.
4.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ..	ch aus h	...	Idler.
5.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	b aus g	...	Vienard.
6.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	br aus h	...	Galion.
7.	Mr. Carton de Wiart's	br aus g	...	Gong.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

MAIDEN PLATE.—Distance 1,000 yards.

1.	Mr. Badger's...	ch a h	...	William Rufus, 13-2.
2.	Mr. Badger's...	b a h	...	Sheik.
3.	Mr. Badger's ..	gr a h	...	Blue Moon.
4.	Messrs. Pawson and Badger's ...	gr a g	...	Harpagos.
5.	Mr. R. B. Wood's	ch a g	...	Oceanic.
6.	Mr. S. J. S.'s	b a h	...	Jimmy, 14-0½.
7.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	b a g	...	Orvieto, 13-3½.
8.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	gr a g	...	Pencil, 13-3½.
9.	Captain Coley's	b a h	...	Visitor, 14-0½.
10.	Mr. Hector Cambell's	b a h	...	Zarafshan, 13-3.
11.	Mr. Symonds	b a m	...	Jaooza, 13-3½.
12.	Captain Sullivan's	b a h	...	Fakir II, 14-0½.
13.	Captain Cautley's	ch a g	...	Chance, 13-2½.

2ND ENTRIES.

14.	Mr. Beck's ...	b a h	...	Sweet William, 132.
15.	Major Fuller's	gr a g	...	Grey Knave, 13-3½.
16.	Captain Ready's	ch a g	...	Toofan, 14-0.

PADDOCK PLATE.—Distance 4 furlongs.

1.	Mr. Pawson's	b e g	...	Pride of the Morning.
2.	Mr. R. B. Wood's	b aus m	...	Barcarolle, 13-3½.
3.	Mr. S. Brandreth's	ch cb h	...	Bob Major, 13-2½.
4.	Mr. Pawson's	b aus m	...	Manette, 13-3½.
5.	Mr. S. J. S.'s	br aus m	...	Bell Metal, 13-3½.
6.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ..	b cb m	...	Sweet Nellie, 14-0.
7.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	ch aus m	...	Parlour Maid, 13-3½.
8.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's	br cb g	...	Fortune, 13-2½.
9.	Captain Coley's	br e m	...	Sago, 13-3.
10.	Mr. Rynolds'	b aus g	...	Play Bell.

2ND ENTRIES.

11.	Mr. S. J. S.'s ..	b aus m	...	Sanjala, 13 3.

C.-B. PLATE.—Distance 1,000 yards.

1.	Mr. Badger's...	ch cb m	...	Lotus, 14-1.
2.	Mr. S. J. S.s...	ch cb m	...	Minerva.
3.	Mr. S. J. S.'s...	b cb m	...	Lucky, 14-0.
4.	Mr. S J. S.'s	b ch m	...	Labby Annie, 13-2½.
5.	Mr. S. J. S.'s...	ch cb m	...	Labby Gown, 14 0½.
6.	Mr. S. J. S.'s...	b cb g	...	Ring Faulka, 13-3½.
7.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	br cb g	...	Jewel, 13-3½.
8.	H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	ch cb h	...	Tom, 14-0.
9.	H H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala s ...	br cb g	...	Fortune, 13-2½.
10.	H. H The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	b cb m	...	Sweet Nellie, 14-0.
11.	Captain Coley's	b cb g	...	SundaySchool, 14-0.
12.	Captain Coley's	b cb m	...	Sapho.
13.	Mr. Hotz's ...	b cb g	...	Hector.
14.	Mr. J. Needham's	b cb m	...	Ring Sydona, 14-0.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

UMBALLA CUP.—Distance about 2 miles over Steeplechase Course.

1.	Mr. Pawson's	blk aus g	...	Rather Warm.
2.	Mr. Pawson's	br aus g	...	All Hot
3.	Mr. Badger's...	blk aus g	...	Black Sand.
4.	Mr. Badger's...	b aus g	...	Prascitilea.
5.	Mr. Ormrod's	ch aus g	...	Cor d'Oro.
6.	Mr. Ormrod's	b aus g	...	The Monchim.
7.	Mr. Maydon's	b aus g	...	Innocence.
8.	Mr. Connop's	b aus g	...	Pathfinder (scr.)
9.	Mr. Connop's	ch aus g	...	Athos.
10.	Mr. Ollivant's	b aus g	...	Hathi.
11.	Captain P. J. Bailey's	b aus g	...	Karnal.
12.	Mr. Reynard's	b aus g	...	Monte Cristo.
13.	Mr. Ollivant's	b aus g	...	Jim.
14.	Mr. R. B. Wood's	b aus g	...	Type Writer.
15.	Mr. R. B. Wood's	b aus g	...	The Camel.
16.	Mr. Hunt's ...	b aus g	...	Traveller.
17.	Sir E. Lacon's	b aus g	...	Undecided.
18.	Major Locky's	b aus g	...	Connie.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

Second Day, Tuesday, the 8th November 1904.

PONY HURDLES.—Distance about 1¼ miles over 6 flights of Hurdles.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus m... Busy Bee, 13-2½.
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning.
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1.
4. Mr. Guest's ... ... blk aus m... Topsy, 14-1.
5. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Swallow.
6. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Eileen.
7. Captain W. C. Palaeologus' b aus g ... Vanguard.
8. Captain Laverton's ... b cb m ... Silly Loo, 14-1.
9. Mr. Bond's ... ... b aus m ... Burlesque, 14-0½.
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0.
11. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's .. ... b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½.
12. Nawab Jaffar Ali Khan's ch cb g ... Mirage, 14-2.
13. Mr. White's ... ... b cb g ... Larry.
14. Captain Coley's ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3.

2ND ENTRIES.

5. Mr. Beck's ... ... b aus g ... Rifleman II., 14-0.

ARABIAN PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2.
2. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... b a h ... Sheik.
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... gr a h ... Blue Moon.
4. Messrs. Pawson & Badger's g a g ... Harpagos.
5. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... br a g ... Lyddite II., 13-2½.
6. Mr. R. B Wood's ... ch a g ... All Sir Garnet, 13-2½
7. Mr. S J. S.'s... ... ch a h ... Volcano, 13-2.
8. Mr. S. J. S.'s... ... b a h ... Jimmy, 14-0½.
9. Mr. Bond's ... ... b a g ... Chancellor, 13-3½.
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½.
11. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch a g ... Shah Jehan, 13-2.
12. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... gr a g ... Pencil, 13-3½.
13. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14-0½.
14. Mr. Hector Campbell's ... b a h ... Zarafshan, 13-3.
15. Mr. Symond's ... b a h ... Jaooza, 13-3½.
16. Captain Durrant's ... b a g ... Squint, 13-2.
17. Captain Sullivan's ... b a g ... Fakir II., 14-0½.

2ND ENTRIES.

18. Mr. Beck's ... ... b a h ... Sweet William, 13-2
19. Mr. Beck's ... ... g a g ... Toby, 13-3½.
20. Major Fuller's ... gr a g ... Grey Knave, 13-3½.

HORSE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch e g ... Idleness.
2. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Rusty.
3. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Dioptrics.
4. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Vienard.
5. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br aus m ... Adelaide.
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Idler.
7. Mr. Carton de Wiart's .. br aus g ... Gong.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

STEWARDS' PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus m ... Barcarolle, 13-3½.
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the morning.
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1.
4. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b aus m ... Manette, 13-3½.
5. Mr. S. J. S.'s... ... b cb m ... Lucky, 14-0.
6. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... br aus m ... Bell Metal, 13-3½.
7. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ch cb m ... Labby Gown, 14-0½.
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Parlour Maid, 13-3½.
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib Patiala's ... ... br cb g ... Fortune, 13-2½.
10. Captain Coley's ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

MALL PLATE.—Distance 4 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2.
2. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... b a h ... Sheik.
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... gr a h ... Blue Moon.
4. Mr. J. Atkinson's ... ch a g ... Cyllaros, 13-2¾.
5. Messrs. Pawson & Badger's g a g ... Harpagos.
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... br a g ... Lyddite II. 13-2½.
7. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1.
8. Major R. St. C. Lecky's... g a g ... Pegasus, 84-0½.
9. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... b a h ... Jimmy, 14-0½.
10. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... gr a g ... Pencil, 13 3½.
11. H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½.
12. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14-0½.
13. Captain Cautley's ... ch a g ... Chance, 13-2½.

2ND ENTRIES.

14. Mr. West's ... ... ch a h ... Skill, 13-2.
15. Major Fuller's ... gr a g ... Grey Knave, 13-3½.
16. Captain Ready's ... ch a g ... Toofan, 14-0.

PAGET PARK PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch e m ... Tight Lace, 14-0½.
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning.
3. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ch aus m .. Black Spot, 14-0½.
4. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½.
5. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... br cb m ... Luck Penny, 14-1½.
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ch aus h ... Redshot, 14-0.
7. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... b aus m ... Bell Manton, 14-0½.

2ND ENTRIES.

8. Colonel C. de C. Hamilton's b aus g ... Australia, 14-1.

AMATEUR CUP.—Distance 6 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus m... Rather Warm.
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... br aus m ... All Hot.
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... blk aus g ... Black Sand.
4. Mr. Badger's... ... b aus g ... Prascitiles.
5. Mr. Ormrod's ... ch aus g ... Car d'Oro.
6. Mr. Ormrod's ... b aus g ... The Moachim.
7. Mr. Maydon's ... b aus g ... Innocence.
8. Mr. Connop's ... b aus g ... Pathfinder (Scr).
9. Mr. Connop's ... ch aus g ... Athos.
10. Mr. Ollivant's ... br aus g ... Hathi
11. Captain P. J Bailey's ... b aus g ... Kurnal.
12. Mr. Reynard's ... b aus g ... Monte Cristo.
13. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's .. b aus g ... Jim.
14. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Type Writer.
15. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... The Camel.
16. Sir E. Lacon's ... b aus g ... Undecided.
17. Major Leckey's ... b aus m ... Connie.
18. Mr. Milvain's ... blk aus g ... King Cole.
19. Major Lecky's ... b aus m ... Honey

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

Third Day, Thursday, the 10th November 1904.

PONY CHASE.—Distance about 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b aus m ... Manette, 13-3½.
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch cb g ... Kadir, 13-2.
3. Mr. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1.
4. Mr. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning
5. Mr. Guest's ... blk aus m ... Topsy, 14-1.
6. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Swallow.
7. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus m ... Eileen
8. Mr. Hunt's ... b cb m ... Silver Belle.
9. Captain Palaeologus' ... b aus g ... Vanguard.
10. Captain Laverton's ... b cb m ... Silly Loo, 14-1.
11. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0.
12. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½.
13. Nawab Jaffar Ali Khan's ch cb g ... Mirage, 14-2.
14. Mr. White's ... b cb g ... Larry.
15. Captain Coley's ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3.

2ND ENTRIES.

16. Mr. Beck's ... ... g a g ... Toby, 13-3½.
17. Mr. Beck's ... ... b aus g ... Rifleman, 14-0.

MILITARY CUP.—Distance 3 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... br aus g ... All Hot.
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus g ... Rather Warm.
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... blk aus g ... Black Sand.
4. Mr. T R. Badger's ... b aus g ... Prascitiles.
5. Mr. Ormrod's ... ch aus g ... The Moachim.
6. Mr. Ormrod's ... b aus g ... Car d'Orb.
7. Mr. Maydon's ... b aus g ... Innocence.
8. Mr. Connop's ... b aus g ... Pathfinder. (scr)
9. Mr. Connop's ... ch aus g ... Athos.
10. Mr. Ollivant's ... br aus g ... Hathi.
11. Captain P. J. Bailey's ... br aus g ... Karnal.
12. Mr. Reynard's ... b aus g ... Monte Cristo.
13. Mr. G. B. Ollivant's ... b aus g ... Jim.
14. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Type Writer.
15. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... The Camel.
16. Mr. Hunt's ... ... b aus g ... Traveller.
17. Sir E. Bacon's ... b aus g ... Undecided.
18. Major R. St. C. Lecky's... b aus m ... Connie.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

THE STAND PLATE.—Distance 1 mile.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch e g ... Idleness.
2. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus g ... Rusty.
3. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Idler.
4. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Dioptrics.
5. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... br aus g ... Gong.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

DESERT HANDICAP.—Distance 7 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2.
2. Mr T. R. Badger's ... b a h ... Sheik.
3. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... gr a h ... Blue Moon.
4. Mr. J. Atkinson's ... ch a g ... Cyllaros, 13-2½.
5. Messrs. Pawson & Badger's g a g ... Harpagos.
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... br a g ... Lyddite II., 13-2½.
7. Mr R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... All Sir Garnet, 13-2½.
8. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1.
9. Major R. St. C. Lecky's... g a g ... Pegasus, 14-0½.
10. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... b a h ... Jimmy, 14-0½.
11. Mr. Bond's ... ... b a g ... Chancellor, 13-3½
12. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b a h ... Brigand, 13-3.
13. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b a g ... Orvieto, 13-3½.
14. Mr. Carton de Wiart's ... b aus m ... Bell Manton, 14-0½.
15. Captain Coley's ... b a h ... Visitor, 14-0½.
16. Mr. Hector Campbell's ... b a h ... Zarafshan, 13-3.
17. Mr Symond's ... b a m ... Jaooza, 13-3½.
18. Captain Durrant's ... b a g ... Squint, 13-2.
19. Captain Sullivan's ... b a h ... Fakir II., 14-3½.
20. Captain Cautley's ch a g ... Chance, 13-2½.

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21. Mr. Beck's ... ... b a h ... Sweet William, 13-2.
22. Mr. West's ... ... g a h ... Tomado, 13-3½.
23. Captain Ready's ... ch a g ... Toofan, 14-0.

PADDOCK PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... blk aus m ... Busy Bee, 13-2½.
2. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... b aus m ... Barcarolle, 13-3½.
3. Mr. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1.
4. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning.
5. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b aus m ... Manette, 13-3½.
6. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1.
7. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... b aus m ... Bell Metal, 13-3½.
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Parlour Maid, 13-3½.
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch cb m ... Tom, 14-0.
10. Captain Coley's ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3 (by Homing dam unknown.)

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

PRODUCE PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.

1. Mr. T. R. Badger's ... ch cb m ... Lotus, 14-1.
2. Mr. S. Brandreth's ... ch cb m ... Bob Major, 13-2½.
3. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... b cb m ... Lucky, 14-0.
4. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... b cb m ... Labby Annie, 13-2½.
5. Mr. S. J S.'s ... ch cb m ... Labby Gown, 14-0½.
6. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ch cb m ... Minerva.
7. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br cb g ... Fortune, 13-2½.
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br cb g ... Jewel, 13-3½.
9. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch cb h ... Tom, 14-0.
10. Captain Coley's ... b cb g ... Sunday Schorl, 14-0.
11. Captain Coley's ... b cb m ... Sapho.
12. Mr. Hotz's ... ... b cb g ... Hector, 14-0.
13. Mr. J. Beedham's ... b cb m ... Bing Sydona, 14-0.

2ND ENTRIES.

Nil.

SIRHIND PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... ch e m ... Tight Lace, 14-0½.
2. Mr. J. J. Pawson's ... b e g ... Pride of the Morning.
3. Mr. R. B. Wood's ... ch a g ... Oceanic, 14-1.
4. Mr. S. J. S.'s ... ch aus m ... Black Spot, 14-0½.
5. Mr. Bond's ... ... b aus m ... Burlesque, 14-0½.
6. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br cb m ... Luckpenny, 14-1½.
7. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Redshot, 14-0.
8. H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus g ... Campbell, 14-0½.

2ND ENTRIES.

9. Colonel C. de C. Hamilton's ... ... b aus g ... Australia, 14-1.

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 16th September 1904.*

THE TURF.

WESTERN AYR MEETING.

THIS annual festival, which is looked upon as the 'Ascot of Scotland," opened on the 14th instant in auspicious fashion. The weather could not have been more favourable, the air being invigorating and tempered by a sun always shining from a cloudless sky, and under these circumstances it was not surprising to find a crowd assembled above the average dimensions. Scotsmen will have few more opportunities of assembling for the purpose of racing on the present estate, for at a meeting this morning it was practically decided—although not definitely—to establish a new course at the other end of the town, the site being about five minutes' walk from the railway station. Details :—

THE TRIAL SELLING PLATE of 197 sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile.

Mr. F. W. Spruce's bl g Clwyd II., by Clwyd—Jenny Cameron, 4yrs. 9st. 7lbs.	Priestman	1
Mr. Parrish's ch h Morris Dancer, 5yrs 10st. 5lbs.	Watts	2
Mr. J. McGuigan's ch f Miss Flite, 3yrs. 8st. 12lbs.	Beat	3
Mr. Chatterton's Paardeberg, 5yrs. 9st. 8lbs.	J. McCall	0
Mr. J. T. Whipp's Polly Jones, 2yrs. 7st. ...	Heppell	0
Mr. W. Alderson's f by Chaleureux—Scythia, 2yrs,. 6st. 11lbs.	J. Murray	0
Mr. J. Cannon's Gal, 2yrs, 6st. 6lbs. (car. 6st. 10lbs.)	Sharples	0
Mr J. T. Rogers's Vibration 3yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. W. E. Elsey's Kendal King, 3yrs., 8st. 1ulbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Duke of Montrose's Corriedale, 2yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	G. Platt	0
Mr. A. Thompson's Servula, 6yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. J. Sivers's f by Foxhall—Wedlock, 5yrs, 8st. 13lbs.	Skelly	0

BETTING : 9 to 4 agst. Clwyd II., 3 to 1 Morris Dancer, 7 to Paardeberg, 100 to 12 Gal, and 10 to 1 any other.

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

THE WEST OF SCOTLAND FOAL STAKES of 888sovs for two year olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs., with penalties and allowances. SIX furlongs.

Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's br f Dhulochan, by Childwick—Pallanza, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Heppell	1
Mr. Douglas Baird's br c Fusilier, 8st. 6lbs.	H. Aylin	2
Mr. W. Johnston's b C by Galeazzo—Lass o'Springfield, 8st. 6lbs.	Trigg	3

BETTING : Evens Fusilier, 5 to 2 agst Lass o'Springfield colt, and 3 to 1 Dhulochan.

The pair ran an exciting race home, Dhulochan getting the verdict by a short head; five lengths between second and third.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE (a welter handicap) of 202sovs. About one mile and 200 yards.

Mr. A. E. McKinley's ch c One Away, by Rapallo—Millrace, 4 yrs., 10st. 6lbs.	J. McCall	1
Lord Rosebery's ch f Catscradle, 3yrs., 10st. 6lbs.	B. Dillon	2
Mr. W. Sanderson's b c Melsary, 4yrs., 9st. 8lbs.	G. Sanderson	3
Col. E. W. Baird's Martaban, 6 yrs., 11st. 12lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. W. Johnston's Cauld Blast, 4yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. J. McGuigan's Apple Tree, 4yrs., 9st. 10lbs.	E. Wheatley	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst Cauld Blast, 5 to 2 One Away, 4 to 1 Martaban, 5 to 1 Catscradle, 7 to 1 Melsary, and 100 to 8 Apple Tree.

Won by four lengths; half a length separated the second and third. Cauld Blast was fourth and Apple Tree last.

Next afternoon there was a very large attendance—the biggest seen here for several years past—when the second stage of the Scottish festival was gone through. A continuance of yesterday's splendid weather was experienced, but although the sport was interesting enough it could not be described as eventful unless one race be excepted. That was the Ayrshire Handicap, value 1,000sovs, the chief item on the card. The stake was annexed by a former Liverpool Cup winner in Captain Kettle, and it was a popular win for he was firm favourite throughout the piece.

THE AYRSHIRE HANDICAP PLATE of 915sovs. About one mile and three furlongs.

Mr. J. S. Crawford's b h Captain Kettle, by Buccaneer—Comette, aged, 8st. 10lbs.	B. Dillon	1
Mr. G. G. Tod's b g Powder Puff, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	J. McCall	2
Mr. W. Johnston's b h Longford Lad, 6yrs., 9st.	M. Cannon	3
Mr. D. J. Jardine's Red Warrior, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	Heppell	0
Mr C. Lythe's Leviathan, 6yrs., 7st. 4lbs.*	Sharples	0
Mr. T. Southall's Pam, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ...	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. W. S. Brochin's Little Sprout, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. J. A. Miller's Higher Up, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	J. Murray	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Captain Kettle, 9 to 2 Powder Puff, 7 to 1 Little Sprout; 100 to 14 each Longford Lad and Leviathan, 100 to 12 Pam, 10 to 1 Red Warrior, and 100 to 8 Higher Up.

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

THE JUVENILE HANDICAP of 306sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr. C. Lythe's b f Bibiani, by Childwick—Goldmine, 8st. 8lbs.	E. Wheatley	1
Mr. Allerton's b or br C. by Matchmaker—Heart's Desire., 6st. 10lbs * ...	Sharples	2
Mrs. W. Johnston's b c Luke Delmage, 7st. 3lbs.	Trigg	3
Mr. J. G. Baird Hay's Therapia, 9st. ...	Heppell	0
Mr. G. G. Tod's Santonica, 7st. 10lbs.* ...	Conkie	0
Mr. R Craig's Canty Bay, 7st. 9lbs. ...	G. Platt	0
Mr. J. Mackay's Ormilva, 6st. 9lbs.* ...	G. Bullock	0
Mr. J. Speir's Evangeline II., 7st. ...	J. Murray	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

BETTING : 2 to 1 Heart's Desire colt, 3 to 1 Bibiani, 9 to 2 Luke Delmage, 5 to 1 Canty Bay, 7 to 1 Therapia, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won by three-parts of a length; a neck divided second and third.

THE COUNTY CUP, value 177sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Douglas Baird's b f Leucadia, by Martagon—Santa Maura, 3yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	H. Aylin	1

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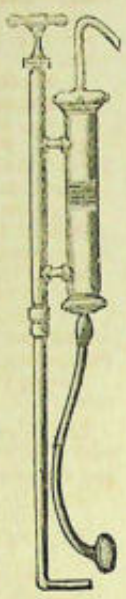
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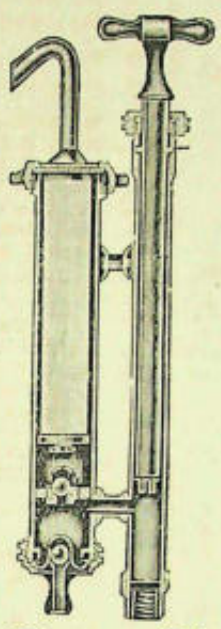
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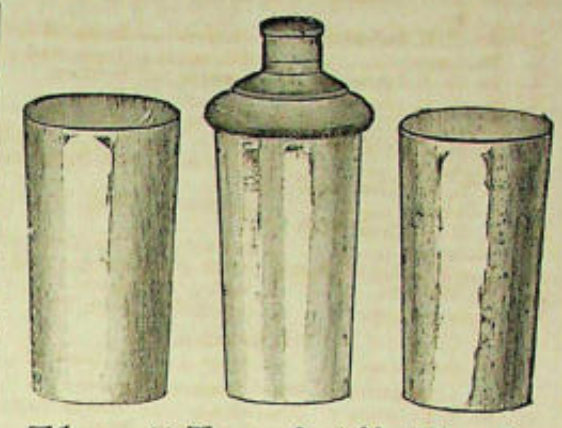
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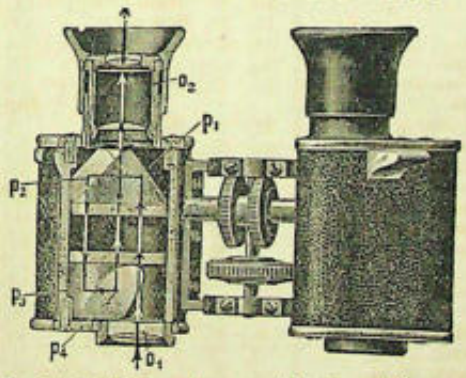
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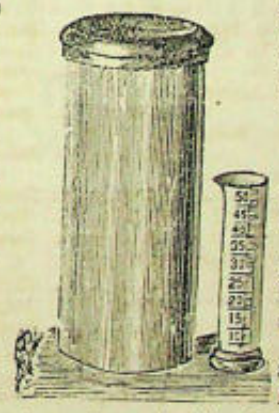
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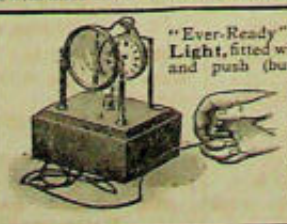
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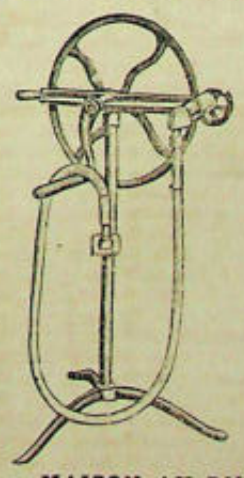
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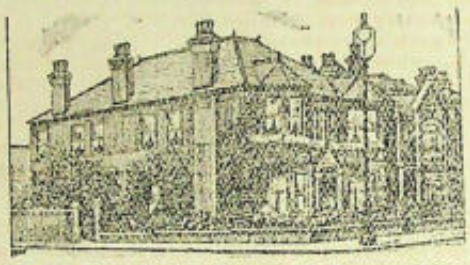
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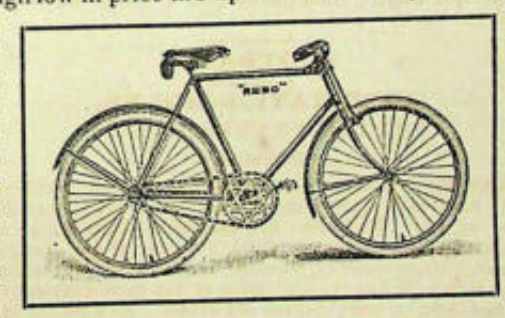
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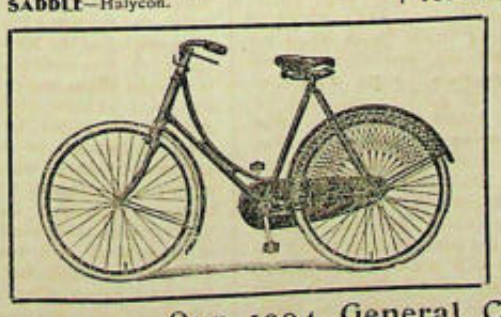
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Won by a length; three-quarters of a length separated the second and third.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION RULES.

THE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

DIVISION I.

WOOLWICH ARSENAL *vs.* PRESTON NORTH END.—There might have been 25,000, there must have been over 20,000, people witness Woolwich Arsenal make thier bow before their own supporters in the First Division of the League on Saturday. Unfortunately, however, very few of the assembled multitude departed at the conclusion of the game convinced that they had seen a good display of football. As a matter of fact, Woolwich Arsenal's first home match, in what may be termed "the upper circles," proved a most disappointing affair. They had for opponents Preston North End, who have already signalised their promotion to League I. by successfully defeating Aston Villa and Sunderland, while last season the Lancastrians just beat the Reds for premier honour in the Second Division. On Saturday, Jack was just about as good as has master. The Arsenal may have had the best of the play, taking the game throughout, but there were times when the North End caused the utmost anxiety to the Southern enthusiasts by attacking in the most dangerous fashion. Ashcroft, however, proved the saviour of his side, and the Reds managed to gain their initial First Division point. The Arsenal goal-keeper played a very fine game indeed, saving marvelously two or three times when all seemed lost, and Gray was just about the best class back on the field, tackling well and kicking a grand length with considerable neatness. Jackson did heaps of good things, but he still persists in keeping the ball too much in the air. The half-backs were rather feeble, Buchan being the pick of the trio. Sands, as usual, defended well, but he scarcely backs up his forwards as a good centre-half should. Satterthwaite was easily the most prominent of the home front line. The old West Ham man ran strongly and dropped in some capital centres, but he was badly supported, the Arsenal forward play, in fact, being for the most part indifferent. McBride is still a great goal-keeper. He had much more to do than Ashcroft, but the Prestonian was never at fault, and his coolness gave his side additional confidence. The two backs, Rodway and Derbyshire, tackled fearlessly and kicked well, but the real strength of the North End team was at half-back, where Lyon, Hunter, and McLean proved themselves three veritable terriers, and did most towards upsetting the Arsenal plan of campaign. Bond and Bourne, the two extreme wingers, were the best of the forwards, but Brown, the old Queen's Park Ranger, often made himself conspicuous by cleverly opening out the game. Like their opponents, however, the North End were dreadfully weak in front of goal. The Arsenal played what can be termed their best team, Sands making his first appearance to the exclusion of Bridgen, Buchan going to right half. An injury kept the famous old Scottish International, Ball, out of the visiting eleven, and the Preston captain's place as outside right was filled by Bond. The game began under a threatening sky promptly at half-past three, and although Jackson, upon winning the toss, chose to first defend at the Plumstead end, there was nothing in the conditions to give either side any advantage. Brown kicked off, but the Arsenal at once advanced to the attack, and Satterthwaite and Dick both shot wide, while later on Coleman missed a good opening through not kicking hard enough. Clever work by Bond brought out some good defence from Jackson, and soon afterwards Wilson shot over the Arsenal bar, following a corner-kick. The Southerners had slightly the best of the play, but once Brown got right through, and with an open goal, shot straight at Ashcroft, who stopped the ball splendidly. This was a lucky escape for the Arsenal. Matters subsequently progressed evenly until half-time, when neither side had scored, and just about the most exciting incident of the whole match happened a few minutes after changing ends. North End secured a free kick for a foul fairly close up, and Hunter accurately placing the ball in front of the Arsenal posts, Ashcroft got himself hopelessly beaten, but just as the leather was passing over the goal line, Buchan pushed up and cleared in the very nick of time—another lucky escape for Woolwich. Subsequently, the Reds had the best of the game, but could not score, and the result of a poor match was a draw, nothing being done by either side.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY *vs.* WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS.—On Saturday the weather in Sheffield was perfect and the crowd at Owlerton to watch the first home match of the League champions was very large fully 20,000 people witnessing the defeat of the Wanderers. The ground was in perfect condition, and there was no wind to trouble the players. Wednesday had full strength in the field, but for the fact that Bartlett, of their reserves, took the place of Ruddlisdin, who had been hurt the previous week at Middlesbrough. The visitors had a full side in the field. They also won the toss, but right from the start had to defend strenuously, Baddeley and his backs being given any amount to do. Still all the attacks were successfully countered, and before half-time Smith, who played very well, gave Lyall such a handfull that he had to fall full length to divert the course of the ball. He cleared all right, and at half-time there was no score on either side. In the second half, with the sun at their backs, Wednesday set up a tremendous pressure and in four minutes Davis had scored with a high dropping shot, which Baddeley lost sight of in the blazing sunshine. Then, nine minutes later, Wilson took a pretty pass from his right, and, though missing at the first attempt, subsequently drove home a superb shot, which gave Baddeley no chance. In five minutes more the same forward had a clear course, and running right on, had almost reached the goal line when he tipped the ball clear of the custodian, whilst before the end Chapman tried a pot shot, which also came off, and the result was: Sheffield Wednesday four goals; Wolverhampton Wanderers love

NOTTS FOREST *vs.* BURY.—There was an attendance of about 7,000 people at the City ground, Nottingham, on Saturday, when the Foresters won a brilliant victory over Bury by five goals to one. Three of the Forest goals were scored in the first half, two by Morris and one by Niblo, whilst Morris and Shearman each scored in the second half. Early in the game the Foresters were awarded a penalty for Lindsay tripping Morris, who was within a dozen yards of Montgomery's goal when he was brought down. Craig was entrusted with the penalty kick, but sent the ball on to Montgomery, and Spouncer put it outside. Morris headed the first goal from a centre by Sugden, all the others coming from direct kicks. Thorpe obtained Bury's only goal just before the whistle went for "time." The turf had been cut short and well rolled, and the ball travelled very fast—too fast indeed for the Bury forwards and halves. The Forest halves worked well, and it was to their efforts that much of the success of the Forest forwards was due. Swann, Sagar and Plant were all out of the Bury team, Ball, an old Chesterfield player, figuring at outside left. In the Forest team, Barnsdale, a lithe and active young half, was in the centre of the second line, and was well able to hold his own against the Bury forwards. The result, as indicated above, was: Forest, five goals; Bury, love.

THE GLASGOW CUP-TIES.—It seems rather early in the season to speak of Cup-ties, yet the Glasgow Association, finding that its competition was again likely to suffer, as it has in past years, by the inroads of League games, decided to have an early start this time, and thus the first round for the handsomest of Scottish trophies was the *piece de resistance* in the West of Scotland on Saturday last. The two matches which opened the initial stage were of absorbing interest, more especially that between Celtic and Queen's Park, two famous Cup-tie fighters, and favoured with fine weather, both had capital attendances, that at Parkhead reaching well past 25,000. Refereed by Mr. J. Lewis, of Blackburn, the game proved well worth witnessing, play in the opening period and throughout the better part of the concluding half being keenly and well contested. Aided by a strong wind and sun, the amateurs shaped well at the outset. Even though losing a goal through some weak defence after five minutes had gone, they maintained a determined attack on the Celts' stronghold, and but for a lack of cohesion forward would certainly have made up the leeway. Disaster again overtook their colours, Somers notching a second point for the home eleven. In the second moiety the game lost much in interest, neither side showing to any great advantage. Queen's Park were decidedly inferior towards the finish, and when Quinn, the Celts' sharpshooter, snatched a third goal the amateurs subsequent listless movements gave indication of their recognition of the hopelessness of further effort. Doubtless alarmed by the overwhelming nature of their defeat by Glasgow Rangers, Partick Thistle reinforced by the inclusion of Neil Gibson, the International half, and Gilchrist, a young back whose transfers were secured from their conquerors of the previous Saturday, made certain work, with a side thus strengthened, of entrance to the second round. In Clyde, whom they defeated by two goals to *nil*, the Partick Club found worthy opponents, and had it not been for an accident which deprived the losers of one player in the last half, the result might have been closer.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—Taught by unpleasant experience of fruitless journeys to Dundee in search of League points, and those at times when defeat was least to be expected, Glasgow Rangers sent their strongest available side North on Saturday, when the northern club fell to be faced on its native heath. The composition of the forward line had been an open question during the week, the inclusion or non-inclusion of R. S. McCall, whom the Light Blues secured last week, from Newcastle United, being the point at issue, and it was only at the last minute that the directorate decided to retain Kyle, the young junior who has been performing so well of late, and allow the brilliant ex-amateur another week to devote to training. The probility of his appearance with a Scottish club after so long an absence from the Land o' Cakes attracted a few additional thousands to the Dundee ground, some 15,000 spectators being in attendance, and disappointment was general at his absence. The game, though fast, was not of a very high standard, the Dundonians adopting the rush and long-kicking tactics more associated with provincial football, and the close, studied game usual to the visitors was, in consequence severely disturbed. Hamilton, however, secured plentiful opportunities for his electric dashes, and was responsible for two of the points scored. A third was gifted the opposition by the home custodian. It was an interesting fight at Paisley, where Port Glasgow Athletic and St. Mirrin clubs, who had not yet gained a solitary victory, met. A fitting result would have been a draw, but St. Mirren had not even the consolation of doing as well as their former companions in misfortune, a snatch goal coming a few minutes before time was called, leaving them still to register a score in the League race. Airdrieonians maintained their new reputation for consistency, dividing points with Hibernians each scoring once in the second half. Last year's champions, 3rd Lanark, found a warmer handful in Motherwell than they expected. Losing the first goal in four minutes, the Volunteers were compelled to strain every nerve to get on level terms. Turn and turn about then became the order of the day in goal-scoring until the game was well advanced, when Kidd, who displaced the veteran Campbell for the afternoon, brought his side into the safe haven of victory. Greenock Morton showed improved form against Kilmarnock, whom they beat by two goals to one.

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

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Blackburn Rovers ...	4	bt Aston Villa	0
Derby County ...	1	dr Newcastle United ...	1
Everton	2	bt Sheffield United ...	0
Notts Forest	5	bt Bury	1
Notts County	2	bt Small Heath ...	1
Sheffield Wednesday ...	4	bt Wolverhampton Wrs. ...	0
Stoke	1	bt Manchester City ...	0
Sunderland	1	dr Middlesborough ...	1
Woolwich	0	dr Preston North End ...	0

DIVISION 2

Barnsley	2	bt Blackpool	1
Manchester United ...	4	bt Bristol City	1
Lincoln City	4	bt Gainsborough Trinity ...	1
Glossop	0	dr Burslem Port Vale ...	0
Bolton Wanderers ...	4	bt Burnley	0
Bradford City	3	bt Burton United ...	1
Chesterfield	1	dr Liverpool	1
Leicester Fosse ...	3	bt Doncaster Rovers ...	2
Grimsby	2	bt West Brom. Albion ...	0

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

Tottenham Hotspur ...	1	bt Watford	0
Bristol Rovers	5	bt Portsmouth	0
Reading	1	bt Brentford	0
Plymouth Argyle ...	5	bt Millwall	0
New Brompton ...	3	bt Wellingborough ...	1
Northampton	2	bt Brighton and Hove ...	1
Southampton	4	bt Swindon	3
Fulham	0	5r Luton	0
Queen's Park Rangers ...	3	bt West Ham. United ...	1

DIVISION 2.

Fulham Reserves ...	3	bt Southall	2

LONDON LEAGUE.—PREMIER DIVISION.

Clapton Orient ...	4	bt Millwall Reserves ...	1
Queen's Park Rangers Res.	2	bt West Ham. United Res.	0

THE GLASGOW CUP.

Celtic	3	bt Queen's Park ...	0
Partick Thistle ...	2	bt Clyde	0

MIDLAND LEAGUE.

Derby County Reserves ...	3	bt Stockport County ...	2
Sheffield United Res. ...	4	bt Worksop	2
Sheffield Wednesday Res....	3	bt Denaby United ...	1
Gainsborough Trin. Res. ...	3	bt Notts Forest Res. ...	2
Newark	8	bt Barnsley Reserves ...	1
Doncaster Rovers Res. ...	2	bt Notts County Res. ...	1
Gresley Rovers ...	3	bt Lincoln City Res. ...	0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

3rd Lanark	4	bt Motherwell	3
Port Glasgow Athletic ...	2	bt St. Mirren	1
Glasgow Rangers ...	3	bt Dundee	0
Greenock Morton ...	2	bt Kilmarnock ...	1
Airdrieonians	1	dr Hibernians	1

DIVISION 2.

Arthurlie	5	bt Ayr	2
East Stirlingshire ...	2	bt Falkirk	0
Hamilton Academicals ...	3	bt Aberdeen	2
Albion Rovers	5	bt Abercorn	1

OTHER MATCHES.

Hale	1	dr Army Ordnance Corps ...	1
Basingstoke Ironworks ...	2	bt Farnborough ...	1
R. A. M. C.	5	bt Aldershot Town ...	3
H. M. S. "Mercury" ...	2	bt Portsmouth Crathns. ...	1
Army Service Corps ...	7	bt Portsmouth Wandrs. ...	0
16th Co., R. A.... ...	2	bt 32nd Co., R. A ...	0
H. M. S. "Narcissus" ...	3	br H. M. S. "Thames" ...	3
H. M. S. "Asia" ...	4	bt South-rn Hibernians ...	2
Cowes Red Star ...	3	bt Southampton St. Mary's Guild	1
East Cowes Victorias ...	7	bt Royal Engineers ...	2
Newtown United ...	5	bt Bitterne Park ...	2
Maidenhead Norfolkians ...	5	bt Kensington Town ...	0
Wycombe Wanderers ...	0	dr Reading Amateurs ...	0
Marlow	8	bt Old Newportonians ...	5
Nunhead	6	bt Southend Athletic ...	3
Uxbridge	2	bt Kensal Rise United ...	1
Romford	5	bt Walthamstow Town ...	0
Faversham Reserves ...	3	bt Milton	0
Ramsgate Town ...	3	bt Luton (Kent) ...	2
Virginia Water Sanitorm...	3	bt Hampstead	2
Wanstead	4	bt Woodford	1
West Hampstead ...	2	dr 2nd Scots Guards ...	2
Romford	5	bt Walthamstow Town ...	0
Anerley Swifts ...	4	bt Lewisham	0
Croydon	3	bt Dulwich Hamlet ...	2
Ilford	2	bt Civil Service ...	0

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Lowestoft	...	... 16	bt Colchester Town	...	2
Ilford Alliance		... 8	bt Tunbridge Wells	-	2
Harwich and Parkeston		... 6	bt Leiston ...	...	1
Lowestoft Town (A)		... 3	bt Beccles Caxton (A)	...	1
Bury Alexandra		... 3	bt Sudbury United	...	0

SWIMMING.

LONG SWIM BY HOLBEIN.—Montague Holbein, the long-distance swimmer, essayed on Saturday to swim from Trent Bridge, Nottingham, to the Boathouse at Newark, a distance of 26¼miles. The swim was under the direction of Mr. Walpole Hiller, of Sheffield, who has accompanied Holbein on his Channel swims, and assistance was given by the Nottingham Boat Club, a number of whose members accompanied the swimmer in boats. Mr. E. Duffey, of the Medway Club, piloted Holbein, and Hiller and a number of local swimmers took turns in the water with him. Holbein had to leave the river at the Holme Lock, a couple of miles from the starting point, and occasionally took refreshments standing in the shallows. There was a strong current, and the wind was directly behind the swimmer, who made good progress, though he is by no means a rapid traveller. At various villages along the riverside there were crowds of spectators, and a number of cyclists and pedestrians went by the towing-path.

The day was far advanced as Holbein neared the hardest part of his journey, about three miles from Newark. Here the water is stagnant, the cut being really a canal, and it was eight o'clock when Holbein reached this neighbourhood. At ten minutes past he was persuaded to come out of the water, thoroughly exhausted. Holbein attributed his non-success to the low temperature of the water, and the hard task set him in the canal for a finish. He was swimming altogether ten hours and a half. The water at the start was only 48 degrees, a much lower temperature than was consistent with the success of an effort entailing so prolonged an immersion. Holbein swam at the rate of two miles and a half per hour for the journey. He was badly piloted, and would have done better but for his guides not knowing the river. Holbein's knees were much grazed in going through the shallows.

ENGLISH WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIP.

FINAL TIE.—Quite the most important match of the season was that played last evening at Lambeth Baths, for in a degree it may be likened to the final of the Football Association Cup. Unfortunately the South of England has during the past few years not made that progress in water polo that has marked the game in the Midlands and the North of England, and as a result since Worthing was defeated in the final by Osborne in 1901 no club has been enabled to reach the final stage. Some years ago matters were different for the combination of the People's Palace and Polytechnic twice opposed Manchester Osborne, than in the height of prosperity, in the final match, although they never succeeded in winning, and in earlier years Nautilus and Tunbridge Wells won. It was unfortunate in more than one respect that all the Southern clubs were beaten, for this year the championship game was allocated to the South of England, and thus had a team from that district managed to stay until the finish there is little doubt that Lambeth Baths would have been crowded to excess. As it was, notwithstanding the fact that an important semifinal in the Southern Championship between Polytechnic and Nautilus was also set for decision there were not more than 500 spectators present, whereas there was accommodation for fully 2,500.

As was generally expected, Hyde Seal managed to maintain their hold of the trophy, for they won by four goals to two. However, they had to play their tightest game of the season, for Wigan put up a wonderfully good fight. In the first half Hyde, who defended the deep end, were the first to become aggressive, but so finely did Smith, of Wagan, perform in goal that the shots put in by Wilkinson and Forsyth were all saved. As a matter of fact not until three and a half minutes had elapsed were they enabled to score, and then Forsyth at close quarters put in a shot that gave Smith no chance. Afterwards Nevison and Hodgson did some good work for Wigan, but they failed to get past E. Wilkinson. Shortly before half-time George Wilkinson got possession for Hyde, and, circling round, was in a beautiful position for scoring, when he was fouled by Magraw. This occurring within the penalty area, the Wigan man was ordered away whilst Wilkinson had a free shy at goal, from which he scored easily with a screw shot. Wigan made desperate efforts to score prior to the interval, but quite failed, and thus Hyde crossed over with a lead of two goals.

In the second half the Hyde men started in excellent form, and soon compelled the Wigan men to assume the defensive. However, it was not until two minutes elapsed that Wilkinson got free and, with a straight shot, beat Smith. Then a little later Herring managed to get clear and, with a long shot, added the fourth point, thus practically placing the result out of doubt. However, Wigan played such a stubborn game that ere the match ended they scored twice. From a foul by Forsyth Saunders scored one from a penalty, and just before the finish, with a brilliant backhander, added another. On the actual play Hyde were always the better side, being faster swimmers and combining better. As the game was played Wigan appeared to lose many good opportunities by holding the ball too long and not passing when free to do so. The teams were :—

Hyde Seal S. C. (holders) (white caps) : *E. Wilkinson (goal), *J. C. Smith and *T. Wilogoose (backs). C. Fowden (half-back), *G. Wilkinson, *C. E. Forsyth, and H. D. Herring (forwards).

Wigan (blue caps) : *C. S. Smith (goal), W. Magraw and G. Nevison (backs), *T. Saunders (half-back), J. Critchley, *F. V. Swift, and J. Hodgson (forwards).

Referee : Mr. G. W. Brodribb ; timekeeper, Mr. A. Poole ; goal-scorers, Messrs. G. Marshall and S. J. Monks.

*Internationals.

ENGLAND *vs.* WALES.—There was a large crowd present at Penarth Swimming Baths on Saturday evening to witness the seventh International fixture between England and Wales. The Welsh Association had made three alterations in the side that was defeated at Blackrock by Ireland a few weeks ago J. Radmilovic (Cardiff), A. G. S Mum (Penarth), and Oliver (Newport) coming in *vice* White, Thomas, and Davies. It was rather a one-man team, however, for Paola Radmilovic stood head and shoulders above his compatriots from an individual point of view, whilst combination was sadly lacking throughout. England, on the other hand, stood out as a strong all-round side, with an effective combination both in attack and defence. Swift, Ripley, and Gallagher were the pick of the side, whilst Wilkinson in goal was very safe. It was not until the late hour of 9-20 that the teams took the water. England won the toss and elected to play from the shallow end. Swift was quickly prominent, but Paola Radmilovic cleverly intercepted his shot, taking the ball down to the centre, where he wound up by missing the net by inches. Wallace was next prominent with a clever dribble, but could not penetrate the English defence, and Swift, after a lot of manœuvring, got in a low shot which easily beat Fergusson. Almost immediately on the restart, however, Paola Radmilovic, with a long, high shot, equalised matters. Play became very brisk after this, Oliver, Herbert, and Wallace all being prominent for Wales, Gallagher, Swift, and Ripley taking their turn for England. Just before the interval Saunders, after some pretty passing, placed his side ahead, whilst Swift, followed on with the third goal, the interval score being :—

England ... ... Three goals
Wales ... ... One goal

In the second portion of the game play was rather more even, Wales attacked at the outset. Styer robbed J. Radmilovic cleverly and tested the Welsh defence. The brothers Radmilovic and Fergusson were very sound, however. An exceedingly smart bit of play by Paola Radmilovic saw him rob Swift and put in a smashing hard shot at goal. Wilkinson got to it but was not able to stop it. With Wales only a goal behind now, excitement was pretty keen, and for a time it seemed as if the Welshmen would equalise matters. They died away towards the finish of the game however, and Ripley and Swift each adding goals for England the seventh successive victory of the Englishmen was recorded with the score being :—

England ... ... Five goals
Wales ... ... Two goals

Teams :

England : E. Wilkinson (Hyde) (goal), J. Smith (Hyde) and T. Saunders (Wigan) (backs), P. Ripley (Burslem) (half-back), A. St. J. Styer (Brighton) (capt.), W. Gallagher (Openshaw), and V. Smith (Wigan) (forwards).

Wales : A Fergusson (Penarth) (goal), H. J. Herbert (capt.) and A. G. Oliver (Newport) (backs), J. Radmilovic (Cardiff), (half-back) Paola Radmilovic (Cardiff), J. Wallace, and F. S. Munn (Penarth) (forwards).

Referee : Mr. J. Taggart (Scotland). Goal-scorers : Messrs W. E. Jones (Wales) and G. W. Hearne (England).

ATHLETICS.

LONDON A. C. SEVEN-MILE WALK.—On the 14th instant the L. A. C. annual Seven-mile Challenge Cup Walking Race and "Yacht" Handicap took place at Stamford Bridge, with the commendable result that every man who started completed the distance. A noticeable absentee was the holder, R. H. Watson, who resigned the trophy and took unto himself a bride instead, yesterday being his wedding day. It may not be inappropriate here to tender congratulations on so auspicious an occasion to so fair an exponent of fast walking. With Watson absent, F. R. Thompson had matters all his own way in the scratch race. Walking beautifully throughout he easily finished first in the level event, doing the entire distance in the good time of 55mins, 51⅗secs. The Rev. S. L. Sarel, an old Oxford University athlete, who has greatly improved in pace since last year, won the Sealed Handicap with an allowance of 6mins, while the scratch man and winner of the Challenge Cup just beat the veteran limit man, J. E. Fowler-Dixon, for second prize. The officials were : Starter (professional), C. Perry ; timekeeper and handicaper, Mr. F. W. Parker ; judges, Messrs E. Ion Poole and Arthur Cook ; referee, Mr. S. K. Hohman (honorary secretary). Result :—

F. R. Thompson (55mins. 51 ⅗secs.)	...	1
Rev. S. L. Sarel (60mins. 18secs).	...	2
J. R. Barnes-Moss (62mins. 29secs.)	...	3
E. S. Ward (64mins. 42secs.)	...	4
H. F. Woodgate (67mins 26secs.)	...	5
J E. Fowler-Dixon (72mins. 48 ⅗secs.)	...	6

Thompson led throughout. His mile times were as follows :—One mile, 7mins. 57secs ; two, 16mins.; three, 24mins. ⅗secs.; four, 31mins. 55secs.; five, 39mins 49secs ; six, 47mins. 56secs ; and seven, 55mins. 51 ⅗secs.

BILLIARDS.

ARRIVAL OF FRED WEISS.—The Union-Castle Liner *Saxon* arrived at Southampton from South Africa on Saturday morning, included amongst the passengers being Fred Weiss, the Australian Billiard Champion. It is now sixteen months since Weiss left Australia, and his career in South Africa during the period has been one of uninterrupted success. By making a break of 488 (the South African record) he won the "Burroughes and Watts" Shield and when the fact is taken into consideration that the highest break credited to him when he was in England six years ago was 293 he appears to have made a distinct advance. Questioned on this point, the Colonial's modesty was quite overcome, his answer being he had improved 'out of all knowledge." It will be remembered that in 1888 Weiss played three matches here beating Chas. Memott 9,000 level (allowing him to push), drawing with Roberts when receiving 6,500 in 21,000, and being beaten by Dawson, the Huddersfield man who conceded 2,000 in 18,000, winning by 1,866 points. His chief breaks during the tour were : 293, 282, 272, 265, 247, 225 220, 210, and 203 (twice), thus his South African 488 denotes considerable improvement. That a great deal was thought of Weiss in South Africa is evident from the fact that he was matched for £200 to concede the late W. Spiller 2,000 in 10,000, the Englishman's sad death occurring just before the time fixed for the match. Weiss played several benefit matches on behalf of Mrs. Spiller, who has recently received £50, as the result of South African sportsmen's generosity, this being the surplus after the funeral expenses had been paid. Weiss informed our representative that after a few practice matches he will challenge for the championship, and feels confident of giving Dawson, Stevenson, or Roberts a good game.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

YEROWDA invariably appears to tempt a large field and the 25th September proved no exception for a number of fair women and brave men yearning for a gallop once again and brimful of hope after the pleasant little spins of the previous hunting day and with every prospect of still better things in store for recent showers and heavy dew and a fairly cool morning provided some of the ingredients of success the necessary finishing touch being to hand in a Master death keen on showing sport to his faithful followers. The morning moments were, naturally too precious to waste and not a moment's law, I hear, was given, and little delay occurred in finding a jack in a nullah in the vicinity of the Aga Khan's Palace (which stands out as a prominent land mark for many a mile around). Hounds streamed away and men shook themselves and "snuggled' into their saddles with a sigh of content for their lies a beautiful country to gallop one between the Palace and the distant range of hills. But all hope was shortly shattered for it must have very speedily become apparent to the knowledgeable contingent that the jack was no "customer" and after a sorry mile or so he ignominously "chucked it" and was rolled over. After this the Master pointed for the octagonal tank which I gather is also a land mark in those parts and from a *babul* coppice a jack was viewed sneaking away and it was shortly seen that this jack was a very different sort to the previous poltroon. Across the country road and straight for Stoney Glen (that harbours many a jack and fox I believe) anda way across the open—and beautiful going I hear it is—making a bee line for the nearest hill and bang away over the dip in the creest. "As many men so many minds." Some of the field breasted the hill as if they had a change of horses on the top. Others, I believe, followed the lead—part of the way when bellows to mend reminded some that their hunters were a bit big in condition and short of a gallop or two ; while others with no false pride left "mountaineering" to others and sagaciously elected to skirt the hill and trust to a benign Providence arranging for a *réunion* or the further side. The pace while warm enough was not too killing to allow all contingents to join hounds again,—such at least who had galloping still left in them, and some rough *nullah* country had to be negociated at a fair pace where a couple of tantalising little *chinkara* endeavoured and I believe all but succeeded to lure hounds from the path of rectitude. Towards the valley of the *Indriganee* river the line lay and some keen-sighted sportsman got a view of the jack. But some cultivators headed this gallant little varmint from his point and wheeling round and nothing daunted he altered his objective to the Sister hills and running with what must have been rare pluck and determination this stout-hearted jack made good his sanctuary and "scored the major point" and saved the life he had so fully earned and trust and trow there were few who grudged it to him. A really fine sporting gallop of over an hour's genuine hunting and everyone seems to have fully enjoyed it—and it must have been a source of the consolation to the gallant Master.

SCARAMOUCH.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

HOUNDS met on Monday, the 26th September, at 7.30 A.M. at Brooklands. It was a bright morning with heavy dew and a hot sun. From Brooklands hounds hunted a stale line to Dartmoor Valley stream and up to Rocky, where they lost the line. The Master then crossed the Sandy Nullah stream at the ford and drew beyond Barber's Shop. In the swamp here hounds hunted a cold line for a short distance. Dunsandle was then drawn and in the cover near Waterfall Singer Post hounds spoke and emerged towards Road Shola but scent again failed. Hounds were then trotted to Gibb's Shola through which two jacks had probably gone some time—they puzzled out the line of one of these to Lawley's Course and to the foot of Staircase. They could make no more of it and the Master drew Rawling's Nullah, Rallywood, Newmarket, and Mill's Cover without finding. Scent was not very bad, but hounds appear to have been on very stale lines all the morning.

On Thursday, the 29th September, the meet was at Golf Corner at 7-30 A.M. After rain overnight the morning was bright and fresh. We first drew Jackal Shola blank and then through the cover at Rallywood to Newmarket. Near the pool at Newmarket hounds spoke to a line, but scent was bad and failed at the second Nullah on the Blackmoor Vale side. Very soon after this hounds got on two lines one of which they followed slowly to Rawling's Nullah and could keep on it no further. Hounds were then trotted back to the other line and feathered it out, with an occasional note, in the direction of Gold Mine swamp. After a check above the swamp hounds settled down and hunted across the swamp and got on to the path leading over Lawley's Course and began to run fast. At the top of Lawley's Course they swung to the left and then ran very fast in a line with the swamp on the other side. When below Herbert Plantation they turned to the right and with a great crash of music ran right through and out on the ridge with the jack close in front. He led them to the Pykara Road, short of which he turned into Briar Shola. From the far side the Master viewed him, with a good lead, an advantage he must have gained while in cover.

Hounds, however, were on the line, and with the exception of *Harlequin*, carried a good head, and ran over Windy Saddle down past the slope to Wapshare's Hare Shola, on to the swamp and then up to the Pykara Road just beyond the Forester's Hut. Here the jack turned and ran along the road. Hounds checked here, but the jack was viewed making for the Yemakal Valley and so the Master set hounds at first in that direction. The line was lost for a time and then recovered at Wenlock Shola and followed to Road Shola where we could make no more of it. The jack appears to have stopped here. The north side of the old Pykara Road was then drawn and after passing Barber's Shop hounds went down to Waterfall. Just above Waterfall the Master crossed the Sandy Nullah stream and hounds at once spoke to a line and was viewed a brace of jacks running towards Rocky Cover. The Master lifted hounds to their view, and they hunted their jack to ground in a Nullah on the side of rocky, where they killed him. He was pulled out dead and broken up. Throughout the morning scent appeared good.

BLUE GUM.

Polo.

POONA OPEN TOURNAMENT.

THE FINAL.

33RD CAVALRY *vs.* THE SCOUTS.—This match, which had been left unfinished on the 27th ultimo, was replayed on the 30th and resulted in a win for the Scouts by 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal. The game was hotly contested throughout but the 33rd Cavalry were not as well mounted as their opponents and were further handicapped by being without Major Wogan Browne, though Mr. Passy who took his place played an excellent game. There was a large attendance and much excitement and interest in the play. General Richardson presented the Cup to the winners with an appropriate speech.

First Chukker.—Play opened very fast, then the Cavalry attacked, but the Scouts checked and taking the ball down the Rajah scored a subsidiary. They continued to press and Herbert hit a goal. *Score :* Scouts 1 goal 1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—Up and down play ended in an onslaught by the Cavalry but the Scouts saved and play was transferred to the other end, where a susidiary was scored. Herbert adding a goal. The Cavalry then attacked and a fine shot was just diverted. *Score :* Scouts 2 goals 2 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—The Cavalry pressed and after two unsuccessful shots a good pass by Passy enabled Alyar Khan to Score. The Scouts next got possession and the Rajah hit a goal, Grenfell adding another almost immediately. The period closed with the ball in the Scouts' territory. *Score :* Scouts 4 goals 2 subsidiaries, Cavalry 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—Play ruled in midfield through out and there was no scoring.

Fifth Chukker.—The Scouts broke away and after a good run by Grenfell the Rajah scored. They continued to press and Grenfell and Herbert put on two more goals, a minor point being added before the close of the *chukker*. *Score :* Scouts 7 goals 3 subsidiaries, Cavalry 1 goal.

Sixth Chukker.—Fast up and down play opened the period and then after one unsuccessful attempt Grenfell put the ball through. The Cavalry got on and were attacking when time was called. *Score :* Scouts 8 goals 3 subsidiaries, Cavalry 1 goal.

Seventh Chukker.—Only a few minutes were left for play and there was no further scoring, the scouts winning as stated by 8 goals and 3subs. to 1 goal. Teams :—

33RD CAVALRY.		SCOUTS.	
Capt. H. R. Hopwood	1	Mr. F. Grenfell, 60th Rifles	1
Mr. Passy ...	2	Mr. Herbert, 93rd ...	2
Duffadar Alyar Khan	3	H. H. the Rajah of Rutlam	3
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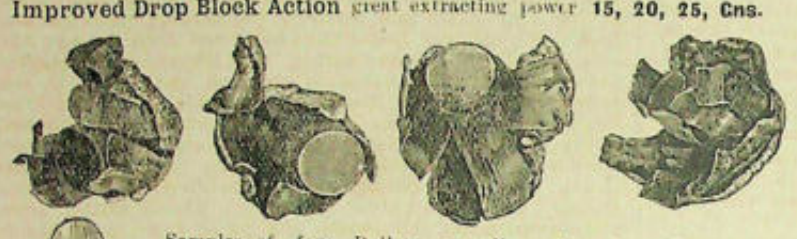
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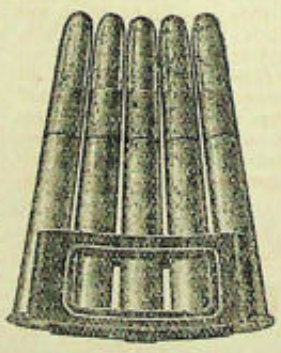
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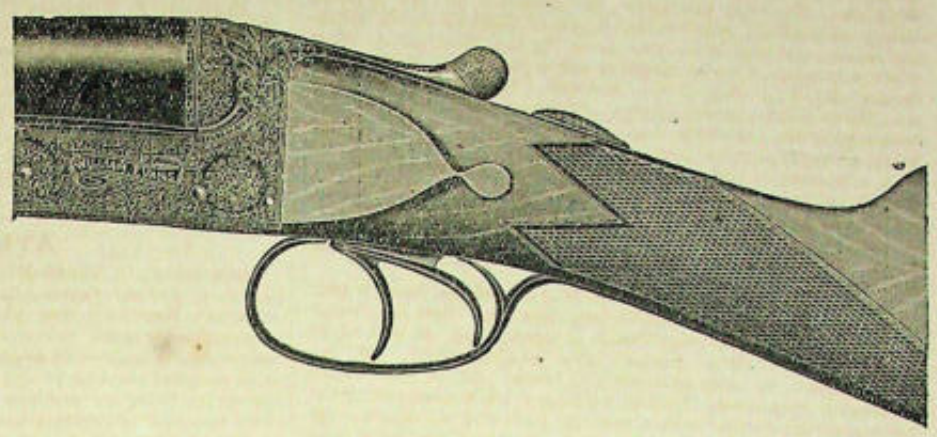
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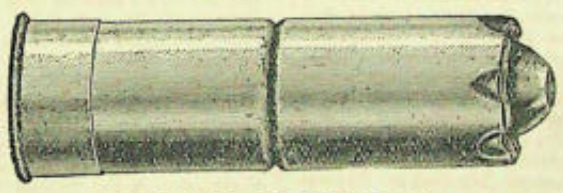
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CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, *16th September 1904.*

THE curtain fell last Saturday on the World's Championships for 1904 which for the first time in the history of this classic fixture have been held in England. The track selected for this meeting was the Crystal Palace, but it is doubtful whether the National Cyclists' Union acted wisely in this, since the attendance at any of the three meetings fell short to what would have been the case had the meetings been held in such a sporting centre as Manchester for instance Certainly, the mornings of the first two meetings were wet, and on this account many people kept away, but I am convinced that rain would never have damped the ardour of the citizens of Manchester if they had been favoured with the fixture. Londoners have so many counter attractions, especially on Saturday afternoons, that cycle racing, even of the class of these championships, fail to draw them.

Only about two to three thousand spectators put in an appearance at the second day's racing on Thursday, and the whole proceedings proved extremely flat, indeed, I have witnessed more interesting sport at a small club meeting. The result of the semi-final round of the two Kilometre Amateur Championship left Marcus Hurley, America, A. L. Reed, London, and J. S. Benyon, Liverpool, to fight out the final battle on the Saturday. The heats for the two Kilometre Professional Championship were also decided on this afternoon and a one-lap scratch race for amateurs and a five miles professional handicap completed the programme. J. S. Benyon won the lap race with H. D. Buck second and C. Rode third, whilst the five miles professional handicap fell to Henry Mayer, the German, from scratch, Massart 350 yards start, second, and Doerflinger, Switzerland, 300 yards, third. Altogether the meeting was a disappointment; the racing was exceptionally tame except for some bright and keen finishes.

On the Saturday, the last day of the Championships, the scene entirely changed, and if the Thursday meeting failed to arouse interest and excitement that held on Saturday more than made up for it. For the first time, the weather looked kindly on the gathering and a glorious morning and afternoon, attracted a large crowd of spectators who covered the sloping banks around the track and crowded into the stands. The racing, too, gave promise of being of the very highest order, since the world's greatest riders were competing against one another in the finals of the two kilometre events. After a half mile amateur handicap had been disposed off the racing of the day started with the final heat of the two Kilometre Amateur Championship, M. Hurley America, A. L. Reed, London, and J. S. Benyon, Liverpool, being the starters. They commenced at a very slow pace, each watching the other closely until the bell sounded for the last lap. With 200 yards to go, the pace warmed up, Reed then having the advantage by about a length; five yards from the tape, Reed still led, but Hurley by a tremendous effort managed to sprint home the winner by one inch with Benyon only half a wheel behind. It was a grand finish to be sure, but the time for the distance—a little over a mile—was 11mins. 7⅗secs.—"loafing" of the first waters! The professionals then came on the scene and ran off their semi-final heats for a similar distance, the first heats being won by H. Mayer, Germany, the second by J. Lawson, America, and the third by T. Ellegaard (holder), Denmark. These three riders therefore qualified for the final. The pistol fired and the men set off at a crawl, so slow indeed, that before twelve yards had been covered two of the riders fell side-ways on to the track. A fresh start was made and the pace was as ridiculous as ever, Mayer treating the spectators to a pantomime performance by pedalling backward and standing perfectly still on his machine. This kind of thing would have gone on much longer had not Lawson, seeing his opportunity, suddenly sprinted, gaining a considerable lead on the two others and finally coming home the winner by three lengths.

The last important event was the hundred Kilometres Amateur Championship in which nine good men started and which as expected provided a win for England. Leon Meredith, the Londoner, who has ridden with such marked success this year, was first to take up his pacer, and it was evident by the speed which he travelled, that he was in great form The first five miles were covered in 7mins. 22secs., and Meredith was then two laps to the good. On he went at his terrific speed the ten miles being covered in 15mins. 42⅖secs. and 20 miles 1 lap in 30mins., 30 miles 2 laps in 45mins., 40 miles 1 lap in the hour and 50 miles in 1hr. 15mins. 33⅘secs. In an hour and a half riding, Meredith had covered 59 miles 2 laps, over six miles ahead of G. A. Olley the second man, and the race seemed a certainty for him. A tremendous sensation was caused when Meredith had but two miles to go; in taking one of the corners his pedal caught the track and he was shot right over his handle bars, turned several somersaults and then slid along the track for considerable distance. He jumped up and although in a dazed condition called for a fresh machine and rode home the winner in the world's record time of 1hr. 35mins. 30⅘secs. W. J. Prett was second in 1hr. 44mins. 23⅖secs., and G. A. Olley, third in 1hr. 45mins. 18secs. These three were all British representatives, none of the foreign competitors being placed. At the completion of the race, there was a rush for Meredith, but in what a sore plight he was. In his fall he was grazed all over, his arm being gashed to the bone and one of his fingers smashed. Yet in this condition he re-mounted and completed the race! Well done Meredith!

The Motor-Cycle Club of France will be holding the first race for the International Cup for Motor Cycles on the 25th of this month, the course selected being from St. Arnoult to La forêt le Roi, Ablis and back to St. Arnoult, a distance of some 54 kilometres. This course will have to be covered by the competitors five times so the total distance of the race will be 270 kilometres or in the English equivalent 167 miles 1,370 yards. The race will be held on very similar lines and conditions to those governing the race for the famous Gordon Bennett trophy. Affiliated countries are entitled to send three representatives and the machines these representatives ride must be entirely manufactured in their respective countries. It is bound to prove interesting as all international contests are.

A Staffordshire cyclist has brought great trouble upon his own head, by riding a machine not equipped with reliable brakes. His afflictions consist of a lost situation, personal damages and a fine from the bench of 10s. and costs. No one will pity him for the offender was accused with having addressed some ladies in anything but polite language, of running into a pedestrian on a hill and finally riding over a child in a basinette. His plea was that he had lost control of his machine, which might have been true although it is quite certain that he lost control of his tongue.

Cotter Pin.

"I see you have chicken for dinner." "Yessuh," said Mr. Erastus Pinkley. "I hope you bought the chicken." "Well no; but de transaction was strictly regular. Dat chicken has been roostin' on my fence foh months wifout payin' nuffin', an' I reckoned it were 'bout times to fohclose."

Cricket.

CRICKET AT NAGPUR.

Nagpur Gymkhana *vs.* Empress Mills.—Played on the 24th ultimo, the Mills winning by 128 runs. Belgaumwala played a fine innings of 109. Score:—

Empress Mills.

A. Chinory, b Goring-Jones	49
Nagarwala, l-b-w, b Slocock	5
Belgaumwala, b Goring-Jones	109
J. Chinory, c Playfair, b Cleveland	23
Chabewala, c Ratnam, b Goring-Jones	8
Umrigar, c Cowie, b Cleveland	20
Vakil, c Cowie, b Cleveland	0
Parekh, run out	8
Saceen, not out	6
Talati, b Cleveland	8
Dustoor, b Cleveland	9
Extras	13
Total	258

Nagpur Gymkhana.

Mr. Cleveland, b Umrigar	0
Capt. Goring-Jones, l-b-w, b Umrigar	21
Mr. Cowie, c Vakil, b Umrigar	2
Mr. Fagan, b Umrigar	21
Mr. Ratnam c A. Chinory, b J. Chinory	37
Mr. Slocock, c Parekh, b Chinory	19
Mr. Hullah, b Chinory	0
Mr. Playfair, not out	12
Capt. Plowden, l-b-w, b Chinory	0
Mr. Leftwich, b Chinory	6
Mr. Mainwaring, c Chinory, b Umrigar	1
Extras	11
Total	130

CRICKET IN MADRAS.

M. C. C. *vs.* H. M. S. "Hyacinth."—This match on the 24th instant resulted in a win for the *Hyacinth* by four wickets. Score:—

M. C. C.

P. Braithwaite, l-b-w, b Glasgow	0
Capt. Challenor, c and b Glasgow	16
J. McIvor, c Ramsay, b Wilson	19
Capt. Bowen, c Kew, b Glasgow	2
E. B. O. Palmer, c and b Glasgow	8
H. T. Keeling, b Wilson	4
S. C. Probyn, c Wilkinson, b Wilson	12
C. Brooke Leagatt, b Glasgow	18
S. D. Pears, c and b Wilson	2
M. R. Ingram, c Butt, b Abercrombie	4
Major Glossop, not out	6
Extras	5
Total	96

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Glasgow	13·3	39	2	5
Abercrombie	10	26	0	1
Wilson	9	27	1	4

H. M. S. "Hyacinth."

Mr. Wilson, c Keeling, b Probyn	8
Mr. Butt, c Probyn, b Bowen	4
Mr. Abercrombie, b Keeling	38
Mr. Openshaw, c and b Keeling	9
Capt. Hood, not out	43
Mr. Gilby, c McIvor, b Keeling	5
Mr. Thomas, b Challenor	23
Extras	7
Total (for 6 wkts.)	137

CRICKET AT BELGAUM.

Dharwar *vs.* Belgaum.—Appended are the scores of the match between the above teams on the 24th ultimo:—

Belgaum.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. C. F. Potter, b Sangar	0	l-b-w, b Sangar	1
Capt. Hutchinson, b Sangar	6	c C. Sinclair, b Crump	3
Mr. W. E. Copleston, b Crump	10	b Oliver	24
Mr. R. Mactier, b Sangar	2	b Sangar	48
Capt. Brewis, st Chenai, b Sangar	3	st. Chenai, b Crump	99
Mr. J. L. Lushington, b Crump	43	c Wilson, b Oliver	0
Capt. Poole, c Monteath, b Crump	16	c Grayfoot, b Crump	27
Mr. T. Aitchison, c Monteath, b Sangar	61	not out	51
Mr. B. H. Howell, b Monteath	15	b Sangar	2
Mr. C. La Coste, c Sinclair, b Sangar	0	not out	20
Mr. W. B. Bell, not out	0	l-b-w, b Sangar	0
Extras	12	Extras	8
Total	168	Total (for 9 wkts.)	283

Bowling Analysis.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B.	R.	M.	W.
Crump	132	64	2	3	115	105	2	3
Sangar	106	58	2	6	126	74	5	4
Oliver	42	23	1	—	36	29	1	2
Sinclair	12	9	—	—	18	15	—	—
Monteath	6	2	—	1	24	33	1	—
Chenai	—	—	—	—	24	19	—	—

Dharwar.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. C. S. Sinclair, b Copleston	0	run out	2
Mr. E. G. Oliver, b Capt. Brewis	0	c La Coste, b Capt. Brewis	2
Mr. J. Monteath, c Capt. Poole, b Capt. Brewis	51	not out	17
Mr. F. G Chenal run out	23	not out	3
Mr. H. D. Sinclair, c Howell, b Copleston	85		
Mr. G McC. Harrison, b Capt. Brewis	24		
Mr. L. C. Crump, b Copleston	0		
Mr. D. H. Browne, b Capt. Brewis	0		
Mr G. S. Wilson, b Capt. Brewis	3		
Major B. B Grayfoot, not out	2		
Mr. Sangar, st Potter, b Copleston	9		
Extras	5	Extras	1
Total	202	Total	25

Bowling Analysis.

	B.	R.	M.	W.	B.	R.	M.	W.
Copleston	124	85	4	5	36	10	—	—
Capt. Brewis	132	55	6	5	36	14	1	1
Poole	42	29	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bell	31	28	—	—	—	—	—	—

Football.

THE DURAND TOURNAMENT.

The Final.

North Staffords *vs.* Black Watch.—A large crowd witnessed the final game in the tournament, played at Annandale on the 30th ultimo. The weather conditions were perfect and a splendid game was put up. At the start the Staffords pressed and forced a corner, from which they nearly scored. Another corner to the Staffords followed, but the Highlanders cleared and rushing down kept the opposing custodian busy, he was equal to all the shots however and the ball was transferred to the Highlanders' end where it was put through. A penalty against the Black Watch shortly after enabled the Staffords to score a second goal. The Highlanders, playing hard, attacked till the interval. They got a corner, but nothing resulted. On resuming, the Staffords pressed and had rather the best of the game, but they were unable to get through the Highlanders' defence and there was no further scoring, the match ending in a win for the North Staffords by two goals to *nil*. Lady Ampthill presented the trophy and medals to the winning team and the Viceroy made a short speech the substance of which will be found in our Athletic Notes.

Previous Winners and Runners Up.

	Winner.	Runners Up.	Entries.	Won by
1888.	Royal Scots Fusiliers	Highland L. I.	6	2 to 1
1889.	Highland L. I.	Simla	9	8 to 1
1890.	Highland L. I.	Royal Irish	11	4 to 1
1891.	Scottish Borderers	East Lancashire	10	2 to 1
1892.	Scottish Borderers	A. and S. Highlanders	11	2 to 0
1893.	Highland L. I.	A and S. Highlanders	11	2 to 1
1894.	Highland L. I.	Royal Scots Fusiliers	12	1 to 0
1895.	Highland L. I.	Somerset L. I.	9	6 to 0
1896.	Somerset L. I.	The Black Watch	8	1 to 0
1897.	The Black Watch	2nd P. (Simla) V.R.C.	5	3 to 0
1898.	The Black Watch	N. Staffords	12	3 to 0
1899.	The Black Watch	Yorkshire Regiment	8	2 to 0
1900.	S. W. Borderers	E. Lancashire	9	2 to 0
1901.	S. W. Borderers	S. Staffords	10	2 to 1
1902.	Hampshire Regiment	E. Lancashire	10	2 to 1
1903.	Royal Irish Rifles	The Queens	11	1 to 0

BOMBAY GYMKHANA RUGBY TOURNAMENT.

(From our own Correspondent.)

I was able to send you wires giving the results of two out of the four games in the Rugby Tournament and can now give a brief summary of the whole tournament. Two of the games it must be admitted were greatly lacking in interest, those in which the local teams were engaged, owing to their one-sided nature. The Gymkhana who had to meet the Gloucester Regiment in the first round had perhaps some excuse for their defeat as owing to accidents and transfers they were without two of their best scrummagers A. P. and J. A. D. Langhorne (transferred) and two others, Elseworth and Mackay ("crocked"). Naturally in the absence of four of their regular forwards their pack was greatly weakened. But what was almost of as great consequence was the inability of D. H. Brand the skipper and half-back to play and as E. R. Jones was unable to take his place the vacancy had to be filled by F. St. G. Gratwicke, who did not shine in that position, his usual place being three-quarter back. Had the Gymkhana pack been able to hold their opponents the game would have been a fairly even one, but as it was the forwards were completely overrun and the backs rarely had a chance of getting away The superiority of the Gloucesters forwards was most marked and this with the excellent combination shown by their three-quarters gave them the victory by 3 goals and 2 tries to 1 try.

A larger crowd than I have seen for many a long day filled the enclosure and lined the ground to witness the game between the Calcutta Football Club and the Welsh Regiment which promised to furnish an interesting struggle. Unfortunately for the Calcutta team their forwards, as was the case of the Gymkhana in the previous game, were so badly beaten, that their backs on whom they chiefly relied were completely tied up and never had a real chance throughout the game of showing that combination to be looked for from such three-quarters as Martelli and Barnes, and halves as Cumberlege and Marshall, most of whom have, if I am not mistaken, played in first class football at home. The Welsh whose training has enabled them to reach a high standard of efficiency, played a superb game, and if we could see a little of the form they showed more frequently in Bombay, the Rugby code would soon be popular again. What struck me particularly about the Welsh three-quarters was their passing and the way they marked the opposing three-quarters. A. Siddons got away once or twice and Martelli on at least one occasion looked dangerous but these were about all the openings they had, so closely were they marked. The genial Irish skipper, Martelli, who, I should take this opportunity of mentioning, officiated as referee in all the other games, worked hard to avert defeat but it was a hopeless task behind badly beaten forwards. Considering that the Calcutta forwards shaped so poorly the defeat of their side by 2 goals (1 dropped) and 2 tries to *nil* reflected no disgrace on the side as a whole. Quite the contrary it was eloquent testimony of the fine work put in by the backs.

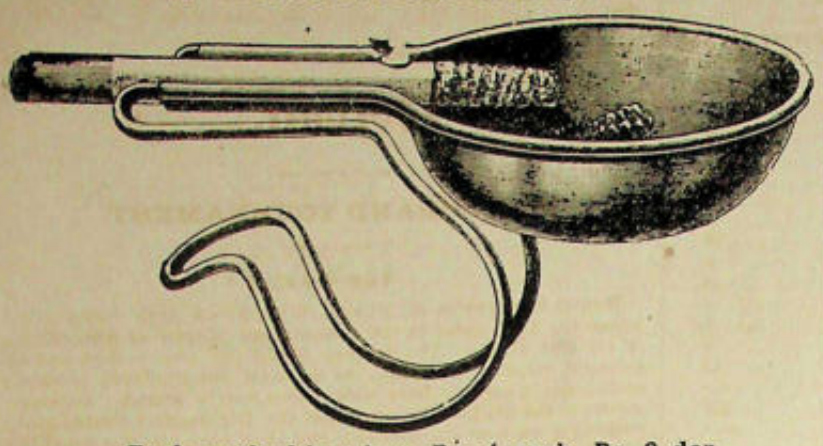
The third game in the tournament between the Gloucesters and the Casuals does not call for much notice resulting as it did in a runaway victory for the Gloucesters by 4 goals and 4 tries (32 points) to *nil*. The local team gave as poor an exhibition as I have ever seen and were completely outplayed at every point of the game. They are a young team and were plucky to have entered for the Tournament, but they must show very much improved form before they hope to meet even ordinary teams on even terms.

The Final.

The Welsh *vs* the Glosters.—This was a grand game and although the Welsh beat the Gloucesters by two goals (one dropped) and a try (12 points) to a goal (5 points) the game was a much more even one than the difference in points secured to indicate. The Gloucesters who played a quiet gentlemanly game had distinctly the best of exchanges in the first half and when the sides changed over were leading by a goal to a try. It was not only in points, however, that they had the best of the game during this period, but in the actual play as for two-thirds of the time the ball was either inside the Welsh "25" or between the "25" flag and midfield. The Welsh played a rougher game than their opponents and in their excitement resorted to some unorthodox methods. Mr. Martelli, whose refereeing during the tournament evoked high praise, was down like a hawk on offenders who indulged in rough play and the number of free kicks

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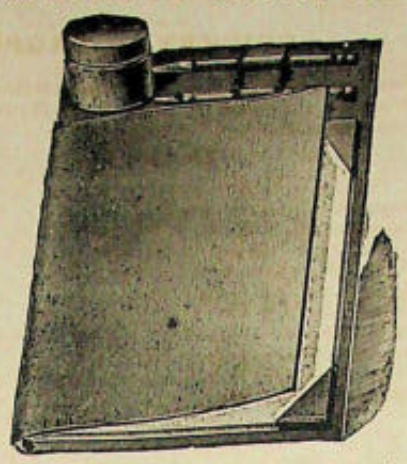


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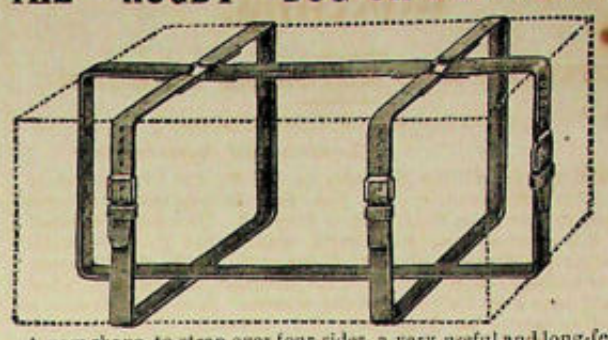
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given against the Welsh for fouls and offside were considerable. There was one point in which the Welsh showed any marked superiority and that was in the combination shown by their three-quarters whose passing, tackling, and running was very fine indeed. Better combination and a faster back division were the factors that decided the game in their favour. The best three quarter on the ground was, however, Holder the Gloucester left centre whose kicking was magnificent and who when once well away was a very difficult man to bring to grass. In the line outs the under Welsh forwards marked their men better, but the Gloucesters on the other hand were quicker in following up the ball and smarter with their feet.

The Welsh had most of the play in the second half. Their second try was inexplicable; from a kick out from touch in goal the latter obtained the ball and walked across with the Gloucesters idly staring at him. The Gloucesters attacked strongly after the Welsh had converted their second try into a goal and twice were nearly across their opponent's line. Once, indeed, after a fine piece of combined play by the three-quarters, Holder was within an ace of scoring, but was smartly brought down on the line where after several exciting scrums the ball was passed back again to the three-quarters but a weak pass spoilt an almost certain chance of scoring. During the remainder of the closing period the Welsh had the upper hand and kept play confined in their opponent's "25" for the most part. All things considered it was a magnificent game, and I think the Calcutta skipper who refereed will bear me out in this remark The Welsh have now won the cup nine times, their record up to 1902 being eight times in succession.

MADRAS RUGBY TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS GYMKHANA *vs.* H. M. S. "HYACINTH."—The advent of the *Hyacinth*, the flagship of the East India Squadron has put a little life into sporting circles in Madras, which except for a little cricket was going a bit slow pending the arrival of the cool season. On Saturday last they played the M. C. C. at cricket and won quite easily, then they took them on at hockey but found the local team in too good practice for them and were beaten. Learning that the Madras Rugby Football Tournament had fallen through for lack of entries, they very sportingly entered a team for it, and the match, the only one in the tournament, was played on the 27th ultimo on the Gymkhana ground on the island before a fairly large gathering of spectators. The game was very one-sided but interesting all through. The M. C. C. team had the measure of their opponents from the very start and in the end won easily by the large margin of 26 points (4 goals and 2 tries) to *nil*. The *Hyacinths* lacked the skill and combination of their opponents; but in keenness and go they were 'all there' and played to the bitter end of a game that was always going against them without any "slacking."

The Madras team won the toss and played with the wind behind them, the blue jackets kicking off. The latter gained a little ground at the start by playing strongly for touch and a series of toughly-contested "scrums" took place in the Gymkhana half. Play afterwards became faster and a couple of runs on either side livened up the game and the Gymkhana came in and kept the *Hyacinths* busy defending. Haughton receiving the ball from Pelly was pulled up just short of the *Hyacinths* goal line and later, taking the ball from Hooper he essayed a clever drop kick at goal just before he was tackled and narrowly missed. The *Hyacinths* touched down in self-defence, but the kick out gave them very little respite; the ball was quickly back again and from a line out Faith got away and grounded the ball behind the posts and Hooper converted a certain goal. The *Hyacinths*, unable to get through, took to dribbling and for a time kept the Gymkhana from being too pressing, while the tackling of their back division was quite good. Glasgow stopping more than one rush; but the next score came from the Layard who picking up the ball dribbled to him by Faith went down with it on the right and being too fast for the sailor backs again secured a try behind the posts. Hooper again converting without any difficulty. The Gymkhana now kept up a determined attack. An attempt by Prendergast to pass Glasgow was quickly stopped; but from a scrum some clever passing by Clarke, Cattell, and Layard resulted in the lastnamed just falling across the line near the corner and scoring a try. The kick—a long and difficult one, with a tricky wind to contend with—was taken by Hooper and scored a goal. Half time now sounded with the home team leading by 15 points to *nil*.

In the second half the Gymkhana with a mighty kick off by Hooper to aid them were soon in the *Hyacinth's* ground where they stayed almost without a break for the rest of the time. Play at first was confined to "scrums" and short runs but the *Hyacinths* were good in their defensive work in stopping individuals. A fine passing run by Pelly, Cattell and Haughton stopped by Porter, let the Gymkhana in and from a pass out from a scrum near the sailors' goal Clarke went in a and scored a try. H. A. C. Campbell took the kick, a certain one and scored the fourth goal. The rest of the game was played in semi-darkness; but the next score came from one of the finest pieces of passing by the Gymkhana witnessed in the match. Haughton getting the ball in Gymkhana territory fought his way through the *Hyacinth* forwards and then some fine passing among the backs resulted in Steele getting through but no goal resulted. The final try came from another good bit of passing in which Hooper, Steele, Haughton, Pelly, and Layard were associated, the last-named scoring. Time was called the Gymkhana winning by 4 goals and 2 tries (26 points) to *nil*. They thus win the handsome Rugby Cup which would only have become their's this year by the inglorious process of a walkover had the *Hyacinths* not entered. Appended are the names of the teams:—

GYMKHANA.		H. M. S. "HYACINTH."
G. C. Coleman	Back	K. R. Glasgow.
C. W. Layard	¾-Backs.	P. H. Colley.
W. F. Pelly		P. L. Butt.
E. J. Haughton		P. McKew.
A. H. Steele		Slentiford.
Capt. G. L. Cattell	½-Backs.	T. N. Jones.
R. C. Clarke		T. B. Shaw.
N. W. Faith	Forwards.	C. J. Crocker.
F. Hooper		C. H. Abercrombie.
W. H. Johnston		Capt. F. O. B. Wilson.
A. H. Davies		C. P Thomson.
H. Prendergast		B. E. Porter.
F. B. Wathen		S. G. Buchanan.
A. L. Clover		Drohan.
H. B. Vernon		Gillett.

Referee.—Mr. Probyn.

FOOTBALL IN MADRAS.

MADRAS GYMKHANA *vs.* "HYACINTH"—The *Hyacinth* left Madras on the 29th ultimo for Trincomalee but before doing so the sporting crew had one more "go" for the Madras Gymkhana on the 28th idem, taking them on this time in a game of soccer. Madras put a strong side into the field, showing from experience that the "sailor men" make up in perseverance and persistence what they lack in skill. The *Hyacinths* were unable to get together their usual team and some delay took place, the game not commencing till past 5 30 P.M. It was then decided to play 40 minutes without a break, but even then the game ended in the dusk From the start it was seen that the local team were cleverer and better trained than their opponents who, as usual, played keenly and pluckily, but had no chance until the end when they got in a shot or two which were ineffective owing to inaccurate shooting. They were beaten by 4 goals to *nil*, which if not so over-whelming as their defeat in the Rugby match the previous evening was conclusive enough.

The game started with the *Hyacinth* playing with the wind and attacking the town goal and the opening exchanges were uninteresting. The Gymkhana then found their feet and kept the sailors pretty unanimously on the defensive as their defence was too good for the occasion at breaksaway by the blue jackets. The Gymkhana shortly forced a corner, but it was not improved on and their play opened out a bit, the sailors having quite their share of the play. Gordon Fraser with a clever run on the right opened the score for the home team, and this was evidently the signal for further successes, for a moment later Strouts put in a hot shot which Pengelly reached; but the ball rebounded from his hands into the net. The *Hyacinth* put on their mettle by these scores against them played up and got away with the ball, and Pelly was called upon to protect his goal which he did without difficulty. The Gymkhana by clever tactics forced the ball back into the visitor's territory where O'Reilly getting on to it scored with a "stinger." The Gymkhana slacked of a bit and the *Hyacinths* got to work; but they could not break through the defence of the Gymkhana whose forward line freshly attacked before the call of time when Partridge scored their fourth goal for them. Teams:—

H. M. S. "HYACINTH." *Goal* Pengelly, *backs* Murphy and Smith, *half backs* Wilkinson, O'Rourke and Thomas, *forwards*, Shields, Noris, C. H. Abercrombie, F. O. B. Wilson and K. R. Glasgow.

GYMKHANA. *Goal*, W. F. Pelly, *backs* C. H. Ormaby, R. Little Hails, *half backs* J. Tosselyn, S. C. Probyn. P. P. Braithwaite, *forwards* R. C. M. Strouts. J. J. O'Reilly, P. Partridge, G. Fraser, C. Palmer.

Golf.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

8th September.

THE Irish Open Championship being the most important meeting of the month must hold first place in date as well as interest just now This the 13th of its kind was commenced, as I recorded in my last notes, at Newcastle, County Down with International matches between the three rival sister Countries; England, Ireland, and Scotland, and resulted in a decided triumph for Scotland—they beating England by 47 holes to 25 and Ireland by 43 holes to 31, while England beat Ireland by 38 holes to 36. Such poor form on the part of the Home Country pointed to the chances of victory of Ireland as very small, but then, the most fancied Irish player, Mr. H. H. Reade, was, it must be remembred, an absentee. On Tuesday, 30th August, the date of the Stroke Competition the weather was excellent, fine, and calm, and 104 players took out cards. When Mr. G. Wilkie's fine score of 76+4=80 was given in it was thought that considering that the Bogey is 82, he would be almost certain of victory, but later Mr. Forster, of Fointon, came in with a 74 gross+4=78. His figures were:—

Out 6, 4, 4, 6, 4, 4, 3, 3, 3, = 37.
In 4, 4, 4, 5, 4, 5, 4, 3, 4, = 37=74.

a wonderful card and one that no one expected would be beaten during the meeting. Mr. Stewart gave promise of a remarkable round up to the 11th hole, but falling off somewhat in the last 4 holes he only returned a score of 79. Mr. Forster's card gave him the choice of gross or net prizes, both of equal value. In the latter part of the day, the first round of the Championship was played. By this time, the wind had increased very much, and 38 couples were down to start, of these five scratched, three ended on the last green—two were decided on the 20th green and one at the 21st. The biggest win was that of Mr. A. Robertson, of Edinborough Thistle with 8 up and 6 to play on Mr. F. G. Gillespie, of Edinborough Burgess In this round some surprise was created by the defeat of the last year's winner, Mr. Wilkie, by Mr. E. A. Apthorp, of Bedford. After his score in the morning it was thought he was safe for two or three rounds—a sliced ball at the 17th, when the match was square, lost him that hole and a duffed second at the 18th lost him the match by 2 holes. Mr. Forster in his match with Mr. Macniven had to play 21 holes before he could gain the victory. Mr. H. A. Boyd's defeat by Mr. Ritchie on the 15th green came as another surprise.

On Wednesday the second round was played; with the exception of Mr. W. G. Ritchie's defeat by Mr. J. D. Brown most of the matches finished according to expectation, Mr. Dobson scratched to Mr. C. E. Stuart, and Mr. Young to Mr. Dunn; five of the 32 matches were concluded on the 18th green, one at the 19th and two at the 20th. Mr. D. Forster had another very tight match with Mr. A. Duncan, the latter being 1 up at the 12th from thence, however, Mr. Forster played beautiful golf and won by 3 and 1. Mr. Mitchell only qualified for the third round by beating Mr. C. K. Potter on the 20th green. At the 19th Mr. Mitchell lost a stroke by driving out of bounds, but by a beautifully played approach shot, from which he holed out, he succeeded in snatching a half, and at the next hole his opponent pulled his tie shot which lost him the match.

The third round was productive of some very interesting matches, Mr. C. E. Stuart after being 3 up and 5 to play eventually lost to Mr. Apthorp on the 19th green. Between Mr. H. H. Reade and Mr. Easterbrook, it was a deadly struggle on the outward journey, but coming home the Irishman and Ex-Champion steadily increased his lead and won by 5 up and 3 to play.

Thursday, 1st September, was an ideal golfing day when the eight couples started in the fourth round. Again Mr. Forster played fine golf, and having an easy match in Mr. A. Robertson, who was 'off" he won by 6 and 5. A great struggle between Mr. Cairnes and Mr. H. G Stewart was expected, both players being very much fancied. Mr. Cairnes, however, was completely "off" his game and his putting being especially weak he lost by 4 holes. The two Irish players, H. H Reade and H. C. "Bruce," had a deadly struggle, which ultimately ended in favour of "the Bruce" by 3 up and 1 to play. At the conclusion of the fourth round only one Irishman remained in, this was 'the Bruce" better known in Irish golfing circles as Dr. Brian O'Brian. In the fifth round Mr. Mitchell beat Mr. Dunn by 5 and 4. Mr. Stewart fell to Mr. Forster at the 16th hole by 3 and 2 to play. Mr. Worthingron defeated Mr. "Bruce" by 1 hole, and Mr. Palmer beat Mr. Andrew 2 up.

The Semi finals were played on the Friday in dull but very pleasant weather, and there was nothing particularly exciting or worthy of comment in either of the two matches, Mr. Mitchell defeated Mr. Forster on the 17th green by 3 up and 1 to play, and Mr. Worthington secured a brilliant win of 5 up and 4 over Mr. Palmer, which somewhat surprised many people who considered Mr. Palmer quite worthy of and likely to obtain premier honours. In the afternoon, as is not unusual under the shadow of the Manne Mountains—and elsewhere in the Emerald Isle, the weather completely changed, torrents of rain and a violent storm made golf impossible and at the 9th hole, when the finals were being contested with Mr. Mitchell 1 up, it was thought imperative to postpone the match until the following day. On resuming play on Saturday Mr. Mitchell finished the first round of 18 holes, 3 up; but falling to pieces in the afternoon. Mr. Worthington secured an easy victory by 6 up and 4 to play, his round of 74 being made up as follows:—

Out ... 5, 4, 4, 5, 4, 4, 3, 4, 3=36 }
In ... 3, 4, 5, 3, 4, 6, 5, 3, 5=38 } =74.

The present Irish Open Champion, Mr. J. S. Worthington, is well known in Golfing circles as one of the Mid Surrey "cracks;" throughout the meeting at Newcastle, he met foeman after foeman worthy of his steel and twice only reached his goal by the narrow margin of 1 hole. The opponents over whom he obtained the victory are as follows:—

Mr. W. S. Colville (Glasgow),	to whom he was	1 up
" A. Crawford (S. Nicholas)	" "	2 "
D. G. McKenzie (Morton Hall)	" "	4 and 3
F G Dickson (North West)	" "	2 and 1
Dr. Brian O'Brian (Belfast)	" "	1 up
C. A. Palmer (Handsworth)	" "	5 and 4
J. F. Mitchell (Musselborough)	" "	6 and 4

Mr. Clive Lawrence, (a son of the newly created Justice Lawrence) on Wednesday, 31st August, broke the record of the Sain Links by one stroke, the previous one of 74 being held

jointly by himself and the Club Professional H. A. Richards, Mr. Lawrence's figures in his new record are as follows :—

Out 5, 4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 3, 5, 4=38.
In 5, 4, 4, 4, 3, 5, 4, 3, 3=35=73.

There was a stiff breeze blowing at the time. The North Berwick Golf Club, one of the oldest and most select in Scotland held their Annual Meeting on Thursday, 1st September, Colonel W W. Gray was elected Captain for the ensuing year, the business being conducted in a marquee erected for the purpose close to the home green. In the competition held after the business meeting, Mr. J. Laidlay, partnered with the Right Hon'ble A J. Balfour did a fine round of 79, going out in 43, he accomplished a brilliant feat in the incoming holes—doing them in 36—and with his 79 he easily won the Scratch Medal; the best handicap return was made by Mr. W. J. Mure with 88–0=88. Record beating seems the order of the day just now, for while playing at Prestwick in a fourth Ball fairsome with Mr. Coats against E. D. Protheroe and the professional J. Hunter Mr. Robert Maxwell, the amateur ex-champion lowered the record for their green to 66. With a remarkable succession of 5 threes as a start he was out in a marvellous 30 and by absolutely faultless golf he came home in 36. This phenomenal score was aided only by two shots which might be called lucky—one was by holing an approach at the third hole, and laying his approach dead at the 18 might be termed another piece of luck; his score was as follows :—

Out 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 4, 3, 4, 4=30.
In 5, 4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 3, 4, 3=36=66.

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There was a big field of ladies at North Berwick on Friday, 26th August, 44 cards being taken out for competition for the Club Gold Medal and 3 handicap prizes. The Scratch Medal was won by Miss Hilda Sant with a record score of 59 (30 and 29). The course is a 9 holes one and in the second round Miss Sant had no fewer than *seven consecutive 3's*. The next best scratch score was by Miss C. Fyfe who with 63–6=57 tied with Miss F. Murray 73–16=59 and Mrs. Cockburn 75–18=59 for first place.

The Edzell Professional Tournament on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd September was a tremendous success. On the first day 30 of the finest players in the United Kingdom played 36 for handsome money prizes. Two years ago Harry Varden succeeded in lowering the record and accomplishing his round in 66, but the best score returned on Thursday 1st September was a 70 by J. H. Taylor. The first prizes, value each £9-10, were won by Harry Varden with 74 and 71=145 being equalled by Amand Massey's aggregate series of 72 and 73=145. The second prize was won by Ben Sayers with a total of 147 (prize value £6-6-8). A Herd—also 147 and James Braid the same total all three receiving the sum of £6-6-8 each. J. H. Taylor with 148 received £4 and T. G Renout with 150 received £3. The following day's play, resulted in Vardon and Braid, old foes and old friends—qualifying for the final. (The first eight players on the preceding day having qualified for the second stage) On the Thursday the final was a very exciting match, at the turn Braid stood, 1 up being out in 38, winning the 10th he stood 2 up, but the next 5 holes were divided in perfect Golf; winning the 16 and 18 by his putting which was grand Vardon, squared the match. In the afternoon at the 27 hole Braid held a lead of three and continuing his fine strong game the Scotsman eventually won by 4 up 3 to play.

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The Annual Handicap Tournament for the Queen Victoria Jubilee Vase was commenced at St. Andrew's on Tuesday, 6th instant, when as one of the competitors wrote me the "very air vibrated with golf." The entrants numbered 76 and included most of the best players in the club. Play was over the old course which was in perfect condition. The first round was chiefly remarkable for the many defeats of cracks. A very close match was that between Mr. Ferrier Ross (scratch) and Mr. V. A. Pollock (+1) the latter played a fine game going out in 38 and stood 2 up, becoming dormy at the 17th he halved the 18th and entered the next round four matches were halved and six ended on the 18th green. The second round was productive of some very close matches particularly those between Mr. Robert Whyte and Mr. Elwes, those were all square with 1 to play when Mr. Whyte secured the hole and entered the third round. Mr. Low played fine golf against Mr. Wilson going out in 38 winning his match by 4 and 3. He accomplished the round in 78 strokes. On Wednesday the third and fourth rounds were played in beautiful weather. The first couple to go out in the evening was Mr. Robert Whyte and Mr. Maitland and a close match between them resulted in a half. Another good game was that between Sir Thomas Packyers and Mr. A. S. M. Low, which ended in favour of the latter by 1 hole. Mr. J. L. Low and Mr. Fowler were also very near, but after being 3 up at the turn the former again relinquished his lead and brought the game to a close on the 17th green. Play in the fourth round was opened by Mr. Gurley Blackwell (who had a bye in the previous round) and Mr. Robert White. At the turn Mr. White led by one hole—but his opponent gradually assumed the lead until at the 17th he clinched matters by standing 2 up and 1 to play. Mr. H. S. Boyd somewhat easily disposed of Mr. Maitland 7 6 and 4 Mr. R. B. Sharp beat Mr. A. S. Low on the 13th green. Mr. J. L. Low won from Mr. Walter Blackwell by 4 up and 3 and the fifth round was begun on Thursday in dull weather. Rain having fallen heavily during the night the green was somewhat dead. Some very close fights took place in this round. Mr. E. Blackwell halved with Mr. E. C. P. Boyd, Mr. H. E. Boyd and Mr. Sharp had another hard tussle also resulting in a half. Another squared match was between Mr. John Low and Mr. Cook. In the afternoon those who had halved played one another again: in that between Mr. Blackwell and Mr. E. C. P. Boyd, the former assumed the lead early and won somewhat easily. Mr. Sharp succumbed to Mr. Boyd. The semi-finals between Mr. Cook and Mr. Blackwell and Mr. John Low and Mr. Boyd (H L.) attracted a large number of spectators. Mr. Blackwell playing fine golf led throughout and won by 4 up and 3 to play. The fight between the others was a very keen one, but eventually Mr. H. L. Boyd entered the finals by a victory of 3 up and 2 over Mr Low and by beating Mr. Blackwell by 5 up and 3 to play in the last stage Mr. Boyd won the Jubilee Vase.

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While the St. Andrew's players were striving against one another for the Victoria Jubilee Vase—the links of Lamlash were gay and crowded with aspirants to the title of South of Ireland Champion. As is usual the proceedings opened with a stroke competition among the entrants in which 56 players took out cards, the successful competitor being a local player Mr. Eric Shaw who went round in 85–9=76; only 12 matches were played in the first round 20 players receiving byes. With the exception of that between Mr. D. Forster (the Frinton crack) and Mr. Eric Shaw which ended in favour of the former on the 17th green, none of the matches were especially close. In the second round, however, some very good contests were fought, that between the Irish closel Champion Mr. H. H Boyd and Mr. Forster being especially exciting; neither was ever more than 1 up and it was only on the last green when by securing a half when doing 1, that Mr. Forster qualified for the third heat. Another very keen fight was between a former holder Mr. Browning and Mr. Horace Castle (well known in the South of England). This was a give-and-take match from start to finish and only on the 17th green could the Englishman (Castle) claim the victory. In wild wet weather the third and fourth rounds were played on Thursday. Mr. Forster, and the Chislehurst player Mr. Dun, had a close match in the morning which the former won by 3 and 2. Some surprise was caused by the defeat of Mr. Livingston by Mr. Cecil Boyd. The afternoon matches were devoid of any marked feature. Mr. Boyd again played surprisingly well but in Mr. Foy he more than found his match, the latter appropriated and kept the lead from the beginning. When Mr. T. Allen defeated Mr. Lysaght the last of the Irishmen disappeared from the competition. In the semi-finals which took place in showery weather Mr. Horace Castle beat Mr. Fry by 4 up and 3 to play, and Mr. D. Forster defeated Mr. Allen by 6 and 5. The first half of the finals was played on Friday afternoon in a strong wind, Mr. Forster secured the lead from the very onset; his short game was particularly deadly and he finished the 18 holes with the comfortable lead of 5 holes from Mr. Castle. The last 18 holes was exciting, for at the 16th green the match was square. Going to the 18th, Mr. Forster by playing a magnificent approach from which he holed, gained the match and the title of South of Ireland Champion. By the bye—though now playing almost entirely at Frinton-on-Sea, Mr. A. Forster is an old Leven player.

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Another ex-old Scottish golfer, Mr. D. G. Soutar of Carnoustie fame, has just won the Amateur Championship of New South Wales, the final was a somewhat remarkable achievement, for Mr. Soutar defeated his opponent Mr. R. Whytt, the Honorary Secretary, Royal Sydney Club, by no less than 12 up and 11 to play. A curious incident occurring at the beginning of the finals served to unsteady Mr. Whytt and quite put him off his game. Some boys with a dog were on a green, and Whytt hurled his putter at the dog (of course not at the boys) which he hit and probably hurt. The incident seemed to quite un-nerve him and he never once succeeded in holing a long putt, his opponent whose nerves were stronger and who had not hit the dog appeared indifferent and finished the first round 7 up in 83 strokes. Meanwhile the aspirants for the title of Champion of Wales, have decided their fate, and the lot has fallen on one well-known to golfers in the South of England and especially to those who frequent the West Middlesex Golf Course at Southall—Mr. Hal Ludlow—of sketching fame. In the semi-finals at Llanelly on the Ashburnham Links, Mr. Ludlow beat Major Green and Mr. R. M. Brown beat Captain Wilkins. Subsequently Mr. Ludlow by defeating Mr. Brown earned the title of Amateur Champion of Wales. A very exceptional circumstance occurred recently at Cufield when *4 players* tied for first place in the September Medal Competition—there were Mr. Smallwood, 79–2=77; Mr. F. Haycroft, 87–10=77; Mr. C. C. Rawlinson, 87–10=77; and Mr. G. Walker, 89–12=77. Next came Mr. Jackson, 92–14=78; Mr. A. C. Young, 77+2=79, etc, etc. In the now annual match between "cricket golfers and golf cricketers" for the latter team the three famous golfers Braid, Taylor, and Vardon did not excel. the three between them contributing only nine runs and the result of the match was a draw, the match being only a one-day one, the golf cricketers "declared" with eight wickets down for 181 and the cricket golfers had one wicket down for 96 runs of which the Kent Captain, G. L. Jessop, contributed 76 not out including eleven fours.

M. E. S.

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

ANNUAL WEEK.

The "week" commenced on the 26th ultimo with a two day's scratch competition. Against Bogey, whose score was fixed at 39 for the first round and 40 for the second. The greens were in good condition but no one managed to beat the Colonel Messrs. Greig and Aitken tied on the 6 two day's play. Results :—

	1st round.	2nd round.	Total.
F. H. Greig	3 down	1 down	4 down
B. Aitken	3 "	1 "	4 "
B. H Duxbury	4 "	1 "	5 "
R A. Don	2 "	3 "	5 "
F L. Muir	4 "	2 "	6 "
J. Carnegie	4 "	2 "	6 "
D. H. Brand	2 "	5 "	7 "
A. L. S. Roberts	3 "	5 "	8 "
E. E. Coombs	2 "	7 "	9 "

The others were 10 or more down, or put in no cards.

On Wednesday and Thursday (28th and 29th ultimo) a match by Medal play was brought off, prizes being awarded for the best scratch and Handicap scores. Results —

SCRATCH COMPETITION.

	1st round.	2nd round.	Total.
B. Aitken	41	41	82
F. H. Greig	42	44	86
K. McKenzie ... —	43	43	86
P. F. Fischer	44	43	86
A, L S. Roberts	44	43	86
F. L. Muir	45	42	87
B Kidd	43	45	88
A. W Daldy	43	45	88
C. H Roberts	44	44	88
E. E. Coombs	45	44	89
H. G. W. Meikle	45	44	89

HANDICAP COMPETITION.

A. L. S. Roberts	...— 6	44	42	80
J. S. Mackenzie	...—12	49	43	80
G. C. Scott	...—14	49	46	81
J. Humphrey	...—10	47	44	81
B. Kidd ...	...— 6	43	45	82
A W. Daldy	...— 6	43	45	82
K. McKenzie	...— 4	43	43	82
R. Aitken	... Scr.	41	41	82
C. H. Roberts	.. — 4	44	44	84
E E. Coombs	...— 4	45	44	85
F. H. Greig	... Scr.	42	44	86
E. F. Fischer	... Scr.	44	42	86
Rev. J. Cameron	...—12	51	48	87
G. P. Millett	...— 8	45	50	87
B. H. Duxbury	.. — 4	47	44	87
G. Miller	...— 8	46	49	87
F. L. Muir	.. Scr.	45	42	87
H. G. W. Meikle	... Scr.	45	44	89

The others were 90 or more, or did not put their cards in.

GOLF AT KARACHI.

AFFINITY MATCH.—This competition against Bogie (match play) was held on the 23rd ultimo on the ladies' links. Only one couple, Mrs W. R. Beaumont and Mr. C. Kennedy, beat the Colonel, being 2 holes up with a fine gross score of 44. Results :—

	Handicaps.		
Mrs. W. R. Beaumont ... / C. Kennedy ...	(4)	2	up.
Mrs. Rolland ... / Captain Lowsley ...	(6)	1	down.
Mrs. Sprott ... / F. L Sprott ...	(5)	2	down.
Miss McKenzie ... / C. H. Mead ...	(6)	3	down.
Mrs. Percy Jones ... / T. B. Peterkin ...	(2)	3	down.
Miss McIver ... / E. A. Miller ...	(7)	3	down.
Mrs. Leggatt ... / D. Miller ...	(5)	4	down.
Mrs. Hodgert ... / J. Richardson ...	(2)	4	down.
Miss Haworth ... / Major Braid ...	(5)	4	down.
Mrs. McIver ... / R. Campbell ...	(3)	5	down.
Mrs. D. Miller ... / E. H. Leggatt ...	(3)	5	down.
Mrs. Ferrers ... / C. Satiropulo ...	(6)	6	down.
Miss Arkle ... / Rev. H. A. Herbert ...	(8)	no return.	

Hockey.

BECHTLER TOURNAMENT.

THE following are complete results of the above tournament :—

First Round.

St. Fidelis beat Survey by 1 goal to *nil*.
St. George's College "A" beat Modern School by 5 goals to *nil*
Oak Grove beat Station "B" team by 5 goals to *nil*.

Second Round.

St. George's College "A" beat St. Fidelis by 9 goals to 1.
Oak Grove beat Station "A" team by 3 goals to 2.
Philander Smith "A" team beat "B" team.
St. George's College "B" beat Depôt by 4 goals to 1.

Semi-Finals.

St. George's College "A" team beat Oak Grove by 2 goals to 1.
St. George's College "B" team beat Philander Smith "A" team by 1 goal to *nil*.

Final.

St. George's College "A" team beat "B" team by 2 goals to 1.

Racquets.

NORTHERN INDIA TOURNAMENT.

THE Tournament at Murree this year was most successfully carried through and Captain Taylor is to be congratulated on its general excellence. The arrangements were perfect, the contests keen and the sport good. The Open Singles was won by Major D. G. M. Campbell, but when he met Mr. Wilson Johnston in the match for the Sunbury Challenge Cup, the holder had little difficulty in retaining his title. The Regimental Doubles were won by the R. E. represented by Captains Lathbury and Ainslie. The Public Schools Doubles went to Clifton (Major Campbell and Captain Lathbury) while Messrs. Peck and Taylor secured the Handicap Doubles. Details :—

OPEN SINGLES.

Capt. H. O. Lathbury (R. E.) beat Capt. Peck.
3 games to 1.

Closely contested throughout. Peck played well but fell off at times

Major D. G. M. Campbell (9th Lancers) beat Capt. C. Ainslie (R. E.)
3 games to 2.

An excellent match, both giving a fine display.

Capt. Stewart beat Mr Clarke
3 games to love.

Good play all through, but Capt. Stewart was never hard pressed.

Mr. Usborne beat Major Crum
2 games to love.

Major D. G. M Campbell beat Mr. P. D'A. Bankes.
3 games to love.

Won very easily.

Semi-finals.

Capt. H. O. Lathbury beat Capt. Stewart
3 games to love.

Capt. Stewart was not up to the from he displayed against Mr Clarke.

Major D. G. M. Campbell beat Mr. Usborne
3 games to love.

Major Campbell had things all his own way and won as he liked.

Final.

Major D. G. M. Campbell beat Capt. H. O. Lathbury
3 games to 1.

The winner was in splendid form while his opponent did not do himself justice.

BUNBURY CUP.

Winner of the Singles *ex.* The Holder. Mr. Wilson Johnston.

Mr. W. E. Wilson Johnston beat Major D. G. M. Campbell
4 game to love.

Campbell played hard but was no match for his opponent who was in splendid form.

REGIMENTAL DOUBLES.

Wiltshires.

Messrs. P. D'A. Bankes and F. H. Dansey beat *9th B. L.*
3 games to 2.

A very evenly contested match. The 9th looked all over winners in the fifth game when the score stood at 13 to 7, but their opponents pulled themselves together and won.

Royal Irish Fusiliers.		*60th Rifles.*
Major W. P. Davison / Mr. J. B. Lynch	beat	Major R. S. Oxley. / Capt E. F. Ward.

3 games to 1.

A splendid match was witnessed : it was anybody's game all through.

R. E.		*Punjab Commission.*
Capt H. O. Lathbury / Capt. C. Ainslie	beat	Mr. Roe / Mr. Usborne

3 games to *nil*.

The Engineers had it all their own way and won easily.

Royal Irish Fusiliers.		*Wiltshires.*
Major W. P. Davison / Mr. J. B. Lynch	beat	Mr. P. D'A. Bankes. / Mr. F. H. Dansey

3—1.

The Fusiliers played steadily throughout and won comfortably.

R. E.		*36th Sikhs.*
Capt. H. O. Lathbury / Capt. C. Ainslie	beat	Mr. W. E. Wilson Johnston / Mr. H. L. Haughton

3 games to love.

A brilliant game, and closely contested all through.

Final.

R. E.		*Royal Irish Fusiliers.*
Capt. H. O. Lathbury / Capt. C. Ainslie	beat	Major W. P. Davison / Mr. J. B. Lynch

4 games to love.

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The Fusiliers played hard but their opponents were the better pair and won rather comfortably.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS DOUBLES.

Marlborough.		*Eton.*
Stewart, Roe	beat	Gunn, Willan

3 games to love.

Marlborough quite out-classed the Eton pair.

Clifton.		*Cheltenham.*
Campbell, Lathbury	beat	Bankes, Clarke

3 games to love.

The winners were never pressed and won easily.

Final.

Clifton.		*Marlborough.*
Campbell, Lathbury	beat	Stewart, Roe

4 games to 1.

This match was very closely contested: there were many good rallies and play was good all round.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

Lathbury, Usborne	(+4)	beat	Dansey, Crum	(+7)

3—0.

Roe, Bankes	(+2)	beat	Davison, Stewart	(+4)

3—0.

Lathbury, Usborne	(+4)	beat	Roe, Bankes	(+2)

3—2.

Taylor, Peck	(+3)	beat	Lynch, Ainslie	(Scr.)

3—0.

Peck, Taylor	(+3)	beat	Lathbury, Usborne	(+4)

4—0.

INTER-REGIMENTAL TOURNAMENT.

THE Tournament concluded at the Club of Western India, Poona, on the 2nd instant. It has been very successful throughout. The courts are excellent and some good exhibitions of play were witnessed. Details :—

OPEN SINGLES.

Capt. A. H. Kearsey (York. and Lancs.) beat Mr. A. B. Reynolds (12 Lancs) 15—1, 15—1.

Mr. C. W. Nixon (R. H. A.) beat Major F. de B. Young, D. A. A. G. 15—5, 15—1.

The opening play was close but then, owing to a sprained wrist, Major Young's play fell off.

Capt. Parry (R. F. A.) beat Mr. Poston (R. H. A.) (15—4, 15—7.

Play was very close throughout.

Mr. H. A. Tomkinson (1st Royal Dragoons) beat Mr. F. O. Grenfell (60th Rifles). 11—1, 15—2.

Won rather easily.

Second Round.

Capt. the Hon. Guest (1st Life Guards) beat Mr. H. A. Tomkinson (1st Royal Dragoons).

Won after two splendid games. Mr. Tomkinson won the first. Then after going to 13 all in the second game Captain Guest won; he also secured the third game.

Capt. Kearsey beat Mr. Poston. 15—1, 15—9.

Captain the Hon'ble F. Guest had to scratch owing to a strained arm.

Final.

Capt. Kearsey beat Mr. Nixon, R. H. A. 15—3, 15—1, 15—9.

OPEN DOUBLES.

York. and Lancs.		*R. F. A.*
Major E. C. Cobbold, Capt. A. H. Kearsey	beat	Capt. Parry, Capt. Montressor.

15—2, 14—15, 15—6, 15—10.

Major Cob bold played a good game, good service and steady play throughout. After a game each play was closely contested, the Yorkshire and Lancashire taking both the last games.

The Cavalry Club.		*H. E. the Governor's Staff.*
Mr. H. A. Tomkinson, 1st Royal Drgns., Mr. A. B. Reynolds' 12th Lancers.	beat	Capt. J. G. Greig, Capt. E. H. Bayford

15—13, 10—15, 12—15, 15—10 15—3.

A very even struggle took place and some fine play was witnessed.

10th Brg., R. H. A.		*Club of Western India.*
Mr. C. W. Nixon, Mr. W. J. Poston	beat	Col. Fitzgerald, A. A. G., Major F. de B. Young, D. A. A. G.

Won easily by 15 points, to 13.

R. H. A.		*Cavalry Club.*
Mr. C. W. Nixon, Mr. W. J. Poston	beat	Mr. H. A. Tomkinson, Mr. A. B. Reynolds.

15—8, 17—14, 15—9.

Final.

York and Lancaster.		*R. H. A.*
Major E. C. Cobbold, Capt. A. H. Kearsey	beat	Mr. C. W. Nixon, Mr. W. J. Poston.

15—7, 14—17, 15—4, 15—12, 15—7.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

Mr. W. J. Poston (R. H. A.) (+3) beat Capt. Montressor, R. F. A. (+6) 15—7, 15—6.

Capt. Lambert, 29th Lancers (+6) beat Mr. A. B. Reynolds, 12th Lancers (+6) 15—9, 15—6.

Mr. F. O. Grenfell, 60th Rifles beat Major Forest, R. A. M. C. (+8) (+7) 15—14, 15—8.

Capt. Kearsey, York and Lancs. (—2) beat Mr. H. F. Walker, 30th Lancers (+8) 15—10, 15—9.

Mr. W. J. Nixon (+4) beat Col. Fitzgerald (+5) 15—6, 15—13.

Major Young (+5) beat Capt. Chaldecott (+5) 11—15, 15—10, 15—8.

Capt. Lambert (+5) beat Major Young (+5) 15—11, 15—10.

Mr. W. J. Poston (+3) beat Mr. H. A. Tomkinson (+4) 13—15, 15—4, 15—12.

Final.

Mr. W. J. Poston (+3) beat Capt. Lambert (+6) 15—10, 18—13, 15—13.

MARKERS SINGLES.

Padamjee (Poona) beat Kati Charan (Allahabad). 1—15, 15—14; 15—11, 15—6.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

Capt. Twiss, Capt. W. H. Chaldecott (+7) beat Col. H. S. Fitzgerald, A.A.G., Major F. de B. Young, D. A. A. G. (+5) 15—11, 18-13, 15-5.

Major E. C. Cobbold, Mr. A. B. Reynolds. (+4) beat Col. Fitzgerald, Mr. H. A Tomkinson. (+3) 8—15, 15—12, 11—15, 15—11, 15—10.

Capt. Twiss, Capt. W. H. Chaldecott. (+7) beat Capt. W. S. Trail, Capt. Lambert (+7) 15—12, 17—14, 15—7.

Mr. W. J. Poston, Mr. C. W. Nixon (+4) beat Capt. Twiss, Capt. W. H. Chaldecott 15—9, 15—7, 15—7.

Final.

Mr. H. A. Tomkinson, Mr. A. B. Reynolds. (+5) beat Mr. W. J. Poston, Mr. C. W. Nixon (+4) 15—5, 7—16, 5—15, 15—12, 15—4, 15—11.

MIXED DOUBLES.

Mr. F. O. Grenfell, Capt. A. H. Kearsey (+3) beat Col. Hazleton, Mr. C. W. Nixon (+5) 15—7, 15—5, 15—10.

Capt. Parry, Mr. W. J. Poston. (Scr.) beat Mr. F. O. Grenfell, Mr. A. H. Kearsey (+8) 15—9, 15—11, 15—9.

Final.

Capt. Parry, Mr. W. J. Poston (Scr.) beat Capt. Hon. F. Guest, Capt. W. H. Chaldecott. (+2) 15—4, 15—8. 15—4, 15—7.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS DOUBLES.

Won by Winchester. Capt. the Hon. F. Guest and Mr. H. B. Reynolds.

Swimming.

MEETING AT RAWALPINDI.

A MOST successful meeting under A. S. A. regulations was brought off at the West Ridge Baths, Rawalpindi, on the 14th and 15th ultimo. It was open to the Punjab and entries were exceptionally good. The attendance on both days was large and the greatest interest was taken in the competitions. The swimming was first-class Gunner Bell, two years Army and Navy Champion at Malta, won the 220 yards and quarter mile very easily while Watkins was first in the hundred yards in 69½secs. The arrangements were excellent and Mr. Lindsley, the Honorary Secretary, and Mr. Wilkinson, the referee, are to be congratulated on the success of the meeting. Details :—

HUNDRED YARDS, OPEN.—1. H. Watkins, Lahore Institute Water Polo Team; 2. McDougall, Sukkur Institute; 3. Gunner Bell, R.F.A.; 4. J. Corder, Lahore Institute Water Polo Team. Time—69½secs.

120 YARDS (Open to members, West Ridge Institute).—1. H. Judd; 2. A. McKenzie. Time—1min. 51secs.

220 YARDS, OPEN.—1. Gunner Bell, R. F. A.; 2. J. Corder, Lahore Institute Water Polo Team; 3. Gunner Lever, R. F. A. Time—4mins. 1½secs.

QUARTER MILE, OPEN.—1. Gunner Bell, R. F. A.; 2. Gunner Lever, R. F. A.; 3. G. Anscombe, West Ridge. Time—7mins. 37secs.

LONG DISTANCE SWIM UNDER WATER, OPEN.—1. W. M. Cargill, Lahore Institute Water Polo Team, 138ft. 5ins.; 2. Gunner Bakewell, R. F. A., 120ft.

LONG PLUNGE, OPEN.—1. McWilliams, West Ridge, 47ft. 4ins.; 2, B. E. Lomax, "Bathdrinkers" Water Polo Team, 47ft. 2ins.

WATER POLO.—The following teams entered :—(1) West Ridge Institute, (2) 57th Battery R. F. A., (3) Lahore Institute, (4) "Bathdrinkers," (5) J. Battery, R. F. A., (6) 20th Royal Field Artillery, (7) La Martinière.

In the final game the Lahore Institute met La Martinière Polo Team.

Winners:—Lahore Institute—J. Corder, H. Watkins, A. Watkins, G. O'Connor, W. Cargill, A. E. Burns, and L. Gigliardi

The Kennel.

THE GUN-DOG.

IT has often been stated that the modern breeds of the dog were gradually evolved from crosses between the dingo, the wolf, and other carnivora of a similar nature. Doubtful though this point must necessarily remain, all facts and researches go to show that the varieties were primarily produced by natural selection, and by the influence of their surroundings. Differences in climate and food tended towards the evolution of distinct breeds, and when eventually the wild species were domesticated by man, the varieties were multiplied at will, according to the purpose for which they were required.

In pre-historic times the dog was the companion of the aboriginal hunter, and was used for tracking and killing game, as well as for guarding his master from the stealthy approach of an enemy, and it is at this point that the evolution of the gun-dog begins. Throughout the ages man naturally chose the fastest and most intelligent animals to assist him in his search for food, and a keen nose has always been regarded as indispensable for this purpose.

We are, however, at present concerned only with a limited number of species, namely, those now used in connection with modern sport. Strictly speaking, the deerhound might be classed in this category, but space will only permit us to deal briefly with pointers, setters, retrievers, and spaniels, although terriers, dachshunds, beagles, and others are often used for rabbiting and working in concert.

Pointers first appeared in England country about the year 1720, when shooting birds on the wing first came into vogue. A certain Baron Bechill is said to have imported the first pointer from Spain into Norfolk. Later, Colonel Thornton crossed the Spanish pointer with the foxhound, and from this cross the modern breed has descended. At the present date pointers vary very considerably in colour, though the liver and-white and the lemon-and-white are varieties perhaps most commonly seen. Orange and white, black and white, or even pure black specimens are not unknown, and one of the best down-wind workers in the writer's experience was of the last-named variety. Colour is immaterial, but in selecting dogs, especially for breeding purposes, the greatest care should be taken to choose well-formed specimens. No dog requires so much space for the lungs and interior organs as pointers and setters, and well-sprung ribs are indispensable in connection with a deep chest and strong, muscular loins. The legs should be straight, and the thighs perfectly curved and symmetrical. The dog must have a good head and eye, wide nostrils, and compact feet, neither spreading nor arched; sloping shoulders, with the blades coming close together, the mouth neither undershot nor overshot, but with a broad, level muzzle. These qualifications are necessary for all sporting dogs which have to endure hard work, and especially for pointers, setters, and retrievers. The tendency of breeders is to select the sire and dam mainly for producing progeny which will shine on the show bench, and utility is in many cases sacrificed to looks. In pointers and setters this is hardly so noticeable as in other varieties, but we see it in retrievers and spaniels, and the show specimens of these breeds are often deficient in nose, endurance, and other necessary qualities.

Of setters there are three varieties—the English, the Gordon, and the Irish breeds. The former is black or blue and white, orange and white, black, tan, and white, lemon and white, or liver and white in colour. The Gordon is black and tan and the Irish pure red or red and white. The latter is somewhat lighter in build than the others, and rather more graceful in outline, but all three are conspicuous for beauty, and have their distinctive peculiarities. Setters are less suitable for severe work in hot weather than pointers, but the latter are more liable to suffer from cut feet and torn claws than their long-coated companions. The setter was formerly known as the spaniel, but since the development of the varieties of working spaniels this name has been applied to them alone. Setters were used earlier than pointers, certainly in connection with falconry in the 16th century, at which period no man could keep a "setting dog" unless he possessed land to the value of £10 per annum. Early in the last century the Laverack breed was introduced, but the strain has now been entirely lost, although the "ticked" varieties of the English setter generally owe their distinction to a cross with the Laverack.

The flat-coated retriever has to a great extent ousted the burly Labrador breeds, although the two latter are greatly in favour with wildfowlers or for rough or mixed shooting. The curlies are probably produced from the Irish water spaniel and the poodle, and the flat or wavy-coated variety from a cross between the Labrador, the collie, and the setter. The liver specimens which are occasionally met with are produced by a "throw-back" to the Irish setter blood, but a liver bitch is just as likely to have black as liver pups.

In breaking retrievers, the greatest perseverance and patience are necessary, especially with shy and timid specimens, and they should be perfectly steady to "feather" before they are allowed to touch "fur." At the age of six months a pup should have learnt to walk at heel, come back to whistle, drop or sit at word of command, and to use his nose in finding some soft object such as a cap which has previously been dropped without his knowledge. He should retrieve tenderly to hand at full speed,

and be more or less under control. He may then be introduced to game, and will probably soon discover the meaning of the shot, and, if he is worth anything, will try to "run in." This can be checked by means of a check-cord, and the young dog should be steady at 12 months old, although he will not be seen at his best till the end of the second or third season.

Space will only permit a few remarks about spaniels which are of six varieties, besides innumerable crosses which are sometimes considered distinctive breeds. These are the Clumber, the Sussex, the Black, Welsh springer, the Cocker, and the Irish Water Spaniel. The lastnamed is used principally for wildfowling, and is invaluable to the sportsman who prefer rough or mixed shooting, while his intelligence and adaptability render him suitable for all kinds of work. In the Highlands both fur and feather lie so much in thick, rank heather that a lightly-built, long-legged dog has a great advantage over the short-legged, heavy bodied show specimens; and the Welsh Springer and the Cocker are thus more suitable than the Clumber and the Sussex spaniels though the activity of the latter sometimes enables him to negotiate the thickest cover with success.

Spaniels should be worked in teams, should drop or stand to shot, put up game, but not chase it, and range within 30 yards of the handler. Teams may vary from two to twelve in number but if many are used the dark and liver coloured varieties should be excluded, owing to the risk of shooting them by mistake. Welsh Springers are generally lemon and white in colour and are seldom seen in the Highlands. The writer had, however, the opportunity of watching a team at work on the West Coast last winter, and there can be little doubt that no other variety is so well adapted for woodcock shooting, rabbiting, or any form of sport where game lies close in thick covert. The spaniel was formerly used, like the setter, in connection with falconry, and is described in works dating from the 13th century, but the numbers of the breed were probably very limited at this early period.

Spaniels, pointers, and setters have all suffered from the adoption of driving as opposed to shooting over dogs and their popularity has decreased in favour of the retriever. This is more evident in connection with partridge shooting, owing to the short stubble which remains after the progress of the modern reaper. To a great extent the same tendency is in progress on the moors but from different causes. Some say that the disappearence of pointers and setters is only a matter of time, but all dog-lovers would regret the change.

A few years ago that scourge of the doggy world, distemper was unknown in the Highlands, but we must now make up our minds to endure it in common with the rest of the United Kingdom. The older a dog may be when attacked by the malady, the severer is its form, and puppies, fortunately, generally recover if carefully nursed. The symptoms are unmistakable—feverishness accompanied by a yellow discharge from the nose and the nostrils, while in bad cases the lungs and bowels are affected. Fresh air is essential, and the disease must run its course. The dog should be placed in a warm but airy room or kennel, and food should be light, consisting of milk or broth. The bowels should be attended to and on the first appearance of the malady an emetic may be given with advantage.

Shows.

POONA HORSE SHOW.

CLASS II.—Arabs and C.-B. Chargers.
Major-General Richardson's g a h Katerfelto 1
Capt. H. B. Dyson's b cb m Gazelle 2
Six competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Poor class. Scanty entries and lacking quality. Katerfelto had the class to himself.

CLASS III.—English and Colonial Chargers.
Major-General Richardson's b aus m Pique 1
Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull's b aus g Welshman 2
Major Fitze J. M. Edwards' br eng m Zante ... H. C.
Twenty-two competed.
Judges' Remarks.—A very fine class. Closeness of quality made judging a long and difficult business

CLASS IV.—Light-weight Arab and C.-B. polo ponies.
Major Fitze J. M. Edwards' g a g Fiddler 1
Major Wogan-Browne's b a g Manxman 2
12th Royal Lancers Polo Club's br a g Forat ... H. C.
Major E. P. England's b a g Rocket ... ... C.
Twenty-eight competed.
Judges' Remarks.—An exceptionally good class. Quality so high as to make judging difficult.

CLASS V.—Heavy-weight Arab and C.-B. polo ponies up to 13st. and over.
Capt. F. Guest's b cb g Muskrat 1
33rd Light Cavalry Polo Club's b a g Honey Suckle ... 2
Capt. H. Guest's b o h Bolarum ... ... H. C.
Nine competed.

CLASS VI.—English and Colonial polo ponies.
Capt. F. Guest's ch e m Policy 1
Capt. H Guest's ch aus m Sally 2
Lieut.-Col de Lisle's bl aus m Siren ... ... H. C.
Seventeen competed
Judges' Remarks.—Very good class. Captain Guest's mare being particularly handy.

CLASS VII.—Pony hunters 14-2 and under.
Capt. F. Guest's b aus m Magnet 1
Mrs. C. A. Beatty's br cb m Vigilance 2
Mrs. R. F Anderson's br aus m Freda II. ... ... H. C.
Eleven competed.

CLASS VIII.—Light-weight Hunters up to 12st.
Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull's br aus g Welshman 1
Lieut.-Col. Channer's b aus m Jenny 2
Major R. F. Anderson's br aus g Champion ... ... H. C.
Capt. H. Hopwood's ch aus g Monsieur Beaucaire ... C.
Nineteen competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Very good class. Welshman being an especially fine animal, though some of the others ran him close.

CLASS IX.—Medium-weight Hunters from 12st. to 14st.
Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull's ch aus m Bullion 1
Mr. W. F. Casson's b aus g Timoor 2
Miss Anderson's b aus g Maxim ... ... H. C.
Eleven competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Class not quite up to the other hunters but good.

CLASS X.—Heavy-weight Hunters up to 14st.
Lieut-Col. G. H. Bull's gr irish m Twilight 1
Colonel Hume Henderson's ch aus m Husbeen ... 2
Major C. R. Elliott's ch irish g Skedadale 3
Nine competed.

CLASS XI.—Hunters over 14-2.
Aga Shamsudin Shah's b aus g Prestwick 1
Major Fitze J. M. Edwards' ch aus m Runaway Girl ... 2
Major Guy Moore's br aus m Mimosa ... ... H. C.
Lieut. Col. G. H. Bull's ch aus m Bullion ... ... C.
Thirty-three competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Very superior class indeed. Prestwick being a particularly excellent horse.

CLASS XII.—Hunters 14-2 and under.
Lieut.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's ch e g Luxury ... 1
Mrs. R. F. Anderson's br aus m Freda II. 2
Mrs. C. A. Beatty's br cb m Vigilance 3
Seventeen competed.

CLASS XIV.—Ladies' horses.
Major R. F. Anderson's br aus g Champion ... Special prize.
Major Genl Richardson's b aus m Bixbee 1
Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull's ch aus m Bullion 2
Major Guy Moore's br aus m Mimosa 3
Twenty competed.

CLASS XV.—Ladies' ponies (*a*) aust and English, (*b*) Arab and C.-B.
Mrs. C. A. Beatty's br cb m Vigilance ... 1 (*b*)
Major Guy Moore's b g m Faustive ... 1 (*a*)
Capt. H. Hopwood's ch aus g Little Mary 2
Twenty competed.
Judges' Remarks.—A very good and equal class of nice handy hacks.

CLASS XVI.—Hacks over 14-2.
Major Fitze J. M. Edwards' b r e m Zante 1
Col. F. W. Trevor's b aus g Topper 2
Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull's ch aus m Bullion ... ... H. C.
Capt H. B. Dyson's b cb m Gazelle ... ... C.
Thirty-four competed.

CLASS XVII.—Hacks 14-2 and under.
Lieut.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's rn aus m Quatorze ... 1
Major Fitz J. M Edwards bk e g Cornet 2
Capt. H. Hopwood's ch aus m Little Mary ... ... C.
Thirty-four competed.

CLASS XVIII.—Jumping for horses.
Mrs. R. F. Anderson's br aus m Freda II. 1
Major-Genl. G. Richardson's b aus g Leap Year ... 2
Capt. H. Guest's b aus g Kroonstadt 3
Forty-three competed.

CLASS XIX.—Jumping for ponies under 14-2.
Brig-Genl. B Mahon's br aus g Pure Simon 1
Mr. C. Bleach b e m Lady Cheltenham 2
Mrs. R. F. Anderson's br aus m Freda II. ... H.C.
Mrs C. A Beatty's br cb m Vigilance ... ... C.
Twenty-one competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Very good, except Friendly and Faustive, the first of whom fell and the second refused badly. Won in fine style by General Mahon's Pure Simon and Mr. Bleach's mare, a close second.

CLASS XXI.—Pairs in Harness.
Mr. A. Nanjee's br e m Modesty and br e g Hero ... 1
H. E. Lord Lamington's b w h Speaker and b w m Sylvia 2
Maj.-Genl. Richardson's b aus g Rocket and Ricochet ... H. C.
Eight competed.
Judges' Remarks—Good class turnouts and horses well up to standard.

CLASS XXII.—Horses over 14-2 in Single Harness.
Mr. A. Nanjee's br e m Modesty 1
H. E. Lord Lamington's b aus g Speaker 2
Twelve competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Very good showy lot.

CLASS XXIII.—English and Colonial ponies 14-2 and under in Single Harness.
Mrs. Grafton Young's bl rn aus g Topthorn 1
Major Fitze J. M. Edwards' dk br e m Lady Grace ... 2
Lieut.-Col. E. A. Kettlewell's rn aus m Quatorze ... 3
Eleven competed.

CLASS XXIV.—Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under in Single Harness.
Mrs. C. A. Beatty's ch cb g Varmint 1
Mrs. Guy Moore's b ci b m Cosie... 2
Major T. E. Dyson's b cb m Hampton Lovett ... H. C.
Sixteen competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Very good class indeed, particularly the C.-B.'s

CLASS XXV.—Tandem.
Major Guy Moore's br aus g William and br aus m Mary. 1
Major Guy Moore's b cb g Ding and b al b m Cosie ... 2
Nine competed.

CLASS XXVI.—Teams.
H. E. Lord Lamington's b aust Silvia Speaker and Nasik North Star 1
R F.A., 40th Battery 2
Judges' Remarks.—Good. Only two teams entered.

CLASS XXVII.—Children's ponies constantly ridden by children.
Miss Armstrong's bay pony, Tommy 1
The Rajah of Akalkote's b cb m Lady 2
Master Dick Northen's bl cb g Piccaninni ... ... H. C.
Eight competed.
Judges' Remarks.—Good class.
Miss Laing's br cb Topsy received a Special Prize.

The Naturalist.

A NATURALIST IN THE N.-W. HIMALAYAS. PART IV.

THE month of April is a busy one for the naturalist and the sportsman—spring weather causes the bears to move about, at first they do not wander far from the winter retreat, they seem to be but half awake, but with the aid of a few warm days they recover themselves and travel in quest of food.

Ursus torquatus (the Himalayan black bear) does not hibernate if this can be avoided, very large numbers migrate downwards into the lower ranges where snow does not stay on to the ground some even going on to the edge of the plains.

Whilst migrating the black bears will often be attracted by forests which contain oaks, it is astonishing what a number can be met with in the lower forests when the acorn is on the tree, a few days will however again find them moving downwards, thus a forest may contain a score or two of bears one week and in the next not a single one. If you find the black bear high up in the hills during the early spring as often as not the animal will prove to be a very old male, these undoubtedly hibernate, they stay out as long as they can find a good supply of food, and then retire to a hollow tree or some very dense jungle, if disturbed and made to move they appear to be easily fatigued, whilst the frozen snow is on the ground they are unable to get about without cutting their paws, and very shortly after they are turned out of a lair blood stains will be seen on all their footprints.

Some times in mid winter the black bear can be heard grumbling in these lairs, but in the morning no trace of their having moved is found, and the whereabouts of the beast is hard to determine. I am inclined to think that after the bear has retired for the winter, it never willingly emerges until the milder season of early spring comes, in fact until the sun has thawed the snow and the green grass springs up. It is partly due to the effect of eating the freshly-grown herbage that bears are so very thin in the early spring. I have been induced to write these few lines, because the question is so often asked whether the black bears hibernate or not.

If they stay in the higher valleys they must do so where one of the last of the berries they can get in large quantities is that of the hawthorn. Acorns are generally found on hills from which the black bears can descend without having any high ranges to cross and are taken in due course of migration.

Searching for voles and other small rodents in the spring is not very profitable, the shallow runs which are made under the turf would not protect them from the melting snow, consequently the voles in winter burrow deep amongst the roots of trees—at the best of times they are hard to catch Their chief food consists of roots, any succulent stalks are greedily devoured; in gardens the destruction they cause is very aggravating, now and again they can be caught in a trap, but the best plan is to set a man to watch until they are found throwing out the freshly-dug earth from these burrows and then to drive an axe or some thin implement into the run, the retreat will then be cut off and they are easily captured.

Young voles are curiously tame, if placed amongst suitable herbage they will generally begin to eat as soon as released from the hand.

A vole we have lately been collecting chiefly on the borders of the Wurdwan in Kashmir at altitudes varying from about 7,000 feet to 11,000 feet is causing a great deal of research before it can be identified and I shall be very pleased to send a small series to anyone who has collected these small mammals, and still more would I like to exchange them for any voles procured from the hills north of Dehra or from any part of Kumaon, etc. Microtus stracheyi (the Kumaon vole) is the name for the time being given to a specimen I have procured from north eastern Ladak, if anyone will give me the chance of comparing this with voles from Kumaon I should be greatly obliged.

A. E. W.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

A meeting of the members took place at the Society's rooms on the 29th ultimo, Mr. L. C. H. Young presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following new members, since the last meeting, was duly announced:—Mr. M. Deakin (Bombay); Captain V. G. Drake-Brockman, I. M. S. (Bharatpur); Mr. F. H. Abbott, Secretary, Agri-Horticultural Society of India (Calcutta); Lieutenant J. C. McKenna (Myitkyina, Upper Burma); Lieutenant H. D. S. Keighley (Myitkyina, Upper Burma); Mr. C. C. Reid, I. C. S (Calcutta); Mr. G. H. Belcham (Ratnagiri); Lieutenant J. L. Tweedie (Lucknow); Mr. A. L. Godden (Silchar, Cachar); Mr. H. R. Hume, D. S. P. (Kaira); Mr. R. A. Wilson, I. C. S. (Nagpur, C. P.); Captain H. K. Colston (Mhow, C. I.); Lieutenant A. C. Cameron (Mhow, C. I.); Mr. F. G. Arnould (Kawant, Rajputana); Mr. Mahomedbhoy Currimbhoy Ebrahim (Bombay); Mr. J. O'B. Donaghey (Bangalore); Mr. C. C. Boyd, I. C. S. (Karwar); Mr. George Service (Bombay); Lieutenant F. H. Humphrys (Lahore); and Mr. R. K. Dadachunji (Bombay).

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

Mr. H. M. Phipson, the Honorary Secretary, acknowledged receipt of the following contributions to the Society's collection:—

Contribution.	Description.	Contributor.
A collection of moths and butterflies from the Himalayas.	.....	Mr. G. C. Dudgeon F. E. S.
A lizard from Baluchistan.	Agama isolepis. ...	Col. R. H. Light.
2 Cobras (alive) ...	Naia tripudians. ...	Col. W. Bannerman, I. M. S.
1 Snake ...	Simotes abacinctus...	Do.
1 Snake (alive) ...	Zamenis fasciolatus.	Do.
1 Monitor (alive) ...	Varanus Bengalensis.	Dr. V. L. Mankar.
1 Bat	Cynopterus marginatus	Mr. C. G. Fee.
2 Terapins ...	Platysterrum megacephalum (from Siam)	Mr. H.D.G. Garrett.
Some insects and spiders	....	Mr. C. E. C. Fisher, I. F. S.
Butterflies ...	from Quetta ...	Mr. Nevile Elliot, R. A.
1 Snake (alive) ...	Python molurus ...	Mr. D. J. Tata.
1 Snake... ...	Calliophis cp. ...	Mr. E. McDougall.

Minor contribution from Mrs. Payne.

Contributions to the Library:—Annals of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Calcutta, Vol. X. Part I, in exchange.

Catalogue of Birds in the British Museum, Parts XVI to XXV, from the Trustees.

BEE CULTURE.

Mr. H. M. Phipson stated that he had lately been trying to interest the Agricultural Department on the subject of bee culture in the hope that they might see their way to carry out properly conducted experiments on the domestication of the two species of Indian bees which are not migratory (Apis nigrocinctus and Apis dorsata) and also possibly to introduce the European hive bee (Apis mellifica). Seeing how largely honey is used by the people of this country for the preservation of fruit and for sweetmeats, it is surprising that bee culture has not been further developed Dr. Theodore Cooke made some interesting experiments several years ago in Poona, with Apis indica, but as this species of bee is known to be migratory, the experiments led to disappointment, as on the approach of the hot season the swarms fled to the hills, along with the Government officials. Had the experiments been made with the rock bee (Apis dorsata) which is twice the size of the other, the results might have been very different.

Mr. L. C. H. Young, the Honorary Secretary of the Insect Section, read some extracts from the latest work on the subject of Indian Hymenoptera, by Colonel C. T. Bingham, and suggested that members of the Society living in the Punjab, Kolhapur, and other places, where experiments had been made, should be asked to communicate with the Society on the subject.

FLEAS.

The Honorary Secretary stated that Captain W. G. Liston, I. M. S. had kindly offered to read another paper before this Society, at the November meeting, on the subject of Fleas and the part they play in the propogation of plague. Captain Liston, it will be remembered, read a paper on this subject, on the 15th March 1903, but he has since devoted much time to it and an account of his recent investigations will be of the greatest interest.

PAPERS READ.

The following papers were read and discussed:—1. Water-yielding Plants found in the Thana forest, by G. M. Ryan, I. F. S.; 2. Cassia occidentalic, by B. H. Barlow-Poole, I. F. S; 3. Birds observed in the Nilgiris and Wynaad, by A. M. Primrose; 4. Notes on the Nesting of some birds in the Upper Chindwin District, Burma, by Captain H. H. Harrington; 5. Notes on Burmese Reptiles, by Major G. E. Evans, A. V. D., F. L. S.; 6. Notes on the Hornbills of the Pegu District, by C. W. Allan, I. F. S.; 7. The Russell's Viper; by Lieutenant-Colonel L. L. Fenton; 8. A Cobra feeding on Eggs, by C. P. George; all of which will appear in full in the Society's Journal.

Nothing is so admirable as logic. A traveller hurried out of the railway carriage, tired and dusty, and seating himself at a restaurant table, cried out, "Waiter, bring me a beefsteak!" The waiter replied that he would be charmed to do so, but that it took twenty minutes to cook a steak, while the train only waited ten minutes. The kindly and sweet-tempered traveller retorted, "Well, then bring me half a beefsteak!"

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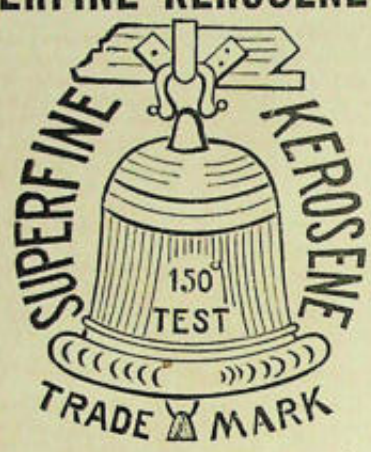
I have referred to the advantages the motorist gets. I will mention another advantage these oils have to those whom the motorist passes, *viz.*, the absence of the fried-fish-shop smell so often noted. Several persons have been very much struck by the absence of smell; even when the car has been standing for some time with the engines running, no trace of offensive odour has been apparent to the bystanders.

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THE SEASON'S CRICKET IN ENGLAND.

THE end of the season came with the match played on 13th, 14th, and 15th September at the Oval between Lancashire, as champion county, and the Rest of England: a match which appropriately enough ended in a draw. The columns of the papers devoted to sport are as usual flooded with those searching analyses of batting and bowling performances which give the first-class cricketer, amateur and professional, the final reminder for the year that the eyes of his country are ever upon him and his works. His misdeeds, too, have this year been made the subject of analytical examination of a sort, for we observe that somebody who signs himself "Man of Kent" has devoted some of his leisure to study of the cricket reports throughout the season, and has set out in all the remorseless nakedness of cold print the names of those cricketing malefactors who have dropped catches, which the reporters thought ought to have been held, with the number of catches so dropped, and, unkindest cut of all, the number of runs made after those catches were "muffed" by the batsmen who ought to have been caught out. It may be some consolation to each of them whose names appear in this Fieldsman's Black List that they appear in a goodly company, for among the sixty names chronicled occur those of most of the best known men of the day. Recording the hope that the "Man of Kent's" cruel exposure of mistakes may have its effect in bringing fieldsmen to a stronger sense of their duty we may turn to more gratifying phases of statistical industry. Ranjitsinghi for the third time heads the list of averages. In 1896 he led the batsmen with a tale of 55 innings and 2,780 runs, an average of 57·91 runs per innings. In 1900 he was again first with 40 innings, 3,065 runs and the brilliant average of 87·57. This has only once been excelled in recent years: Major Poore's 1899 average was 91·23, but we must set against this the fact that he played only 21 innings: and the quantity as well as the quality of the cricketers, play must surely be taken into account. This season's play gives Ranjitsinghi an average of 74·17 for 34 innings, 2,077 runs. Mr. C. B. Fry comes next, with an average of 70·60, 2,824 runs made in 42 innings: a less brilliant record than he had at his credit last year when he headed the list with 40 innings, 2,688 runs, average 81·30. We may suggest that the responsibilities of magazine editorship are claiming more of Mr. Fry's attention than the patron saint of cricket can regard unmoved. The batsman who perhaps has the finest record for the season, though it does not bring him out nearer the top than sixth is Hayward. He played 63 innings: which is more than any other first-class player amateur or professional, and his aggregate of 3,170 runs is also much higher than that of any other player: so much cricket with its greater area of chances naturally pre-supposes a smaller average, but 54·65 is an exceedingly good one when the quantity of play is considered. Hayward leads the way with the largest number of centuries (11) made during the season, Mr. C. B. Fry coming next with ten. Concerning Hayward's aggregate of 3,170, it may be pointed out that this has only once been exceeded: *e. g.*, by Abel's 3,309. Mr. P. A. Perrin takes the palm

for the best score of the season, 343 runs not out made for Essex *vs.* Derbyshire. Turning to the veterans we of course seek the name of "W. G.," and run inquiring finger far down the list before we find him in company with another old hand in the person of W. L. Murdoch. Dr. Grace played 26 innings during the season and his 637 runs give him an average of 25·48: Murdoch with 23 innings and 585 runs has an average of 05 less.

Bowling averages are less satisfactory things to work out than are batting averages. It would be a mistake to give Huddlestone the palm as by far the best bowler of the year because he stands at the top with an average of only 11·25 runs per wicket, while the next best man, E. Humphreys, has 16·53. While Rhodes comes well down the list with 21·59 runs per wicket and Gunn still further with 25·27. We must consider these averages by the light of the total work done by each man. Huddlestone bowled only 70 overs during the whole season and took 12 wickets: Rhodes bowled 1,197·2 overs and took 131. Gunn bowled 1,115·3 overs and took 123. It has been a batsman's year on the whole, dry wickets are ever against the bowler, and the long record of centuries made during the season points this with conoincing eloquence: no fewer than 250 centuries have been scored in first-class cricket during 1904 as against 147 last year. The summer of 1903, however, was so wet that we should compare the latest record with those of earlier years. 1902 yielded 174 centuries and 1901 was remarkable for 273. The last named year, is will be remembered, was prolific of outcry against rules and implements which are all in favour of the bat: last year we naturally heard little or nothing about the bowler's difficulties as he could hold his own fairly well on such wickets as an exceptionally wet summer provided. The past season closed with a speech made to the Secretary of State for India in which we remark the hotly debated question of altering implements was once more brought to the front. Mr. Brodrick is not, so far as we are aware, regarded as a leading authority on the game, and perhaps his wish to see the stumps used in first-class cricket raised one inch, while those used in school and other matches are retained as at present may be passed over as a graceful concession to the feelings of the Surrey bowlers whose cause he seems to have espoused more particularly in his defence of the county team. We incline the more to this belief since the Right Honourable gentleman urged the fact that the stumps have always been their present height is sufficient reason for changing them. The argument that the bowler has now often to bowl six days a week during the season is answered by saying that the batsman's work is a great deal harder than it used to be. If there be a case for conceding something to the ball, whether by spreading, or raising the stumps or by altering the rules, it is most safely based on the vast improvement in modern pitches.

We fell more in sympathy with Mr. Brodrick when he deplores the number of matches which are drawn: the number of these does not decrease and it is legitimate enough to suggest that their plenty furnishes reason to strengthen the bowler's hands: but in this connection the painstaking researches of the "Man of Kent" rise to our mind, and we ask how far the tale of drawn matches would be reduced by a shorter record of catches boggled. It would be worth while including in these annual summaries of cricket a table showing how many matches were played out to the end and how many were left unfinished by effluxion of time: the record of dropped catches would acquire even stronger significance were it set out as a corollary to the drawn match list, particularly when framed as the "Man of Kent" has framed it with details of the number of runs made by the fortunate batsmen. Catches always have been and always will be missed, but before the M. C. C. considers the propriety of altering the implements the search light of public criticism might profitably be directed upon work in the field. Better work there might do something towards reducing the number of drawn matches and removing the bowler's grievance.

It is hoped that arrangements may be made for the visit to England of a South African team in 1907, and also for the tour of an English team in South Africa in 1905-6. This is the natural outcome of the very successful tour of the South African team during the past summer, and English cricketers certainly will not be likely to raise any objections to such visits.

Special Telegrams.

PRIX DU CONSEIL MUNICIPAL.

(From our Own Correspondent.)

PRIX DE CONSEIL MUNICIPAL of 40sovs. each, 24ft. with 4,000 added, for three-year-olds and upwards; weight for age; penalties and allowances; second receives two-thirds and third the balance of the entries. One mile and a half.

London, *Monday, 10th October* 1904.

Mr. Gaston Dreyfus's b c PRESTO II., by Reuil—Mile Prefere, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs. ... 1
Major E. Loder's ch f PRETTY POLLY, by Gallinuile—Admiration, 3yrs., 9st. 1lb. ... 2
Lord H. de Walden's ch c ZINFANDEL, by Persimmon—Medora, 4yrs., 9st. 2lbs. ... 3

(*Winner trained in France.*)

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

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London, *Wednesday, 12th October* 1904.

Mr. H. Bottomley's b h WARGRAVE, by Carbine—Warble, 6yrs., 7st. 9lbs. Sharples 1
Sir J. Miller's b f RONDEAU, by Bay Ronald—Doremi, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs. Maher ... 2
Mr. J. C. Sullivan's b c WAR WOLF, by Wolf's Crag—Annora, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs. Higgs 3
Mr. J. R. Joel's ch g DEAN SWIFT, by Childwick—Pasquil, 3yrs., 7st. ... 0
Mr. P. P. Gilpin's br c ROE O'NEILL, by Sweetheart—Troublesome, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs. 0
Mr. R. C. Dawson's b c ST. PATRICK'S DAY, by St. Serf—Aumbry, 4yrs., 7st. 1lb. 0
Mr. R. H. Henning's br c FOUNDLING, by Trenton—Lady Charity, 3yrs., 7st. 1lb. ... 0
Mr. J. C. Clark's ch c MARK TIME, by Marco—Semitone, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs. ... 0
M. Caillaul's—GAHZAL, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ... 0
Mr. J. Musker's ch c ADMIRAL BREEZE, by Velasquez—Seabreeze, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs. ... 0
Mr. E. A. Wigan's b g LAPSANG, by Blairfinde—Lapsa, 4yrs., 7st. 1lb. 0
Mr. C. Perkins's b c CLIFTONHALL, by Galloping Lad—Lady Clifton, 5yrs., 8st. 4lbs. 0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's b c SANDBOY, by Ravensbury—Sandblast, 4yrs., 8st. ... 0
Lord Westbury's br c CERISIER, by Cherry Tree—Last Love, 4yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ... 0
Sir S. Scott's bg SERIES, by St. Simon—Sierra, 4yrs., 6st. 0
Mr. R. H Henning's b c GALAPAS, by Trenton—Black Duchess. 3yrs., 7st. ... 0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's br c HARMONY HALL, by Freemason—Queenswood, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs. 0
Mr. Cyril Russell's b f FLORINDA, by Florizel II.—Wise Flower, 4yrs., 6st. 3lbs.... 0
Mr. W. Lowe's ch c IMARI, by Rightaway—Winsome Charteris, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs. ... 0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's b f PIERIA, by St. Frusquin—Pie Powder, 3yrs., 6st. 1lb. ... 0

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Cypria 3y 6st 5lbs	1902 Black Sand 5y 8st 2lbs (17)
1894 Cildwick 4y 7st 9lbs (23)	1903 Grey Tick a 6st 9lbs (26)
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1896 St Bris 3y 6st 6lbs (15)	
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London, *Saturday, 8th October* 1904.

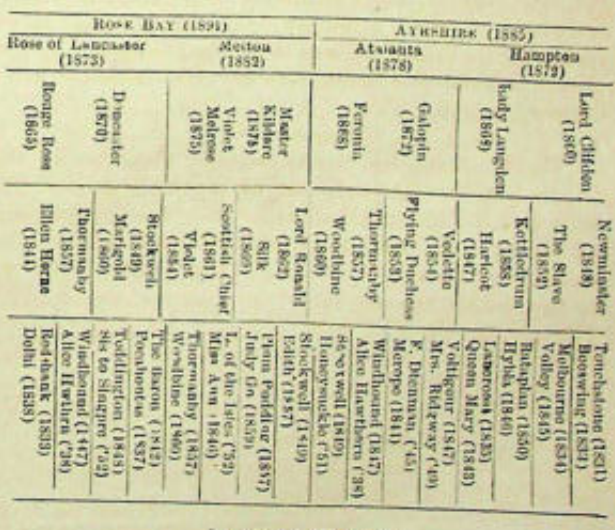
Lord Carnarvon's br c ROBERT LE DIABLE, by Ayrshire—Rose Bay, 5yrs., 9st. 2lbs., Maher 1
Mr. George Faber's ch c FERMOYLE, by Florizel II.—Deception, 5yrs., 7st. 13lbs., Shirgles 2
Mr. R. H. Henning's ch c FLOWER SELLER, by Florizel II.—Curlestone, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs., Plant 3
Mr. G. A. Prentice's br c GENERAL CRONJE, by Gallinule—Mira, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs 0
Mr. H. J King's br c WHISTLING CROW, by Crowberry—Sedge Warbler, 4yrs., 8st. 0
Sir J. Miller's ch c PHARISEE, by the Sailor Prince—Perception, 5yrs., 7st. 13lbs. ... 0
Mr. G. Edwardes's br c POLLION, by Ermak—Pomponne, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ... 0
Capt. Forester's br f QUEEN'S HOLIDAY, by Royal Hampton—Cimiez, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. 0
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's b c AMBITION, by Pride—Peg-away, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs. ... 0
Sir E. Cassel's b c LOVE CHARM, by Love Wisely—Omaha, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs. ... 0
Capt. Laing's b c ANTONIO, by Prisoner—Padua, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. 0
Lord Westbury's br c CERISIER, by Cherry Tree—Last Love, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ... 0
Mr. N. G. Higham's b c PRINCE ROYAL, by Royal Sovereign—Juno, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs 0
Mr. C. Hibbert's b c SCOTCH CHERRY, by Cherry Ripe—Islay, 4yrs., 6st. 7lbs. ... 0
Mr. McM G. Singer's b r c JOLLYBIRD, by Gallinule—La Joie, 4yrs., 6st. 7lbs. ... 0
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Sporting Notes.

A FULL report of the Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show is printed in our impression of date. It was a real good show in most respects and was well supported by exhibitors and public. Our special correspondent, however, does not quite voice the general opinion on the judging in the Dog section when he says the gentlemen who donned the ermine "did their duty well"—at least we are led to this reflection by several letters we have received from good people who think they could have held the scales much better in certain classes, more particularly the Terriers. 'Twas ever thus we know, and in cases where the point at issue is purely a matter of private opinion, we consider it best not to open our columns to a useless discussion. But there is one incident connected with this show, which has roused the ire of many and occasioned general surprise to most people who took any sort of interest in the show. We allude to the questionable taste that induced an official to present two "specials" and compete for them himself with exhibits that could not do otherwise than win! A correspondent writes on this subject :—"I noticed at the Prize-giving that he had not the cheek to come up to receive his own special, although he took it afterwards. I earnestly hope the committee will next year make it a rule that a donor shall not be able to take his own prize, or one could very soon load a dog with 'specials,' no matter his breeding or quality. For instance, I might own a Pie with one leg, enter it at a show and give a special prize for Pies with one leg."

The half-yearly general meeting of the Western India Turf Club was held at Race Stand, Poona, at 8 A.M., on Saturday, 1st October 1904. There were present the following gentlemen :—*Stewards*—Lieutenant-Colonel R. C. Broome and C. A. Beatty, Esq. *Members*—Aga S. Shah, J. Alston, Esq., Colonel F. W. Bromfield, W. F. Casson, Esq., E. S. Deane, Esq., Major P. England, Colonel H. S. Fitzgerald, Captain P. L. Grove, H. R. Hackney, Esq., Captain H. R. Hopwood, Captain F. D. Hunt, Major F. Joslen, Major C. F. Murray, H. B. Pike, Esq., T. L. Roberts, Esq., L. H. Spence, Esq., Cecil Gray, Esq., Secretary, W. I. T. C. Lieutenant-Colonel R. C. Broome in the Chair.

The accounts for the year ending 31st March 1904, were submitted, passed unanimously, and the Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Soon after the start for the Two-mile Selling Handicap at Lingfield, as reported in our London Sporting Letter to-day, Master Newby, ridden by Bott, fell and brought down Belosselsky, the mount of W. Lane. The last-named jockey unfortunately sustained serious injuries and was carried back in an unconscious condition. Otto Madden re-appeared in this event after his Warwick mishap, and for a moment looked like coming to grief again, but he succeeded in getting Belle Savile over the fallen Master Newby, and eventually won the race. Lane received medical attention, but when the day's proceedings closed he was still unconscious. A few hours before the mail left he was reported to be coming round.

The following letter was recently received by the United States Department of Agriculture :—"My wife had a Tame cat that dyd. For the enrichment of the soil I had the Carkis deposited under the roots of a Gooseberry Bush. (The Frute being up to then of the smooth variety). But the next Seson's Frute, after the Cat was berred, the Gooseberrys was all Hairy—and more Remarkable, the Catapilers of the Same Bush was All of said Hairy description." This opens a wide field for enterprise. By an extension of the experiment it may be possible to cover bald heads and produce military moustaches by eating hairy gooseberries.

The Simla polo Tournament was commenced on the 10th instant, when two games were played off. In the first the team composed of Major Maxwell, Captain Forester, Lord F. Blackwood and Captain Smith, beat Majors Atkinson and W. Campbell and Captains Tandy and Peacocke by two goals to one.

The second game was between the following teams : Colonel Birdwood, Mr. R. A. Mant, Captain Wood, and Captain Wake, *versus* Colonel Hubert Hamilton, Major Barnes, Captain Orr, and Captain Lambert, and was won by the latter team by 3 goals to love.

"Clever Hans," the performing horse which has been causing quite a furore in Berlin, where the circus style of entertainment is particularly popular, certainly appears to be a quadruped with greater claims upon our interest than the ordinary calculating pig of the peripatetic showman. He is reported to have stood successfully the searching tests of a thoroughly serious and representative committee of experts, and those who came prepared to mock remained, if not exactly to pray, at any rate perfectly convinced of the genuineness and independence of this unusual animal's mental processes. As for the details of his various achievements, some may possibly be coloured by the reporters' enthusiasm, but men of science and expert circus proprietors alike have been quite persuaded that he is capable, for instance, of spelling (in German, too), and of mental arithmetic of a somewhat intricate type. We are told that among other feats he indicates, by knocking his hoof so many times on the ground, what the day of the month will be next Tuesday, how many pfennigs there are in half a mark put under his nose, and what is the way to spell, for instance, Bremerhaven or Brunsbüttelkoog with pasteboard letters out of a box. And yet, it is sad to think, the poor creature in all probability is totally incapable of understanding the simplest English, and does not so much as know the meaning of "Gee up."

We are glad to learn that the colours of His Highness the Maharajah of Cooch-Behar will be seen on the Calcutta course this cold weather. It is a long time since His Highness had any horses in training. We hear of a probable candidate from this stable for The Indian Grand National.

There is a growing conviction in Europe that the fowl "enteric" disease which has obtained such a firm footing among pheasants and other conserved game birds is due to the substitution of the numerous artificial foods that have been of late years introduced. Overcrowding in the spinnies, of course, necessitates feeding, as the immense number herded into comparatively confined spaces precludes the possibility of the cover supplying requirements for all. Old-fashioned keepers have always been averse to the use of these foods, but their warnings have hitherto been disregarded or put down to prejudice, but recent investigation has shown them to be not far wrong, *post mortems* disclosing inflammation being due to over-concentration of too stimulating ingredients in the stomach. The same thing happened nigh 50 years ago with the popular greaves for sporting dogs. The original mixture was all that could be desired, but was soon undersold by cheaper and inferior concoctions, while, as with most patent food substitutes for natural ones, manufacturers turned out those which at first answered to all appearances admirably but were followed by ulterior effects which proved most disastrous. Although artificial game bird rearing may be a remote contingency to contemplate in India, the initiative taken by Sir John Woodburn and Mr. Earle at Darjeeling indicates that it may take on among some of our wealthy noblemen; to such as may entertain it we give the above remarks as a caution counselling a strict adherence to nature in the character and quantity of all food given. The simultaneous investigations instituted in England and on the Continent should, when published, prove of considerable interest to sportsmen who wish to see our birds brought up as their natural habits indicate they should be.

The local Assam papers we notice fully approve of the recent administration resolution regarding the conservation of orchids, sensibly pointing out that the European growers and private fanciers have in their hothouses the means of raising these beautiful plants from seed. Collectors sent out simply sweep whole tracts, while as the native gatherers are paid by the quantity brought in without regard to variety, heaps of really beautiful though common plants are rejected and thrown aside to rot. Out of a *toppa*—perhaps containing 800, barely 50 or 60 are deemed worth exporting; some idea can thus be formed of the ruthless waste that has been permitted to go on for years past, until chance travellers in Assam and Burma deride the idea that those districts can be the home of the plants. The orchid collector should be put on the same footing as the shikari, limited strictly to a moderate number of specimens, not to turn botanising into a commercial avocation. Most of the best vandas and dendrobes take from two to four years to attain anything like attractive proportion, and as it is seldom a sprig is left as nucleus for fresh growth when the plant is torn from its hold, no wonder that the grand show the eastern forests made in the autumn twenty years ago exists no longer. Even the gorgeous rhododendrons that once formed such a splendid display in the Dompeh Valley between Cherrapoonje and Shillong have been well nigh ruined for want of conservation, but this has been owing chiefly to grass firing, which needs putting down with a high hand as much in the interest of plant preservation as in that of ground game and brilliant hued songsters, both of which are being scared from these places by this pernicious and senseless custom. This ukase taken in conjunction with that of closing the Bijni reserve

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forest to the potshooter indicates a laudable intention on the part of the Assam authorities to stay extinction of both floral and animal life and we hope at no future date to chronicle similar resolutions from all subordinate governments. We have no wish to advocate undue interference with the genuine sportsman or botanist, but let the commercial butcher and avaricious greengrocer be *anathema*.

Our Poona Correspondent writes :—The Champion Wall Jump, which could not be held, owing to lack of time on the second day of the Horse Show, was held on the following Monday morning, and after a spirited competition, was won by a grey Australian mare called Grisoline, belonging to Mr. Younghusband, one of the Stewards of the W. I. T. C. The mare was admirably handled by Captain Casson. There were no less than 30 entries for the event, but owing to the unhappy postponement, only eight actually competed.

The Pirates of Penzance for an amateur company is distinctly an ambitious undertaking, but the company of Poona amateurs came through the ordeal most creditably, playing four nights to crowded houses. Colonel Grantham, who stage managed the show, deserves great credit, and everything passed off without the slightest hitch.

A thoroughly enjoyable and most sporting point-to-point meeting was held, in connection with the Poona and Kirkee Hunt, about 5½ miles outside Poona, on the road to Ahmednagar. From all accounts it was an admirably run meeting, and greatly enjoyed by a large concourse of people only too glad to have some little change in the dull monotony of life, and on whom the prolonged strictly formal racing is possibly beginning to somewhat pall. Details of the afternoon's proceedings will, no doubt, find a place elsewhere.

The extra day of the big Poona meeting provided some capital racing though the attendance showed a distinct falling off and the beat of the public pulse is declared by the fact that the enterprising G. I. P. Railway management are withdrawing their sumptuous "Race Special" that bold and entirely successful venture which has proved so immensely popular with the racing public during the past season. But the fields were capital and Mr. Cursetjee's magic handicapping as usual completely puzzled the knowing contingent. The ball was set rolling with a 5 furlong handicap for maiden 14 hand Arabs. Eleven facing the starting gate; a very blood little pony called Superior with the nice impost of 6st. 3lbs. outstaying the favourites, Sabig being second and the handsome Random third while the much-fancied Calcutta, who has not sustained his form of the earlier part of the season, failed to secure place money.

A twin race to the above—the original entries being so large as to necessitate being split up—resulted in the good-looking, but hitherto dissappointing, Bandit II. after giving much trouble at the post, jumping off with a nice lead which he sustained with ease to the end, False Start second and Hopeful third. Nasser greatly fancied running badly. A most interesting race was the High-weight Handicap for horses which had not won at the Poona Big Meeting and quite a number were fancied and backed. Beadsman being scratched the public took what they considered the gentle hint and backed Carreewick but the good thing did not come off and indeed failed to get a place to everyone's surprise in the last stride Rosomond eventually winning a capital race with Fotheringay next, and Mr. Galstaun's Springlock "in the money."

Everyone appreciates a gallant performance on the part of an old warrior and it was a brave feat of that honest pony Governor, who has been racing for many a seasons, to comfortably defeat such smart performers as Farewell and Mint and good ones like Moreed, Yerbo (the Pony Derby winner) and such like behind.

Only seven went under the orders of Mr. O'Gorman for the 1¼ mile Losers' Handicap, but among them the evergreen and well-named little Gallant (on whom *anno domini* seems at last telling the inevitable tale) Narunjee and Connaught (last year's Governor's Cup winner). But Aga Shamsudin Shah's luck is in and his blood-like colt St. Gatien, not greatly fancied apparently by his astute trainer-owner, won quite cleverly at the end, the Emperor, also little fancied, being second, and that wonderfully handsome though disappointing horse Connaught close up.

An exciting finish was provided in the Handicap for Horses which had not won a race of the value of Rs. 3,000 or over since 1st April 1902. Harpist, with Ames as pilot, only just scrambling home and steering a course none too straight or free of Riverside II while Shotover was close up third.

The closed races which have been so extremely popular and well supported this season on this occasion took the form of a Welter Handicap for Arabs 14-1 and under. Captain Bayford's small but very select string has been in such form this season that the public (more especially since that admirable horseman, Captain Meynell, had the mount) would have nothing but the top-weight Borderer. The favourite, however, was either a bit off colour or found 11st. 7lbs. not quite to his liking and could not get place money. Syndic 10st. 4lbs. (who was rather overlooked, seeing that he ran so prominently in the Governor's Cup), won somewhat comfortably very nicely ridden by Captain Hopwood, the bottom-weight Surhan in at 8st. 4lbs. and carrying 10lbs. extra for Melsom's services being second, and Captain Bayford's second string, and bottom-weight but one, third. A capital race. There was considerable excitement provided gratis after this event, a buzz of surprise occurring when Bikanir's number was hoisted as the winner, a temporary error due to great similarity in the racing colours which was promptly rectified. The ever-patient bookmaking fraternity must have had a satisfactory afternoon.

Chloe, the last of the two gorillas who recently found a home in the Zoological Gardens, has gone to her rest, leaving only one example of the gorilla in Europe, and that at Breslau. Chloe arrived at the Zoo about a month ago, with her companion Venus, who died eight days later. At first there was a trifling difference of opinion between them on the food question, but when Venus had made it abundantly plain that she was to be mistress, the pair got on very well together. Then Venus died, and Chloe was terribly affected. Early last week she became ill. A doctor attended her, but in spite of every care she died. This is the Zoo's third attempt to keep gorillas. The first was made in 1877, when a male gorilla was caged: then there was a female in 1896, but both died. Everything that could be suggested for the comfort of these anthropoids has been done, and there seems to be no immediate prospect of the gorilla being kept long in England. We think it would be better to attempt domestication in some way in Africa. It is possible then that better results might follow by the importation of the hardier captives.

It may be surprising to know that Japan leads the world in oyster culture, says an exchange. The industry is centred in the Inland Sea, which is considered by many the most important natural preserve of fish and shellfish in the world. There are three kinds of Japanese oysters. There is a small dwarfed salt water variety which is abundant along the southern and eastern coast of Japan. It is the most abundant of all the species. In actual size this oyster is rarely larger than one's finger nail, but its flavour makes amends for its tiny proportions. The second variety is the important one, from a commercial point of view. Although not large, it averages the size of a blue-point, and is the kind with which experiments are being made in Puget Sound. The oyster itself is cream coloured, and is found in abundance throughout the Inland Sea. It thrives best in bays well tempered by fresh water. The third type of Japanese oyster is of a large size, specimens weighing as much as five pounds being not infrequent. Little value is placed on this oyster, and no attempt is made to cultivate it for the market.

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The natives of Venezuela and adjoining countries on the north side of the river Amazon often avail themselves of the services of a native crane to care for their poultry, and also in the place of collies or shepherd dogs, to guard and herd their domestic animals. This remarkable bird, which the Indians call yakamik, and the ornithologists Psophia crepitans, is found in a wild state in the great forests which lie between the northern coasts of South America and the Amazon river, particularly in Venezuela and British Guiana. The birds never leave the forests unless shot or captured. They may be trusted with the care of a flock of sheep or domestic fowls, and every morning will drive the ducks and poultry to their feeding-places, and, carefully collecting any stragglers, bring them safely home at night. A yakamik soon learns to know and obey the voice of his master, follows him, when permitted, wherever he goes, and appears delighted at receiving his caresses. It pines at his absence and welcomes his return, and is exceedingly jealous of any rival. Should any dog or cat approach it flies at it with the utmost fury, and, attacking it with wings and beak, drives it away. It presents itself regularly during meals, from which it chases all domestic animals, and even the negroes who wait on the table, if it is not well acquainted with them, and only asks for a share of the eatables after it has driven away all who might aspire to a favourable notice from the family.

Book Notes for October, that interesting monthly publication devoted chiefly to book matters and issued by Messrs. Thacker and Co., of Bombay, is full of good things this month. Details of all the popular new books will be found therein, something about old favourites and a little regarding novels that are at present "on the stocks." *Book Notes* maintains its character as a high-class catalogue.

At last Pretty Polly's extraordinary run of brilliant successes has been broken: she was beaten by Presto II. in the Prix de Conseil de Municipality at Paris last Sunday.

Our Bangalore Correspondent writes :—Bangalore still shows that there are racing possibilities present here, a very excellent little Gymkhana meeting having been brought off on Saturday, the 8th instant. Full particulars accompany this for your racing columns, so that it is only necessary to say that sport was more than fair. It is of course quite too early to prophesy about next year, but there has been a far better season in 1903-04 than there was during the previous year, and the race-fund I understand is "quite well thank you"! This being so, and Bangalore horses and ponies having made so good a show in Poona—although, by the way, Colonel Desaraj Urs has been most unlucky with Trenton and Red Coral—one may look forward to next season's serious business with a fair amount of confidence.

Athletic Notes.

WE remind those whom it may concern that entries for the Cawnpore Hockey Tournament—the Bechtler Cup—close on the 25th instant.

That progressive band of sportsmen, the Executive Committee of the South Indian Athletic Association, Madras, have arranged a big boxing tournament, full details of which will be found in the advertisement further on. The show begins on the 24th December, and from what we know of the management of the S.I.A.A. and what we hear of the arrangements now in hand, this particular meeting ought to be really first class.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes :—The Bombay Gymkhana Cricket Secretary, Captain H. S. MacDonald, is determined that no stone shall be left unturned to arrange a full list of fixtures for the cold weather and one or two big matches for Christmas week, and to spare no pains to make the cold weather cricket season as thoroughly successful as last year. It is an open secret that with local European cricketers, despite the pressure of business and the short evenings, the fixtures between November and March are enjoyed far more than those during the season proper—between June and October.

The Baronet Club team before its departure for Calcutta in December will be given a game by the Gymkhana, who have received an accession of strength last week in the persons of Lieutenant F. S. Massy of the Suffolk Regiment and A. Cox. The

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first named is a very fine hard hitting bat and should score largely on the cold weather wickets.

The Hindu Gymkhana Committee have addressed a letter to the Cricket Secretary of the Bombay Gymkhana, in which they ask for a match with the Presidency next season. Their application, I learn on good authority, will very probably receive the consideration that it deserves. The Hindus do not propose to confine the selection of their team to local players, but will include such men as Jayaram, Seshachari and Narayan Rao of Madras, Shama Charan, Nanak Ram and Naneck Chand of Northern India, and Shiulal of Kathiawar.

I commented last week on Coombs' feat with the ball this season up to date in taking 81 wickets for the Gymkhana for a fraction under 10 runs apiece—a performance which has never been approached by a Gymkhana bowler in a single season, at all events as far back as 1880, beyond which I cannot go. Considering the number of great bowlers who have figured in Bombay cricket during the last twenty-four years Coombs' feat in taking close upon a hundred wickets is one he may be pardonably proud of. Up to 1895 Bombay probably enjoyed greater luck in the matter of always possessing a couple of really first-class bowlers than any other cricket centre in India. Lieutenant A. H. Newnham of Glocestershire fame (now Major Newnham), Lieutenant A. E. Barton, who played for Hampshire (now Major Barton,) and F. D. Gaddum, the Cambridge Blue, three of the best Indian bowlers of their day, were all in the team together in the middle eighties. In the later eighties and early nineties the attack was borne by such famous trundlers as Ernest Steel, who only a couple of seasons ago, playing for Lancashire, proved that he was still one of the best amateur slow bowlers in England, E. B. Raikes, E. J. Track and Newnham, who a few seasons later were succeeded by R. T. Sinclair, the fastest bowler ever seen on a Bombay ground, and H. Cheetham. None of these, however, have ever accomplished the feat of capturing 80 wickets in a season. From a perusal of old records, I find that Newnham, Steel, Raikes, Sinclair and Cheetham have never brought their total number of wickets for a single season to 60, so that Coombs easily holds the record for the greatest number of wickets.

The paucity of entries for the last Rugby Tournament and the difficulty the local Gymkhana experienced in entering a team will sooner or later—before next season probably—cause the question to be taken up as to whether something cannot be done to revive an interest in football under the Rugby code. This is a matter which affects not only Bombay, but the whole of India, as there have been clear indications during the present season that in a few years there will be no Rugger teams left and consequently no tournaments, if things go on at this rate. Witness, for instance, the recent Madras Tournament for which only two teams entered, one, practically speaking, a scratch XV made up at the eleventh hour from H.M.S. *Hyacinth*, the flagship of the East India Squadron, which by a lucky chance happened to be at Madras. Probably the only place in India at the present time where Rugger still preserves a certain degree of popularity is Calcutta. As for Bombay, some idea of the state to which Rugger has sunk will be gathered from the fact that the Gymkhana, in spite of its 600 members, was on several occasions this season unable to put a full team in the field, there being only 17 or 18 men all told who favour the Rugby code. It was only by a fluke that the Gymkhana were able to enter a team for their own tournament this year, as up to a few days before the date fixed they had only twelve men, Brand, Elsworth and Jones being crocked and the two Langhornes and Sneyd having left Bombay. Rugger, rather than soccer, should be the most popular code with Gymkhanas, as the majority of club men come from Rugger playing districts, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and the south of England. Why, then, are there so few men who care to don jerseys. It is not to be expected, of course, that men who have entered on the "thirties" would feel very keen about playing in India, but what about the youngsters who come out to India every year in batches of hundreds, many of them fresh from schools where Rugger is played? It is these to whom we look to foster and encourage the game and give it a stimulns in the right direction. Twelve years ago Bombay possessed one of the best Rugger teams in India, but those were the halcyon days when enthusiasm for the game was so great that it was not uncommon to see 20 and more players a-side taking part in Gymkhana practice games. But those were also the days when A. Walpole, the Irish International, and Marshall Reid, the Scottish International, played in the three-quarter line, and such men as P. R. Cadell, the Oxford Blue; R. H. MacAulay, the Cambridge Blue; M. R. Jardine, the old Fettesian and Oxford Blue; H. F. Cleveland, J. H. G. Casserly and several others not unknown to fame, assisted the side regularly.

A meeting of the Cricket Committee was held at the Bombay Gymkhana on Saturday evening to decide what reply should be sent to the Hindu Gymkhana in reference to their application for a match with the Presidency next season. Various proposals were made and the prevailing sentiment was strongly in favour of the Hindus being given a match even at the sacrifice of one of the matches with the Parsees. It was pointed out that the Hindu Gymkhana had gone right through the season of 1904 without once having to admit defeat, and that among the clubs met were the Parsee Gymkhana (twice), Elphinstone C. C. (twice), Baronet C. C., and Liberal C. C. which always play five or six men of the representative Parsee team. Last season the Hindus were only defeated once and the season before on two occasions, so that they have only suffered three reverses during the last three years, a record that no other club in Bombay has ever been able to point to. Among the suggestions made by the Bombay Gymkhana Cricket Committee was one which will hardly commend itself to the Parsees. This was that the Parsees should be asked to meet the Hindus and that the winners of that match should play the Presidency. It was pointed out, however, that the Parsees were almost certain to decline an arrangement of this kind and might retaliate by claiming to meet the best team in a match between the Presidency and the Hindus themselves. The triangular arrangement was accordingly put aside as impracticable. Another suggestion took the form of a match with both the Hindus and the Parsees instead of two matches with the Parsees as at present. This arrangement seemed to be the only way out of the difficulty, as it was felt that the Presidency would be unable to play four matches every season, two with the Parsees and two with the Hindus. Before deciding anything definitely it was, however, finally resolved that the Cricket Committee of the Poona Gymkhana should be consulted in the matter and that a special meeting should be held next week, which several well-known local cricketers and judges of the game would be invited to attend and give their opinion as to the best arrangement to be made in the circumstances. The question is one which is exciting a vast amount of interest amongst all classes of local cricketers, and it is felt that the Bombay Gymkhana can no longer ignore their responsibility in the matter.

The Bombay Gymkhana eleven played their second last match of the monsoon season on Saturday against the Friends Union or young members of the Hindu Gymkhana, and the game resulted in one of the best played for some time. The Gymkhana won the toss and batted first, the innings starting at 2-30, the temperature being something like 105 in the sun. The innings after an hour and three-quarters was declared with the total 172 for seven wickets, of which A. H. S. Aston was able to claim the large share of 96, having the hardest of luck in being run out when so close to his century. The only other double figures on the side were Coombs' 22 and Cox's 17. The Hindus were left with exactly an hour and a quarter, and with Coombs and Milne in charge of the leather it was not anticipated that they could get more than 100 runs in that time. The unexpected, however, happened, as it so often does in cricket, and from the last ball of the last over, just on the stroke of time, D. K. Telang, junior, hit a six off Milne, which brought the Hindus, total level with that of the Gymkhana, the game thus ending in a draw in favour of the Hindus.

Our Bombay Correspondent wires us the results of the first day's proceedings in the Gymkhana Athletic meeting, which are given below. We are glad to learn that Mr. F. Siddons, the well-known Calcutta runner, won the half mile. Full report in our next issue

½ *Mile for Members.*—Mr. F. Siddons, Calcutta, 1; Lieut. A. H. C. Garsia, 2; Mr. C. M. Ward, 3. *Long Jump,*—Mr. C. H. Roberts, 1; Lieut. Massy, 2. *Open ½ Mile Flat Race.*—Bombardier Dunckley, R. F. A., 1; Private Sullivan, Connaught Rangers, 2; Gunner McCormack, R. G. A., 3. *120 Yards Hurdle Race for Members.*—Lieut. Massy, ; A. M. Forrest, 2. *220 Yards Flat Race* for Soldiers and Sailors.—Private Sharp (Black Watch), 1; Sergeant Grainge (West Yorks), 2; Bombardier Graley, R. F. A., 3. *150 Yards Handicap for Members.*—Private F. Fisher, 5 yards, 1; Lieut. Massy, scratch, 2. ½ *Mile Steeplechase* for Soldiers and Sailors.—Piper Knight, Argyle and Sutherland, 1; Bombardier Carnegie, R. F. A., 2. *Tug of War.* British Soldiers.—Connaught Rangers, 1. *Veterans' Race.*—Mr. F. A. Reddie, 1.

Mr. J. H. Mills, the Secretary of the Heywood and District Cricket League, lately received the following letter from the M. C. C. authorities in reply to a communication which had been sent to that quarter:—"Lord's Cricket Ground, London, N. W., 15th September 1904.—Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter I beg to inform you that it is the umpire's and not the scorer's duty to call 'over.' Certainly the batsman is out, the umpire having passed the seventh ball. —Yours faithfully, George F. Hearne, pavilion clerk."

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Telegrams—"Hercules," CALCUTTA.

The letter was sent in consequence of a dispute having occurred in a local League match. The umpire was not sure whether he had allowed five or six balls. He expressed his doubt to the bowler, and the bowler asked if he must send another ball. The umpire replied that he must, and when this ball was bowled the batsman attempted to play it, but was bowled. The scorers at once shouted "over." The bowler, however, claimed the wicket and the umpire gave the batsman out. The question at issue was whether a man could be bowled by the seventh ball.

A Boxing entertainment was held at the Jubilee Hall, Rangoon, on the 1st instant and drew a big house. Some good sport was shown and the proceedings were voted a great success. Colonel Lawford was president, Major Hammond and Lieutenant Waterfield were judges, and Mr. White referee. Following a display of ball punching by St. Clair, Private Plunkett, of the King's, met Gunner McDougall in a six-round contest—an excellent bout resulting in a draw, the judges being unable to separate the men, even after an extra round had been fought. The next event provided another very even contest. Gunner Sherrington, 70th Co., R. G. A., met Drummer Smith, of the King's, the former getting the verdict on points. An extra round had also to be fought in this bout before the judges came to a decision. Drummers Byrne and Andrews next went through six rounds for the Bantam Championship of Burma, the latter winning on points. In a wrestling match the best of three falls, between two Sikhs, Lal Khan proved himself superior to his opponent. The match between Betts, R. G. A., and Foster, the King's, for the Welter-weight Championship, resulted in an easy victory for the Gunner. Then came the big item of the evening, a ten-round contest for the Light-weight Championship of Burma and Rs. 150 a side, between Conolly and Burridge. The former had all the best of matters and dropped Burridge in the eighth round. He was not counted out, however, and lasted out the round, but threw up the sponge during the interval, Conolly being declared the winner. The bout between Page and Downy only lasted two rounds, Page acknowledging defeat. But Downy struck him while his hands were up and was disqualified. Another short contest closed the entertainment, McGuinness disposing of Gomes, who was counted out.

James Buxton, a collier, of Whittington Moor, Chesterfield, had succeeded in establishing a record in the matter of continuous walking. For six days and six nights he walked a mile every half hour on a grass track, seventeen laps to the mile. The performance took place at the Nag's Head tennis grounds, Bleasley, Derbyshire. After each walk he lay down on a couch in the grounds.

The second and final match in the William Younger Football Tournament took place on the 6th instant at Rangoon before a very large gathering of spectators. Lower Burma beat the Upper Burma team by two goals to one, thus winning the Cup. At the interval both teams were level having obtained one goal each, but thereafter the game was very interesting, and Lower Burma scored the winning point near the end.

Our Bangalore Correspondent writes:—Cricket is languishing terribly in the station at present, and the games against the Survey of India and the Central College, which have taken place during the past week, are scarcely worthy of notice, because the sides representing the Gymkhana have been in the first instance a very weak one, and in the second not a Gymkhana side at all. In fact there were only five Gymkhana members in evidence against the Central College, and this must have been most unsatisfactory to the latter, who are well coached (by Mr. J. G. Tait, a well-known South Indian veteran) and can put a really smart team in the field. The Survey of India had the hardest sort of lines, being only one run behind their opponents with three wickets to fall, when time robbed them of a win. The Central College did not take their cricket too seriously, but made hay of the weak bowling of their opponents until they had scored 199 for six wickets, when they declared, and getting six of the "Gymkhana" men out for 109, the match resulted in a draw greatly in their favour. It is much to be hoped that Bangalore—who have done right well during the past two or three months— will resusciate before the return match with Madras, or else there will be much leather hunting for them.

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London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 23rd September* 1904.

WE live in expectancy of news from Mukden and Port Arthur, for in both arenas the Japanese seem disposed to push matters and bring them to a head. Recent accounts from Port Arthur point to a fearful condition of affairs there arising from the carnage: the tenacity of the defence and remorseless ferocity of attack seems to have heated the blood of both sides and we hear of dead being found "their teeth fastened in each others throats and their fingers crammed into each others eyes:" this from Russian sources: also that the Russians are obliged to wear plugs of wool steeped in camphor in their nostrels, so appalling is the stench from the heaps of dead close up to the walls. The white flag is ignored by either side, and the wounded are left to die where they fall.

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The Baltic fleet remains in the Baltic: Admiral Wirenius is reported to have sent home an urgent request for its prompt despatch, but this, like so many other reports, is "unconfirmed." The condition of the *Lena's* boilers gives "furiously to think." It is now averred that they are in perfectly good condition: why then her visit to San Francisco, a visit which those responsible must have known would result in detention and disarmament. Is the ussian fleet riding for a fall—to use a bad metaphor—or does this placing of the *Lena* point to disaffection on board? The anticipated contradiction of the report that Argentina had sold four war vessels to Russia came yesterday morning.

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It seems as though the brief days of the War Correspondent were like to end with the Russo-Japanese War. Japan has kept all the foreign correspondents on the curb since the *Times* man and his wireless telegraphy steamer discovered and revealed Admiral Togo's secret base in the Elliot Islands. Fortunate it was for Japan that Russia did not know how to turn the information to account. Lord Wolseley in the days when he had not discerned the sweet uses of advertisement denounced the War Correspondent as a "curse"—as *the* curse I think,—of modern generals: but the later editions of the *Soldiers' Pocket Book* thought better of it. There would perhaps be this advantage in the disappearance of the War Correspondent. Wars whose course trickled though official channels would not be popular, and the nation in bellicose mood would bethink it perhaps that a war it heard little of was not worth understanding. After all what is war to ninety per cent. of the people, but something that makes its paper readable?

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The coronation of King Peter of Servia is reported to have passed off without a hitch. The Palace in which the murder of the late King and Queen occurred had been razed to the ground to hasten the dissipation of unpleasant memories and to lay the ghosts of the murdered sovereigns which were said to haunt the place. Talking of ghosts if the Servians are superstitious and reck aught of signs, they must have been disturbed by the trivial incidents of the coronation ceremonies. King Peter had to take off his crown two or three times,—small blame to him seeing its weight is 9lbs. avoirdupois—and keep it beside him: he simply could not endure the weight on his head. And when the procession was dismounted at the Cathedral the Royal Standard fell and was picked up bedraggled with mud. Be these portents? The Servians may well ask.

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"The Prayer of the Sword" by Mr. James Fagan, which appeared on Monday night, is something of a new departure from Adelphi traditions. The playwright has aimed high; and if his achievement recalls some classic plays, his blank verse often rises to a dignity worthy of a lofty theme and the incidents and spectacular scenes are distinctly good. In one regard the purist feels uneasy: the time is 1,500 and the land Italy: but the tone of the play is 20th century and the air British. Mr. Fagan rather overtaxes his audience with five acts and a tableau: and application of the blue pencil would, I think, strengthen the play. The main idea centres on the virility of Fra Andrea, a young monk who is destined to become a priest. We find him in the garden of San Bruno Monastery wearying of his vows: to him enter the Duchess of Andola with followers. One of her men leaves his sword on a bench and Andrea happening on it opostrophises the weapon:—

> "Arm thou the right; let order's cause be thine;
> Lead thou the slave to freedom; guard the weak;
> Arise, and win the equal right of man.
> Lord, hear my soul that echoes this great call—
> That I who work by prayer might pray by work;
> Work with the sword, pray with the sword, wage war
> With prayer of sword, on all the powers of ill
> That turn the world from thine eternal law."

An old monk tries to correct his views, but Andrea, unconvinced, is made still less content with his future by the Duchess who sympathises guardedly with the young monk's glowing picture of the service he as a man at arms might be to any just cause—hers for instance. Act II finds Andrea in the cloisters on the eve of ordination: he thinks he has got over his craving for an active life and tells the Prior his conscience is dear. At this critical juncture a dying soldier is brought to the monastery: he is supposed to be dead and Andrea is told off to watch by the body. Left alone with the monk the supposed corpse recovers and crying for his horse declares that the Duchess is in danger. Andrea says he will pray for her, but the wounded man is not satisfied. She wants "a man of deeds to be her stay." Andrea wavers and when in answer to his plea that he's a monk, the injured man cries "No, thou art first a man!" and bids him take the sword and go. Andrea obeys this "sign from Heaven." In the next scene we discover how that soldier got his mortal hurt and why. He was assassinated by order of Scoila who seeks to make himself master of Andola and marry the Duchess: he comes to the Palace to press his suit and to be refused. His forces are without: and his wooing is interrupted by a call to head them against a rabble led by a "ragged madman with a sword." The madman, of course, is Andrea to whom the court fool opens the gates: only the Duchess recognises him. She prevents the pending fight between Andrea and Scoila accept the latter's submission and prevails on Andrea to accept the office of Gonfalonier of Andola in place of Scoila and spend a month with her. He consents and of course she falls in love with him. This in the third act which drags a little. Act IV is the church in which Andrea and the Duchess are about to be married, Scoila in hiding comes out at the psychological moment, denounces Andrea as a monk vowed to celibacy and forbids the banns. The Bishop who was about to perform the ceremony accepts Andrea's "sign from Heaven" to turn soldier and would marry the pair, but an order comes from the Pope ordering Andrea back to his monastery. He refuses to obey: and in the most impressive scene of the play is ex-communicated. Act V sees Scoila's revenge. The Duchess dies of a scratch from a poisoned dagger secured in a struggle with the Scoila faction and dies after telling Andrea to go back to the cloister. The Tableau, fifty years later, shows us Andrea old and bent praying at a grave, presumably the lady's. It is a long story and a long play. Mr. Walter Hampden did well as Andrea and spoke his lines effectively. Miss Lily Brayton was at once dignified and tender as Maria the Duchess, and Mr. Oscar Asche was sufficiently brutal as Scoila. Beppo the court fool (Mr. Charles Angelo) has undue prominence in the play, but he acts and sings his many pieces well. The piece is splendidly staged and lends itself to sumptuous mounting.

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Sir Henry Irving opened his tour on Monday at Cardiff with the "Merchant of Venice:" and is said to have acted Shylock with amazing vigour. Miss Wynne Matheson's Portia is also very warmly praised: she has vivacity, grace and humour. It is reported that the tour will include a visit to Sunderland where Sir Henry Irving made his first bow to the public nearly fifty years ago, in 1856 to be exact.

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The dramatic atmosphere is one of prediction. Mr. Pinero has written a new play called "A Wife Without a Smile:" this not very attractive wife is to make her appearance at Wyndham's on a date not yet fixed. Misses Elliott and Hosford have remodelled "The Master of the King's Company" and it well be produced under the title of "His Majesty's Servant" at the Imperial, when Miss Elizabeth's Prisoner has finished his day The Court Theatre opens about the middle of October and the fixtures are many: among the more interesting events is a new play by Mr. Bernard Shaw called "John Bull's Other Island." Mr. Bernard Shaw's views on some questions may be a bit distorted, but we all concede the brilliant cleverness of his dialogue. There is such a demand for the Court Theatre one marvels that nobody thought sooner of running a house on hotel principles to take in performances for as long as they care to stay or care to pay. Mr. John Lawson is going to make the flesh of audiences to creep with a new (or revivified) sketch called "Mr. Todd of London." Mr. Todd is apparently a reincarnation of Sweeny Todd of the penny dreadful of a past generation: he was the English counterpart of that famous French barber who was in partnership with the keeper of the pie shop next door. You would remember that sanguinary barber. His shaving chair stood on a trap door and his method was to draw his razor across the throat

of the shavee, and down went the latter into the cellar to be converted into material for the pies sold next door. This lurid spectacle should catch on amazingly among lovers of the truly horrible.

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Dan Leno has a new "turn" at the Pavilion, two impersonations both uncommonly clever. In the first he describes the difference between town and country life and the feature that sticks in mind is his difficulty about pockets. As a country boy he was accustomed to stock his pockets with the usual sundries: in London his tailor would not let him have pockets and thus the stage gets strewn with Dan's miscellaneous purchases, salt herrings, string, apples, tops, and allied valuables. As the old woman who has lost her husband he was of course entirely in his element and the house recognised the variety of the character with delight. There be those who aver that "the King's Jester" is not the actor he was a couple of years ago: but I confess to seeing no decline of his peculiar powers. At the Tivoli there is now a species of musical farce called "The Dandy Thieves," with comic burglars and pantomime policemen: rather wild, but brisk enough to delight the Tivoli audience which does not seek improvement and elevation.

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The Passive Resister is passively resisting with the customary vigour of his cheap martyrdom. His ranks have been strengthened by the accession of Dr. Clifford who nobly sacrificed two silver trowels he didn't want to the legal minions seeking property on distraint. Rev. I. Campbell, of the City Temple, refused to obey the Enfield Magistrate's summons and a distress warrant was issued. The sums involved vary up to about four and twopence I understand; but the Principle is the thing. They have an agreeable magistrate at Nillesden, by the way: A hundred passive resisters came before the bench on Monday and a selection of them made speeches: Mr. Grant tearfully made orders to pay; expressing his admiration for the heroism of these victims of tyranny and oppression. One would not be surprised if Mr. Grant should hear from the Lord Chancellor or whoever is the exalted being whose mission it is to keep magistrates in order.

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Messrs. Hooley and Lawson were "up" again at Bow Street this week after two months' adjournme. t of the case against them for conspiring to obtain money by fraud from Mr. Paine. In the interval the prosecution have preferred new charges against the accused, involving their doings with the "Construction Company" which has formed to electrify a tram line at Blackpool. Lawson, it is alleged, appropriated to himself 25,000 preference shares carrying 6 per cent. and Hooley is said to have aided and abetted him in this and other dubious transactions. The case which has occupied Mr. Fenwick for three days and has excited a good deal of attention has been adjourned till next week.

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The expatriation of the Chartreuse monks was a matter of concern to more than them who regarded the event from a lofty standpoint. Before they left their monastery the makers of Chartreuse smashed all their apparatus and took the secret of manufacture into exile with them. The chemist employed by the French Official Receiver claims now to have discovered the method of brewing Chartreuse by analysing the contents of certain utensils which the monks had forgotten to wash out or destroy: and he proclaims that, after repeated experiments, he has ascertained the proportions in which the plants, over a hundred in number, were used: and, in a word, earns the boundless gratitude of his kind by his promise to produce the Only Genuine. Meantime the banished monks established at Tarragona are producing their Real Original: and the Official Receiver is bringing an action to prohibit their use of the name "Chartreuse." Be it so: we shall buy the Real Original by whatever name it flows.

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Various items: Mr. M. H. Spielmann has in hand a biography of the late G. F. Watts, R. A. The great painter came in close personal contact with most of the leading men of his long age and the story of his life should be much above the average in interest.

I am no teetotal crank, but I do think that every burglar who wishes to succeed in his calling should take the pledge. Witness the distressing case of the practitioner who broke into the office of a Hull spirit merchant and lade himself with as many samples as he could hold. Uplifted by these he sought the roof to sleep and was seen peacefully reposing on the slates by somebody living over the way next morning.

The system of picketting in the British cavalry seems to stand in need of alteration. Following the stampede at Southampton the other day comes news of another at Atley in the small hours of Saturday: six hundred horses got away and took the camp in their rush seriously injuring at least four men.

The Beck Enquiry Committee will begin its work next month, but it is not yet decided whether the proceedings will be public or private. I am afraid if the Committee adopt the course which is said to be under consideration and hold a private court making "arrangements to inform the public of all that concerns them" the public will be dissatisfied.

That is a pleasant thing in exhibitions they have opened at Manchester: The post-medical profession, as Wendell Holmes calls it, have formed a National Association and their first meeting includes a fine display of coffins, biers, shrouds, palls and all the horrible trappings of the trade.

The exam. for the Indian Civil in 1906 is to be on new lines. Without going into details the new scheme looks like one calculated to clip the wings of the abler men and give mediocrity particularly mediocricity with good memory a better chance. Good news this for the aspiring baboo.

Mr. Plowden, the popular humourist of the Police Courts, wants to know what is the use of the Thames if you can't throw rubbish into it: he always thought that was what it was meant for, and had no sympathy with the conservancy who ran in a bargee for throwing moss litter into the river. It is to be feared that if all "beaks" took Mr. Plowden's view the Thames would be an even dirtier stream than it is.

The Scottish Meteorological Society has been obliged to announce the closing of the Ben Nevis Observatories: the Observatory on the crest of the mountain is considered the most useful in the country, and the society has contrived to carry it on for 14 years with the aid of public subscriptions amounting to £6,000 a year. Dissatisfied with the uncertainty of this source of income they applied to the Treasury, but unsuccessfully: and the observations will close next month unless private liberality comes to the rescue.

The "Cook's Cap" introduced during Mr. Brodrick's tenure of the Secretaryship for War is, it is said, to be abolished immediately. The thing is ugly and it is German: and if the report be true nobody will regret it.

The City Marshal, Mr. Stanley, that decorative being who rides before the Lord Mayor's carriage on ceremonial occasions has been suspended from his office and *tullub* pending the investigation of grave charges against him.

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SPORT WITH A ·310 SHARP-SHOOTERS CLUB RIFLE.

DURING the rains of last year I was in Southern India, and, having to travel about a good deal, had occasional opportunities for shooting. The animals I expected to have most sport with were Black Buck (the male of the Indian Antelope) and Chinkara (the Indian Gazelle). Having been unable for some years to obtain any shooting of this kind I had no suitable rifle, and was debating in my mind what description of weapon to procure when I chanced upon a friend who possessed a ·310 Sharpshooters Club Rifle by W. W. Greener. He had shot two Black Buck with it, and thought that it was sufficiently powerful for this class of game as each of the animals had fallen to a single bullet. It also had, to my mind, the very great advantage of not being capable of slaying an innocent cultivator at 1,500 or 2,000 yards distance, as is the ever-present danger with ordinary small bore high velocity rifles. In fact it would be quite safe for use even in the highly cultivated country in which antelope are often found.

Having written to a firm in Bombay I received the rifle, with brass cleaning rod and two brass-wire brushes, for the small sum of Rs. 65. The cartridges were Rs 6 a hundred and loaded with about 5½ grains of cordite powder and a solid lead bullet of some 125 grains. For the proper cleaning of the rifle I found the brass brushes quite indispensible, as the leaden bullets very quickly fouled the barrel and affected the shooting. The coating of lead could readily be removed with the aid of the brass brush and a little turpentine. Disliking, for sporting purposes, the military leaf backsight, I got it removed and replaced by an ordinary sporting backsight with leaves for 100 and 200 yards. The stock was much too straight, and when practising at a target I realised that good shooting entailed great care both on this account, and because a very small error in the amount of foresight taken into view meant a considerable difference in elevation. And this latter was very likely to occur as the foresight bead was on a very long neck.

The Monsoon was daily threatening when I had my first trial at game with the little rifle, and the moisture in the air, and a few scanty showers, precursors of the deluge shortly to arrive, had caused a tinge of green to appear over the land and the trees to put forth new shoots. The sky in the West was dark and lowering, and in the far distance, where the dim outline of the Western Ghauts was visible, heavy rain was falling, as evidenced by the columns of dark, almost black, shadow falling perpendicularly from the clouds to the horizon. These familiar signs warned me that my few days' sport—I had four days leisure—might be enjoyed under the somewhat damp conditions of the break of the Monsoon. There was, however, the hope that heavy rain would hold off for a few days longer; and at any rate the very great likelihood that the storms of rain which herald the regular Monsoon would not come on until about three or four o'clock each afternoon. The air was cool, and most invigorating after the stifling heat of the hot season just passed. It was with a gay heart that I set off about seven o'clock in the morning, carrying my shot gun with which to shoot sand—grouse for my larder, and with four sturdy villagers, one with my lunch basket, one as gun bearer and water carrier, and the others to carry back to camp any game I might get.

The ground in front of me all along the foot of the hills looked so suitable to the habits of chinkara that I sat down in the shade of a tree and carefully searched every likely spot with my binoculars. Eventually, having looked everywhere but close to me, I discovered several chinkara feeding on the edge of a small watercourse about 300 yards to my left. Not being able to make certain if there was a buck among them as some were just out of sight, I made a long detour and dropped into the watercourse some distance beyond them, and in their line of retreat to the low hills. My men, previously instructed, came quietly along and showed themselves, and the chinkara, which appeared not in the least scared, came quietly towards me and passed about 70 yards away, without detecting my presence, as I was lying down behind a tuft of coarse grass and the wind was favourable. There was only one buck, with small horns about 6 inches long, and four does, so I let them all go without frightening them. On the men coming up I joined them and went on to a small conical hill which marked the highest point of the slowly ascending country I had come over, and indicated an excellent view of the valley beyond, which stretched away to the east for some miles towards a range of basaltic hills; and to the north narrowed up to the junction of the low range I was on with a series of precipitous hills some 1,200 to 1,500 feet high. Making my followers sit down before topping the rise I made my way, without showing myself, over the sky line, by lying down and warming myself alone until safe in the shelter of a large boulder. Here I got into a comfortable sitting position, and elbows on knees commenced a careful survey of the scene of my day's operations. The view which met my eyes was one to gladden the heart of any sportsman, more especially one with a new rifle to experiment with! Antelope were in sight in all directions. Not 500 yards away was a herd of some 20 or 25 animals with several bucks of various shades of darkness among them. Away to the left, towards the foot of the precipitous hills were two dark objects which the binoculars showed to be black buck feeding by themselves, probably because they had been turned out of some herd by the "master" buck for undue attention to the ladies of his court. About half a mile to the right, in some freshly ploughed fields, and beyond a network of small ravines, was another herd of antelope nearly all does and young bucks with only one moderately black buck among them. No bustard could be descried anywhere in sight, and after about 20 minutes rest and enjoyment of the scene I decided that one of the bucks of the nearest herd had a good head of about 18 or 19 inches and that the stalk would present no very great difficulty. The wind was, as far as I could tell from the top of the hill, favourable.

Returning quietly to my men I told them what I intended to do and sent them back some distance, so that they should not spoil matters by curious peeps at my manœuvres. I then followed a foot path which I had observed to pass some 250 yards from the herd, and to cross a small ravine which joined the main watercourse running within 100 to 150 yards of the buck which I had marked. All went well. The sentinel does lifted their heads sharply, and after prolonged scrutiny resumed feeding as I continued to walk quietly along the path without appearing to notice them. The little rifle I held down by my side. Arriving at the small ravine I found that I was almost out of sight, and so quickly dropped into it; and stooping and crawling got into the main watercourse. All was then easy, and in a very few minutes I was lying against the bank, and looking through a tuft of grass at the beast I was after, feeding quietly about 120 yards away. A sentinel doe was, however, very uneasy, and might give the alarm at any moment so without waiting longer to steady down I took a careful aim, with the 100 yards sight, just above the elbow and pressed the trigger. No answering "smack." The buck, not knowing where the danger lay, trotted a few yards towards me and stood looking all about him. The doe, however, had a fairly good idea, and began to lead the herd with two or three high bucking jumps. There was no time to lose—I thought I had probably shot high—so taking a fine sight at the girth, fired again. A loud smack told me I had scored a good hit, and with a convulsive bound the stricken beast galloped wildly about 60 yards, stopped, staggered, and slowly fell over on his side. Pacing the distance where the buck had stood when shot I found it to be 105 yards, and 65 yards to where he fell. He was quite dead and, and as I had surmised by his behaviour, hit through the lungs. The bullet had entered at the junction of the black and white of his body behind the elbow, and passing through diagonally had come out at the point of the right shoulder. I was astonished at this great penetration and proportionately pleased with the rifle. My first shot had evidently been a miss over his back. All's well that ends well, and taping my beast's horns, I found them to be 19½ inches, a good length for this part of the country. The skin was nice and black and that of the head particularly good.

One good buck being enough for the day I decided not to shoot another unless tempted by an exceptionally good head, and wandered out to try and find a bustard. It was very sultry and hot, and at about half-past ten I sat down under a shady thorn tree and had breakfast. The men made theirs off the liver and heart of the buck, which they toasted over a fire of dry twigs. After a rest and a smoke I sauntered on, and, incautiously going round a small rise in the ground, my eye was caught by a moment in the shade of a bush; and there was a fine cock bustard about 100 yards away and thoroughly alarmed. I drew back and went quickly to the other end of the hillock, where I would be within 100 yards range, but just as I got there I heard the noise of the great birds wings and knew that my chance had gone. Watching his steady flight with my glasses, I marked him down close to the foot of the conical hill from which I had started, which was some 1,500 yards back, and returning, planned a stalk. Working my way along with infinite care and pains I knew I must be within 70 or 80 yards of him, but could not see him. Suddenly his long white neck shot up he had been resting in the shade of a tuft of grass and before there was time to get the rifle on to him, was off with a grunt of alarm and soon out of sight over the conical hill.

It was now very hot and about one o'clock, and rather disgusted at my failure with the bustard I started to walk home. Close to where I had seen the chinkara in the morning, I again, to my astonishment, spied my new familiar acquaintance standing in the shade under a small thorn tree. He had taken up a strategic position, and, my attempt at a stalk alarming him, flew off over the low hills and out of sight. I regretfully turned once more towards camp, where I arrived about half-past two with another brace of sandgrouse picked up on the way. I next removed the buck's mask, and rubbed it with a mixture of four parts burnt alum and one part saltpetre, and hung it up to dry.

I may here remark that this preparation is the simplest, best, and cheapest known to the sportsman in India for the curing of skins in camp. Trophies treated with it can be kept for years before being placed in the hands of the Taxidermist. It does not, however, do so well when the weather is very wet and the atmosphere thoroughly damp; though still, with trouble, quite efficacious.

The clouds had been banking up all the afternoon, and about 8 o'clock in the evening a steady downpour commenced and continued through the greater part of the night. The morning was bright and fine, and the thirsty soil having absorbed most of the rain, the walk out to the shooting ground of yesterday was not so sticky under foot as might have been expected.

Beyond a few black buck, none of which appeared better than the animal I had already secured, there was no game that I wished to pursue. The peculiarly penetrating call of the sandgrouse attracted the eyes upwards, and high in the air could be seen various packs of grouse hurrying to some pool of water to slake their thirst for the day before going into the fields to feed. Having decided to follow more or less along the foot of the precipitous hills, and make for a sort of table land, on the far side of the valley, which connected this range with the range of hills to the South East, I proceeded in skirmishing order by extending the men with me as scouts on either side. When crossing a small ravine I was startled by a doe chinkara bounding up from almost under my feet and making off with prodigious haste. I had almost trodden on her, and suppose she must have been asleep, or else hoped to escape observation. After going about a mile the man on my left signalled to me, and using my glasses, I saw some chinkara moving off in front of him at a quick trot. Joining the man I ascertained from him that one of them was a buck, and giving them a few minutes law in which to settle down, followed on with every precaution "to see and not be seen." I was rewarded by finding the herd in a most favourable position for a stalk and, to cut the matter short, obtained a shot at the stern of the buck, at some 90 yards

The herd was feeding steadily away from me and a side shot was not offered, and rather than wait, and perhaps not get another chance, I trusted in the little rifle's tried accuracy at a target, and aiming very carefully, and from a lying down position, laid the buck out, kicking in the throes of death. Running up I quickly bled him, as I did not know if he was really badly hit or only knocked over temporarily. The bullet had entered at the left haunch and passed right through the body and come out at the right shoulder. Truly the penetration of this small weapon with its 5½ grains of cordite is most marvellous. Horns 19½ inches and with 14 rings.

While all this was doing I had not paid much attention to the signs of the skies, and suddenly realised that I was about to get a very sufficient wetting unless I could find shelter. The only trees anywhere near were some baubul trees, a species of acacia, and not renowned as good shelters for rain. However, nothing better was to be had so I spent the next hour and-a-half trying to keep the water from trickling down my back as it ran off my hat, and angrily brushing away the swarms of black ants which attacked me from the tree. The storm having passed, the sun came out, and we went on, finding the going very sticky indeed.

On gaining the plateau a solitary bustard was seen about half a mile distant striding about on a knoll. The stalk was successful but the shooter not, and the less said about that bustard the better. It now came on to rain heavily and I made my way about half a mile, through drenching rain, to the shelter of a large mango tree where I ate my breakfast, well seasoned with rain-water which dripped from the leaves above. In about twenty minutes the rain ceased and I proceeded to walk myself dry, after having completely undressed and wrung out the water from my garments. The places in which to look for game were obviously the most sheltered spots, and when passing along the edges of a large depression seemed with water courses, and covered with a scanty bush jungle, I suddenly caught sight of a pair of horns, and instantly dropped to the ground signing to my following to do the same. A very muddy crawl enabled me to gain the shelter of a bush thick enough to look through, and a watch of five minutes disclosed to me that there were ten or a dozen antelope quietly feeding about 150 yards away, having evidently been sheltering themselves among the bushes during rain. The ground was particularly favourable for a near approach owing to the deep watercourses; and ten minutes stooping and crawling brought me behind an ant heap and within 40 yards of the nearest of the herd The best buck was lying down, when suddenly the whole herd took the alarm. Possibly some movement of my large pith hat may have caught an eye, or may be it was a slight shift of the little wind there was. Getting quickly into firing position I dropped the buck stone dead with a shot through the shoulder rather high up. As in the case of the other two animals the bullet went right through and out at the far side. Horns 20½ inches but rather thin. At last the white neck of a cock bustard caught my eye some 600 yards away, and in a few moments I picked up three others, not far off from the first, all busy feeding. It was most interesting to watch them stalking about in the stately way they have. Bustard have a most keen sense of smell, and any approach except down wind appeared almost impossible. There was nothing for it but to wait, and in the course of half an hour they were trending towards some higher ground on which were a very few small bushes. A détour under cover of a fold in the ground took me without any particular precaution to within 150 yards of these; and a crawl on hands and knees and elbows, and sometimes on the stomach, all through sopping wet plough land, landed me some 80 yards nearer. As I sat up slowly to see where my friends were I saw a long neck appear round one side of a bush about 120 yards away peering this way and that to see what strange green beast it could be sitting in the field (my shooting suit was of a greenish brown heather mixture). I sat like a carved image, as the least movement would be fatal, and that curious bird actually paced slowly on until 70 yards away without having been able to make me out. I took the opportunity, as he passed for a moment behind a small bush with long tufts of grass growing through it, to get the rifle to bear in his direction, with elbows on knees ready to fire. At last the time arrived when I thought discovery was imminent, so taking careful aim at the lower edge of the breast I dropped him with a shot through the body. Loud hoarse grunts of alarm showed me the other birds were not far off, and on my rising up the last of them flew off from some 150 yards away. There is no finer bird than a male of the Great Indian Bustard and my delight may be imagined as I handled his magnificent plumage and stroked the long white neck. He weighed 21lbs. At the same time there was a genuine feeling of regret, now the excitement was over that the stately bird had been slain and would no more stalk proudly over his native plains. I felt that I had committed enough slaughter for one day, and, making the man carrying the bird walk in front of me, so that I could feast my eyes on my trophy all the way home, trudged the seven miles back to camp in a happy and contented frame of mind; though wet to the very skin by the storm of rain which came on and lasted almost back to camp.

I will not tire the reader with a description of the remaining two days sport. The conditions were much the same and I bagged two more antelope. One, a buck of 19 inches, fell to a single bullet. The other took three shots to secure, but that was not the fault of the rifle but of the man behind it, as the first shot aimed at the centre of the chest went to one side, and entering near the middle ribs lodged in the opposite hip. A second shot, obtained 15 minutes later, was too high up and passed through, some 2 inches below the spine, over the shoulder. The last bullet was through the heart. The horns were 19½ inches.

During the next three months I secured four more chinkara, and five more antelope, with this most excellent little rifle, and only one of these animals required more than one bullet: again the fault of the shooter in the placing on the first shot.

I find that one great factor in success with this rifle has not been mentioned, and that is the absence of smoke and noise The bewilderment of animals as to which direction danger lay was most noticeable, and of course gave extra chances if the first shot happened to be unsuccessful. Taken all round, I know of no other small bore rifle of low price, more suitable for the class of sport which I have described.

R. B.

Fishing.

TUNA FISHING AT THE MAGIC ISLE.

THE "Magic Isle," the "Fisherman's Paradise," and many other appropriate names have been given to a small Island in the Pacific Ocean thirty miles off the south-eastern coast of California, geographically known as Santa Catalina Island.

Here by means of glass bottomed boats (ordinary flat-bottomed boats with panes of common or French glass placed in the bottom) may be seen all manner of fish life, beautiful ferns, and all varieties of sea vegetation in the clear crystal waters at a depth of from 25 feet to 100 feet Here beneath such surroundings is the home of the wonderful Catalina tuna; a giant in strength, he is a veritable devil in tricks. Before his fiendish rushes the stoutest lines part like threads in unskilled hands. He who would take the tuna on rod and reel must be a pastmaster of the school of angling. His weight may be half a ton; 251lbs. is as big a tackle as has been able to deliver him in Southern California waters up to date. Specially-built rods of wonderful stamina, reels of windlass like proportions and power, lines of small calibre but hawser-like strength, and piano-wire traces for leaders are parts of the equipment needed in the pursuit of this marine leviathan, whose cavernous mouth engulfs with ease a hook which an eastern sportsman would readily use for a gaff.

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Shooting.

NOTES ON RIFLES AND AMMUNITION.

TELESCOPIC sights have made great progress in the United States during the past few years. It is quite common now-a-days for hunters of squirrels, woodchucks, etc., to have their rifles fitted with telescopes. Improved sighting arrangements have naturally resulted in factory-made ammunition being prepared with far greater care than before; and thoroughly reliable cartridges for all the popular bores are now readily obtainable.

Improvements in ammunition are largely due to the untiring experiments of rifle enthusiasts. The "crank" as he is called in America, is endlessly, when at Home, trying new loads on the target; and having found a satisfactory combination, he forthwith either goes into the fields to test it on woodchucks, or into the woods to try it on red and grey squirrels.

The woodchuck, which is a Marmot, very like the Himalayan one so familar to hunters in Kashmir, is the favourite practicial test of a rifle's killing powers. If the bullet has sufficient smashing effect to stop a tough old chuck, with a body shot, at the edge of his burrow, it is considered good enough as regards power for any small game. The hunting test for accuracy, is to be able to hit a grey squirrel in the head up to forty or fifty yards. Of course it would be impossible to make such shooting without a telescope.

The Steven's Company have now brought out a complete line of rifle telescopes. The mounts used by them are very neat, but to my mind hardly strong enough for ordinary hunting work. This is a common fault in telescopic sights. The fact is the barrel ought to be made with a special rib on to which the telescope could be slid. It is not sound trusting to the ordinary sight slots, or to bases attached to the barrel by a couple of small screws, to carry a telescopic sight.

Some of the telescopes run the whole length of the barrel, others are only about 12 inches long

Probably the most useful type is a short telescope with a power of from four to six diameters. Higher powers are very little practical use, owing to the loss of light, and the smallness of the field. I am finding fault with the mounts and length of tube of American telescopes; but it is only fair to say that people in the United States appear to be quite satisfied with them, and use them freely when hunting as well as on the target.

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A powder which has proved most successful in America is King's semi-smokeless. It gives much less smoke than black and has about the same power, bulk for bulk. Semi-smokeless seems to suit specially such rifles as the ·25—21, ·25—25, and ·28—30.

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After long experience with the ·25—25 and ·28—30, I am of opinion both are perfect weapons for small game shooting in India—with a reduced charge of 5 grains of Schultze and a solid bullet of 120 grains, the ·28—30 makes quite as accurate a rook rifle as the ·25—25. With the full charge of 33 to 35 grains Curtiss and Harvey's No. 6 and a 95 grain hollow bullet it has a flat trajectory and is very powerful. I had some trouble over the right temper for the 95 grain bullet, and think a slightly heavier hollow-fronted bullet is to be preferred. My experience has shown that a Black Buck hit about the middle of the body with an express bullet from the ·28—30, dies quicker than when hit about the same place with a Mannlicher. So small an

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animal does not bring out the capabilities of the latter rifle, and the bullet only partially expands in its passage through a buck broad side; on the other hand the ·28 hollow bullet breaks up completely and scatters its lacerating spicules of lead throughout the lung cavity. The shells of the ·28—30 rifle are particularly well and solidly made: to all intents and purposes they are everlasting, and will stand reloading an indefinite number of times.

The ·25—25 is an equally satisfactory and accurate rifle; it does not knock about small game as much as the ·28—30, and I certainly never experienced any trouble over the temper of the hollow-fronted bullet, which weighs 75 grains. With 25 to 27 grains of Curtiss and Harvey's No. 6 and the express bullet, it is quite sufficiently powerful for Black Buck and Chinkara. It certainly does not knock down a Buck quite like the ·28—30, but still I never recollect losing one which I had hit fairly with the little rifle.

On one occasion I killed a Black Bear with it: the range was of course short, and I shot the animal in the neck. Reduced charges of black powder are never very satisfactory: they foul the rifle more than the full charge, and are unnecessarily noisy. Four to five grains of Schultze, or other smokeless powder will be found superior in every way. This small smokeless charge is accurate enough to keep everything inside an inch circle at 25 yards; this would be thought nothing of in America, but at the time I thought even this degree of accuracy sufficiently satisfactory, and never worked the rifles to get closer diagrams.

In America two or three grains of smokeless are often used under a full charge of black. This is to blow out the fouling, and make the shooting cleaner.

The ·25—25 does not seem to be such a favourite in the States as the ·25—21. For India, however, the longer cartridge is the best, as the extra 4 grains of powder flattens the trajectory and smashes up the express bullet better. The ·25—21 is merely the ·25—25 shortened; the same reloading tools do for both cartridges. The shells are straight with a very slight outside taper to facilitate extraction.

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For cleaning any kind of rifle there is nothing like a bristle brush with an oblong piece of rag put over the bristles.

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J. M.

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A CURIOUS CHITAL HEAD.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD,"

SIR,—Looking through "The Indian Field Shikar Book" the other day, I noticed that the largest number of "points' found on any Chital Stag, entered in that book, is 5×5=10 points I write to tell you that on 6th April 1903 I shot a very fine Chital Stag at Pawalgarh, in Naini Tal District. The length of the horns was 33 inches, not a record for length certainly, but the points were 6×7=13, well above anything on record in the book referred to: the right side horn 7 points, the left 6 points. Two of the points are about ¾ of an inch in length each, three are from 1½ to 3 inches in length; these are what may be termed the *extra* points: there are, of course, the usual brow tines, with the two upper points, to each horn. The following sketch will give you an idea of what the head is like:—



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E. D. NUNN.

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The fact that the two families are still represented in the *personnel* of the firm is noteworthy, the present principals being Mr. F. Thresher Giles and Mr. Henry J. Glenny. Distinguished patronage has been accorded to this house throughout its long career, and as far back as the reign of George IV., Messrs. Thresher and Glenny were granted the Royal Warrant of Appointment, the same honour being subsequently extended to them by King William IV, and the late Queen Victoria They had the honour of supplying the Prince of Wales (now King Edward VII.), and every member of his suite, with outfit for the voyage to and climate of India, on the occasion of his visit to that part of the Empire in 1876, and after his return to England the firm received the Royal Warrant of Appointment to his Royal Highness. Ultimately, in July, 1901, Messrs. Thresher and Glenny were granted the Royal Warrant by their Majesties King Edward and Queen Alexandra, and have recently been honoured by a Warrant of Appointment by H.R.H. the Princess of Wales They have also long enjoyed the patronage of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, and that of the Viceroys of India, the Governors of Madras, Bombay, and various Colonies and Dependencies, and of many other illustrious personages, besides a very large *clientèle* in military, naval, and diplomatic circles. All the Viceroys of India since 1858 have been supplied by this firm, the list of these exalted patrons comprising Earl Canning, the Earl of Elgin, Lord Lawrence, the Earl of Mayo, the Earl of Northbrook, the Earl of Lytton, the Marquess of Ripon, the Marquess of Dufferin, the Marquess of Lansdowne, the Earl of Elgin, and Lord Curzon, the present Viceroy. In the early days of the house Lord Nelson was one of its patrons, and an autograph letter from the great Admiral is among the treasured possessions of Messrs. Thresher and Glenny, who, in more recent times, have equipped a very large number of distinguished naval and military men, travellers and explorers (the late General Gordon and Dr. Livingstone among the number), and supplied outfits for the officers of almost every regiment that has served in the South African War. In the old days of the overland journey through Egypt to or from the East Indies, the trunks supplied by Messrs. Thresher and Glenny acquired a great and well merited renown, and his Highness Abbas Pasha, Viceroy of Egypt issued a Firman in terms declaring the trunks made by this firm to be those best adapted for the route in question, and recommending all travellers to provide themselves with them. Messrs. 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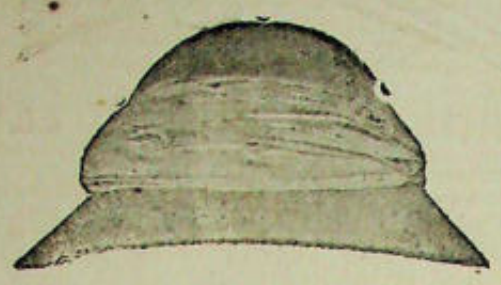
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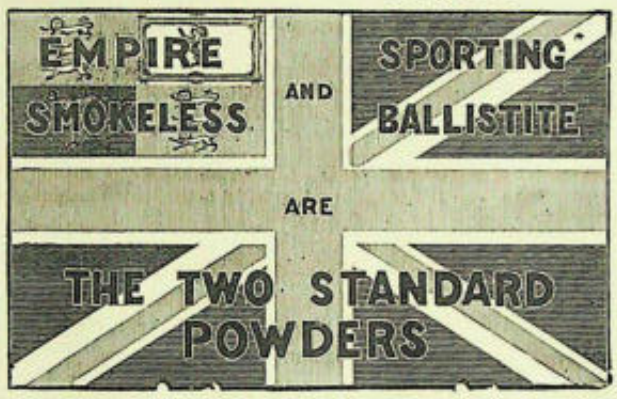
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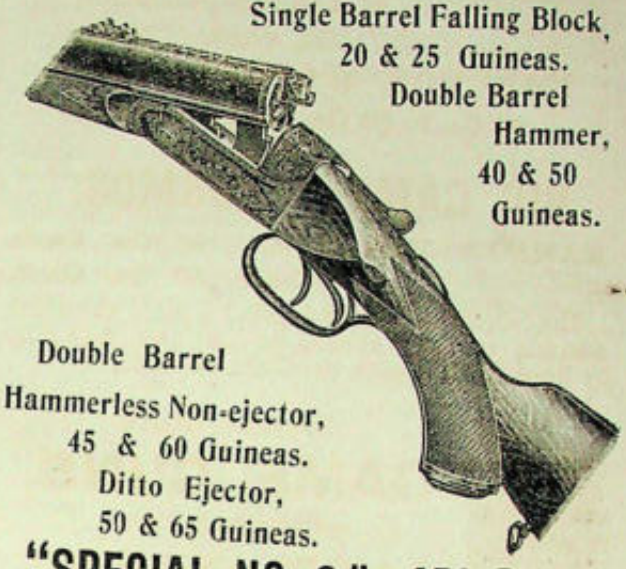
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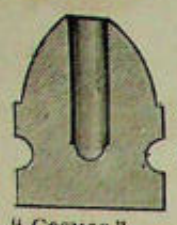
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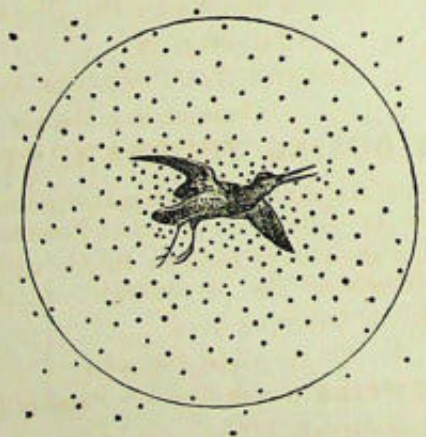
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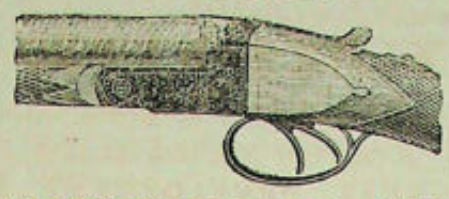
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DOORGA POOJAH HOLIDAYS.

Return tickets for 1st and 2nd class passengers.

1. During the period from the 1st to the 21st October 1904 inclusive, return tickets for 1st and 2nd class passengers, available for one calendar month from date of issue to completion of return journey, will be issued for any distance over 100 miles over this Railway including the East Coast Section and Parlakimedi Light Railway at *single* fares. Similar tickets will also be issued for stations distant 100 miles or less on payment of fare as for 101 miles.

The outward journey must be completed in all cases within the same limit of time, after commencement, as allowed for single journey tickets, *vide* paragraph 14 page 44 of B.-N. R. Guide No. 9 One day is allowed for break of journey for every 100 miles or part. of 100 miles.

Return tickets for Intermediate class passengers.

2. Return tickets will be issued under similar conditions to intermediate class passengers, at a charge of two 3rd class fares, between any of the following stations being over 100 miles distance from each other :—

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Andul.	Jellasore.	Tilaru.	Pendra Road.
Bauria.	Moharbhanj Road.	Chicacole Road.	Sahdol.
Ulubaria.	Balasore.	Garividi.	Umaria.
Bagnan.	Bhadrak.	Vizianagram.	Kutni.
Kolaghat.	Jajpur Road.	Waltair.	Tilda.
Khargpur.	Dhanmandal.	Gidni.	Raipur.
Midnapore.	Cuttack.	Nursinghur.	Abhanpur.
Chandrakona Road.	Bhubaneswar.	Ghatsila.	Rajim.
Garbetta.	Khurda Road.	Sini.	Dhamtari.
Vishnupur.	Sakhigopal.	Chakardharpur.	Raj-Nandgaon
Bankura.	Puri.	Manharpur.	Dongargarh.
Adra.	Rambha.	Bisra.	Gondia.
Damoodur.	Ganjam.	Kalunga.	Balaghat.
Asansol.	Chatrapur.	Rajgangpur.	Nainpur.
Chinpina.	Berhampur (Ganjam.)	Jharsuguda.	Seoni.
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Contai Road.		Akaltara.	Nagpur.

These tickets will be available only between the stations for which issued, and not to any intermediate stations, or for break of journey.

3. Tickets purchased at the Dalhousie Square Office will be available by trains from Howrah on the day of issue or the day after. Tickets taken at this office for Mondays' Mail trains are procurable on Saturdays. Tickets purchased at the Calcutta Town Booking Office will be available on the day of issue only.

4. The return *concession* tickets for 1st, 2nd, and Intermediate class passengers will be accepted to secure reserved accommodation provided the accommodation is available, on the following scale:—

CLASS.	Tickets required to secure a reserved compartment.
First	Four.
Second	Five.
Intermediate	Eight.

5. The return *concession* tickets do not entitle the holder to any additional concession, such for instance as that under which women servants are, on payment of the next lower class of fare permitted to travel with ladies or children in first or second class compartments.

MONTHLY SUBURBAN TICKETS.

6. Monthly Suburban tickets for October, 1904, between any two stations Howrah to Haur, will be issued to purchasers of tickets for September 1904 at three-fourths only of usual rates, subject to the usual minimum charge.

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CORPORATION OF CALCUTTA.

LOAN NOTIFICATION.

The Corporation of Calcutta are prepared, with the sanction of the Governor-General in Council given under Section 128 of Act III (B. C.) of 1899, to open a Debenture Loan for Rs. 30,00,000 (thirty lakhs) on the security of the rates, taxes and dues imposed and levied under the Calcutta Municipal Act., 1899.

2. The debentures will have a currency of (30) thirty years from the 1st December 1904, and will bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable on the 1st of June and on the 1st of December of each year.

3. The form of the debentures will be that given in the Sixth Schedule of Act III (B. C.) of 1899.

4. No debentures will be issued for any sum less than Rs. 500, and above that amount debentures will be issued only for multiples of Rs. 100.

5. Tenders for the whole or any part of the above loan of Rs. 30,00,000 will be received by the Secretary to the Corporation, up to 12 noon on Saturday, the 29th of October 1904.

6. Each tender must be made out in the form annexed to this Notification, and enclosed in a sealed cover, addressed to the Secretary to the Corporation, and superscribed—"Tender for Municipal Loan of 1904-05."

7 Each tender must be accompanied by an earnest-deposit in Government promissory notes, Calcutta Municipal Deventures, currency-notes or cheques, for not less than 3 per cent. of the amount tendered.

8. When a tender is accepted, the earnest deposit, when made in currency-notes or cheques, will be held as a payment in part of the amount tendered, and will bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum from the date of acceptance of the tender, provided that the whole amount tendered is paid up in the manner hereinafter prescribed; but no debenture will issue for the amount of the earnest-deposit so long as the entire amount of the tender is not paid, but debentures may be issued for each instalment paid in full, the earnest-deposit not being included in any but the last instalment.

9. The earnest-deposits on tenders which may not be accepted will be returned on application, and no interest will be payable on such deposits. If an allotment after being made is not taken up, or the full amount allotted is not paid as hereinafter prescribed, the earnest deposit shall be forfeited.

10. The rate at which a tender is made must be specified in Rupees, or Rupees and annas; but not in any fraction of an anna. If a rate containing a fraction of an anna is inserted in any tender, such fraction will be struck out, and the tender treated as if the rate did not contain such fraction of an anna. A tender in which the rate is not specified in Rupees or Rupees and annas will be rejected as null and void.

11. The whole amount of each allotment will be divided into three equal instalments as follows, payable into the Bank of Bengal :—

Instalment I—As near as possible to ⅓ payable on 5th Nov. 1904.
Do. II ditto ⅓ ditto 12th „ „
Do. III ditto ⅓ ditto 21st „ „

(Earnest-deposit is taken into account, if in Currency-notes or Cheque only in connection with the third instalment.)

12. Parties whose tender are accepted will have the option of paying all or any of the instalments before the dates specified above, and will receive interest from the date of such payment.

13. Anticipation interest will be paid on all instalments from the respective dates on which such instalments are paid into the Bank of Bengal to the 30th of November 1904.

14. In the case of two or more tenders at the same lowest rate accepted, a *pro rata* allotment will be made, but no such allotment will be issued if the amount thus allottable on any tender is less than Rs. 500.

15. A minimum having been previously fixed, tenders will be opened by the Loans Committee of the Corporation, at 12 noon on Saturday, the 29th of October, 1904, at the Municipal Office.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE : *Calcutta, 3rd October 1904.* | FRED. GAINSFORD, *Secretary to the Corporation.*

[*N. B.*—The words "as near as possible" are used in this paragraph for the purpose of making each instalment an exact multiple of Rs. 100 for debentures in excess of Rs. 500.]

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR DEBENTURES.

I, , hereby tender for Rs.
of the Municipal four (4) per cent. Debenture Loan for 1904-05 and agree to pay for the same at the rate of Rupees.
annas, for every Hundred Rupees allotted to me, subject to the conditions stated in the Notification.

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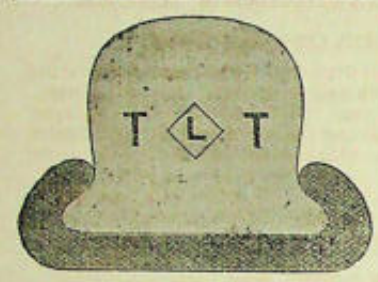
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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date.	For Prospectus see page
Poona Ninth Extra Meeting ..	Oct.	15	
„ Tenth „ ..	„	18	
„ Eleventh „ ..	„	22	
Meerut Open Gymkhana ..	—	„ 15, 17	
Darjeeling	—	„ 17 & 19	471
Hyderabad — ..	—	„ 20 and 22	521
Lucknow Autumn Sky — ..	—	„ 25 & 27	
Magwe Autumn — ..	—	„ 25 and 27	
Rangoon Second Extra	..	„ 22	
„ Third „ ..	Nov.	12	
Jubbulpore Autumn —	—	„ 1 & 3	372
„ Open Gymkhana ..	..	„ 5	373
Southern Mahratta Autumn (Belgaum)	—	„ 3 and 5	472
Umballa Autumn — ..	—	„ 5, 8 & 10	82
Meerut Autumn Sky	..	„ 15, 17, & 19	
Sonepore	..	„ 23, 25 & 27	
Rangoon Autumn	..	„ 29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn .. —	—	„ 29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
„ „ (Army Cup) ..	Dec.	1	
Terpore	..	„ 6, 8 and 10	
Rangoon Fourth Extra	..	„ 10	
Calcutta First Extra	..	„ 10	
„ Second „	..	„ 17	
„ First Meeting	..	„ 24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup .. —	—	„ 27	
Rawalpindi Sky	..	Dec. 15, 17, 20	495
Lahore X'mas	..	„ 27, 29 & 31	
Madras Xmas .. —	—	„ 27	521
Tollygunge Steeplechase	..	Jan. 2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	..	Jan. 21, 23, 25	496
Dacca	..	„ 18, 12, 14	521
Madras Winter	..	„ 24, 26, 28	472
Calcutta Second Meeting .. —	—	„ 14 & 21	
„ Third Extra .. —	—	„ 28	
„ Fourth „ .. —	—	Feb. 4	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpore Open Gymkhana ..	Third ..	..	15th October.
Jubbulpore Autumn .. —	Third ..	..	15th October.
Army Cup — ..	Final ..	..	15th November.
Civil Service Cup ..	Fourth ..	..	1st December.
	Final ..	—	20th January.
Rangoon Second Extra ..	Second ..	..	15th October.
Rangoon Third Extra	First ..	..	24th October.
	Second ..	..	6th November.
Magwe Autumn ..	Second ..	..	19th October.
	Third ..	..	22nd October.
Umballa Autumn .. —	Third ..	..	28th October.
Southern Mahratta Autumn ..	Second ..	..	22nd October.
Rangoon Autumn	First ..	—	29th October.
	Second ..	..	15th November.
	Third ..	..	22nd November.
Dacca	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	1st December.
	Third ..	..	1st January.
Calcutta First Extra — ..	..	—	6th December.
„ Second „ ..	..	..	13th „
„ First Meeting ..	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	30th „
„ Second „ ..	First ..	..	30th November.
	Second ..	..	7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn	Second ..	..	19th „
	Third ..	..	26th „
Lahore X'mas ..	Second ..	..	1st November.
Meerut Autumn Sky ..	Third ..	..	1st December.
	Third ..	..	8th November.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	First ..	..	1st November.
	Second ..	..	30th November.
„ „ Second „	First ..	—	1st November.
	Second ..	—	2nd January.
Dibrugarh	First —	—	1st December.
	Second —	..	1st January.
	Third —	..	20th January.
Madras Xmas ..	First ..	..	15th December.
	Second ..	..	20th „
Madras Winter ..	First ..	..	15th December.
	Second ..	—	10th January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

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Simla Tournament — —	..	2nd week in October.
I. P. A. Championship (Umballa)	..	1st week in November.
Sonepore Open Tournament	..	Begins 23rd November.
Meerut Autumn Tournament ..	..	14th, 16th, & 18th November.
Calcutta P. C. Tournament ..	—	Begins 3rd January.
Rajputana and Central India Tournament	..	Begins 24th October.
Burma Polo Assn Tournament ..		From 10th to 20th Novembe

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club The Power Cup	..	5th November.

SPORTS.

Bombay Mounted Sports	..	13th, 15th October.

BOXING.

S. I. Athletic Assn. Tournament ..	..	Begins 24th December.

HOCKEY.

All India Tournament (Allahabad) ..	..	Begins 12th December.

SHOOTING.

Rapid Fire Competition ..	..	22nd October.

GOLF.

Calcutta G. C. Opening Handicap —	..	5th November.

SHOWS.

Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show ..	—	26th December.
Mussoorie Horse and Dog Show —	—	30th September.
Ahmednuggar Horse Show ..	..	29th October.
Punjab Horse Show (Rawalpindi) —	..	Beginning of April.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

Principal Races in 1904.

Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) —	.. Wednesday, 14th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	.. Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (6 furlongs) ..	.. Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles) ..	— Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	.. Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	.. Saturday, 26th Novembe

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Caulfield Cup — ..	..	22nd October.
Melbourne Cup	..	1st November.

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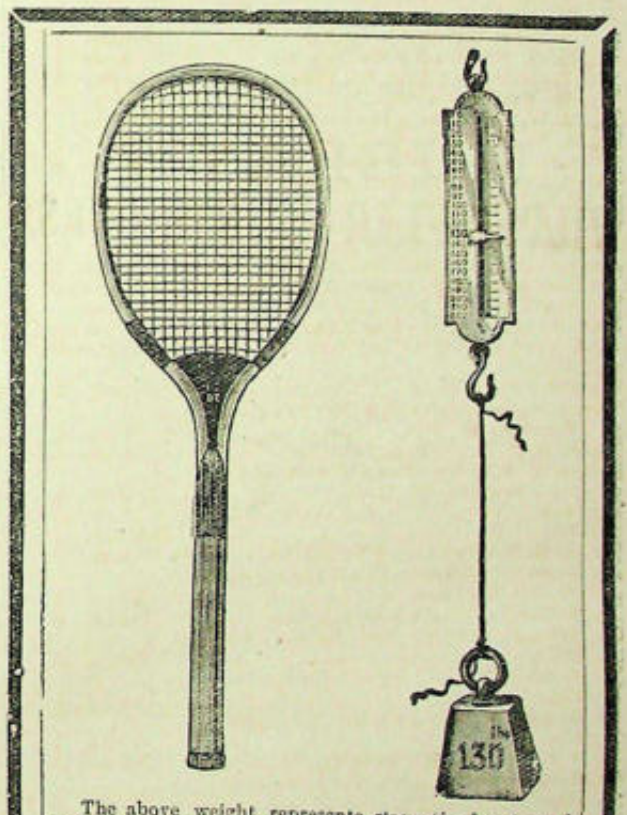
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Extra Day, Saturday, 8th October 1904.

AN interesting card of seven races brought the big meeting to a close this afternoon, and fair sport was witnessed by an average attendance and fields ruled good throughout. D tails :—

THE SECOND MAIDEN HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for Maiden Arabs 14 hands and under, landed since 1st July 1903. Five furlongs.

Messrs P. Framjee and G. H. Noor Mahomed's b a h Superior, 6st. 8lbs....	Melsom	1
Mr. Abdool Razak Nasroola's bl a h Sabig, 8st. 4lbs.	Oomerkhan	2
Mr. A. W. P.'s g a h Random 8st. 10lbs. ...	Murphy	3
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff, 9st. 10lbs.	Penton	0
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Redlips, 7st. 9lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Calcutta, 7st. 7lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Preston's g a h Tawakel, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Barrett	0
Mr. J. Jacob's b a h Chiragh, 6st. 10lbs. ...	Nama	0
Mr. Abdool Gany's b a h Jan Alum, 6st. 11lbs.	Dawood	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Random and Superior, 4 to 1 Calcutta, 5 to 1 each Zurriff, Redlips, and Sabig, 10 to 1 the others.

Random and Sabig cut out the work at the start with Calcutta and Superior next. Coming into the straight the last-named came through and won by a head after a good race with Sabig. Random a head behind third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

THE FIRST NEW MAIDEN HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for Maiden Arabs 14 hands and under, landed since 1st July 1903. Five furlongs.

Mr. H. B. Pike's b a h Bandit II., 8st. 11lb.	Kamad	1
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h False Start, 9st. 4lbs.	Penton	2
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Hopeful 8st. 8lbs. ...	Baichan	3
Mr. Mustapha bin Talib's g a h Kismut, 9st. 6lbs.	C.B. Mahomed	0
Mr. Jaroola bin Talib's ch a h Nasser, 7st. 12lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. A. R. Sulleman's g a h Cardigan, 7st. 6lbs.	Kanai	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Hopeful, 2 to 1 Nasser, 5 to 1 Bandit, 6 to 1 False Start, 10 to 1 the others.

Bandit and False Start were first away, the first-named leading throughout and winning by a length and-a-half : a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅖secs.

CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner Rs. 900, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. A High-weight Handicap for Horses which have not won race at Poona Big Meeting, 1904. Six furlongs.

Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b aus g Roscommon, 8st. 3lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. B. P. Roy Chowdhuri's b aus g Fotheringay, 8st. 12lbs.	Elliott	2
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Springlock, 9st. 3lbs.	Robinson	3
Mr. Finch's b e m Court Belle, 10st. 3lbs.	Morrison	0
H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's br aus m Carreewick 8st. 6lbs. ...	Kamad	0
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch aus g Wedlock, 8st. ...	Ames	0
Mr. Thomas' br e g Ural, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Murphy	0
Mr. W. Bass' br aus g Stoddart, 7st 3lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s br aus g The Earl, 7st. 9lbs.	Baichan	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b aus g Fando, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Native	0

BETTING : 4 to 1 each agst., Carreewick, Roscommon, and Stoddart, 5 to 1 each Fotheringay and Wedlock, 6 to 1 Springlock, 10 to 1 the others.

Wedlock delayed the start and was eventually left ; Carreewick, Fotheringay, and Roscommon made the pace to the home turn where Fotheringay and Carreewick raced together. Passing the stand Roscommon came away and won by a length and-a-half : half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 17secs.

THE SMALL ARAB HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 20', second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs 13-3 and under. Six furlongs.

Mr. Percy Fischer's ch a h Governor 7st. 8lbs.	Murphy	1
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Farewell, 8st. 4lbs.	Foster	2
Mr. R. R. S.' ch a h Mint, 9st 7lbs. ...	Ames	3
Messrs. G H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 8st. 12lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Yusuff Yunasee's b a h Yerbo, 8st. 3lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. A M. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff. 8st. 11lb.	C. B. Mahomed	0
Mr. Gustadjee Framjee Ghaswalla's g a h Firdosi, 7st. 12lbs.	Elliott	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's g a h Roomy, 7st. ...	Dhondi	0
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's b a h Malabar, 6st. 13lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Ebrahim bin Talib's g a h Umber, 6st. 12lbs.	Dawood	0
Mr. Nassar Abdoola's g a h Clever Boy, 6st. 9lbs	Kamad	0
Mr. A. S. Oomer's g a h Defiance, 6st. 6lbs.	Barrett	0
Mr. Nassar Abdoola's g a h Cleverman, 6st. 9lbs.	Trahan	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Mooreed and Zurriff, 5 to 1 each Mint and Farewell. 7 to 1 Governor, 8 to 1 each Yerbo and Firdosi, 20 to 1 the others.

Cleverboy and Governor were first away, the former leading to the half mile, where Governor went to the front. In the straight Farewell challenged but was unable to get on terms with the leader who won by a length and-a-quarter ; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

THE LOSERS' HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 900, second Rs 200, third Rs 100. A handicap for Arabs which have not won at Poona Big Meeting, 1904. 1¼ miles.

Aga S. Shah's b a h St. Gatien, 7st. 11lb. ...	Kamad	1
Mr. Abdulla Shamlan's g a h The Emperor. 6st. 10lbs.	Vithal	2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Connaught, 8st.	A. Hoyt	3
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch a h Gallant, 10st. 11b. ...	Heeroo	0
Mr. F. M. Ganta's b a h Narunjee, 9st. ..	C. B. Mahomed	0
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Talisman, 8st. 13lbs.	Melsom	0
Major A. C. Hamilton's ch a h Jack Horner, 6st. 7lbs.	Trahan	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Gallant, 4 to 1 each Narunjee, Jack Horner, and Talisman, 5 to 1 St. Gatien, 6 to 1 Connaught, 10 to 1 Emperor.

First the Emperor then Jack Horner showed the way ; Connaught leading into the straight, where St. Gatien came with a rush and won by three-quarters of a length : a neck between second and third. Time—2mins. 28secs

THE AUTUMN PLATE.—Winner Rs. 900, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. A High-weight Handicap for Horses which have not won race value Rs. 3,000 or over since 1st April 1902. 1 mile.

Mr. Kelso's b aus g Harpist, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Ames	1
Mr. Galstaun's b nth am h Riverside II., 8st. 4lbs.	Robinson	2
Aga S. Shah's br aus m Shotover, 7st. ...	Kamad	3
Mr. Lakshmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum, 7st. 9lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Capt. Wilson's bl c h Misty, 7st. 8lbs. ...	Heeroo	0
Messrs G. K. and D. D.'s bl aus m Overture, 6st. 9lbs....	Melsom	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s ch aus g Fitzeros, 6st. 5lbs.	Murphy	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Harpist, 4 to 1 each Riverside, Gum, and Shotover, 6 to 1 Misty, 7 to 1 Overture, 12 to 1 the others.

Fitzeros went to the front but was soon displaced by Harpist who kept his place all the way and secured the verdict by three-quarters of a length ; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 42⅖secs.

ARAB WELTER PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A Welter Handicap for Arabs 14-1 and under (closed as per special general conditions). 6 furlongs.

Mr. S. W. Webster's b a h Syndic, 10st 4lbs.	Capt. Hopwood	1
Mr. W. H. Anderson's g a h Surhan, 8st. 4st.	Melsom	2
Capt. Bayford's b a g Hailfellow, 8st. 8lbs.	Boase	3
Capt. Bayford's g a h Borderer, 11st. 7lbs.	Capt. Meynell	0
Maj. E. P. England's b a h Rocket, 10st.	Maj. England	0
Mr. W. H. Anderson's ch a h Actor, 9st. 11lbs	Mr. Wright	0
Maj. Stisted's ch a h Modesty. 9st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	0
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Native	0
Mr. W. Orr Paterson's b a h Bikanir, 9st. 11b.	Baichan	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Borderer and Surhan, 4 to 1 Syndic, 5 to 1 Hailfellow, 6 to 1 Modesty, 10 to 1 Rocket, 12 to 1 the other.

Rocket was quickest away with Hailfellow close up : at the home turn Syndic came through his field and Surhan went up to him, but Syndic held on and won by two lengths ; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min 27secs.

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Wednesday, 5th October 1904.

THE hunting season was brought to a close with the hunt races this afternoon. There was a large attendance and the arrangements were excellent. Four races figured on the programme. The Wagholi Cup was won by Majestic, the Poona Hunt Cup by Welshman, the Poona Pony Hunt Cup by Coronation, and the Light Weight Cup by Timoor. Appended are details :—

THE WAGHOLI CUP.—Winner, a Silver Cup presented by Colonel H. Lucas, I. A. A. Point to Point Race (open) for ponies 14-1 and under. Catch weights over. English and Colonials, 12st. ; Arabs and C.-B.'s, 10st. 7lbs. About 2 miles.

Mr. F. Stewart's g a h Majestic, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. G. Kennedy	1
Major England's blk aus m Ena, 12st. ...	Owner	2
Major Guy Moore's b cb g Ding, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	3
Major Guy Moore's c a g Champion, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Grove	0
Capt. Benn's b a p Saturn, 10st 7lbs. ...	Mr. S. M. McCausland	0
Mr. Wright's cb m Mamoni, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner (fell)	
Mr. A. Lucas's g a h Promise, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Casson	0
Mr. W. H. Anderson's c a p Actor, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 Ena, 4 to 1 each Saturn, Mamoni, Promise, Ding and Champion, 5 to 1 each Majestic and Actor.

Majestic was first away and closely followed by Ding led the field for the first part of the journey, then Ena took command and was in front till the final flag was reached, where Majestic again went to the front and won by a head.

THE POONA HUNT CUP.—Winner, a Silver Bowl presented by Lieutenant-General Sir Archibald Hunter, K. C. B., D. S. O. A Point to Point Race for horses, the property of subscribers and which have been fairly and regularly hunted with the P. and K. Foxhounds during this season. Certificate from M. F. H. To be ridden by owners. Catch weights over. English and Colonials, 12st. 7lbs. ; C.-B.'s, 11st ; Arabs, 10st. 7lbs Allowances—Ponies 14 hands and under allowed 7lbs. About 3¼ miles.

Lieut-Col. Bull's I. M. S. b aus g Welshman, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. S. Armstrong's blk aust m Loch Maree, 12st 7lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. Boase's b aus g Dawn, 12st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	3
Col. Sheringham's b aus g Walnut, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. Holbrooke's c aus g Rover, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. Maynell's b aus g Melton, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Lieut.-Col Channer's I. M. S. c aus g Chester, 12st 7lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. Holbrooke's blk aus m Midnight, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. W. H. Anderson's ch aus m Mermaid, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. Northern's b aus m Maggie, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. Alston's br b aus g Neptune, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Welshman, 4 to 1 each Walnut, Melton, Loch Maree, 6 to 1 each Rover, Midnight, Mermaid, Maggie, Neptune, Dawn, 8 to 1 Chester.

Welshman and Maggie got the lead at the start but gave place to Loch Maree who led for the rest of the journey to the home turn where Welshman once more went to the head of affairs and won easily by several lengths.

THE POONA PONY HUNT CUP.—Winner, a Silver Cup presented by Colonel Sheringham, M. F. H. A Point to Point Race for A. and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. English and Colonials 14-1 and under, the property of subscribers and which have been fairly and regularly hunted with the P. and K. Foxhounds during this season. Certificate from M. F. H. Weights Over English and Colonials, 11st 7lbs.; Arabs and C.-B.'s., 10st. Penalties—Ponies not ridden by their owners to carry 7lbs. extra. About 2¼ miles.

Major P. England's br aus m Coronation, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Wright's cb g Spec, 10st.... ...	Owner	2
Mr. A. Lucas's b a p Methusaleh, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Casson	3
Major H. H. Butlers's g a p Spanker, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. E. Gwynne	0
Mrs. C. A. Beatty's b cb m Vigilance, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Dennistoun ...	0
Mr. Kendall's b aus m Sand Grouse, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING : 3 to 2 Coronation, 2 to 1 Vigilance, 3 to 1 each, Spanker, Spec, Sand Grouse, Mathusaleh.

Spanker showed out at the start followed by Vigilance and Spec. Then Spec took command and led to the last flag ; here Coronation, who had been lying handy, came away and won by six lengths.

THE LIGHT-WEIGHT CUP.—Winner, a Silver Cup presented by A Lucas, Esq , I. C. S. A Point to Point Race (open) for *bonâ-fide* Hunters, Pigstickers, and Chargers which have not started for a race of any kind (Close Races excepted) during the past three months. Catch weights over. English and Colonials, 11st. 7lbs.; C.-B.'s, 10st. 7st. Arabs, 10st. Allowances—Ponies 14 hands and under allowed 7lbs. About 3½ miles.

Mr. Casson's b aus g Timoor, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	1
Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull's I. M. S. g Irish m Twilight, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	2
Major Wogan Browne's b aus g Domino, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. R. B. Cousen's b aus m Resurgam, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Col. Hume Henderson's b aus m Harkaway, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. E. L. H. Henderson	0
Miss Hay's c aus g Awaking, 11st. 7lbs.	Capt Dennistoun fell	
Mr. Kennedy's b aus g Folly, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	0
Miss Anderson's b aus g Maxim, 11st. 7lbs	Mr. Anderson	0
Mr. W. H. Anderson's ch aus m Mermaid, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Major England's b aus g Tippookhana, 11st 7lbs.	Owner	0
Major Edward's ch aus m Runaway Girl,... 11st. 7lbs	Owner	0
Lieut.-Col. Channer's I. M. S. b aus m Jenny, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Major G. Moore's br aus m Mimosa, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. Hopwood's c aus g Monsieur Beaucaire, 11st. 7lbs	Owner	0
Mr. Kearsey's ch aus Barluck, 11st. 7lbs....	Capt. Grove	0
Mr. Sarson's c aus g Auburn, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	0
Mr. Alston's b aus m Temptress, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. Evans Gwynne's br aus m Sticks, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING : Evens Runaway Girl, 3 to 1 each Mermaid, Tippookhana, Timoor, 4 to 1 each Harkaway, and Twilight, 5 to 1 each Jenny, Monsieur Beaucaire, Barluck, Temptress, 6 to 1 each Resurgam, Awaking, Folly, Maxim, Mermaid, Mimosa, Auburn, and Domino.

Twilight was first away, Awaking coming down at the start. Then Runaway Girl led for a while and was joined by Timoor with Twilight next. At the home turn Timoor came away and won comfortably. Four lengths between second and third.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA RACES.

Saturday, 8th October 1904.

GOOD sport and fair fields marked a Gymkhana race meeting which took place in Bangalore to-day. The attendance, too, was good for the time of year, the Carabiniers' Band played an excellent selection of music and the officers of the Carabiniers and of the R. A. M. C. in the station were "At Home" to their friends Details :—

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs 49. For all ponies 14-1 and under. One mile over four flights of hurdles.

Capt. Day's b a h Warwickshire Lad, 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Anketell Jones' ch aus g Tight Rope, 12st. 3lbs.	Capt. Randall	2
Mr. Ridpath's b aus m Lady Agnes, 12st. ½lb	Mr. Norton	3
Mr. Rasch's ch a h Carabinier, 11st. 2lbs.	Owner	0
Capt. Cole's b a h Bonny Lad, 10st. 10lbs	Owner	0

BETTING : 4 to 1 on Tight Rope, 3 to 1 agst. Lady Agnes, 4 to 1 Warwickshire Lad, 5 to 1 Carabinier, and 6 to 1 Bonny Lad.

Won by a length ; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 9secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 49. For all *bonâ-fide* polo ponies. Two furlongs.

Capt. Watson's b e m Chemisette, 11st. 7lbs.	Capt. Randall	1
Capt. Peel's b aus m Rose, 12st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	2
Major Smyth's b e m Laurier Rose ...	Major Dougall	3
Capt. Watson's b aus m Matilda, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Day	0
Capt. Bickford's ch s a g Intombi, 10st. 7lbs	Owner	0
Mr. E. D. Raymond's g aus m Vixen, 9st. 12lbs	Mr. Neave	0
Mr. Thompson's ch s a m Venus, 9st. 12lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Rose, 6 to 4 agst. Laurier Rose, 3 to 1 Chemisette, 6 to 1 Matilda, 10 to 1 each Intombi and Vixen and 15 to 1 Venus.

Won by one and a-half lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—30secs.

THE ARAB RACE.—Rs. 49. For all Arab ponies 14-2 and under. Two and a half furlongs.

Mr. Bowen's b a h Limerick, 10st. 7lbs. ..	Mr. Strickland	1
Mr. Rasch's g a g Maxim, 12st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	2
Mr. Queripel's g a h Quince, 10st. 9½lbs. ...	Owner	3
Mr J. Willoughby's b a h Chin Chin, 10st. 9lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' b a h Monder, 10st. 6lbs.	Major Dougall	0

BETTING : Evens Monder, 6 to 4 agst. Maxim, 2 to 1 Limerick, and 5 to 1 each Quince and Chin Chin.

Won by two lengths ; a length and a half between second and third. Time—37secs.

THE HUNTERS' PLATE.—Rs 49. Handicap for all horses. About one and a half miles on the flat

Mr. R. Anketell-Jones' ch aus g Grand Duke, 12st. 5lbs.	Maj. Dougall	1
Maj. Smyth's b aus g David, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Capt. Randall	2
Mr. L. H. Queripel's b aus m Quicksilver, 9st. 10lbs.	Capt. Day	3
Capt. Watson's b aus g Ramillies, 10st. 9lbs.	Capt. Peel	0
Mr. P. L. Moore's ch aus g Morkee, 10st.	Mr. Neave	0

BETTING : Evens David, 6 to 4 agst. Grand Duke, and 6 to 1 the others.

Won easily by half a length ; three and a half lengths between second and third Time—2mins. 55⅖secs.

THE ARAB POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 49 For all *bonâ-fide* polo ponies. Two furlongs.

Capt. D. A. Day's g a h Squib, 11st 3lbs.	Owner	1
Capt. Peel's b a h Bayleaf, 11st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	2
Capt. Bickford's g a h Silver Fox, 11st. 2½lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. Hartley's g a h Bijili, 10st. 10lbs. —	Mr. Neave	0
Mr. Turner's ch a h Mossy Face, 9st. 10lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Squib, 4 to 1 agst. Silver Fox, 6 to 1 Bayleaf, 8 to 1 Bijili, and 10 to 1 Mossy Face.

Won easily by a length ; quarter of a length between second and third. Time—30⅖secs.

THE BANGALORE PLATE.—Rs. 49. For all ponies 14-2 and under. Five furlongs.

Capt. Randall's ch aus m Eva, 11st. 3lbs.—	Owner	1
Mr. D. Williams' b aus m None Such, 11st. 5lbs.	Mr. Strickland	2
Mr. A. West's ch aus m Firebrand, 11st. 5lbs.	Owner	3
Capt. Peel's b aus m Rose, 11st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Eva, evens Rose, 5 to 4 agst None Such, and 3 to 1 Firebrand.

Won easily by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

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Mr. R. G. Casey's br c Sylvanite, by Grafton (imp).—Golddust, 8st. 10lbs. ...	R. Lewis	1
Hon. A. Wynne's b c Koopan, by Grafton (imp).—Piecrust, 8st. 10lbs. ...	J. Bardan	2
Mr. M. F. Ramsay's br or bk c Optimist, by Haut Brion (imp).—Moth, 8st. 10lbs.	Best	3
Mr. J. Catto's br c Demas, by Pilgrim's Progress (imp).—Thebes, 8st. 10lbs. ...	W. H. Ross	0
Mr. E. Frazer's br c Lord Fitzroy, by Grafton (imp).—Disgrace, 8st. 10lbs. ...	F. Hickey	0
Hon. A. Wynne's b c The Hawker by Grafton (imp).—Oralene, 8st. 10lbs. ...	E. Huxley	0
Mr. H. C. White's br c Hadrian, by Simmer (imp).—Miss Albans, 8st. 10lbs. ...	R. Brennan	0
Mr. J. Samuel's b c Warroo, by Positano (imp).—Alga, 8st. 10lbs.	W. Bracken	0

BETTING: Evens Koopan, 5 to 1 agst. Warroo, 7 to 1 each Optimist and Sylvanite, and 10 to 1 the others.

The Hawker at the six furlongs was in front from Lord Fitzroy, then a couple of lengths off Koopan, then a length Warroo and Sylvanite. Before another furlong had been covered Lord Fitzroy was on terms with The Hawker a couple of lengths to the good of Koopan, Warroo a length behind, and then Sylvanite. Lord Fitzroy and Koopon entered the straight together, but at the half-distance Sylvanite got in front from Koopan and Warroo, and, keeping there, won by two and a half lengths. Warroo was four lengths off third, Hadrain was fourth, and The Hawker last. Warroo was placed third, but his rider did not weigh in. Time—2mins. 37¼secs.

THE METROPOLITAN of 20sovs., with 2,000sovs. added; the owner of the second horse to receive 300sovs. and the owner of the third 150sovs. from the prize. One and a half miles.

Mr. J. Chambers's ch g Alias, 4yrs., by Clan Stuart (imp.)—Asleep, 7st. 3lbs. including 3lbs. over	W. H. Smith	1
Mr. J. J. Macken's b or br h Tartan, 4yrs., by Lochiel—Colors, 7st. 11lb., including 5lbs. penalty	A. Courtney	2
Mr. J. Hayward's br h Cato, 4yrs., by Amberite—Krungi, 6st. 13lbs. ...	Couper	3
Mr. R. Phillip's ch h Abundance, 5yrs, 9st. 7lbs.	F. Bourke	0
Mr. J. McGill's b h Fitz-Grafton, 4yrs., 8st. 13lbs.	A. Scott	0
Mr. J. Mayo's br g Long Tom, 5yrs., 8st 11lbs.	J Barden	0
Mr. S. Fielder's b h Famous, 5yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	F. Fielder	0
Mr. Gerald Massey's b h The Palmist, 5yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	B. Carslake	0
Mr. G. G. Stead's b h Martian, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	L. Hewitt	0
Mr. R. Daniel's b m Graft, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs	W. Bradshaw	0
Mr. Russel Chiswick's b h St. Modan, 5 yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	E. Huxley	0
Sir Rupert Clarke's br g Fairy States, 6 yrs, 8st. 2lbs	R. Lewis	0
Mr. T. Cook's b m Lady Laura, 6yrs., 8st.	F. Cush	0
Mr. A. Foley's b g Chere Amie, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	Thomas	0
Mr. J. C. Bowden's ch h Bewitcher, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	F. Coffey	0
Mr. G. G. Stead's br g Grand Rapids, 5yrs, 7st. 11lbs.	Jones	0
Mr. R. O'Connor's br h Highflyer, 5yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	E. Lee	0
Mr. J. A. Buckland's ch g Zenda, aged, 7st. 7lbs.	F. Hickey	0
Hon. W. P. Orick's b g Ossian, 6yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	Hough	0
Mr. J. Chamber's ch m Saida, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Godby	0
Hon. H. Moeman's br h Balfour, 5yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	Best	0
Mr. J. A. Mayo's b h Ninyas, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	Houseman	0
Mr. E. Keys's br g Fireclay, 6yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	Bethke	0
Mr. W. T. Nowlan's b g Refuge Bay 6yrs, 6st. 10lbs.	R. W. Brennan	0
* Mr. G. Osborne's br h Dumont, 6st. 10lbs.—including 2lbs. over ...	Golding	0
Messrs H. E. A. and V. White's b h Cakewalk, 4yrs., 6st. 8lbs.	A. E. Cornwell	0
Mr. A. Foley's br m Fashoda, 6yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Fogarty	0

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Tartan, 7 to 1 Martain, 10 to 1 Abundance, 11 to 1 Long Tom, 12 to 1 each Fitz-Grafton, and Chere Amie, 14 to 1 Graft, 20 to 1 Fairy States, 25 to 1 each Cato, Palmist, and Zenda, 33 to 1 each Grand Rapids, Cakewalk and Saida, 50 to 1 Alias, and 100 to 1 the others.

Entries for Races.

JUBBULPORE RACES.

SECOND ENTRIES.

For First Entries see The *Indian Field* of 22nd September, page 495.

First Day, 1st November 1904.

DESERT PLATE.

Captain Bayford's	... g a g ...	Borderer, 14-1.
Thakur Sripal Singh's	... g a h ...	Mathura, 13-3.

(First Entries 5.)

SECRETARY'S PURSE.

Captain Bayford's	... b aus m ...	Rosie Ball, 14-1.
Thakur Sripal Singh's	... br aus m ...	Fairydale, 13-1½.
Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b aus m ...	Witchery, 14-1.
Mr. Reid's ...	... ...	Jorrocks.
Mr. Scott's ...	... ...	La Gloria.

(First Entries 12.)

NERBUDDA HURDLES.

Captain Price's ...	... ch a g ...	Redstart.

(First Entries 8.)

NOVICE PLATE.

Nil.

(First Entries 6.)

ARAB PLATE.

Captain Phillpott's	... ch a h ...	S. K. D., 13-1½.
Mr. Hallifax's ...	... ch a g ...	Hogmany.
Mr. Traill's ...	... g a g ...	Hercules.

(First Entries 6.)

CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S CUP.

Mr. Slocock's ...	... b a h ...	Charon, 14-1.
Mr. Kidd's ...	... g a h ...	14-1.
Mr. Allsopp's ...	... i g a g ...	Zoobair, 13-3½.

(First Entries 10.)

Second Day, 3rd November 1904.

MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.

Captain Bayford's	... g a h ...	Avatar, 14-0½.
Thakur Sripal Singh's	... ch aus m ...	Elsie, 13-3½.
Mr. Kidd's —	... g a h ...	14-1.
Mr. Hallifax's ...	... ch a g ...	Hogmany.

(First Entries 4.)

CIVIL SERVICE CUP.

Captain Bayford's	... b aus m ...	Rosie Ball, 14-1.
Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b aus m ...	Witchery, 14-1.
Thakur Sripal Singh's	... br aus m ...	Fairydale, 13-1½.
Mr. Reid's ...	... ...	Jorrocks.
Mr. Scott's ...	... ...	La Gloria.

(First Entries 12.)

ARAB HANDICAP.

Captain Bayford's...	... g a h ...	Avatar, 14-0½.
Captain Bayford's	... g a g ...	Borderer, 14-1.
Mr. Allsopp's ...	... i g a g ...	Zoobair, 13-3½.
Mr. Hallifax's ...	... ch a g ...	Hogmany.

(First Entries 7.)

JUBBULPORE STEEPLECHASE.

Captain Phillpott's	... ch a h ...	S. D. K., 13-1½.
Captain Price's ...	... ch a g ...	Redstart.

(First Entries 10.)

SEHORA PLATE.

Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b aus m ...	Witchery, 14-1.

(First Entries 15.)

HUNT RACE.

Mr. Hutchinson's ...	... ch aus m ...	Handy Jane.
Captain Mackenzie's	... b aus g ...	Umpire.
Captain Phillpott's	... b aus m ...	Cresset.
Mr. Cooper's ...	... ch aus g ...	Lancer.

(First Entries 6.)

Third Day, 5th November 1904.

POLO PONY SCURRY.

Captain Phillpott's	... b a g ...	Dairyman.
Mr. Hallifax's ...	... ch a g ...	Hogmany.

(First Entries 5.)

PIGSTICKERS PLATE.

Mr. Hutchinson's...	... ch aus m ...	Handy Jane.
Captain Mackenzie's	... b aus g ...	Umpire.
Captain Phillpott's	... b aus m ...	Cresset.
Mr. Cooper's ...	... ch aus g ...	Lancer.

(First Entries 6.)

VISITORS PLATE.

Nil.

(First Entries 12.)

STAND PLATE.

Mr. Allsopp's ...	... i g a g ...	Zoobair, 13-3½.
Mr. Hallifax's ...	... ch a g ...	Hogmany.
Mr. Traill's ...	... g a g ...	Hercules.

(First Entries 8.)

JUBBULPORE PLATE.

Nil.

(First Entries 12.)

BEGINNERS' PLATE.

Nil.

(First Entries 11.)

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LONDON, *Friday, 23rd September 1904.*

THE TURF.

LINGFIELD.

LINGFIELD was looking at its best on the afternoon of the 20th in the warm glamour of an ideal autumn day, and it was only to be expected that the votaries of our national sport should make most of their opportunity and rally in force. The card contained nothing of very special importance, but it yielded excellent sport, and the only incident to mar the harmony of an enjoyable gathering was the mishap which resulted in the somewhat serious injury to W. Lane during the race for the Two-mile Selling Handicap. The going was in splendid order and the riding honours were equitably distributed.

THE TWO-MILE SELLING HANDICAP of 195sovs.; winner to be sold for 50sovs. Two miles.

Mr. Jersey's ch f Belle Savile, by Savile—Belle of the Choir, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs. (car. 7st. 7lbs.)	O. Madden	1
Mr. C. Trimmer's ch m La Napoule, 6yrs., 8st. 12lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)... ...	K. Cannon	2
Mr. R. Mitchell's b m Maori Queen II., aged, 8st.	G. McCall	3
Mr. P. Gleeson's Belosselsky, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	W. Lane (fell)	
Mr. C. Wood's Charivari, 6yrs., 8st. 3lbs. (car. 8st. 5lbs.)	W. Halsey	0
Mr. Jas. Hare's North Crawley, aged, 7st. 12lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. R. Sharpe's Doochary, 5yrs., 7st. 4lbs.*	Sharples	0
Mr. J Hornby's Honore, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs.*	Saxby	0
Mr. T. Jennings's Induction, 5yrs., 6st. 9lbs.*	Benson	0
Mr. F. Bishop's Mediate, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 8 lbs.)	Griggs	0
Mr. W. Downes's Master Newby, 4yrs., 6st. 2lbs.*	Bott	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Wilson.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst. Belle Savile, 7 to 1 Belosselsky, 8 to 1 each La Napoule and Charivari, 10 to 1 each Honore, Induction and Mediate, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won easily by a length; six lengths between the second and third. Mediate was fourth, Honore fifth, Charivari next, and North Crawley last. By the fall of Belosselsky Lane sustained injuries which rendered him unconscious. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 32⅖secs. The winner was bought in for 300 guineas. Maori Queen II. was sold to Mr. Bancroft for 140 guineas, and North Crawley for 21 guineas cash.

THE LINGFIELD AUTUMN HANDICAP of 340sovs. One mile.

Lord Carnarvon's ch m Valenza, by Winkfield—Bellinzona, 6yrs., 9st. ...	J. H. Martin	1
Mr. Ivor E. Hughes's b or br h Engineer, 6yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Trigg	2
Sir W. Ingram's b h Cottager, 6yrs., 9st. ...	M. Cannon	3
Mr. J. Buchanan's Surbiton, 4yrs., 8st. 11lbs. ... ... —	B. Dillon	0
Mr. W. H. Schwind's Kilteel, 5yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Hymenæus, 3yrs., 8st. 11b. (inc. 10lbs. ex.)	Plant	0
Mr. W. A. Jarvis's Cadet, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. Jersey's Vergia, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Lord Stanley's Flamma, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs. ...	Rollason	0
Mr. C. Levy's St. Rollox, 4yrs., 7st. 11b.*...	Sharples	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Siam, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.*	Saxby	0
Mr. J. Wallis's Logan Rock, 4yrs., 6st. 7lbs (car. 6st 8lbs.)	Griggs	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Grewsil.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst. Kilteel, 5 to 1 Vergia, 100 to 15 Siam, 10 to 1 each Valenza, Cottager, Surbiton, Hymenæus, Cadet, and Flamma, 100 to 8 Engineer, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a length and-a-half; a neck divided the second and third. Surbiton was fourth, Vergia fifth, Siam sixth, Cadet seventh, and St. Rollox last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 37⅖secs.

THE CROWBOROUGH NURSERY HANDICAP of 137sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr. H. S. Goodson's br f St. Trumpet, by St. Aidan—Trumpet, 6st. 8lbs.* ...	Saxby	1
Mr. Jersey's b f Maria, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Griggs	2
Mr. H. Lindemere's b c Tullamore, 6st. 6lbs.*	Pike	3
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's Big Gun, 8st. 5lbs. ...	B. Lynham	0
Mr. T. Worton's Scrambler, 8st. 3lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)	G. McCall	0
Mr. E. Hobson's Scotch Maid, 8st. 1lb. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. A. Harris's Nellie H., 7st. 12lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. Cuthbert Wilkinson's Dexter, 7st. 11lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. J. S. Crawford's Sherlock Holmes, 7st. 2lbs.*	Sharples	0
Mr. A Belmont's Ferment, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Plant	0
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's Chastity, 7st. 4lbs.	Knott	0
Mr. T. H. Burrow's Fast Fanny, 6st. 9lbs.*	E. Pratt	0
Mr. W. H. L. Ewart's Adonis III., 6st. 9lbs.* (car. 6st. 10lbs.)	Charters	0
Mr. A. Hamblin's Orison, 6st. 7lbs.* ...	C. Halsey	0
Mr. H. Powney's Budget, 6st. 12lbs. ...	Trigg	0
Mr. B. C. Garton's f by Nunthorpe—Canter, 6st. 11lbs.	Rollason	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by C. Wood.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. St. Trumpet, 6 to 1 each Big Gun, Sherlock Holmes, and Budget, 8 to 1 Maria, 100 to 8 Nellie H. and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won decisively by six lengths; a like distance separated the second and third. Big Gun was fourth, Sherlock Holmes fifth, Scrambler sixth. Scotch Maid next, and Orison last.

LEWES.

Lewes presented manifold attractions on the 21st instant, the annual Sheep Fair, held on the grassy slopes overlooking the town, sharing the favours of the local folk with Messrs. Pratt's reunion. The charms of each were enhanced by the perfect weather, the day being a jewel in the crown of one of the most glorious Septembers within recent memory. Scarce a cloud was to be seen in the azure sky, and but for the gusty easterly wind which swept across the uplands, the intense heat of the solar rays would have been overpowering. About the programme itself there was no very alluring feature, but it provided a light and breezy entertainment for a fair sprinkling of visitors, and the only jarring notes were those struck by various sinister and unauthorised rumours which gained credence regarding the condition of W. Lane, who still remains unconscious at Lingfield as the result of his accident on the previous day.

THE LEWES NURSERY HANDICAP of 144sovs. Five furlongs and a few yards.

Mr. Hugh Scott's br f Ripple, by Kendal—Gloria II., 8st. 6lbs. ...	B. Dillon	1
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's b f Mistle, 8st. 2lbs.	Knott	2
Mr. R. H. Henning's b f by Sempronius—Queenwood, 8st 12lbs. ...	F. Bullock	3
Mr. A. Hamblin's Porter, 8st. 11lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. W. G. Steven's c by Bentworth—Ballerine, 8st. 2lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. S. Peebles's c by St. Gris—Silver Ray, 7st. 13lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Catherine Green 7st. 12lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. O. H. Jones's Fairy Godmother, 7st. 12lbs.	Trigg	0

(*Winner trained by Major Scott.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst. Ripple, 4 to 1 Silver Ray colt, 5 to 1 each Mistle and Ballerine colt, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by four lengths; two lengths between second and third. Ballerine colt was fourth, Catherine Green fifth, Fairy Godmother next, and Silver Ray colt last.

THE SOUTHDOWN WELTER HANDICAP of 197sovs. One mile and a-half.

Mr. S. Hill-Wood's b m Maisie II., by The Deemster—Ophelia, 6yrs., 11st. 13lbs.	Mr. F. Cobb	1
Mr. W. F. de Wend-Fenton's br c White Webbs, 4yrs., 10st. 10lbs. (car. 10st. 12lbs.)	Owner	2
Mr. P. P. Peebles's ch g Tatius, 5yrs., 10st.	Owner	3
Mr. C. Hibbert's Salvador, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Capt. Bewicke	0
Lord Dunraven's Peter's Pride, 3yrs., 10st. (inc. 5lb. ex.)	Mr. C. de Paravicini	0
Mr. F. W. Adams's Ania, 3yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	Mr. F. Ripley	0
Mr. A. Walton's Mat Salleh, 6yrs., 9st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.)	Mr. Dansey	0

(*Winner trained by Clement.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Maisie II., 7 to 2 Peter's Pride, 6 to 1 each Ania and Salvador, 100 to 12 each Tatius and Mat Salleh, and 20 to 1 White Webbs (offered).

Won in a canter by three-parts of a length; six lengths divided the second and third. Mat Salleh was fourth, Salvador next, and Peter's Pride last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 44⅖secs.

THE MAIDEN TWO-YEAR-OLD PLATE of 100sovs.; colts, 9st.; fillies and geldings, 8st. 11lbs.; winners extra. Five furlongs and a few yards.

Mr. A. Stedall's ch g Wise Love, by Love Wisely—St. Ursula, 8st. 11lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	1
Lord Carnarvon's ch f Jongleuse, 9st. 4lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)	J. H. Martin	2
Mr. J. B. Joel's b c Chestnut, 9st. ...	B. Lynham	3
Mr. F. R. Fry's Livingstone, 9st. ...	W. Halsey	0
Count de Breson's La Criniere, 8st. 11lbs.	Pike	0
Mr. J. S. Crawford's Chili, 8st. 11lbs. ...	B. Dillon	0
Mr. F. F. Greenhill's Sing Sing, 8st. 11lbs.	Kendrick	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Aunt Bee, 8st. 11lbs.	F. Bullock	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's f by Jeddah—Robbery, 8st. 11lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. W. Raphael's f by Orme—Crusado, 8st. 11lbs	Griggs	0

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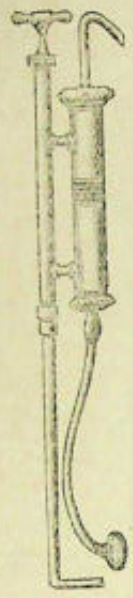
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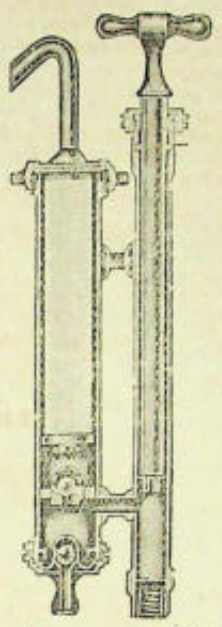
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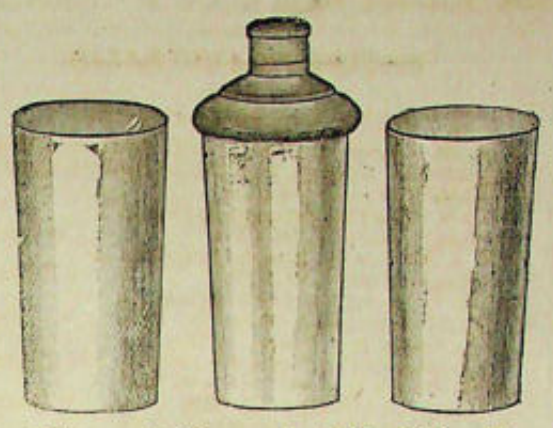
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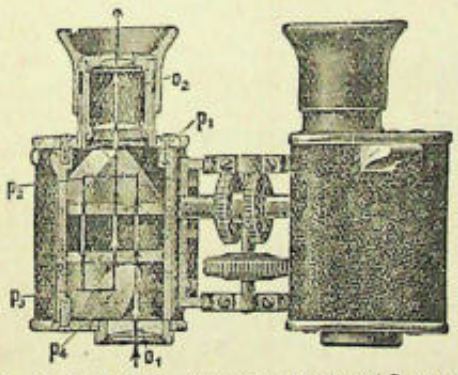
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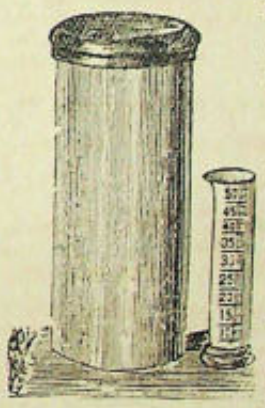
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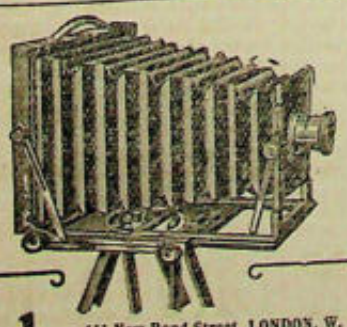
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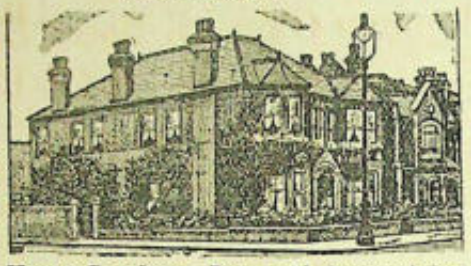
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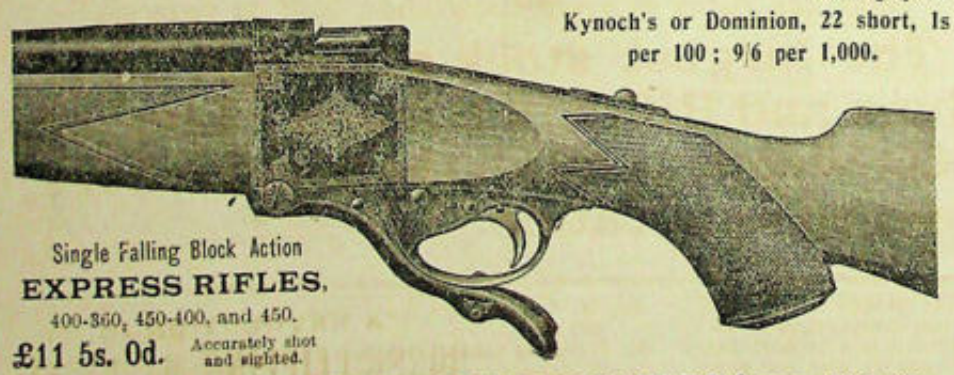
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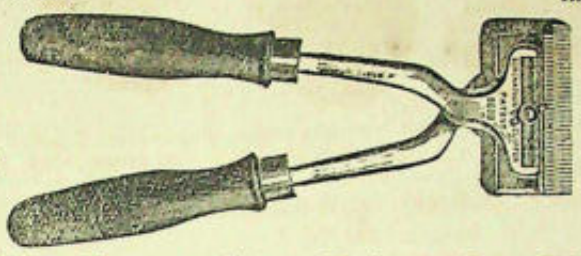
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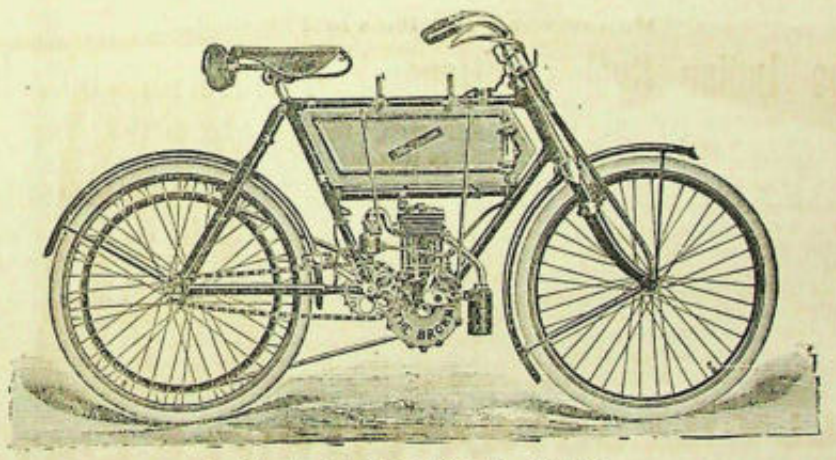
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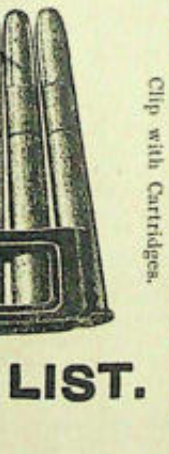
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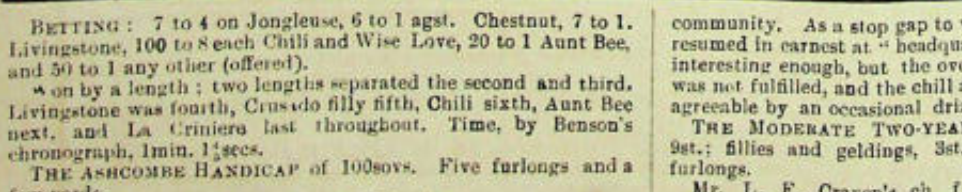
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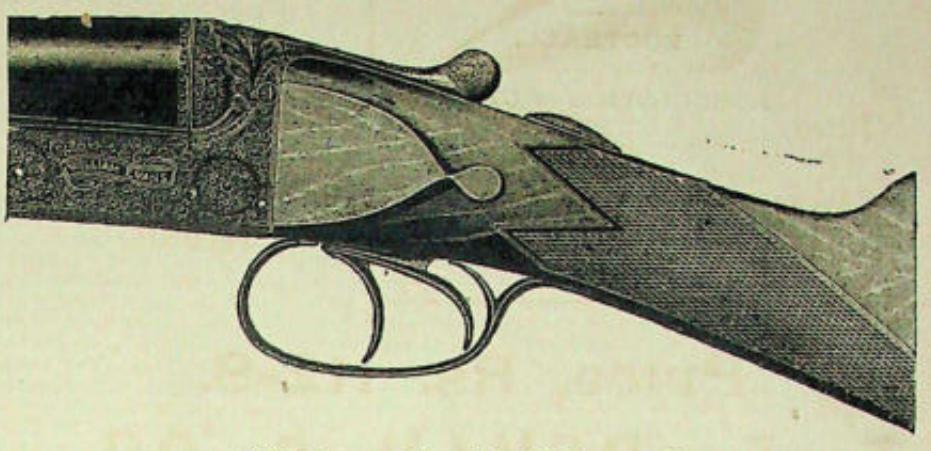
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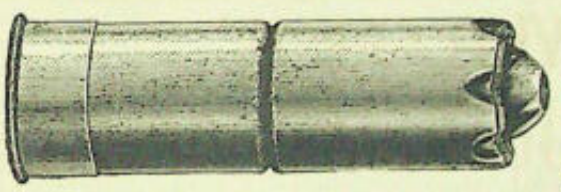
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Won by a length ; two lengths separated the second and third. Livingstone was fourth, Crusado filly fifth, Chili sixth, Aunt Bee next, and La Criniere last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 1⅘secs.

THE ASHCOMBE HANDICAP of 100sovs. Five furlongs and a few yards.

Mr. C. Wilkinson's b c Imperial II., by Clarion—Immortelle, 4yrs., 9st. ...	B. Lynham	1
Mr. H. Bonas's b h Domain, 6yrs., 8st. 11lb.	B. Dillon	2
Mr. M. Solomon's b c Richmond, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	Butchers	3
Mr. G. Barclay's Princess Jessie, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. J. C. Dyer's Lady Macdonald, 5yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Walker	0

(*Winner trained by F. Pratt.*)

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Imperial II., Domain, and Richmond, 9 to 2 Princess Jessie, and 7 to 1 Lady Macdonald.

Won by a length and-a-half ; three lengths separated the second and third. Princess Jessie was fourth.

FOLKESTONE.

It was not a very strong company that mustered at Westenhanger yesterday afternoon, nor is this to be wondered at, seeing the vicissitudes to which regular racegoers have lately been subjected. The arrangement by which such meetings as Birmingham, Lingfield, Lewes, Folkestone (or Pontefract), and Manchester follow each other in the fixture list reflects little credit either upon the ingenuity or the foresight of the powers that be, and it is sincerely to be hoped that in the future the individual interests of the various executives will be subservient to considerations for the general welfare and convenience of the racing community. As a stop gap to while away the time until sport is resumed in earnest at "headquarters," the entertainment proved interesting enough, but the overnight promise of a brilliant day was not fulfilled, and the chill air was rendered none the more agreeable by an occasional drizzle.

THE MODERATE TWO-YEAR-OLD RACE of 100sovs. ; colts, 9st. ; fillies and geldings, 8st. 11lbs. with allowances. Five furlongs.

Mr. L. F. Craven's ch f Simonstown, by Fitzsimon—Flint, 8st. 4lbs. ...	G. McCall	1
Mr. R. Craig McKerrow's b c Ruanbeg, 8st.	J. H. Martin	2
Mr. F. Luscombe's ch g Leandro, 7st. 11lbs.	Butchers	3
Mr. A. Stedall's Wise Love, 8st. 4lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's c by St. Serf—Hear Hear, 8st.	O. Madden	0
Mr. C. Barrett's Erringham, 7st. 11lbs. ...	Pacquet	0
Mr. S. H. Darling's f by Wildfowler—Queen Isolde, 7st. 11lbs.	Boswell	0
Mr. David Faber's Bonar, 7st. 11lbs. ...	Rees	0
Mr. Ivor E. Hughes's Gallop On, 7st. 11lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. W. Raphael's Lady Dandy, 7st. 11lbs.	Griggs	0

(*Winner trained by W. Robinson.*)

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Simonstown, 4 to 1 agst. Wise Love, 10 to 1 Lady Dandy, 100 to 8 Ruanbeg, and 20 to 1 any other.

Won in a canter by three lengths ; three quarters of a length divided the second and third. Lady Dandy was fourth, Wise Love fifth, Gallop On sixth, Hear Hear colt next, and Bonar last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 4⅖secs.

THE ROMSEY HANDICAP of 164sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. S. H. Darling's br f by Trenton—Blow, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Plant	1
Mr. S. B. Joel's g by Despair—Emma, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) ...	Trigg	2
Mr. H. S. Mitchison's b c Bibury, 4yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	B. Dillon	3
Mr. J. Collin's Decave, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs ...	B. Lynham	0
Mr. H. Escott's Long Tom, 5yrs., 9st. ...	W. Halsey	0
Lord Clonmell's Rose Blair, 5yrs., 8st. 12lbs	F. Bullock	0
Mr J. Musker's Ailes d'Or, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr C Levy's Fireman, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. J. Sloncombe's Solano, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. A. Watson's Mat Salleh, 6yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. W. E. Everett's Golden Plunder, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs	East	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : 4 to 1 agst. Ailes d'Or, 5 to 1 Solano, 6 to 1 Decave, 8 to 1 each Bibury, Fireman, and Mat Salleh, 100 to 12 Rose Blair, 10 to 1 each Long Tom and Emma gelding, 100 to 8 Blow, filly, and 100 to 7 Golden Plunder (offered).

Won a pretty race by half a length ; a head separated the second and third. A short head behind, Decave was placed fourth, Long Tom was fifth, Mat Salleh sixth, Rose Blair seventh, Fireman next, and Golden Plunder last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 7⅕secs.

THE DOVER HANDICAP of 100sovs. Six furlongs.

Mr. F. Cobb's b g Morny, by Cherry Tree—Won by Waiting, 3yrs., 8st. 13lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. D. McKechnie's b m Gairloch, aged, 7st.	Plant	2
Mr. Craig R. McKerrow's b f Yankee Duchess, 2yrs., 8st. 2lbs	B. Lynham	3
Mr. Ivor E. Hughes's Engineer, 6yrs, 9st. 4lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. J. Best's Bonanza, 4yrs., 8st 13lb.	K. Cannon	0
Mr. A. P. Cuncliffe's Be Careless, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs	B. Dillon	0
Mr. J. B. Beattie's Hark Back, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	Griggs	0

Mr. J. Roger's Marialva, aged, 7st. 6lbs. Trigg 0
Mr. Donnelly's Green Feather, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) ... ... J. Donnelly 0
C. Halsey weighed for Flare, but the filly bolted on the way to the post and did not come under the starter's orders. She must not be considered a runner.

(*Winner trained by Clements.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Morny, 4 to 1 Engineer, 5 to 1 Bonanza, 6 to 1 Yankee Duchess, 8 to 1 each Be Careless and Marialva, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won easily by three-parts of a length; two lengths between the second and third. Engineer was fourth, Marialva fifth, Bonanza sixth, Hark Back next, and Green Feather last throughout. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 16secs.

FOOTBALL.

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DIVISION I.

SHEFFIELD UNITED *vs.* SMALL HEATH.—Twelve thousand spectators assembled at Bramall-lane on Saturday, the 17th instant, to witness this match which ended in a victory of two goals to one for the home team, the winning goal being scored three minutes from time. The result by no means represents the preponderance of attack which Sheffield United enjoyed, but at the same time it bears testimony to the doggedness of the Small Heath defence, which has been one of the main factors in other respectable performances to their credit this season. Sheffield United were without their veteran goalkeeper, Foulke, Lievesley taking his place, but this was the only change in the side defeated at Everton a week previously. Small Heath relied on the same team as went under to Notts County a week before. The visitors started promisingly, and Athersmith soon got in one of his dangerous sweeping centres, which Groves headed away. After this it was a considerable time before the old Villa player was heard of again. Needham and Milnes coping very effectually with him. The United forwards settled into their stride and displayed clever passing in midfield, but near goal for a long time seemed incapable of driving home the attack. This ineffectiveness in front of the uprights was due to the smart bustling of the Heathens' halves and the brilliant play of Stokes at left back. Lipsham rattled in one fine shot, which Robinson deftly turned over the bar, but at the end of ten minutes the United took the lead. Lang sent in a shot from the right, and, Robinson stopping this under the bar, the ball fell to the feet of Brown in the goal-mouth, and the latter easily touched it past the Heathens' goalkeeper. Following this the United did a lot of further attacking, but now and again the Small Heath forwards broke away, and both Jones and Wilcox narrowly missed scoring. At the end of half an hour, with Small Heath at close quarters, Milnes, of the United, handled the ball in the penalty area, and from the free kick Beer equalised. United, had slightly the best of matters up to the interval, but could not score again. The first half-hour of the second half witnessed fine play by both sets of forwards. The home team did more pressing than Small Heath, but both teams were unlucky with shots that hit the crossbar or one of the uprights. There was a better understanding among the United forwards than those of Small Heath, though the left wing and centre of the latter at times acted well in concert, but the Heathens' defence was so solid that the winning goal only arrived three minutes from time, when Donnelly converted a centre by Lipsham. On the United side the right wing was the more effective, and Brown was smart in the centre. In their defence Needham shone and Milnes gave one of his best displays, while Livesley's goalkeeping left nothing to be desired. On the Small Heath side Robinson acquitted himself well in goal, and Jones and Field among the forwards played with rare dash. Result: Sheffield United, two goals; Small Heath, one.

PRESTON NORTH END *vs.* DERBY COUNTY.—These teams played their first League game of the season on the Deepdale enclosure, Preston, on Saturday, in beautiful autumnal weather, on a fast ground, and before 13,000 spectators. The sides were representative, though Bell, the North End Captain, was still absent. The game began at a rattling pace, and from the start it was apparent that some good work would be seen. The visiting forwards swept down the ground, but found Rodway and Derbyshire a formidable pair. Once McBride saved from Richards. Then North End moved forward in grand style, and Derbyshire with a lunge hit the crossbar. The attack could not be broken and at the end of ten minutes' play Maskery was beaten by a clinking shot by Brown from close quarters. The Derby left time and again essayed to break away, but Bloomer was watched and proved ineffective. Each custodian saved good attempts to score, and then Maskery was beaten a second time, but Bond was offside and the point did not count. The home lot pressed capitally and a foul in the penalty area brought the attendant kick. McBride escaped to score, but Maskery got his foot at the ball, and the incident closed without substantial advantage. At half-time North End led by one goal to none. In the second half the Prestonians again went to work in earnest, and on the first few minutes Bond and Brown both missed by inches. Again after the game had been in progress ten minutes, the home side increased their lead, P. Smith beating Maskery. The Derby men made several ugly rushes for McBride, but they did not come to anything tangible, and the end came with North End winners by two goals to none.

NOTTS COUNTY *vs.* MANCHESTER CITY.—Manchester were a little the better team of the two which met at Trent Bridge Ground on Saturday, the 17th, but each side scored a goal, and the result was a draw. The Notts committee did the right thing in substituting Clinch for Montgomery at back, for the ground was very fast, and Clinch is a much quicker mover than the other. On the Manchester side "Dr." Holmes was introduced *vice* Ashworth, at left half; but he was out of condition. Hillman was induced to take goal; but he was not in a fit condition to play. He has by no means recovered from his injuries, and still suffers from dizziness; he nearly missed the ball on at least two occasions from straight shots, through inability to see properly. Hillman deserves great credit for his pluck, but he was lucky in not having many shots to stop. Earle, on the other hand, in the Notts goal, had plenty to do, and did it well. Clinch and Clare had not played together previously, but worked with some understanding, and should suit each other. Green, the Notts centre-forward, was attended to by Hynds and Frost, and although the right inside of Notts scored a goal, the home forwards were always a straggling lot. Thornley scored for Manchester in the first half, Earle making quite a remarkable attempt to save, when three shots came at him in rapid succession from close quarters. Meredith and Livingstone found Griffiths and Clinch quite equal to checking them, and though the Notts forwards were poor, the Mancunians were equally effective. Neither team was indeed seen at its best, we think. If Notts played up to form, then indeed they are a poor team, for Manchester was decidedly moderate. The result was a draw of one goal each.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER (INCLUSIVE).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Preston North End. ...	4	3	1	0	7	7	2
Blackburn Rovers ...	3	3	0	0	6	10	0
Sheffield Wednesday ...	3	3	0	0	6	11	2
Wolvrhmptn Wnd. ...	4	3	0	1	6	8	8
Aston Villa ...	5	3	0	2	6	7	6
Newcastle United ...	3	2	1	0	5	7	3
Everton ...	4	2	0	2	4	7	5
Sheffield United ...	4	2	0	2	4	7	9
Manchester City ...	3	1	1	1	3	3	3
Middlesborough ...	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
Sunderland ...	4	1	1	2	3	7	5
Derby County ...	4	1	1	2	3	4	7
Notts County ...	4	1	1	2	3	4	9
Notts Forest ...	3	1	0	2	2	7	6
Stoke ...	4	1	0	3	2	2	9
Woolwich Arsenal ...	3	0	1	2	1	0	4
Small Heath ...	3	0	0	3	0	3	6
Bury	3	0	0	3	0	2	11

DIVISION II.

BRISTOL CITY *vs.* GLOSSOP.—Bristol City won their first home League match on Saturday, the 17th, before 7000 spectators. It was a well deserved win, the homesters showing much improved form. An experimental rearrangement of the forwards line proved highly successful, and the men showed better combination than in previous matches. The City had by far the best of the game, and from the early stages it appeared as if play would be very one-sided. Glossop, however, improved, and the game ruled more even. The City repeatedly attacked dangerously, and but for a rather lucky defence the visitors would have had a good many more points notched against them. Gilligan scored the only goal in the first half. The homesters opened the second half similarly to the first. Some good and some bad shots were sent in, but only one took effect. This one came from Gilligan, and gave Davies very little chance. The visitors rarely shot at goal and though Clay had to be on the alert he was rarely called upon to deal with a difficult shot. Result: Bristol City, two goals; Glossop, none.

MANCHESTER UNITED *vs.* BOLTON WANDERERS.—So great was the interest taken, that fully 25,000 spectators witnessed this game at Manchester on Saturday. As was generally expected, some fast play was seen. Bolton, who have played so well in the competition, winning by two goals to one Mackie was first to score for the home side, but ere ends were changed White had equalised for Bolton. After change of ends the teams played very fast football, White, by scoring another goal, causing Bolton to return home with the victory.

LIVERPOOL *vs.* BRADFORD CITY.—There were 14,000 spectators at Anfield on Saturday to witness this game, which the home side won very easily by four goals to one. They were always playing superior football and were by far the better team. In the opening half Beckham scored first goal for Liverpool, but this was equalised by Morris. However, from that stage Bradford were outplayed. Parry caused the home side to lead by two goals to one at half-time, and after change of ends Cox added two more goals.

GRIMSBY TOWN *vs.* BURNLEY. Four thousand spectators witnessed the meeting of these teams at Grimsby on Saturday, the home side proving successful by one goal to love after a hard game. The first half was stubbornly contested, the defence on both sides being very fine, Spendiff, the home goalkeeper, distinguishing himself by saving from a penalty kick. Afterwards both clubs again played fine football, and as time drew near it appeared likely that a pointless draw would result. However a few minutes before the finish Grimsby pressed hard, and from a corner Ross gained the winning goal.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER (INCLUSIVE).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Bolton Wanderers ...	3	3	0	0	6	10	4
Liverpool ...	4	2	2	0	6	9	4
Grimsby Town ...	3	2	1	0	5	3	0
Lincoln City ...	3	2	0	1	4	7	3
Gainsborough ...	3	2	0	1	4	6	6
Chesterfield ...	4	1	2	1	4	4	3
Burslem Port Vale ...	4	0	4	0	4	4	4
Manchester United ...	3	1	1	1	3	7	5
W. Bromwch Albin ...	3	1	1	1	3	4	3
Leicester Fosse ...	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
Barnsley ...	3	1	1	1	3	2	3
Blackpool ...	4	0	3	1	3	3	4
Doncaster Rovers ...	3	1	0	2	2	4	5
Bradford City ...	3	1	0	2	2	6	8
Bristol City ...	3	1	0	2	2	6	8
Glossop ...	3	0	2	1	2	2	4
Burnley ...	4	1	0	3	2	3	9
Burton United ...	4	1	0	3	2	3	9

CASUALS *vs.* LONDON CALEDONIANS.—This football season at Tufnell Park, Holloway, was opened on Saturday afternoon, when the above clubs, who share the ground, met before about 1,500 spectators in bright and summer-like weather. It was the first match of the season of the Casuals and the second played by the Caledonians, who the previous week played a drawn game with Leytonstone on the latter club's ground, each side scoring two goals. The ground was in first-rate condition, and, if the play did not come up to very high standard, there were bright periods and some promising form was displayed by men in both teams. Many old faces were to be seen on both sides, but a couple of changes had to be made from the sides advertised. G. B. Pollock-Hodsoll giving place to W. E. Wright while on the Caledonians' side J. G. Gibson played instead of C. G. McFarlane. The Casuals had the sun in their faces during the first half, but they combined better than their opponents, and Ralston and Robertson had more to do than King and Partner. It was evident that many were short of practice, and, although now and again the goal at either end was threatened, the shooting was very erratic and many good openings were allowed to slip. Gibson sent in one terrific shot but had the misfortune to hit the crossbar. At the other end Ward also looked like beating the Caledonians' custodian, but failed in shooting. Just on half-time the Scots put on the pressure and Gibbons found the net, but had the mortification of hearing the whistle sound just as he did so for an infringement of the off-side rule, and the interval came without any score. The second half saw an improvement in the pace of the game, both playing with plenty of dash. At first the Caledonians did the bulk of the attacking, and kept King very busy. More than once Porter, Shaw, and Gibbons looked like giving their side the lead, but again faulty shooting spoilt their efforts. Midway through this half the Casuals did better, and smart play by Harris and Durrant led to the Caledonians' goal being threatened, but the first-named, after once failing when he had only the goalkeeper to beat, later struck the crossbar. Try as they would, neither side could score, and the game ended in a draw.

FOOTBALL IN SCOTLAND.

THE LEAGUE GAMES.

That R. S. McColl, the brilliant ex-amateur, is still a personality in Scottish football, was evidenced by the enormous attendance assembled at Hampden Park, Glasgow, to witness the League fixture between Queen's Park, his old club, and Glasgow Rangers, under whose colours he made a first appearance in the west since his secession to professionalism. Before departing to England to take service with Newcastle United, McColl won fame on the "classic slopes" of second Hampden Park, where for many years he was a popular idol. That his popularity had in no wise diminished, the reception he was accorded on taking up his position on the field clearly showed. The fact that R. C. Hamilton, and the ex-Novocastrian are both centre-forwards caused a re-arrangement of the visiting forward line. Speedie, the Internationalist, dropped back to centre-half, Hamilton retained his place, and McColl was set to act as support to A. Smith, on the left wing. This combination worked capitally, although that particular wing (with whom Hamilton allied himself) overshadowed the other. Speed and trickery were the outstanding features of the trio's play, but the essential object of getting quickly to goal was never lost sight of. In this respect, the ex-amateur, contrary to what we had formerly been accustomed, effaced himself for the benefit of his colleagues, and showed no signs of those bewildering movements and that deceptive swerve for which he was famous. On the whole, though the home side were defeated by four goals to *nil*, that margin could not be taken as a criterion of the division of the exchanges. While there was no doubt as to which was the better eleven, the merits of the Queen's Park men were decidedly ill-rewarded. Time and again they were given opportunities to reduce the leeway, but misfortune dogged their path, and a pointless reverse had unfortunately to be accepted. Considering the calibre of the men against them, the amateur defence did well, the half-backs comparing favourably with their better-known confreres in the corresponding opposing middle line. Forward, of course, the difference was marked, the finishing powers and neat foot work in the out-field on the part of the winners showing to considerable advantage over the disjointed and wild efforts of their amateur brethren. With these departments the issue of the game lay, as the final score indicates. Airdrieonians, whose consistency yet maintains itself, still hold the leading place in the League race, their record of nine points for five games, reading better than that of Glasgow Rangers with eight points for a similar number of fixtures played, and, on the principle that "a bird in the hand, etc.," also better than Celtic, with seven for four, and they worthily upheld their position on Saturday, by overcoming, in marked fashion, Port Glasgow Athletic, on foreign ground. In all respects, the Lanarkshire club were the superior lot, and their win by three goals to one was a fit estimate of their merit contrasted with the eleven of the Lower Ward. Another victory, which was well-deserved, was that of Partick Thistle over Greenock Morton. The strengthening of the back division worked wonders, and the front line gave evidence of much brighter form than they have been exhibiting of late. Sommen, a smart little player, secured from Motherwell, was an important factor in the achievement of winning. Long-kicking and fast rushes were the main tactics utilised by Morton, but they availed little, the game being always under the control of the Partick side, who ultimately gained the day by three goals to one. St. Mirren, who seem to have fallen on evil days, have still to win their first game. At any time they play well against Celtic, and it was not with any tremour, but with an anticipation of possibly coming out on top, that the Paisley Club engaged their Glasgow rivals. Scoring as they did the opening goal, made prospects rosy for them and put the necessary heart into the eleven to do well. All through it was a keen struggle, though hard knocks might easily have been fewer, with the verdict at the close in favour of Celtic by three goals to two. Whether it is that Kilmarnock are improving or Third Lanark retrograding, the match between the pair, which on current form looked safe for the Volunteers, was a hard and determined fight. It terminated with honours easy, neither side having scored, a state of affairs on which the former may congratulate themselves, since, had a deplorable attempt before an open goal by a Kilmarknock forward been more accurately directed, they would be now lamenting even the solitary League point secured. Heart of Midlothian have recently had some trouble with their players, the brothers Wilson being suspended early in the week. Fortunately, the breach between players and club was healed, and one of the offenders signalised his return by notching three of the four goals by which the Hearts overcame Motherwell. An even draw of one goal each was recorded at Easter-road between Dundee and Edinburgh Hibernians.

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

	G.		G.
Aston Villa (3) ...	2	bt Notts Forest (1) ...	0
Blackburn Rovers (2) ...	4	bt Stoke (0)	0
Sheffield Wednesday (0) ...	4	bt Bury (1)	1
Middlesbrough ...	1	bt Woolwich Arsenal ...	0
Newcastle United (1) ...	3	bt Everton (0)	2
Notts County (0) ...	1	dr Manchester City (3) ...	1
Preston North End ...	2	bt Derby County ...	0
Sheffield United (1) ...	2	bt Small Heath (1) ...	1
Wolverhampton Wdrs. (2)	1	bt Sunderland (1) ...	0

DIVISION 2.

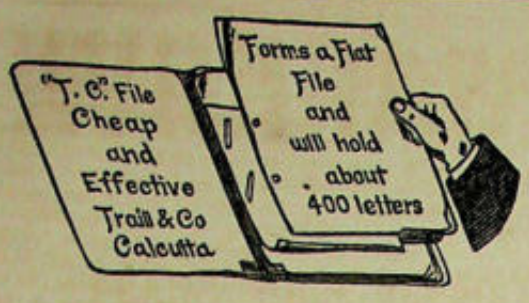
Blackpool	0	dr W. Bromwich Albn ...	0
Bristol City (5) ...	2	bt Glossop (0)	0
Burslem Port Vale (3) ...	0	dr Chesterfield (0)	0
Burton United (5) ...	2	bt Lincoln City (2) ...	1
Doncaster Rovers ...	2	bt Barnsley	0
Gainsborough Trinity (4) ...	2	bt Leicester Fosse (0) ...	0
Grimsby Town (0) ...	1	bt Burnley (0)	0
Liverpool	4	bt Bradford City ...	1
Bolton Wanderers (0) ..	2	bt Manchester United (0) ...	1

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

Millwall (4)	1	dr West Ham. United (2) ...	1
Bristol Rovers (2) ...	1	bt Brentford (1) ...	0
Portsmouth (1) ...	3	bt Northampton (1) ...	0
New Brompton (0) ...	1	dr Southampton (3) ...	1
Brighton and Hove (1) ...	5	bt Wellingborough (3) ...	0
Luton	2	bt Watford	1
Swindon (2)	2	bt Fulham (2)	1
Tottenham Hotspur (0) ...	2	bt Plymouth Argyle (2) ...	0
Queen's Park Rangers (1)	4	bt Reading (1)	2

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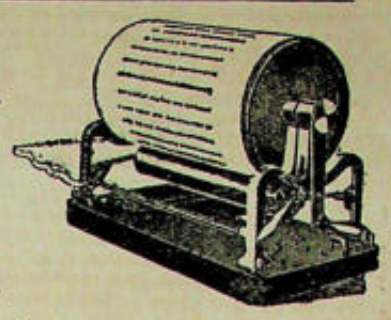
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Mirfield United	... 1	bt	Heckmondwike	...	0
Grimesthorpe ...	... 4	bt	Huddersfield	...	2
Thorpe Healey	... 1	bt	Cacliffe ...	...	0
Sheppey United	... 2	bt	Gravesend United	...	0
Maidenhead Norfolkians	... 2	bt	Staines ...	...	1
Leytonstone ...	... 2	bt	Fledstead ...	...	0
Maidstone ...	... 2	bt	Chatham ...	...	0
Upton Park ...	... 2	dr	Chestnut ...	...	2
Windsor and Eton	... 3	bt	Marlow ...	...	1
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Tunbridge Wells Rngrs.	... 2	bt	Tunbridge Wells	...	1
Clapton Orient	... 4	bt	Enfield ...	...	1
Grays United	... 4	bt	Harwich and Parkeston	...	0
Croydon Wanderers	... 3	bt	Godalming ...	...	2
Hastings and St. Leonard's	5	bt	Newhaven C. W.	...	4
Stevning ...	... 2	bt	Brighton Amateurs	...	0
Civil Service ...	... 2	bt	Willesden Town	...	1
Worthing ...	... 3	bt	Horsham ...	...	0
Reading Amateurs	... 4	bt	Slough ...	...	2
Eltham ...	... 1	bt	Cray Wanderers	...	0
Dartford ...	... 5	bt	Folkestone ...	...	1
Southern United	... 3	bt	Croydon ...	...	0
Eastbourne Old Town	... 3	bt	Rock-a-Nore	...	2
Ocklynge ...	... 6	bt	Vampires ...	...	1
Old Town Reserves	... 1	bt	Juniors ...	...	0
Eastbourne (A.)	... 4	bt	Eastbourne (B.)	...	0
Evergreens ...	... 6	bt	Congregational	...	0
Old Municipals	... 5	bt	Wanderers ...	...	0
Central Rangers	... 7	bt	South Lynn	...	2
Upperton ...	... 3	bt	St. Mary s ...	...	1
All Souls ...	... 0	dr	National ...	...	0
Basingstoke ...	... 5	bt	Freemantle ...	...	2
Kensal Rise United	... 5	bt	Middlesex Wanderers	...	0
Leyton ...	... 4	bt	Woodford ...	...	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

Glasgow Rangers	... 4	bt	Queen's Park	...	0
Kilmarnock ...	... 0	dr	3rd Lanark ...	...	0
Celtic ...	... 3	bt	St. Mirran ...	...	2
Airdrieonians ...	... 3	bt	Port Glasgow Ath.	...	1
Partick Thistle	... 3	bt	Morton ...	...	1
Hibernians ...	... 1	dr	Dundee ...	...	1
Heart of Midlothian	... 4	bt	Motherwell ...	...	2

DIVISION 2.

Albion Rovers ...	... 1	dr	Raith Rovers	...	1

MIDLAND LEAGUE.

Sheffield United Reserves ..	3	bt	Gresley ...	...	1
Sheffield Wednesday Res. ..	0	dr	Newark ...	...	0
Derby Reserves	... 3	bt	Notts Forest Res.	...	0
Lincoln Reserves	... 3	bt	Notts County Res.	...	0
Rotherham ...	... 2	bt	Worksop ...	...	1
Stockport County	... 1	bt	Chesterfield ...	...	0
Barnsley Reserves	... 1	dr	Doncaster Reserves	...	1

OTHER MATCHES.

Chertsey ...	... 5	bt	Weybridge Rose	...	0
Brightlingsea ...	... 3	bt	West Mersea	...	1
Yarmouth Town	... 5	bt	Walthamstow	...	0
Banbury Central	... 1	bt	Oxford City	...	0
Oxford City ...	... 3	bt	Notts Magdala	...	2
Holloway College	... 6	bt	Grove House School	...	4
Old Holloway Collegians	... 4	bt	King's Cross	...	1
Aylesbury Swifts	... 4	bt	Aylesbury United R.	...	3
Wimbledon Old Centrals	... 3	bt	Chesham Generals	...	1
Luton Reserves	... 4	dr	Wanstead ...	...	4
Lee ...	... 3	bt	Cowley Athletic	...	1
Southfield ...	... 6	bt	Carlyle United	...	0
Ilford Alliance	... 3	bt	Nunhead ...	...	2
Summerstown	... 6	bt	Dulwich St. Peter's	...	0
Ealing ...	... 6	bt	Clove ...	...	1
Olympic ...	... 2	bt	Wallington ...	...	1
Old Foresthillians	... 3	bt	Old Albanians	...	2
Faversham ...	... 5	bt	Royal Garrison Artly	...	1
Ramsgate Town	... 1	bt	Sheppey Amateurs	...	0
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Wimbledon Old Centrals	... 3	bt	Chesham Generals	...	1
Olympic ...	... 2	bt	Wallington ...	...	1
Lloyds (2nd) ...	... 1	bt	Union Bank (2nd)	...	0
Lond. and County Bank	... 4	bt	Holborn Athletic	...	0
Clapton ...	... 4	bt	West Norwood	...	2

ATHLETICS.

S. L. H. AUTUMN MEETING.

Good as was the spring meeting of the famous South London Harriers, that of Saturday, 17th instant, at Kennington Oval surpassed it. A fine, sunny afternoon, and the prospect of witnessing excellent sport had the effect of drawing a record attendance. Directly the gates were opened, the public entered in a steady steam until, at three o'clock, there must have been cully 20,000 onlookers. Everything conduced to success. Very fapable officials were at the head of affairs, the entries were first-class, both on the score of quality and quantity, and, above all, the racing, whether on foot or cycle, was exceedingly keen and well worth watching. This latter remark is especially true of the cycling, which was in marked contrast to the wretched crawls witnessed at the Crystal Place a week ago. The men went for all they were worth on the grass track, and it was stiff going, as they often had to contend against a strong breeze, which in the sprint gave the runners material assistance. Consisting of eleven open events, the programme lasted for three hours and a half—sufficient for anyone. It sparkled with engaging finishes from first to last. Large fields, too, were always the order.

HALF-MILE CYCLE HANDICAP.

Final.

J. Hardy, Gt. Eastern Rly. C. C., 90 yards start	...	1
J. H. Bishop, Thames Ironworks, 35	...	2
R. Harding, Oval C. C., 85	...	3
S. F. Bailey, West Ham C. C., 80	...	4

Won by three lengths ; two lengths dividing second and third Time—1min. 5secs.

100 YARDS OPEN HANDICAP.

Final.

E. A. Chennells, Highgate H., 9¾ yards start	...	1
P. J. Deadman, Herne Hill H., 7	...	2
W. P. Cox, Queen's Park H., 9	...	3
H. R. Flood, St. Bride's A. C., 10½	...	4

Won by half a yard ; inches only between second and third. Time—9⅘secs.

440 YARDS INVITATION SCRATCH RACE.

Final.

F. H. Montague, S.L.H.	...	1
A. E. Janes, Herne Hill H.	...	2
L. J. de B. Reed, S L.H.	...	3
C. McLachlan, Herne Hill H.	...	4

Won by a yard and a half with about the same distance dividing second and third. Time—51⅕secs.

TWO-MILE INVITATION HANDICAP.

A. Shrubb, S.L.H., Scratch	...	1
D. F. McNicol, Thames Valley H., 120 yards start	...	2
G. M. Parkinson, Linton Granta A. C., 100	...	3
N. S. Hutchinson, Herne Hill H., 150	...	4

Also started : W. G. Collins, Essex Beagles, 100 yards start; F. S. Cleveley, Highgate H., 100; F. H. Hulford, Herne Hill H., 100 ; J. H. Bessell, Barclagh H., 100; A. F. Lewis, Birchfield H., 150 ; A. R. Lake, Reading A. C., 150 ; F. James, Herne Hill H., 150; R. C. Hatt, Reading A. C., 150; G. Still, Highgate H., 150; W. J. Clark, Essex Beagles, 159 ; and E. F. Judson, Blackheath H., 150.

Won by six yards; twenty yards divided second and third. Time—9mins. 22⅘secs. Shrubb ran the first quarter in 60secs.; the half-mile in 2mins. 7⅘secs.; three-quarters f a mile in 3mins. 18⅘secs.; one mile in 4mins. 30secs.; and a mile and a half in 6mins. 37⅘secs.

ONE-MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP.

Final.

W. Wells, Westcombe Park C. C., 100 yards start	...	1
G. A. Beck, Excelsior C. C., 140 ...	...	2
F. S. Wills, Dexter C. C., 40 ...	...	3
L. Carter, Corinthians C. C., 140 ..	...	4

Won by a length ; a weel divided second and thirJ. Time—2mins. 21⅕secs. W. C. Le Grys was fifth.

100 YARDS INVITATION SCRATCH RACE.

Final.

J. W. Morton, S.L.H.	...	1
C. H. Jupp, L.A.C. ...	...	2
J. A. Miller, L.A.C. ...	...	3
A. F. Duffey, Georgetown University, U.S.A.	...	4

Getting away to a fine start, Duffey was the first to show in front, but at half-distance Morton came out with a fine burst, and finishing very strongly, gained the verdict from Jupp by a good yard, half a yard separating the latter from Miller, who just beat Duffey, the American easing up on the tape, owing to a strained leg. Time—9⅕secs. which equals British record. On returning to the Pavilion, the winner had a great reception.

ONE MILE RELAY RACE.

The competing teams were:—Herne Hill H. (C. MacLachlan, C. H. Childe, A. E. Janes, and C. Stanfield) ; Highgate H. (W. Dalaney, F. Lyon, C. W. Fox , and J. Binks); Salford H. (F. E. A. Rowell, W. Hiles, B. Heap, and A. Brierley); Sefton H. (H. Fleetwood, C. W. Roberts, E. Green, and J. Roberts) ; South London H. (L. J. de B. Reed, H. Watson, J. W. Morton, and E. H. Montague) ; West of Scotland H. (W. Roxburgh, J. P. Stark—100 Yards Scottish Champion—T. Straiten, and B J. Blunden). Birchfield H., who were a man short, and Reading A. C. teams did not start. The conditions were : The first man of each team to cover 440 yards, the second 220 yards, the third 220 yards and the fourth 880 yards Rowell Salford H., with the inside position, ran a capital quarter, beating McLachlan, Herne Hill H., by fully five yards. This lead was increased by Hiles in the first sprint of 220 yards, the latter defeating Childe, Herne Hill H., but in the second 220 Morton made a fine effort, and cut down Heap's advantage to about four yards Unfortunately Montague did not gather his flag promptly, with the result that Heap sent the last Salford Harrier, Brierley, off with an advantage of fully thirty yards for the final. However, the latter set a pace which he could not last, and failing 200 yards from the tape, Blunden, running finely, overhauled him and stalling off the challenge of Montague, won by four yards ; a dozen yards off J. Binks, of the Highgate H., was third, with Brierley fourth. Time—3mins. 43secs.

TWO-MILE WALKING HANDICAP.

H. D. Montague, Thames Valley H. and Malden H. 380 yards start	...	1
A. P. Spencer, Northampton Institute H., 420	...	2
E. Standen, Northampton Institute H., 340 ...	...	3
A. H. Moore, Coventry F. C., 275	...	4

A field of fifty turned out. At the start there was a great deal of "mixing" and before a mile had been completed there were at least a dozen men disqualified, and in all eighteen were pulled out. Montague won by thirty yards ; twenty yards divided second and third. C. Duplock, Epsom H., 460, was fifth, and F. Bland, Polytechnic H., 550, sixth. G. B Absolon, Herne Hill H., 210, was virtual scratch. Time—13mins. 45secs.

300 YARDS HANDICAP.

Final.

F. Moore, Goldsmith's Institute, 20 yards start	...	1
H. R. Flood, St. Bride's A. C., 27	...	2
A. F White, Thames Valley H., 19	...	3
J L. Bell, Putney A. C., 29	...	4

Won by half a yard; about the same distance separated second and third, the fourth also being close up. Time—31⅕secs.

THREE-MILE INVITATION SCRATCH CYCLE RACE.

F. S. Wills, Dexter C. C.	...	1
S. W Lock, Cambridge	...	2
J. B. Taylorson, Beaumont C. C.	...	3
H. N. Edwardes, Balham C. C. ...	...	4

Also started : J. H. Bishop, Thames Ironworks ; S. W. Oldham, Shaftesbury C. C.; W. E. Cannon, Beaumont C. C.; and H. J. Beck, Colville C. C.

Won by three-parts of a length ; good third. The chief times were : 1 mile, 2mins. 46⅗secs.; 2 miles, 5mins. 51secs.; 3 miles, 8mins. 28⅗secs. The special lap prize fell to H N Edwardes.

ONE-MILE OPEN HANDICAP.

J. Lumley, Belgrave H , 117 yards start	...	1
P. A. Casserley, S.L H., 70	...	2
A. E. Pieri, Highgate H., 135 ...	...	3
A. Ashby, Coventry Godiva H., 105	...	4

There were eighty-two entries, G. M. Parkinson, Linton Granta A.C , 42 yards start, being virtual scratch, with F. J. Hughes, Cambridge H., 210, limit man.

Won by a foot, the same distance dividing Casserley and Pieri, with Ashby a good fourth. Time—4mins. 19⅕secs.

BOXING.

East London patrons of the noble art should have a very fine night's sport at Wonderland on Monday next, when the much-talked about contest takes place between Young Peter Jackson and Charley Knock, upon the result of which depends no less than £350. Wonderland, or the East End National as it has often been described, has, during the few years it has been known as a boxing resort, been the scene of a number of interesting events, but nothing has ever ranked of such importance as the contest between Jackson and Knock, which is invested with quite an international flavour. The men are matched to box fifteen two minute rounds, with 4oz. gloves, under Queensbery rules, at 10st. 8lbs., and both are to weigh in at two o'clock on the afternoon of the contest. Knock is, of course, better know in the Metropolis than his dusky opponent, for he has figured in many contests in the East End and other places, and had been more often a winner than a loser. Indeed, he can well be described as one of the best men that the Metropolis has produced in late years. Jackson, who has sparred but twice since he arrived in this country, is best known by his second bout, which as will be seen below, stamps him as quite a first-class performer. That both men are out for business, and the best end of the stake money, is indicated by the conscientious manner in which they are training for the event. Visits were paid to them yesterday by representatives of this paper, and so far as can be judged next Monday's contest at Wonderland should be well worth seeing. In addition to the big affair, there is a contest between George Cunningham and Bill Hook, and other important events. Indeed, it is not surprising that already the demand for seats is quite active.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

ON Monday, the 3rd October, hounds met at Sandy Nullah Toll Bar at 7-30 A.M., though the morning was bright and there was good dew, yet the country was dry. The east side of Lawley's Course was first drawn, and then crossing over the course we drew up Gibbs' Shola at the foot of which hounds spoke to a line and puzzled it out to the Shola near the road Thinking that the jack had crossed the road, the Master held hounds forward to the crossing near Briar Shola, where they picked up the line again and ran past Wapshare's Hare Shola to the old cattle crawl below where there was a check. They hit it off again and drew across the swamp to the old Pykara Road. Below Wenlock the pace improved and we crossed the old Pykara Road at the 7th Milestone and turned along the swamp. A jack was viewed close in front and hounds did not give him another chance. He turned towards the Shola Ghaut, but was killed in the open. A large dog jack.

The Master next drew the country north of the road to the Pykara Falls. On the opposite side of the nullah there a large sounder of pig were viewed, but hounds were very steady, notwithstanding that they winded them. Hounds found again almost immediately and ran at a good pace right up to the Falls road, and then turned towards the Ghauts, where the Master saw a brace of jacks in front. They ran a right-handed circle of fully three miles and came back on the original line. Close to the Falls path the jacks separated, one going forward and the other back. Hounds hunted the latter, and he took us up the steep hill at the end of the ridge above Toda Coffee Shop Sholer and then on towards Khed Shola. At this shola he turned to the left, and crossing the old Pykara Road near the 1st Mile headed for Dunsandle. He run along the side of the fence and crossed the nullah above Beadnell's Shola, where we lost him. The second run was exactly an hour without a check, and the going in the earlier part was very severe.

On Thursday we met at Rees' Corner at 7-30. The country was in good order after the recent heavy rains, and the morning a fine one. Hounds first drew the cover at Bagman blank, and then the Master drew Mills Cover upwards and hounds went slowly over the municipal stream and the Pykara Road towards Bingham Shola, but there was no doubt that the jack was a long way off and the Master did not persevere. We then recrossed the municipal stream at Treble Crossing and drew past Double Crossing. Here there was another cold line, which hounds puzzled out for some distance when scent failed.

The Master then drew over Lawley's Course and up to Gibbs' Shola where hounds spoke, and with frequent checks crossed the Pykara Road and got to the top of the Dartmoor Valley where they could make no more of it. After drawing the side of Wapshare's Hare Shola blank hounds turned down to the Yemakal Valley at the other side of the Forest Bungalow. On crossing the Yemakal Stream a halloa was heard from a native first below Bacon Wood. The Master trotted back and laid hounds on the line of the jack, for he had waited for us. He took us through the cover part of Bacon Wood and emerged on the Chammund side and turned up towards the road, but on seeing the field coming along the side, turned in again.

He broke on Briar Shola side and turned down hill as if for Yemakal, but meeting one of the horsemen, went into the cover part of Bacon where he was killed in cover in a very short time.

News was brought of a jack being viewed in Briar Shola, so the Master trotted back and drew it. He broke and went over Windy Saddle into Wapshare's Hare Shola where he turned very sharp and overrunning hounds was viewed into the top of Bacon Wood where hounds could not follow further. He probably ran the road where there was no scent, and although the whip got forward they could not view him. Scent was not as good as might have been expected all the morning.

BLUE GUM.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

ON the 2nd of October a field of about forty lovely women and brave cavaliers assembled at the village of Kalas to do honour to Colonel Sheringham and enjoy a hunt. Time is a precious commodity these days with so much lee-way to make up, and on the stroke of six the Master drew to the right of the road leading to Diggi and hounds soon owned to a line. Away they went, at a brisk pace I hear, past the hamlet of Danowri and towards Temple Hill, the jack skirting the uplands for a time, while the Master endeavoured to prevent him breasting the hill. A good few of the field riding wide on the left from all accounts rode a little too "forward" and rather headed the jack on to the fastness where he saw Sanctuary, but hounds were not for mercy and killed him among the rocks after a pleasant little hunting run of about 20 minutes. After performing the funeral rites, Colonel Sheringham drew towards the Kalas road and hounds soon hit off another line. Merry was the pace towards some village called Bopekul (as near as I can get it), and after leading the field a pleasant gallop for more or less 25 minutes from start to finish, hounds tumbled their jack over in some standing crop, the "going" during the latter half of this run being, I believe, rather heavy and holding. For the facts connected with what seems to have been an admirable day's sport at Harapsur I am, in the main, indebted to the talented scribe who writes such graphic accounts of the doings of this illustrious pack in the local Thunderer, as I deeply regret having to be ungrateful enough to give away my usual kind sportsmen who have of late become sadly indolent Among those out I notice the names of some apparently very regular attendants in Colonel Channer and Colonel Bull, neither of whom ever seem to miss a day. Mr Armstrong and Mr. Casson the two hard-riding whips who have assisted the Master so ably through out the season, and it is interesting to see that of the very small though select field that assembled on this occasion the majority were of the tender sex, Mrs. Beatty, Mrs. Parry, Mrs. Morris, Miss Anderson and Miss George gracing the proceedings. Some sugarcanes near the meet were drawn, but though usually it is said a safe find were on this occasion drawn blank. In a neighbouring *nullah*, however, hounds owned to a line and in a burst of melody galloped away at a race pace. Over the railway enbankment and on to some nice galloping grass land and so through some extensive cultivation where some of the field got thrown out, and I believe Colonel Channer on one of his well known hunters, who seem to take such a deal of catching, had hounds quite to himself for a time. Scent seems to have been exceptionally good and the leading hounds were running at a rare pace till some rocky broken country slackened the speed. Hounds, however, were death on blood and would take no denial, and after about 25 minutes of a really brilliant gallop ran from scent to view, and eventually rolled their jack over in the open. Everyone seems to have been delighted with their morning's sport. The hounds will, no doubt, be shortly for sale and hounds men up-country should be able to suit themselves well.

SCARAMOUCH.

Rowing.

REGATTA AT NAINI TAL.

Judge :—MR. J. B. THOMPSON.

Starters :—MAJOR LAWRENCE AND CAPTAIN NICHOLSON.

THIS regatta was brought off during the autumn week and was most successfully carried through. The Bulrampur Pairs were won by the Coopers Hill Pair, Messrs. Coode and Tillard, and the Rampur Fours went to the Civil Service. The Gloster Band won the Depôt Race and Mr. Tillard secured the Single Sculls. The weather was fine all through, rather an unusual thing at Naini Tal regattas. Mrs. Henry gave away the prizes.

BULRAMPUR PAIRS.—

Won by Coopers Hill.—Messrs. Coode and Tillard, Mrs. Heaven, *cox.*

RAMPUR FOURS —

First Heat.

Civil Service A.		*British Service.*
Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Gillan Mr. Stiffe Mr. Moncrieff-Smith Mrs. Faunthorpe, *cox*	beat	Mr. Jourdier. Colonel Townshend. General Barker Captain Nicholson. Miss Knyvett, *cox.*

Led all the way and won easily.

Second Heat.

Coopers Hill.		
Mr. Hall Mr. Cooper Mr. Coode Mr. Tillard Mrs. Heaven, *cox.*		Mr. Wahl. Mr. Johnston. Mr. Tomas. Mr. Mumford.

Won easily.

Final Heat.

Civil Service beat Coopers Hill by a length.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.

CIVIL.		MILITARY.
Mr. Tillard Mr. Coode Mr. Moncrieff-Smith Mr. Stiffe Mrs. Faunthorpe, *cox.*	beat	Mr. Jourdier. Colonel Townshend. General Barker. Captain Nicholson. Miss. Knyvett, *cox.*

DEPOT RACE.

First Heat.

H. Co. Bedford's "A" Team beat Band, 1st Gloster's "B" Team

Second Heat.

Band, 1st Glosters "A" Team beat B. Co., East Surrey's N.-C. O.'s 1st Team.

Final Heat.

Band, 1st Gloster's "A" Team beat H. Co., Bedford's "A" Team. Won by half a length.

SINGLE SCULLS.

Mr. Tillard beat Mr. Arathoon.
Won easily by four lengths.

Final.

Mr Tillard beat Mr. Hutchison.
Won by half a length.

MIXED DOUBLE SCULLS.

Final Heat.

Mrs. Mercer Mr. Jourdier Mrs. Spilsbury, *cox*	beat	Mrs. Porteous. Mr. Hoare. Mrs. Warren, *cox.*

Won by three feet.

P. AND O. PADDLING RACE.

First Heat.

Miss Elliott Miss N Elliott Mr. Conner Mr. Roberts Mr. Carr	beat	Mrs. Norrington. Miss Jelly. Captain Norrington. Captain Goldsmith. Mr La Touche.

Mrs. Norrington's boat won but was disqualified for having fouled the other crew.

Miss Woolmer Miss Lindsay Mr. Cowrah Mr. Rees Mr. Peatson	Miss A. Cockin Miss Marsh 1 Mr. Holmes Mr. Leachman Mr. Kendall		Mr. Cooper Mr. Cooke 2 Mr. R. Boyce Miss Adams Miss A. Hooper	3

Won by half a length after a good race.

Final Heat.

Won by Miss N. Elliott, Mr. Conner, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Carr by a length and-a-quarter.

MIXED FOURS.—Won by Mrs. Porteous, Mrs. Mercer, Mr. Jourdier, Mr. Gillan with Miss Knyvett (*cox*) by a length and-a-half.

CANOE RACE —(Standing) won by Mr. La Touche.

LADIES' CANOE RACE.—Won by Miss Woolmer and Mrs. Porteous.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *23rd September 1904.*

IN one of the cycling papers considerable correspondence has been running on the time-worn question of "side-slip" and readers have been airing their views with all the assurance that when they have publicly voiced their opinions, it would only be a matter of a short while before "side-slip" was a thing of the past. Although some score of cyclists have discovered the antidote, we noticed in our walk to the office this morning —there had been a short shower just previous—two riders on the ground, they having slipped on the wet tram-lines; possibly they had not read the correspondence referred to. Some writers hold that the solution of the problem is to be found in the wheel base of a machine; others that it is all in the position of the saddle whilst the pressure the tyre is inflated to is believed by many to effect the question. Personally we believe that no contrivance will effectually overcome the bug-bear, but that the chance of experiencing a slip can be considerably reduced by the cyclist learning to ride perfectly. Even pedalling, without sudden or hard thrusts, will do most to diminish side-slips.

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Last Friday, 16th September, was an eventful day in the cycle world since on this day the famous Welch patent expired. It was on this patent, which protected the method of fixing pneumatic tyres to the rims, that the Dunlop Company worked up such an enormous business with branches in every part of the world and it was this patent too, which made cycling the universal pastime it now is. The expiry was celebrated in an unique manner by the Dunlop Company in the form of a "wake" at the Hotel Cecil, to which four hundred representatives of the cycle and motor trades were invited. The dinner over, the evening was devoted to speech making until the hour of midnight, when, as the clock chimed out twelve, the Chairman pronounced the following "elegy" of the Welch patent.

"Here lies Welch; he was saddle or arch shaped; he rested on a median convexity; his boundaries were inextensible; he dies, and yet he lives, no longer for the few, but for the use of all.

"According to Irish custom this is his wake; these are his ashes. But according to another Irish monumental legend, there arises from these ashes a phœnix. That phœnix is Dunlop 'The manufacturer.'

"Welch is dead—Dunlop lives. He too is saddle or arch shaped; his median convexity is the world; his boundaries are extensible—may they extend.

"Long live Dunlop, the manufacturer."

And the Orchestra played Chopin's Funeral March.

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The Polytechnic C. C. in conjunction with their harrier colleagues held a very successful meeting on Saturday last at the Paddington Recreation grounds when favoured with glorious weather a large crowd of spectators put in an appearance. Possibly many attended with the hope of seeing A. L. Reed, who had performed so splendidly though defeated in the two Kilometres World's Championship, but he did not put in an appearance nor did another fine amateur A. E Wills. The cycling events consisted of a half mile open handicap won by R. Janson, from the 23rd yard mark, a mile open handicap for novices pulled off by J. T. Scott, and a five miles scratch race which resulted in a grand finish between C. Brooks, and J. B. Casey, the former just winning in 13mins. 42secs.

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At the Windsor Petty Sessions a motorist was successful in having a charge brought against him, dismissed by the judge. A town councillor for the Borough of Windsor summoned him for unlawfully, recklessly and negligently driving his car in Thames Street, Windsor, in a manner which was dangerous to the public. In support of his case the councillor called a police sergeant and stated that the car was being driven at a very fast rate, he only escaping being run down by springing suddenly out of the way. Mr. Staple Firth who defended, was successful in getting the case dismissed with costs against the councillor.

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There is no doubt that the result of the past season's trade in motor cycles has been very disappointing to the manufacturers who had almost expected 1904 to provide a boom year with this class of machine. The result has been the reverse, demand falling considerably below what was expected. The reason of this is believed by some people to be due to the heavy weight of the present day motor bicycle, indeed, so convinced is one publication that the dearth of customers is through this cause, that they have for some months been experimenting and investigating as to what reductions may be made to a motor cycle with safety. The result is that they have produced a motor bicycle with a 2¼ horse-power engine that scales but a trifle over 71½lbs. as against 140lbs. to 200lbs. which a motor bicycle generally weighs. On a recent trial run this machine easily covered thirty miles an hour and took Holywell Hill, St. Albans, without pedal assistance. It has always been upheld that a light engine of 2½ horse-power was not powerful enough to drive a motor bicycle and that with a more powerful engine a heavier and stronger frame was necessary. But it has now been proved that a small powered engine can drive a cycle satisfactory, that is, a cycle scaling about 75lbs., and we fully believe with the paper making the experiments, that in this reduction of weight rests the future popularity of motor cycling. There are a number of persons to whom speed has no particular charm and who would take up the pastime if they could purchase a light and reliable motor bicycle which would not be beyond their strength to lift, capable of carrying them along at about 20 miles an hour.

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Different magistrates have very different opinions as to the what punishment to inflict on offenders brought before them. An poor old man who steals a turnip from a field is likely as not to be given a term of four weeks' imprisonment, whilst a clerk who robs his employer will be left off with a caution under the First Offenders Act. Two cases have come under my notice this week which empathises the need of some system for magistrates to follow when sentencing offenders. In one a man called at a cycle agents and hired a machine for two hours, leaving with the agent a five shilling deposit. Well, he never returned with the machine but attempted to sell it in a neighbouring town which led to his arrest. When brought before the bench he was sentenced to a fine of £1, or in default, ten days' imprisonment. In the other case, a cyclist who had met with an accident and broken his machine, put it behind a hedge until he returned with a trap to fetch it away. A youth came along and seeing the machine behind the hedge thought it had been thrown away as useless. He took it home with him and had it repaired and re-enamelled making no secret of his find. In the meantime the owner was searching for his lost machine and hearing that a cycle had been found put the police on the track of the youth. He was prosecuted and although he possessed a good character and called witnesses to prove that he announced his find broad cast, he was fined just the same amount as the man who hired the machine with the intention of selling it.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CALEDONIA A C. *vs.* HOWRAH UNITED C. C.—These clubs opened their seasons with this match at Howrah on Saturday, which ended in a draw. Getting the visitors out for 89, and scoring 66 for the first wicket themselves, Howrah appeared to have the game well in hand, but Elliot bowled so successfully that none of the remaining batsmen could score the necessary few runs before the stumps were drawn. Score :—

CALEDONIA A. C.

R. J. Davis, b Jackson	3
R. H. Byers, b Rigg	5
H. Chandler, b Jackson	4
E. O. Elliot, c Dyer, b Jackson	8
S. Garrett, b Pursell	13
G. V. Wade, l-b-w, b Rigg	0
E. H. Christensen, c Dyer, b Jackson	25
R. J. Witton, b Pursell	4
J. H. Dimsdale, c Pursell, b Rigg	10
Palmer, not out	7
Smith, b Jackson	4
Extras	6
Total	89

HOWRAH UNITED C. C.

Rigg, c Palmer, b Dimsdale	36
Lewty, not out	36
C. Dyer, c Wade, b Elliot	1
Anderson, b Elliot	0
Burnand, b Elliot	0
Jackson, run out	2
W. Dyer, c and b Elliot	0
Pursell, b Elliot	0
Smith, Linton, Jackson, did not bat	
Extras	9
Total for (7 wickets)	86

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CRICKET IN MADRAS.

MARRIED *vs.* SINGLE.—Played at Chepauk on the 1st instant. The Bachelors batted first and put up 168 for six wickets. The married men made 106 for three wickets when time was called. Score :—

SINGLY.

F. H. A. Stephenson, l-b-w., b Symonds	20
Gordon Fraser, c Ross, b More	8
P. P. Braithwaite, st. Ross, b More	33
F. W. Partridge, b More	0
J. McIvor, run out	4
S. C. Probyn, st. Ross, b Bowen	58
E. B. C. Palmer, not out	18
A. H. Steele, M. R. Ingram, A. W. Atkinson, R. C. M. Strouts — did not bat	
Extras	27
Total (for 6 wickets)	168

MARRIED.

J. G. Smith, b Steele	31
E. R. Ross, not out	46
Commr. Mitchell, c Palmer, b Ingram	5
A. Read, c McIvor, b Partridge	9
W. J. More, not out	13
W. Scott, Capt. Bowen, H. T. Keeling, F. Bell-Scott, A. P. Symonds, D. Dewar — did not bat	
Extras	2
Total (for 3 wickets)	106

CRICKET IN SOUTHERN INDIA.

KOLAR GOLD FIELD *vs.* UNITED C. C.—Played on the 2nd instant at Ooregum and resulted in an easy win for the Gold Field Club by 7 wickets and 104 runs. Messrs. N. F. H. Richards, M. Burn and C. H. Richards made useful scores while Mr. Watters took seven wickets. Score :—

K. G. F. C. C.—First Innings.

N. F. H. Richards, l-b-w., b Gaston	76
M. Burn, c Trek, b Gaston	73
D. S. Watters, c Runga Row, b Siddaranappa	0
C. H. Richards, not out	60
Dr. T. J. O'Donnell, not out	30
Iyavoo, W. B. C. Beadon, T. W. Maddox, R. M. O'Brien, J. A. Holmes, E. M. Lefroy — did not bat	
Extras	8
Total	247

UNITED C. C.—First Innings.

W. S. Newman, b Richards	11
Durgiah, c Lefroy, b Watters	4
Siddaranappa, c Iyavoo, b Watters	31
Everard, b Watters	0
Hanchard, c Richards, b Watters	6
Narasamaloo, run out	2
A. J. Trek, not out	39
Gaston, c Iyavoo, b Richards	21
Runga Row, c Maddox, b Watters	6
A. F. Bance, c Beadon, b Watters	14
S. Ruben, c Holmes, b Watters	2
Extras	7
Total	113

CRICKET AT POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* KIRKEE.—This match was played on the 6th instant and ended in an easy win for Kirkee by 268 runs. Mr. Carroll made a century and retired and good scores were put up by Bombardier Winterbottom and Captain Rose. Mr. Wilkins trundled well for the Gymkhana. Score :—

POONA GYMKHANA.

Mr. A. D. Wilkins, b Tillard	0
Mr. F. W. Bain, not out	38
The Hon. B. Butler, b Tillard	14
Capt. Umfreville, b Winterbottom	12
Col. Stevens, b Tillard	5
Mr. Yates, b Winterbottom	4
Mr. Macgregor, b Tillard	2
Mr. Shaw, b Tillard	2
Mr. Dixon, b Carroll	4
Mr. Jalal Shah, not out	0
Extras	7
Total	88

KIRKEE.

Mr. B. M. Carroll, retired	100
Captain Rose, l-b-w, b Wilkins	66
Mr. Tillard, b Stevens	1
Mr. Sarson, b Wilkins	3
Capt. Bruce, b Wilkins	9
Mr. Cousens, b Wilkins	12
Bombr. Winterbottom b Bain	87
Gunner Taylor, b Wilkins	0
Mr. Twiss, b Wilkins	3
Driver Parnell, c Butler, b Bain	46
Corpl. Beckhan, not out	1
Extras	28
Total	356

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

THE GYMKHANA BATTING AVERAGES.—Our Bombay Correspondent writes. With only one match to play it may be interesting to your readers to know what the batting averages of the Bombay Gymkhana are like up to date. I have worked these out including the scores in the match between the Civil and the Military, but omitting those in the first match with the Parsee Gymkhana which I have mislaid. Lieutenant A. P. Langhorne and Major Carnegy were the only batsmen, however, who made any runs to speak of in the latter match, the first-named scoring 36, so that their averages are probably a point higher than shown in the following table :—

	No. of ins.	Times not out.	Highest in ins.	Total.	Aver.
A. H. S. Aston	18	2	114	577	36·1
L. Carroll	9	4	*35	163	32·3
Lieutenant Langhorne	10	—	86	288	28·8
S. N. Powell	18	—	55	364	20·4
Major Carnegy	11	1	*50	203	20·3
E. E. Coombs	14	4	41	198	19·8
Captain Langhorne	12	4	28	150	18·6
J. S. Milne	12	—	43	193	16·1
A. B. Burney	7	1	25	71	11·5
Lieutenant Philbrick	9	—	38	102	11·3
T. L. Ainsworth	9	2	35	79	11·2

*Denotes not out.

CRICKET AT NAINI TAL.

NAINI TAL GYMKHANA *vs.* CIVIL SERVICE.—This was the first match played during the Autumn Week and resulted in a win for the Civil Service by seven wickets. The Gymkhana batted first and made but 43 : their opponents replied with 132. In their second innings, the Gymkhana fared better putting up 102. With 13 runs to make the Civilians went in but lost three wickets before the necessary runs were made. Score :—

NAINI TAL GYMKHANA.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Harris, l-b-w, b Hoare	0	b Hoare	0
Conway-Rees, b Pullan	12	b Hoare	15
Capt. McConaghey, c and b Pullan	1	b Pullan	0
E. D. Knowles, b Pullan	0	b Pullan	10
E. N. Turner, b Hoare	15	b Hoare	0
Ian Campbell, b Hoare	1	b Hoare	24
D. A. Blair, b Hoare	7	b Hoare	23
Pearson, not out	0	l-b-w, b Hoare	10
Tailyour, l-b-w, b Hoare	0	c Sladen, b Hoare	2
Reynard, b Hoare	3	not out	8
Capt. Geoghegan, b Hoare	0	c Holms, b Alexander	0
Extras	4	Extras	10
Total	43	Total	102

CIVIL SERVICE.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Pullan, b Geoghegan	0	not out	6
Alexander, c Harris, b Reynard	35	b Geoghegan	0
F. B. Sherring, c Rees, b Geoghegan	9	not out	9
Murray, l-b w, b Reynard	26		
Tajdis Pershad, b Geoghegan	0		
Hoare, c Rees, b Geoghegan	31		
H. M. Smith, run out	2		
Boas, c McConaghey, b Reynard	0		
Holms, c Blair, b Reynard	1		
Sladen, b Geoghegan	10	l-b-w, b Geoghegan	0
Hose, not out	0	c Blair, b Reynard	3
Extras	18	Extra	0
Total	132	Total (for 3 wickets)	18

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—Played during the Naini Tal "week." The Civilians having an easy win by an innings and runs. The Military batted first and put up 68. Then the Civilians went in, and the innings was declared closed when 316 had been made for nine wickets, Rees playing a splendid innings of 121. The second venture of the Military produced but 67. Score :—

MILITARY.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Maj. Stainforth l b-w, b Pullan	0	b Alexander	0
Capt. Lang, b Alexander	2	c Hose, b Alexander	2
Capt. Barlow, c Mackrodt, b Alexander	4	not out	24
Capt. Crawley Boevey, c Harris, b Pullan	17	sub., b Alexander	0
E. M. Turner, c Campbell, b Alexander	7	b Pullan	0
Reynard, b Alexander	3	Goldsmith, b Rees	2
Capt. Norrington, not out	6	c Alexander, b Pullan	3
D. A. Blair, b Pullan	4	b Rees	27
Tailyour, b Pullan	0	b Alexander	2
Col. Molesworth, absent	—	Goodtellow, b Alexander	1
Parkyn, c Alexander, b Pullan	7	st Harris, b Rees	0
Extras	18	Extras	6
Total	68	Total	67

CIVILIANS.

H. M. Smith, c Norrington, b Reynard	0
Pullan, b Lang	1
Murray l-b-w, b Lang	7
Rees, c sub., b Lang	121
Alexander, not out	29
Hose, b Turner	5
Campbell, l-b-w, b Stainforth	3
Harris, b Lang	37
Pearson, not out	87
Mackrodt, b Lang	5
Carr, not out	31
Extras	40
Total (for 9 wickets)	316

Golf.

GOLF AT POONA.

BOMBAY *vs.* POONA.—An eight a side match between teams from Bombay and Poona was played at Poona on the 2nd instant. In the Foursomes the visitors won by two matches to one but in the singles they halved the matches. Details :—

FOURSOMES.

Bombay.		Poona.	
Greig and Grey	beat	Boyd and Anderson	by 1 hole.
Fisher and Carnegie	beat	Butler and Campbell	by 3 holes.
Marshall Reid and Meikle	lost to	Onslow and Young	by 8 holes.

Ainsworth and Duxbury squared their match with Fry and Thew.

SINGLES.

Bombay.		Poona.	
Greig	lost to	Boyd	2 down
Grey	lost to	Anderson	2 down
Fischer	beat	Butler	4 up
Carnegie	beat	Campbell	1 up
Marshall Reid	lost to	Onslow	8 down
Meikle	lost to	Young	6 down
Ainsworth	beat	Stevens	4 up
Duxbury	beat	Thew	2 up

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

ANNUAL WEEK.

HANDICAP FOURSOMES.—This, the last event of the "week" was played on the 30th ultimo and 1st instant. It was a handicap match against Bogey. In the first round Messrs. C. H. and A. L. S. Roberts and Messrs. Aitken and Muir playing a fine round and were 3 up. In the second round there was a falling off, the Messrs. Roberts coming in 2 down and Messrs. Aitken and Muir 3 down. Score :—

	1st round.	2nd round.	Total.
C. H. and A. L. S. Roberts	3 up	2 down	1 up
Aitken and Muir	3 up	3 down	all square
Coombs and Cresswell	2 down	1 down	3 down
Grey and Miller	all square	4 down	4 down
Daldy and Millett	3 down	2 down	5 down
Geo. and K. McKenzie	3 down	3 down	6 down
Johnstone and Cargill	2 down	4 down	6 down
Scott and Cairnie	5 down	1 down	6 down
Meikle and Dalmford	3 down	3 down	6 down
Hum[illegible] and Austin	1 down	5 down	6 down
Cameron and Fischer	3 down	3 down	6 down

The others were more than 6 down, or put in no cards.

Racquets.

CALCUTTA RACQUET CLUB.

ANNUAL HANDICAPS.

THE tournaments this year have been an even greater success than usual, and whether owing to the lateness of the Pujahs or other causes, fewer members have been away, and the matches have been played off with commendable punctuality and keenness, and scratchings have been few and far between.

The Doubles have not been remarkable for close games so far, but the final, which lies between Colonel Wheler and Captain Jackson and Messrs. Stewart and Foley, is looked forward to with much interest: the former pair are generally regarded as the likely winners, but the latter upset a very hot combination in Messrs. Collin and Collingridge, and may be expected to put up a very stiff fight, even if they do not actually win. The match will probably not be played till next week, owing to Captain Jackson's absence from Calcutta.

In the Singles the games have been much closer, though the standard of play has not been high.

In the first round there were three good matches, Colonel Peck and Mr. Paine pulling through after very tight games with Messrs. Bayley and Porter respectively, while Colonel Wheler, with the score one game and 11—5 against him, got himself out of a nearly hopeless position and wore Mr. Col in down. Mr. Foley put up a good game with Mr. Rae in the second round, and it took Mr. Buckland all his time to defeat Colonel Peck. In the semi-finals Mr. Paine made a poor show against Colonel Wheler, but the other match between Messrs. Buckland and Rae was very exciting and produced perhaps the best rackets of the tournament. Losing the first game, the former got into his service in the second, and playing very well won easily: the last game was better contested, but Mr. Buckland continued to have the best of the argument, and with the game 13—8 in his favour the match looked over, but Mr. Rae put in a useful sequence of six aces all by service and eventually snatched the game out of the fire. The final, which was played on Saturday last, was a poor game, and a pretty full gallery was disappointed of the close match they expected as Colonel Wheler was not up to his best form, and Mr. Rae won comfortably. Both players made far too much use of the side walls, and the constant hitting round both in the service and the rallies (of which there were only one or two of respectable length) spoiled the game entirely. Colonel Wheler won the first game, but after that was no match for his opponents' severe service and hard hitting, and despite his effort in the third game, Mr. Rae won by 3 games to 1, 66 aces to 37, or not counting the handicap 76 aces to 25.

The games were all played in the East Court, the floor and walls of which have been recently laid with Indian Patent Stone, an experiment which gives promise of turning out a success.

Appended are details of the Singles:—

First Round.

Lieutenant Colonel Peck, I.M.S. (3) beat Mr. W. E. Bayley (3) 15-12, 13-15, 15-12.

Mr. R. M. Buckland (2) beat Mr. C. P. Beachcroft, (owes 2) 15-8 15-12.

Mr. H. P. M. Rae (owes 4) beat Captain T. D. Jackson, D.S.O. (5) scratched.

Mr. B. Foley, (5) beat Major J.C.C. Perkins (7) 15-8, 15-8.

Major W. J. Bythell (owes 2) beat Major G. Lubbock, R. E., (7) scratched.

Mr. F. T. Paine (3) beat Mr. M. T. Porter, R. E. (7) 17-6, 17-14.

Colonel C. B. Wheler (3) beat Mr. E. W. Collin, (3) 11-15, 17-6, 15-4.

Mr. F. H. Stewart, (3) beat Mr. C. Radcliffe (7) 15-8, 15-10.

Second Round.

Mr. Buckland beat Lieutenant-Colonel Peck 15-9, 12-15, 15-6.

Mr. Rae beat Mr. Foley 15-7, 5-15, 15-9.

Mr. Paine beat Major Bythell 15-11, 15-11.

Colonel Wheler beat Mr. Stewart 15-6, 15-8.

Third Round.

Mr. Rae beat Mr. Buckland 15-11, 3-15, 17-5.

Colonel Wheler beat Mr. Paine 15-9, 15-8.

Final.

Mr. H. P. M. Rae (owes 4) beat Colonel Wheler (rec.: 3) by three games to one 12-15, 15-4, 18-13, 15-5.

Shows.

THE MUSSOORIE HORSE AND DOG SHOW.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

THANKS to the untiring energy of Major Kemp, the General Honorary Secretary, one of the most successful shows ever held in Mussoorie, took place on the 30th ultimo, when some 100 entries for horses, and 250 for dogs, were catalogued, most of which actually put in an appearance. The weather was grand, the attendance good, and the competition in many cases very keen. Being "Chakrata Week" the arrangements for one function seemed to clash with that of another, and things had to be hurried up at the last moment. This was the case with the benching of the dogs, which was not completed till most of the animals were on the ground, and when finished was not good. The spaces being nearly all the same size, and not big enough for some of the large breeds, particularly the St. Bernards. Still the Secretary has made a note of this and a few other minor things, and they will not occur next year. The Savoy Hotel was advertised to be "At Home" (?), but of this at least said soonest mended, I daresay it will be freely commented upon in the daily papers before this is in print. The horses which were on the whole quite up to the average, were judged by Major Humfrey, Major Kemp, Major Brandreth, Captain Stewart, and Captain Pilkington; the following were the awards and comments on the classes:—

THE HORSES.

Class I.—All Arabs 14-2 and under. 1st Captain Holden's b a g Bumble Bee, 2nd Mr. Bevan Pitman's g a g DeLuze. A moderate class.

Class II.—C.-B. Ponies 14-2 and under. 1st Mr. V. A. Keighley's r cb m Joan, 2nd Miss M. Powell's bl ch m Audrey. A moderate class.

Class III.—English and Colonial Ponies 14-2 and under. 1st Mr. D. H. Vanrenen's br aus g, Shah II, 2nd Captain Walter's g aus m Margaret, 3rd Mr. Keighley's br aus m Toss. A very good class.

Class IV.—All Horses over 14-2. 1st Captain Holden's b aus g Eric, 2nd Mr V. A. Keighley's ch aus g The Marquis. A poor class with the exception of the two prize winners.

Class V.—Polo Ponies 14-1 and under. 1st Mr. D. H. Vanrenen's br aus g Shah II, 2nd Mr. Bevan Pitman's g a g DeLuze. Class a good one.

Class VI.—Hacks, ridden by men. 1st Mr. D. H. Vanrenen's b aus g Valiant, 2nd Captain Pennington's blk aus g Cygnet, 3rd Mr. Hume-Kelly's ch a g Paddy. An indifferent class. Majority wanting in manners

Class VII.—Hacks, ridden by ladies. 1st Mr. Bevan Pitman's g aus m Rose, 2nd Mr. D. H. Vanrenen's b aus g Valiant, 3rd Mrs. Humfrey's b cb g Jack-a-Dandy. Class very good.

Class VIII.—Children's Ponies. 1st Master Sackville Gwynne's ch cb h Rufus, 2nd Miss Lucy Chapman's br cb g Bulbul. An excellent class.

Class IX.—Jumping. Horses over 14-2. 1st Mr. V. A. Keighley's ch aus g The Marquis, 2nd Mr. J. J. Ouseley's b aus g Spion Kop. A poor exhibition of jumping.

Class X.—Jumping. Ponies under 14-2. 1st Mr Gracey's ch a g Dauntless, 2nd Captain. H. O. S. Cadogan's d aus m Shoji. Jumping much better than that of the horses.

In Class XI, for Hill-bred ponies, there was only one entry. Mr. Clifford Batten's The Mighty Atom, a very powerful and handsome grey, standing about 12-1, had a walk over for first prize.

THE DOGS.

The Dog Section was under the rules of the Northern India Kennel Association which, I think, accounted for the grand quality if not quantity of the animals shown. The day has past for Bumblepuppy shows, as none of the owners of good kennels would think of wasting their time and tiring their dogs at such child's play. Perhaps Simla will make a note of this when their next annual show comes on. The following donned the ermine and, as I have not yet heard of a single complaint, evidently did their duty well:—Lieutenant-Colonel Rennie, Greyhounds, Rampur and Kangaroo hounds, Borzois, Variety large, Braces, and Soldiers' Dogs. Major Gwynne, all the Foxterrier Classes, smooth and wire-haired, Airedales, Dachshunds. Captain Rudd, Irish terriers. Rev. J. P. Meik Great Danes, Bullterriers, and Eastern dogs. Mr. Clifford Batten Cockers and Spaniels other than Cockers and Toys. Sergeant Miles, Foxhounds, St. Bernards, Retrievers, Setters, Pointers, Variety small and Puppies other than Foxterriers. Mrs D'ffolliott Powell, Irish terriers.

Greyhounds, Borzois, Rampur and Kangaroo Hounds.—Not a strong class, headed by Jind Newcastle Sailor, a Borzoi, the son of Ch. Velsk, a nice dog but miserably thin, next came Black Prince, a Greyhound with fair legs and brisket, rather lucky to get above White Brilliant, a better boned Greyhound, standing well on his legs, but not a nice mover.

Foxhounds.—Won by a very powerful and exceptionally well boned puppy, Rajah, this dog also came second in the mixed puppy class.

Great Danes.—In spite of the inducement of a Special, this class did not fill, so the bowl was withheld to be presented later on at another show, and the first prize was given to Kader Venom, a promising bitch puppy, just over the year, with good legs and hindquarters, beating her mother Kader Viperine, a typical specimen, but too small.

St. Bernards and Retrievers.—Won easily by a Labrador Retriever, Glanbrane Rock, followed by a St. Bernard, Jind Leo the Great, a very fine and large dog, put down in the best condition of any dog I have yet seen that has lived for any length of time in those kennels. The entries for Retrievers being good it was decided to form an extra class for this breed only. Here again Glanbrane Rock had it all his own way, as he is certainly the best retriever in India, with excellent quality all round, he also won Major Gwynne's Special for wavy retrievers, the Northern India Kennel Association Special open class, and obtained one win towards their Championship Max, a flat coated specimen, took the second prize, he is above the average of retrievers as seen in this country.

Setters and Pointers.—This was a very weak class, only two setters, one a pup, only five months old, and a very small and indifferent pointer. Practically a walk over for Ambari Don, a setter which, if it had more feather and flesh enough, might make a good Gordon. Don was lucky enough to secure a handsome Special presented by the Maharajah of Jind.

Cockers.—Half the entries in this class were dogs nearer forty than twenty-five pounds and would have fared better in the class for "Other than Crockers." A black dog, named Robin Adair, would, I feel sure, have been noticed as a Field Spaniel, as a Cocker he was quickly dismissed. A pretty little black bitch, Rock Girl came first, she seemed full of life and go, so characteristic with the breed, good tail carriage, and nicely placed feet, and if she possessed a little more bone would be a real flyer. She also secured an Northern India Kennel Association Championship Certificate, and with her kennel companion Rock Boy won the braces. Rawdon Sandboy was second, he is a nicely shaped lemon roan with plenty of bone and the right size, but a very bad shower, appearing very dull and listless in the ring, and his sleepy eyes reminded one too much of the toy species. The third, Rock Queen, is rather on the big side about thirty pounds, she has a nice head and body and her tail action is good, she is better boned, but lacks the expression of Girl.

Spaniels—Other than Cockers and Toys.—Fair in quantity but vile in quality. A run away for Dick, a nice black, good in bone but lacking in feather. The second prize was withheld, and it is a question whether a third should have been given to a black with white feet.

Fox terriers.—The open class for smooth dogs, was full of quality, with Baby Huntsman leading, one of the very best terriers in India and certainly could hold his own at home, a most classy head, good bone, and straight legs. He also won in the Soldiers' Class, and came second with Cap-a-Pie in the braces. A most promising puppy with good head and bone, and one that should come to the front, if he does not get too big, named Tyrant came second, closely followed by his kennel companion Isaac, one of Major Impey's breeding. In the Limit Class these two dogs were first and second. Cap-a-Pie, entered in catalogue as date of birth unknown, was born 15th April 1901 (this may interest her owner), was by far the most classy bitch in the Show, she is the right size, good in head and ears with nice body and feet, and easily secured premier honours in the open smooth bitches, second was given to Snow Flake, a bitch full of breeding, she also secured a second in the Limit Class, and a third in the Novice. In the Limit bitches Karari Natitia headed the list, she is a typical terrier in every way, the third in this class, Partney Venie, is also a very nice bitch. In the Puppy Class, smooths and wires were mixed, and a grand lot of promising youngsters they were. In the open wire-haired dogs, Don't-go-Bang was first, but he has fallen off since he won his Challenge Certificate at the Fox terrier Show at Cheltenham in November 1901; Dusky Member and Carlo, both good terriers sired by the same dog Member's Ticket, ran each other very closely, the former just getting into second place, this dog also won the Northern India Kennel Association Limit Special, while in the Limit dogs and bitches, he was first, again followed by Carlo, with Dusky Kitty third. The Open wired haired bitches were headed by Wellingbro' Bloom, second Dusky Tattler, both good specimens from the same kennel, and both sired by a Champion dog. In the next class, Novice wire hairs, there was a great falling off, and the judge wisely decided to withhold the prize.

Irish terriers also were weak in quantity and quality, the winner, Jind Collin, was a good all-round dog, bar the ears, which were badly carried. Bullterriers were also poor, Ambari D. Turk, a powerful dog with bad ears was first, followed by Ambari Bordesley Prince, brindle marked on one eye and over one ear. Airedales were a strong class, the red being given to Rock Ferry Wrangler, a big dog with plenty of bone, his only fault seemed a ragged coat, with a bad, or I should say, unpleasing colour, with this changed he would make a certain winner in the hottest company. Karari Gladiator, second, will in time be a typical Airedale, he has a nice long head, good coat and colouring. Third was secured by another good one, a bitch, Gipsy Consort. The difficulty of judging mixed sexes was here apparent, the lady having to take the back seat.

In Dachshunds, last year's winner, Kader Preifrau (a descendent of Unser Fritz and the great German dog Schlupfer) again headed the list, she is a bitch of much quality and has improved wonderfully, being more furnished, let down in front, and stands true, which is a rare thing as the breed now runs. Her colouring is a silver dapple the only one I have ever seen in India, with the exception of her late consort Tiger Tippoo. Ben was rather lucky in securing second honours, as he is only a puppy with at present too straight legs.

The Variety large, was a poor class, a Russian Poodle, Jind Czar, in good condition winning easily. The variety small, was a strong class, headed by a grand little black Pekinese, Glanbrane Lung, weighing under ten pounds, and one of the very best outside the Chinese Empire. Lung also won the Northern India Kennel Association Novice Special, Major Gwynne's Special for best Pekinese under ten pounds, and the Special presented by Messrs. Bechtler and Company, for the best dog owned by a lady. Jind Black Raven, a good specimen of a Schipperke, stepped into second place. This is a breed I should like to see become more popular, as they are sharp little house dogs, and splendid ratters. Jind San Toy, a Japanese, in grand coat, was third.

The Class for Eastern Dogs, was so poor that only a second prize was given to an indifferent Chow, the Puppy Class for all breeds, except Foxterriers, was strong in quantity but lacked quality, the two prize winners were the only ones worth noticing, the first a Retriever sired by Glanbrane Rock, called Glanbrane Punch, is a promising youngster, the second, Rajah, a Foxhound, and a winner in Class 2.

In Soldiers' Dogs, large variety, Colour-Sergeant Moore's Collie Whisky won. As I did not see this dog, I cannot comment upon him, but was told he was a nice one. The Small Variety Class was evidently meant as a little bit of sugar for the bird, as Sergeant Miles' Baby Huntsman was placed first, followed by a passable pug owned by Sergeant Hall, and placed above such dogs as Cap-a-Pie and Rawdon Sandboy, both belonging to Sergeant Miles.

In the Brace Class, twelve separate pairs entered, Major William Dawson's merry little cockers taking the red. Rock Girl has already been commented upon in her class. Rock Boy has his good points, but is not quite to my style of liking, he is well boned, but his expression is marred by being slightly underhung, and having lightish eyes, he is also a little too long and low, still he has the liveliness of his breed, and made a pretty pair with his companion Rock Girl. Second came Baby Huntsman and Cap-a Pie, both previous winners in the Foxterrier classes. Wellingbro Bloom and Wellingbro Gambler secured third place for their sporting owner, Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell, who, I am sorry to say, we are losing from India for some time, still her kennel is not to be broken up, as has been stated, but will remain at Ajmere.

AWARD LIST.

Greyhounds Rampur, Deer, Borzois, and Kangaroo Hounds.—Open—1 Maharajah Jind, Jind Newcastle Sailor: 2 Major Pilgrim, Black Prince: 3 Mr. J. Elliott, White Brilliant.

Foxhounds.—Open—1 Mr. A. E. Powell, Rajah.

Great Danes.—Open—1 Mr. C. Batten, Kader Venom: 2 Kadar Viperine.

St. Bernards and Retrievers.—Open—1 Major Gwynne, Glanbrane Rock: 2 Maharajah Jind, Jind Leo the Great: v.h.c Mrs. Rudd, Max.

Retrievers.—Open—1 Major Gwynne, Glanbrane Rock: 2 Mrs. Rudd, Max.

Setters and Pointers.—Open—1 Mrs. Condon, Ambari Don.

Cockers.—Open.—1 Major Dawson, Rock Girl: 2 Sergeant Miles, Rawdon Sandboy: 3 Major Dawson, Rock Queen: r Bock Boy.

Spaniels, other than Cockers and Toys.—Open—1 Mrs. Condon, Dick: 2 Mrs. C. Barker, Nigger.

Foxterriers, Smooth.—Dogs. Open—1 Sergeant Miles, Baby Huntsman: 2 Rev. J. P. Meik, Tyrant: 3 Isaac r Calthorpe Tackler: h.c Sans Souci. Limits.—1 Tyrant: 2 Isaac: r Sans Souci. Bitches.—Open—1 Sergeant Miles, Cap-a-Pie: 2 Rev. J. P. Meik, Snowflake: r Mr. J. Elliott, Partney Venie. Limit.—1 Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell, Karari Natitia: 2 Rev. J. P. Meik, Snowflake: 3 Mr. J. Elliott, Partney Venie: r Rev. J. P. Meik, Spice: vhc Mrs. Elliott, D'Arcy Belle. Dog or Bitch.—Novice.—1 Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell, Karari Natitia: 2 Rev. Meik, Tyrant: 3 Rev. Meik, Snowflake: r Rev. Meik Spice: v.h.c Mrs. Crosthwait, Taffy: Mr. Elliott, Partney, Venie.

Wire.—Dogs.—Open.—1, Maharajah Jind, Dont-go-Bang: 2 Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell, Dusky Member: 3 Carlo: r Wellingbro Gambler. Limit.—Dogs and Bitches.—1 Dusky Member: 2 Carlo: 3 Dusky Kitty. Open.—Bitches.—1 Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell, Wellingbro Bloom: 2 Dusky Tattler. Puppies.—Smooth and Wire.—1 Karari Natitia: 2 Tyrant: 3 Chance: r Bloom.

Irish terriers.—Open.—1 Maharajah Jind, Jind Collin.

Airedales.—Open—1 Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell, Rock Ferry Wrangler: 2 Karari Gladiator: 3 Gipsy Consort: r Mr. Batelsmann, Karari Royalist.

Dachshund.—Open.—1 Mr. C. Batten, Kader Freifrau: 2 Miss Rudd, Ben.

Variety.—Large.—Open.—1 Maharajah Jind, Jind Czar, h.c Mr. Crawshay, Janet: c Mrs. Symonds, Beauty.

Variety.—Small.—Open.—1 Mrs. Gwynne, Glanbrane Lung: 2 Maharajah Jind, Jind Black Raven: 3 Jind San Toy.

Eastern Dogs.—1 Mr. Crawshay, Ching.

Puppies, any breed except Foxterriers.—1 Major Gwynne, Glanbrane Punch: 2 Mr. A. E. Powell, Rajah.

Soldiers' Dogs.—Large.—Colour-Sergeant Moore, Whisky. Small.—Sergeant Miles, Baby Huntsman: 2 Sergeant Hall, Pug.

Braces.—All breeds.—1 Major Willan, Dawson: 2 Sergeant Miles: 3 Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell: r Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell.

Northern Indian Kennel Association Special.—Open.—Glanbrane Rock. Limit.—Mrs. D'ffolliott Powell, Dusky Member. Novice.—Glanbrane Lung.

Gazette Birthday Stakes.—Glanbrane Punch.

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I have referred to the advantages the motorist gets. I will mention another advantage these oils have to those whom the motorist passes, *viz.*, the absence of the fried-fish-shop smell so often noted. Several persons have been very much struck by the absence of smell: even when the car has been standing for some time with the engines running, no trace of offensive odour has been apparent to the bystanders.

I mention these experiences, having no interest in the Valvoline Oil Co., that others may be benefited and save themselves trouble and their neighbours some annoyance.

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RUDIMENTARY STRUCTURES IN THE HORSE.

WITH the reams and reams of paper that have been used in writing on the structure of the horse it might well have been imagined that we know everything that it is possible to know regarding the anatomy of the noble quadruped, as it is the fashion to call it in sporting literature. Recent observations and discoveries have, however, tended to show that this is really very far from being the case; and that much still remains to be learnt regarding the occurrence and nature of certain remarkable rudimentary features occasionally met with in the domesticated horse,—more especially, be it noted, in thoroughbreds and Arabs.

The first of these discoveries, which was brought some little time ago to the notice of the Linnean Society by Dr. Ridewood and others, tends to show that the name "Bucephalus" ("ox-headed"), applied to the famous charger of Alexander the Great was not a mere fancy title, but was given owing to the fact that this animal really was a "horned horse."

Of the three specimens demonstrating the undoubted existence of such horned horses exhibited before the Linnean Society, the first was part of the frontal region of the skull of a horse whose history has now unfortunately been lost. This frontlet shows a pair of small bony projections, less than an inch in length, occupying the same relative positions as the horn-cores of an antilope, or the antler pedicles of a deer, and which can scarcely be regarded as anything else than rudimentary horns or antlers. Precisely similar projections occur on the foreheads of a couple of chestnut thoroughbreds in the possession of Mr. H. Day, the well-known breeder. These two horses, "The Swamper" and "Domain," are nearly related to one another, so that their horns are doubtless inherited features.

The remarkable thing is that three specimens of horned horses should have come under the notice of scientific men almost simultaneously; and that, with the exception of "Bucephalus," no other instances of a similar "freak" have, so far as we are aware, been recorded. It is, however, impossible to believe that these three cases are the only instances of horses with horns; and may-be some of our readers can furnish other examples. If they should be able to do so, it would be important to record the breed, and if possible the pedigree of the horse or horses referred to. Of the three modern horses with horns at present known, two, as already mentioned, are thoroughbreds; while there is nothing to show that the third may not also have been either a thoroughbred or an Arab. Further reference to this point will be made in the sequel.

The occurrence of these rudimentary horns naturally suggests, at first sight, that they are vestiges of structures which were functional and well developed at one epoch of the horse's ancestry. The remarkable thing about the matter is, however, that none of the ancestors of the horse,—all the leading types of which are now thoroughly well known—were horned animals. Accordingly, it looks as though the three abovementioned instances were pure "sports" or "freaks;" but, on the other hand, it is very remarkable that in two of these instances the phenomenon has originated independently, and yet that the structures are precisely similar. If other instances were to be put on record, as we think they

will, the phenomenon would be still more noteworthy and still more suggestive of being hereditary.

We pass on to notice a second occasional structural peculiarity in the horse which is certainly of a vestigial nature. All our sporting readers are doubtless well acquainted with the fact that all deer, and certain antelopes, such as the Indian black buck, are furnished with a gland on each side of the face a short distance below and in front of the eye. This facial gland, or "larmier," is probably connected with the sexual function, and in some species, like the black buck, can be turned almost completely inside-out during periods of excitement. It always rests in a special hollow of the skull—the preorbital cavity; the base of this hollow in some cases, as in the deer tribe, freely communicating with the nose-chamber, while in other instances its inner wall is solid. No trace of such a larmier, or if the cavity for its reception, normally exists in the domesticated horse of Europe, nor indeed have any of the existing members of the horse tribe a face-gland. In the extinct three-toed hipparions of the Pliocene strata of the northern hemisphere, which were evidently nearly related to the ancestors of the horse, if indeed they themselves were not the actual ancestors, the skull shows, however, a large and deep preorbital cavity, which in life evidently contained a functional face-gland. Till recently it has been supposed that no trace of such a preorbital cavity existed in the domesticlated horse. Mr. Lydekker has, however, domesticated the presence of a shallow rudiment of this cavity in the skull of a horse from India (perhaps an Arab or a thoroughbred) presented to the British Museum many years ago by the late Mr. Brian Hodgson. He has also shown that a still fainter rudiment of this cavity exists in the skull of the thoroughbred "Bend-Or;" while an extremely slight trace of it appears to be visible in the skull of the thoroughbred mare "Corrie-Roy" formerly owned by the late Sir Blundell Maple.

On the other hand, ordinary European horse-skulls, inclusive of fossil ones from the superficial formations of England and the Continent, show no trace whatever of a face-gland cavity.

This, however, is by no means all, for a correspondent has informed Mr. Lydekker that he once owned a horse—believed to have been an Argentine —, in which there was a distant depression in the skin below each eye, in the position of the face-gland, although no aperture was present. More important still is the information supplied by Mr. Wilfred Blunt, the celebrated breeder of Arabs, to the effect that an Arab mare formerly in his stud had a distinct functional face-gland on one side of her head. The portrait of this mare was painted, but unfortunately not from the side with the face-gland, which was then regarded as a mere unsightly blemish!

This evidence points strongly to the conclusion that some at least of our modern horses are descended from species in which functional face-glands were present. Possibly the supposed Argentine may trace its descent to the horses which apparently survived in parts of South America at the time of the Spanish Conquest, and which may themselves have been the descendants of certain extinct Argentine horses known to have been provided with large face-glands. This, however, is a mere conjecture.

On the other hand, with the exception of the aforesaid Argentine, all the horses with vestiges of the face-gland at present known are either Arabs, thoroughbreds, or from India. Consequently, this tends to confirm the view which has been arrived at from other evidence that Arabs and thoroughbreds are descended from a species distinct from the one which gave rise to the ordinary horses of Europe. Mr. Lydekker has suggested that the ancestor of the Arab and the thoroughbred may have been the fossil *Equus Sivalensis* of India, which is known to show a very distinct rudiment of the face-gland. A further suggestion is that it may be from this stock that the "horned horses" are derived, two of which are known to be thoroughbreds. There is at present, however, no evidence to show that the Siwalik horse ever had rudiments of horns, but then we are acquainted with only two or three skulls of that species.

To substantiate or disprove Mr. Lydekker's theory that the thoroughbred and the Arab are the only domesticated horses that retain occasional traces of the ancestral face-glands, further evidence is essential. If any readers of *The Indian Field* should be acquainted with horses showing external traces of the face-gland, they are invited to communicute their information to the Editor. It may be added that skulls of Arabs or thoroughbeds would be gratefully received at the Natural History Museum, South Kensington.

In conclusion, one other point in connection with vestigiary structures in the horse may be briefly mentioned. Every body, it may be presumed, is aware that the "chestnuts" or "callosities" on the limbs of the horse must be vestigial remains of structures which were once functional. At the recent meeting of the British Association held at Cambridge, Professor Cosseir Ewart definitely announced that these structures are rudiments of food-pads. Apparently he must have been unaware (or, it may be presumed, that he would at least have had the courtesy to allude to it) that Mr. Lydekker has proposed an entirely different theory, namely, that the "chestnuts" represent limb-glands, comparable to those of deer. To recapitulate the very strong evidence in favour of Mr. Lydekker's view would exceed the limits of our space. We may refer, however, to one statement which, if true, is practically conclusion as to the truth of Mr. Lydekker's throry. The statement in question is to the effect that if one of the callosities of a horse be pared down and the finger dipped in the exuding secretion and then held to any horse's nose, the animal will follow. Can any of our readers confirm this? The experiment, although apparently easy, should not be undertaken rashly, as we believe, it may cause injury to the horse; but in some cases of excessive growth it is advisable that the "chestnuts" should be pared.

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LONDON, *Friday*, 14*th October* 1904.

M. E. Blanc's b c JARDY, by Flying Fox—Airs and Graces, Stern 1
Sir E. Vincent's ch c SHAH JEHAN, by Persimmon—Shewbread, D Maher ... †
Chev. Ginistrelli's b c SIGNORINO, by Best Man—Signorina, H. Jones ... ... †
Mr. L. Neumann's ch c LLANGIBBY, by Wildfowler—Concussion 0
Duke of Portland's b f PAMFLETE, by St. Simon—Mneme 0
Lord Crewe's b c POLYMELUS, by Cyllene—Maid Marian 0
Mr. S. Darling's b c BISHOPSCOURT, by Persimmon—Iernor 0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's ch c BROTHER BILL, by Sir Visto or Velasquez—Sister Lucy 0
Mr. W. Raphael's b f GRACEFUL, by Melton—Glue 0

(*Winner trained by Denman.*)

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1887 Friar's Balsam, 9st 3lbs (5)	1897 Diendonne, 9st 3lbs (14)
1888 Donovan, 9st 3lbs (14)	1898 Caiman, 9st (9)
1889 Signorina, 9st (9)	1899 Democrat, 9st (6)
1890 Gouverneur, 9st (9)	1900 Floriform, 8st 10lbs (10)
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SATURDAY, 15*th October* 1904.

Mr. J. Wren's ch g MURMER, by Arsenal—Millstream, 5yrs., 6st. 12lbs. 1
Mr. H. Oxenham's b m ACRASIA, by Gozo—Cerise and Blue, aged, 7st. 7lbs. ... 2
Mr. E. E. D. Charle's br h EMIR, by Wallace—Emmie, 4yrs., 9st. 4lbs. 3

(*Winner trained by F. Musgrave.*)

Sporting Notes.

WE remind our readers of the approach of certain important dates connected with the Calcutta Races, details of which will be found in the usual place.

Prince Lyon, the last Colombo Governor's Cup winner, is reported to be a probable entrant for some of the big races at the Calcutta Races.

The Tollygunge Club hold their fourth Gymkhana on Saturday the 29th instant, when an attractive programme of six events will be discussed.

Mr. W. Bell-Irving, who is now *en route* for Calcutta, had hard luck with Metalwing shortly before he left home. The horse showed a lot of temper at the last meeting his owner took him to, and in a race which was considered good goods for him he bucked his jockey off at the starting post, bolted and ran himself to a standstill.

Political Europe is much tumbled up and down in its mind about the spread of the Mongolian race, foreboding something dreadful from the "yellow peril." Ceylon, with more reason, is indulging in a scare about the multiplication of jungly *hatties*, which may be styled *peritis pachydermi*. Recent accounts from the island describe nightly aids upon fruit gardens, and what with this bold behaviour, the trampling on coffee and general crops down South, squetching of belated coolies and derailing of trains in Assam, mofussilites would be thankful for an outbreak of plague, enteric, dengue fever or murrain of some sort to thin the ranks of these playful but ponderous creatures. Should Providence not intervene in some such manner there'll have to be a drive or drives to rid the afflicted district of this pest, like that which had to be resorted to nigh eighty years since in the island colony.

It would seem incredible, were it not absolutely true, that after the stampede in the camp near Southampton had ruined permanently, or for a time, twelve hundred horses, collected for the manœuvring army, and all, or most, of them highly trained animals, an almost identical disaster should have occurred in Ireland. The stampede affected a smaller number of animals, but the percentage of damage and loss was nearly as great. It seems to have been forgotten that an almost similar disaster occurred some twelve years ago at Colchester, where the horses of an entire regiment were attacked with panic in the night, wrenched up their steel picket pegs, and with these flying loose at the end of ropes, lamed each other and themselves by hundreds. The fact is that "sleeping out" is just as strange to ordinary cavalry horses as it is to men. The animals are used to sleep every night in comfortable barrack stables, where they neither hear nor see anything different one night from the experience of all other nights. Then they find themselves picketed, out of doors, without the familiar walls and racks, cold, perhaps with the rain falling on them, and with all kinds of strange sights, sounds, and smells around them. The whole lot are nervous and fidgety, and at the same time not tired out, as they would be on a campaign, but full of condition. The result is that, being highly sensitive animals, addicted to panic naturally, their overstrung nerves give way at some "last straw" of noise or sound, and the whole body of horses stampedes.

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A polo tournament will be held at Mhow, opening on the 7th November. The following teams are probable entrants:—Kishengarh, Bhopal Imperial Service Lancers, Poona Horse, Central India Horse, Seaforth Highlanders, 10th Hussars, and Mhow Gymkhana.

The Simla Polo Tournament was concluded at Annandale on the 13th instant, when the final tie was played off. The game was a most exciting one and was hard fought throughout. The teams were:—*Red* Major Maxwell, Major Smith (12th Cavalry), Captain Forrester and Lord Frederick Blackwood. *White*: Major Poynter, Captains Brooke, Popham and Jones-Mortimer. White drew first blood, Mortimer-Jones scoring in the first chukker; the Reds equalised in the second period. The close of third period saw the Whites once more ahead but the Reds again equalised. Two extra three-minute chukkers were played without result. Another two periods were played, but neither team scored, and it was not till a fifth extra chukker had been played that a definite result was arrived at, Forrester putting through for the White, who thus won by 3 goals to 2. Lady Ampthill presented a silver cup to each member of the victorious team.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes:—If the Athletic Sports only proved a partial success, the Annual Mounted Sports, which were held on the following days, were perhaps the most successful ever organised by the Gymkhana, both in regard to the attractiveness of the programme and the number of entries for each event. In spite of the sultry weather the attendance on each of the days of the mounted sports was very good, in marked contrast to that at the Athletic Sports. The first event on the programme on the opening day, the Jumping competition for horses, drew a larger number of entries than I have ever known for this event and, as a result, we were treated to a higher order of jumping than is usually the case. The performances of the three placed horses owned, respectively, by Messrs. J. H. Symington, J. D. Johnston and D. N. Graham were much above the average. The Tent-Pegging competition for ponies was won by Mr. J. St. J. Graham, who throughout the monsoon season has been hard to beat in this event. Colonel H. W. Boyd, Captain J. H. M. Davie and Mr. T. D. Moore all came out level in regard to points, so were given another run to decide which of them should be placed second and third. Mr. Moore and Colonel Boyd eventually qualified for second and third places respectively. The Tent-Pegging for horses was splendidly contested, nearly all the riders taking their pegs in the first run. Mr. J. St. J. Graham and Mr. T. D. Moore tied for points, and in a third run the judge's verdict was given to Mr. Moore; Mr. T. Barraclough was third. The Polo Ball Race was decided in three heats, Captain Davie and Messrs. P. F. Fischer and D. N. Graham meeting in the final, which resulted in an easy win for the first named. The form shown in this event was not up to a very high standard. The Horse Scurry Handicap was the principal event of the first afternoon and resulted in a win for Mr. Symington's Jane, ridden by Mr. D. N. Graham, with Mr. J. St. J. Graham's Greyleg and Mr. N. Rommel's The Tyke, both ridden by owners, second and third respectively. Mr. Graham rode with great judgment and won comfortably by two clear lengths. The Pre-Raphaelite only interested the competitors, and the Lloyd-Lindsay competition, which was won by the Nondescripts, composed of Messrs. T. D. Moore, H. E. John, P. F. Fischer and Captain Davie, concluded the afternoon's sport. The latter event excited a good deal of interest and the winners have to be congratulated on their riding and shooting, which was superior to a marked degree over that of the other four teams that competed. Although Thursday's programme was not quite such a long one as that of Wednesday, most of the events were watched with interest. The Jumping competition for ponies was a gift to Mr. L. H. Greig's Rajah, and the reputation of this pony as a lepper accounted for only four of the eight ponies originally entered competing for the event. The most interesting event of the afternoon was the Tent-Pegging by sections of four, for which four teams entered, but only three competed. The Fort Team, consisting of Messrs. F. A. Reddie, T. Barraclough, S. M. McCausland and R. F. R. Cooke, proved to be the better combination and were awarded first place with 28 points. Mr. D. N. Graham won the "V. C." Race, which was decided in two heats and a final. The Pony Scurry was won by Mr. Fischer's Heera, owner up, after a good race, Mr. Bruce's Sarah, Mr. Alston up, and Mr. S. McCausland's Vionel, owner up, being second and third. Mr. T. D. Moore, nominated by Mrs. G. H. McCausland, won the Needle and Thread Race, which was amusing, but the last event on the programme, the Postillion Race, was a monotonous affair and had to be run off in four heats and a final, which was won by Mr. D. N. Graham with Mr. L. Barraclough second.

Saturday was given up as an extra day to the mounted sports but I am afraid the few people who turned up to witness the afternoon's proceedings took their pleasures rather sadly. Whether the great heat that had prevailed during the week made the usual competitors disinclined for further exertion or the Poona Ninth Extra Meeting offered superior attractions it is difficult to say, but one thing is certain and that is the entries were very poor, while the attendance was not much better. One event, the Pony Hurdles, fell through altogether, and most of the other events on the card filled badly. Mr. D. Graham, who was in great form during the three days, won two of the events and the Committee had no difficulty in selecting him for the Aggregate Cup. Next year the Committee will not make the mistake of commencing the Athletic and Mounted Sports at such an early hour as 3-30. Had it been arranged to begin an hour later the attendance would have been much better and it would not have been necessary to have such a long interval between the events, especially in the Mounted Sports.

The cricket match between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Baronet C. C. which was to have been played on Saturday had to be cancelled owing to the Gymkhana being unable to raise a team. This fixture was the last of the monsoon season fixtures.

We publish to-day the prospectus of the Dacca Polo Tournament which will be held from the 9th to 14th January.

The Ceylon Turf Club have fixed the dates of the Monsoon and August Meetings for 1905. The former will be held on the 27th, 29th and 31st May and the latter on the 5th, 8th, 10th and 12th August.

A letter from Messrs. Westley Richards & Co. is published in our Correspondence columns in conjunction with an exhaustive report by Mr. P. Easte, M. R. C. V. S., on the comparative effects of the "Capped" and "Copper-tubed bullets" upon animal tissue, both hard and soft, which appears in a letter further on. Indian sportsmen who have watched the steady rise in popularity of Messrs. W. R. & Co.'s new patent "Solid Capped Expanding Bullet" will peruse these communications with interest and profit.

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Our Poona Correspondent writes:—So heavy was the rain up to the day of the 9th Extra Meeting that there was quite an anxiety as to the possibility of a postponement. However, it cleared up in ample time and the going was admirable, and the times showed clearly that the Poona course fully justified its reputation of being the quickest drying track in India, a tribute to its excellent drainage. Proceedings opened with the Auction Stakes, a "seller" for 14-hand Arabs, over ½ a mile, and though there were three better favorites the long, backed and stupidly-named *Sweetlips*, belonging to that astute turfite, Mr. S. A. Wahed, won quite comfortably and sufficiently impressed Ramshaw into capturing him at the absurdly small sum of Rs. 600, which trivial sum he should speedily recover.

The Sydney Plate, a high weight handicap for 14-2, tempted some useful ones. The Armenian owner, Mr. Artin Essayie, owner of that excellent Arab lilliput, *Little Joker*, recently launched out into a new line by becoming the owner of the useful pony *Koko*, which was installed favorite at 6 to 4, with *Min*, *Indabba* and *Olga* next in request. But Mr. Galstaun's blood pony, *Gun Metal*, though little fancied, proved in Robinson's hands too much for the favored opposition and was followed home by Ramshaw's promising filly, *Wakefull*, steered by young Barrett, with the favorite no nearer than third.

Following this came a mile handicap for maiden Arabs in which *Talisman*, having all the advantage of Robinson's services, was not in demand, but the honest pony *Moreed*, excellently ridden by A. Hoyt, added one more win to his victories.

A 5-furlong handicap for horses afforded Mr. Cursetjee one more opportunity of completely mystifying the talent, who attempted to solve the mystery by selecting *Roscommon* with *Springlock* as the saving clause, and the latter was distinctly fancied by his clever stable. But the star of the Aga's stable is clearly in the ascendant, and *Carreewick*, most excellently ridden, raced neck and neck up the straight with *Springlock*, and, just lasting out the better, won by a neck, a good performance on little Kamad's part.

Then came a horse Welter Handicap for animals that had not won a thousand rupees since the 1st April 1902, and it was considered all over bar the shouting for old *Dumbell*, despite his 12st. 12lb. burden. But the promising young G.R. on the favorite made the time-honoured error of laying out of his ground, and Mumford making hay while the sun shone, shoved along and scrambled home by four lengths before he could be overtaken. Mr. Pike followed this gift of fortune by securing a 6-furlong handicap for 14-hand Arabs with his handsome pony *Bandit II*, whose win last week, after a series of disappointments, seems to have done him good, and the handicapper certainly treated him with no undue severity with 6st. 10lbs. Jumping off like a rabbit he was never headed and stalling off challenges by *Grey Fox* and *Zuriff*, he won, steered by Kamad, in the surprisingly good time of 1-24⅗ if the official timester's clock made no mistake. But it reads suspiciously good on what was certainly not exceptionally flying going.

Mr. Charles Harding, the eminent maker of books, appears to be a most versatile genius in the sporting line and evidently a bad customer to "take on," unless you happen to be a bit—and a good bit—above the happy mean. Last year an ingenuous amateur, who fancied himself above a bit at crouching over the handle of a racing bicycle and thought he had a soft thing on, got very speedily enlightened to the contrary after a lap or two on the road encircling the race-course. This year Mr. Youd having natatory ambitions offered in the fulness of pride to concede Mr. Charles Harding 200 yards over a measured mile in the waters of the flowing (not to say slightly ordoriferous) Moola river from the Connaught Boathouse to Holkar's Bridge. Mr. Youd was reported to fancy himself and to be prepared to back his fancy and excitement ran high. At the appointed hour of 7-30 A.M. Mr. Harding appeared on the starting punt, but his opponent was "conspicuous by his absence," and after granting a quarter of an hour's law the referee awarded the contest to the distinguished layer of extravagant odds, who however most sportingly anxious not to disappoint his numerous admirers did a dive and swam the entire course without a quiver, to the apparent disappointment of the numerous rescue parties on the look-out for jetsam and flotsam in the person of C. H.

Athletic Notes.

A full report of the annual Athletic Meeting of the Bombay Gymkhana appears further on. We regret that, owing to the misreading of our telegram last week, we credited Mr. F. G. Siddons with the half mile; this was a mistake, it was the quarter mile he won, while his brother, A. B., ran a good second in the 100 yards, beating the veteran Percy Fischer by inches. The latter won the 150 yards Handicap with 5 yards, beating the scratch man by less than a foot.

Entries for the Gaikwar's Motor Cup, run under the auspices of the Motor Union of Western India, close on the 1st December. The proposed course is from Mhow to Bombay—400 miles, and the road is reported to be in excellent condition. Among entrants from Calcutta will be Mr. A. A. Bachmann, the well-known old time cyclist and winner of many championships.

The Maharaj Kumar Tagore has kindly offered a trophy to be competed for under the auspices of the Automobile Association of Bengal, the terms of which will appear later on. The Special Committee elected to formulate the term of the competition consist of Messrs. E. J. Oakley, F. Marsh and J. H. H. Rolfe. It is proposed to make the competition an open one, to eliminate the question of speed, and the award solely to be one of merit and reliability. The run to be one of a distance of some 150 to 200 miles only. The trial being similar to that to be held in the Bombay Presidency—the date to be fixed as soon after this event as possible, say, the middle of January.

1. The object being to bring prominently before the Indian public the fact that motor-cars have been brought to such a stage of perfection that they are eminently suitable for use in India, more especially for district work.

2. To induce tourists visiting this country to bring their cars with them, and thus take advantage of the good roads and perfect weather which are invariably assured to the traveller between the months of October and March.

3. To call the attention of manufacturers in Europe and elsewhere to the wants of India in the matter of motor-cars. The competition will be for two days only. Date, distance and route to be fixed hereafter by the Committee. Any sort of car will be allowed to compete, and the most successful car will be that obtaining the largest total number of marks for the different points stipulated for. The rules and regulations will be formulated as soon as the Committee are assured that this form of competition will meet with sufficient encouragement and the number of entries justify the Committee in concluding that the competition will meet with support. It is therefore requested that all owners of cars be good enough to write as soon as possible to the Honorary Secretary intimating their willingness to enter their cars. The entries will close on the 1st December. Each car competing will pay an entrance fee of Rs. 32. Replies should be sent to J. H. H. Rolfe, Honorary Secretary, Automobile Association of Bengal, 57, Park Street, Calcutta.

The annual All India Boxing Tournaments will take place at the Central Gymnasium, Secunderabad, commencing on the 3rd January 1905. There will be the usual Feather, Light, Middle, and Heavy-weight competitions.

The Harris Football Tournament concluded at Poona on the 13th instant. But three teams entered this year. In the first round the 93rd Highlanders beat the East Lancashires by two goals to *nil*, and then met and defeated the Warwickshires in the final by a goal to *nil*.

The final game in the Murree Hockey Tournament was played at Murree on the 6th instant. The competing teams were the 60th Rifles and the North Stafford, and a very interesting match resulted in a win for the Rifles by 4 goals to *nil*. The first half was very even and the interval arrived with no score, but on changing ends the Rifles had rather the best of matters and put on four goals. The cup and medals were presented to the winners by Mrs. Penno.

The Amateur Golf Championship of India and the East will be held in Calcutta from 31st December 1904 to 2nd January 1905. Play will take place over the Tollygunge Club links. The Asian Challenge Bowl Open Handicap will be played for at Barrackpore between the 24th and 27th December. While Visitors *vs.* Calcutta matches will be arranged during championship week.

This is indeed an iconoclastic age in the matter of athletic records, and no form of sport has suffered from it more than the Royal and Ancient Game of Golf, and that, too, at St. Andrew's itself, the very high place of the craft. At this year's autumn meeting on the 28th ultimo the medal record has gone again, broken by two strokes and reduced to 74 by the ex-Cantab, Mr. Norman Hunter, one of the most slashing of the younger school of long drivers, and this, too, after it had already been broken by Mr. A. G. Barry, who must be just about the youngest member of the Royal and Ancient Club with a splendid round of 75, 39 out and 36 in. Mr. Hunter's figures, especially for the second half round are so remarkable that they are worth giving in full as follows :—

Out 4 4 5 4 5 5 5 3 4=39 } Total 74.
In 4 4 3 4 4 4 4 4 4=35 }

His partner, the Hon'ble Osmond Scott was two strokes better than this going out, but dropped three coming in, and in addition lost a point by a 5 being incorrectly registered instead of a 4 at one hole, but for which he would have tied with Mr. Barry. Mr. Edward Blackwell occupied fourth place with 78, and this gave him the George Glennie aggregate medal, which for the past three years has fallen to Mr. Maxwell, with a total of 82 + 78 = 160.

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It is good news that the Australians are definitely going to send a cricket team to England next year to endeavour to recover the famous ashes, and to hear that Mr. C. W. Alcock and the M. C. C. authorities have their fixture card already in hand. But against this the continued bad reports of Victor Trumper's health which renders him an unlikely starter, and the absence of Hugh Trumble, Darling, and Gregory, will very seriously diminish their chances of beating the full strength of England on a home wicket, and in the opinion of many of the best judges, an Australian eleven without Trumper will be uncommonly like the play of "Hamlet" without the Prince of Denmark. In any case, M. A. Noble, who will doubtless succeed Darling as Captain, seems likely, to have to fall back on the services of several players, such as C. McLeod and F. Eaver who were not oversuccessful on previous tours, to fill up with, unless the selection authorities can unearth not only some really first-class bowlers, but what seems to be even more requisite in Australian cricket just now, some dependable batsmen to follow the "stars," in the forthcoming Inter-State Matches. In any case Trumper will have all sportsmen's wishes for his complete recovery, if only in the selfish hope that some of them, at any rate, may be at home next summer to see him repeat his inimitable batting triumphs of the last Australian tour.

A sculling match for the championship and £500 aside between Geo. Towns, Champion Sculler and Jim Stanbury the exchampion, is on the tapis. It is proposed to hold the match, arrangements for which are proceeding apace, next Easter.

The Bantam-weight Championship of the world was decided at the National Sporting Club on the 18th instant, when Joe Bowker, England, beat Frankie Neil, America, in twenty rounds.

From the fifty-third Annual Report of the Western Assurance Co., we learn that the balance of Revenue Account, being the underwriting profit and interest received on investments, is £62,815 14s. 7d. This has been apportioned as follows :—Written off Investments to bring these to market value at 31st December, £3,750 7s. 3d. Written off Office Furniture Account, £2,053 7s. 9d. Applied to the payment of two half-yearly dividends at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, £24,465 11s. 6d. Added to Reserve Fund, £32,546 8s. 1d. Total, £62,815 14s. 7d.

The premium income of £735,652 1s. 5d. is £27,037 0s. 4d. greater than that of the preceding year, and the losses incurred are £672 3s. 2d. less than in 1902. The receipts from interest show a gain for the year of £2,193 7s. 6d. The total profit on the year's underwriting is £43,152 2s. 0d., being £10,281 11s. 11d. more than that realised in 1902, and £22,100 11s. 10d. in excess of that for 1901. Apportioning the expenses of the year to the Fire and Marine branches, respectively, according to the cost of the business of each, a profit is shown in the Fire Branch of £45,786 4s. 2d., and loss in the Marine Branch of £2,634 2s. 1d.

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London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
London, *Friday, 30th September* 1904.

OFFICIAL news from Tokio has been very scanty since I last wrote : but the intelligence concerning the Japanese doings at Port Arthur, coming from very serious sources, is all in the same strain and cannot be entirely put aside. According to this the besiegers have lightened their hold on the fortress during the past week and among other captures have taken a fort that commands an important water-supply. Whether any weight may be attached to the several statements that food is running short, that ammunition is giving out and that cholera has made its appearance, nobody knows. By the way, *apropos* of the German sympathy with Russia, a friend whose business took him last week to Pillau, a small port in Eastern Russia, told me a significant story. He saw three boilers of the kind used for torpedo boat destroyers and packages of fittings, labelled in Russian characters, and a German acquaintance to whom he made some remark on the subject made no pretence that these articles were bound anywhere but for Kronstadt. "Of course you English do the same for Japan," he said. I should mention that my friend is a naval architect learned in the equipment of war vessels, otherwise those boilers' purpose would perhaps have been denied. Tales of desertion and evasion of military obligations in Russia grow more frequent. Even officers are said to exhibit no keenness for service in Manchuria.

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I have held my peace about Lord Dunraven's "Devolution" scheme as a political affair beyond the terms of my reference, but Mr. Wyndham's very tardy comment upon it has appeared at last and has given rise to all kinds of conjectures. Mr. Wyndham says the Government does not approve. Very good ; but why did he not say so sooner ! There is a growing impression that Somebody—Sir Antony McDonnell is freely named—gave Lord Dunraven to understand that the Government would regard with sympathetic interest the ventilation of his ideas, and that Mr. Wyndham's delay was due to official desire to see how the country would regard the scheme. The country having unanimously pronounced against it, officialdom throws Lord Dunraven & Co. overboard. Sir Antony, as you in India know, is a strong man and his Home Rule views are scarcely disguised ; he personally was all in favor of "Devolution" and is supposed to have thought himself strong enough to carry the Irish Secretary with him. I hear on good authority that when Sir Antony's term of office in Dublin expires it will not be renewed. You are quite welcome to have the gentleman back.

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Lady Curzon's grave illness has of course delayed the Viceroy's return to India. Acute peritonitis is the malady, but surgeons do not operate for that, and the summons of certain specialists suggest appendicitis as well. The use of oxygen for days of itself shows the critical condition of the patient. The reports, however, grow more reassuring, and unless there be a relapse, there are now good hopes of Lady Curzon's recovery. Her relatives on the way from New York are informed of her progress by wireless telegraphy.

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Mr. Martin Sutton's letter to the *Times* on the Financial position of the Royal Agricultural Society has created a sensation. It has of course been no secret among those interested in its work, that the fixed-site-for-the-show policy and the purchase of Park Royal have been a failure so far. The Acton site cost £28,000, which practically wiped out the reserve fund of £30,000 : the show of 1903 produced a loss of £23,000 and this year's a loss of £9,000 : moreover, the Society's premises are pretty heavily mortgaged. The case is a difficult one, but I fail to see that any good is done by members of Council who have resigned "crabbing" the Society's work as Mr. Sutton is doing. He disapproved the fixed site policy and resigned when it was adopted. Now he urges that the Society "cannot honestly hold another show" at Park Royal and would have the show abandoned altogether or, at most, convert-

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ed into a show for horses and cattle which have won championships at county shows. The truth is Mr. Sutton's Jeremiad is too previous. The weather of 1903 was enough to ruin any outdoor show of any sort, and the most sanguine supporters of the new policy did not look for immediate success to follow so great a change. There be those who have heavily backed their belief that, given time and bold management, the Park Royal show will hold its own. After all, the R.A.S.E. is not a money-making concern.

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The central tower of Canterbury Cathedral is in a serious condition ; the stones are decaying in the same fashion as the stones of Westminster Abbey were decaying a few years ago, crumbling and flaking away : and it is declared that the decaying stones must be replaced at once if the tower is to be saved. Other portions of the structure also show the same signs of age ; the roofs of the south transept and the western portion of the north aisle : also the stonework of the upper walls of the nave : the great window in the west gable is in danger, and some of the nave pinnacles are so far gone as to be dangerous. The central tower, "Bell Harry Tower," as it is called, dates from the end of the fifteenth century, so it cannot be regarded as ancient from the ecclesiastical architecture point of view. Our ancestors were not invariably happy in their choice of stone when building their grandest works. It was popularly supposed that the decay of the stones of Westminster—which was arrested by the application of some preparation—was the result of some disintegrating property in the polluted London atmosphere ; but the tower of Canterbury Cathedral breathes air pure enough, and we must conclude that some kinds of stone suffer from the weight of years. £14,000 is required to repair the Cathedral.

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The representatives of the United Free and the Old Free (or "Wee") Churches met in Conference on Wednesday. The former came armed with a lengthy "Memorandum," the gist of which was a proposal for arbitration to determine how the property, accumulated before the Union of 1900, should be allotted between the Frees and Wees. The latter declined to consider the memorandum at all as being beyond the scope of the Conference. It was not a very promising start, but the meeting proceeded to discuss the temporary arrangements for working put forward by the Wees and considerable progress is reported. The proceedings were private. The "Memorandum" above referred to has been published : it serves to make clear how wide and how complex the property question is, and it hints not obscurely at the possibility of further litigation.

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Those who are charged with the care of such matters predict that the unemployed problem in London this winter will reach a magnitude unknown for years. Whence no doubt the meeting of representatives of Boards of Guardians to consider what preparations should be made. The wisest proposition was that the Boards should amalgamate and purchase, each, the 50 acres allowed by law for establishing labour colonies so as to make one 400 acre colony. To this land unemployed, willing to work, should be sent with the object of cultivating at a fair wage and ultimately perhaps settling as tenants. Anything is better than the much advertised organisations to give free relief which brings thousands who prefer being unemployed, to London every winter from all parts of England.

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London wants more playgrounds. There are any number of cheap clubs with fields in the outer suburbs, but to the boys who live within the radius these are little use, because they cannot afford the railway fare to go out there, and if they walk their Saturday afternoon is practically over before they arrive. There is more in the plea for accessible playgrounds than some of the advocates for them seem to see. It is want of definite occupation and amusement that produces the street loafer and hooligan : but where are playing sites to be found in the "Wen"? Perhaps more latitude might be given to Saturday afternoon cricketers in Hyde Park : cricket and football are, I suggest, at least as beneficial to the participants as the floods of foolish oratory which bring idle crowds together in the same place : even be it cricket with a soft ball as allowed in Kensington Gardens.

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"The Golden Light" proved a Light that failed, if for failure one should not rather write "collapsed." I have been at a good many first nights now, and have seen some mixed receptions : but never (save at a certain suburban home when a popular mime came on drunk) have I heard such cries of "go off" from the gallery as one heard at the Savoy last night. The "gods" stood nearly three acts of the four, and then their patience gave way : the patience of the rest of the house was exhausted long before the curtain finally fell. I agreed with a lady who remarked on the way out that "such clothes were thrown away on such trash." "The Golden Light," you will remember, is the piece in which the heroine's gowns were to show her "moral progress." In the absence of any traceable moral progress I failed to appreciate the significance of Mrs. Brown Potter's dresses and hats though much impressed by their beauty and the lady's. The play is unmitigated trash. Mrs. Dane (Mrs. Brown Potter) married Mr. Dane a novelist (a most weird novelist !) who is entirely absorbed in his work. Mrs. Dane tries to win some of his attention, and, failing, starts flirting with Dane's cousin who is not unwilling. A friend of Dane turns up from India and warns Mrs. D. Ere long Mr. Dane hears about her "carrying on" and he has a row with his cousin : excitement induces heart disease, but he lives long enough to be reconciled to his wife who survives to marry the cousin. The plot is antique enough, but something might have been made of it in competent hands. I fear the hands were very incompetent, for the characters are unreal and the thing is flat and lifeless. The actors seemed to feel the hopeless nature of the task they were engaged in, and the frank ridicule which developed into hostility fairly took the spirit out of them.

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The Maude—Harrison partnership is soon to be dissolved : from the fact that people on the fringe of dramatic society speak of the dissolution as "a split," one may conclude there has been some difficulty, but that I take it is not necessarily a matter of public interest. Mr. Harrison remains at the Haymarket and Mr. Cyril Maude will find another house whither he will probably be followed by Miss Winifred Emery. "Minnie Brooke, Widow," leaves the Criterion after a shortish London career and starts a provincial tour at Eastbourne. "The Prayer of the Sword" has been reduced from five acts to four, and should be much strengthened thereby. The play reads remarkably well, but it is notorious that high literary qualities do not necessarily make a good acting play.

There is not much to be said about the Music Halls this week. The Magic Kettle is still drawing to the Palace crowds whose admiration of the marvel is not, and need not be, in the least impaired by the knowledge that liquid air is the secret. The "business" is uncommonly well done with a superflous block of ice on which to boil the kettle : bereft of this very legitimate showman's accessories, the turn would be exceedingly interesting : and after all the average music hall audience does not include many likely to be acquainted with the mysteries of liquid air.

The Kilted Canadian band, advertised to appear at the Albert Hall this week, had to postpone their opening night in London, as on landing at Liverpool they were met by a Royal Command to proceed to Balmoral. It is understood that this band is a particularly popular institution in the Dominion : so His Majesty's command has the touch of statesmanship we associate with his public doings.

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Various Items. This is the silly season, and the height of it : wherefore I presume the licence accorded Mr. Bernard Shaw to rail against flogging in the Navy. The correspondence has been acrimonious, but it has brought out larger displays of wholesome common sense than of faddist silliness. Mr. Bernard Shaw never went to a public school and his views are peculiar : he is a vegetarian on principle and he finds his recreation in anything but sport, so allowances must be made. "Free meals for children also occupies us largely." Whether Board school children should be supplied with an adequate breakfast at the rate-payers' expense ; whether the move should not include dinner and tea ; or whether, on the other hand, a free school breakfast would break up the "family meal" and impair the 'umble 'ome 'or would merely set free more money for paternal drink : or would create an undesirable "class" feeling between the children who accept a free breakfast and the children whose parents have some decent pride—all those arguments are bandied with many others. I beg leave to put forward the following views of my own : that since adequate food is more necessary for the rising generation than Education (with a capital E.) and since it is inexpedient to give the rising generation free food at the public expense ; *therefore* it is more inexpedient to provide Education at the public expense. What a howl Enunciation of this amazing theory would raise if propounded in the London papers !

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Sir Thomas Sutherland has been to Marseilles to discuss the propriety of making Brindisi the port of call for P. & O. Steamers in order to escape a port whose soil is so fruitful in strikes. It is stated that no change will be made at present.

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Telegrams—"Hercules," CALCUTTA.

The eruption of Vesuvius which began to grow serious last Friday had grown more violent on Sunday, and it was reported that the funicular railway had been put out of action. This proves to be untrue: the railway is in working order and is doing exceptionally good business in the tourist way, special service of trains being run for those who want to see eruptions at close quarters. Let us hope that this confidence in its goodwill towards man will not be rudely shaken by the volcano.

The Doukobors of Winnipeg have taken the road again to seek the Messiah, turning their live stock loose as they did before. The leaders have been arrested.

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The Office of City Marshal has been declared vacant, Mr. Stanley having been dismissed. The pay is £300 a year and horse allowance. There should be a regiment of applicants.

Another motor omnibus experiment in London. A vast and ungainly machine, which I was told carries 36 passengers, was meandering about Regent Street on Wednesday on a trial trip. It was less noisy than the steam monster I saw on Bayswater last winter: but the smell of it!

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The first Covent Garden Fancy Dress Ball takes place to-night. The preparations are more elaborate than usual.

A brace of burglars were caught in a house near Edinburgh in a rather original way last week. The occupants of the house were away and a doctor who lived next door thought he heard suspicious noises: he applied his stethescope to the wall and heard enough to warrant his sending for the police.

Messrs. Hooley and Lawson were yesterday committed to take their trial at the Old Bailey on the charge of having obtained £5,000 from Mr. Paine by false pretences.

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The fitness of Mr. H. Marks to represent the Thanet Division as a Conservative or as anything else occupies a good deal of attention just now. A goodly section of the public opines that the ardent support which was lent by Mr. Marks through his paper, the *Financial News*, to Hooley and Whitaker Wright requires explanation before Mr. Marks can pose as a fit and proper person for Parliamentary honours. The Political atmosphere is not particularly pure as it is, and its purity would not be enhanced by the presence of the man now bellowing his own praises down in Kent.

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MY LITTLE PRESERVES.

VII.

FOR some days we had seen nothing more of the bison, so on Sunday afternoon, having nothing better to do, we thought we would take a stroll as far as the swamp, on the offchance of picking up a stag *en route*, or of getting a shot at the solitary ibex that F. had seen when after bison some days previously.

Before, however, we had gone more than a mile from camp, as we were going down the hill into the sholas, we heard a lot of smashing of *eettas* in the jungle to our left, that could hardly be caused by monkeys, though as there were any amount of them about, we were at first disposed to push on, as we had a good two hours' trudge before us, and it was already nearly 4 P.M.

Just as we were deciding to make a start, F. spotted a couple of elephants on the edge of the jungle, and soon after, two more made their appearance, all cows, and several more were evidently in the *eetta*, but some way below. Presently another cow with a calf turned up, and began to feed, but slowly moved off from the rest, the little calf evidently causing its mother no little anxiety, by legging off on its own account over the grass hill.

We waited on till sunset, but as the tusker did not think fit to show up, we were obliged to return to camp without even knowing for certain that there was a tusker with the herd. Next morning we were off by daylight, and had not gone more than half a mile, when we spotted six or seven elephants (evidently the same we have seen the previous evening), coming out of the small sholas through which our track lay, and making for the direction of the swamp, to which we were bound. We soon lost sight of them, as the track turns abruptly to the south soon after passing the sholas, but in another three-quarters of an hour, we reached the bend in the path and nearly landed ourselves on the top of the herd who were feeding quietly on the long grass, part of them above, and part below the track we were following. On the opposite hill, about a mile off, we made out six or seven bison—a regular case of *embarras de richesse*. In looking about to see if the tusker was in evidence, I very nearly rubbed shoulders with an old cow, that the long grass had prevented me from noticing. F., however, who was a little way off, and above me had spotted her, and whistled, thus drawing my attention to the fact. If only she had been the tusker, what a lovely shot I should have had! But alas! our luck was out this morning, and though we got an excellent view of the cows, the tusker was nowhere to be seen, so after wasting a very precious half hour, we decided on leaving the elephants in peace, and making for the hill on which we had seen the bison. This we successfully managed, it was a very still morning, hardly a breath of air stirring, which accounted for our getting round the herd without being winded, even by the old lady I had so nearly, run foul of. But the bison were nowhere to be seen and we had a long trudge for nothing, as before we reached the swamp they had made off into the jungle

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About a week after this, F. got a stag, dropping him neatly with a shot from the ·303 in the neck, and then for some days the game had a rest. One afternoon just as we had finished tea, we spotted a solitary ibex on the top of the cliffs just behind our camp, and S. and F. promptly went after him, but fearing to give him their wind, they waited rather too long, hoping he would feed down the southern slope; this he did not do however, but moved off to the east, and by the time they got up to him, the light was bad, and S., who was given the shot, just managed to miss him. F. who was close by saw where the bullet struck just over the ibex's back. She was a fine big fellow and had a capital head, and would have been a good trophy. We had an excellent view of him through the glasses for over half an hour after S. and F. went. To tell the truth, I was rather glad they had not bagged him, as the herd is a small one, and was terribly bullied by certain butchers a few years ago during my absence.

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The grass now was getting so dry, that I was obliged to set fire to it, as, already, some of the distant hills had been burnt, and once the natives begin firing the grass, there is no knowing what may happen: a fine path had been cut all round, so taking advantage of a comparatively calm day, and the chance arrival of a few hillmen, we set fire all round the huts, and had a very successful burn. Shortly after this most of our party left, and as the fires had, of course, driven all the game off the plateau into the big jungles below, there was no chance of any more shooting until the young grass began to shoot up again.

However, just to keep us from fretting too much over the absence of our friends the bison and sambur, a solitary elephant arrived one night, and amused himself by doing his utmost to spoil my six foot track down to the ghat road, that we had lately put in order.

My Tappal cooly brought me the news and informed me that the tusker had gone off into the Tavalum jungle, only about half a mile off and just below the "Bangalow Hill." My cooly was perfectly sure that he (the elephant) was a tusker, and equally certain that he was the rogue that had killed a cooly near the village of Mundakayam and for whose destruction the Travancore Government had offered a reward of Rs. 50, as had been duly advertised in the Government *Gazette* and so on.

So down to the Tavalum jungle I duly went, but finding no signs of the elephant, was returning to the house, when I heard my foxhound, "Boxer" giving tongue in the jungle at the back of the house.

Hurrying back as fast as I could go, I saw my "Boy" returning from the direction of the jungle, having been sent by my wife to see what "Boxer" was after. He informed me that it was "nothing sar, Boxer only hunting one sambur I think." It never crossed my mind for a moment that it could be the elephant, for during the number of years we have been here, off and on, I have never known an elephant to enter this particular jungle, though we have had them on many occasions literally all round us.

"Boxer" now turned up, considerably blown, and not at all inclined to follow me, evidently thinking the game was not worth the candle.

Imagine my astonishment when I had hardly gone 20 yards down the road that skirts the jungle, I came on the fresh marks of the elephants; he had been standing under a big tree on the edge of the jungle, not 30 yards from our huts, and "Boxer" had evidently come upon him on the road, and hunted him off. I followed on the tracks some distance to make sure of the direction he had gone, and then took a short cut up through the jungle on to the grass hill at the back of the house in hopes of catching up with him and getting a shot. But "Boxer" had evidently given him a terrible fright; the brute never stopped for a moment, but made clean off along the track, and got down into the big valley to the east, so as it was now getting late, I had to return without even seeing him. If only I had waited half an hour, before going down to the Tavalum jungle, where I felt sure the elephant would be, I simply must have got a shot at him, and within 30 yards of the house; an awful disappointment! My wife told me that "Boxer," must have been *some minutes* baying the beast on the edge of the jungle:—what a pretty sight it must have been, and what a lovely shot one must have had at him!

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One of my greatest drawbacks, in fact the greatest drawback with which I have to contend up here, is the fact that "My Little Preserves" are situated just outside the boundaries of the country within which the Travancore Game Laws are in force, so that while I, personally, most religiously observe the close season, I cannot obtain a conviction against any of the villagers in my neighbourhood, who, every now and again, make a raid on the extreme southern end of my country.

Until quite recently I had flattered myself that my own personal influence was sufficient to prevent the slaughter of bison and ibex at any rate, as I have been compelled to wink at the occasional death of a sambur,

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But alas! for my personal influence. Just listen to this tale of woe.

For the last three and-a-half months, not a week has passed without our seeing one or other of the herds of bison that have, for so many years, been my special care; they had more than once come on to the hill just across the stream at the foot of our headquarter's camp, and I was hugely delighted to find that the herds had increased in number since last season. In one herd we clearly made out three, if not four young calves, and a fine bull had joined another herd whose Lord and Master we had bagged last January, an account of which has already been sent to you.

Well, about three weeks ago, early one Sunday morning, we were having our usual look through the glasses to see what there might be in the neighbourhood of the swamp hill, and I spotted some strange objects on the top of the ridge, and for the life of me, I could not make out what they were—the swamp is a good two miles off as a crow flies—after a short time the creatures began to move, and then, to my something worse than disgust, I saw that they were human beasts who had evidently been up for a shoot. That they were returning empty handed was some sort of a consolation, but I fear me the language that was uttered—well let us draw a veil over *that*, and trust that the recording Angel has been lenient!

Three days after, the big herd of bison made its appearance, but they carefully avoided the swamp and its neighbourhood, and seemed restless and wandered about, not feeding quietly, as is their wont—and the next day they disappeared, and we have not seen them since. Of course we very naturally connected the disturbed attitude of the bison with the human brutes we had seen a few days previously, and, alas! that it should have to be written, our worst fears have been realised.

Last week a Mahomedan from a neighbouring village came to see me on a small matter of business, and in course of conversation, asked me if I had been out shooting lately, and on my remarking that I never shot during the close season, he informed me that a certain Mahomedan, who is the greatest butcher within 20 miles, accompanied by four hillmen from the village that lies at the foot of the Swamp Hill, had been out after, what I *still* call, my bison, and had fired four shots at them, wounding one badly, but though they tracked it for several miles never came up with it.

I have written *it* advisedly, as my informant was unable to say whether the wounded beast was a bull or a cow—probably the latter.

As I personally know the individuals who have thus so-to-speak frustrated my efforts to make "My Little Preserves" a sanctuary for at least four months in the year, my readers will understand that they have a very warm place in my heart.

There is nothing I should love to do more than to toddle down to the abodes of my friends—save the mark—and give each one of them two dozen with some of my choicest rattans; but while the spirit is only too willing, the flesh alas! is, if not weak, at any rate not quite so strong as it was a quarter of a century ago, and I must fain admit that the tramp to the distant village is rather more than I can undertake. And then the consequences of such a well merited punishment, if inflicted, would be something too terrible. One would of course be haled before the beak, and the great representative of the Law in this district, before whom the sorely-tired sportman would have to appear, holds his Court on the top of a lofty range of hills some three days journey from this.

The road to it lies through an inhospitable country, and involves a long journey across the Peermade Plateau, then down into the plains of British India (Madura district), and then another fearful climb up to the most elevated Court House in the Travancore State.

The admission of one's guilt, under the grossest provocation of course, would naturally follow, the admission of the guilt would be duly recorded but the *provocation* part would receive scant notice from an unsympathetic beak, and the would-be Game Preserver would be fined to the extent of some Rs. 50 to Rs. 100 *at least* for thus daring to take the law into his own hands, albeit in a righteous cause.

One cannot help, even at the risk of being jeered at as "*laudator temporis acti*," sighing for the good old days that are past and gone, when these lovely hills were not desecrated by the presence of Cutcherries and Magistrates, and Police, and such-like abominations, and when evenhanded justice was freely administered, whenever necessary, by the men who opened up the country, and did so much for the people of the land of their adoption.

SAVERNAKE.

For some years the leading luminary and shining light of the Ring, so far as exuberance of verbosity was concerned, was the late Charley Head. No matter with whom he did business, he was invariably rolling some impromptu or flippant repartee off his ready tongue. "Fair women and good wine" was Mr. Head's motto through life, and he used to observe, with his cheerful chuckle, that "it was the book and the figures that kept the pot boiling."

At Ascot on one occasion an unfledged and unsophisticated lordling came up to Charley, and asked him what odds he would bet against two coupled.

"To you, my lord, I'll lay two monkeys to one."

"Very short price," was the rejoinder.

"Well, my lord, anything to please; I'll lay you three monkeys to one each."

"That's better," replied the youngster, taking out his betting-book. "Head, I'll take that," dotting it down.

Backer and layer were both equally pleased, and it is no wonder that Mr. Head, if he often came across punters like this one, was able to keep up half a dozen different establishments.

Shooting.

THE COMPARATIVE EFFECTS OF THE CAPPED AND COPPER-TUBED BULLETS UPON ANIMAL TISSUE, BOTH HARD AND SOFT.

No. 1. CAPPED.—Fired at a distance of 150 yards at living horse; point of entry on the sixth rib, which was fractured for a distance of 3½ inches.

The opening through the skin being oval with clean cut edges, having a diameter of nearly half inch, the direction of the bullet being downwards and backwards, passing entirely through the apex of the heart, through the lungs, diaphragm and part of the liver, making its exit through the eighth rib on opposite side and lodging in half inch deal board.

The wound channel through the soft tissues abovementioned, was greatly in excess of the calibre of projectile used, and especially was this noticeable in the heart and liver, in both cases measuring as much as three *inches diameter*, whilst in the lungs and diaphragm a trifle smaller. The exit orifice was irregular in shape with very jagged edges and of a diameter of one inch.

Upon impact, a large circumscribed swelling beneath the skin appeared, measuring 6 to 6½ inches. This was not noticeable in the coppe tubed bullet.

Both of the ribs struck were completely severed, and parts of the displaced bones were carried into the bullet track for some distance.

No. 2. COPPER TUBED.—The conditions of this shot were similar to the above, and the direction of the bullet the same, with the exception that the diaphragm and liver were not struck. The entry through the skin was smaller with regular clean cut edges, also the wound channel through the heart and lungs, the diameter through the latter barely exceeding the size of the bullent, though through the former it reached a diameter of nearly two inches.

Upon the ribs, both on entry and exit, *the damage done was not so extensive as the "Capped," the displaced pieces of bone being much smaller in size, not carried far from the fracture, and the fissures not extending so far up to the shaft of the bone.*

It was impossible to recover this bullet, having passed entirely through the animal.

No. 3. CAPPED.—*Soft Tissues only.*—Distance, 100 yards. Object 2½ feet of muscle (nearly solid). The skin having been removed from the side on which entry took place, the bullet wound was of almost the same diameter throughout its entire length, *viz.*, *2½ inches*) and shewed great destruction of the surrounding tissue, which was torn and lacerated for a distance of 19½ inches, where the bullet was recovered.

No. 4. COPPER TUBED.—Distance, 120 yards. Object, the same as above. Here the entry was smaller than "Capped," the wound channel also *not exceeding 1¼" inches in diameter*, the edges less jagged, and less damage done to the soft tissues. *The bullet passed clean through the object*, leaving an exit of about 1½ inches and was pulled up against a thigh bone at a distance of about 4 feet where *it broke up without penetrating the bone*, and part was recovered.

No. 5. CAPPED.—Distance, 200 yards. Broadside at two fore limbs joining each other. In this shot was shewn very clearly, the effect of the bullet upon bone after penetrating some 4 inches of muscle. The entry through skin was small (¾ inch) and clean cut, at once became enlargred on entering muscle, measuring 1½ inches by 2 inches for a distance of about 4 inches, where it came in contact with the neck of the shoulder blade or scapula, which was badly fractured into 10 or 12 fragments, the parts measuring from ½ to 1½ inches in length; it then passed on into the fleshy part of the second limb, which was penetrated for a distance of about 5 inches and part recovered.

No. 6. COPPER TUBED.—The distance and object similar to above. Beyond being smaller, there was very little difference in size or character of passage of bullet through muscle, between this and "Capped" bullet, but upon striking the bone, *the fractures were less complete and displaced, also smaller in size*, and shewing more penetrative than smashing power.

No. 7. CAPPED.—Shot through the thick part of the hind quarter, taking the thickest part of the soft tissue and hardest bones in the body. Distance, 150 yards.

Entry through skin of same size and character as in the previous shots, also the bullet track through the first 8 inches of muscle, but after striking the femur (or thigh bone) at this point, the tearing effect of the bullet was greatly increased, being similar in every way to No. 3. The femur itself was completely *smashed for a distance of 4½ inches* along its shaft, the fragments of bone being quite displaced and carried some distance into the muscles beyond. After passing through this bone the bullet traversed nearly another 7 inches of muscle and was finally embedded in the stifle joint of the opposite limb, a complete fracture taking place here but no displacement.

Unfortunately the bullet could not be recovered in its entirety, only a part with the nickel jacket.

No. 8. COPPER TUBED.—Distance, 150 yards. Object, same as above. Entry through skin small, oval and clean cut; wound channel through first 9 inches of muscle measuring 1½ inches in diammeter, its walls having a similar appearance to the previous shots fired with this bullet. The femur was struck immediately below the neck, which being more solid than the shaft of the bone, was almost severed, the fragments here being much smaller, and the fractures extending not beyond 1 inch from point struck. After entering a further 11 inches of muscle, the bullet passed out of the part and was not recovered. The last 11 inches penetrated shewed increased destruction of soft matter to the first 9 inches, measuring in some parts as much as 1½ inches.

No. 9. CAPPED.—Distance, 100 to 200 yards. Objects,—Stomach, Bowels, Liver, Lungs, and Heart.

Heart:—Entry irregular in shape, *measuring 2 inches diameter.*

Exit 4 inches, entirely destroying the lower part of this organ.

Lungs:—Entry irregular, ¾ inch diameter; wound channel 1½ inches. Exit about the same. Not so much internal damage done as in the less elastic organs.

Liver:—Similar in all respects to the heart.

Stomach:—Entry irregular shaped, 2½ *inches diameter*. Exit in one shot measured 5½ inches and in a second trial 4 inches, there being no difference in size of entry.

Bowels:—The effects upon these parts were in every way similar to those upon the stomach, with this difference, that the exit varied in size and shape upon the part of the bowel struck, due to the nature of its contents.

No. 10. COPPER TUBED.—A series of trials were made upon the above organs with this bullet at the same distance, *and in all cases except the bowels were the entries and exists smaller.* The internal damage done to the heart, lungs, and liver was less, the wound being cleaner cut and less jagged, and of a smaller calibre.

W. R. patent capped expanding bullet—ordinary bullet referred to by Kynoch.—From the above trials I *have come to the conclusion that the capped gives a greater shock and has more* destructive effect upon both hard and soft animal tissues than the *Tubed bullet.* Especially was this seen where the bullet had traversed soft tissue before striking bone; also upon any organ having fluid or semi-fluid contents, *e. g.*, the Stomach, bowels, heart, lungs, and brain. The fractures both of long bones and flat were more complete the parts displaced and carried some distance into the surrounding tissue

Ordinary tubed bullet referred to by Kynoch has too much penetration.—In both cases the penetrative power was very great, but more so in the "Tubed," it being almost impossible to get *this bullet to remain in the* body.

PERCY EASTE, M. R. C. V. S.

8th August 1904.

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MESSRS. WESTLEY RICHARDS' NEW PATENT SOLID CAPPED EXPANDING BULLET.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In recent issues of your valuable paper, you have dealt with the question of expanding bullets with special reference to remarks which have appeared in the *Kynoch Journal* upon this subject.

I shall be glad if you will kindly permit me to comment upon certain aspects of this question and to refer, in the interests of the sporting public, to serious and unaccountable omissions of a form of bullet which has proved itself one of the best—if not the best sporting bullet yet introduced. I allude to the "Westely Richards'" Patent Capped Expanding Nickel Bullet, which I think I can show by its records justifies the unique claim I have made for it.

Before entering more fully into this portion of the question, I would like to deal with the mode of conducting experiments adopted by Messrs. Kynoch. I disagree with them as to the choice of substance against which they tested the expanding bullets which were the subject of their article. Neither sawdust nor water represents, in any sort of way, the kind of object against which the bullet is used in actual sport, and the result of tests derived from shooting at such media as adopted by Messrs. Kynoch cannot be relied upon as affording indication of a bullet's probable behaviour at game. This is obvious; and I maintain that reliable tests of bullets—short of actual shikar experience—can only be made at live and dead animal bodies.

There is a further factor of error in the tests as usually carried out, and it is one of vital importance to the sportsman. I refer to the practice of testing the effect of a bullet at 200 yards, not by actually shooting at objects placed at that distance, but by reducing the charge until you obtain at, say, 50 yards, the same velocity as you would get at 200 yards with the full charge. As described in the *Kynoch* article, common sense rejects this as being the equivalent of an actual test at 200 yards, and, moreover, is supported by the conclusions of unimpeachable expert authority which has made comparative tests of both methods. This subject is fully discussed in a pamphlet, published in 1897, by Professor Von Bruns, First-class Surgeon-General, attached to the Royal Wurtemberg Ambulance Corps, in which it is stated that the result of shooting experiments carried out upon a very large scale by the Medical Department of the Royal Prussian Ministry of War showed that—"Experiments with reduced powder charges at short ranges is a mere makeshift and does not altogether tally with actual existing conditions . . . . Experiments show, as a matter of fact that firing with reduced charges of powder does not, as a rule, produce equal, but on the contrary inferior, effects to those produced by full charges fired at the respective full ranges."

It was on account of this unreliable system referred to, that for the purpose of ascertaining the effect of bullets, I have invariably conducted trials at beef or living and dead animals at the actual ranges with full charge, and it is for this reason, that I claim greater reliability for the results I have published, than those conducted at sawdust, etc., with reduced powder charges by Messrs. Kynoch.

I may add that the Prussian military authorities also laid it down that, "It is scarcely possible to point out any material difference between the effects of shots upon living and those of dead bodies."

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This bullet, in addition for sport in India, has been used very successfully at Elk, in Norway, and at South African game, such as Eland, Hartebeest and Wildebeest, and only recently a report was received from Africa that the ·303 capped bullet is considered the most destructive bullet for big game.

This bears out my own tests and demonstrates that the capped system of expanding bullet proves more destructive than any other, no matter in what bore. I was, therefore, surprised to learn that neither in the *Kynoch* article, nor in your comments thereon, was there reference to this capped form of expanding bullet. I, therefore, trust you will allow me to supply the deficiency. The universal satisfaction given by the bullet and the overwhelming testimony available to its superiority are sufficient to convince any unprejudiced mind, but I have, nevertheless, adopted my past practice of enlisting the aid of a perfectly impartial expert to carry out experiments with the "Westley Richards' Copper Capped Expanding Bullet" in comparison with the ordinary *Copper-tubed* ·303 bullet, to which Messrs. Kynoch are so partial. It will be seen that this latter bullet is both for expansion and for the quality of retaining at same time a large proportion of its mass under all conditions inferior to the "Westley Richards' Capped! ·303 Bullet."

Other testimony equally convincing could be furnished as to the superior destructive power of the capped bullet, but the following may be worth quoting, as of interest to sportsmen, and that is firing at a steel plate has confirmed the experiments as to the behaviour of the capped bullet when fired at animals, *viz.*, that in all bores, whether ·303 or ·577, the local rending effect of metal is greater and the diameter of the hole bigger.

The independent report referred to of the trials respecting the ·303 capped bullet and the ordinary copper tube bullet accompanies this letter. These trials were conducted by Mr. Percy Easte, M. R. C. V. S.

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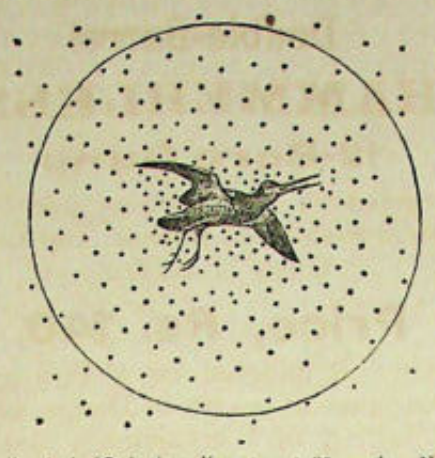
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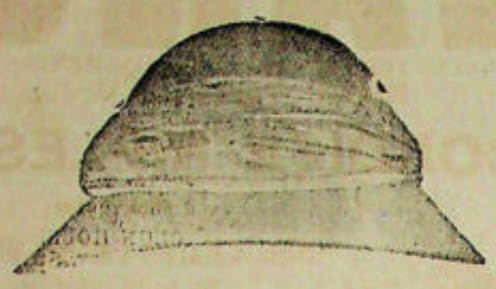
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NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date	For Prospectus see page
Poona Eleventh Meeting	Oct.	22	
Hyderabad	,,	20 and 22	521
Lucknow Autumn Sky	,,	25 & 27	
Magwe Autumn	,,	25 and 27	
Rangoon Second Extra	,,	22	
,, Third ,,	Nov.	12	
Jubbulpore Autumn	,,	1 & 3	372
,, Open Gymkhana	,,	5	373
Southern Mahratta Autumn (Belgaum)	,,	3 and 5	472
Umballa Autumn	,,	5, 8 & 10	82
Meerut Autumn Sky	,,	15, 17, & 19	
Senepore	,,	23, 25 & 27	
Rangoon Autumn	,,	9 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn	,,	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	626
,, ,, (Army Cup)	Dec.	21	
Tezpore	,,	6, 8 and 10	
Rangoon Fourth Extra	,,	10	
Calcutta First Extra	,,	10	
,, Second ,,	,,	17	
,, First Meeting	,,	24, 27, 29 & 31	
Viceroy's Cup	,,	27	
Rawalpindi Sky	,,	15, 17, 20	495
Lahore X'mas	,,	27, 29 & 31	
Madras X'mas	,,	27	521
Tollygunge steeplechase	Jan.	2 & 7	
Dibrugarh	,,	24, 26, 28	496
Dacca	,,	10, 12, 14	521
Madras Winter	,,	24 26, 28	472
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	14 & 2	
,, Third Extra	,,	28	
,, Fourth ,,	Feb.	4	
Colombo Monsoon	May	27, 29, 31	
,, August	Aug.	5, 8, 10, 12	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Army Cup	Final	..	15th November.
Civil Service Cup	Fourth	..	1st December.
	Final	..	20th January.
Rangoon Third Extra	First	..	24th October.
	Second	..	5th November.
Magwe Autumn	Third	..	22nd October.
Umballa Autumn	Third	..	28th October.
Southern Mahratta Autumn	Second	..	22nd October.
Rangoon Autumn	First	..	29th October.
	Second	..	15th November.
	Third	..	22nd November.
Dacca	First	..	1st November.
	Second	..	1st December.
	Third	..	1st January.
Calcutta First Extra		..	6th December.
,, Second ,,		..	13th ,,
,, First Meeting	First	..	1st November.
	Second	..	30th ,,
,, Second ,,	First	..	30th November.
	Second	..	7th January.
Mussoorie Autumn	Second	..	19th ,,
	Third	..	26th ,,
Lahore X'mas	Second	..	1st November.
Meerut Autumn Sky	Third	..	1st December.
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	Third	..	8th November.
	First	..	1st November.
	Second	..	30th November.
,, ,, Second ,,	First	..	1st November.
	Second	..	2nd January.
Dibrugarh	First	..	1st December.
	Second	..	1st January.
	Third	..	20th January.
Madras X mas	First	..	15th December.
	Second	..	20th ,,
Madras Winter	First	..	15th December.
	Second	..	10th January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO

I. P. A. Championship (Umballa)	..	1st week in November.
Senepore Open Tournament	..	Begins 23rd November.
Meerut Autumn Tournament	..	14th, 16th, & 18th November.
Calcutta P. C. Tournament	..	Begins 3rd January.
Rajputana and Central India Tournament	..	Begins 24th October.
Burma Polo Assn. Tournament	..	From 10th to 20th November.
Mhow Tournament	..	Begins 7th November.

ROWING.

Calcutta Rowing Club The Power Cup	..	5th November.

BOXING.

S. I. Athletic Assn. Tournament	..	Begins 21th December.
All-India Tournament (Secunderabad)	..	Begins 3rd January.

HOCKEY.

All-India Tournament (Allahabad)	..	Begins 12th December.

SHOOTING.

Rapid Fire Competition	..	22nd October.

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Amateur Golf Championship of India and the East (Calcutta)	..	From 31st December 1904 to 2nd January 1905.

SHOWS.

Tollygunge Horse and Dog Show	..	26th December.
Ahmednaggar Horse show	..	29th October.
Punjab Horse Show (Rawalpindi)	..	Beginning of April.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES

Principal Races in 1904.

Cambridgeshire Stakes (1 mile 1 furlong)	..	Wednesday, 26th October.
Dewhurst Plate (6 furlongs)	..	Thursday, 27th October.
Lincoln Autumn Handicap (1½ miles)	..	Tuesday, 8th November.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3furlongs)	..	Friday, 11th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ miles)	..	Saturday, 26th November

AUSTRALIAN RACING FIXTURES.

Melbourne Cup	..	1st November.

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POONA NINTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 15th October 1904.

The meeting this afternoon was another success. There was a large attendance and the arrangements were, as usual, tip top. Details :—

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Mr. Rasheed Shamlan's c a h Galib (Rs. 1,000), 8st. 11b.	C. B. Mahomed	2
Messrs. G H S. Mahomed's b a h Guiding Star (Rs. 900). 7st 3lbs.	A. Hoyt	3
Mr. A R. Nasrodin's bl a h Sabig (Rs. 1500), 8st. 10lbs.	Oomerkhan	0
Capt. Bayford's b a g Hailfellow (Rs. 500), 7st 8lbs.	Bennett	0
Mr. A. W. P's b a h Mudmie (Rs. 700), 7st. 8lbs.	Murphy	0
Mr. Henry's g a h Gendarme (Rs 1,000), 7st. 5lbs.	Dhondi	0
Mr. Peel's g a h Grey Ghost II. (Rs. 1,000), 6st. 13lbs.	Barrett	0
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's b a h Settler (Rs. 1,000), 6st. 11lbs. ...	Melsom	0
Colonel Anderson's b a h Mitre (Rs. 600), 6st. 10lbs.	Trahan	0
Mr. Nassar Abdulla's b a h Shirazi (Rs. 1,200), 6st. 7lbs.	Dawood	0

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BETTING: 2 to 1 Sabig, 6 to 1 Galib, 8 to 1 Sweetlips, 10 to 1 Hailfellow, 20 to 1 each Mudmie, Gendarme, Guiding Star, Grey Ghost II., Black Prince and Shirazi, and 2½ to 1 Settler.

Won by a length and a quarter; half a length between second and third. Time—55secs. Winner sold for Rs. 600.

THE SYDNEY PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A high weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under which have not won race value Rs. 1,000 or over since 1st April 1902. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Galstaun's bl aus m Gun Metal, 9st. 7lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's br aus m Wakeful, 7st 5lbs.	Barrett	2
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's bl aus g Koko, 9st. 2lbs.	Morrison	3
Mr. A. W. P's b aus m Min, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Murphy	0
Mr. Kelso's ch aus g Indabba, 8st. 8lbs ...	Heeroo	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's br aus m Olga, 7st. 8lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Finch's b aus m La France, 6st. 11lbs.	Bennett	0
Mr. Medlicott's g sth African g Result II., 6st. 9lbs.	Trahan	0

(*Winner trained by owner.*)

BETTING: 6 to 1 Gun Metal, 1½ to 1 Koko, 4 to 1 each Min and Olga, 5 to 1 each Indabba and Wakeful, 12 to 1 each La France and Result II.

Won by a length and a half; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 18⅘secs.

THE KIRKEE HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for Maiden Arabs. 1 mile.

Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Mooreed, 8st. 9lbs.	Hoyt	1
Mr. S. A. Wahed's g a h Skylark, 9st. 4lbs.	Heeroo	2
Messrs. G. K. and D. D's b a h Talisman, 9st. 7lbs.	Robinson	3
Messrs. G. K. and D. D's b a h Bendigo, 9st. 3lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Curmeen's b a h Arabian Flag, 9st. 2lbs.	Oomerkhan	0
Mr. Abdulla Shamlan's g a h The Emperor, 8st.	Etul	0
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Hadhur, 7st. 11lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0
Mr. D. Bomanjee's g a h Royal Blood, 7st. 2lbs.	Kamad	0
Mr. Fox's b a h Erhan, 6st. 10lbs. ...	Bennett	0
Mr. Abdoola Fara's b a h Regular, 6st. 3lbs.	Trahan	0

(*Winner trained by owner.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 each Mooreed, Talisman and Arabian Flag, 6 to 1 each Skylark, Bendigo and Emperor.

Won by a length and a half; a neck between second third. Time—1min. 57secs.

THE LINGFIELD PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A high weight handicap for horses which have not won race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 1st April 1902.

H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah's br aus m Carreewick, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Kamad	1
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Springlock, 8st. 12lbs.	Robinson	2
Messrs. G. K. and D D's b aus g Roscommon, 7st. 8lbs.	Melsom	3
Mr. Kelso's ch e g Child's Guide, 10st. 3lbs.	Ames	0
Mr. P. B. Roy Chowdhuri's b aus g Fotheringay, 7st 12st.	Barrett	0
Mr Thomas' br e g Ural, 6st. 13lbs. ...	Murphy	0

(*Winner trained by owner.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 Carreewick, 4 to 1 each Child's Guide, Springlock, and Fotheringay, 2 to each Roscommon, and 10 to each Kingston and Ural.

Won by a neck; a length drawing second and third. Time—1min. 5⅘secs.

HORSE WELTER PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A welter handicap for horses which have not won race value Rs. 1,000 or over since 1st April 1902. 7 furlongs.

Mr. H. B. Pike's bl aus g Musketeer, 9st. 5lbs.	Mumford	1
Mr. T. L. Roberts' br aus g Dumbell, 12st. 12lbs.	Mr. Deane	2
Major Edwards' ch aus m Runaway Girl, 9st.	Heeroo	3
Major Bertie Clay's b aus g Miracle, 10st. 11b.	Major England	0

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BETTING: Evens Dumbell, 2 to 1 each Runaway Girl and Musketeer, 6 to 1 Miracle.

Won by four lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 37⅘secs.

THE LANOWLIE HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under., 5 furlongs.

Mr H. B. Pike's b a h Bandit II., 6st. 10lbs.	Kamad	1
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A Nanjee's g a h Grey Fox, 9st. 11b.	Foster	2
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff, 7st. 2lbs.	Trahan	3
Mr. Jackson's b a h Hermit, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Ames	0
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Mr. Yussuff Tanasee's b a h Yerbo, 7st. 9lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. R. T. Shroff's g a h Bukhtawar, 6st. 12lbs.	Dawood	0
Mr. Musjeed bin Jurji's b a h Sugger, 6st. 4lbs.	Bennett	0

BETTING: 4 to 1 Bandit, 3 to 1 Hermit, 8 to 1 Grey Fox, 4 to 1 Farewell, 6 to 1 each Nainawa, Yerbo, Zurriff, Bukhtawar and Sugger.

Won by a couple of lengths from Grey Fox; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 24⅘secs.

POONA TENTH EXTRA MEETING.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

Tuesday, 18th October 1904.

NEW LILLIPUT HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. A handicap for Maiden Arabs, 13-3 and under, landed since 1st July 1903. 6 furlongs.

Aga S Shah's Swazi, 6st. 11b. (car. 6st. 3lbs.)	Kamad	1
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's Zuriff, 9st 4lbs.	E. B. Mahomed	2
Mr. S. A. Wahed's Dilerjung, 9st. 10st. ...	Robinson	3

Also ran: Random, 8-8; Young Shahin, 6-9 (car. 6-11).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Swazi, 3 to 1 each Random and Young Shahin, 4 to 1 Zuriff, and 8 to 1 Dilerjung.

Won in a canter by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 2⅘secs.

THE ROSE HILL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. M. Goculdass' and A. Nanjee's Olga, 7st. 2lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. Galstaun's Ping Pong, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Robinson	2
Mr. Frink's La France, 6st. 13lbs. ...	Bennett	3

Also ran: Rossie Ball, 6-3.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Ping Pong, 2 to 1 agst. La France, 4 to 1 Olga, and 8 to 1 Rossie Ball.

Won by three fourths of a length from Ping Pong La France a good third, a neck behind. Time—1min. 44secs.

THE BEDOUIN HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs. 1⅛mile.

Mr. F. M. Garda's Narunjee, 8st. 6lbs. ..	Ames	1
Aga Khan's Sandow, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Robinson	2
M. S. A. Wahed's Skylark, 8st. 5lbs ...	Heeroo	3
Mr. Ali Bin Talib's Connaught, 8st. 11b.	C. B. Mahomed	0

Also ran: Adonis, 7-12 (car. 8-5); St. Gatien, 7-11; Selpme, 7-10; Bendigo, 7-7; Napoleon, 6-12 (car. 7-2).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Narunjee, 4 to 1 each Sandow and Skylark, 6 to 1 Bendigo, 8 to 1 St. Gatien, and 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by a length; one and-a half length between second and third.

Narunjee was disqualified for crossing and the race given to Sandow. Time—2mins. 25secs.

DUSERA PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 1st April 1902. 7 furlongs.

Mr. T. L. Roberts' Dumbell, 9st. 11lbs. ...	H. Morrison	1
Mr. Lakhshmi Kantharaj Urs' Gum, 8st. 8lbs.	Thompson	2
Aga S. Shah's Prestwick, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Robinson	3

Also ran: Overture, 7-5; Fitzeros, 7-0.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Prestwick, 3 to 1 each Dumbell and Overture, 4 to 1 Gum, and 10 to 1 Fitzeros.

Won by one and three-quarter lengths; three-fourths of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 32⅘secs.

Gum was put up for sale, but the reserve price was too high and there were no bids.

ARAB PONY CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. A handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under, which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over since 1st April 1904. 5 furlongs.

Mr. F. M. Garda's Kour Sahib, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Robinson	1
Mr. A. T. Shamlan's False Start, 8st. 6lbs.	Ames	2
Aga S. Shah's Swazi, 6st. 10lbs. ...	Kamad	3
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's Malabar, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 9st. 7lbs.)	Heeroo	4

Also ran: Farewell, 9-8; Nainawa, 9-0; Turn of Luck, 8-5; Firdosi, 8-5; Bukhtawar, 8-3; Reflector, 7-9; Saizar, 7 7 (car. 7-8); Gendarme, 7-6; Nasser, 7-5; and Sugger, 7-0.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Kour Sahib, 3 to 1 Swazi, 4 to 1 False Start, 6 to 1 each Malabar and Turn of Luck, 8 to 1 Firdosi, and 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length from False Start; Swazi a neck behind. Time—1min. 10secs.

PONY WALTER PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. A. Welter handicap for ponies 14-2 and under which have never won a race value Rs. 1,000 or over. Closed as per Special General Conditions. 5 furlongs.

Major Edward's Kazban, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 10lbs.)	Owner	1
Mr. W. H. Anderson's Surhan, 9st. (car. 10st. 3lbs.)	Mr. Stewart	2
Lieut. W. Orr-Paterson's Playful, 8st 9lbs.	Mr. Bose	3

Also ran: Ludhiana, 9-1 (car. 9-11); Erhan, 8-8 (car. 9-3); Selim, 9 0; and Rocket.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Kazban, 3 to 1 each Surhan and Erhan, 6 to 1 Rocket, 7 to 1 Selim, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length from Surhan; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs.

NEW SELLING PLATE—½ mile.

Mr. A. W. P.'s Mudmie, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Murphy	1
Mr. Frost's Behar, 7st. 6lbs. ...	Kamad	2
Mr. Nassar Abdullah's Shirazi, 6st. 11lbs.	Bennett	3
Col. J. Anderson's Mitre, 7st. 6lbs. ...	Trahan	0

Also ran: Splendour, 7-3; Defiance, 7-3 (car. 7-4); Grey Ghost II, 7 3; Redlips, 7-3; and Short Price, 6-11.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Mudmie, 5 to 2 Redlips, 5 to 1 Behar, 6 to 1 Shirazi, 7 to 1 Grey Ghost II., and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three-fourths of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—55secs.

The winner was bought in.

DEHRA AUTUMN SKY RACES.

STEWARDS:

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MAJOR R. ST. J. LECKY, R.H.A.

Hony. Secy.:—LIEUT. V. A. S. KEIGHLEY, VICEROY'S BODY GUARD.

First Day, Monday, 10th October 1904.

Good fields and first-rate sport were the features of this afternoon's racing. Six events figured on the programme, Mr. J. D. Scott being credited with two wins. Makhdoom rode three winners. Details :—

BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2, and others 14-1 and under, that have never started for a flat race, value Rs. 50 or over prior to 1st April 1904, and that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over up to the time of starting. Arab ponies 14-2 to carry 10st. 10lbs.; C.-B. ponies 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs.; other ponies 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. 3½ furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's Flaps, 12st. (car. 12st. 4lbs.)	Makhdoom	1
Mr. Capoor's Elmas, 9st. 11lbs. (car. 10st. 11b.)	Kanhai	2
Mr. Wood's Lyddite, 7st. 6lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	King	3

Also ran: Australia, 12-0; Dolly Varden, 10-4; Donga, 10-3; Scalpel, 10-3; Coquette, 8-13.

BETTING: Evens Flaps, 2 to 1 Dolly Varden, 3 to 1 Lyddite, 4 to 1 Elmas, 5 to 1 Australia, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; the same distance between second and third. Time—49⅘secs.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. For *bonâ fide* polo ponies in regular play up to the date of entry. Certificate from Secretary of Polo Club to accompany entry. G. R.'s only. Ponies 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Allowances—C.-B.'s 14lbs., Arabs 21lbs. 2½ furlongs

Kunwar Cooch Behar's Sweet Auburn, 11st. 2lbs.	Capt. Holden	1
Mr. Symond's Salootrie, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Mr. Steele	2
Capt. Walter's Margaret, 11st. 8lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Jean, 11-2; Popular, 9-3.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Sweet Auburn, 2 to 1 Salootrie, 4 to 1 Margaret, 6 to 1 Jean, 15 to 1 Popular.

Won by a head; a length between second and third. Time—36secs.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Allowances—Maidens 7lbs.; ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over 7lbs. in addition. Penalties—Winners once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs.; winners of race value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 500, 7lbs., to Rs. 1,000 ;12lbs., in addition to other penalties. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Cautley's Chance, 10st. 2lbs. ...	Shib Singh	1
Mr. Wood's Lyddite, 9st. 11lbs. ...	King	2
Capt Williams' Mail, 8st. 7lbs.	Capt. Brandreth	3

Also ran: Hercules, 10-8; White Heather, 10-0 (car. 10st. 7lbs.); Farga, 9-4; Jeddah, 8-13; Birdcatcher, 8-11 (car. 8st. 13lbs.)

BETTING: Evens Mail, 3 to 1 White Heather, 4 to 1 Hercules, 8 to 1 Chance, longer odds the rest.

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

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and other ponies 13-3½ and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs.; other ponies 13-3½ to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Shah Mahomed Khan's Silver Princess, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. Johnson	1
Capt. Holden's Antoinette, 10st. 3lbs. ...	Owner	2
Shib Ram's Quail, 8st. 13lbs.	Mr. Kidd	3

Also ran: Lord Roberts, 10-0 (car. 10-2); Pegasus, 9-12; Labyrinth, 9-0; Khan Bahadur, 8-2; Sammy, 7-10 (car. 8-0).

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Silver Princess, 2 to 1 Quail, 3 to 1 each Antoinette, Lord Roberts, and Pegasus, 15 to 1 Labyrinth, 20 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths; the same distance between second and third. Time—61⅘sec.

GIANT PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. For Arab and C.-B.'s 14-2, and others 14-1 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 500 or over. Arab ponies 14-2 to carry 9st. 7lbs.; C.-B. ponies 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs.; other ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Allowances.—Ponies that have never started for a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 5lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's Bones, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 10st. 11lbs.)	Makhdoom	1
Mr. Wood's Barcarolle, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Shib Singh	2
Capt. Keighley's Toss, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Capt. Holden	3

Also ran: Ask Mamma, 11-7; Jean, 10-9; Grig, 9-11.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Bones, 4 to 1 each agst. Barcarolle and Grig, 6 to 1 Jean, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a short head; half a length between second and third.

DEHRA PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, that have not won flat races value Rs. 50 or over, amounting to Rs. 1,000 in the aggregate. Arab ponies 14-2 to carry 10st. 4lbs.; C.-B. ponies 14-2 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; and oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never started for a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 5lbs. 6 furlongs.

Col. Hon. Baring's Peninsular II., 7st. 3lbs. (car. 7st. 7lbs.)	Makhdoom	1
Capt. Williams' Mail, 6st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 8lbs.)	Capt. Brandreth	2
Private Pope's Hercules, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.)	Kanhai	3

Also ran: Ring Sydona, 9-0 (car. 10-8); Tagra, 7-6; Anthony, 7-3; High Flag, 7-1 (car. 7-8).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Peninsular, 8 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third

Second Day, Wednesday, 12th October 1904

Another card of six events was successfully carried through to-day. There were more close finishes and good fields and the attendance was large. Captain Mills and Mr. Wood scored a couple of wins each. Details :—

THE MAHUNT PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 4½ furlongs.

Captain Williams' Mail, 9st 11b. ...	Major Brandreth	1
Captain Cautley's Chance, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Pte. Bott	2
Mr. Steele's Birdcatcher, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Native	3

Also ran: Lyddite, 10-12; White Heather, 9-5 (car 9-9); High Flag, 8-8; Tagra, 8-6 (car. 8-10); and Bumble Bee, 6-13.

BETTING: 6 to 4 each agst. Mail and White Heather, 4 to 1 each Chance and Lyddite, and 10 to 1 each Birdcatcher, High Flag, Tagra, and Bumble Bee.

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

POLO HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. A handicap for polo ponies that were qualified to run in the Polo Scurry on the first day. 2½ furlongs.

Capt. Walter's Jean, 10st. 11b. (car. 10st. 9lbs.)	Mr. Crawshay	1

Mr. Symond's Salootrie, 9st. 5lbs. (car. 9st. 9lbs.) ... ... Shib Singh 2
Capt. Walter's Margaret, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Johnson 3
BETTING : 3 to 1 on Salootrie, 3 to 1 agst. Margaret, and 10 to 1 Jean.
Won by a head ; half a length between second and third. Time—35¼secs.

THE CADET PLATE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. A handicap for ponies that were qualified to run in the Giant Plate on the first day. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Wood's Barcarolle, 10st. 5lbs. ... Mr. Johnson 1
Mr. Keighley's Toss, 11st. 2lbs. ... Capt. Holden 2
Mr. Capoor's Grig, 9st. ... ... Mr. Steele 3
Also ran : Ask Mamma, 10-7 (car. 10-11).
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Barcarolle, 4 to 1 agst. Toss, 5 to 1 Ask Mamma, and 6 to 1 Grig.
Won by half a length ; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 11½secs.

THE SIXTH RACE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. A handicap for ponies that were qualified to run in the Novice Plate on the first day. 3½ furlongs.

Mr. Capoor's Elmas, 11st. ... ... Mr. Johnson 1
Capt. Holden's Antoinette, 10st. 8lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Fazel Ahmed's Labyrinth, 9st. 9lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.) ... ... Kanhai 3
Also ran : Donga, 10-2 (car. 10-3) ; Lord Roberts, 9-8 ; Pegasus, 8-10 ; Khan Bahadur, 7-12 (car. 8-2) ; and Sammy, 7-0 (car. 7-5).
BETTING : Evens Elmas, 2 to 1 Antoinette, 8 to 1 each Labyrinth, Donga, Lord Roberts, Pegasus, and Khan Bahadur, and 10 to 1 Sammy.
Won by three-quarters of a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—52secs.

BEGINNERS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. A handicap for ponies that were qualified to run in the Beginners' Plate on the first day. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Wood's Lyddite, 7st. (car. 7st. 9lbs.) King 1
Col. Hamilton's Australia, 9st. ... Native 2
Mr. J. D. Scott's Bones, 12st. 7lbs. ... Capt. Holden 3
Also ran : Quail, 6-7 (car. 7-12).
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Bones, 4 to 1 each agst. Lyddite and Australia, and 10 to 1 Quail.
Won by a length ; two lengths between second and third.

THE MUSSOORIE PURSE.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 20 to the third. A handicap for ponies that were qualified to run in the Dehra Plate on the first day. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Williams' Mail, 9st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.) ... ... Mr. Johnson 1
Major Watson's Anthony, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 9st.) ... ... Makhdoom 2
Pte. Pope's Hercules, 10st. ... ... Pte. Bott 3
Also ran : Ring Sydona, 10-0 (car. 10-4) ; High Flag, 8-10 ; and Tagra, 8-2.
BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Mail and Anthony, 4 to 1 Hercules, 5 to 1 Ring Sydona, 8 to 1 High Flag, and 10 to 1 Tagra.
Won by a length ; a neck separating second and third. Time—1min. 32secs.

DARJEELING SKY RACES.

First Day, Monday, 17th October, 1904.

RUN in most cheerless circumstances. It started drizzling in the morning and continued throughout the day. The wet was not heavy enough, however, to make the course dangerous, so the Stewards decided to hold the meeting. As may be expected there was a very sparse attendance, and speculation was only nominal. There was a mild gamble on the Lieutenant-Governor's Cup, and as the betting indicated there were only inquiries for two, and the public selections were the only two in it. The Selling Race was run in semi-darkness and the Fred Archer Stakes did not come off. Mr. Galstaun had a very nice day out, and the way he handled Energy in the Lieutenant-Governor's Cup was marked by some judgment, the public testifying their appreciation by much applause. With easy the exception of the race for the New Plate all the others were victories for the winners.

THE NEW PLATE.—For all ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 200 or over. 14-1 to carry 12st. C.-B.'s and Arabs allowed 21lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

Mr. Sen's b aus m Floradora, 11st. 2lbs. ... Mr. Harold Smith †
Mr. Sen's bk aus g Marksman, 10st. 4lbs. ... Mr. Dudley †
Mrs. K. Shawe's g aus m Birdie, 8st. 8lbs. ... Mr. Galstaun 3
Mr. Chamberlain's bk bh g Thoughtreader, 6st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Bannerjee 0
Birdie showed out at the start, but running wide at one of the bends she let up Floradora and Marksman. The three raced abreast down the straight and Birdie falling back let up the other two, who made a dead heat of it on the post. No betting.

NOVICE STAKES.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For Arabs and C. B.'s 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a stake value Rs. 40 or over. Arabs and C. B.'s 14-1 to carry 12st. and others 13-3½ to carry 12st. 6lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

H.H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ch aus g Grand Slam, 12st. ... ... Mr. Harold Smith 1
The Raja of Tikari's b aus m Playful, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. Burne 2
Mr. L. Oakley's b aus m Tiptoe, 9st. 6lbs. ... Mr. Dudley 3
Mrs. K. Shawe's ch aus m Little Splendour, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. Taylor 0
BETTING : Evens Little Splendour, 2 to 1 Grand Slam. Grand Slam had it all to himself. Playful coming up with a rush at the finish just beat Tiptoe for second place.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S CUP.—For a cup value Rs. 49, presented by H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. For all ponies 14-1 and under. English and Australasians 14-1, 12st. 2lbs., Arabs and C.-B's. 14-1, 10st. 4lbs. W. I. 1 mile.

Mr. Price's b aus m Energy, 11st. 3lbs. ... Mr. Galstaun 1
H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's b aus m Royal Flush, 9st. 13lbs. ... Mr. Dudley 2
Mr. P. Sen's b aus m Floradora, 10st. 11lbs., ... Mr. Harold Smith 3
Mr. F. Chamberlain's ch aus m Ursula, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Mr. Taylor 0
Mrs. K. Shawe's g aus m Birdie, 8st. 1 lbs. ... ... Mr. Bannerjee 0
Mr. J. C. Galustaun's gr aus m Farniente 10st. 12lbs. ... ... ——— 0
Mr. A J. Shillingford's blk aus h Black Currant, 12st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Caldwell 0
BETTING : 6 to 4 on Energy, 2 to 1 Royal Flush, 5 to 1 Farniente. No betting on the others.
Royal Flush took the lead and made the running the whole way till taking the turn for the straight, where Energy, who had been carefully nursed, was given her lead and she sailed up alongside the leader and beat him in the run home. The rest of the field were lost in the distance.

THE COOCH BEHAR CUP.—For a cup value Rs. 49, presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar. For English and Australasians 13-3 and under and Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over to Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and others 13-3 to carry 12 stone. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. Jones' b aus m Dolly, 10st. 10lbs., Mr. Galstaun 1
Mr. P. Sen's bk aus g Marksman, 12st. ... Mr. Dudley 2
Mr. F. H. O'Donoghue's bl or br aus m Bluebell, 11st. 8lbs. ... ... ——— 3
Mrs. K. Shawe's ch aus m Little Splendour, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. Taylor 0
Mr. L. Oakley's b aus m Tiptoe, 9st. 6lbs., Mr. Burne 0
Mr. Price's gr aus m Mabel, 11st. 11lbs. ... ——— 0
BETTING : 2 to 1 each Dolly and Bluebell, 3 to 1 Mabel, 4 to 1 Marksman, 10 to 1 each Tiptoe and Splendour.
Won easily.

LHASA PLATE.—For a cup value Rs. 49. For all Bhutia ponies. 13-1 to carry 11 stone. W. I Previous winners of Rs. 40 or over once 7lbs., twice 14lbs., three times or over 21lbs. extra. 1 mile.

Mr. F. H. O'Donoghue's d bh g Yellow Aster, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr Taylor 1
Mr. K. Shempa's g bh pony Peacock, 8st. 6lbs ... ... Mr. Galstaun 2
Mr. W. H. Edwards' d bh g Paddy, 9st. 13lbs ... ... Mr. Harold Smith 3
Mr. C. F. Moore's b bh g Teddy, 11st. 6lbs. Mr. Dudley 0
Mr. H. Jones' g bh m Lily, 10st. 5lbs. ... Mr. Pifford 0
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Yellow Aster, 2 to 1 each Peacock and Paddy, 8 to 1 Lily, 10 to 1 Teddy.
Won anyhow. The rest nowhere.

POLO SCURRY—For a cup value Rs. 49. For all polo ponies that have played regularly in the Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri Districts during the year 1904. Best of 3 heats without leaving the saddle. Catch weights over 11st. 7lbs. ¼ mile

Mr. Young's b aus m Coquette ... Mr. Galstaun 1
Mr. Caldwell's g a h Ali Baba ... Mr. Pifford 2
Mr. S. E. Waller's ch a g Mischief ... Owner 3
H. H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar's b aus g Club Law ... ... Mr. Dudley 0
Capt. Renny's g a g Rubber ... ... Owner 0
BETTING : 6 to 4 on Coquette, evens Club Law, 4 to 1 Mischief, 6 to 1 Ali Baba, 10 to 1 Rubber.
Coquette streaked away with the lead in the first two heats, winning anyhow. In the run off for second place Ali Baba won by lengths.

SELLING RACE.—For all ponies 14 hands and under valued at Rs. 750 (limit) or under. W. I. 14 hands to carry 12st. Ponies valued at less than Rs. 750 allowed 7lbs. for every Rs. 50 below the limit, C.-B.'s and Arabs allowed 26lbs. in addition. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Price's gr aus m Mabel (Rs. 700), 10st. 6lbs ... ... Mr. Galstaun 1
Mr. A. J. Shillingford's b cb m Comely, (Rs. 600), 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. J. Burne 2
Messrs. Fraser and Child's ch aus m Irma, (Rs. 650), 9st. 13lbs. ... ... Mr. Dudley 3
Mr. F. Chamberlain's ch aus m Ursula, (Rs. 750), 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Taylor 0
BETTING : Evens Ursula, 2 to 1 Comely, 4 to 1 Mabel, 6 to 1 Irma.
Mabel made her own running and won easily by a length.

MEERUT NINTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 15th October 1904.

ALMOST successful afternoon's sport was witnessed by a large attendance. Fields ruled small but finishes were close. Details :—

MAIDEN STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st., C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs., others 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. extra. 3 furlongs

L. Mehra's rn cb m Elmas, 10st. (car. 10st 4lbs.) ... ... Mr Johnson 1
Shah Mahomed Khan's g cb m Silver Princess, 10st. 11lb. ... ... Capt. Courage 2
Major Luther's b a g Sirus, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.) ... ... Baichan 3
Mr. Fazal Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ... ... Native 0
BETTING : Evens agst. Elmas, 4 to 1 each Silver Princess, Labyrinth, and 5 to 2 Sirus.
Won by half a length ; two lengths between second and third. Time—42⅕secs.

ARAB PURSE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For Arab ponies 14-2 and under. 14-2 to carry 11st. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once, 4lbs. ; twice, 7lbs. ; oftener, 10lbs. extra Allowances—Ponies that have never won a Gymkhana allowed 5lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Steel's b a g Birdcatcher, 7st. 6lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)... ... ... Baichan 1
Pte. Pope's b a g Hercules, 10st. 2lbs. ... Pte. Bott 2
Col. P. K. L Beaver's b a h Polo Prince, 9st. 11lbs. (car. 9st. 12lbs.) ...Capt. Courage 3
Mr. Learmouth's ch a g Torchlight, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Mr. Wells 0
BETTING : Evens agst. Hercules, 3 to 1 Birdcatcher, 5 to 1 each Polo Prince and Torchlight.
Won by a length ; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

DEBUT STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For all ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race or Gymkhana. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. C.-B's 14-1 to carry 11st., others 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Carton de Wiart's b aus m Bell Manton, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Capt. Courage 1
Mr. Wells's ch aust m Antelope, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Johnson 2
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b a h Ballot, 7st. 13lbs (car. 8st. 2lbs.) ... ... Native 3
Mr. Fazal Ahmed's ch cb g Circus, 10st. 8lbs. ... ... Pte. Bott 0
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Bell Manton, 6 to 4 Antelope, 5 to 1 agst. Ballot, 10 to 1 Circus.
Won by a neck ; six lengths between second and third. Time—42secs.

CLUB CUP—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For all ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 10st., others 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once, 14lbs. ; twice, 7lbs. ; oftener, 10lbs. extra. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 4 furlongs.

Mr. F. Fail's b aus g John J. P., 11st. ... Capt. Southey 1
Mr. J. N. Capoor and N. Bakar Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 9st. 4lbs. (car. 9st. 7lbs.) ... ... Native 2
Major Blakeney's ch cb g Gulab, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st.) ... ... Native 3
Shah Mahomed Khan's g cb m Silver Princess, 9st. 2lbs. (car. 9st. 5lbs.) ... Kanhai 0
BETTING : Evens agst. John J. P., 2 to 1 Grig, 3 to 1 Silver Princess, 5 to 1 Gulab.
Won by a head ; three lengths between second and third. Time—55secs.

TUM-TUM RACE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For Arab and C. B. ponies 14-1 and under. Ponies must be capable of going in harness if required by the Stewards. 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. 2½ furlongs.

Sub-Condr. Stephen's b a g Bobs II., 11st. Capt. Courage 1
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb h Remount, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Mr. Johnson 2
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's g a g Faisal, 8st. 3lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ... ... Baichan 3
Mr. Fazal Ahmed's b cb g Circus, 10st. 8lbs. ... ... Pte. Bott 0
L. Manohur Lal's b cb m Queen Bess, 10st. 5lbs. (car. 10st. 8lbs.) ... Buddul 0
BETTING : Evens Bobs, 3 to 1 Faisal, 4 to 1 Remount, 20 to 1 each Circus and Queen Bess.
Won by a length ; a length and a half between second and third. Time—35secs.

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Major William's b aus g Bishop, 10st. 12lbs. Capt. Southey 1
Sergt. Hopper's g a g Dame, 7st. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... ... Native 2
Corpl. Banks' br cb g Noble, 8st. 12lbs. Owner 3
Mr. Bahaudin Shah's b aus g Deo, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Pte. Bott 0
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b aus g Zarp, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Capt. Courage, bolted 0
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Bishop, 2 to 1 agst. Zarp, 4 to 1 Noble 10 to 1 Dame, 20 to 1 Deo.
Won by five lengths ; twelve lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 26secs.

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Mr. J. N. Capoor and N. Bakar Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 10st. 13lbs. ... Pte. Bott 1
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb h Remount, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. Johnson 2
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's br aus m Hawk, 10st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Courage 3
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Grig, 4 to 1 agst. Hawk, and 8 to 1 Remount.
Won by two lengths ; bad third.

Entries for Races.

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First Day, Thursday, 3rd November 1904

MAIDEN STAKES.

1.	Capt. Were's	... b a g	...	Ludhiana.
2.	Capt. Marriott's	... b a h	...	Bayonet.
3.	Mr. Shroff's ...	... g a h	...	Buktawar.
4.	Mr. Strickland's	... b a h	...	Baronet.
5.	Maj. Moore's	... bk a h	...	Dachshund.
6.	Capt. Toogood's	... g a g	...	St. Gris.
7.	Mr. Webster's	... b a g	...	Derision.
8.	Capt. Peel's	... b a h	...	Bayleaf.
9.	Mr. Bryan's	... b a h	...	Nigma.
10.	Mr. Bryan's	... ch a h	...	Fleur de Lys.
11.	Capt Day's	... g a h	...	Squib.

CLUB STAKES.

1.	Mr. D. Williams'	... b aus g	...	None Such.
2.	Maj. Moore's	... b cb g	...	Ding.
3.	Capt. Peel's ...	... b aus m	...	Rose.

KURUNDWAD PURSE.

1.	Capt. Were's	... b a g	...	Ludhiana
2.	Mr. Deane's ...	... i g a h	...	Ruin
3.	Capt. Marriott's	... b a h	...	Bayonet
4.	Maj. Moore's	... bk a h	...	Dachshund
5.	Mr. Bryan's	... b a h	...	Nigma
6.	Capt. Day's ...	... b a h	...	Warwickshire Lad

JAMBOTI PURSE.

1.	Mr. Deane's ...	... b aus g	...	Partner
2.	Mr. D. Williams'	... b aus g	...	None Such
3.	Mr. Sinnott's	... b aus g	...	Bhong
4.	Maj. Moore's	... b e m	...	Faustine
5.	Capt. Anderson's	... g aus g	...	Scout
6.	Mr. Bryan's	... b aus g	...	Pure Simon

BELGAUM DERBY.

1.	Mr. Strickland's	... b a h	...	Baronet.
2.	Maj. Moore's	... ch a g	...	Champion.
3.	Capt. Toogood's	... g a g	...	St. Gris.
4.	Mr. Webster's	... b a h	...	Syndic.

LAWN PLATE.

1.	Capt. Dorgan's	... br aus m	...	Primrose II.
2.	Maj. Moore's	... br e g	...	Half a Crown.
3.	Maj. Moore's	... br aus m	...	Mimosa.
4.	Maj. Moore's	... ch aus g	...	Daroji.

Second Day, Saturday, 5th November 1904

KOLHAPUR HANDICAP.

1.	Capt Were's	... b a g	...	Ludhiana.
2.	Capt. Marriott's	... b a h	...	Bayonet.
3.	Maj. Moore's	... bk a h	...	Dachshund.
4.	Mr. Webster's	... b a h	...	Derision.
5.	Capt. Peel's ...	... b a h	...	Bayleaf.
6.	Capt. Day's ...	... g a h	...	Squib.



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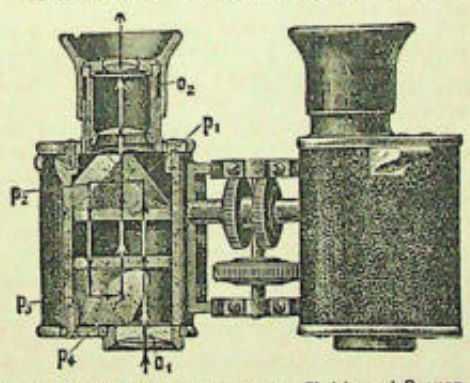
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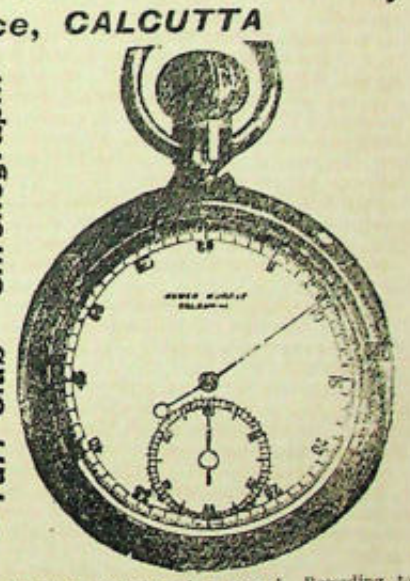
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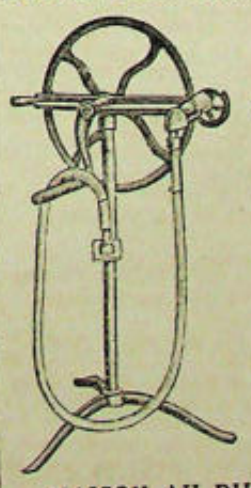
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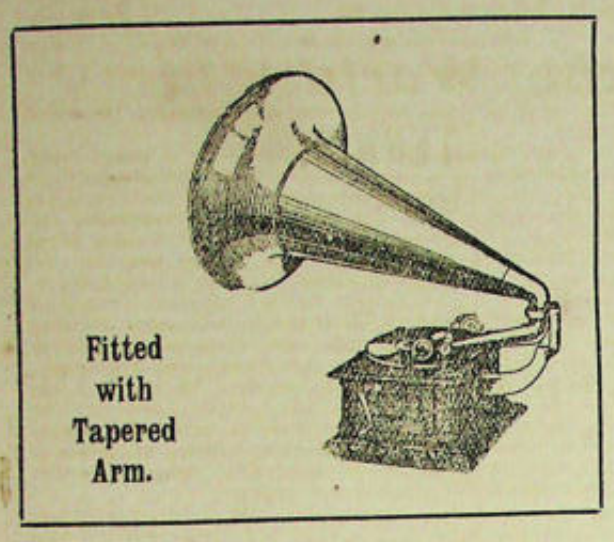
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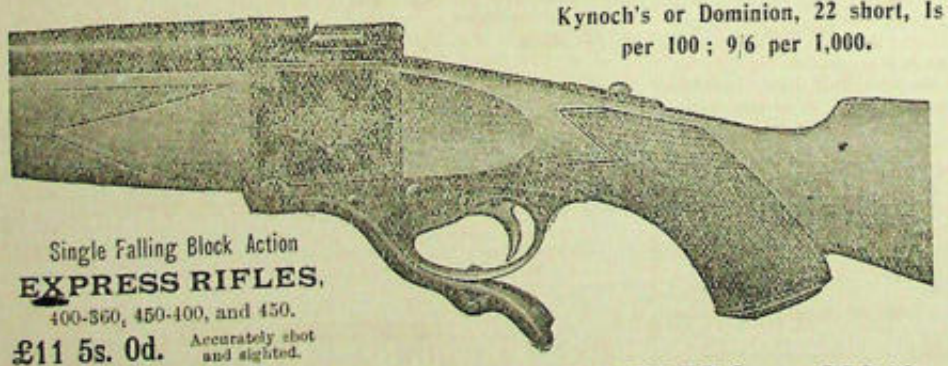
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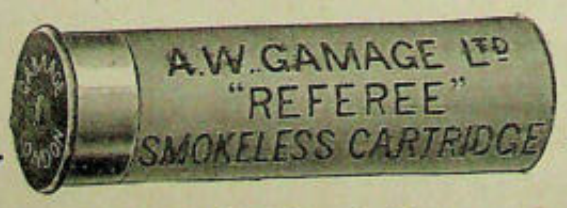
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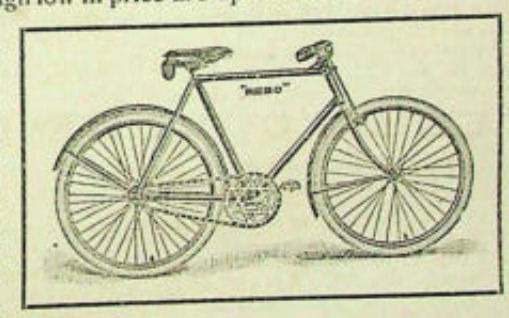
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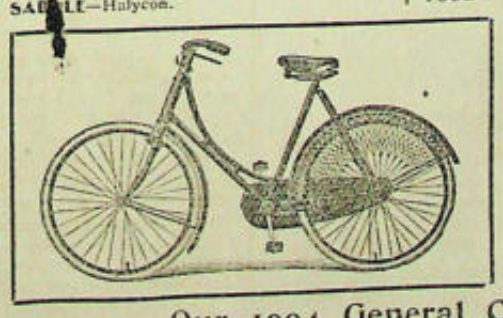
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1.	Mr. Shroff's	... g a h ...	Buktawar
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1.	Capt. Were's	... b a g ...	Ludhiana.
2.	Mr. Deane's	... a i g a h ...	Ruin.
3.	Capt Marriott's	... b a h ...	Bayonet.
4.	Mr. Shroff's ...	... g a h ...	Buktawar.
5.	Mr. Strickland's	... b a h ...	Baronet.
6.	Maj. Moore's	... bk a h ...	Dachshund.
7.	Mr. Bryan's ...	... b a h ...	Nigma.
8.	Capt. Day's ...	... g a h ...	Squib.
9.	Capt. Day's ...	... b a h ...	Warwickshire Lad.

SECOND LOSER'S HANDICAP.

1.	Mr. Deane's ...	... b aus g ...	Partner.
2.	Mr. Williams'	... b aus g ...	None Such.
3.	Mr. Sinnott's	... b aus g ...	Bhong.
4.	Maj. Moore's	... b e g ...	Faustine.
5.	Capt. Anderson's	... g aus g ...	Scout.
6.	Capt. Peel's ...	... b aus g ...	Rose.
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Sir E. Vincent's b c Reggio, 6st. 11lbs.* ...	Saxby	3
Mr. S. M. Nolan's Lady Honora, 9st. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. N. C. Cockburn's Poste Karte, 8st. 2lbs. ... — ...	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Carita, 8st. 11b. ...	G. McCall	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Spunglass, 8st....	Dalton	0
Mr. H. Lindemere's Ariadne, 7st. 7lbs.* ...	Pike	0
Mr. H. Nickall's Waukenphast, 7st. 11lbs....	B. Dillon	0
Mr. C. F. Young's Mirabelle, 7st. 11lbs. ...	Trigg	0
Mrs. H. V. Jackson's Velocity, 7st. 11lbs ...	P. Hughes	0
Mr. G. Thursby's Whitsbury, 7st. 7lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. H. Bonas's Stephen's Green, 7st. 11b*...	Anderson	0
Lord Wolverton's c by Ugly—Bramble Jelly, 7st. 11b.	Griggs	0
Mr. J. Cannon's Nell Gwynne, 6st. 10lbs. (inc. 5lbs ex.*)	G. Bullock	0
Mr. A. Stedall's La Chiripa, 7st. ...	J. Jarvis	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Sadler, jun.*)

BETTING: 11 to 2 agst Reggio, 7 to 1 Amalgamation, 8 to 1 each Lady Honora, Carita, and Whitsbury, 10 to 1 each Waukenphast and Perita, 100 to 8 each Poste Karte and Ariadne, 100 to 7 Nell Gwynne, and 100 to 6 any other.

Won by half a length; a neck separated the second and third. Lady Honora was placed fourth, Ariadne was fifth, Waukenphast sixth, Whitsbury seventh, Carita eighth, Spunglass ninth, Bramble Jelly colt tenth, Nell Gwynne next, and Poste Karte last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 61secs.

THE DE TRAFFORD HANDICAP—Of 437sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr. W. Low's ch c Imari, by Hightaway—Winsome Charteris, 3yrs., 7st. 11b. (inc. 9lbs. ex*)	Saxby	1
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's br h St. Hubert, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	Trigg	2
Mr. Heinemann's b g Falcon, 4yrs, 6st. 10lbs.*	Sharples	3
Mr. Reid Walker's Courian, aged, 8st 12lbs. (inc. 9lbs. ex.)	M. Cannon	0
Mr. Jas. Daly's Royal Arch, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs*	*J. Feehan	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Scotch Cherry, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Harmony Hall, 4yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. G. Cottrill's Debutante, 4yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's f by Grey Leg—Sandiway, 3yrs. 6st., 11b* ...	E. Pratt	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Pickering.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. St. Hubert, 7 to 2 Imari, 6 to 1 each Harmony Hall and Falcon, 7 to 1 Royal Arch, 8 to 1 Scotch Cherry, and 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three parts of a length; a head divided the second and third, Harmony Hall was placed fourth, Courian was fifth, Sandiway filly sixth, Debutante next, and Scotch Cherry last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 34secs.

If only the Manchester executive could habitually rely upon such genial conditions as those which gladdened the hearts of visitors to Castle Irwell on Saturday, they could be assured of a prolonged era of unexampled prosperity. True, the usual dismal accompaniments to sport here may not appreciably affect the local attendance, for just as the mole is by nature inured to darkness so the inhabitants of Cottonopolis have from long custom come to regard an opaque atmosphere and lowering skies as their normal environments. But with many others it is different, and the failure of a valuable stake like the Prince Edward Handicap to fill at the first time of asking year after year can be directly attributed to a growing dislike on the part of owners to frequent a gathering which labours under such serious climatic disadvantages. Happily the big handicap met with a worthy response on being re-opened, and both in point of numerical strength and quality the field reached the average. So, indeed, did the general attendance, in spite of a formidable counter attraction in the shape of the Manchester City and Sheffield football match, and the course was in grand order.

THE PALATINE HANDICAP—Of 474sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr. R. H. Hennings's br c Xeny, by Pastison—Conchita, 3yrs., 8st. 7lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	*
Mr. B. Ellam's b c Mouraviff, by Bentinck—Dramatic, 4yrs., 8st. 11b ...	Griggs	*
Mr. H. E. Randall's b g Begone, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs.†	Pike	3
Mr. N. Clark's Rising Falcon, 4yrs., 9st. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. H. Howard-Vyse's Gun Club, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	Randall	0
Mr. G. Edwardes's Robino, aged, 7st. 13lbs.†	G. Anderson	0
Mr. W. H. Schwind's Castle Wise, aged, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.)	Maher	0
Mr. W. Goodchild's Schnapps, 4yrs., 8st. ...	B. Dillon	0
Mr. J. Wood's Separation, 6yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. J. F. Jackson's Scarem, 6yrs., 7st. 8lb.†	Sharples	0
Lord Dunraven's Livia, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs. ...	Croft	0
Col. H. T. Fenwick's Cherry Agnes, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. M. Solomon's Richmond, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	Plant	0
Mr. Heinemann's Billet Doux, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.†	Saxby	0
Mr. J. Roger's Kalmia, 3yrs., 7st. 11b. ...	Trigg	0
Sir W. Vavasour's Will Scarlet, 4yrs., 6st. 4lbs.† (car. 6st. 7lbs.) — ...	Bullock	0

*Dead heat.

†5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Xeny trained by Brewer Mouraviff trained by Gurry.*)

BETTING: 100 to 30 agst Xeny, 100 to 15 Mouraviff, 7 to 1 Scarem, 100 to 12 Cherry Agnes, 10 to 1 each Schnapps and Livia, 100 to 8 Billet Doux, and 100 to 7 any other.

A dead heat; three quarters of a length in front of Begone, who was third. Billet Doux was placed fourth, Rising Falcon was fifth, Kalmia sixth, Separation seventh, Scarem eighth, Livia ninth, Cherry Agnes tenth, and astlewise last. The stakes were divided. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 60½secs.

THE PRINCE EDWARD HANDICAP—Of 1,670sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. E. H. Polehamton's br c Thunderbolt, by St. Angelo—Chimera, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	O. Madden	1
Lord Carnarvon's br h Robert le Diable by Ayrshire—Rose Bay, 5yrs., 9st. 7lbs. (inc 7lbs. ex.)	D. Maher	2
Mr. W. Dunne's b or br c Earla Mor, by Desmond—Weeping Ash, 3 yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	J. Plant	3
Sir E. Vincent's Donnetta, by Donovan—Rinovata, 4yrs. 7st. 4lbs. (inc. 4lbs. ex.*)	A. Sharples	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Flower Seller, by Florizel II.—Curbstone, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs*. (inc 4lbs. ex)	W. Saxby	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Camphor, by Crafton—Amphoollabra, 3yrs, 6st. 3lbs, ...	E. Pratt	0
Mr. N. G. Higham's Prince Royal, by Royal Sovereign—Juno, 4yrs., 7st., ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. W. H. Schwind's Kiltee by Kilwarlin—Bright Star, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Marsden, by Orvieto—Virtus, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex*)	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. S. M. Nolan's The Arrowed, by Gallinule—Little May, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs.* (car. 6st. 7lbs.)	H. Pike	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Jollybird, by Gallinule—La Joie, 4yrs., 6st. 12lbs. ...	W. Grigg	0
Mr. J. G. Clarke's Mark Time, by Marco—Semitone, 4yrs, 8st 7lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. F. Langstaff's Catty Crag, by Wolf's Crag—Nobody's Child, 4yrs, 6st. 12lbs.	J. Rollason	0
Mr. F. Stroud's Sweet Katie, by St. Simonmimi—Katie Dougal, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	T. Heppell	0
Lord M. Beresford's Kirkby, by Royal Hampton—Mrs. Butterwick, 3yrs., 6st.*	J. Bott	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by H. Bates.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 agst. Flower Seller, 7 to 1 each Marsden and Sweet Katie 8 to 1 each Thunderbolt and Earla Mor, 100 to 8 each Robert le Diable, Donnetta, and Camphor 100 to 6 each The Arrowed, and Jollybird, 20 to 1 each Prince Royal, Kirkby, and Catty Crag, 25 to 1 Kilteel, 33 to 1 Mark Time.

A capital start was effected. Catty Crag, on the inside, showed the way to Jollybird, Earla Mor, Flower Seller, and Donnetta, with Kilteel next, in advance of Thunderbolt, Kirkby figuring in the rear behind Marsden, till making the bend into the straight, where Earla Mor took up the running on the rails from Donnetta, Kilteel, Thunderbolt, Robert le Diable and Flower Seller, with Camphor and Prince Royal galloping in their heels. Nearing the distance, where Flower Seller was badly bumped by Donnetta, Thunderbolt drew to the front, and Robert le Diable began to get on terms with Earla Mor, whom he relegated into third place by a length, without succeeding in getting on terms with Thunderbolt, who won by half a length. Donnetta was placed fourth, Flower Seller was fifth, Camphor sixth, Prince Royal seventh, Kilteel eighth, Marsden ninth, The Arrowed tenth, Jollybird next, and Catty Crag last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins., 4secs.

NEWMARKET.

With the exception of Manchester, most of the racing witnessed since Doncaster has been little better than "flapping," and it was a treat to take part in sport worthy of the name at Newmarket again. The First October Meeting belies its nomenclature upon the present anniversary, the fixture terminating on the last day of September, and it was ushered in under almost summer-like conditions. A slight early morning mist was speedily dissipated by the solar rays, which blazed down from a cloudless sky throughout the day, and the light was singularly translucent for the season of the year. There was no lack of runners, however, and the interest in the entertainment was well maintained. The course yielded grand going, and some exciting finishes added a zest to the proceedings.

THE GREAT FOAL STAKES of 840 sovs. for three-year-olds; colts 8st. 12lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 9lbs.; penalties and allowances. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. J. H. Houlsworth's ch c Lochryan, by Enthusiast—Spring Ray, 8st. 7lbs. ...	D. Maher	1
Mr. S. B. Joel's b c St. Denis, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Griggs	2
Mr. L. de Rothschild's b c St. Amant, 9st. 10lbs.	K. Cannon	3
Mr. J. Musker's The Warrior, 8st. ...	O. Madden	0
Col. E. W. Baird's Fairy Martin, 8st. 9lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Sir E. Cassel's Love Potion, 8st. 11b. ...	W. Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by Ryan.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. St. Denis, 3 to 1 Lochryan, 7 to 2 St. Amant, 100 to 12 The Warrior, and 100 to 7 each Fairy Martin and Love Potion (offered).

Won by a head; four lengths between the second and third. The Warrior was fourth and Fairy Martin last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 8⅘secs.

THE BUCKENHAM STAKES of 1,050sovs, for two-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies 8st. 11lbs. Five furlongs and 134 yards.

Sir E. Cassel's br c Prudent King, by Love Wisely—St. Reine, 9st.	W. Halsey	1
Duke of Portland's b f Pamflete, 8st. 11lbs	M. Cannon	2
Mr. A. James's b c Atlas, 9st. ...	H. Jones	3

(*Winner trained by Mr. F. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Pamflete, 11 to 8 Atlas, and 4 to 1 Prudent King.

Won easily by three lengths; two lengths divided the second and third.

The whole country side was enveloped in a dense, dank, vapoury mist after daybreak on the 28th instant following a slight hoar frost, and so opaque was the atmosphere that though the Heath was simply alive with horses, whose hoofstrokes resounded in every direction, next to nothing could be seen of the work. It was not until nearly twelve o'clock that the veil began to lift, and the sun succeeded in forcing its way through, but thereafter the day was bright and fine suggestive of August until late in the afternoon, when it clouded over and a drizzling shower fell. Some important lots were submitted for sale at Park Paddocks, but attendance at the ring-side was very sparse, and some rare bargains were secured, amongst the brood mares in particular. When the forces took up their positions at the Rowley Mile Stand, no increase was to be observed in the general muster, nor was the sport quite in keeping with the traditions of headquarters, the fields for the most part being below the average as regards both strength and quality.

THE BOSCAWEN (post) STAKES of 600sovs., for two-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs. T.Y.C. (five furlongs 134 yards).

Duke of Portland's b f Pamflete, by St. Simon—Mneme, 8st. 11lbs. ...	M. Cannon	1
Sir E. Cassel's ch f Egypt, 8st. 8lbs ...	W. Halsey	2
* His Majesty's br c Carstone, 9st. ...	H. Jones	3
Mr A. James's Strathavon, 8st. 11lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. Douglas Baird's Montrouge, 9st. ...	H. Aylin	0

(*Winner trained by J. Porter.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 on Pamflete, 9 to 1 agst. Egypt, 8 to 1 Strathavon, and 20 to 1 each Carstone and Montrouge (offered).

Won easily by three lengths from Egypt, who took second place at the distance; a like distance divided the second and third. Strathavon was fourth. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 10⅕secs.

THE GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY HANDICAP of 535 sovs. Bretby Stakes Course (six furlongs).

Mr. R. Sherwood's b g Salute, by Carbine—Festa, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	Griggs	1
Mr. H. J. King's b h Orchid, 6yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	H. Jones	2
Mr. C. T. Pulley's b c Fairman, 4yrs, 8st. 2lbs.	J. H. Martin	3
Sir E. Vincent's Countermark, 4yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	D. Maher	0
Sir J. Miller's Cinquefoil, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs....	O. Madden	0
Mr. B. Ellam's Mouraviff, 4yrs., 7st. 11b (inc. 7lbs. ex.*)	Saxby	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Xeny, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. J. Pincus's Proffer, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs. (car. 6st. 3lbs.)	Plant	0
Duke of Devonshire's c by Campan—Red Wing II., 3yrs., 5st. 11lbs.* ...	Squires	0
Mr. J. W. Larnach's f by Oberon—Pintail, 3yrs. 6st	E. Pratt	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Countermark, 11 to 2 Fariman, 6 to 1 each Cinquefoil and Xeny, 10 to 1 each Orchid, Mouraviff, and Salute, 100 to 8 Proffer, 33 to 1 Red Wing II. colt, and 66 to 1 the Pintail filly.

Won a pretty race by half a length; two lengths between the second and third. Countermark was fourth, Mouraviff fifth, Xeny sixth, Red Wing II. colt next, and Cinquefoil last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 14⅗secs.

THE HOPEFUL STAKES of 507sovs., for two-year-olds; colts 8st. 10lbs., fillies and geldings 8st. 7lbs.; penalties, etc. The last five furlongs of the Ab. M.

Mr. E. Dresden's ch f Galantine, by Gallinule—Volant, 9st. 2lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Lord Falmouth's b c Galeas, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Watts	2
Lord Derby's b or br f Verdiana, 9st. 2lbs.	D. Maher	3
Mr. H. Barnato's The Gull, 8st. 10lbs. ...	B. Lynham	0
Mr. H. J. King's William Tell, 8st. 10lbs.	H. Jones	0
Sir E. Vincent's Beggio, 8st. 10lbs. ...	E. Jones	0
Mr. L. Brassy's Joyous, 8st. 7lbs. ...	K. Cannon	0
Lord Ellesmere's Koorhaan, 8st. 7lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by C. Archer.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Verdiana, 7 to 4 Galantine, 100 to 8 Joyous, and 100 to 7 any other (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; a head separated the second and third. Reggio was fourth, Koorhaan fifth, The Gull next, and William Tell last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 3⅘secs.

THE SECOND YEAR OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH TRIENNAL PRODUCE STAKES of £570 10s. for four-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 17lbs.; penalties, etc. A.F. (one mile two furlongs).

Sportsmen and travellers should always include Bovril in their kit. It is refreshing and strengthening.

BOVRIL

Lord Harewood's b c Almscliff by Wolf's Crag—Lighthead, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Hunter	1
Mr. Douglas Baird's b f Leucadia, 1st. 11lbs.	H. Aylin	2
Lord Stanley's br f Flamma, 8st. 11lbs. ...	D. Maher	3
Mr. C. D. Rose's Tasso, 8st. 5lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0

(Winner trained by G. Chaloner.)

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Almscliff, 6 to 1 each agt. Leucadia and Flamma, and 100 to 8 Tasso (offered.)

Won by half a length; four lengths between the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 13⅕secs.

Between the Jockey Club Stakes and its companion event, the Princess of Wales's Stakes, a material difference exists, inasmuch as three year-olds, which are ineligible to compete in the great event decided "behind the Ditch," are here afforded an opportunity of measuring strides against their elders. Nor is this to be regretted; on the contrary, their presence greatly enhances public interest in the contest, just as it tends to increase the strength of the field, and the younger generation have effectually justified their inclusion, for of the eleven winners to date only four four-year-olds, *viz.*, Isinglass, Love Wisely, Sceptre, and Rock Sand, appear in the list. For some day past doubts existed as to the possibility of Rock Sand (who had been so mercilessly trounced by Sceptre here a twelve month ago) taking part in the encounter, owing to the weak condition of his forelegs, and it was not until a comparatively late hour last night that Sir James Miller definitely decided to let the son of Sainfoin take his chance. He was well advised, as a fighting policy brought its own reward, and the sturdy brown retires from the Turf with his honours thick upon him. Yesterday at exercise the colt walked as soundly as he ever did in his life, and he showed to the utmost advantage in the paddock, but he pottered down to the post as if in acute pain, and it seemed almost cruel to run him.

THE TRIENNIAL PRODUCE STAKES of £474 10s. for two-year-olds; colts 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs.; penalties and allowances. Five furlongs and 134 yards.

Chev. E. Ginistrelli's b c Signorino, by Best Man—Signorina, 8st. 10lbs. ...	H. Jones	1
Lord Harewood's ch b, by Sainfoin—Zenana 8st. 4lbs.	J. H. Martin	2
Rear-Admiral Lambton's b f Eurotas, 8st. 4lbs.	H. Aylin	3
Mr. Fairie's Floramour, 8st. 11lbs ...	O. Madden	0
Lord Derby's f by Le Var—Pace Egger, 8st. 7lbs.	D. Maher	0
Mr. L. Brassey's f by Bay Ronald—Palisandre, 8st. 4lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Capt. Laing's Padrone, 8st. 4lbs. ..	W. Halsey	0

(Winner trained privately.)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst Signorino, 7 to 2 agst Floramour, 5 to 1 each agst Pace Egger filly and Padrone, 7 to 1 agst Zenana colt, and 10 to 1 agst any other.

Won easily by a length and a half; a length separated second and third. Padrone was fourth, Palisandre filly fifth, and Pace Egger filly last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 9⅘secs.

THE JOCKEY CLUB STAKES of 10,000sovs.; second received 1,500sovs., and the third 750sovs.; nominator of the winner 400sovs., and the nominator of the second 200sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile and three-quarters.

Sir J. Miller's br c Rock Sand, by Sainfoin—Roquebrune, 4yrs., 9st. 11lbs. ...	D. Maher	1
Mr. J. Musker's br c Henry the First, by Melton—Simena, 3yrs., 8st. 13lbs. ...	O. Madden	2
Mr. J. Musker's ch c William Rufus, by Melton—Simena, 4yrs., 9st. 11lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	3
Mr. R. H. Henning's Founding, by Trenton—Lady Charity, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's St. Amant, by St. Frusquin—Lady Loverule, 3yrs., 9st 5lbs.	K. Cannon	0
Duke of Westminster's Rydal Head, by St. Frusquin—Rydal, 3yrs., 8st. 13lbs. ...	M. Cannon	0
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's Lochryan, by Enthusiast—Spring Ray, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	H. Aylin	0
Mr. S. B. Joel's St. Denis, by St. Simon—Brooch, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	W. Halsey	0
His Majesty's Piari, by Persimmon—Nunsuch, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	R. Jones	0
Mr. A. James's Red Robe, by Royal Hampton—Charm, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st.)	H. Jones	0

(Winner trained by Blackwell.)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Rock Sand, 5 to 2 Henry the First, 7 to 1 St. Amant, 100 to 14 St. Denis, 8 to 1 Lochryan, 10 to 1 Rydal Head, 100 to 8 Foundling, 33 to 1 Red Robe, 40 to 1 William Rufus, 100 to 1 Piari.

There was only a trifling delay before the lot were despatched to an excellent start, Rydal Head being the first to show in front of Rock Sand, Henry the First, St. Amant, and Piari, with Lochryan next, in advance of St. Denis, Foundling, and William Rufus; and there was practically no change in the order until reaching the Bushes, when Piari had shot her bolt and dropped back last, and Henry the First, on the left, took up the running from Rock Sand, on the top ground, William Rufus, and Foundling, the lot being well clear of Rydal Head and St. Denis. There was little to choose between the two leaders descending into the Dip, and, drawing well clear of their opponents, they fought out a desperate finish, which resulted in favour of Rock Sand, who won amidst deafening cheers by a length and a half; four lengths divided the second and third. Foundling, some eight lengths off, was placed fourth. St. Denis was fifth, Red Robe sixth, St. Amant seventh, Rydal Head next, and Piari last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 3mins. 2⅗secs. Value of the stakes, £7,435.

Owing to the failure of an All-aged Selling Plate to fill, it was not necessary to commence racing at Newmarket to-day till one o'clock, but although this time was found to be more convenient there was not a large company present when a party of twenty turned out for the Bretby Welter Handicap. In an open market Boycot and Sansovino had most friends, and the former won cleverly in the hands of Saxby. Details:—

THE BRETBY WELTER HANDICAP of 5sovs. each for starters, with 200sovs. added. Bretby Stakes Course, six furlongs.

Mr. Russell Monro's Boycot, by Winkfield—Marasca, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs. ...	Saxby	1
Mr. F. Luscombe's Sansovino, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	J. H. Martin	2
Mr. E. Bonner's Coxcomb, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	E. Pratt	3
Mr. Prentice's Dumbarton Castle, 4yrs., 9st. 8lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. S. Joel's Ardeer, aged, 9st. 5lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. H. Bottomley's Le Blizon, aged, 8st. 12lbs.	Hare	0
Mr. J. H. King's Mimicry, 5yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	H. Jones	0
Lord Derby's His Majesty, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)	Wheelton	0
Mr. G. Miller's Week End, 3yrs., 8st. ...	Randall	0
Sir John Kelk's Engage, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. C. D. Marnes's Guilty, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	Butchers	0
Mr. J. Musker's Irritant, 3yrs., 7st 5lbs. ...	Madden	0
Mr. E. Carlton's Corœbus, 4yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	R. Jones	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Long Glass, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	Goodman	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Retrieve, 3yrs., 7st, 3lbs.	F. Bullock	0
Mr. W. S. Brechin's Frequent, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. J. Pincus's Harama, 5yrs., 7st. 11lb. ...	Hunter	0
Duke of Portland's Bolsover, 3yrs., 7st. 11lb.	Plant	0
Mr. G. Lambton's Uncle Marcus, 3yrs., 7st.	Rollason	0
Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's Berryfield, 3yrs., 7st.	Griggs	0

(Winner trained by Pickering.)

BETTING: 5 to 1 agst Boycot, 6 to 1 Sansovino, 100 to 12 each Mimicry and Frequent, 10 to 1 each Ardeer and Berryfield, 100 to 8 Dumbarton Castle, 20 to 1 any other (offered.)

Won cleverly by three-quarters of a length; a neck between the second and third. Ardeer was fourth; Mimicry fifth; Betrieve sixth; Week End seventh; Engage next; and Uncle Marcus last, except Le Blizon, who was left at the post. Time—1min. 13⅘secs.

THE NEWMARKET OCTOBER HANDICAP—Of 500 sovs. by subscription of 15 sovs each. 10 ft. or 5 sovs. only if declared; second to receive 50 sovs. Last mile and a half of Cesarewitch Course.

Lord Rosebery's Catscradle, by St. Frusquin—Catriona, 3yrs, 6st 11lb. (car. 6st. 2lbs.)	Plant	1
Mr. H. E. Beddington's D'Orsay, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	Saxby	2
Mr. L. de Rothschild's Pieria, 3yrs., 5st 13lbs.	E. Pratt	3
Major Eustace Loder's Hammerkop, 4yrs, 9st.	W. Halsey	0
Duke of Devonshire's Cheers, 5yrs, 8st. 3lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. W. Base's Wet Paint, 5yrs, 7st. 6lbs.	Madden	0
Mr. R. H Henning's Galapas, 3yrs, 7st. 4lbs.	F. Bullock	0
Mr. H. Keswick's Alderman, 4yrs, 7st. 11lb.	Trigg	0
Mr. W. A. Jarvis's Goring Heath, 3yrs, 6st. 9lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Lord Wolverton's Flor di Cuba, 4yrs, 6st. 6lbs.	Kast	0
Lord M. Beresford's Kirkby, 3yrs, 6st 2lbs. (car. 6st. 7lbs.)	Griggs	0

(Winner trained by Blackwell.)

BETTING: 9 to 2 each Hammerkop and Wet Paint, 11 to 2 agst. Alderman, 7 to 1 Catscradle, 8 to 1 Pieria, 10 to 1 each Cheers and D'Orsay, 100 to 8 each Goring Heath and Flor di Cuba, 100 to 6 each Kirkby and Galapas (offered).

Won easily by a length and a half; a neck separated the second and third, Goring Heath was fourth, Alderman fifth, Hammerkop sixth, Cheers seventh, and Wet Paint last. Time—2mins. 34⅘secs.

THE NEWMARKET ST. LEGER STAKES—Of 550 sovs, by subscription of 25sovs. each for starters, 10ft.; second to receive 50sovs. and the third 25sovs; for three-year-olds. Last mile and three-quarters of the Cesarewitch Course.

His Majesty's Chatsworth, by Persimmon—Meadow Chat, 8st. 10lbs. ...	H. Jones	1
Duke of Westminster's Rydal Head, 8st. 10lbs.	M Cannon	2
Sir E. Cassel's Persil, 8st. 2lbs. ...	W. Halsey	3
Count de Berteux's Mulligatawny, 8st. ...	B. Lynham	0
Lord Falmouth's Esquire, 8st. ...	Randall	0
Mr J. H. Houldsworth's Ardgair, 8st. ...	Madden	0

(Winner trained by R. Marsh.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Chatsworth, 3 to 1 Rydal Head, 10 to 1 Persil.

FOOTBALL.
ASSOCIATION RULES.

THE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP.

DIVISION 1.

WOOLWICH ARSENAL *vs.* WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS.—After fighting three stern battles in the League without success, the Arsenal, to the great joy of their myriad supporters, conquered the Wanderers from Wolverhampton on Saturday, and thereby gained their first League victory and bagged a brace of much-needed points. It was curious weather at Plumstead. Prior to the start a sharp shower fell rendering the turf slippery and the ball difficult of control, followed by bright sunshine, and a further downfall of rain midway through the second half. It was during the first "45" that the Arsenal were seen to most advantage, and this opening stage certainly produced the brightest and the briskest football. The Arsenal gained the day chiefly through the marked superiority of their forwards. Taking the line as a whole, they were more scientific, better skilled in combination, and more readily adapted their plan of attack to the prevailing conditions. Gooing, in the centre, proved a most unselfish leader. He made any number of openings for his wings, and trusted chiefly to the right. Certainly Brierley justified the confidence reposed in him, playing a capital game throughout. Hunter was useful at times, and Satterthwaite, to whom fell the distinction of scoring the first League goal for the Arsenal, made the most of rather limited opportunities. The feature of the half-black play was the grand display of Dick, who was quite the best half on the field. He tackled with unerring judgment, placed to his forwards with unfailing accuracy, and generally was seen at the very top of his form, quite overshadowing, in fact, Sands and Buchan, of whom the amateur was particularly effective whenever his goal was seriously threatened. At back Gray and Jackson were first class, the former once recovering marvellously when it looked odds on Miller scoring. Both keepers played a worthy part. Baddeley was severely tried but he emerged from the ordeal without a blot on his high International reputation. The Burly backs, Jones and Battelley, kicked well, but both were occasionally beaten for speed. Of the halves, Walker was perhaps the pick. Wooldridge in the centre and Miller on the extreme left showing most prominently among the forwards, who, as a body, were inclined to be ragged and spasmodic. For a time in the second half they were really dangerous, but a lack of finish precluded success.

Practically no advantage was gained from winning the toss, there being no wind to speak of. Gooing started and at once Briercliffe and Coleman made off on the right and forced a fruitless corner. This was followed by individual attempts on the part of Wooldridge, Haywood, and Smith to break away, which Dick, Sands, and Jackson easily checked. Gooing headed two neat attacking movements, Hunter in the first shooting into Baddeley's hands, and then after Jones had his shot cleared, Satterthwaite pounced on the ball at a favourable angle, and driving it fairly home scored the first League goal for Woolwich amid great enthusiasm. Scarcely had the cheering died away before Gooing again got his line in motion, and the centre, beating Walker, was in close proximity to Baddeley when a slip enabled Jones to clear. A fine run by Satterthwaite, who centred beautifully, caused the custodian to fist away, after which Buchan, fouling Wooldridge, let up the Wanderers for a momentary spell, in the Arsenal quarters. Dick quickly relieved to Briercliffe, who, working nicely with Coleman, enabled Gooing to have a shot which was just wide. Retaliating, Baynam finished a fast run with a flying centre, which Gray misjudged. Miller dashed up with the goal at his mercy, but, recovering himself very smartly, the back was just in time to intercept the winger's hot shot. For at least half an hour the Woolwich forwards were very aggressive. However, the Wolves improved towards the close, Ashcroft having to save from Smith and Haywood, while after Briercliffe had crossed to Satterthwaite, only to see the latter fail to trap, thus losing a promising chance, Miller completed a fine sprint with a centre to Baynam, who headed over. Half-time arrived with the Arsenal still in possession of their lead. On resuming, a desperate skirmish occurred around the Wolves' custodian, who eventually cleared safely, and Miller, galloping to the other end, gave Ashcroft a dropping ball to beat away. Subsequently the visitors, now aided by the wind, made a series of incursions, but, combining poorly, were always frustrated. Wooldridge got hurt in a collision with Sands and went off for a few minutes. Relying on one back and on the return of the centre playing the other well up the field, the Arsenal forwards, especially Satterthwaite, were frequently placed offside, the game in consequence slackening and losing in interest. During the rain the Wolves certainly did most of the attacking, and in this period Jackson, Sands, and Gray rendered particular service. Once Miller, taking a corner, sent into the net, but the ball touched no one in transit. At length Hunter and Satterthwaite got clear on the left, and the former, evading Jones, gave Baddeley a straight hard drive—the hottest of this half. He dealt successfully with it, but ten minutes from the end Sands passing out to Briercliffe, the latter transferred to Coleman, who shooting across the goal-mouth, had the satisfaction of seeing the ball hit the far post and glance into the net. Until the whistle blew there were some anxious moments for the Arsenal, Ashcroft being called upon to save at full length from Smith. However, all went well with the home team, who fully deserved their victory by two goals to none.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER (INCLUSIVE).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst
Sheffield Wednesday ...	4	4	0	0	8	14	4
Preston North End ...	5	3	1	1	7	7	3
Blackburn Rovers ...	4	3	0	1	6	12	5
Everton ...	5	3	0	2	6	7	5
Wolvrhmptn Wnd. ...	5	3	0	2	6	8	10
Aston Villa ...	6	3	0	3	6	9	9
Newcastle United ...	4	2	1	1	5	8	5
Sunderland ...	5	2	1	2	5	9	6
Derby County ...	5	2	1	2	5	8	9
Sheffield United ...	5	2	1	2	5	8	10
Notts County ...	5	2	1	2	5	6	9
Notts Forest ...	4	2	0	2	4	12	8
Manchester City ...	4	1	2	1	4	4	4
Middlesborough ...	4	1	1	2	3	5	8
Woolwich Arsenal ...	4	1	1	2	3	2	4
Small Heath ...	4	1	0	3	2	5	7
Stoke ...	5	1	0	4	2	2	11
Bury	4	0	0	4	0	3	13

DIVISION II.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER (INCLUSIVE).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst
Bolton Wanderers ...	4	4	0	0	8	14	5
Liverpool ...	5	3	2	0	8	11	4
W. Bromwch Albn ...	4	2	1	1	5	10	3
Manchester United ...	4	2	1	1	5	9	6
Leicester Fosse ...	4	2	1	1	5	5	4
Grimsby Town ...	4	2	1	1	5	4	4
Barnsley ...	4	2	1	1	5	4	4
Blackpool ...	5	1	3	1	5	4	4
Lincoln City ...	4	2	0	2	4	7	5
Bristol City ...	4	2	0	2	4	9	8
Bradford City ...	4	2	0	2	4	8	9
Gainsborough Trin. ...	4	2	0	2	4	7	8
Burslem Port Vale ...	5	0	1	1	4	5	6
Chesterfield ...	5	1	2	2	4	4	7
Glossop ...	4	0	2	2	2	3	6
Doncaster Rovers ...	4	1	0	3	2	4	11
Burnley ...	5	1	0	4	2	3	10
Burton United ...	5	1	0	4	2	3	11

CLAPTON *vs.* CASUALS.—Doubtless the big counter attraction at Upton Park had a deal to do with the sparse attendance at the Spotted Dog Ground on Saturday, for though the weather was rather uninviting, it was not so bad as to account for the fact that only 600 people were present to see such an attractive fixture as that between Clapton and the Casuals. As it happened the play was hardly worthy of the occasion, the reason being that many of the players, especially on the Casuals side, could not do themselves justice on the treacherous ground. The ball, too, soon got slippery, and at no time was it easy to control. The Claptonians adapted themselves to the circumstances much more readily than the visitors, whose forwards rarely exhibited good passing; there were flushes of brilliancy which showed the Casuals' capabilities, but they were not sustained. On the run of the play Clapton were decidedly the better team, and in the end they won by four clear goals. For some reason or other that splendid old pillar of Clapton, H. J. Cook, was not chosen, the two backs being E. G. Langhorne and H. A. Milton, who both tackled well but were weak in their kicking. With the wind in their favour Clapton showed up well at the start, their combined movements comparing most favourably with the disjointed efforts of the Casuals. Inside five minutes G. S. Farnfield with capital judgment, rushed in from the extreme left and scored from a centre by Baker. Within a few minutes G. S. Farnfield put in a capital pass to Evans, who gave Lovegrove no chance with a great shot. The Casuals made a determined effort, but Foot twice cleared, and then Clapton resumed the upper hand. At the end of half an hour there was a *mêlée* in front of the Casuals' goal and Lovegrove, in attempting to clear, sent the ball on to Nugent, off whom it bounced back into the net. G. S. Farnfield hit the post just later and Gething made a fine shot at the other end, but there was no more scoring up to half-time, when Clapton led by three goals to none. At the start of the second half the Casuals played up well and for a time the football was capital. Nugent got clear for Clapton but was offside, and then Durrant tried Wilding with a hot drive, the home custodian saving under the bar. Evans showed some excellent play and two corners were forced by Clapton, but nothing came of them, Lovegrove showing magnificent form in goal. From a splendid piece of play by the Casuals G. S. Harris shot through but was ruled offside, a similar decision being given against Evans a little later. Two minutes from the end Lovegrove ran out to meet a pass by Hollis, but H. V. Farnfield got to the ball and scored, Clapton thus winning by four goals to love.

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

	G.		G.
Woolwich Arsenal ...	2	bt Wolverhamptn Wnds. ...	0
Sheffield Wednesday ...	3	bt Aston Villa	2
Manchester City ...	1	dr Sheffield United ...	1
Notts Forest ...	5	bt Blackburn Rovers ...	2
Derby County ...	4	bt Middlesbrough ...	2
Sunderland ...	2	bt Bury	1
Notts County ...	2	bt Stoke	0
Everton ...	1	bt Preston North End ...	0
Small Heath ...	2	bt Newcastle United ...	1

DIVISION 2.

West Bromwich Albion ...	6	bt Doncaster Rovers ...	1
Bolton Wanderers ...	4	bt Grimsby Town ...	1
Blackpool	1	bt Burnley	0
Liverpool	2	bt Lincoln City ...	0
Bristol City	3	bt Chesterfield ...	0
Leicester Fosse ...	2	bt Burton United ...	0
Manchester United ...	2	bt Glossop	1
Barnsley	2	bt Gainsborough Trin. ...	1
Bradford City	2	bt Burslem Port Vale ...	1

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE—DIVISION 1.

West Ham. United ...	0	dr Tottenham Hotspur ...	0
New Brompton ...	1	dr Fulham ...	1
Portsmouth ...	1	bt Brighton and Hove ...	0
Plymouth Argyle ...	3	bt Luton ...	0

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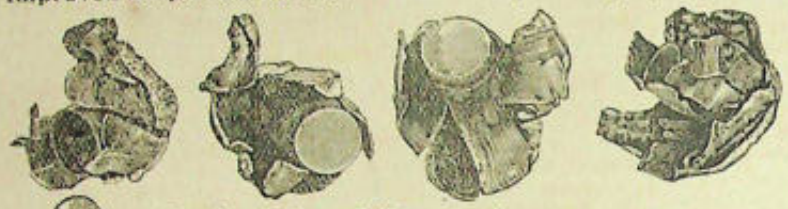
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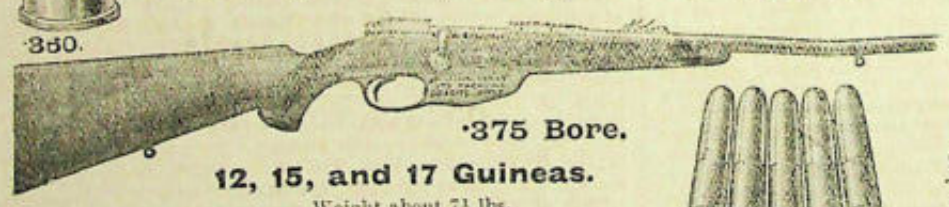
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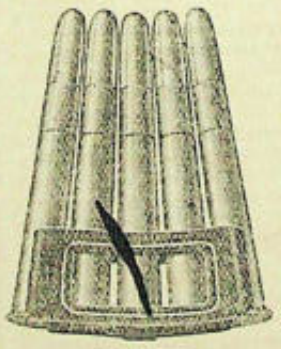
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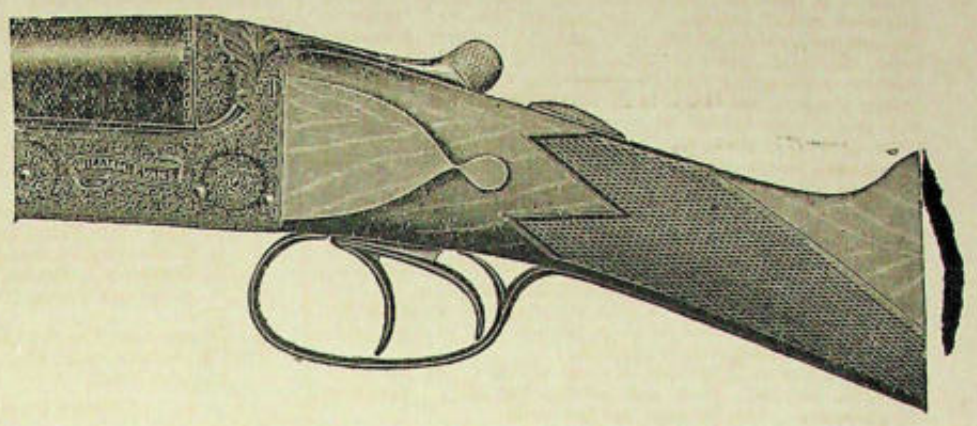
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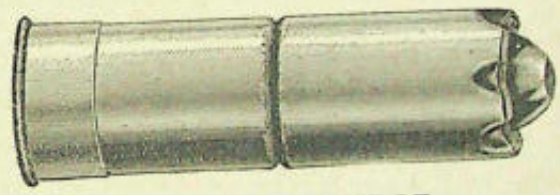
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DIVISION 2.			
Grays United	3	bt Brighton and Hove Albion Reserves	1
Southall	2	dr Reading Reserves	2
Swindon Town Reserves	1	bt Watford Reserves	0
THE SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.			
Airdrieonians	3	bt Heart of Midlothian	2
Dundee	3	bt Kilmarnock	0
Port Glasgow Athletic	2	bt Motherwell	1
Queen's Park	4	bt Hibernians	2
St. Mirren	1	bt Greenock Morton	0
DIVISION 2.			
Clyde	1	bt East Stirlingshire	0
Aberdeen	3	bt Abercorn	1
Falkirk	3	bt Albion Rovers	1
Leith Athletic	4	bt Raith Rovers	1
Ayr	2	bt Hamilton Academies	1
THE LONDON LEAGUE.			
Clapton Orient	4	bt Leyton	3
Tottenham Hotspur Res.	6	bt West Ham. U. Res.	0
Enfield	8	bt City of Westminster	1
Finchley	5	bt Woolwich Polytechnic	2
OTHER MATCHES.			
Cheshunt	2	bt Old Citizens	0
Shepherd's Bush	6	bt Worthing	1
London Caledonians	4	dr Townley Park	4
Ealing	10	bt Hampstead	0
Minerva	3	bt Heron	2
Minerva (2nd)	6	bt Heron (2nd)	1
Minerva (3rd)	7	bt Polytechnic (3rd)	0
Grove Park	2	bt Hanwell Old Natnls.	1
Grove Park (3rd)	2	dr Old Portlonians	2
Eastern Telegraph School	6	bt South Lond. Teleg. Training College	0
Wimbledon Old Centrals	5	bt St Mark's College	0
Union Bank of Scotland	3	bt Nat. Bk of India R.	0
Old Citizens (A)	4	dr Cheshunt (A)	4
National Prov. Bk. (2nd)	3	bt Joint Stock Bk. (2nd)	1
Marlborough	3	bt Wallington	1
Abbeyfield	2	bt Connaught (2nd)	0
Holborn Circus	6	bt West End	1
Hatherley Rovers	2	bt Holborn Circus (2nd)	1
West Wickham	7	bt New Beckenham	0
London Paris	3	bt Sutton Court (2nd)	1
Holborn Circus (3rd)	4	bt Oxford Athletic (3rd)	0
Holborn Circus (4th)	6	bt West End (3rd)	1
Kildare	5	bt Kensal United Res.	0
Universal	2	bt Kildare (3rd)	1
Golfcians	1	bt Old Askeans	0
Uxbridge	5	bt Royal Artillery	1
Gunnersbury	8	bt Chick St. Mary's	2
Shepherd's Unite	4	bt New Brmpton. Amtrs.	0
City Westminster (A)	5	bt Croydon (A)	1
Harrow U	1	dr Staines	1
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1st. Colonial Guards	2	bt Willesden Town	1
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Customs	8	bt Winchmore Hill	0
Springfield Old Boys	5	bt Acton Reserves	0
Maidenhead Reserves	5	bt Slough Reserves	0
W. Battery	8	bt Y. Battery	0
Ramsgate (A.)	3	bt St. Luke's	1
Margate Invicta	2	dr Trinity	2
Ilford	4	bt Leytonstone	1
Kingston	2	bt Elwell	1
Kingston (2nd)	2	bt St. Luke's	1
Millwall St. Luke's	1	bt Millwall Reserves	0
Old Foresthilllians	4	bt Normanhurst Druids	1
Lowestoft	6	bt Leiston	0
Colchester	1	bt Garrison Staff	0
Brantham Crown	2	bt Hadleigh	0
Crown	4	bt R. A.	0
Bungay	2	bt Beccles Waveney	0
Bentley	4	bt Brightlingsea	3
Bury	1	dr Cambridge St. Mary	1
Kirkley	5	bt Cromer	1
Halstead	3	bt Braintree	1
Yarmouth	1	bt Lynn	0
Holloway College	8	bt Grafton Schools	0
Old Holloway Collegians	1	bt Old Cretonians	0
Ipswich	1	bt War Office	1
Felixstowe	1	dr Royal Horse Artillery	3
Chelmsford Swifts (A)	4	bt Springfield	1
Alexandra	5	bt Woodbridge	0
Gresham Reserves	0	dr Marcians Reserves	1
Gresham (3rd)	3	bt Anlaby (3rd)	0
Vulcan	6	bt Ruislip	4
Vulcan (2nd)	4	dr Pelican	3
Vulcan (3rd)	3	dr Old Seltonians	0
Olympic (3rd)	7	bt Hatherley Rvrs. (2nd)	2
South Western	2	dr London City and Mid.	0
Alleyn	4	bt Nunhead	1
Alleyn Reserves	1	dr Old Olavians	0
Alleyn (A)	0	dr Alleyn's School	2
Wallington	2	dr Guildhall	

Civil Service (A)	... 1	bt	Hampstd Wandrs. (A)	...	0
Grove House ...	... 10	bt	Steinway ...	...	4
Marcians ...	... 1	bt	Gresham ...	...	0
Hampstead Reserves	... 4	bt	Reigate Priory Res.	...	2
Townley Park (4th)	... 3	bt	Alleyn (B) ...	...	1
London & County Bk. Res.	8	bt	St. Andrews ...	...	0
Woodford Albion	... 2	bt	Raveley ...	...	0
Tunbridge Wells	... 3	bt	Norseman ...	...	2
Reigate Priory	... 4	bt	Borough Polytechnic	...	1
Ware ...	... 4	dr	Clapton Reserves	...	0
Wallington ...	... 2	dr	Guildhall ...	...	2
Woodford ...	... 4	bt	Kettering W. M. C.	...	0
Kettering United	... 4	bt	Kettering C.I.	...	1
Boness ...	... 4	bt	Broxbourne ...	...	0
Paisley Academicals	... 1	dr	Cartvale ...	...	1
Beith ...	... 1	bt	Johnstone ...	...	0
Arbroath ...	... 2	bt	Kirkcaldy United	...	0
Dumfries ...	... 2	bt	Thornhill ...	...	0
Galston ...	... 2	bt	Renton ...	...	0
Royal Albert ...	... 2	bt	Alloa Athletic	...	1

RUGBY RULES.

HARLEQUINS *vs.* OLD MERCHANT TAYLORS.

The Merchant Taylors were very largely indebted to J. E. Raphael, the Oxford three-quarter, for their brilliant win over the Harlequins at Wandsworth Common on Saturday. Raphael, in his first match this season, came out right at the top of his game, his resource in defence and attack, his kicking and his pace, were wonderful. Like good judges, the Taylors' halves and three quarters concentrated their game on Raphael in the centre, and, making many chances as well for himself, he won the game quite easily for his side. All the interest in the game seemed to centre round Raphael, who was always in the van of the attacks, and, like the good general that he is, he was always about helping the full-back when there was any keen defence to be done. Cockell and Sherwin were a "nippy" pair of halves, and were clever in getting the ball when the Harlequin forwards were carrying the scrummages, and Tannahill, the full-back, too, fielded the ball well and kicked with rare judgment. As for the Merchant Taylors' forwards, they were pushed about a good bit at first, but they were more skilful with their feet and were quicker in the open; indeed they kept the pace going to the end. The Harlequins' forwards were very good at starting, shoving well and going on with the ball, but they could not stay the pace, and after the first quarter of an hour were always losing control of the ball. Stoop came out strongly once or twice, but he was not well supported. After being hard pressed the Taylors found relief by the kicking of Raphael, and in ten minutes, from a free kick for offside, Raphael landed a penalty goal. Then the Harlequins' forwards forced the game strongly, and taking the ball into goal Vesey gained a try. Fearenside failed at goal. The score was now three points all. But after this Raphael put in two grand swerving runs from midfield and got a try at the end of each. From a difficult angle Fletcher, who was playing three-quarter at a pinch, placed a goal but he missed the second kick; and so the Taylors crossed over with a lead of 11 points to 3. The Merchant Taylors were much the better side in the second half, but they scored only one more goal, this being grandly dropped by Raphael. There were a good many other shots at goal, and the ball was often near the Harlequins' line. The ground was in good order and there was a large company. Result: Old Merchant Taylors, one placed goal, one dropped goal, one penalty goal, one try (15 points); Harlequins, one try (3 points).

	G.	T.			T.	G.
Glamorgan Co. (4)	... 1	0	bt	An Irish XV (3)	... 0	1
Devonport Albion	... 3	1	bt	Torquay ...	... 0	0
Leicester (11)	... 1	2	bt	Hartlepool (4)	... 1	0
Hong Kong Bank (15)	... 3	1	bt	L. C. C. ...	... 1	0
Civil Service (7)	... 1	3	bt	Hampstd Wrs. (3)	... 1	0
Catford Bridge (16)	... 3	1	bt	Westmstr Bk. (8)	... 1	1
Cheltenham (22)	... 2	4	bt	Handsworth (5)	... 1	0
Cinderford (11)	... 1	2	bt	Lydney (3)	... 0	1
Lennox (B) (23)	... 1	6	bt	Mct. Tylrs' Sch. (A)	... 0	0
Glasgow Acadmcls (3)	... 0	1	bt	Hawick ...	... 0	0
Nuneaton (3)	... 0	1	bt	Moseley ...	... 0	0
Bedford (8)	... 1	1	bt	Northampton (3)	... 0	1
Gloucester (45)	... 3	10	bt	Old Edwardians	... 0	0
Streatham (A) (18)	... 3	1	bt	Beckenham (A)	... 0	0
Beckenham (15)	... 0	5	bt	Streatham (3)	... 0	1

BOXING.

ARMY AND NAVY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

After extending over three days, and furnishing pretty nearly twenty hours of solid boxing, the thirteenth championship meeting, open to the Army and Navy, reached its end at the Gymnasium, Queen's avenue, Aldershot, last evening. Without producing anything startling in the way of form, the tournament goes into history as giving a record in the way of an entry, for while the names of only 24 officers figured on the long programme, men of all ranks swelled the number to 198. On Wednesday boxing was in progress from two o'clock until nearly eight, and even then there was so much work to get through that a resumption had to be made yesterday at eleven o'clock. With no time lost in getting the competitors into the ring, and, helped by a few brief heats, the last contest was over soon after half-past six.

FOR OFFICERS

FEATHER-WEIGHT (9st. and under).

Final Bout.

Second-Lieutenant G. D. A. Shaw (Royal Field Artillery), beat Lieutenant R. C. Williams (Royal Field Artillery). If not quite equal, Shaw looked on a par with his opponent as regards weight. The start was brisk, Shaw cutting out the work at his best pace. In the first half minute Shaw slipped down, but he was soon up, taking part in some resolute half-arm hitting. The second round saw both hugging, and, while Williams was served at long range by his reach, Shaw was always busy at close quarters. Up to the last minute of the third round there was very little in it. Here Shaw was served by his strength. Williams went down, and just before the finish the bout was stopped.

LIGHT-WEIGHT (10st. and under).

Final Bout.

Second-Lieutenant G. D. A. Shaw (Royal Field Artillery), beat Veterinary-Captain E. P. Barry (2nd Life Guards). The Life Guardsman had all the best of it as regards height and weight, but Shaw, making light of his handicap, went straight in for fighting. Barry was inclined to hold, but Shaw fought on fair and very resolute lines. The first round favoured the smaller man, and, going for all he was worth in the second, he pummelled his opponent freely. Barry was upset, but still remained strong on his legs. Shaw, however, was always the quicker, and, with Barry almost out at the end, the Artilleryman won easily.

MIDDLE-WEIGHT (11st. 4lbs and under).

Final Bout.

Lieutenant W. J. R. Ford (Royal Navy), beat Lieutenant R. B. Campbell (2nd Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry). There was a good deal of sparring and much short leading in the first round, which ended with honours level. Facing each other again the work was a shade faster, but no better. Campbell got home a few lefts, but his blows lacked both freedom and power, and Ford staying longer than the other, the award went to the sailor.

FOR WARRANT, PETTY, AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, SEAMEN, AND PRIVATES.

FEATHER-WEIGHT (9st. and under).

Final Bout.

Private Evans (21st Lancers), beat Driver Himphen (R. F. A.) Evans was very cautious, and with Himphen not inclined to run undue risks the boxing in the first two rounds was chiefly of a long-range character. Now and again Himphen got in with both hands, but he found Evans awkward to land on, and there was not much in it when they stood up for the third time. Here Evans was again served by an advantage in reach, while Himphen's best work was at close quarters. At the end of a close bout Evans was returned the winner.

LIGHT-WEIGHTS (10st. and under).

Final Bout.

Lance-Corporal Hutton beat Private D. Corsey (Sutherland Highlanders). A light first round went slightly in favour of Hutton. Soon after starting the second, Corsey sent his man to the floor. Then Hutton had a shade the better of it, and after the judges had disagreed, the award went his way.

MIDDLE-WEIGHT (11st. 4lbs. and under).

Final Bout.

Lance-Corporal Stebbins (21st Lancers), beat Trooper Oldman (Royal Horse Guards). The holder, Stebbins, had to give away something in height and reach, and Oldman, making the most of his advantage in this respect, used a straight left, and held his own in the initial round. In the second, Stebbins began to make play with the right, which he got home now and again with effect. Oldman, however, declined to be hustled. The final bout, however, saw Stebbins come up hand over hand, with the result that Oldman was practically beaten before the call of time.

HEAVY-WEIGHTS (any weight).

Gunner Hewitt (R. M. A) beat Gunner W. McFadden (R. M. A.) Hewitt was first at work, and, getting within range, at once scored with left and right on the head. This brought about some warm two-handed fighting, in which Hewitt, quick in his deliveries, had the advantage. McFadden was hustled about for a little while, and then, settling down, he steadied his man with some clean lefts on the face. The first round, however, favoured Hewitt, and, though McFadden did his best to take a lead in the second, he received as much as he sent. At the third meeting however, Mac fought with much determination, and Hewitt, sticking in the corners, had to take a lot of punishment. At the end of this bout the judges disagreed, and an extra bout was ordered. McFadden was the aggressor in this, putting in some good two-handed work. Another disagreement on the part of judges saw Hewitt get the casting vote of the referee.

ATHLETICS.

L. A. C. AUTUMN MEETING.

The meeting that took place on Saturday worthily maintained the tradition of the L.A.C., for the sport was of the finest quality, and full of interest from start to finish. Unfortunately, the weather was wretched, for on and off it rained throughout the whole afternoon. However, the crowd numbered 2,500, one of the best attendances seen at the ground for some time past. The sentimental interest attaching to the meeting brought out quite a number of old athletes to see the last of the famous enclosure, and those that remained to the end and heard the band play "Auld Lang Syne" were rather sorrowful.

Turning to the afternoon's sport, Morton's win in the 120 yards handicap was a fine performance, his time 11⅕secs. equalling the British amateur record held by W. P. Phillips, C. A. Bradley, and A. R. Downer. The Mile Relay Race provided a great deal of interest, Morton's win on the post giving the victory to the Rest of England. Shrubb's attempt on record was a failure but it produced a real good performance. Jupp failed by ⅕ths of a second in his attempt on the 300 yards record. The officials were:—Referee, Mr. W. M. Chinnery; judges, Messrs. D. Basan, C. V. Hunter, E. H. Pelling, and J. H. A. Reay; judges for Volunteer competition, Lieutenant-Colonel C. H. Reid Todd, Captain C. R. Johnson, and Messrs. E. Ion Pool and H. Venn; starter, Mr. C. L. Lockton; timekeepers, Messrs. S. K. Holman, J. E. Fowler-Dixon, and H. Hewett Griffin; handicapper, Mr. F. Parker. Details:—

THREE-MILE CHALLENGE CUP (presented by Mrs. H. Frazer, 1892. Previous best performance, 15mins. 16⅕secs. by H. A Heath, 1892).

P. A. Casserley	... 1
E. S. Ward (holder)	... 2

They led in turn for two miles, when Casserley began to draw away, and eventually won easily by 300 yards. Time—15mins. 43⅖secs.

120 YARDS HANDICAP.

Final Heat.

J. W. Morton, S. L. H., scratch ...	... 1
E. R. Cooper, Manchester University, 4 yards start	... 2
E. H. Montague, S. L. H., 5	... 3
T. F. Cox, Highgate H., 11½	... 0
L. J. de B. Reed, S. L. H., 4½	... 0
S. H. Thompson, Birchfield H., 2 ...	... 0

They got away to a good start. Morton, running in grand style, drew up gradually and won by a foot; inches between second and third. Time—11⅕secs.

880 YARDS HANDICAP (open to past and present members of the L.A.C. over thirty-five years of age).—W. Lotinga, 100 yards start, 1; H. S. Johnson, 85, 2; W. H. Coad (ten-mile champion, 1896), 90, 3; E. F. Vowles, scratch, 4; C. H. Spendlove, 85, 5; J. E. Fowler-Dixon (fifty-mile record holder), 145, 6; E. A. Culver, 80, 0. Lotinga quickly went to the front, and eventually won easily by fifteen yards; same between second and third. Time—2mins. 4⅕secs. Vowles's time was 2mins. 14⅕secs.

ONE MILE RELAY RACE.—L.A.C. *vs.* REST OF ENGLAND.

(Previous record time for this event, 3mins. 9⅖secs. by Rest of England team, 14th May 1904. Each man to run 220 yards.)

Rest of England: C. F. Brewill (Captain), Loughborough Corinthians; J. W. Morton, S.L.H.; S. H. Thompson, Birchfield H.; L. J. de B. Reed, S.L.H.; S. Herdsfield, Birchfield H.; A. E. Janes, Herne Hill H.; C. McLachlan, Herne Hill H.; and E. R. Cooper, Manchester University A. C. 1

L.A.C.: L. F. Tremeer (Captain), C. H. Jupp, C. W. Fox, J. B. Densham, J. A. Miller, C. D. Comrie, H. Watson, and R. S. Paine 2

The quarter-mile times were 47⅖secs., 1min. 33⅖secs., 2mins. 20⅖secs. and 3mins. 7⅖secs. for the mile, which is the best that has ever been done in this kind of contest.

TEN MILE INVITATION RECORD HADICAP.

A. Shrubb, S.L.H., scratch	... 1
F. H. Hulford, Herne Hill H., 600 yards start	... 2
G. Still, Highgate H. 800	... 3

Also started: J. F. Lintott, Banstead H., 920, 0; E. R. Small, L.A.C., 1,000, 0; and J. Churchill, S.L.H., 1,500, 0.

The others were mainly on the track for the purpose of pacing Shrubb, who went in front between the sixth and seventh mile, and eventually won easily. The attempt on the record was a failure, notwithstanding some excellent pacing, in which all the men on the track did their share. Shrubb was very consistent up to the sixth mile, but then fell away, and in the end was 38⅖secs. outside W. G. George's World's Amateur Record, made at Stamford Bridge, on 7th April 1884. He ran on with the intention of beating George's hour amateur record of 11 miles 932 yards, but, with his time 57mins. 55⅖secs. at the eleventh mile, it was a hopeless task, and as a consequence he stopped running. Appended are Shrubb's times:—

Mls.	Intermediate Time. M.	S.	Intermediate Miles. M.	S.	Mls.	Intermediate Time. M.	S.	Intermediate Miles. M.	S.
1	4	52⅘	4	52⅘	7	35	15	5	15⅘
2	10	4⅕	5	11⅗	8	41	10⅘	5	19⅘
3	15	8⅘	6	4⅗	9	46	31	5	20⅕
4	20	16	5	7⅕	10	51	58⅘	5	27⅘
5	25	26⅘	5	10⅘	11	57	55⅕	5	57
6	30	35⅕	5	8⅖					

STOCK EXCHANGE ONE MILE RELAY RACE.

Mr E. Cazenove's team—A. Metcalf, F. S. Arnlot, P. Carter H. Nicalls, W. J. Basan, W. T. Folks, R. S Paine, 1; Mr. W M. Chinnery's team—A. Covenaugh, W. Townshend, J. H Bessell, H. N Duke, A. Hare-Duke, E. H. Flatt, J. H. Miller, 2. Mr. Cazenove's team led from start to finish, and won easily by twenty yards. Time—3mins. 26secs. The second team's time, 3mins. 30⅖secs. Owing to only seven men aside competing, the first pair, Metcalf and Cavenaugh, in order to make up the distance to a mile, ran the quarter.

300 YARDS HANDICAP (members) in which C. H. Jupp, 220 yards champion, attempted to beat C. G. Wood's 300 yards amateur record of 31⅕secs.)—C. H. Jupp, scratch, 1; L. F. Tremeer, 5 yards start, 2; C. W. Fox, 6, 3; H. Watson, 6, 0; R. S. Paine, 14, 0; E. H. Flatt, 16, 0. Jupp could have given longer starts to all of them, for he went in front shortly after the half distance, and won easily by four yards; two yards between second and third. Time—⅘secs. He was thus ⅗ths of a second outside record.

ONE MILE HANDICAP.—D. F. M. Nicol, Thames Valley H. 52 yards start, 1; A. W. Clay Thomas, South London H., 108, 2; F. A. Casserley, L. A. C., 60, 3; J. Binks, Highgate H., scratch, 0; A. Grossman, late Liverpool University, 38, 0; E. F. Judson, Blackheath H., 0; F. Heyes, L. A. C. 76 0; A. H. Lye, Herne Hill H., 110, 0; C. W. B. King, L. A. C. 120, 0; E. F. Vowles, L. A. C., 137, 0; H. A Freeman, Watford A C., 150, 0; H. Norrey, L. A. C., 165, 0; A. J. Stephens, Herne Hill H., 215. 0; C. H. Spendlove, Ranelagh H., 265. 0. Won by a yard; a bad third. Time—1min. 27⅕secs.

600 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP (presented by F Drury, 1892: best performance, 1min. 11⅘secs. by E. C. Bredin, 1892).

J. B. Densham (holder)	... 1
J. Stead	... 2

The holder indulged Stead with the lead until entering the straight, when he went in front and won by five yards. Time—1min. 18secs.

FIVE MILE EAVY MARCHING ORDER CHALLENGE CUP RACE.

Pte. E. S. Woodward (holder), (2nd Herts) V. R. Beds Regiment, 50mins. 26secs.	... 1
Pte. G. W Coombs, 20th Middlesex (Artist) R. V., 51mins. 44⅕secs.	... 2
Corpl. A. W. Johnson, 2nd London R. V. 53mins. 21secs.	3
Pte. L. F Tewsley, 7th Middlesex (London Scottish) R. V., 53mins. 55⅕secs.	... 0
Lance-Corpl. F. Richards, 20th Middlesex (Artist) R V., 56mins. ⅕secs.	... 0

Also started: Pte. W. B Hellard, 20th Middlesex (Artist) R. V. Sergt. W. Barclay; 1st. V. B. Hants Regiment; Corpl. Comber, 1st Middlesex R. V.; Pte. S. C. Schofield; 12th Middlesex (Civil Service) R V.; Pte. J. R. Watts, 2nd London R. V., Pte. C. Furby, 17th Middlesex R. V.; Pte. T. F. Cameron, 7th Middlesex (London Scottish) R. V.; Pte. G. Brown, 3rd T. B. Essex Regiment.

Won by 200 yards; the same distance dividing the second and third. Woodward beat his previous best time in the race by 1min. 49⅕secs. and by his third successive win takes perpetual possession of Mr. Harold Brown's cup.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

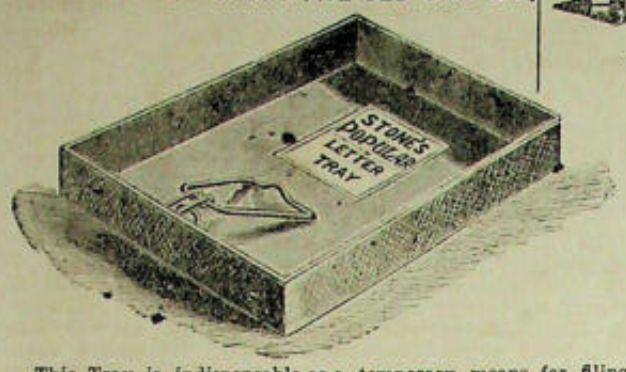
On Monday, the 10th October, the meet was at Brooklands at 7-30. It was a cloudy, cool morning with the country wet and most favorable for sport. Brooklands was first drawn and hounds had not been half way through when Captain Kennard halloaed at the bottom corner. Two jacks broke together and 16 couple of hounds went away on the line. They settled on the line of one of the jacks leading across Demon Valley and up the hill to Rocky Cover, on the far side of this the two jacks converged and ran parallel to the Sandy Nullah stream. Above Waterfall one of them was marked to ground in the rocks on the edge of the stream, and the other crossed and took five couple of hounds on below Beadnell's, and then right handed down Waterfall Valley before the whips could get across and stop them. Jimmy was sent after them and with the rest of the hounds the Master drew over the hill above Barber's Shop, and then along the top of Beadnell's Shola. Passing the Toda Mund hounds touched a line and after a snatch to the right and then to the left, dashed into the cover below the mund. Running straight through they turned across the swamp below and then crossed the hill, leaving Bracken Cover on their right, to the old Pykara Road. Here they checked, but the Master held hounds along the road, thinking that the jack had run it. They were kept on it for about a mile, but only the leading hounds occasionally stooped to the line.

About the first mile the jack appears to have left the road and hounds getting on to the grass drew along with a great crash of music parallel to the road to the ridge above Toda Coffee Shop Shola, there they swung to the right and hunted in the direction of the Shola Ghauts. They swung again to the right and ran past Tamad Mund down to the bad swamp, across it and up towards Dunsandle. The pace had been and continued so fast that no horse could live with hounds, but the Master kept along the top of Dunsandle and hearing from the terrier boys that they had gone towards Beadnell's rode down to Beadnell's and there found hounds with their jack marked to ground in a rocky earth in a nullah close to the head of Waterfall Valley, the jack could be heard snarling at them in the earth and hounds were frantic for blood, but their jack had to be left there. It was one of the best gallops this season for pace. On Thursday, the 13th, we met at Rees' Corner at 7-30. The morning at the start was cloudy, but later on it grew hot. A small field turned out and the Master sent them on to Baikie Crossing preparatory to drawing Druid, but just after leaving Rees' Corner a jack was seen to come off the hill above and resolutely galloped through the people on the road towards Fairlawns. We next drew Druid Shola blank and hounds got on a line between this and Baikie, but as the jack headed for Baikie the Master stopped them. Hounds next drew Ballywood downwards where a jack was viewed. We went to Brick Kiln Crossing and then turned to the right; re-crossing the swamp above Pearl Crossing and leaving Jackal Shola on the right brought us over the Krurmund Road to the top of Baikie, there hounds checked over the line they had failed a few minutes previous, but they soon hit it off again on the Monkey Shola side and ran at a great pace into Monkey Shola. The jack

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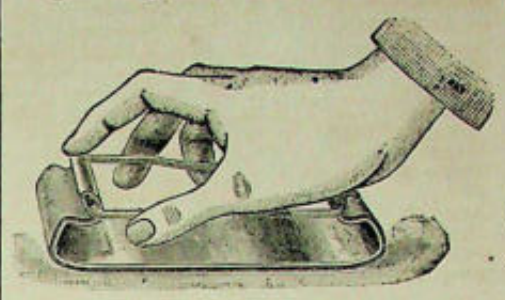
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then went over Rallywood and into Bluegums. Here, some fine cover hunting followed, during which a jack jumped up and hounds got divided. The hunted jack went away across to Governor's Shola with only five couple after him, of which the puppy, *Gracity*, was the leader, throwing her tongue freely. She guided the scent through the thick part of Governor's Shola past the Tolia School and through Martyn's Shola to the back of Staircase, there the jack got away and seeing the whips bringing up the rest of the jack the Master waited for them.

We next drew Herbert Plantation and got away from the north end almost immediately. Crossing the hill hounds ran through the upper part of Briar Shola, where the Master viewed a brace of jacks away in front. These ran together and took us to the back of Staircase to within half a mile of Bamboo Shola, and then up the top of Staircase over it and down into cover. There we lost them and came home. Scent throughout the morning was not very good and towards the end there was a south-west breeze with hot sun

BLUE GUM.

POONA AND KIRKEE FOXHOUNDS.

Dapuri was the trysting place for the 9th, and though excellent country is available in this direction, the field on this occasion was disappointingly meagre, due no doubt to the ceaseless rush of gaiety which is swamping Society at present, but which will soon be over for a time for all save those who follow the whirl from place to place. Crossing over the river some sugarcane fields were drawn blank, but drawing on in the direction of Chinchwad a wandering jack happily crossed the line of objective and hounds promptly owning to this slice of luck ran at a slow pace over not very difficult country, I believe, and after about a quarter of an hour tumbled over this far from large-hearted jackal in some fields not far from the railway station. Drawing homewards, a second jack was soon afterwards found and taken in the most accommodating way a line straight for the Dapuri Covert after a not very interesting run made good his point and saved his brush for another morning.

On Thursday, the 13th, about a quarter of a hundred sporting souls met at the Kennels, a meet which allows Poona folk an extra hour in bed. In consequence of the recent life-giving rain (which I gather has done almost incalculable benefit to the country and will turn otherwise miserable crops into excellent ones) the going was, needless to add, decidedly holding, but actual rain held off more or less all the mornings. Some cactus close to the Kennels was tried as a preliminary measure, but no jack was sufficiently foolhardy to play such pranks with Colonel Sheringham and his pack as to taunt them in that manner, and some fields on the banks of the big nullah were consequently searched and not in vain, for some half-grown crops held a jack who was promptly forced into the open towards the ill-omened Gibbet Hill and led hounds and horses a pleasant gallop. Over the hill close to the dip, and sinking the range he sought the level on the further side, rather rough, nullah-broken country, if my memory serves me rightly. Running rather a ring from all I can gather, the jack made back for civilization once more, both to leave his happy home on the green, green field besides the somewhat smelly nullah of Bairoba, which has the evil reputation of being responsible for so much fever in the vicinity. Over this Styx the jack galloped at a rare pace and the heavy going accounted for a considerable tailing off in the field and bellows to mend for many. It was a comparatively brief though lively gallop, and what between some disliking galloping up to their fetlocks and some endeavouring with disastrous results to "ride clever" at the hill range, an extremely select few saw the jack meet his end. A very enjoyable morning's sport for those who didn't mind the slush.

SCARAMOUCH.

Athletics.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA ATHLETIC SPORTS.

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MR. H. SYMONS.

Judges :—COL. H. D. OLIVIER, MR. F. A. PREVOST, MR. W. P. PEACHEY, AND MAJOR NELSON.

Starters :—MESSRS. C. E. DURNFORD AND D. D. BRAND.

Referee :—MR. MARSHALL REID, C.I.E.

Clerks of the Course :—MAJOR C. E. BAYNES AND MR. H. SYMONS.

Time-Keeper :—MR. G. LUND.

Hony. Secys. :—MESSRS. F. R. HILL AND W. E. CRUM.

Monday and Tuesday, 10th and 11th October 1904.

The annual athletic sports organised by the Bombay Gymkhana which were held last Monday and Tuesday were hardly the success anticipated and the reasons for this were various. Time was when the Bombay Athletic Meeting could hold its own with any other of a similar kind in the country, but not so now and as a matter of fact this year the meeting had so little attraction for athletes that several events fell through for want of entries. Since the institution of this meeting it has been customary to hold it in the month of October, absolutely the steamiest month of the whole year in Bombay. It is but natural that men do not care to do any training under these conditions and it has consequently each year grown increasingly difficult to get men to Compete. With the temperature 99 degrees in the shade it is the reverse of pleasant to have to exert one's self violently and it happened that Monday was the hotest day we have had this year. The attendance during the two days instead of being numbered by thousands totalled only a few hundreds.

Two events were expunged from the programme for want of sufficient entries, *viz.*, the walking race and throwing the cricket ball. It is difficult to understand why sufficient entries were not obtained for the cricket ball event. There are any number of cricketers in the Gymkhana who might have entered but only two could be persuaded to send in their names. The entries for some of the events were very poor, notably the high jumps, 120 yards hurdle race, 120 yards veteran handicap, tug-of-war for British soldiers, and tug-of-war for native soldiers, in each of which there were only two competitors. Three teams originally entered for the tug-of-war for British soldiers but the Royal Garrison Artillery team from Colaba failed to put in an appearance thus robbing the event of nearly all interest. On the whole everything went off a bit flat and there was a want of enthusiasm on the part of spectators and competitors alike which was very marked, especially on the first day. No fresh records were set up, though this does not imply that the times recorded in some of the events were not good. The 100 yards (Challenge Cup) for which six competed was an interesting race and was won by Lieutenant F. S. Massy in 10⅘secs. from A. Siddons, the Calcutta man, who ran well and only lost by a few feet. The result was a bit unexpected. T. J. Reed being regarded as having the race safe. The quarter-mile open to all-comers and the open 100 yards attracted a considerable amount of interest and were run off in two heats. The 100 yards proved a gift to Private Sharp, of the Black Watch, a well-known performer on Indian tracks, who won in the good time of 10⅕secs. The final in the 220 for British sailors and soldiers also fell to Sharp who covered the distance in 24secs. The 220 for members (handicap) resulted in Brand, the Gymkhana Rugby Captain, just winning by a foot from P. F. Fischer who ran very strongly. The mile flat race for British sailors and soldiers resulted in an easy win for Gunner McCormack the time recorded, 4mins. 46secs. being fairly good considering the roughness of the track. The half-mile open to members and honorary members was won by C. M. Ward after a good finish with F. Siddons. The latter's win in the quarter-mile (Challenge Cup) for members and honorary members was quite one of the best performances of the meeting. His time, 53⅘secs., was remarkably good and he ran strongly to the finish. Lieutenant A. H. C. Garsia and C. M. Ward who were second and third respectively also ran in good form. Lieutenant F. S. Massy, a young athlete who created a very favourably impression, annexed the long jump with a jump of 20 ft. 10 ins. and also carried off the 120 yards hurdle race for members and honorary members, clearing his hurdles in fine style. The half-mile flat race open to all-comers attracted no less than 20 entrants from different regiments and resulted in a good win for Bombardier Dunkley. The 150 yards handicap for members only was regarded as a walkover for P. F. Fischer who won easily. The half-mile steeplechase for British soldiers and sailors and the same distance for Rugby football playing members of the Gymkhana were annexed by Piper Wright and A. M. Forrest respectively, their times being 2mins. 45⅘secs. and 3mins. ⅘secs. The other events on the second day had not much interest for the spectators.

The honorary secretaries, Messrs. Crum and Hill, worked hard to make the athletic portion of the meeting a success and if things scarcely panned out according to expectations it was through no fault of their.

Details :—

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (Challenge Cup).—Open to members and honorary members of the Gymkhana.

Lieut. F. S. Massy	1
A. Siddons	2
P. F. Fischer	3

Five started; won by a yard. Time—10⅕secs.

QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE.—Members and honorary members of the Gymkhana.

F. Siddons	1
Lieut. A. H. C. Garsia	2
C. M. Ward	3

Five ran; Siddons led at once followed by Garsia. The latter sprinted in the straight but could not catch Siddons who won by inches. Time—53⅘secs.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE.—Members and honorary members of the Gymkhana.

Lieut. F. S. Massy	1
A. M. Forrest	2

Massy led from start to finish and won by two yards. Time—18⅘secs.

HALF MILE FLAT RACE.—Open to members and honorary members of the Gymkhana.

C. M. Ward	1
F. Siddons	2
D. H. Brand	3

Five started, a good race between Ward and Siddons resulted in a win forward by a couple of yards; a good third. Time—2mins. 17⅘secs.

HIGH JUMP.—Open to members and honorary members of the Gymkhana.

C. M. Ward (5 feet 1 inch) 1
Two competed, Ward winning easily.

LONG JUMP.—Members and honorary members of the Gymkhana.

C. H. Roberts	1
Lieut. F. S. Massy	2

The winner cleared 20 feet 10 inches.

HALF MILE STEEPLECHASE.—Open to Rugby Football members of the Gymkhana.

A. Forrest	1
T. J. Reed	3

Won by four yards. Six competed.

120 YARDS VETERANS' HANDICAP.—Members of the Gymkhana.

F. A. Reddie (12 yards)	1
H. Symons (19 yards)	2

Won by a yard. Time—13⅕secs.

150 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—Members only.

P. F. Fischer (5 yards)	1
Lieut. F. S. Massy (scratch)	2
E. E. Coombs (12 yards)	3

There were fifteen entries for this event. Fischer just managed to breast the tape ahead of the scratch man, Coombs being a good third. Time—15⅕secs.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—Members only.

D. H. Brand (7 yards)	1
P. F. Fischer (scratch)	2

Five started, close finish Time—25⅕secs.

OPEN TO ALL COMERS.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE.

Pte. Sharp (Black Watch)	1
A. H. E. Game	2
C. P. O. J. Henley (H.M.S. *Lapwing*)	3

Ten entered but only six ran, Sharp winning by a yard. Time—10⅕secs.

QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE.

First Heat.

Bombr Grayley (R.F.A.)	1
Sergt. B. Grainge (West Yorks)	2
Pte. C. Jones (Cheshires)	3

Won by a yard. Time—55⅕secs.

Second Heat.

Naik Murad Buksh (27th Light Cavalry)	1
Lce.-Corpl. Baston (Cheshires)	2
R. H. Fido	3

Won by half a yard. Time—57⅕secs.

HALF MILE FLAT RACE.

Bombr. A. Dunkley (R.F.A.)	1
Pte. Sullivan (Connaught Rangers)	2
Gr. R. McCormack (R.G.A.)	3

Ten started, a good race in the home between Dunkley and Sullivan resulting in a win for the former by five yards; two yards between second and third. Time—2mins. 11⅕secs.

OPEN TO BRITISH SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE.

First Heat.

Sergt. B. Grainge (West Yorks)	1
Lce.-Corpl. Kirtlan (East Lancs)	2
Gr. McCheyne (R.G.A.)	3

Won by a yard; two yards between second and third. Time—26⅕secs.

Second Heat.

Pte. Sharp (Black Watch)	1
Lce.-Corpl Baston (Cheshires)	2
Bombr. Grayley (R.F.A.)	3

Won easily by five yards; six yards between second and third. Time—25secs.

Final.

Pte. Sharp (Black Watch)	1
Sergt B. Grainge (West Yorks)	2
Bombr. Grayley (R.F.A.)	3

Sharp led all the way and won by five yards. Time—24secs.

HALF MILE STEEPLECHASE.

Piper J. Wright (Argyll and Sutherland) ...	1
Bombr. Carnegie (R.F.A.)	2
Pte. Bennan (East Lancs)	3

Nine started, Carnegie led for the first lap but fell in the second, Wright passing him and winning by five yards; two yards between second and third. Time—2mins. 45⅘secs.

ONE MILE FLAT RACE.

Gr. R. McCormack (R.G.A.)	1
Piper J. Wright (Argyll and Sutherland)	2
Bombr A. Dunkley (R.F.A.)	3

Nine started. Dunkley led for most of the distance when Wright and McCormack went to the front, the latter winning by three yards: four yards between second and third. Time—4mins. 46secs.

TUG-OF-WAR.—British soldiers.
Connaught Rangers *vs.* East Lancashire Regiment.
Won by the Connaught Rangers.

NATIVE SOLDIERS.
100 YARDS FLAT RACE.
First Heat.

Naik Murad Buksh (27th Light Cavalry)	1
Lce-Naik Shownaram Goojah (122nd Rajputana Infantry)	2

Won by a yard. Time—12½secs.
Second Heat.

Sowar Futteh Khan (27th Light Cavalry)	1
Pte. Ahmed Husein Khan (119th Infantry)	2

Won by two yards. Time—11½secs.
Third Heat.

Lce-Naik Shaik Lal (121st Pioneers)	1
Sepoy Sikunder Shah (129th Baluchis)	2

Won by a yard. Time—11½secs.
Fourth Heat.

Sowar Abdul Sattar	1
Sepoy Moti Nawab (120th Rajputana Infantry) ...	2

Won by a yard. Time—11½secs.
Final.

Naik Murad Buksh (27th Light Cavalry)	1
Sowar Abdul Sattar (27th Light Cavalry)	2
Sowar Futteh Khan (27th Light Cavalry)	3

The 27th Light Cavalry had it all their own way Murad Buksh winning by two yards; half a yard between second and third. Time—10½secs.

QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE.
First Heat.

Naik Murad Buksh (27th Light Cavalry)	1
Sepoy Sikunder Shah (129th Baluchis)	2
Sepoy Khema (120th Rajputana Infantry)	3

Led from the start and won by five yards. Time—58½secs.
Second Heat.

Sowar Abdul Sattar (27th Light Cavalry)	1
Pte. Ahmed Husein Khan (119th Bombay Infantry) ...	2
Rifleman Nurullah (104th Rifles)	3

Led all the way, won easily by six yards. Time—59½secs.
Third Heat.

Pte. Shewram (122nd Rajputana Infantry)... ...	1
Havildar Kajja (120th Rajputana Infantry) ...	2
Lce-Naik Shaik Lal (121st Pioneers)	3

Time—59½secs.
Final.

Sowar Abdul Sattar (27th Light Cavalry)	1
Naik Murad Buksh (27th Light Cavalry)	2
Pte. Ahmed Husein Khan (119th Bombay Infantry) ...	3

Won easily by five yards: seven yards between second and third. Time—57½secs.

HALF MILE STEEPLECHASE.
First Heat.

Sepoy Sikundar Shah (129th Baluchis)	1
Sowar Abdul Sattar (27th Light Cavalry)	2
Pte. Adi Khan (121st Pioneers)	3
Sepoy Moti Rawat (120th Rajputana Infantry) ..	4

Won by three yards. Time—2mins. 49½secs.
Second Heat.

Sepoy Scolia (120th Rajputana Infantry)	1
Havildar Kajja (120th Rajputana Infantry)	2

Scolia led all through, won by three yards. Time—2mins. 53secs.
Final.

Sepoy Sikundar Shah (129th Baluchis) ...	1
Sepoy Scolia (120th Rajputana Infantry)	2

Won by two yards. Time.—2mins 40½secs.

TUG-OF-WAR.
104th Rifles *vs.* 121st Pioneers.
The 104th Rifles won easily.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE.—Schoolboys under 14 years.
First Heat.

S. M. Hussonali (Proprietory and Fort)	1
F. O'Gorman (St. Mary's)	2

Won by half a yard. Time—13secs.
Second Heat.

F. Savage (Cathedral)	1
G. Scott (Education Society)	2

Won by two yards Time—13secs.
Third Heat.

C. Spencer (Education Society) ... ... —	1
J. Cornfield (Indo-British) ... ... }	Dead-heat.
J. E. D'Almeida (St. Xavier's) ... ... }	

Won by four yards. Time—13secs.
Final.

C. Spencer (Education Society)	1
F. Savage (Cathedral)	2
F. O'Gorman (St. Mary's)	3

Won by a yard; a good third. Time—12secs.

THREE-LEGGED RACE.—Schoolboys under 14 years.

C. Spencer and G. Scott (Education Society) ...	1
B. Miller and A. Rushton (Cathedral)	2
A. Coates and E. Garthwaite (St. Mary's)	3

Won easily by about ten yards; two yards between the second and third pairs. Time—57½secs.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE.—Schoolboys, 14 years and over.
First Heat.

R. James (Indo-British)	1
C. Hurst (St. Mary's)	2
L. Ward (Cathedral)	3

Won by a yard. Time—26½secs.
Second Heat.

P. Hogan (St. Mary's)	1
G. Swingler (Education Society)	2
Mahomed Yasouf (Anjuman-i-Islam) — ...	3

Won easily. Time—25½secs.
Final.

P. Hogan (St. Mary's)	1
R. James (Indo-British)	2
C. Hurst (St. Mary's)	3

Hogan led the whole way and won by one and-a-half yards. Time—25½secs.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)
LONDON, *30th September 1904.*

AUTUMN is a favourite season with road riders for making record attempts, but unfortunately during the last two weeks a keen east wind has been blowing against which it is too trying a task for riders to ride at record time. But taking advantage of one day when the wind was not quite so much in evidence, G. A. Olley, of the Vegetarian C. C., started on an attempt to improve upon the twelve hours unpaced record for Southern Roads which stood to the credit of J. Dudley Daymond at 198¼ miles. Although considerably delayed through punctures, Olley put a very meritorious performance, completing 203 miles in the twelve hours. This is the first time that 200 miles have been covered in twelve hours on Southern Roads in an unpaced ride.

Sunday, 25th September, was the day fixed by the Moto Cycle Club de France for holding the great International Cup race for motor cycles and which was duly carried out to the success of the promoting nation. The cup was presented early this year to the Moto Cycle Club of France for international competition under rules and regulations very similar to those governing the Gordon-Bennett race for Motor-cars; indeed, it is the "Gordon-Bennett" of the motor cycling world. All affiliated nations may send three representatives the successful country holding the trophy for the ensuing twelve months, like in the Gordon-Bennett contest, the machines driven by the competitors must be built throughout in the country which the riders represent. Five nations competed this year, *viz.*, —Austria, Denmark, France, Germany and Great Britain, but unfortunately our representatives never finished, in fact, only the French and Austrian riders showed up at the finish. Demester (France) was first; Toman (Austria) second; Inghilbert (France) third; Lamberjack (France) fourth and Nourtick (Austria) fifth. These were the only men to complete the 167½ miles the distance of the race. The others had shocking experience with punctures—the roads, it were stated, having been maliciously sprinkled with nails: even the first men home had a fair share of punctures, the winner no less than three in less than a quarter of the distance.

Motor cyclists have figured prominently just lately, for besides the road race just referred to a very interesting meeting was carried through at the Crystal Place on Saturday last. The fixture was the Annual Race Meeting of the Auto Cycle Club and consisted of three events, *viz.*,—an hour race for a Challenge Cup presented by the proprietors of *The Motor Cycle*, a five-mile handicap for another cup presented by the proprietors of *The Motor Car Journal* and a mile time trial for a cup presented by the *Automotor Journal*. The hour race brought out seven competitors and a good start was made by Bennett with Crundall well up. Very shortly after the start, however, an unfortunate accident occurred, Bennett being thrown full length across the track with Crundall and Bent following in the rear at forty miles an hour bat. Crundall was able to clear the fallen rider by running off the track, but Bent rode over his legs and then charged the fence, he and his machine rolling down the banking. Bent was considerably knocked about and had to be removed to the hospital. A fresh start was then made and the hour ride completed without further mishaps, the winner—Crundall putting up new records by covering 22 miles in 30 minutes, and 42 miles 1,352 yards in the hour. The five miles handicap was won by C. Collier in 7 minutes 3⅗ seconds, Crundall being second and Franklin third. Collier was also successful in the Mile Time Trial, covering the distance in 1 minute 15 seconds. Altogether the meeting was a success, and I believe that there is a future for motor cycle racing since "loafing" does not figure in the rider's "tactics."

I find that the recent record ride of Mr. E. H. Grimsdell of the North Road C. C. in knocking off 3½ hours from the unpaced London to Edinburgh jaunt is even more meritorious than the actual time shows, for beside meeting with an extra share of punctures he was delayed for over an hour at Borobridge; trying to make his machine rideable and then, being unsuccessful, he mounted a strange machine and completed the remaining 120 miles. The distance between the two cities is 400 miles, and this Grimsdell covered, without any assistance whatsoever from pacemakers and including all delays, in the remarkable time of 28 hours 3 minutes. There are one or two motor cyclists who will be shortly attempting the journey on motors, with the hope of bringing the time down to about 24 hours.

The "Sport and Play" Tournament held on 24th September on the Aston Villa grounds, Birmingham, attacted some of the best of the provincial racing talent, such men as E. Payne, J. S. Benyon, W. M. Hight and Arthur Gell figuring among the starters. Perhaps the most important cycling event on the programme—it being a mixed programme—was the 1 mile N. C. U. Championship of the Birmingham Centre won by E. Payne, of Worcester, who, apart from Benyon, is the finest rider in the provinces, if not his equal. A ten miles scratch race resulted in a win for Ben Jones of Wigan, with A. E. Taylor second and A. Gell third. There are now very few meetings to be decided since winter will be with us in the course of another four weeks or so, even now the evenings close in at 6 o'clock and the afternoons are becoming cold and damp.

Cyclists, as one man, condemn the pastime of the youthful members of the community which consists of bowling a hoop along public highways to the danger of all traffic and cyclists in particular. At Eastbourne recently, a gentleman was killed by being run over by a horse which had taken fright at a hoop which had become entangled in its legs. This is certainly nothing to do with cycling, but it provides another example of the danger which exists in the practice, and which wheelmen have been growling about for years. Why do not the police act in the matter? They are smart enough in stopping "football," "tip-cat," and other pa-times when played in the roadway, but the hoop with its many dangers is left alone.

Whilst not advocating the imposition of a cycle tax in this country, such a tax would not be without its advantages for then the popularity of a pastime could be accurately gauged year by year and its rise and fall noted. In France, each succeeding year has shown an increase, the number of machines whereon taxes were paid last year amounting to 1,310,223. The number of motor cycles reached 19,816. This is not so many as in this country, so it is more than probable that Great Britain would also exceed the French total for push bikes.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

MR. F. H. STEWART'S XII. *vs.* OLYMPIAN C. C.—Cricket on the maidan at any rate always begins with the Poojahs, and the above annual encounter took place on Saturday last, the first day of the holidays, and produced a most exciting game, the scratch side, which was beaten by 19 runs on the first innings, making a gallant bid for victory in declaring their second closed with five men out for 82, and getting all their opponents' wickets except the last in the thirty-five minutes or so which remained for play. Both sides were strongly represented, and the assistance of F. Gould, the Ballygunge bowler, was of great value to the Olympians he and his brother coming out with fine analyses, as did Hechle, F. H. Stewart, Ogilvy, and Hilary for the visitors. The only really good batting display was Hilary's second contribution of 36 not out. Abbott, who scored 21 for the Olympians, being missed at least twice, though his plucky innings certainly won the match for his side. Phillipowsky showed good captaincy in putting his opponents in first after winning the toss, for they were totally out of practice, and the wicket, which played wonderfully well, got faster and easier after lunch: he kept wicket, too, as well as ever, being wonderfully active on the leg side. The Olympians won by 19 runs on the first innings, but were actually 34 behind with only one wicket to go in their second. Full score and analysis:—

MR. F. H. STEWART'S XII.

First Innings.		Second Innings	
B. E. G. Eddis, c Phillipowsky, b F. Gould	3	st. Phillipowsky, b A. Gould ...	0
H. I. Hilary, c Phillipowsky, b A. Gould	5	not out ...	36
W. E. Bayley, c A. Gould, b F. Gould	9	b F. Gould ...	1
J. H. Hechle, b A. Gould ...	3	did not bat.	
L. W. Ogilvy, c and b F. Gould	5		
F. H. Stewart, c Conway, b A. Gould	5		
H. P. M. Rae, c A. Gould, b F. Gould	8	c Baldwin b Modi ...	13
E. W. Antram, b F. Gould ...	1	did not bat.	
Stickford, b A. Gould ...	1		
W. B. Cooke, b A. Gould ...	0	not out ...	7
Captain McCay, c and b A. Gould	0	c Abbott, b F. Gould...	6
G. O. Rushton, not out ...	1	b A. Gould ...	8
Extras ...	0	Extras ...	11
Total	41		82

Innings declared 5 wickets down.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

First Innings.	B.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	B.	M.	R.	W.
F. Gould ..	50	1	25	5		66	1	32	2
A. Gould ...	18	2	16	6		24	1	9	2
					D. R. Modi	18	0	8	1
					W. R. Baldwin	12	0	9	0
					C. Crimmins	6	0	13	0

OLYMPIAN C. C.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C. Crimmins, c Hilary, b Stewart ...	11	b Stewart ...	0
R. H. Ferguson, b Stewart	2	st. Eddis, b Stewart ...	5
H. M. Sherman, b Hechle...	1	b Hechle ...	5
A. Gould, c Hilary, b Hechle	9	not out ...	0
C. A. Abbott, b Hilary ...	21	not out ...	4
F. Gould, c Hilary, b Stewart	1	c McCay, b Stewart ...	1
A. P. Conway, c and b Ogilvy	10	b Hechle ...	0
A. D. Dulcken, st. Eddis, b Ogilvy	0	b Hechle ...	2
E. L. Balli C. Antram, b Ogilvy	4	b Hechle ...	6
C. E. Phillipowsky (Capt.) c Eddis, b Hilary ...	1	c McCay, b Hechle	0
W. R. Baldwin, c McCay, b Ogilvy	7	b Stewart ...	3
D. R. Modi, not out ...	1	c Rae, b Hechle ...	0
Leg Bye ...	1	Byes 3, Leg Bye ...	1
Total ...	60	Total (10 wkts. down)	30

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

First Innings.	B.	M.	R.	W.	Second Innings.	B.	M.	R.	W.
J. H. Hechle ...	54	4	13	2		42	3	16	6
F. W. Stewart ...	54	3	18	3		36	1	10	4
H. I. Hilary ...	24	1	13	2					
L. W. Ogilvy ...	22	0	14	4					

OLYMPIANS *vs.* KING'S OWN.—This match was played on the Olympians' ground on the 17th instant and resulted in a win for the home team by 36 runs. The regiment batted first and scored 113 runs. Pte. Rolfe was top scorer with 33, Mr. Scott (25) played a good game. The Olympians made 149 Ballantyne (41), Conway (32), and Sherman (23) being the chief contributors. F. Gould trundled with success, securing six wickets for 39 runs. Score:—

KING'S OWN.

Pte. Beaney, c A. Gould, b F. Gould	10
Col.-Sergt. Morrell, c Ballantyne, b F. Gould ...	0
Pte. Waberton, b F. Gould	4
J. N. Scott, b Ballantyne	25
Corpl. Graham, l-b-w, b F. Gould	3
Sergt.-Gardner, c Dulcken, b Ferguson	18
Pte. Rolfe, c Baldwin, b A. Gould	33
A. J. Pott, c and b F. Gould	11
Sergt. Guest, run out...	1
Pte. Morrow, c A. Gould b F. Gould	0
Qrmr.-Sergt. Fisher, not out	8
Extras	5
Total ...	113

OLYMPIANS.

G. Crimmins, l-b-w, b Gardner	2
R. Ferguson, b Gardner	13
J. Ballantyne, b Pott	41
H. Sherman, c Fisher, b Pott	23
F. Gould, c Pott, b Gardner	10
A. P. Conway, c Warberton, b Guest	32
D. R. Modi, c Pott, b Rolfe ... . —	9
A. D. Dulcken, run out	0
W. R. Baldwin, b Rolfe	5
A. Gould, not out ... ... —	0
C. E. Phillipowsky, c Morrow, b Guest ... —	2
Extras	12
Total	149

HOWRAH CLUB *vs.* ST. JAMES.—Played at Howrah on the 15th instant, the visitors winning by 62 runs. Score:—

HOWRAH CLUB.

P. Ghose, b McCready	1
A. Mukerjee, b Cox	25
M. Ghose, b McCready	10
P. Nasker, st Jewell, b Cox	16
S. Dutt, c McCready, b Cox	6
J. Dass, not out	17
G. Banerjee, c McCready, b Adams	14
A. Bose, c Cox, b McCready	0
A. Ray, b McCready	0
N. Ghose, b Adams	1
M. Mittra, b Adams...	0
Extras	9
Total	99

ST. JAMES.

A. McCready, l-b-w, b Ray	42
F. Jewell, b Bannerjee	16
A. Skempton, b Dass	8
A. Tunnicliffe, b Bannerjee	20
G. Jewell, c J. Dass, b Ray	10
A. Le vis, b Ray	0
M. Cox, b Bannerjee	10
H. Durnford, c Dass, b Bannerjee	32
R. Adams, not out	37
J. Cox, run out	2
K. Duff, b Bannerjee	0
Extras ... ... —	4
Total — ...	161

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HOWRAH UNITED C. C. *vs.* 79TH R. G. A.—This match was played at Howrah on the 15th instant and ended in a draw, the Gunners playing out time. Rigg batted well for 50. Score :—

HOWRAH UNITED.

B. Rigg, run out	50
R. Jackson, b Watts	25
A. Lewty, c. Erswell, b Watts	0
C. Dyer, c Wilkinson, b Bailey	16
W. Burnand, b Lieut. Noble	8
W. Dyer, b Lieut. Noble	30
H. Jackson, c Watts, b Noble	6
J. Purcell, c Noble, b Bailey	11
Ribbins, not out	6
W. Smith, b Lieut. Cudlip	0
Hart, b Lieut. Cudlip	6
Extras	5
Total	163

79TH ROYAL GARRISON ARTILLERY.

Lieut. Noble, b Rigg	4
Bailey, b Rigg	16
Watts, c Dyer, b Jackson	24
Lieut. Cudlip, b Jackson	6
MacDonald, c Smith, b Jackson	9
Wilkinson, run out	6
Erswell, c Ribbins, b Purcell	8
Beaumont, c Rigg	11
Robinson, c Ribbins, b Purcell	0
Qr mr.-Sergt. Bickerton, not out	0
McCarthy, did not bat.	
Extras	8
Total	95

DALHOUSIE A. C. *vs.* CALEDONIA A. C.—On Saturday on the Dalhousie Club ground, the Caledonians batted first on a soft wicket. Templeton, who is associated with the Trades Club for the present, and Butland, bowled ; the varying lengths of the deliveries of the latter worried the visitors considerably, only 40 runs being scored with the fall of the tenth wicket.

Dalhousie gave a still poorer display of batting, but fortunately for them Prike managed to stay at the wickets, and by some plucky hitting gave his club the victory. Score :—

CALEDONIA.

S. Garrett, c Luckhurst, b Butland	2
H. Chandler, b Butland	5
J Pybus, b Templeton	4
E. O. Elliot, c Carne, b Butland	5
R. J. Davis, c Luckhurst, b Butland	9
T. R. Harrington, c Luckhurst, b Butland	0
G. V. Wade, b Stewart	2
B. Ten Brocke, c and b Butland	1
R. J. Wilton, c Butland, b Stewart	0
Mabbett, c Luckhurst, b Stewart	0
J. H. Dimsdale, not out	5
Extras	7
Total	40

DALHOUSIE.

F. Bushby, c Wilton, b Elliot	1
P. McDougal, b Elliot	3
E. Templeton, c Ten Brocke, b Elliot	0
F. Prike, c and b Elliot	21
W. Carne, run out	2
J. Luckhurst, b Elliot	3
J. F. Greig, b Elliot	6
H. Butland, c Chandler, b Elliot	6
D. M. Stewart, c Dimsdale, b Elliot	0
Carter, not out	0
P. Wheeler, absent, hurt	0
Extras	0
Total	42

CRICKET IN MADRAS.

MADRAS C. C. *vs.* SOUTH OF INDIA.—This match was concluded on the 8th instant and resulted in a win for the M. C. C. by an innings and 70 runs. They batted first and put up 298 for 8 wickets, G. Fraser (91) played a fine innings and Messrs. Haughton (51), Braithwaite (40), and Keeling (31 not out), all made very useful scores. The South of India scored 128 and 100 ; Milne 44, Tweedie 23, Knight 36, and Cave-Brown 23 being the chief contributors. Score :—

M. C. C.—First Innings.

J. McIver c and b Plumer	3
G. Fraser c Tweedie, b Ingram	91
S. O. Probyn, b Knight	2
E. J. Haughton, b Knight	51
P. P. Braithwaite l-b-w, b Lambert	40
Capt. Bowen, c Knight, b Ingram	23
H. T. Keeling, not out	31
R. C. M. Strouts, b Saunders	21
Capt. Carew-Smyth, run out	5
W. Ferris, C. de la Hay	did not bat.
Extras	31
(Total for 8 wkts.)	298

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Plumer	13	53	2	1
Tweedie	12	36	0	0
L. G. Knight	17	103	1	2
Saunders	5	21	1	1
Cave-Brown	3	9	1	0
Ingram	87	29	0	2
Lambert	6	14	2	1

SOUTH OF INDIA.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
F. F. Tweedie, retired ill	23		
C. G. M. Plumer, c McIver, b de la Hay	12	b Strouts	0
M. Knight, b Strouts	4	c Bowen, b Probyn	36
C. Brooke-Leggatt, c Probyn, b Strouts	11	st Fraser, b Strouts	7
L. G. Knight, c McIver, b Strouts	9	b Strouts	13
Mr. K. Ingram, l-b-w, b Carew-Smyth	6	st Fraser, b Bowen	3
A. S. Milne, run out	11	b Bowen	2
W. Cave-Brown, c Bowen, b Carew-Smyth	7	not out	23
J. H. Lambert, c Bowen, b Carew-Smyth	0	Carew-Smyth	5
Saunders, b Carew-Smyth	1	run out	4
N. Rowsell, not out	0	st Fraser, b Carew-Smyth	1
Extras	8	Extras	6
Total	128	Total	100

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *vs.* THE SURVEY.—Appended are the scores in the above match, which ended in a draw. Score :—

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.—1st Innings.

G. J. G. Hanson, run out	12
E. Raymond, b J. Pereira	15
P. L. Moore, l-b-w, J. Pereira	7
Capt. Standage, b J. Pereira	29
Major Jollie, c J. Pereira, b Osborne	60
H. A. Harris, b Gunter	1
Mr. Le Marchand, b J. Pereira	7
R. L. Galloway, b Osborne	15
H. F. Wilkieson, c Bird, b J. Pereira	24
G. Hayes, not out	5
K. Ratman Pillai, c Williams, b Luxa	4
Extras	22
Total	211

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
C. Pereira	24	23	—	0
H. Osborne	60	54	—	2
J. Pereira	18	61	—	5
W. Gorman	6	7	—	0
W. Bird	12	10	—	0
Capt. Gunter	54	80	—	1
Luxa	4	4	—	1

SURVEY OF INDIA.—1st Innings.

J. Pereira, c Hanson, b Kanakaratnam	0
H. Osborne, b Jollie	45
Capt. Gunter, b Le Marchand	40
D. Luxa, b Kanakaratnam	40
C. Pereira, not out	21
L. Williams, c and b Kanakaratnam	31
McCracken, c and b Kanakaratnam	20
Gorman, c Hanson, b Standage	28
H. C Stotesbury, D. H. Stotesbury, W. Bird	did not bat
Extras	22
Total	210

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
K. Ratnam Pillai	114	47	2	4
Harris	84	38	4	0
Standage	108	64	3	1
Raymond	30	23	0	0
Le Marchand	18	10	0	1
Jollie	12	6	0	1

CRICKET AT KAMPTEE.

KAMPTEE *vs.* NAGPUR.—The match between these teams resulted in a victory for the homesters by 49 runs. Score :—

KAMPTEE GYMKHANA.

Lieut. Lumsden, b Ratnam	5
Lieut. Henry, b Cleveland	10
Lieut. Anderson, c Cowie, b Cleveland	0
Mr. McNeil, b Goring Jones	77
Lieut. Farquharson, b Ratnam	14
Lieut. McCallum, b Goring Jones	29
Lieut. Kreyar, b Ratnam	6
Capt. Hodding, c and b Goring Jones	18
Lieut. Carlton, c Cowie, b Hullah	2
Lieut. Saward, b Goring Jones	1
Lieut. Pope, not out	0
Extras	11
Total	173

NAGPUR GYMKHANA.

Mr. Cleveland, st Farquharson, b McCallum	
Mr. Cowie, c Saward, b Lumsden	
Mr. Hullah, b McCallum	
Mr. Ratnam, l-b-w, b McCallum	
Mr. Fagan, run out	
Capt. Goring Jones, c Farquharson, b Pope	
Capt. Plowden, b Anderson	
Mr. Leftwich, b McCallum	
Mr. Mainwaring, st Farquharson, b McCallum	
Mr. Phear, not out	
Mr. Maw, c Lumsden, b McCallum	
Extras	
Total	124

CRICKET AT DARJEELING.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—Played on Saturday last on "The Shrubbery" ground, the Civil winning by the substantial majority of 124. The Aligarh College player, Abdul Rezzak, was on the winning side and compiled a tidy 72. He played with extreme care and caution at the start, but when he got well set he opened out and scored rapidly. His style is most attractive and pleasing to watch. He was out to a full pitched ball which he misjudged and put into the hands of the smart Uzielli at long field. The Maharajah of Cooch Behar's son, Victor Narayan, a pupil of Abdul Rezzak commenced well, but he was out to a difficult ball from Hartley when he had scored 14. Messrs. Beechcroft and Brown gave a delightful display for their 66 and 50, and with the exception of Cousins, who made 24, the others did little, and the innings closed for 262. The Military opened well with Uzielli putting on boundaries in quick succession, but misfortune beset the side when two reliable bats in Major Buchanan and Sergeant Fraser failed to score, and Quinan was out for 12. Captain Clarke made a useful score by vigorous hitting, and Waller followed suit scoring 24 by boundaries out of his 27. Ryan did not have his usual success in this match, securing but one wicket for 51 runs. The following were the scores :—

CIVIL.		MILITARY.	
Abdul Rezzak, c Uzielli, b Fraser	72	Mr. T. J. Uzielli, c Haycock, b Beechcroft	37
Mr. D. S. Murray, c Sub, b Hartley	0	Mr. K. L. Mackenzie, b Griffin	5
Raj Kumar Victor Narayan, b Hartley	14	Mr. J. J. Peel, b Victor Narayan	14
Mr. W. Haycock, b Fraser	4	Sergt. Fraser, c and b Buchcroft	0
Mr. A. F. Cousins, c Hartley, b Ryan	24	Major Beechanan, c McNamara, b Griffin	0
Mr. C. P. Beechcroft, b Uzielli	66	Mr. Quinan, c Browne, b Griffin	12
Mr. F. McNamara, b Hartley	4	Mr. Hartley, c Murray, b Beechcroft	2
Mr. F. M. Browne, st. Quinan, b Uzielli	50	Capt. Clarke, c Browne, Victor Narayan	24
Mr. H. C. C. Bennett, b Peel	1	Mr. F. Ryan, b Griffin	4
Hon. Mr. Hare, b Uzielli	0	Mr. Waller, b Beechcroft	27
Mr. P. S. Griffin, not out	5	Capt. Maidlow, not out	0
Extras	22	Extras	13
Total	262	Total	138

Football.

HARRIS TOURNAMENT.

93RD HIGHLANDERS *vs.* East LANCASHIRES.—The tournament opened at Poona with this game on the 10th instant. A smart shower of rain fell at the beginning of the match and made the ground rather heavy. The Lancashires attacked first but could not get through, and the Highlanders taking the ball down pressed hard. After one unsuccessful attempt a goal was scored by Pollock. The Lancashires played up, but their opponents again attacked, and Quin getting possession ran through and scored a second goal. After the interval the Highlanders had the best of the game, but there was no further scoring and the game ended in their favour by two goals to *nil*. Teams :—

93RD HIGHLANDERS.—Mullen, *goal* ; Wallers, Ballantin *backs;* Maclean, Tapsley, Mowatt, *half-backs ;* Pollock, Fleming, Hogg, McClay and Quin, *forwards.*

EAST LANCASHIRE.—Carefoot, *goal* ; Smith and Hubbeaty, *backs ;* Smallwood, Hartud, Hartley, *half-backs ;* Field, Naylor, Ainsworth, Booth, Farran, and Grayson, *forwards.*

THE FINAL.

93RD HIGHLANDERS *vs.* WARWICKS.—This match was played at Poona on the 12th instant in heavy rain. In spite of the weather there was a fair attendance, and a well-contested game was witnessed, resulting in a win for the Highlanders by a goal to *nil*. Lieutenant-Colonel Harwood presented the Cup to the winning team. The 93rd went away at the start and very soon Galbraith found the net, and almost scored a second goal a little later. The Warwicks then had a turn, and Mullen was kept busy, but he saved in good style and the interval arrived with no further score. On resuming the Warwicks attacked and obtained a free kick for a foul against the Highlanders. The ball, however, struck the Highlanders' goal-keeper and was soon taken out of danger. Even play followed and time arrived, leaving the Highlanders victorious as stated.

Golf.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

29th September 1904.

FTER heading my notes as above it seems very inconsistent to immediately record the doings of golfers on a foreign se, but readers must pardon this, for the open meeting at rne is worthy of comment. Several amateurs entered for vent, but premier honours went to the professionals, the rize falling to W. E. Reid, late of the Skegness, but now yed by the Société de golf de Paris as pro. Next to him W. Freemantle, of St. Moritz and Hyeres. The weather ominable, rain and a thick fog making scoring at all very lt. The first four players in the stroke competition quali- r the tournament, and were Messrs. Reid, Freemantle, ay, and Morton. Reid's round in the Medal Competition nposed as follows :—

, 3, 5, 6, 5, 4, 6, 3, 3=39. In 3, 4, 4, 5, 3, 5, 34, 3=35=74. ay be remarked en parenthèse that the course is a 9 and Reids 35 is the record.

ie semi-final. Reid beat Callaway ; Freman the beat by one hole.

finals were closely contested, Freemantle succeeding in g Reid by 2 up and 1 to play.

d now from Lucerne I must crave license to wander still r from a British Green, away, away to the far west where e Baltusrol Links, near New York, the American Amateur pionship was played, and in which event for the first n record an amateur champion of Great Britain was petitor. Mr. Walter Travis, however, quite failed to add laurel to his wreath, his play, both in the qualifying and in his subsequent two rounds (in the latter of which victim to Mr. G. A. Ormiston, of Pittsburg, by 3 and 1) ry indifferently good. The latter is a Scotsman by birth ed his Golf on the Old Luffness Course. He is in quite rank of American Golfers. The eventual winner of the nship was Mr. Chandler Egan, of Chicago, who beat irreshoff, of Enwanoch, in the final by the big margin . Mr. Egan was captain of the "All West" Team when they played the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing which match he was beaten by 4 holes by Mr. Norman The runner up, Mr. Heirrshoff had before his own eaked out last years' runner up Mr. Byers, of county, by 5 and 4—one of the American contingent who came over to Britain this spring. The Newquay (Cornwall) Club Annal 36 holes Amateur Stroke Competition was held on 14th September. The winning total last year was 163 returned by Mr. J. K. Willis, and it is a curious coincidence that the same score again this year headed the list. This was made by Mr. R. C. Simpson, next to him came H. C. Tringham, with 165, followed by a tie in 166 for 3rd place.

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That marvellous old Golfer, Tom Morris, has recently been showing excellent form at St. Andrew's. Playing in a 3 ball match with Dr Holcroft and Mr. Williams, Old Tom went out in 41. This remarkably steady scoring he did not keep up, but managed to come in in 48, to when it is remembered that the old man is now in his 84th year a round of 89 is simply wonderful. There was a big field on 7th and 8th September for the Royal North Devon Golf Club's Autumn Meeting at Westward Ho. The best score on the first day was returned by the Hon'ble O. Scott, son of Lord Eldon, and brother of the thrice lady Champion Lady Margaret Hamilton Russell (née Scott). Mr. Scott's round was 77, which with 5 strokes added made him take sixth place in the handicap competition but gained for him the Hope-Grant Challenge Medal with memento. On the following day he was round in 78, this total entitled him to the Club Silver Medal and Lind Testimonial for best aggregate scratch scores of the two days' play. His brother, the Hon'ble D. Scott, won the President's prize for handicaps of 12 and under—aggregate of 3 scores. The Westward Ho Ladies' Club held their autumn meeting during the same week. Several of the Devon County players competed, including the Captain, the Hon'ble Lois Yarde-Buller, Miss Morant, Miss Hopkins, etc., and a member of the Kent County Team (Mrs. Wilson Hoare). The Meeting concluded with a Mixed Foursome Competition in which 18 couples entered, this was won by Mrs. and Mr. Nicholls with 98−10=88. The best gross return was by Miss Morant and Lord Churston 95−5½=89½. The Approach and Putting Competition was won by Mrs. Wilson Hoare and the second prize by Miss Hopkins.

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In Yorkshire, too, the Ladies have been very pleasantly and busily occupied for the Scarboro Club has been holding high revels. For the Ladies' Challenge Bowl open to members of the Home Club only, the Yorkshire Captain, Miss Bertha Thompson, was the winner with two capital scores of 84 and 83. There was a difference of no less than 31 strokes between her gross aggregate and the next one below hers which was 198 returned by Miss Bolton. An open competition on the following day resulted in favour of Miss Lockwood with 86−10=76. Miss Thompson again accomplishing 83 which brought her to third place. The men were equally fortunate in having fine weather and a large entry for their autumn meeting which was concluded on 12th September, when for the Scarboro Cup Captain Graham defeated the Hon'ble R. Jervis after a tie in 79 net. For the Bedford Challenge Cup Mr. Maxwell Rouse led the field with a net 77, and for the medal competition Mr. Sowden with 90—10=80 put in a win followed closely by the Rev. S. C. Walley in 81 net after which four competitors tied with 82. The Huddersfield ladies have been very much occupied with matches and meeting : on the 20th September they played a return match with the Leeds Club at Trixby Park which they won by 15 holes to 1. Only a few players entered the preceding day for the Bogey Competition which was tied for by Mr. Houghton and Mrs. Naylor, both 1 down.

The Royal Guernsey Club held their Annual Open Amateur Competition for the Tradesmen's Challenge Cup on Monday, 19th September Play was by stroke 36 holes. For the Cup Mr. C. C. Dooty (Ilkley Club) 81+88=169 and G. D. Morgan (Royal Guernsey) 89+89=169 tied. Next followed P. Shaw Stewart (Royal Guernsey) 82+88=170.

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Players are beginning to return to their home courses again and settling down to the routine of Monthly Medals, Monthly Bogey competitions and friendly matches. But some linger still, loth to leave the sea side wind swept links, for the bustling City and crowded "House." Lahinch, that charming South Irish Links, has been attracting large numbers of players at their club meeting on 15th September, and following days. Almost all the English and Scottish players, who had taken part in the South of Ireland Championship the previous week, were easily persuaded to stay on. The "Phelps" Vase Competition, match play under handicap, attracted 36 competitors, amongst whom were Messrs. Horace Castle, S. H. Foy, David Forster, and H. A. Boyd. The Chiswick player (Castle) ultimately even with a penalty of 15 proved the winner, after some very close matches, two of his victories being only proved such on the 19th green. In the final he met a brother of the Irish Close Champion, Mr. Cecil Boyd and only won the victory on the 19th green. In the Mixed Foursomes partnered with Miss Shaw, Mr. Castle was again successful.

Mr. Walter Travis has given his impressions of British Golf in an American journal and his criticism of the Sandwich Links and of the play of our leading amateurs although sympathetic and kindly is unmistakably frankly outspoken : "Oh wad the powers the giftie gie us to see oursel's as ithers see us"! and yet when "ithers" do expose our weakness we are very apt to resent it, for does it not wound us mostly in our most vulnerable spot—self love. In Mr. Travis' criticism our insular pride gets a severe set down, and we learn that from what others see in us, we have still very much to learn at Golf and all the while Mr. Travis, when measuring his strength over here with the pick of our amateurs, found time to spot what he considers the weakest spot in our armour and in his criticism comments freely on that "heel of Achilles" *i. e.*, we are too intent on and attach too much importance to our tee shots, trying to get an extra long ball away, and neglect the great importance of accurate approaching. A criticism itself, Mr Travis' article is bound to provoke much counter criticism in Golfing circles, and it will be interesting and amusing to notice how British Golfers accept his summing up of their driving as a "sensualism of swiping," which he says has been indulged in for two years after the innovation of the American balls at the expense of their short game by British Golfers.

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The entry for the Royal and Ancient Club's Autumn Meeting on 27th September at St. Andrews was the largest on record. No less than 166 players put down their names as against 159 for the same competition last year, and included such famous amateurs as Messrs. Robert Maxwell Edward and Ewnley Blackwell, Leslie Balfour-Melville, J. L. Low, J. E Laidlay, W. Herbert Fowler, Norman Hunter, T. Mansfield Hunter, the Hon'ble Osmond Scott, Lieutenant C. K. Hutchinson etc. Play was for the medal presented by King William IV. won last year with the record score of 76 by Mr Robert Maxwell and for the Club Gold Medal which last year went to Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville with 79 for second best score. According to the time-honoured and studiously observed custom, the newly-elected Captain, Mr. Ralph Dalzell, winning the Medal indicative of office (presented by Queen Adelaide) drove the first ball from the tee, then followed the scratch players. The first noteworthy return was made by Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville in 80 A little later, however, a young St. Andrew's University Golfer, Mr. A G. Barry, handed in a 75 made up as follows :—

Out 5, 4, 5, 4 5, 4, 5, 5, 4=39. In 4, 3, 5, 3 5, 4, 4, 5, 3=36=75, and with his brilliant 3 at the home hall, it was thought certainly that his, the new record, would carry off the prize, but at golf surprises are the order of the day, and even one broken record did not suffice, for Mr. Norman Hunter came in with a marvellous score of 74 made up as follows :—

Out, 4, 4, 5, 4, 5, 5, 5, 3, 4=39. In 4, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4=35=74.

The compiler of this wonderful record score, Mr. Norman Hunter, is well known on many greens, it may be remembered he captained the Cambrige 'Varsity team some few years ago and did well last year for the combined Universities in their American tour. His new record for the St. Andrews Course, beats the professional one held by J. H. Taylor of 75 made in the Championship of 1900. In this round Mr. Hunter was partnered with the Hon'ble Osmond Scott, who returned a 76, and it was not until after his card was handed in that it was discovered a 5 had been marked when it should have been a 4. The Committee, however, very rightly decided that his original total of 76 must stand, but for this unlucky incident Mr. Scott would have tied with Mr. Barry for the Club Medal. His round was compiled as follows :—

Out 4, 6, 4, 4, 6, 4, 4, 2, 3=37. In 4, 3, 5, 4, 4, 4, 5, 6, 4=39 =76.

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The draw for the Professional Golfers' Association Tournament for £210 in money prizes to be held at Richmond on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on 4th, 5th, 6th October, the old Deer Park Course took place on the 27th September at the office of the Association. Thirty-two players have qualified and with the exception of Jack White, Tom Vardon, and Andrew Kircaldy, this field includes the very highest professional golfing talent. Full particulars will be given in my next letter of what certainly should be the finest performance of Golf in the Metropolitan districts of the year. Yet another Course is added to the already enormous existing number, this is at Bonar, N.B. The opening ceremony was performed on Saturday, 24th September, by Mr. Andrew Carnegie, of Skibo Castle, in the presence of a large and locally representative assembly. Mrs. Carnegie was conducted to the first tee by the Secretary of the Club Mr. D. Sutherland, and having driven a ball, and made short speech, she declared the course (9 holes) open. A silver mounted and inscribed club was presented to her as a memento of the occasion, and the recipient having replied in suitable and grateful terms the proceedings terminated.

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The last of the Scottish Championship was decided at Gullane on the week ending 24th September, when a large entry of clubs fought for the "*Glasgow Evening Times* Trophy" including such well-known clubs as Edinburgh, Bunkers, Carlton, Stewarts College, Prestwick, St. Nicholas, Gullane, Carnoustie, Cathcart Castle, Dumbarton, New Alban, Troon Portland, etc.

Eventually St. Matthews, Edinburgh, defeated Carnoustie in the final by 2 and 1, the winning club being represented by W. Shirroch and J. Fergus, whilst for "Carnoustie Messrs. F. Scroggie, and C. Harris did yeoman service, the clubs which fell to the victors being Heriots, Greenhill, Burntisland, London, Direlton Castle, Carnoustie, and those over whom Carnoustie was victorious being Prestwick, St. Nicholas, Millport, Helensburgh, Dumbarton, Troon Portland. The Trophy was, therefore, carried in great triumph to the East, the holders (Cathcart Castle) having succumbed in the second he .

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Quoits.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

ANNUAL QUOITS TOURNAMENT.

THIS annual handicap tournament, which has be a attracting a good deal of attention during the last mon n among the members of the above club, was brought to a nclusion on Wednesday last when Mr. F. H. Stewart, conc ting 10 points beat Mr. H. G. Keene by 43—28 in the final ti There were sixteen competitors, and nearly every match i the first two rounds was closely contested, the most exci being that between Messrs. Dent and Stewart, in whic former stood within one point of game, when his oppon still required three. In the semi-finals Mr. Keene beat M Pym somewhat unexpectedly, and Mr. Stewart's easy victory er Mr. Thearston was also a considerable surprise, the ultim te winner playing an extremely strong game. In the final Mr Stewart soon made up his handicap leeway, and passing his opp ent at 18, won as he liked. The scores were as follows :—

First Round.

Mr. W. H. H. Grahame (10) beat Mr. V D. Steven (scratch) 21—19.
Mr. D. Pym (3) beat Dr. H. Forsyth (6 21—19.
Mr. D. Youngson (5) beat Mr. A. E. " d (10) scratched.
Mr. H. G. Keene (8) beat Mr. E " h (8) 21—16.
Mr F. H. Stewart (3) beat Mr. E. J. Wright (6) 21—17.
Mr. A. J. Dent (6) beat Mr. O. J. Barnes (10) scratched.
Mr. T. Drimmie (2) beat Mr. F. Brand (10) 21—13.
Mr. T. R. Theakston (scratch) beat Mr. W. T. Reid (scratch) 21—18.

Second Round.

Mr. D Pym beat Mr. W. H. H. Grahame 21—10.
Mr. H. G. Keene beat Mr. D. Youngson scratched.
Mr. F. H. Stewart beat Mr. A. J. Dent 21—20.
Mr. T. R. Theakston beat Mr. T. Drimmie 21—14.

Semi-finals.

Mr. H. G. Keene beat Mr. Pym 21—9.
Mr. F. H. Stewart beat Mr. T. R. Theakston 21—8.

Finals.

Mr F. H. Stewart (6) beat Mr. H. G. Keene (16) by 43 point to 28.

Racquets.

CALCUTTA RACQUET CLUB.

DOUBLES HANDICAP.

THE final of the Doubles Handicap was played on Friday last between Colonel Wheler and Captain Jackson and Messrs. Stewart and Foley (both pairs receiving the same handicap) before a very small gallery. Colonel Wheler and his partner were very smart off the mark and had snatched the first game almost before their opponents knew they had started, and though Messrs. Stewart and Foley improved more and more as the match went on, and only just failed to secure the third game, they lost by 3 games to love, 45 aces to 24. The match was not nearly so one-sided as the score would indicate, as Messrs. Stewart and Foley were rather more than holding their own at the end, but they started too slowly and could not get going in time to save the game. There were several fair rallies in which Colonel Wheler and Mr. Stewart were most prominent, but Mr. Foley was quite off his game and the service taken all round was poor, quite the best being Captain Jackson, who, in spite of occasional lapses, combined good length with a fair amount of pace, though his play in the rallies was very erratic and displayed the lack of practice from which he has suffered. Colonel Wheler was very steady. Results :—

First Round.

Colonel C. S. Wheler and Captain T. D. Jackson (4) beat Lieutenant-Colonel Peck, I.M.S., and Mr. W. E. Bayley 15—11, 15—8.

The following pairs had byes :—Messrs. H. P. M. Rae and C. Radcliffe (scratch), Messrs. C. P. Beachcroft and M. T. Porter, R.E., (3), Major W. J. Bythell, R.E., and J. C. C. Perkins (scratch,), Messrs. E. W. Collin and H. Collingridge (scratch), Major G. Lubbock, R. E. and Mr. F. M. Buckland (5), Messrs. F. T. Paine and A. T. Chotzner (3), and Messrs. F. H. Stewart and B. Foley (1).

Second Round.

Beachcroft and Porter beat Rae and Radcliffe 15—1, 15—9.
Wheler and Jackson beat Bythell and Perkins, 15—4, 15—5.
Collin and Collingridge w. o. Lubbock and Buckland, scratched.
Stewart and Foley beat Paine and Chotzner, 15—13, 15—9.

Third Round.

Wheler and Jackson beat Beachcroft and Porter, 15—13, 15—13.
Stewart and Foley beat Collin and Collingridge, 15—12, 15—5.

Final.

Colonel C. S. Wheler and Captain T. D. Jackson (4) beat Mr. F. H. Stewart and Mr. B. Foley (1) by three games to love, 15—2, 15—9, 15—13.

Sports.

SKITTLE GYMKHANA AT WELLINGTON.

THE Skittle Gymkhana Meeting organised by Captain A. S. Toogood, Honorary Secretary, came off this (Saturday, the 15th October), evening in the presence of a large and fashionable gathering. The card presented seven events, but it was a pity to note that only two ladies, Miss Byron and Miss Baddeley, competed for the event No. 3, set apart for ladies. There were two accidents. Lieutenant Wilkinson, of the East Yorkshire Regiment, from Burma, who came up with the Depôt details, was thrown off his horse while taking off at a hurdle and had to be carried to the hospital. Captain Seller, of the Essex, had a fall in the Potato and Button Race, but he was not seriously hurt. Owing to these accidents there was some delay in going through the different events, and the meeting terminated only at 6 30 P.M. The band of the 1st D.L.I. under the *baton* of Mr. A. Hind, furnished music and enlivened the proceedings. Colonel Mayne, C.B., Officer Commanding the Southern District and Major Nason, D.S.O., were the Judges, while Captain Toogood, acted as Starter. Major Buck and Officers of the D.L.I., were "At Home to their" friends on the ground, and on the whole a pleasant and most enjoyable evening was spent. The weather fortunately kept fine. It is hoped that Captain Toogood will arrange for similar meetings occasionally and keep the place lively. Details :—

TENT PEGGING.—Three runs allowed. Points for style and finish.

(1) Captain Gibson, 1st Durham Light Infantry.
(2) Captain Toogood, Royal Warwickshire Regiment.

Colonel Mansel, Mr. Mathews, and Mr. James Stanes, also competed.

BENDING RACE.—Six posts and back.

(1) Lieutenant Philips, of the 1st Durham Lght Infantry.

Miss Byron and Miss Baddeley also competed, but were unsuccessful in going round all the posts.

LADIES' RACE.—Ladies to ride up polo ground, round a post and back to starting point, with a tennis racket and ball ; the ball to be kept on the racket. If the ball falls off, ladies may dismount and pick it up.

(1) Miss Baddeley.

POTATO AND BUTTON RACE.—Gentlemen to ride up polo ground over a hurdle, to where the ladies are sitting, the gentleman will then hand to a lady a potato, which she will peel and then sew a button on to the back of his coat. Gentleman will then mount and return over another hurdle to the starting point.

This, as usual, created considerable amusement and attracted a good number of competitors. Leutenant Kidd of the 1st Durham Light Infartry was declared the successful competitor.

HITTING POLO BALL—Round the posts and through goal. Near side strokes only allowed.

(1) Lieutenant Tyndall } Both of the
(2) Lieutenant Shrieff } 1st D. L. I.

AFFINITY STAKES.—Drawing animals on a blackboard. Quickest time to win.

Lieutenant Philips nominated by Miss Baddeley.

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THURSDAY, 27th OCTOBER 1904.

HORSES AND DOGS IN FICTION.

THE announcement that a new *edition de l* the works of Whyte Melville is in proc preparation, reminds us of the position his v retain as classics among sporting fiction. Whyte Melville has had many imitators, but it needs some searching of memory before we can recall the name of a sporting novel which stands, not within measurable distance of his writings, but above the ruck of books which fall so far below the Whyte Melville standard. Surtees stands alone, and probably always will stand alone. His writing has the same individuality as that of Dickens: he created his own atmosphere, and if, like the Dickens' atmosphere, it was not quite that of real life, the fact only serves to widen the gulf between his works and those of subsequent writers. Whyte Melville's atmosphere differs from that of Surtees in its truth to real life: we do not find in his novels the caricatures, vigorous and clever, but none the less caricatures, which appear at home and alive in the Surtees' atmosphere.

Each author owes the acceptance his works still enjoy, and probably will always enjoy, to the fact that he was a sportsman first, and a writer of fiction afterwards. Surtees' popularity is due to the robust humour and force of his presentations, as well as to his intimate knowledge of all that pertains to hunting; but Whyte Melville's perhaps rests on a wider basis than his knowledge of sport, of the class for whom he wrote, and on the inevitable certainty with which he struck the right note. A critic said, with more penetration than he knew, that Whyte Melville was an author who knew what he was writing about, because "he did not make fellows ice their claret." He had style, which possibly does not count for much where intimate knowledge co-exists, and he had humour which he never forced. Surtees' style is less deserving of the name in the literary sense, which goes towards proof of our proposition that this qualification is not indispensable: his humour is undeniable, and if it is the broader humour of a past generation, we should not have it otherwise, for his characters would lose something of the tone of their day, which was a more outspoken age than that in which we live.

One of the secrets of Whyte Melville's success deserves closer consideration. We believe it right to say that Whyte Melville owes his lasting popularity in a large measure to his deep love for and nice understanding of the horse. Never have we had a writer of fiction who bestowed such infinite care and attention upon the horses in his books: their characters are almost as clearly drawn and as deftly shaded as the characters of his human puppets: and could horses read we are convinced that they would unanimously vote for Whyte Melville as the author who has exhibited the best understanding of, and displayed the closest sympanthy with, the equine race. Surtees is second to none in his knowledge of the horse as a servant: but with some intimacy with his writings we can nowhere recollect a passage which contains evidence of such feeling and sympathy as that which so greatly helps to commend the writings of Whyte Melville. His horses have character, but it is the character of caricature: "Xerxes" and "Arterxexes" for example dwell in mind rather by reason of their ungainly externals than by virtue of their inherent character. Whyte Melville's horses, on the contrary, depend far more upon their dispositions for place in memory

than on appearance. Invite a clever artist to draw a portrait of one of Mr. Jorrocks' horses, and we know exactly the style of rawboned beast we shall see—"a hugly brute" in the words of the owner: but a portrait of Tilbury Nogo's "Saraband," or of almost any horse in Whyte Melville's novels, would stand for almost any hunter: it was characteristic of Whyte Melville that he drew his horses with a subtler pen than did Surtees.

It is easy to overlook merit in these days of many books when, as we are told on the authority of a publishers' journal, "three books out of four are almost as dead as mutton in three months:" but we should find it hard to name a book in which the animals are portrayed with such nicety as Whyte Melville's horses. We say "animals" advisedly, that we may embrace dogs in the remark. There are some admirably drawn dogs in fiction: the best and most carefully drawn is perhaps Dora Spenlow's "Jip" in *David Copperfield*. Dickens was a genuine dog lover, but his affection for dogs does not appear with great frequency in his novels. Jip is out and away the best: but when we come to look into that not very attractive spaniel's part in Dickens' best novel, we are constrained to admit that he is hardly an independent character: he does not, as it were, stand on his own feet. We never catch Jip apart from Dora except when he is bundled into the platewarmer to keep him from being a nuisance to Miss Trotwood. And the whole *raison d'être* of Jip lies on the surface: he is merely an accessory to Dora: he serves as the medium through which she displays her childishness: when Dora is silliest Jip is most in evidence: and when Dora dies Jip, his mission at an end, dies too. Dora would not be Dora without Jip, and Jip has no purpose apart from Dora: a fact which does not prevent the character of the dog from being the most complete animal portrait Dickens ever drew. Bill Sykes' dog in *Oliver Twist* and "Lion" in *Little Dorrit*, are mere shadows by comparison with Jip.

We have, of course, books in which the study of one individual animal is the leading motive: and the best of these in our judgment is the dog in Mr. Jack London's clever tale, *The Call of the Wild*, wherein canine character is brought out with a distinctness that indicates perfect understanding without the too common assistance of investment with human attribute. Dogs naturally lend themselves to the purpose of characterization more readily than any other animal: higher intelligence, more complex character, and greater accessibility to man are all in their favour: and for one good horse in fiction we could find half a dozen dogs. We have sometimes wondered why Kipling has never made use of animals in their legitimate place in his stories. Lacking nothing of knowledge of horse and dog nature, he has rarely turned horse and dog character to account, except in anthropomorphic vein particularly does this apply to his horses which, divested of their ability to talk, would be as good horses as any we know: but when words of wisdom issue from the chimney of a locomotive, and the voice of comfort emerges from a roller bolt, it would, we apprehend, be too much to expect horses and other animals to remain as silent as Nature made them. "Ouida" often exhibits a knowledge of dog nature that compares more than favourably with her knowledge of her own kind: and we could find passages in her books, though these have lain unread for many years, which indicate that her sympathy for animals did not stop short with the dog. To suggest that she understood horses will perhaps invite the reflection that the lady once made a horse win three Derbys: whereto we would reply that knowledge of horses and understanding of equine character does not necessarily imply acquaintance with even the elements of Turf-affairs. Thackeray managed to produce the best novel ever written without more than the most casual reference to either dogs or horses: Mrs. Bute Crawley's poodle and Jim Crawley's "little dawg," who was addicted to biting footmen's calves, are among the figures that never would be missed. Nor was George Eliot addicted to the portrayal of animal character, although her numerous novels deal so largely with life in the country. Tom Tulliver's dog, Yap, who disgraced his master by trying whether barking would not do as well as chasing a water rat, and Bob Jakin's helpmate, Mumps, are about the only dogs that can be called characters, and neither of these are particularly prominent: it is indeed only George Eliot's unrivalled gift of indicating a trait with a single touch that brings the poor spirited Yap to mind at all. There is plenty of room for horse and dog in the fiction of the future: and if we must await another Whyte Melville to render justice to the horse, there must be dog lovers with understanding enough and to spare among our living novelists.

Special Telegrams.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

(From our own Correspondent.)

THE Cambridge-shire Stakes (a handicap)—Of 25 sovs., 10 ft., with 500 sovs added, and 100 sovs. for the second; third to save his stakes; winners after 1st September at noon, of any handicap value 450 sovs. 5lbs., of a handicap value 900 sovs. or of any race value 1,200 sovs. 10lbs. extra; winner of the Cesarewitch 14lbs. extra; entrance 5 sovs., the only forfeit if declared. New Cambridgeshire Course (last mile and a furlong of A. F.). (107 entries, 46 of whom declared.)—Closed 2nd August.

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1888	Mr. W. J. Legh's Veracity	...	4	7	4	Cooper ... 19
1889	Mr. J. Hammond's Laureate	...	3	7	9	Wilkine ... 21
1890	M. Ephrussi's Alcante	...	3	7	12	J. Barrett .. 29
1891	Mr. Fulton's Comedy	...	3	7	3	Jarrett ... 29
1892	Baron de Hirsch's La Flèche	...	3	8	1	G. Barrett ... 30
1893	Lord Dunraven's Molly Morgan		4	6	4	Bradford ... 22
1894	Mr. Hobson's Indian Queen	...	3	6	2	Wakefoft ... 20
1895	Mr. F Luscombe's Marco	...	3	7	9	Allsopp ... 18
1896	Mr. J. C. Sullivan's Winkfield's Pride	...	3	6	10	N. Robinson. 24
1897	Sir H. Ingram's Comfrey	...	3	7	2	K. Cannon .. 20
1898	Mr. H. C. White's Georgie	...	6	7	8	S. Chandley .. 26
1899	Captain E Peel's Irish Ivy	...	3	7	11	K Cannon .. 25
1900	Mr. J. C. Sullivan's Berrill	...	4	7	9	M. Thompson. 24
1901	Mr. W. C. Whitney's Water Shed		3	7	7	Reiff .. 23
1902	Mr. W C. Whitney's Ballantrae.		3	6	8	E Watts .. 24
1903	Cpt Forester's Hackler's Pride...		3	6	10	Jarvis .. 27

According to a Liverpool newspaper, a certain cotton broker of that city, who has a weakness for shell fish, is a regular customer at a neighbouring oyster shop. The other morning he ordered Natives, and the waiter informed him that they were out of them. The broker thought that, in the absence of oysters, a lobster might do, but the lobsters likewise were off. Crab was his next choice, but the waiter regretfully informed him that the crabs were also among the absent. "Then why do you keep these things on the bill? Have you any shell fish at all!" the broker demanded. "Only eggs, sir," replied the waiter.

Sporting Notes.

THE dates of the Lucknow Army Cup Meeting have been changed to 24th, 26th, and 28th November. An advertisement elsewhere gives further details regarding this alteration.

The manufacture of sporting "copy" at this 'twixt and between season, imposes a task on the scribe similar to that allotted to the chosen ones a few odd centuries ago when they were called on to execute the brick *Sans* straw manœuvre. Fortunately, there happens to be such an institution in the land as the Tollygunge Club, and the executive thereof have nobly flung themselves into the breach and inaugurated a Gymkhana for next Saturday, the 29th. The following six items are down for discussion:—

1.—The Hie Over Stakes.—A handicap hurdle Race for *bonâ fide* paperchase horses. About 1 mile, over 5 flights.

2.—The Portly Stakes.—A distance handicap for horses or ponies, the property of Gentlemen who walk 12-7 or over. Owners up. About 3 furlongs.

3.—The Russa Road Stakes.—A handicap flat race for maiden horses. 6 furlongs.

4.—The Diana Stakes.—A handicap flat race for maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

5.—(Open Race).—The Cosmopolitan Stakes, a handicap flat race for maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

6.—The Jehu Stakes.—A handicap flat race for horses that have never won a race of any description value Rs. 50 or over and have regularly been driven up to date of entry. 5 furlongs.

In addition, an extra event has been catalogued, *viz.*: The Bell Cup, the terms of which run:—

A flat race for ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I.

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The prospectus is certainly comprehensive enough to suit all sorts and conditions. The response from owners, however, has, we regret to say, not been very encouraging. Entries were advertised to close on Monday, and the returns that evening disclosed about seven competitors for the Russa Road Stakes; three for the Hurdle Race and the Bell Cup, whilst the remaining five items figured from the two to zero mark. The Portly Stakes claimed the honour of the "wooden spoon." A field of some kind can probably be raked up for this amongst the heavy weight division, but the Jehu Stakes will in all likelihood fall through. The folk who drive horses in their tum-tums, are in a very small minority compared to those who drive ponies, and it seems to us a better entry would have been obtained if the race was framed for the latter. Brougham, "phaeting," and office gharry horses of course there are in profusion; but the bulk of aspirants in the first two classes are barred by the statute of Anno Domini (or else infirm understandings) while the latter are mostly on the "hire system" and indulge in quite a sufficiency of 5 furlong sprints up and down Clive Street without being called on to repeat the performance out at Tollygunge. Entries were kept open till last night with what result we had not heard up to time of going to press.

Doings on the Calcutta course are still of an important nature and nothing is attempted by trainers beyond slow work. Mr. Hart's horses arrived from Bangalore and Poona a few days ago, and their appearance betokens Fergusson's usual skilful handiwork. Messrs. Apcar's and Galstaun's strings will probably arrive next week.

Messrs. G. Greenhill and W. H. Walmsley returned to Calcutta last week, both looking aggressively fit after their trip home.

We publish in our Shikar Columns to-day the revised rules for shooting in the Chamba State.

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The Lucknow Sky Meeting opened on Tuesday with success and warm public support. Under the energetic administration of General Sir E. L. Elliot and his Stewards the course and enclosures have been immensely improved, the latter quite out of all knowledge. The first thing to strike the eye is the larger space provided, next the paddock on to which the range of stalls now faces, and by proper railing the lawns will not be encroached upon in future. A "place" totalisator is also among the innovations. As a correspondent writes:—"The second-class enclosure has also been considerably extended and provided with various conveniences. The new and spacious stand will be taken in hand next spring when perhaps the Apthorp gateway will be removed and rebuilt on more appropriate lines at the entrance to the big enclosure, and unlucky backers of horses will no longer be able to say the Lucknow race enclosure is the graveyard of their hopes. The beautiful green swards of the paddocks, lawns, and even the racing track are very refreshing to the eye."

Recent rain has benefitted the course exceedingly, and, with splendid entries for both this preliminary meeting and the Army Cup meeting to follow next month one can confidently predict capital sport all round, while not omitting to tender hearty congratulations to Captain Guest, the Honorary Secretary, on the general results of his brilliant and unceasing efforts to have everything up to the very best standard.

We have to acknowledge receipt of a copy of Vol. XVIII of that indispensible turf guide *The Australian Racing Chronicle* which grows in bulk and utility with every issue. The period embraced in this volume is from 1st February to 31st July of the current year. The book can be had of Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Company, Calcutta.

Colonel P. K. L. Beaver and Mr. Boteler, the official handicapper, returned to India last week and are up at Lucknow.

Undecided, a six year old chestnut gelding by Tostig—Excelsior, has just been bought by Mr. Galstaun, the Calcutta turfite. Undecided won the April Handicap of £230 at the V. R. C. Meeting on the 16th April last, carrying 7st. 3lbs. and securing a neck verdict. Up to July this was his only success out of half a dozen tries. This smart gelding fulfilled five engagements as a three years old and scored one win—the Riverside Purse of £35 at Maribyrnong. In his fourth year he was under starters' orders ten times and running in pretty good company put another bracket to his credit when he carried off the Cornwall Handicap of £176 at the V. R. C. June Meeting, 1902. His sole engagement the first six months of the following year found him among the "also rans"; but in the second half of the year he was out no less than sixteen times, running under the colours of three separate owners, and he had five wins—the Rupertswood Handicap of £50 at Sunbury, the Valley Handicap of £50 at Mooree Valley, the Glenhuntly Handicap of £200 at the V. A. T. C. May Meeting, the Mentone Cup of £100 at the Mentone R. C. Meeting the same month, and the Richmond Handicap of £160 at the V. A. T. C. June Meeting last year. He ought to prove useful up here.

Mr. W. M. Beresford, the Secretary to the C. T. C., has returned from his holiday, much improved in health we are glad to hear.

A petrified horse lies in about six feet of water in a lake six miles south of Lake Tahoee in the Sierra Nevada mountains. The region is seldom visited by tourists, which probably accounts for the fact that few, outside of the immediate vicinity, ever heard of this curiosity. The animal lies in about six feet of water, and has been there for years. It is stone-grey in color, the petrification having become complete. The lake is surrounded by banks of snow and ice, and the water is almost down to the freezing point. It is said that bodies lying in lakes of this temperature are preserved as if in refrigerators, and for a long time it was supposed that this was the case with the remains of the horse. But several years ago some divers ventured into the lake in spite of the cold, and discovered that the animal was petrified. Desolation Valley is the name of the place where the lake is situated, and it has been well named.

We regret to announce the death of Lieutenant-General Owen Williams, which took place at his residence, Temple House, Marlow, on the 2nd instant. The health of the General had given cause for considerable anxiety for some time past, but a splendid constitution enabled him to withstand more than one attack of illness. Some six weeks ago, however, more serious symptoms developed, and although the patient rallied on more than one occasion, his condition on the 1st was exceedingly critical, and at 4-30 A.M. next day he passed peacefully away in the presence of his wife and only surviving son. The funeral took place on Thursday, the 6th, at Bisham Church, near Marlow.

Lieutenant-General Owen Williams was of the best type of British sportsmen, and excelled in almost every branch of outdoor sports. Everything he took up commanded his serious attention, and whether it was playing cricket at Eton, while serving with the Blues, big game shooting in India, hunting in the shires, angling for the regal salmon in Norway or Scotland, steering his yacht in many seas, or participating in the "Sport of Kings," he was thorough and an enthusiast. He was a firm believer that enthusiasm is the vitality of sport, and fulfilled his belief in both the letter and spirit. The descendant of an old Welsh family long established at Craig-y-Don in Anglesey, he was born in Berkeley-square in 1836. His father was an ardent politician and a Berkshire landowner, and it is on record that he sat in the House of Commons for Great Marlow consistently from 1820 to 1868, when death brought his long period of Parliamentary service to a close. The subject of this present sketch was educated at Eton, where, though he did not get a place in the eleven, he developed good form as a cricketer, and from that time never ceased to take an interest in the game. In 1854 he entered the Royal Horse Guards, became a lieutenant in 1856, got his troop two years later, was promoted lieutenant-colonel in 1866, colonel in 1871, and major-general in 1882, when the new rules of the service compelled him to give up the command which he dearly prized. He was exceedingly fond of his profession and popular in his regiment. In 1862 he married Fanny Florence, youngest daughter of Mr. St. George Francis Caulfield, of Donarvon Castle, County Roscommon. She died in 1876, and six years later Major-General Williams married Nina Mary Adelaide, daughter of Sir J. G. Tollemache, Bart. From 1880 to 1885 he represented Great Marlow in the Conservative interest in the House of Commons; he was also a magistrate for Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Aylesbury, and Carnarvonshire. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant-general in 1887. He accompanied the Prince of Wales (now the King) during his Indian tour, 1875—1876, as Equerry, and also held the office of Silver Stick-in-Waiting to the late Queen Victoria. During his trip to India, General Owen Williams, who was a personal friend of the Prince of Wales, made his mark by bringing down many fine tigers, while he on one occasion shot no less than a hundred couple of snipe—a remarkable feat. He was also at one time a leading member of the Four-in-Hand Club, and always had a smart team at the meets of the club at the Magazine, Hyde Park. Although he at one time owned a few greyhounds, he never scored any prominent success in coursing.

General Williams commenced a lengthy and fairly successful career on the Turf about the year 1880, and in the next session he was elected a member of the Jockey Club. His colours were then registered as "white and black cap," which he changed the following year to "white, cardinal sleeves and cap." At the commencement, he placed a horse or two with Jones at Downs Cottage, Epsom, but he subsequently removed his horses to Newmarket, where they were trained by George Bloss for a time. In 1883, Monotony, a two year old filly, won him several races, while Nautilus, Fitzfulke, and Cohort were also successful wearers of his colours. Nautilus was a most serviceable son of Hermit out of Barchettina (dam also of The Abbot, etc.), and was the means of landing his owner several nice stakes, though he ran in no race of importance. In 1884, he won races with Corhot, Nautilus, Glance, Dulcimer, Dean Swift, Monotony, Fitzfulke, Black Diamond, Can't, and others. In the following year he became associated with the Chetwynd House division, of whom Sir George Chetwynd was the most prominent owner, whiel R. G. Sherrard ably officiated as trainer, with Charles Wood for the leading jockey. The death of his son, when fighting the Matabele, was a great blow to the tall, commanding soldier, who, however, bore his loss like a sportsman. He owned some good horses, including Perigord, while he had a half-share in that phenomenal performer, The Bard. One of his most conspicuous possessions was Pensioner, who ran second to La Fleche in the Cambridgeshire, and came to an untimely end, having—at any rate so it was believed—been the subject of foul play.

Paris is to have an equestrian museum containing models of all classes of horses, and of the carriages which they have drawn, from the chariot of the sun down to the Japanese ammunition waggon. The collection of carriages will be very curious and interesting, but will probably want more space than is available, say, in all the shops in Long Acre. Europe, which has adopted common form in nearly

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very other article of domestic general use, has not been of a single mind in regard to carriages, which differ as much as the English landau and the Russian droshky. The most primitive of all is, or rather was, the posting cart, used in Roumania as late as the early days of the last century. It was simply a long box, placed on two axles, each of which went through the centre of a solid wooden wheel two feet in diameter cut from a log of oak. No fewer than four horses were harnessed by ropes to this awful vehicle, which was then stuffed with hay. The traveller lay on it like a sofa, and was then bumped, at a gallop, over the plains *ad infinitum*.

Four teams comprise the entries, so far, for the Championship Polo Tournament which opens at Umballa on the 7th proximo. These are the 9th and 12th Lancers, the 15th Hussars and Patiala.

The home papers to hand this week say that the day Pretty Polly was to cross to France there was a violent storm in the Channel and that she was not put on board that day. The presumption is that rough weather prevailed on the Friday, and that she was not fit for her race on the following Sunday, hence her defeat by Preston II.

For years those who own, train, or ride horses on the Calcutta track have had just cause to grumble at the dangerous practices of the military whose *penchant* for firing blank cartridges and swarming on the course during the hours devoted to work in connection with racing has been most pronounced. All racing men will hail with satisfaction the appearance of a recent Station Order which says:—"The maidan is at all times available for the exercise of troops, either Regulars or Volunteers. During the cold weather, from 15th October to 31st March, whilst horses are being trained on the Race Course troops are to avoid crossing the Race Course during the early morning. (3) Blank firing should not be carried on within 40 yards of any of the public thoroughfares around the maidan nor on the roads leading to the Fort if vehicles are being driven along in the vicinity. (4) Troops are to avoid firing blank when ladies riding or driving in carriages are in their immediate vicinity, or when nervous riders are about.

Our Poona Correspondent writes :—The penultimate day's racing of the Poona season in the shape of the "10th Extra" afforded a capital afternoon's sport in which, it is said, backers had slightly the better of the layers of odds, but the stentorian-voiced brigade have the reputation of taking care of themselves on the whole and I hear of no necessity for any charity concert on behalf of the fraternity at large. A Lilliput Arab handicap set the machinery in motion. Aga Shamsudin Shah's Swazi, despite a suspicion of roguery—real or assumed—being installed favourite with a lot of stable money to support him, and the little grey displaying much speed and little roguery won quite easily with Zurrif second and Dillerjung, who has scarcely fulfilled his earlier great promise, third.

Only a quartette of 14-1 ponies turned out for a 7-furlong scurry and Mr. Galstaun's Ping Pong was much in the public mouth. The speedy La France in receipt of a stone and five pounds from Mr. Galstaun's mare, was also fancied but extinguished her great chance by getting off badly nor were her hopes of ultimate victory increased by little Bennett making up all his lost ground in the first 2½ furlongs. But the winner turned up in Olga excellently ridden by Melsom, who scraped home by three-quarters of a length ; a neck between Ping Pong and La France.

Nine Arabs went under Mr. O'Gorman's orders at the 1¼ mile post, the old favourite, Narunjee, being made favourite. Nor were the fancy out in their reckoning for Narunjee just managed to get home but unhappily Ames, who was a delinquent quite recently in the same respect, failed to hold his mount straight and crossing Robinson on Aga Shamsudin Shah's Sandow in so palpable a manner close to home that the appeal which was made to the Stewards could but have one termination and the race was consequently awarded to Sandow, Skylark thereby securing second money and that handsome, disappointing Connaught becoming third.

In a 7 furlong high weight handicap for horses, which had not won a race of the value of Rs. 1,500 since 1st April 1902, only five came to the scratch, the old stager Dumbbell with Morrison up winning handsomely by the better part of two lengths from Gum, Prestwick, the favourite, failing to sustain Aga Shamsudin Shah's good luck.

A large field of Arab ponies, which had failed to win a race of Rs. 150 since the mystic 1st April responded to the handicapper's estimation of their respective virtues, and well again the cognoscenti, hit the right nail on the head in selecting the beautiful little blood pony Kour Saheb as their champion, though it was none too easy as he was about all out under Robinson's excellent effort to win by half a length from False Start who was in turn but a neck in front of little Swazi who had already run and won during the afternoon and who struggled so honestly that all doubts as to his rumoured lack of gameness may be dispelled.

The "Captings" next disported themselves, Ames, Thompson, and Elliott also having mounts with the usual 10lb. penalties attached. But they found themselves in useful company and that nice, quiet horseman Major Edwards on his own pony Kuzan, stalling off a determined challenge from Captain Hopwood on Surhan, secured the verdict by half a length, Major England's Rocket with Mr. Stewart up half a length behind.

A selling race for 14-hand Arabs brought a successful afternoon's racing to a close, nine trying their luck, the favourite in Mr. A. W. P.'s Mudmie just catching the eye of the man in the box by three-quarters of a length, but the owner had to pay 400 rupees over the selling price to retain the winner whose 55 seconds impressed the public to that extent.

A horse-disease new to England has appeared at Ipswich Barracks, and several animals have been shot. It is called Epizootic Lymphangitis, supposed to have been imported from South Africa. If this proves to be the dreaded "Horse Sickness" under a scientific name, the strongest measures of precaution should be rigorously applied. The carcases of the first victims were buried in quick-lime, but the Board of Agriculture considered that burning would be safer. Doubtless it is right, but the local officials found a difficulty in carrying out the idea. They laid two of the slaughtered horses in a large trench, heaped bundles of faggots on them, set two to three tons of coal on the top, and soaked the mass with paraffin. It was confidently supposed that only ashes and bones would remain when the fire burnt out ; but this hope was disappointed so far that the authorities ask permission to resume the quick-lime process. The experience is worth note. Many murderers have discovered how hard it is to consume a human body, but they could seldom work at their ease. How did "the ancients" manage? We can scarcely believe that they were satisfied with the perfunctory cremation of the Hindus.

We hear from Jubbulpore that quite a good meeting is expected next week. Mr. Preston's arrangements are excellent, and the programme has attracted owners and sportsmen from distant centres.

A handicap polo tournament, organised by Colonel De Lisle and run on Hurlingham lines, began at Lucknow on the 24th instant, when two matches were played. The first was between the R. A. composed of Captain Leighton 1, Mr. Stanley, changing with Mr. St. John 2 ; Captain Davidson 3 ; and Major Massy, changing with Major Hussly, back, and the 6th Bengal Cavalry team, comprising Mr. L. E. McConaghey 1, Mr. G. N. Shaw, changing with Mr. P. N. Craigie 2 ; Mr. Baker (Glosters), changing with Mr. Twedie (Glosters) 3; and Captain C. C. Newnham back. A fast and even game resulted in a win for the Gunners by four goals to two.

The second game was between the Royal Dragoons, B. team.

Mr. W. T. Hodgson, changing with Mr. A. H. D. Chapman, 1 ; Captain H. D. McNeile, 2 ; Captain T. P. Godman, 3 ; Lord Basing, changing with Captain the Hon'ble A. Hamilton Russell as back, and the Gymkhana team, comprising Mr. Hermon Hodge, changing with Mr. Hutchinson, 1 ; Mr. Stice, I. C. S., 2 ; Mr. Sullivan, E., 3 ; Captain the Hon'ble F. Guest, back.

This was another keenly contested game ; the Dragoons showing better combination than the Gymkhana won by five goals to *nil*.

Among the passengers brought up to Calcutta from Australia by the *Orotava* was Mr. J. Rowan, well known in coursing and turf circles in Sydney and elsewhere. He has coming up in the *Umta*, a small but unusually select shipment of horses by such sires as Grafton and Lochiel and one a grandson of Trenton. They are all unbroken, but he is confident they are worth the attention of buyers, being all thoroughly good and desirable in every way. They go to "Tattersalls," Bhowanipore, where his race horses Lucretia, Blackthorn, that very nice looking mare Olga Patricia, and the beautifully bred Saxon are now in regular work for the cold weather meeting. Mr. Rowan has also, he tells us, something novel and choice in the way of Colonial saddlery turned out by the best maker in Australia. Mr. Rowan, ere he left Sydney, was entertained at a banquet by a large number of sportsmen and had a big "send off" at the steamer in which he left.

The entries for The Army Cup now number forty-five, third entries having brought in another six. Entries up to date are published in our Turf Columns ; final entries close on the 15th proximo.

A two days' race meeting is advertised to take place at Asansol (E.I.R.) on the 9th and 11th November, Entries closing on Tuesday, the 8th idem. There are to be seven races each day of Rs. 150 each and of these three on the first day are closed to residents of the Burdwan and Manbhoom districts.

The dates for the 8th Lahore and Mian Mir Dog Show have not yet been fixed, probably the 30th and 31st December will be appropriated, and the Honorary Secretaries may be Mr. H. A. Close and the Secretary N. W. K. A.

Colonel C. T. Bingham, who is well-known in India as a writer on entomological subjects, is at present engaged upon a work on the butterflies of India for "The Fauna of British India" series, which is being published at home under the direction of the India Office on behalf of the Government of India.

A Darjeeling Correspondent writes :—"Last September I found a siskin's (Chrysomitris spinoides) nest in a clump of bamboos with four eggs—in time three young were hatched. I intended rearing them when large enough to take away from the parent birds. A week after seeing the young I went to see how they were getting on, but found the nest empty, my first thought was that a black eagle was the robber, but on looking on the ground below, and a short way from the nest, I saw a lizard with the whole head of a young bird in its mouth. I immediately took them up as they were and put them in a bottle of spirit."

Mr. Bell Irving has returned to Calcutta : Metalwing follows with a few other good ones later on.

A Report on the conduct of elephant-catching operations in the Southern Forest Circle for the year ending the 30th June 1904, received from Mr. C. E. Brasier, Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, is published. From it we learn that operations were conducted during the year in the divisions of North and South Malabar and South Coimbatore. Seven elephants were captured, and it is satisfactory to note that, except for a slight injury to the tusker captured in North Malabar, there were no casualties. This is creditable to the officers concerned. One of the elephants has been sold and the rest are reported to be in good health. The small number of captures in North Malabar is attributed to the fact that owing to heavy rains the Mysore forests were well supplied with water and there was therefore no necessity for the elephants to cross over into the British forests. Besides elephants, many animals fell into the pits. Of the twenty-three bison, four died and two had to be shot as they had fractured their hips in the fall. Of the three tigers, one escaped and the other two, which were cubs, were shot. Of the two bears, one was shot and the other escaped. Two of the sambur died, and all the remaining animals were released.

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New Zealand continues to be the paradise of trout-fishers. Here is an extract from a letter dated 27th August last :—

"The trout fishing at Rotorua has been particularly good during the season. A register was kept showing the catches made in Rotorua Lake and adjacent waters. At the close of the season the record showed that 6,952 trout had been caught, aggregating a weight of 13 tons 13 cwt. 3 qr. 21½lbs. Amongst the fish taken were many weighing 12lbs. to 18lbs. Enormous as the registered catch was, it is considered that probably a third more was actually taken, as many fishermen failed to supply the required particulars. The total quantity of trout taken from the lakes and streams in this district is therefore calculated at close on 20 tons. Many of the greatest catches were made by trolling in the lake."

Captain R. L Kennion, writing in the *Pall Mall Magazine* for October, on the antelope in Thibet, mentions that not many years ago this particularly graceful beast could be seen in large herds in the Chang Chenmo and adjacent valleys of Ladak on the northern Kashmir frontier; but of late they have been driven eastward, till now they are scarcely found to the west of the Thibetan border, while to see them roaming the plain in any considerable numbers one has to travel far into the forbidden country, and reach a land inaccessible to all globe-trotters and unleisured persons. Everyone has heard how the Thibetan antelope scrapes for himself a hole in the ground, in which he lies so still that his long, slender horns look like dry willow shoots sticking out of the ground; and it was only this morning (says Captain Kennion) that my wife had pointed out with delight three little beds side by side in the sand—a big one, a smaller one, and a very diminutive one, evidently the resting-place during the night of some "papa, maman, et bebe" of the timid wilderness folk. Antelope are very pretty beasts, standing about 32 inches high. Their colour varies from brown to fawn, the under part being of a lighter shade, almost white. Under the short, stiff hair lies a loose layer of wonderful soft white wool, which is woven into exquisite pashmina. This can be plucked out in handfuls, and is valuable. Their slender horns have a graceful curve, and frequently have a high polish in the natural state.

In a country like Thibet, where an old provision-tin or the lid of a packing-case is a very valuable asset, the horns are put by the natives to all sorts of uses. Perhaps the most appropriate use is as a rifle rest, when a pair of them are attached to the barrel by a hinge, the points when in use sticking into the ground. The better the rifle, of course, the more help such a rest would be; and it has often occurred to me to ask why we should be superior to the idea for our third-class shots in the Army. The Thibetans also make an ingenious trap for antelope out of the same material, and this they prefer using to bullets or powder, which are hard to come by. This consists of a ring three or four inches in diameter, made of splinters of horn bound round with goat's-hair twine. Sticking out towards the centre are a number of horn spikes, so arranged as to allow an antelope's foot to go through in one direction, but not to be withdrawn. The snare is covered with a sprinkling of sand, and set attached to a heavy stone on one of the numerous paths made by antelope. Though their colour matches their surroundings, antelope, owing to their being so often on the move, are not, as a rule, difficult to see, but when motionless, like other hill beasts, they "turn into stones." And by the same token stones are frequently mistaken for one's quarry, and, curiously enough, if you start with the idea that a stone on a distant hill is an animal, the more you stare at it the more it appears to be ascending the hill.

Athletic Notes.

THE Calcutta Football Club holds its Annual General Meeting at the Saturday Club tomorrow at 9-30 P. M.

The *Englishman's* London Correspondent wired on the 19th instant :—"Sir Thomas Lipton is unable to prevail Mr. Watson or Mr. Fife to design another challenger for the America Cup. It is believed that Sir Thomas's intention to race next autumn has been abandoned."

This will be hailed with satisfaction by those who deplore the mingling of sport with advertisement.

The brevity of the replies sent to a correspondent who asked the opinions of Lord Alverstone, Mr. Andrew Lang, and the headmasters of Eton and Haileybury, on Miss Arabella Kenealy's doubtless sincere observation that "there is no more stupid person than your man or woman who excels in games," is commendable. Dr. Warre and Mr. Lyttelton wrote politely, but at slightly greater length, to the same effect as the Lord Chief Justice and Mr. Lang. Here are the replies of the two last :—

"The Lord Chief Justice presents his compliments and begs to state that he entirely disagrees with the view expressed by Dr. A. Kenealy.

"Dear Sir,—Perhaps Miss Kenealy does not know much about the matter. Very clever as well as very stupid people are good at games.—Faithfully yours,

(Sd.) "A. LANG."

Lord Alverstone could hardly hold any opinion except the opinion he expresses. But, on the whole, we like best Mr. Andrew Lang's "perhaps."

Mr. William Charles Renshaw, of Shore Villa, Swanage, Dorset, and formerly of 31, Piccadilly, Manchester, the well-known tennis player, champion player of England from 1881—87, who died on 12th August last, aged 42, left estate of the gross value of £61,604 6s., of which £54,475 12s. 4d. is net personalty, and probate of his will, dated 26th December 1899, has been granted to his sister, Miss Edith Ann Renshaw, of Annscot, Waltham St. Lawrence, Twyford, Berks, to whom he left the championship cup which he won at Wimbledon in 1881. He bequeathed a second championship cup to his half-sister, Nellie Violet Ward Meara, and requested that these cups should be passed on by will to certain other relatives. He left an annuity of £50 to John Bamfield and his wife Eliza during their joint lives and the life of the survivor, and he left £50 to their children payable on the decease of the survivor. He bequeathed £500 to his godson, Mr. Myles Wood, and £50 to Elizabeth Hulls, of Walton, Bridgwater, and his residuary estate to his said sister, Miss Edith Ann Renshaw. Mr. James Ernest Renshaw, brother and co-champion of the above, died, aged 38, on 2nd September 1899, leaving net personalty sworn at £47,021.

Arrangements for the Delhi-Bombay Motor Trials promoted by the Motor Union of Western India are proceeding satisfactorily. The event for motor cycles will now be carried out, sufficient entries having been receivod to warrant this event taking place. It has been decided to run the trial for motor bicycles and tricycles in conjuntion with that for motor cars, but the smaller machines will only have to traverse between Agra and Mhow, a distance of 389 miles, to be covered in seven days. Great Scot! a two days run. Motor cycles will arrive in Gwalior on the same day as the cars and will, in consequence, be able to take part in the Motor Gymkhana which will be held by the Maharaja of Gwalior. This will be on Tuesday, the 27th December. Entries for the motor cycle event will be received by Captain Jennings, R. G. A., Bombay, and must be in before the 1st December. Maps of the course are being prepared and all information will be afforded to competitors regarding accommodation, etc., in due course.

The Annual General Meeting of the members of Calcutta Golf Club will be held at the Pavilion tomorrow evening; and the opening meeting will take place on Saturday, the 5th proximo,—*vide* advertisement further on.

The All-India Boxing Tournament, which promises well we are glad to hear, will begin at the Central Gymnasium, Secunderabad, on 3rd January next.

The Lake Michigan Automobile Club (U. S. A.) has just played its first game of push-ball with motor cars. The sport was excellent for the spectators. Five cars had their bows stove in, two lost wheels, and four had their tonneaus smashed by rear-end collisions. There being no more cars available in the town the game was adjourned. Seven players were hurt, one of them being scalded by the collapse of a radiator when two cars going at thirty miles an hour thoughtlessly came into collision. A 40 horse car then charged the grand stand boring a tunnel through it and injuring twenty-three spectators, but fortunately not seriously. The game was called a draw by the umpire, who was at once set upon and badly mauled by the infuriated populace who wanted a more definite decision. Fifty-eight arrests were made in an ensuing riot. Although the rest of this exciting game of push-ball was postponed, it is not announced when it was postponed until.

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Telegrams—"Hercules." CALCUTTA.

Our Bombay Correspondent writes:—Our Racquets tournament ought to be extremely good this season judging from the calibre of the players who are likely to meet in it. Probably one of the best players in India at the present time is J. L. Ainsworth, the old Marlburian, who has been turning up at the Court regularly for practice during the past two months and who, it only takes half an eye to see, is much above the average of the ordinary Indian player. He represented Marlborough, I believe, in the Public Schools Tournament in a year that his School carried off premier honours. A good many up-country racquets players are spoken of as being likely to visit Bombay for the Tournament, and among the names mentioned are F. O. Grenfell, E. B. Denison, Brigadier-General J. Spens, Major F. W. D. Quinton, Captain S. H. Sheppard, Captain H. O. Lathbury, A. B. Reynolds, W. E. Copleston, and a couple of players from the 10th Hussars. The bowling green has been newly done up, several improvements have been carried out and players are looking forward to an enjoyable season.

I am afraid the attempt to run a local polo tournament here has fallen through. The original intention was to make up four teams, but the number of poloists in Bombay is so limited that the defection of two or three players would prevent this being carried out. There is only one thing that will ever give a stimulus to Bombay polo and that is the advent of a polo playing regiment.

Yacht owners are pushing on their preparations for the coming season and in the harbour one sees newly-painted yachts, large and small, lying at their moorings. Several have made trial trips and in a short time the harbour will present its usual lively cold weather appearance.

The Yorkshire Regiment has taken the place of the Cheshire Regiment in Bombay and numbers amongst its officers several who are bound to make their mark in local field sports. The Gymkhana will receive accession of strength so far as cricket is concerned in Captain E. H. Chapman and Captain E. L. Vans Agnew and Lieutenants W. K. Rollo, G. C. Denton, L. Peel, H. C. Cumberbatch, and B. S. Greville. Several of the officers play rugger and soccer as well, so that, taking the regiment all round, it is likely to prove more of an acquisition than the Cheshires whose officers, with one or two exceptions, did not favour field sports.

Local lovers of field sports are at present considerably exercised in mind over the ground problem, the land grabbing operations of the Improvement Trust having deprived four Athletic Clubs of their grounds on the Cooperage, which, with the exception of the bit of ground on the west side used for football and hockey, has been entirely built over. The matter is a serious one and calls for the intervention of the Government of Bombay. If things go on at their present rate the only European Club that will be left with facilities to play cricket will be the Bombay Gymkhana who monopolise the greater portion of the parade ground. The operations of the Improvement Trust may be based on very sound principles so far as relieving congestion in our overcrowded city is concerned; but on the other hand that body is gradually depriving the bulk of the European inhabitants of the few plots of ground left to them for cricket, tennis, etc., and consequently of the means of taking part in field sports and obtaining the exercise so necessary to health in a place like Bombay. If the Local Government could be induced to put the Oval into proper condition for games much of the evil now complained of would be removed, but so far all attempts to get this done have failed.

There is another point which should not be overlooked and which has probably not been mentioned before. The members of the clubs which have been deprived of their grounds are for the most part Volunteers and surely it would not be expecting too much of Government to spend a few thousand rupees on the citizen soldiers who on several occasions have rendered valuable services to Government.

Among the passengers who arrived in Bombay by the P. and O. Company's mail steamer *Caledonia* on Saturday I notice the names of the following sportsmen:—Mr. E. H. Aitken ("Eha"), the well-known naturalist, Major A. H. Block, R. A., the Central India cricketer, Mr. J. L. Maffey, of the Punjab C. S., an old Rugby cricketer, Captain A. B. Sangster, the well-known Mhow cricketer, the Earl of Rock-Savage, and Captain S. R. Kirby.

If there is any merit in figures so far as cricket is concerned, J. Monteath, the old Cliftonian, and Dharwar batsman who last week scored a century, his fifth this season, is the best batsman in the Presidency and certainly the most prolific run-getter. I have kept the averages of all the principal batsmen in the Presidency who have played ten innings and upwards during the season, and although Greig, Carroll, and Wilkins of Poona, Acton of Bombay, T. Aitchison, Captain Brewis, and D. E. Copleston of Belgaum, H. Pogson and T. R. Maitland Kirwan of Dhulia Captain E. Saulez, Captain Hon'ble W. G. S. Cadogan, and H. P. Chaplin of Mhow, and C. A. Kincaid of Rajkot, can all point to remarkably good figures they all fall far behind Monteath who throughout the season has batted with wonderful consistency, and, indeed, has only on three occasions failed to reach double figures, while in only one innings was he dismissed without scoring. There is probably no other batsman in the Presidency to-day who is more attractive to watch or who can command so many fine strokes.

Local turfites are looking forward to the opening of the Bombay racing season with more than usual interest for everything points to a most successful season, both as regards the quality of the candidates, great and small, some of which are now in training, and the liberal way in which all classes have been catered for. The course at Mahalaxmi is in apple pie order and in another forthnight the usual November morning mustering of owners, trainers and riding boys will be in evidence between daylight and 8 o'clock for the purpose of putting likely candidates through their paces.

The Aga Khan Hockey Tournament, details of which will be found further on, resulted in a win for the Royal Scots who defeated the Poona Gymkhana in the final by three goals to one.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Friday, 7th October* 1904.

THE autumn speech campaign has begun in earnest. Mr. Balfour dined with the Scottish Conservative Club in Edinburgh on Monday and afterwards touched the tender tops of various themes, as Ireland and the fiscal question. Mr. Chamberlain, in a wooden hall which had been built expressly for the purpose on the outskirts of Luton, addressed an audience estimated at 7,000, which is the maximum the building will hold. The wordy warfare of electioneers still rages in the Thanet region. The liberal candidate, Mr. King, is said to have scored heavily by the ingenious device of producing a glass jar labelled in German "Potted Dog" as a specimen of the food eaten in Protectionist countries. This statesmanlike argument has made a deep impression on the Free and Enlightened in Thanet—much deeper one gathers than the recital of Mr. Marks' financial evolutions has had, in an opposite sense, on the same Pure and High-souled electors.

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Mr. Arnold Foster, addressing the cutlers at Sheffield last night, had much to say about the difficulties of a War Minister and the wealth of negative criticism which is showered upon the War Office. He also made the remark, which may or may not be significant, that the time for talk was past and the season for action is arrived: and the papers are already asking in gloomy despondency, not unjustified, what is going to happen to our unfortunate army next. Mr. Arnold Foster is, or pretends to be, gratified by the Essex manœuvres from which valuable lessons, he said, have been learned. He did not tell us what those lessons were, nor did he mention the bill, which was £5,000. There was one sign of grace in his address. He laid down the very sound proposition that if the country wants an army it must make sacrifices, and hinted not obscurely that the sacrifices must be in the shape of cash. This seems a variance with his previous decision to sacrifice battalions in the interests of economy.

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Sir William Vernon Harcourt's death removes a figure which had ceased for a time to be prominent in the political world, his pending retirement had been preceded by a term of detachment from the strife in which he was for so long so conspicuous. He was one of the hardest hitters in the House, but he always played fair and those who sat over against him never found reason to lose respect for the Squire of Malwood. As a public man his name recalls most readily the Anathemised Hares and Rabbits Bill and the Death Duties: the former a measure difficult to reconcile with his knowledge of country life and affairs. He died at Nuneham in Oxfordshire the property to which he succeeded a few years ago: and it is thought passed away in his sleep from failure of the heart induced by the chill from which he had been suffering. He was buried yesterday.

It is satisfactory to see signs of rebellion on the part of landowners against the idiotic building bye-laws by which county councils or other busy-body assemblages make it almost impossible to raise dwellings for labourers in the rural districts. Mr. Blunt, led off the ball with a scathing article in the *Nineteenth Century*, stung into print by the action of the East Grinstead Rural Council which "ran him in" and fined him for building a range of cottages in iron and wood. There is no stone in this district, and the cost of bringing brick to the spot where the cottages are required is prohibitive. Mr. Blunt's article has loosened the pens of other landowners in a similar plight: and now the world has a chance of learning what relation exists between the blessings of local self government by self advertising small tradesmen and the depopulation of the country districts. One Council refused to "pass" any plans for labourers' cottages unless these were built according to a scheme of its own which would cost £350 per cottage: and where is field labour paid at a rate which will allow the hind to pay five shillings a week in rent. The Berkshire farm hand considers eighteen pence a week for a roomy cottage a high rent.

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The outlook for the poor this winter is gloomy enough—Mr. Long has invited the Guardians to confer on the subject at his office—and the Amalgamated Society of Engineers has contrived to make it worse for the East End of London. The Austrian Government had accepted Messrs. Garrow's tender to build 28 torpedo boat destroyers: the engineers stuck out for "time and a half" for night work instead of the orthodox "time and a quarter:" and the difference in the wages bill worked out a such a figure that Garrows have been obliged to sublet the contract to a Trieste firm: whereby there will be fewer men by 2,000 or 3,000 wanted at Garrows during the next six months or more, and nearly a quarter of a million in wages will not be spent.

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I have never seen Sarnrof and Chancel's *Le Prince Consort*, but am strongly inclined to think that he changed his spots considerably in the passage across the channel. Mr. Boosey's adaptation of the play which was produced at the Comedy on Saturday leaves the impression of a good man struggling with a Lord Chamberlain. It is not difficult to see what Mr. Boosey's difficulties have been: the spirit of the original play breaks through here and there, Bowdlerisation and the Censor of Plays notwithstanding: but as a whole the susceptibilities of the great B. P.—or the Lord Chamberlain's Department—have been so well considered that the French heart of the play has been excised and nothing can replace it. There is not much plot in the original: and the plot without the Gallic spirit is a poor thing. The State of Corconia needs an heir: so it is expedient that Queen Sonia should marry. The ex-king of Ingra a shameless unctuous old scamp and Enofa, Queen Sonia's Aunt, who has just laid down the Regency of Corconia on Sonia's arrival at her majority arrange that Prince Cyril, the ex-King's son, shall marry Sonia. In Act II Cyril and Sonia have been married six months, and though they were and are in love with one another, he finds his position as subject and husband impossible. I sympathised with him. Sonia is prone to sink the wife in the sovereign, and she orders Cyril about with some want of tact: further, suspicious ministers and officious ladies in waiting make the poor man's bed a thorny one, and he eventually seeks peace in flight. The anxiety concerning that much needed heir helps Sonia to a solution and she compels her advisers to allow Cyril to share the throne. You see how the land lies. In the original, that unborn baby would be played for all he is worth as the trump card: but we do not talk obstetrics on the English stage, and the mainspring of the play is relegated to a very back seat indeed. Miss Miriam Clements makes a dignified and charming Queen to all but her unhappy husband: Mr. Leonard Boyne has a most thankless and difficult rôle to sustain, and he did not impress one as a princely domestic martyr. Miss Lottie Venne as the outspoken old aunt Xenofa had, I imagine, to leave unsaid many things that would help the play to success in Paris, and Mr. Eric Lewis contrived to make the also much be-Chamberlained part of the regal reprobate Ingra amusing. Of the other characters the stolid Lieutenant Sandor (Mr. Philip Cunningham) who will *not* respond to old Xenofa's flirtatious advances, and an exasperating lady in waiting were very good.

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I looked in upon "Veronique" at the Apollo on Tuesday. Mr. George Graves has added an immense deal of clever and amusing gag to his part as the ambitious old florist: and the donkey in the second act now comes on with the air of a seasoned actor. Miss Ruth Vincent's song in the swing goes better than ever.

"The Golden Light" flickered through three performances, which must have been a rare ordeal for the actors, and went out on Saturday night fairly smothered by tempests of ridicule. What else was to be expected when this is no unfair example of the dialogue. MRS. BROWN POTTER *(at the tea tray)* "one lump of sugar? or two?" THE LOVER "*One* lump will be sufficient. Your fingers make sugar *sweeter*." More fatuous drivel than this play has never been poured out on an unoffending audience. The Magic Kettle business has been so successful at the Palace Theatre that if the present rate of progress is maintained every Hall in London will "boil" its own liquid air kettle within the next fortnight. The Hippodrome has its "mysterious" kettle, the Canterbury a "demon" kettle, and other resorts similar attractions under similar names.

That was a curious incident which closed Sir Henry Irving's stay at Swansea. When the certain fell on "The Bells," Sir Henry was called to the front and was received with the hymn "Lead Kindly Light," sung with intense fervour by the whole house. One can quite understand *Mathias* moving an audience, to enthusiasm, but why, oh why! should "Lead Kindly Light" peculiarly relieve its feelings?

The first Covent Garden Ball was a huge success on Friday night: perhaps the bigger crowd was in a measure due to their earlier beginning, as heretofore the first ball has been usually held in mid October. I don't think there were any very original dresses worth mentioning.

People who like brass bands and plenty of them had a royal time at the Crystal Palace on Saturday, when twenty-four bands from different parts of the kingdom met to compete for a £1,000 trophy. The most successful bands were from the mining districts of the north, the "Geordie," being a far more musically disposed person than his exterior, on working days, would lead one to suspect. The Hebburn Colliery Band won. I was not at Sydenham myself, but an unauthorised agent who was, tells me that the soldiers chorus from *Faust*, played by twelve massed bands, was one of the most stirring things he ever heard.

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It blew a gale on Wednesday night and Thursday morning. In town the wind did no more than strip the trees and give the parks a prematurely winter look, but at sea the mishaps were many all round the coast. The gale came on suddenly and by consequence caught many small vessels which could not live in it. This was particularly the case on the south coast: Folkstone was the scene of at least one pitiful disaster, the channel fishing fleet having endeavoured to find shelter in the Folkstone harbour. The gale subsided about as suddenly as it rose, and last night there was not a breath of wind moving.

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Kipling's new book, "Traffics and Discoveries," was published on Tuesday. It has been received with very moderate enthusiasm by the reviewing fraternity who go so far as to pronounce much of it dull. A casual glance reveals the fact that the illustrious author is motor-struck: he enthuses about scorching in such a vigorous vein that it will be no surprise if he figures as defendant before an unsympathetic bench. We know, from the letter he wrote to Mr. Filson Young, published in that gentlemen's recent work on motoring, that Kipling had discovered the motor and that the motor had opened a new world to him. Motoring is said to have a stimulating effect on the nerve centres, so Kipling's motor may prove a world's benefactor—if the owner can only prevail upon himself to keep his pen out of its works.

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The trial of "Keiro" and his wife "Zoga," professors of palmistry, concluded yesterday. Mr. Gill for the prosecution made fun of their professions, but the defence was able to put into the box quite a lot of witnesses who stoutly maintain the possibility of reading character by the lines of the hand. These believers scout the idea of prophecy, of course, insisting on the exactness of palmistry as a science. That is what was mainly instrumental in prolonging the case. Mr. Loveland continually reminded those engaged in it that the bench had not to decide whether there is a science in palmistry or not: but whether the defendants endeavoured to obtain money by false pretence of telling fortunes: and the two questions are so closely involved that it was a nice matter to keep them apart. The result was "guilty and don't do it again," the sinners being bound over to come up for judgment if called upon.

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A big brown bear in silk dress and picture hat sharing a motor-car with two respectable looking men, suggests lunacy when you meet this vision in the London Streets: but it is only an advertisement. The bear is a performer at the Italian Circus in Regent Street, and she is tame and well conducted beyond the wont of performing bears, as witness the clothes she consents to wear as a lady or a barmaid. "Madame Batavia" is wonderfully well trained and remarkably intelligent: her conduct is so exemplary that the police have not felt called upon to object to her airings in the street so far: but having regard to horses' terror of the smell of bear, the proceeding strikes one as being a little risky.

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Various Items. Sir F. Wingate has been making experiments on the beach at Dunbar to ascertain what type of tyre would be best suited for motor-cars in Egypt. They have used motor vans to transport goods in the Soudan, and the Sirdar is said to hold that there is a great future for self-driven vehicles, waggons, and carriages, in Egypt, if a wheel or tyre can be found that will not sink into the sand.

The "Gurney incident" has been settled by mutual apologies. I don't know anything about Mr Gurney whose love of motor scorching led him into trouble, but it would have promised better for his future success as a diplomatist had he paid up his $25 fine and held his peace. To infringe the laws of the country to which you are accredited and then scramble behind your diplomat's privilege verges upon the injudicious.

A brave man created a mild sensation at the Garrick one night last week by appearing in his stall dressed in knee breeches and buckled shoes. There be those who herald him as the pioneer of male evening dress reform: and predict the re-appearance of powdered wigs and frilled shirts. I fear me they will wait long.

Mr. Brodrick's artistic feelings have been lacerated by the suggestion that he was in any way responsible for the muffin cap or cook's cap which was introduced into the army during his reign at the War Office. He has written to Mr. Jeffrey, M.P., in reply to a letter, to say he was in no way to blame: his military advisers did it, and "the flattering attention of those who have endowed the cap with my name is wholly undeserved."

The motor-car is not hurting the hunter market, whatever else it may be doing. I was at Tattersalls on Monday when Captain Colles, of the Carabiniers, got 550 guineas for Prince Tolleyrand, and 320 guineas, 285 guineas and 240 guineas for other good-looking weight carriers. Two other weight carrying hunters with reputations went for 300 and 290 guineas respectively.

Thirty-two "Rhodes scholars," one from each State of the Union arrived from America on Tuesday to finish their education at Oxford.

Earl Fitzwilliam has almost American ideas of doing himself well: but he does other people uncommonly well at the same time. He is master of two packs of hounds, one in England and the other in Ireland, and gives generous support to another Irish hunt whose country marches with his own. Lately he has felt the need of a yacht, and found what he wanted in a handy little Orient liner of over 3,000 tons.

The County Council has decided to decline with thanks a gift of trees to plant in Picadilly Circus. This not wisely considered present was offered the town by Councillor Von Raalte, whoever he may be.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

ELEMENTARY BRIDGE.*

THIS little book, as its title indicates, is very "Elementary," and hardly goes far enough to be of much value to any beginner wanting to obtain a grasp of the game. We cannot agree with some of the author's remarks regarding "Honor Declarations" and "No Trump" Declarations, and on various points the information contained is too meagre to be of practical use. We should recommend a novice rather to study one of the standard handbooks of the game, which are not, in our opinion, so complex as "Grim" suggests.

* *Elementary Bridge.* By "Grim." Calcutta. Messrs. Thacker, Spink & Co.

HOUSEKEEPING.*

IN a comprehensive, handy volume running to over 200 pages, Maj L. J. Shadwell gives us a perfect *vade mecum* for housekeeping in India, and though the writer's experience has been confined to the Southern and Western Presidencies, the work is applicable to all parts. New comers more especially will be benefited and saved much inconvenience and trouble by keeping the book at hand. The compilation embraces all subjects connected with the several matters dealt with: treatment of servants, cooking—including many useful and novel recipes—, stable management, with valuable hints as to diagnosing correctly equi maladies and treating of minor injuries. In short, it covers the whole range of domestic economy and housekeeping. Mess Presidents of regiments just arriving in the country will particularly appreciate the *brochure* Though mainly intended for the "upper circles," the less affluent housekeeper will benefit by a perusal, for the details are minutely entered into and there will be found no difficulty in adjusting the recipes to income. In fact, "Housekeeping" is a concise epitome of the many books and pamphlets that have from time to time taken up each subject in separate publications. In this book there is, of course, a good deal that is not precisely new, but this will repay re-perusal, while find much therein that is novel and instructive, and this will very acceptable to those who have to bear the burden of hot club or mess management in this country of poor supplies dishonest dealers, and villainous servants.

* *Housekeeping.* By Major L. J. Shadwell. Bombay: Thacker & Co.

THE MAKING OF A MUSEUM.

PROFESSOR Ray Lankester's reign at the Natural Branch of the British Museum will be signalized, if by no other great achievement, at least by the conception and publication of the work before us, of which the second volume will, it is hoped, make its appearance before long. Such a work has been long wanted; and no better plan could have been desired of making it as nearly perfect and complete as possible by intrusting the writing of the history of the various departments and sections to the officers severally responsible for the administration of the same.

The British Museum, we may remind our readers, actually dates from the year 1753, when an Act of Parliament was passed for the purchase of the collection or Museum of Sir Hans Sloane, together with the Harley collection, and to provide a suitable place of reception for them and the cotton library, which had become the property of the nation in 1700, and for such additions as might be made to them. In the present volume we are told how the four Natural History Deparments (that is to say, Zoology, Geology, or more properly Palæontology, Botany, and Mineralogy) gradually became separated from the library and art collections, and subsequently from one another, till the final climax in 1880, when the Natural History Museum was ready for the reception, and science migrated to South Kensington while literature and art remained in the old quarters at Bloomsbury.

The volume before us is devoted to the history of the Natural History Libraries, and of the collections in the Departments of Botany, Geology, and Mineralogy; the Zoological Department which is perhaps the one of most general interest, being reserved for the sequel. Our notice of the present volume will be chiefly confined to the collection of vertebrate palæontology, which is the one appealing most strongly to the general public.

The history of the Geological Department commences with the acquisition of the Sloane collection in 1753, which was opened to the public at Montague House in 1759. This collection, which was of a very miscellaneous character, included a considerable series of fossils, both from at home and abroad. "Two specimens of petrified wood," it is stated, "and 84 invertebrate fossils from the collection can still be identified with certainty, a dozen others being less certain; further, several fish-remains still bear the Sloane label; and a few mammalian fragments are still duly marked." It might have been added that a fossil tortoise's shell from Turkey, which has been made the type of the species *Testudo Sloanei*, and is the only known representative of the same, form a part of the Sloane collection. In 1823 came the first collection of fossil mammalian remains from the celebrated Kirkdale Cave in Yorkshire. Teeth of the gigantic dinosaurian reptile *Igreanodon* from the Sussex Weald received in 1825 and 1828 marked the period of the first discovery of these remains by Mantell. The year 1834 is memorable for the acquisition of the first series of the wonderful collection of ichthyosaurian and plesiosaurian remains made by Thomas Hawkins in the Lias of Dorset and Somerset, the working out and description of which marked an epoch in the mechanics of palæontological work.

In 1840 Major (afterwards Colonel Sir) Proby T. Cautley presented to the Museum the marvellous collection of vertebrate remains made by himself in the Siwalik Hills, which formed the basis of Falconer and Cautley's great work, the "Fauna Antiqua Sivalensis."

To continue further anything approaching a general sketch of the history of the building-up of the collection would obviously be impossible within the limits of our space, and we may therefore conclude this portion of our subject by the following extract from the introduction to the geological section by Dr. A. Smith Woodward, the Keeper of the Department:—

"As the British Dependencies and Colonies were gradually explored, nearly all the pioneer collections of fossils reached the Museum. Cautley [as already mentioned] presented his vertebrata from the Siwalik Formation of India in 1840; Bain, Atherstone, and others sent fossil Reptilia from the Karoo Formation of South Africa; Sir Thomas Mitchell, Sir Daniel Cooper, Dr. George Bennett, Mr. G. F. Bennett, and other contributed extinct Marsupials and other vertebrata from Australia; while the Hon'ble Walter Mantell and many other explorers in New Zealand sent important collections of remains of the extinct birds of that island. The Department of Geology, in fact, now comprises most of the original type-specimens of the fossil vertebrata discovered in the British possessions.

Discoveries abroad have also received much attention, and among unique acquisitions may be enumerated the Pomel and Bravard collections of French Tertiary vertebrata purchased in 1851-52, the *Archæopteryx* [lizard-tailed bird] purchased in 1862, the Van Breda collection of Maastricht and other fossils purchased in 1871; and the Forsyth-Major collection of Lower Pliocene Mammalia from Samos purchased in 1889-90. Even the Arctic Regions are well represented by fossils collected by the Nares expedition in 1875-76, by the McCormick collection bequeathed in 1890, and by the Spitzbergen fossils obtained by Dr. J. W. Gregory during the Conway Expedition in 1896. "During recent years many classic collections made by British palæontologists have been acquired by the Department of Geology. Among these are the Egerton and Enniskillen collection of fossil fishes; the Leeds collection of Oxfordian Reptilia; the Davidson collection of fossil Brachiopoda; the Sedgwick collection of fossil Insects; the Nicholson collection of Stromatoporoids; the Williamson collection of Carboniferous Plant-sections; and the Rufford collection of Wealden Plants."

Throughout the volume one uniform method of treatment has been adopted. We have, firstly, a general account of the rise and development of each Department. This is followed by a chronological account of the principal accessions to the collections of the Department up to the end of the last century; and this, in turn by an alphabetical list, with short biographical notices, of the more important contributors to the Departmental collection.

The work has been thoroughly well planned and thoroughly well carried out; and all connected with the production of the first volume are to be congratulated on the excellent manner in which they have carried out a most important task of great public interest and value. We shall look with interest to the appearance of the second volume of "The History" at, we hope, no distant date.

* *The History of the Collections* contained in the Natural History Departments of the British Museum, Vol. I, London Printed for the Trustees, 1904, pp. xviii and 442.

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BURREL STALKING IN THE CLOUDS.

HOW often has the fog been sworn at by sportsmen all over the world, by sailors, soldiers, townsmen, and others? But there are times when the fog befriends the stalker on the mountain side and assists him to get near his game. In July, 1902, I was on the look out for burrel in a likely nullah in the Garhwal Himalayas. On the 8th we had been out since early in the morning, the clouds had enveloped us since eleven, at about 14,000 feet altitude, but shortly after two they lifted for a short time and a few minutes afterwards I sighted four rams. In an instant my two men and I had crouched among the rocks and I was looking at the game through my glasses to pick the best head, they were all good ones and not much over two hundred yards off.

"Be quick, Sahib" said my guide, "the fog is blowing up again," but I wanted to get nearer, and this I hoped to do under cover of the fog, and then wait for it to clear again, the burrel were grazing on some fresh young grass, not likely to go far away, and the wind was right.

Presently the fog completely hid the burrel and we began to move towards them along a very steep bit of ground in the direction of some big boulders of rock which would bring us within easy shot. We got to the boulders all right and crouched among them, within thirty or eighty yards of the four rams, here we waited for an hour and could occasionally hear the clash of the rams' horns as they playfully butted eath other. Both old and young rams are very fond of playing in this way. The fog seemed to be thinning out, and I was hoping for a sight of the game, when suddenly a herd of ewes and young rams appeared out of the fog within twenty yards of us and just below. We kept as still as rocks, but it was no use, some of the ewes gave their alarm whistle and the herd turned and went galloping away up the hill, past us, and above where the rams were. The fog cleared shortly afterwards, but the rams had gone, we saw them and the ewes on the sky line over four hundred yards off, and it was not the slightest use following them. On the 9th July we reconnoitred another nullah with rich grass on both sides, just below a glacier which led up to the snow peaks, and at about eight o'clock sighted a herd of eighteen burrel, in which were five or six good rams, on our side of the nullah and a good five hundred yards below us. All we could do was to watch them and wait till they shifted their position, but this they did not seem inclined to do. Far away across the nullah I could see another herd of burrel, over thirty, but whether rams or ewes could not tell.

It was a lovely bright morning with the wildest and grandest of scenery on every side. We were surrounded by snow peaks of over 20,000 feet altitude, glaciers, broad snow fields, and below them green slopes covered in places with the beautiful Alpine rose.

After a long wait the fog began to roll up the valley and by half-past ten the burrel were completely hidden. We got up and went down the hillside towards where we had last seen them, below some very white-looking rocks. We crouched and waited, and when the fog lifted the burrel were not in sight. We came across the place where they had been grazing and followed their tracks slowly up the nullah. On coming over a rise I saw the whole herd lying down about 120 yards off, and I immediately squatted down and drew a bead, with my ·360 Cordite express, on the biggest ram. His black chest was towards me and an easy shot: "crack," and he reared up, and rolled over dead. The herd jumped up and ran a short distance up the hill, then stopped. I banged the two next biggest rams in two more shots at about 150 and 180 yards. The remainder of the herd crossed the nullah and joined the other large herd who were now on the move.

Burrel, though extremely alert animals, and possessing long range sight and keen scent, get flurried, after the manner of their kind, when confronted by sudden danger. They run about, herd together, stand gazing, and don't seem to be able to make out where the danger is, enabling several shots to be fired. But once started they go for miles, making for the most dangerous and precipitous ground.

In June, 1903, I was again on the look out for burrel, and again the fog assisted me. We sighted a herd of twenty rams about seven o'clock, they were about a mile off on the slope above us and moving slowly across a snow-field towards some grassy ravine. We got away into a nullah beyond and made our way up it, a long and stiff climb, until we thought we were rather above the burrel and and then crept out of the nullah and along the brown slope with patches of snow about it to a ridge from where we had a good view. There were the herd of twenty, about half a mile off straight ahead, and slightly lower down the hill than we were. The steeps above were covered with snow, and there was no way of getting near the burrel without the help of a fog. All we could do was to watch them as they fed slowly away from us. I expected the fog to roll up the valley about eleven o'clock and as it was now past ten I had my lunch and kept my eye on the herd meanwhile.

Sure enough, before eleven wreaths of mist were creeping up the slopes while down in the main valley was a dense white cloud. As soon as our hill-side was enveloped we started off and after going a short distance had to cross a very steep slope of snow, this took some time, and was nasty work, as a slip would have meant a tobogan down about a thousand feet to some black rocks. After crossing we had to wait some time, crouching among the brown stems of the Alpine roses, not yet in flower, as the mist had lifted and the burrel were in sight. The fog came up again thicker than ever and we went on, across three more snow-filled ravines to some boulders, here we waited again as the fog lifted for some hours. I watched the burrel, they lay down, grazed, and butted each other at intervals and seemed entirely unsuspicious. Later on, however, I saw one of the rams suddenly leave the herd and trot down the grassy slope for some distance and then lie down. I believe he had winded my coolies coming along with the camp equipage far below.

Meanwhile the other nineteen rams went on grazing; they were about five hundred yards from us now, the mist was blowing about in wreaths, but not covering the burrel enough for us to continue our stalk, and the sentinel ram continued his watch below. We had a three hours' watch and wait, the sentinel returning to the herd but remaining lowest down the hill of all, about half an hour before the fog came on thick again.

Off we went again, across another snow slope and the fog lifted just in time for us to crouch on the brown hill-side about three hundred yards from the herd. Our clothes matched the surroundings well and there were rocks about, also we kept as still as we could for more than half an hour while I watched the herd through my old steward glasses trying to pick out the best head. The old sentry, who was still below the others some fifty yards or more, appeared to have the best head, and my men wanted me to fire, but I determined to get nearer if I could. It is always advisable to get as near as one can even if armed with a modern high velocity rifle.

The friendly fog came up again and we had another steep snow slope to cross. If the fog were to lift while we were crossing it all would be up, as the burrel would see us and the slope was too steep to admit of a steady shot. In great excitement we got across as quickly as we could to some less steep ground beyond, then across another patch of snow and crouched breathless among some rocks just as the fog was lifting. We were now about two hundred yards from the burrel, and I believe I might have got nearer, only my guide, in his impatience, I suppose, stood up and pointed at the herd as if I was blind. A vicious dig with my elbow into his ribs and an order to squat, hissed out, made him crouch again, but it was too late, several double whistles—"phee—phee"—were given, and the whole herd began to move off up the grassy slope they were grazing on. I sighted the lowermost ram, the sentinel, and let him have a ·360 soft-nosed bullet behind the right shoulder. He plunged down the slope and stood, I shifted my sight on to another big fellow and he rolled over. "The first one is not hit," said my guide, he was still standing, so I fired at him again but the bullet went over his shoulder, I saw the earth fly up beyond. A moment after he rolled down the slope dead. Meanwhile I dropped a third ram with my fourth shot just as the herd were disappearing over the slope. The first ram was hit rather low down by my first shot, that accounted for his standing so long His horns were very massive and had fourteen rings on them, length 23¼ inches. The second had seven rings, length 22 inches. The third had eight rings, length 25 inches.

The remaining seventeen burrel moved away up and up towards the snow fields and black crags above. My men were delighted as we cut off the three heads and returned to camp, orders being given for the meat to be brought in first thing the next morning. This was the longest and most exciting stalk I have ever had. We sighted the burrel at seven and I shot them at about a quarter to five. The weapon used was a double ·360 Cordite, weight 8½lbs. A weapon second to none for Himalayan sport.

GARHWALI.

A TUSSLE WITH A HYÆNA.

D C sends the following interesting account to the *Pioneer*:—Two friends of mine—C. and G.—came down from Calcutta to spend a holiday and Sunday with me in a certain small station in Bengal, bringing with them a bobbery pack of four terriers of sorts, a spaniel, an Irish terrier, and two semi pies, to which I contributed a bull-terrier. We went out on foot in the evening after jack. Avoiding one piece of jungle, which was a favourite haunt of a hyæna, we put the pack into a small patch of "khea" jungle, which is, as a rule, a safe find for a jack. The "khea" here grows to a height of 12 to 14 feet, the fringe and top being thick and prickly, and inside a mass of roots and branches, interwoven in places with creepers and branches of all descriptions. The first sign which we had of a find was one of the terriers darting out with his bristles up. I put the bull-terrier to it, and presently he re-appeared, but with what little nose he has he had scented "something." Presently a tremendous yay yaping commenced, and in the bull-terrier went again, and almost immediately another voice joined in the concert which told me that the old dog had gone straight home for whatever it was, and that it was more than a jack. There was nothing for it if we wanted to save the dogs but to go in ourselves, so with a feet-foremost plunge I landed inside on my back in soft mud. In about three minutes I reached the scene of the fray, and there in a lair shaped like a horse shoe—the only practicable entrance being the way which I had luckily struck—was the bull-terrier tackling single-handed a large female hyæna, with a couple of terriers and the spaniel cheering him on from a safe distance. The good old dog had got home at the brute's throat, but had already been mauled and was being badly mauled—I had only a hunting-crop with me, with which I belaboured the hyæna on the head. It had small effect on her beyond distracting her attention somewhat from the bull-terrier and making her want to be rid of us. She was getting away when I pulled her back by her tail, and she then came for me. I was able to keep her off and to give her a bit of a headache, and the bull-terrier got home again in her throat. C. here came up from behind me, but the space was too confined for him to help me, and he could only reach the hyæna's body with his blows. At this stage my hunting-crop broke. The hyæna was getting away again, when I pulled her back with the same result that she again came for me. In self defence I closed with the smelling beast, and got a grip of her throat with both hands. Her weight bore me down into a sitting position, she being on my left and partially past me, C. on my right and more or less behind, and the bull-terrier somewhere mixed up with my legs and nearly done for. After a brief struggle I worked her over to my right, when C. was able to help me. The next instant she had him by the ankle, but he luckily had on thick boots and putties, and her teeth didn't get home. Luckily, too, for both of us, he had a fair-sized shikar knife with him with which, after trying a couple of vicious digs behind the shoulder, he cut the hyæna's throat and severed her windpipe. Just before the end, with what we thought was his dying effort, the bull-terrier once more got his teeth home in the brute's throat alongside of my fingers. We had to force his jaws apart, and even then C. had to carry him away by force. He was badly bitten, as may be imagined, but C. took him to the stream and after ten minutes he was able to stand up and presently walk to the trap. Only one of the terriers got bitten in the ear. Poor G. arrived on the scene just as the sport was over, having by then managed to force his way through from the opposite direction. He and I dragged out the kill. She was a big, heavy beast, twice to three times the size of my bull-terrier. Needless to say the latter was installed a great hero that night, and I trust that he has many more glorious fights before him, as he is only just two years old.

REVISED RULES FOR SHOOTING IN CHAMBA STATE.

HIS Highness the Raja of Chamba being concerned at the growing scarcity of game in his State directs that the following rules for shooting be substituted for those previously issued:—

I. No person is allowed to shoot in any part of Chamba State without the special permission of His Highness the Raja, except the villagers who have got licenses and can shoot on their own lands.

II (1). Permit for shooting Big Game:—Such a permit will be granted on payment of a fee of Rs. 25. It will cover the shooting of Small Game within the season.

(2). Permit for shooting Small Game:—Such a permit will be granted on payment of a fee of Rs. 10.

The fees are payable in advance and should accompany the application for permits. The Raja may refuse to give a permit if for any reason he considers it undesirable to grant it. In such case the fee will be returned.

Permits are not transferable.

III. The number to be shot of the following animals will be limited as follows:—

Game.	*Number permitted.*
(1) Thar ...	... Four
(2) Gooral ...	... Six
(3) Ibex	... Four
(4) Surrow ...	... Two
(5) Brown Bear ...	... Three
(6) Kakar (Barking deer)	... Four

Note.—There is no limit to the number of leopards and black bears.

IV. The shooting of the following is strictly prohibited:—

(1) Red Deer.
(2) Musk Deer.
(3) Monal Pheasant.
(4) Argus (Tragopan) Pheasant.
(5) Peafowl.

V. The following nullahs are all closed till further notice to permit-holders for shooting:—

(1) The Kugti Nullah in Burmor.
(2) The Mundah Nullah in Burmor.
(3) The Tundah Nullah in Burmor.
(4) The Mumeri Nullah in Burmor.
(5) The Barmani Nullah in Burmor,
(6) Gamgul in Bhandal.
(7) Balu ka Mandi in Bhandal.
(8) Siah Bahi in Bhandal.
(9) Sai Ilaqa in Bhandal.
(10) Jammuni between Alwas Nullah and Mangli.
(11) Pangi Ilaqa.
(12) The Hull Nullah in Gudial.
(13) Simleo in Chun.
(14) Dal and Kut in Chun.
(15) Sarianu Nullah in Dhundh.
(16) Kala Ban in Dhundh.
(17) Sukdeol and Bhated in Jundh.
(18) Jagat Khana in Bhalai.
(19) Hadi Nullah in Chandru.
(20) Dantu Nullah in Chanju.
(21) Mukan Nullah in Bernota.
(22) The Miyar Nullah in Chamba, Lahoul.
(23) Jadoo in Manjir.

VI. No shooting is permitted within eight miles of Chamba town.

VII. All beating for game is strictly prohibited.

VIII. The shooting of partridges is prohibited from 15th March to 15th September, and pheasants are not to be shot from 1st March to 1st October.

IX. Applications for Shooting Permits should be made to the Private Secretary to His Highness the Raja of Chamba.

X. Any person holding a Shooting Permit that wishes to employ a Shikari must select him from among the Registered Shikaris.

XI. A list of Registered Shikaris is kept by the Private Secretary at his office and applications for the list should be made to him.

XII. In order to keep a record of game shot in Chamba, shikaris on engagement will be provided with the cards, and sportsmen are requested to fill in them the correct number of animals and birds shot. When a shikari is not engaged the sportsmen are themselves requested to supply this information to the Private Secretary so that he may make the requisite entries in the Registers. They should mention the date on and the locality in which the game was shot.

(Sd). Bhuri Singh,
Raja of Chamba.

Countersigned.
(Sd.) Alex. Anderson,
Commissioner, Lahore Division.

Shooting.

HOW TO BUY A GUN.

What to Secure and What to Avoid.

WHILE we regard the best gun that can be built as the best value in the market and the cheapest in the end, many people only care to pay from £10 to £20 for their guns, and desire to get, if possible, the best value for their outlay. They do not require their guns to do very much work in the course of the year, and they believe with some reason, that a thousand shots or so per annum can be discharged as satisfactorily from the low-priced as from the high-priced weapon. The latter must be ordered to be built, while the former can be bought ready-made in any gun-shop, if the would-be purchaser knows anything about guns or has a friend of experience with him in selecting a gun from the many varieties at his disposal. Assuming that the gun is a low-priced one suitable for general all-round shooting, the chief points that have to be attended to are as follows:—First test the weapon to ascertain if it has any shakiness in its joints. This can be done by holding the butt-end in the left hand, grasping the handle of the stock with the right, and moving the gun quickly from side to side. Should there be any sound heard of a shake in the parts, all fastenings, especially those connecting the barrel with the action, should be carefully examined to see if they perfectly fit. A top-fastening is unnecessary for safety and strength, and the gun looks better without it, while there is less danger of sand clogging the free action. If the usual lumps under the barrel are properly made and fitted they should be quite sufficient to fasten the breech. If they are not so a top-fastening cannot improve them, while it is the first piece of mechanism on a low-priced gun to get into disrepair, and the most difficult to put right again. The barrels should not be less than 28 inches long nor more than 29 inches, for the shorter barrels cannot be more quickly aligned on game, and are less steady and more difficult to kill with on the average of all-round shots.

For shooting power there is no gun that can approach a twelve-bore. Twenty-bore guns suit some people, but they are inferior to twelves, because, among other things, the shot pellets in the latter lie closer to the walls over the powder, and are therefore more strongly discharged. Being the farthest from the explosive the top pellets of a shot-charge in a gun have least propelling power, and are consequently less effective than the pellets nearer the powder which have to drive them out. The weight of the gun for a man of ordinary strength should not be over six and three quarters pounds. Twelve-bore guns are made down to five and three-quarter pounds, the barrels being 26 inches in length; but they are only desirable for men of weak physique, with charges correspondingly reduced, so as to avoid much recoil. Most low-priced guns are made with the right barrel a cylinder and the left a choke, making a pattern of from 160 to 200 pellets according to whether the choke is modified or full) at forty yards on the 30 inch circle. Choking, however, has now altogether gone out of fashion, and a gun with both barrels cylinder is to be preferred on many grounds, especially if some of the shooting may be, as it is likely to be, at driven game. The choke barrel smashes the birds too severely, even in ordinary wild shooting most of the shots being best taken by a well-bored cylinder even at forty yards. Pigeon-shooting only requires choke barrels, because it is the only kind of shooting in which it is advantageous to "plaster" the birds with shot. Pigeon guns, however, are in a class by themselves, and should a shooter contemplate pigeon-shooting occasionally, his best plan would be to have a spare pair of barrels fully choked fitted to his gun. It must be remembered that a game shot is handicapped by using a pigeon gun in game shooting, seeing that the charge of the pigeon gun covers a very small space compared with the large one covered by the regular game gun, requiring more accurate aim and giving more chance of missing altogether unless the pigeon charge is absolutely centred on the game, which means at ordinary game distances, rendering it unfit either for the pot or the poulterer.

Having selected the description of gun required, next comes the very important question of getting a well-fitting, even though a ready-made, weapon. The Americans, with all their guns machine-made with interchangeable parts, have to acquire the art of fitting themselves to their guns which is a long, tedious process. The Englishman, on the contrary, wants a gun that fits him accurately from the start, and he can get it.

Correspondence.

All MSS. should be addressed to the Editor.
The writer's name and address are required with every communication.
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Under no circumstances are questions answered by post.
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DELHI-BOMBAY MOTOR TRIALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—With reference to the event for Motor Cycles, we have pleasure in saying that a sufficient number of entries have now been received to warrant this event being carried out, and we shall be glad if you would give publicity in your paper to this effect.

It has been decided to run the trial for motor bicycles and tricycles in conjunction with that for motor cars, but the smaller machines will only have to traverse between Agra and Mhow, a distance of 389 miles, to be covered in seven days.

The motor cycles will arrive in Gwalior the same day as the cars, and will in consequence be able to take part in the Motor Gymkhana, which is being held by H. H. the Maharaja of Gwalior. This will be on Tuesday, the 27th December

Entries for the Motor Cycle Event will be received by Captain Jennings, R. G. A., 32, Colaba, Bombay, and must be in before the 1st December.

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Tollygunge Steeplechases.

2nd and 7th January 1905.
The first entries for all races close on Tuesday, the 1st November 1904, at 7 P.M.

Calcutta First Extra Meeting.

20th December 1904.
The first entries for the Maiden Horse Plate only close on Tuesday, the 1st November 1904, at 7 P.M. Entries which must be accompanied with entrance money (See general condition 3) to be sent on forms obtained on application.

For Programmes see Racing Calendars, No. 236, of 7th April 1904, and No. 249, of 6th October 1904, or apply to—

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1. To pass the Accounts for Season 1903-1904, ending 30th September 1904.
2. To elect Office-bearers and transact any other business that may be brought forward.

The Opening Match will take place on *Friday and Saturday, 4th and 5th proximo.*

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DACCA POLO TOURNAMENT.

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1. Open to any team.
2. 36 minutes actual play, divided into periods of 6 minutes, with an interval of 2 minutes between each period, and of one minute after each goal.
3. No entrance fee. Teams are requested to send in their entries as early as possible, so that the necessary arrangements may be made by the Honorary Secretary for stabling, etc., but entries will be accepted up to the 1st January.
4. The right is reserved to the Race Stewards of modifying or altering the conditions.

C. H. HOLDER,

Honorary Secretary,
DACCA RACES.

DACCA RACE OFFICE, *12th October 1904.*

Amateur Golf Championship of India and the East, 1904.

This competition will be held between 31st December 1904 and 2nd January 1905, under the same conditions as formerly. By kind permission of the Tollygunge Club, play will take place over their links. There will also be Open Handicap over the Barrackpore links, between 24th and 27th December for a Challenge Bowl kindly presented by the Proprietor of *the asian* and Visitors *vs.* Calcutta matches will be arranged during the Championship week. Full particulars can be had on application to

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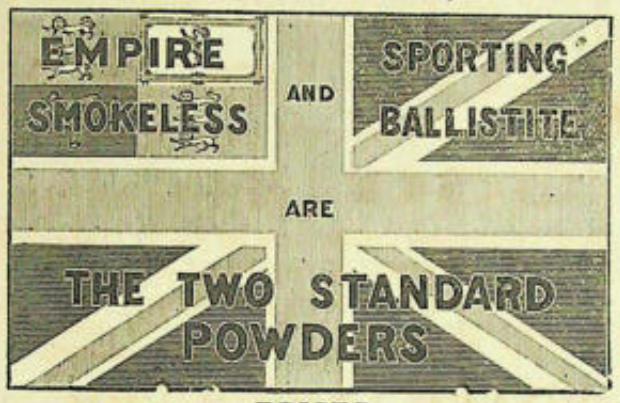
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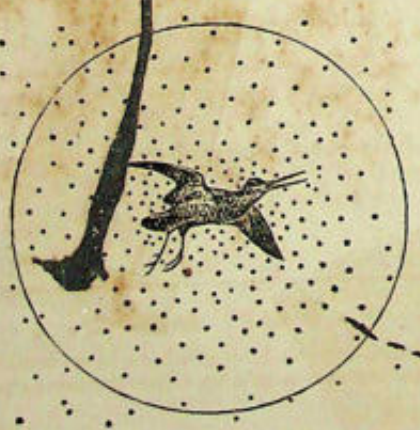
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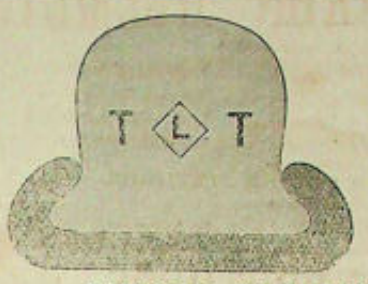
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NAME OF RACES.	Month.	Date	For P[illegible] pectus pag
Jubbulpore Autumn	Nov.	1 & 3	
„ Open Gymkhana	„	5	372
Southern Mahratta Autumn (Belgaum)	„	3 and 5	373
Umballa Autumn	„	8, 8 & 10	473
Asansol	„	9 & 11	82
Mhow	„	12	
Rangoon Third Extra	„	12	
Meerut Autumn Sky	„	15, 17, & 19	
Somepore	„	23, 25 & 27	
Rangoon Autumn	„	29 & Dec. 1 & 3	
Lucknow Autumn	„	24, 26 & 28	626
„ „ (Army Cup)	„	26	
Tezpore	Dec.	6, 8 and 10	
Rangoon Fourth Extra	„	10	
Calcutta First Extra	„	17	
„ Second „	„	24, 27, 29 & 31	
„ First Meeting	„	27	
Viceroy's Cup	„	15, 17, 20	495
Rawalpindi Sky	„	27, 29 & 31	
Lahore X'mas	„	27	521
Madras X'mas	„	2 & 7	
Tollygunge Steeplechase	Jan.	24, 26, 28	496
Dibrugarh	„	10, 12, 14	521
Dacca	„	24, 26, 28	472
Madras Winter	„	14 & 21	
Calcutta Second Meeting	„	28	
„ Third Extra	„	4	
„ Fourth „	Feb.	27, 29, 31	
Colombo Monsoon	May	5, 8, 10, 12	
„ August	Aug.		

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Army Cup	Final	..	15th Novemb
Civil Service Cup	Fourth	..	1st Decembe
Rangoon Third Extra	Final	..	20th Janua
Umballa Autumn	Second	..	4th Novemb
Asansol	Third	..	28th October
Rangoon Autumn	First	..	8th Novemb
	Second	..	29th October
	Third	..	15th Novemb
Dacca	First	..	22nd Novembe
	Second	..	1st November.
	Third	..	1st December.
Mhow	Final	..	1st January.
Calcutta First Extra		..	5th November.
„ Second „		..	6th December
„ First Meeting	First	..	13th „
„ Second „	Second	..	1st November.
Muscoorie Autumn	First	..	30th „
	Second	..	20th November.
Lahore X'mas	Third	..	7th January.
Meerut Autumn Sky	First	..	19th „
Tollygunge Steeplechases, First Day	Second	..	26th „
„ „ Second „	First	..	1st November.
	Second	..	1st December.
Dibrugarh	First	..	2nd January.
	Second	..	1st December.
	Third	..	1st January.
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Somepore Open Tournament	.. Begins 2
Meerut Autumn Tournament	14th, 16th,
Calcutta P. C. Tournament	.. Begins
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Burma Polo Assen. Tournament	From 14th
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ROWING.	
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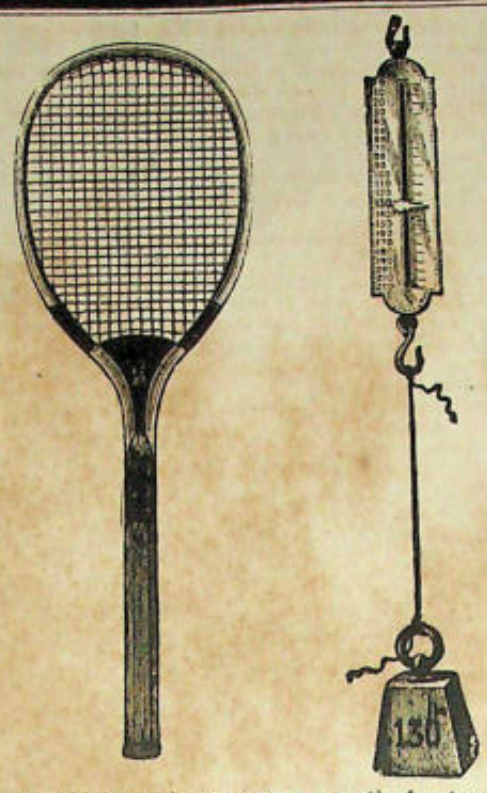
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Mr. Locke's Golcondah, 10st. 12lbs. ...	C. Hoyt	1
Mr. Ramshaw's Hampton Lass, 10st. 9lbs.	Penton	2
Mr Bleach's Lady Cheltenham, 9st. 11lbs.	A. Hoyt	3

BETTING : Evens Golcondah, and 2 to 1 each agst. Hampton Lass and Lady Cheltenham.

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

Golcondah early had the other two in trouble and won comfortably ; a great struggle for second place. Time—55⅘secs.

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Mr. Bass' Tam Ring, 11st. 11lb ...	A. Hoyt	1
Capt. Grech's Hopeterry, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Mungroo	2
Capt. Norwood's Scamperdale, 10st. ...	Mr. Down	3
Mr. Ally's Good Luck, 8st. 2lbs. ...	.....	0

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Tam Ring, 5 to 1 agst. Scamperdale, 3 to Hopeterry, and 6 to 1 Good Luck.

Won by one length ; four lengths between second and third.

Hopeterry led until a furlong from home when Tam Ring came to the front and won, hard held, by one length. Time—58secs.

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Messrs Avasia and Bleach's Testwood, 9st. 3lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. Locke's Miss Villiers, 9st. 3lbs. ...	C. Hoyt	2
Koer Saheb of Patiala's Vienard, 9st. 9lbs.	Southall	3
Col. Beaver's Hyacinth, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Native	0
Thakur Sripat Singh's Toreador, 9st. 11lb.	Firth	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Testwood, 3 to 1 agst. Vienard, 4 to 1 Toreador, 5 to 1 Miss Villiers, and 8 to 1 Hyacinth.

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

Toreador, on the inside, jumped back at the gate going up and lost twenty lengths. Testwood early took the lead and won fairly easily ; Miss Villiers lying third came gamely into second place from the distance, but could not overtake the winner. Time—1m 4⅘secs.

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Mr. Bass' Filbert, 10st. 13lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. Ramshaw's Pet Girl, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Penton	2
Mr. Locke's Elsie II., 10st. 7lb. ...	C. Hoyt	3

Also ran :—Colonel Breaver's Heliades, 10-4 ; Thakur Sripat Sing's Witchery, 10-7 ; Thakur Sripal Sing's Elsie, 10-6 ; Patiala's Luckpenny, 9-12 ; Major Ste's Tiber, 10 1 ; Major Berryman's Quilt, 8-13 ; Major Maxwell's Mabel Grey, 8-6.

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Filbert. 4 to 1 each agst. Pet Girl and Elsie II., Witchery and Heliades, 5 to 1 each Luckpenny and Quilt 6 to 1 Mabel Grey and 10 to 1 Tiber.

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

Filbert early took the lead, Heliades lying second, the rest in a bunch. At the distance a great race ensued between Pet Girl and Elsie II. for second place. Filbert won comfortably. Time—60secs.

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Mr. Bass' Tam Ring, 10st. 4lbs. ...	A Hoyt	1
Capt. Guest's La Belle, 10st. 10lbs. ...	C. Hoyt	2
H H. of Patiala's Parlour Maid, 10st. 7lbs.	Southall	3
Maj. Maxwell's Moselle, 9st. 11lbs ...	Native	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Tam Ring, 5 to 1 agst. Parlour Maid, 4 to 1 La Belle, and 10 to 1 Moselle

Tam Ring won pulling up by half a length ; four lengths between second and third.

La Belle led to the distance and was then in trouble, Tam Ring having race in hand all along. Time—1min. 9secs.

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Patalia's Orvieto, 10st. 8lbs.	Southall	0
Capt. Gardener's Soheil	Mr. Chatterton	0
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Col. Beaver's Corsair, 10st ...	Native	0
Sripal Sing's Anderson, 9st. 7lbs. ...	D. Taylor	0
Maj. Gwynn's Shamus	J. Taylor	0

Won by two lengths ; a neck between second and third.

Hazard won all the way, the rest running in a bunch. There was a great race for second place. Time—61⅘secs.

DARJEELING SKY RACES.

STEWARDS.

F. E. METCALFE, ESQ.
G. HENNESSY, ESQ.
J. H. E. GARRETT, ESQ.
A. J. SHILLINGFORD, ESQ.
C. P. ANDREWS, ESQ.
G. GRANT GORDON, ESQ.
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MAJ. S. BIRD, R.F.
W. H. EDWARDS, ESQ.
H. B. ST. LEGER, ESQ.
ALLAN DAVYS, ESQ.

Secretary :—K. L. MACKENZIE, ESQ.,
Judge :—MAJOR S. BIRD, R.
Starter :—MR. A. J. SHILLINGFORD.
Clerk of the Scales :—MR. W. H. EDWARDS.
Clerk of the Course :—MR. C P. ANDREWS.

Second Day, Thursday, 20th October 1904.

OWING to continued wet weather the second day did not come off on the 19th as advertised, but the next day turned out an ideal one for racing, and the meeting was brought to a conclusion under the most successful conditions. There was a very large attendance, and in contrast to the first day speculation was fairly brisk. Favourites justified their selection so that the public had a particularly happy time. The handicappers had been very lenient in three or four cases which the public did not fail to see and invest accordingly.

Mr. Galstaun had an uncommonly good time, having thirteen mounts and steering nine winners during the meeting. His finish in the Kinchinjungha Plate on Energy against Mr. Dudley on Royal Flush was artistic. Both rode all they knew, getting every ounce out of their mounts, and it was only during the last dozen strides that Royal Flush chucked it, and the game mare went on winning amidst great applause by a length. Energy may be borne in mind should she run at Calcutta this winter over her distance. Details :—

THE RAJSHAHI CUP.—For a cup value Rs. 49, presented by the Commissioner of Rajshahi. For all ponies *bonâ fide* the property of Owners, Managers, and Assistants of Tea Gardens in the Rajshahi Division. W. I. 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs Bhutias allowed 3st., Arabs and C.-B's. 21lbs. Previous winners of Rs. 40 or over once, 5lbs. ; twice, 10lbs ; three times or over, 14lbs. extra. 5 furlongs.

Mr. F. H. O'Donoghue's bl or br aus m Bluebell, 11st. 5lbs.	Mr. Gwilt	1
Messrs. Fraser and Child's ch aus m Irma, 11st 8lbs.	Mr. W. Taylor	2
Mr. F. E. Metcalfe's b aus m Calamity, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Galstaun	3

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Bluebell, 2 to 1 Irma, 5 to 1 Calamity.

This race was a gift for Bluebell, who cantered ahead of her field the whole way. Irma made an effort to get on terms at the distance, but the leader easily shook her off and romped home an easy winner.

THE SUBSTITUTION HANDICAP.—For all ponies 14 hands and under, claimable at Rs. 1,000. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's gr aus m Far Niente, 9st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. H. Jones' b aus g The Jap, 7st. ...	Native	2
Mr. Price's gr aus m Mabel, 10st. 9lbs. ...	Native	3
Mr. F Chamberlain's bk bh g Thought-reader, 6st.	Mr. Cahill	0
Mrs. Shawe's ch aus m Ursula, 8st. 12lbs]	Stuffy	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Far Niente, 2 to 1 Ursula, 3 to 1 Mabel, 5 to 1 The Jap, 20 to 1 Thoughtreader.

Far Niente was quickest away and having the legs of her field won in a common canter. There was a good race for second place. The Jap coming up with a rattle and just beating Mabel.

HURLINGHAM VASE.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all polo ponies that have played regularly in the Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri Districts during the year 1904. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Hennessey's b aus m Coquette, 11st. 7lbs.	... Capt. Galstaun	1
H. H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar's b aus g Club Law, 9st. 2lbs.	Mr. Dudley	2
Mr. Caldwell's g a h Ali Baba, 10st.	Mr. Piffard	3
Mr. S. E. Waller's ch cb g Mischief, 5lbs.	Owner	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Coquette 2 to 1 Club Law, 3 to 1 Ali Baba, 5 to 1 Mischief.

Coquette streaked away and lost her field, Club Law and Ali Baba had a good race for second place.

THE BURDWAN CUP.—For a cup value Rs. 49, presented by H. H. the Maharajah of Burdwan. Handicap for Arab and C.-B.'s. 14-1 and under, others 13-3 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 200 or over. ¼ mile.

Mr. A. J. Shillingford's b cb m Comely, 8st. 2lbs.	Native	1
Mr. H. Jones' b aus m Dolly, 9st.	Mr. Galstaun	2
Mr. P. Sen's bk aus g Marksman, 11st. ...	Mr. Dudley	3
The Raja of Tikari's b aus m Playful, 9st. 5lbs.	Native	0
Mr. O'Donoghue's br aus m Bluebell ...	Mr. W. Taylor	0
Mrs Shawe's gr aus m Birdie ...	Stuffy	0

BETTING: Evens Dolly and Marksman, 3 to 1 Comely, 5 to 1 each Birdie and Bluebell, 6 to 1 Playful.

Dolly was quickest away with Marksman, but at the distance Comely challenged, and with the advantage in weight she beat the other two by about a length.

KINCHINJUNGA PLATE.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all ponies that have not won on the first day. 1 mile.

Mr. Price's b aus m Energy, 12st ...	Mr. Galstaun	1
H. H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar's b aus m Royal Flush, 10st. ...	Mr. Dudley	2
Mr. P. Sen's b aus m Floradora, 10st. 2lbs.	Mr Taylor	3
Mr. F. Chamberlain's ch aus m Ursula, 8st. 7lbs.	Stuffy	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Energy, 6 to 4 Royal Flush, 5 to 1 Floradora, 8 to 1 Ursula.

As on the first day this race resolved itself into a match between the unbeaten Energy and Royal Flush. Floradora made the running for Royal Flush and carried out the mission successfully till the last turn for home, where she was done with, and her stable companion went ahead followed by Energy. Down the straight the mare caught the leader and made a determined challenge and a most desperate race ensued, Energy getting the best of it by a length in the last few strides.

THIBET STAKES.—For a cup value Rs. 49. A handicap for all Bhutias 1 mile.

Mr. K. Shempa's g bh pony Peacock, 8st. 7lbs.	Mr. Galstaun	1
Mr. W. H. Edward's d bh g Paddy, 10st. 2lbs.	Mr. Dudley	2
Mr. F. H. O'Donoghue's d bh g Yellow Aster, 11st, 5lbs	Mr. Gwilt	3
Mr. C. F. Moore's b bh g Teddy, 9st. 7lbs	Native	0
Mr. H. Jones' g bh m Lily, 9st. ...	Native	0

BETTING: Evens Peacock 6 to 4 Yellow Aster, 2 to 1 Paddy, 5 to 1 Lily, 10 to 1 Teddy.

Teddy showed up prominently for 3 furlongs when he dropped back and Peacock went to the front followed by Paddy, Aster close up. This order was maintained right to the finish, Peacock making the most of his light weight and winning fairly comfortably by a couple of lengths.

THE SMALL PONY HANDICAP.—For all ponies 13-3 and under that have been entered and not won on the first day. ¼ mile.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's g aus m Far Niente, 11st	Owner	1
Mrs. K. Shawe's g aus m Birdie, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. W. Taylor	2
Mrs K. Shawe's ch aus m Little Splendour, 9st. 5lbs, ...	Stuffy	3
Messrs. Fraser and Child's ch aus m Irma, 9st, ...	Native	0
Mr. L. Oakley's b aus m Tiptoe, 8st, 7lbs.	Native	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Far Niente, 6 to 4 Little Splendour, 4 to 1 Birdie, 8 to 1 Tiptoe.

Far Niente was a class above all the others for this race and showed it by winning without being extended.

MEERUT NINTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

STEWARDS:

COL. P. K. L. BEAVER.	MAJOR C. L. HAMILTON.
COL. G. COCKBURN. D.S.O.	MAJOR L. E. KENNARD.
MAJOR S. D. BROWNE, R.A.	CAPT. J. R. GAUSSEN, D.S.O.
MAJOR W. BLACKENEY.	CAPT. A. COURAGE, XV. Hussars.

Second Day, Monday, 17th October 1904.

MORE excellent sport was witnessed by a large gathering this afternoon. Mr. Carton de Wiart's Bell Manton scored two wins, Captain Courage steering her to victory on both occasions. Details:—

CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 49 to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Carton de Wiart's b aus m Bell Manton, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 12lbs.) ...	Capt. Courage	1
La Mehra's rn cb m Elmas, 9st. (car. 9st. 5lbs.)	Native	2
J. N. Capoor's and N. Bakar Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 9lbs.)	Pte. Bott	3
Col. Beaver's ch aus m Fedal, 9st. (car. 9st. 4lbs.)	Capt. Southey	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 each agst. Bell Manton and Elmas, 4 to 1 Grig, and 10 to 1 Fedal.

Won by a length; four lengths between second and third. Time—[illegible]secs.

ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Pte. Pope's b a g Hercules, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Pte. Bott	1
Mr. Steele's b a h Birdcatcher, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.)	Baichan	2
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b a h Polo Prince, 8st.	Native	3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Birdcatcher, evens Hercules, and 10 to 1 Polo Prince.

A dead heat; three lengths in front of Polo Prince. Time—1min. 11secs.

In the run off after the last race Hercules won by two lengths. Time—1min. 11¾secs.

NOVICE HANDICAP.—Rs 49 to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under and other ponies 13-3½ and under that have won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 4 furlongs.

Major Blakeney's ch cb g Gulab, 8st. (car. 8st. 3lbs.)	Baichan	1
M. Fazal Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st 7lbs.) ...	Kanhai	2
Mr. J. N. Capoor's and N. Bakar Ali Shah's rn aus g Grig, 11st. 10lbs. ...	Pte. Bott	3
Sub-Condr. Stephen's b a g Bobs II., 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Courage	0
Mr. J. N. Capoor's b cb r Remount, 9st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.)	Native	0
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's br aus m Hawk, 9st.	Native	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Gulab, Labyrinth, 5 to 1 each Grig, Bobs, and Remount, and 10 to 1 Hawk.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—55secs.

HORSE HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for Maiden horses. 6 furlongs.

Major William's b aus g Bishop, 11st. 7lbs.	Capt. Southey	1
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b aus g Zarp, 10st. 10lbs.	Capt. Courage	2
Corpl. Banks' br cb g Noble, 8st. ...	Native	3
Sergt. Hopper's g a g Dame, 7st. (car. 7st. 3lbs.)	Native	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 each on Bishop, and Zarp, 8 to 1 each Noble and Dame.

Won by three lengths; bad third. Time—1min. 22secs.

MAIDEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to winner, and Rs. 10 to second. A handicap for Maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other Maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Carton de Wiart's b aus m Bell Manton, 10st. 12lbs.	Capt. Courage	1
L. Mehra's rn cb m Elmas, 10st. ...	Pte. Bott	2
M. Fazal Ahmed's b cb m Labyrinth, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ...	Baichan	3
Sub-Condr. Stephen's b a g Bobs II., 9st.	Corpl. Banks	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Bell Manton, 6 to 4 agst. Elmas, 10 to 1 each Labyrinth and Bobs.

Won by a short heat; a head between second and third. Time—41secs.

HYDERABAD RACES.

STEWARDS:

LT.-COL. AFSUR-UL-MULK BAHADUR, C.I.E.	CAPT R. DE L. FAUNCE, D.A.A.-G.
COL A. P. WESTLAKE, D.S.O., 26TH L. C.	CAPT. J. E. S. MACCARTHY.
MAJOR R. H. HAYES, 1st Middx. Regt.	HUGH GOUGH, ESQ.

Hony. Secy.—CAPT. C. R. BONIFACIO.

First Day, Thursday, 20th October 1904.

THE Hyderabad races commenced to-day in very favourable weather and before a fair attendance which included His Excellency the Prime Minister, Maharajah Sir Kishen Pershad Bahadur, General Sir James and Lady Willcocks, Mr. and Mrs. Casson Walker and many officials of the British and Nizam's Governments.

The Nizam's band was in attendance and there were two bookmakers in the enclosure. In addition to the usual refreshment tent of the Nizam's Regular Troops Officers the United Service Club had their own tent and there was also a public bar run by Brind's Hotel, so that the old cry of lack of refreshments was not heard on this occasion.

A protest was made with regard to the second race by the loser, in that Mr Eve, who rode the winner, entered the paddock after the race without weighing in. The objection was overruled by the Stewards, but of course it was perfectly open for the owner to lodge a protest at Calcutta; but this he decided not to do. The following are the results:—

THE NEOPHYTE PLATE.—Rs. 150, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Arab horses that have not won a race value Rs. 50 or over. W. A. C. raised 1st. 4½ furlongs.

Mr O. V. DaCosta's b a h Salvation, 10st. 3lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.)	Mirza	1
Mr. Mahomed Ali Mirza's b a h Naseeb, 10st 3lbs.	Mr. A. Fallon	2
Mr. Stewart's ns g a g Wait a Wee, 10st. ...	Saye	3

Also ran: Captain Hashim Nawaz Jung's b a h Mokeem, 10-3 (J. Mahomed); Captain Sirdar Prem Singh's ns ch a h Ruby, 10-3 (Mahomed Azum); Mr. J. A. Webster's b a g Toreador, 10-3. (Mr. Eve); Captain Bahman Jung's ns g a g 10-0 (Amir Khan).

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

BETTING: Evens Naseeb, 5 to 4 Salvation, 3 to 1 Wait a Wee, and 2 to 1 the others.

THE MALLET PLATE.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For *bond fide* Arab polo ponies with I. P. A. certificates that have regularly played to Station games during the season 1903-4. C. W. over 11st. 9lbs, G. S. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Habib Boobakker's ns b a p Duldul, 11st.	Mr. Eve	1
Mr. O. V. DaCosta's g a p Pickles, 11st. ...	Mr. Walker	2

Won by a head. Time—44secs.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Pickles. 2 to 1 Duldul.

THE ARAB DERBY.—Rs 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Maiden Arabs. W. A. raised 1st 4lbs. 7 furlongs.

H. Rajah Khan's g a h Sultan III., 10st. 2lbs.	Major Arnold	1
Capt. C. R. Bonifacio's g a h Forlorn Hope, 10st. 2lbs.	Mirza	2
Mr. Shah Mirza Beg's b a h Selection, 10st. 2lbs.	J Mahomed	3

Won by streets. Time—1min. 46⅘secs.

BETTING: Evens on Forlorn Hope, 3 to 1 Sultan III., 10 to 1 Selection.

THE HYDERABAD CUP.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs. 25. For Horses. W. A. C. raised 1st. 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. T. Walker's ch aus m Impolita, 10st. 11lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Pollet's ns b aus m Lady Golightly, 10st. 3lbs.	J. Mahomed	2
Capt. C. Plunkett's ns br aus g Gun Metal, 11st.	Mr. Eve	3

Also ran: Captain C. R. Bonifacio's br aus g Salisbury, 10-2 (Mirza); Mr. R. Blake's ns b aus m Bonny Kate 10-2 (Mahomed Azum); Mr. O. V. DaCosta's b aus g Samson, 10-2 (Saye).

Won by three lengths; two lengths separating second from the third. Time—1min. 26secs.

BETTING: Evens Gun Metal, 2 to 1 Impolita, and 3 to 1 the rest.

THE ASIATIC PLATE.—Rs. 175, out of which the second receives Rs 25. For Arabs and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr O. V. DaCosta's b a h Salvation, 9st. 4lbs.	Mirza	1
Mr. D. Stewart's g a g Wait a Wee, 9st. 4lbs.	Saye	2
Nazir Beg's g a p Saood, 8st. 5lbs. ...	Native	3

Also ran: Captain Hashim Nawaz Jung's ns b a p Napoleon, 9-[illegible] (Mahomed Azum.)

Won easily by several lengths. Time—1min. 15secs.

BETTING: Evens each on Saood and Salvation, 8 to 1 each Wait a Wee and Napoleon.

THE TARBUND CUP.—Private Sweepstakes of Rs. 10 each added to a cup value Rs. 50 presented by Nawab Fukunda Hussain Khan Bahadur of Tarbund, to go to the winner. For Arab and C.-B. horses that have never won a race of Rs. 50 from 1st April 1904 till time of starting. C. W. over 10st. 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Nawab Fukunda Hussain Khan's g a h Tarbund, 10st 7lbs	Mirza	1
Capt. Osman yar Jowlah's b cb m Mavourneen, 10st. 7lbs.	Mumtazud	2
Mr. D. Stewart's ns g a h Jhansie Dan, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. A. Fallon	3

Also ran: Mr. Syed Mahmood's g a p Soheil (owner) 10-7; Captain Habib Boobakker's ns a h Akbal, 10-7 (owner).

Tarbund had an easy win. [illegible]min. 16secs.

FIRST UMBALLA OPEN GYMKHANA.

STEWARDS.

LT.-COL. J. C. B. EASTWOOD, 12th R. L.	CAPT. C. GREGORY, 19th Lancers.
LT.-COL. H. P. SHEKLETON, S. Lancs. Regt.	CAPT. L. J. WYATT, N. Staffordshire Regt.
MAJOR R. ST. C. LECKY, R. H. A.	CAPT. F. H. STAPLETON, Oxfordshire L. I.
MAJOR V. PAGET, R. H. A.	C. C. WEST, ESQ., The Black Watch.
MAJOR F. J. MORGAN, R. A. M. C.	

Clerk of Scales:—C. C. WEST, ESQ.
Judge:—MAJOR R. ST. C. LECKY.
Starter:—MR. F. BEATY.
Hon. Secy.:—T. R. BADGER, ESQ.

Saturday, 22nd October 1904.

MALL PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second if five starters. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under. Above heights to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties.—Winners onces 6lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Allowances.—Maidens allowed 5lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr S. J. S.'s b cb g Ring Faulka, 10st. 11lb.	Maj. Brandreth	1
H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's br cb g Fortune, 10st. 3lbs.	Hard	2
Mr. J. J. Pawson's b e g Pride of the Morning, 9st. 13lbs.	Barrett	3
Capt. A. Grant's b afr g Charles, 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. Ormerod	0
Major Walker's b aus m Lady Disdain, 10st. 11lb.	Hon. H. Ruthven	0

Won by half a length; same distance between second and third. Charles was last throughout. Time—1min. 12secs.

BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second if five starters. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise. 14-1 to carry 11-7. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Badger's b a h Sheis, 10st 9lbs ...	Mr. Pawson	1
Mr. S. J. S.'s b a h Mirza, 10st. 3lbs. ...	Major Bray	2
H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's b a h Ard Patrick, 10st. 6lbs.	Hard	3
Mr. Heyworth's g a g Dawn, 11st 11lb. ...	.....	
Major Lecky's g a g Pegasus, 11st. 12lbs. ...	Hon. H. Ruthven	
Mr. Symond's b a g Targa, 10st. 3lbs.	Owner	
Mr. Wilberforce's blk a g Black Buck, 9st. 11lbs.	Owner	
Mr. Reynolds' g a g Austerlitz, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Owner	
Mr. Symond's ch a g Bill Jim, 8st. 3lbs.	Bhib Singh	

Won comfortably by two lengths; good third. Time—43sec

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second if five starters. For all *bond fide* polo ponies 14-1 and under that have played Polo up to date of entry. English and Australasia to carry 12-7, C.-B's to carry 11-7., Arabs to carry 10-7. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. J. Pawson's ch a h Paleface, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Lt.-Col. Hon. H. E. Maxwell's ch cb m Sally, 11st. 7lbs.	Hon. H. Ruthven	2
Mr. Symond's b cb g Salootri, 11st. 7lbs	Owner	3
Capt. Hobson's b aus g Gadfly, 12st. 7lbs	Owner	0
Mr. J. J. Pawson's b a g Goblin, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Hunt	0
Mr. Milvain's b aus g Drum Major, 10st. 7lbs	Mr. Ormerod	0

Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time—42sec

HORSE PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second if five starters. For all *bond fide* chargers and pigstickers carry 12st. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Ormerod's b aus g The Moochim, 12st.	Owner	1
Mr. Aynard's ch aus g Durbar, 12st. ...	Owner	2
Major Brown's bk aus m Black Sand, 12st.	Hon. H. Ruthven	3
Mr. Symond's br aus g Ugly, 12st. ...	Owner	0
Major Lecky's b aus m Connie, 12st. ...	Mr. Pawson	0
Capt. Rivett Carnac's br aus g Pilot, 12st.	Owner	0
Mr. Haywood's br aus g Jim, 12st. ...	Mr. Elgee	0

Won by a length and a half; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 41⅗secs.

GARRISON PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second if five starters. For ponies 14-2 and under, the property of N. C. O.'s and men of Umballa Garrison, and to be ridden by the same. C. W. over 11st. 7lbs. ¼ mile.

Sergt. Mellor's g cb m Lady Grey, 11st. 7lbs	Owner	1
Messrs Cooke and Ellison's ch cb g Kadir, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	2
S. S. F. Cooke's b ch g Moses, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	3
Sergt. Barry's b cb m Jeanette, 11st. 7lbs. ...	.....	0
S. Q. M. S. Brand's blk cb m Judith, 11st. 7lbs	.....	0
Br. Richardson's d cb g Shamrock, 11st. 7lbs.	.....	0
Pte H. Steeden's g cb m Miss Waxey, 11st. 7lbs.	.....	0
S. Q. M. S. Parker's b ch m Twiddly Bits, 11st. 7lbs.	.....	0
S. S. M. Reeve's g cb g Jim, 11st. 7lbs ...	.....	0

Won easily; two lengths between second and third. Time—59⅘secs.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second if five starters. For C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over since 31st March 1902. 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Major Walker's r cb m Windy, 10st. 6lbs.	Hon. H. Ruthven	1
H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's b cb m Delight 9st. 6lbs.	Hard	2
Mr. S. J. S.'s ch cb m Labby Gown, 11st. 4lbs.	Mr. Pawson	3
Capt. Laverton's b cb m Chemjee, 10st. ...	Mr. Gorde	
Mr. S. J. S.'s b cb m Bob Lady, 9st. 11lbs.	Nat	
Mr. Brandreth's ch cb m Bob Major 9st 5lbs	Maj. Bran	

Won by two lengths; three lengths between se[illegible] third. Time—53⅘secs.

POONA ELEVENTH EXTRA ME[illegible]

STEWARDS:

C. A. B. BEATTY, ESQ.	COL. G. H. BUL[illegible], I.M.S.
LIEUT. COL. B. C. BROOME.	W. L. HARVEY [illegible], I.C.S.
THE HON'BLE MR. A. D. YOUNGHUSBA[illegible]	I.C.S.

Clerk of Scales:—MR. CURSETJEE DHUN[illegible]SHAW.
Judge:—COL G. H. BULL, M.D., I.M.S.
Starter:—MR. A. O'GORMAN.

Saturday, 22nd October 1904.

A LARGE crowd attended the last extra meeting this afternoon. Six events figured on the programme and some excellent sport was provided. Favourites were successful in four of the races, Young Gazelle winning the New Comer's Handicap: Metalgia the Poney Consolation Handicap, Bakhtawar, the Selling Plate, and Vasco, the Arab Welter Consolation Plate. An

Objection against the winner in this last race was overruled. Court Belle was most fancied in the Horse Consolation Handicap but Gum was first away and led from start to finish. The Arab Consolation Plate was considered Narunjee's race but he was not even placed. Achilles securing the race by a short head. Robinson rode three winners. Details :—

NEW COMER'S HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A Handicap for Maiden Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1903. 6 furlongs.

Mr. W. Moran's g a h Young Gazelle, 7st. 11lbs.	Bennett	1
Mr. A. M. Shamlan's g a h Zurriff, 9st. 3lbs.	Foster	2
Aga S. Shah's g a h Swazi, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Kamad	3
Mr. Abdul Razak Nasaroola's bl a h Sabig, 8st. 7lbs.	Elliott	0
Mr. Jaroola bin Talib's g a h Kismut, 9st. 6lbs.	C.B.Mahomed	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s g a h Random, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Oomerkhan	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's g a h Calcutta, 7st.	Melsom	0
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's g a h Redlips, 6st. 12lbs.	Native	0
Mr. Hajee Sulleman's b a h Akyab, 6st. 2lbs.	Nama	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Young Gazelle, 2½ to 1 Swazi, 10 to 1 Kismut, 4 to 1 Zurriff, 10 to 1 Sabig, 4 to 1 Random, 10 to 1 Calcutta, 8 to 1 Redlips, 10 to 1 Akyab.

Won by two lengths ; half a length dividing second and third Time—1min. 24secs.

THE PONY CONSOLATION HANDICAP.—Winner Rs 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A Handicap for Ponies 14-2 and under which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over since 1st April 1904. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Galstaun's b aus h Metalgia, 9st. 12lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. Artin A. Essayie's br aus g Koko, 8st. 11lbs.	Morrison	2
Mr. Kelso's ch aus g Indabba, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Heeroo	3
Mr. A. W. P.'s b aus m Min., 8st. 1lb. ...	Murphy	0
Mr Galstaun's b aus g Whitefoot, 8st. 11lb.	Elliott	0
Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee's b aus m Annie Laurie, 6st. 8lbs. ...	Melsom	0
Mr. Finch's b aus m La France, 6st. 3lbs....	Bennett	0

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Metalgia, 4 to 1 Koko, 3 to 1 each and Whitefoot, 5 to 1 Indabba, 6 to 1 Annie Laurie, 4 to 1 France.

won by half a length ; a head between second and third. —1min. 35secs

ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, d Rs. 50. A Handicap for Arabs which have not won a race e Rs. 150 or over since 1st April 1904. 1 mile.

Mr. Aga S. Shah's g a h Achilles, 8st. 6lbs.	Robinson	1
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Adonis, 8st. 7lbs.	C B. Mahomed	2
Messrs. G. K. and D. D.'s b a h Talisman, 9st. 2lbs.	Melsom	3
Mr. F. M. Garda's b a h Narunjee, 9st. 10lbs.	Ames	0
Mr. A. W. P.'s b a h Turn of Luck, 7st. 3lbs.	Elliott	0
Messrs. G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's b a h Smasher, 7st.	Bennett	0
Mr. Abdulla Shamlan's g a h The Emperor, 6st. 9lbs.	Etul	0
Mr. Abdulla Farn's b a h Regular, 6st. 6lbs.	Trahan	0
Mr. D. Bomanjee's g a h Royal Blood, 6st. 3lbs.	Native	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Narunjee, 4 to 1 Talisman, 6 to 1 Adonis, 2 to 1 Achilles, 6 to 1 Turn of Luck, 10 to 1 Smasher, 10 to 1 The Emperor, 10 to 1 Regular, and 10 to 1 Royal Blood.

Won by a short head ; half a length dividing second and third. Time—1min. 56⅘secs.

HORSE CONSOLATION HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs 100 third Rs. 50. A High Weight Handicap for Horses which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over since 1st April 1904. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Lukshmi Kantharaj Urs' b aus g Gum, 7st. 9lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Springlock, 8st. 12lbs.	Robinson	2
Mr. Finch's b e m Court Belle, 9st 6lbs. ...	Morrison	3
Mr. Thomas's br e g Ural, 6st. 12lbs. ...	Bennett	0

BETTING : 1¼ to 1 agst. Court Belle, 6 to 4 on Springlock, 4 to 1 Gum, and 6 to 1 Ural.

Won comfortably by four lengths ; two lengths dividing Springlock and Ural. Time—1min. 16⅘secs.

ARAB WELTER CONSOLATION PALTE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A Welter Handicap for Arabs 14-1 and under, which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over since 1st April 1904. Closed as per Special General Conditions. 5 furlongs.

Mr. C. A. Beatty's g a h Vasco. 11st. ...	Mr. Hopwood	1
Lt. W. Orr Paterson's b a h Playful, 9st. 11lbs.	Mr. Boase	2
Mr. Bennie's ch a h Selim, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Capt. Grove	3
Mr. W. H. Anderson's g a h Surhan, 10st. 7lbs.	Maj. Edwardes	0
Lt. F. H. B. Passy's g a h Silvio, 10st. 4lbs.	Mr. Stewart	0
Col. J. Anderson's b a h Mitre, 10st. 2lbs.	Maj. England	0
Lt. W. Orr Paterson's b a h Bikanir, 10st. 11b.	Capt. Dyson	0
Mr. W. H. Anderson's ch a h Actor, 9st. 13lbs.	Mr. J. Anderson	0

BETTING : 2½ to 1 agst. Vasco, 2 to 1 Surhan, 16 to 1 Silvio, 6 to 1 Mitre, 10 to 1 Bikanir, 10 to 1 Actor, 10 to 1 Selim, and 10 to 1 Playful.

Won by a head ; a length between second and third. An objection was lodged against Vasco but was disallowed. Time—1min. 16⅘secs.

SELLING PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. Selling race for Maiden Arabs 13-3 and under. 13-3 entered Rs. 1,500 to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100 down Rs. 500. Allowance—Ponies which have never won race Rs. 150 or over 4lbs. Landing allowance as per General ...ns. ¼ mile.

...T. Shroff's g a h Bakhtawar, Rs. 700, ... 4lbs.	Robinson	1
...nry's g a h Gendarme, Rs. 800, ... 11lb	Oomerkhan	2
M... Jacob's b a h Chiragh, Rs. 600, ... 7lbs.	Dhondi	3
Mr. R...d Shamlan's ch a h Galib, Rs. 1,...00, 8st. 13lbs. ...	C.B. Mahomed	0
Messrs. G. ...l. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's b a h Guiding Star, Rs. 700, 7st. 9lbs.	Heeroo	0
	Kamad	0
Mr. Frost's g ... h Babar, Rs. 800, 7st. 6lbs.	Etul	0
Mr. A. S. Oomer's g a h Defiance, Rs. 800, 7st 3lbs.	Bennett	0
Mr. Nasar Abdoola's b a h Shirazi, Rs 900, 7st.	Melsom	0
Messrs G. H. S. Mahomed and A. A. Saif's b a h Settler, Rs. 700, 7st. ...		

BETTING : 1¼ to 1 agst. Bakhtawar, 4 to 1 Gendarme, 3 to 1 Galib, 4 to 1 Guiding Star, 4 to 1 Chiragh, 6 to 1 Defiance, and 4 to 1 Settler.

Won by a neck ; a neck dividing second and third. Time—55secs.

Entries for Races.

LUCKNOW AUTUMN MEETING.

THE ARMY CUP—7 furlongs.

FIRST ENTRIES.

1.	Capt. Wilson's ... ch a h	... Winchester, 13-1¼.	
2.	Mr. H. Campbell's ... b a h	... Zarafshan, 13-3.	
3.	Mr. Culme-Seymour's ... ch a g	... Chance, 13-2½.	
4.	Major Whitla and Major Murray's... ... b a h	... Midshipmite, 14-0.	
5.	Mr. R. G. Alexander's ... fl g a g	... Bombay, 13-3½.	
6.	Mr. A. R. Reynolds' ... g a g	... Austerlitz, 13-2½.	
7.	Mr. F. St. J. Atkinson's... ch a g	... Cyllaros, 13-2½.	
8.	Col. Hon. E. Baring's ... b a g	... Peninsular II.,13-2½.	
9.	Major Jameson's ... b a h	... Bugler, 14-0.	
10.	Mr. C. C. West's ... g a h	... Tornado, 13-3½.	
11.	Major C. F. Murray's ... b a h	... Salvation, 13-3½.	
12.	Major G. F. Steele's ... g a h	... Flying Childers, 14-0.	
13.	Mr. Godlingham's ... g a g	... Grey Friar II.,13-2½.	
14.	Mr. J. Norwood's ... g a h	... Scamperdale, 14-1.	
15.	Mr. Frank's ... ... g a h	... Chick-a-dee, 13-3.	
16.	Mr. A. E. Dailey's ... g a h	... Hailstorm II.,13-3½.	
17.	Mr. R. Milvain's ... b a g	... George.	
18.	Major Bell's ... ... g a g	... Superb, 13-2½.	
19.	Mr. F. Barrett's ... ch a g	... Corncob, 13-3½.	
20.	Mr. Locke's ... ... g a h	... Euphrates, 13-2½.	
21.	Messrs. Lyne-Evan and Badger's ... ... ch a h	... William Rufus, 13-2.	
22.	Col. Leake's ... ... g a h	... Russia, 13-2½.	
23.	Mr. Symond's ... b a h	... King Edward, 13-3½.	
24.	Capt. J. B. Cautley's ... g a h	... Merrick.	
25.	Mr. Symond's ... b a m	... Jaooza. 13-3½.	
26.	Capt. Sullivan's ... b a h	... Fakir II , 14-0½.	
27.	Capt. Cobbe's ... ch a g	... Hannibal.	
28.	Mr. W. F. S. Casson's ... br a h	... Eager, 14 0½.	
29.	Major G. Moore's ... ch a g	... Champion, 13-3.	
30.	Major G. Moore's ... bk a h	... Dachshund, 13-3.	
31.	Capt. Goodfellow's ... fl g a g	... Delvin.	
32.	Lieut.-Col. Brazier Creagh's ch a h	... Young Prince, 13-2½.	
33.	Major F. H. Gwynn's ... ch a h	... Shamus, 13-2½	
34.	Major Watson's ... b a h	... Anthony, 13-2½.	
35.	Capt. Davies' ... b a h	... Minting King, 13-3.	
36.	Capt. Barlow's ... g a g	... Minden.	
37.	Capt. J. T. Coley's ... b a h	... Visitor, 14-0½.	

SECOND ENTRIES.

38.	Major Stisted's ... ch a h	... Modesty, 13-0½.	
39.	Major-General Smith Dorrien's ... ... g a h	... Alexis, 13-3½.	

Third Entries closed 1st October.

40.	Mr M. Haggard's ... b a h	... Heathen, 13-2.	
41.	Mr. Wood's ... ... br a g	... Lyddite II. ,13-3.	
42.	Capt. Gardener's ... gr a h	... Soheil.	
43.	Capt. Bayford's ... gr a g	... Borderer, 14-1.	
44.	Capt. Bayford's ... gr a h	... Avatar, 14-0½.	
45.	Messrs. Pansen & Badger's gr a g	... Harpagos.	

Final Entries close on 15th November.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged, and measured, at Calcutta, on 15th October 1904, by the Official Measurer :—

Pony's Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Bell Olaf	ch aus m	Messrs. O. M. D. Bell & Co.	... Aged	13-3¼	For life.
Ben Bolt...	b aus g	Messrs. Powell Bros.	4	14-1½	31st March 1905.
Bonnie ...	b aus m	Mr. G. R. Rowbottom ...	... Aged	13 1	For life.
Chatterbox	ch aus g	Mrs. Bowring	— 5	14-0	31st March 1905.
Chere ...	br aus m	Mr. F. S. Hughes ..	Aged	13-3	For life.
Midnight ..	br aus m	Mrs. Bowring ...	Aged	14-1	For life.
Small Scotch	b br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi ...	Aged	14-2	For life.
Snipe, *late* Little Stranger	b aus g	Mr. H. R. Landale	Aged	14-0	For life

W.I.T.C. Measurements.

POONA.

The following ponies were classed, aged, and measured by the Official Measurer, W.I.T. Club, at Poona, on the 4th and 5th October 1904.

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period*
Afsar ...	ch a h	Mr. Abdool Raheman Sulleman	...Three	13-2¼	31st March 1905.
Arditti ...	br aus g	Messrs. Moran and McNab	...Three	14-2	31st March 1905.
Deryanoor...	gr a h...	Mr. A. M. Amer...	Aged	13-2½	For life.
Hands Up...	b a h...	Mr. R. R. S. ...	Four	13-3	31st March 1905.
Harpagos ...	gr a g...	Messrs. Pawson and Badger ...	Aged	13-3¼	For life.
Highborn ...	gr a h...	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A. Nanjee	Three	13-2¼	31st March 1905.
Jolly Joker	b a h...	Mr. Artin A. Essayie ...	Five	13-3	31st March 1905.
Little Jamal	b a h...	Mr. R. R. S. ...	Aged	13-0	For life.
Malvina ...	b aus m	Messrs. Moran and McNab ...	Four	14-2	31st March 1905.
Manchuria	gr a h ...	Mr. Abdul Latiff Amani ...	...ged	13-3½	For life.
Moonir ...	ch a g...	Mr. A. M. Amer ...	...ged	14-0½	For life.
Mukden ...	ch a h...	General B. Mahon	Aged	13-3½	For life.
My Mistake	b a h ...	Mr. Anandji Nanji	Four	13-2	31st March 1905.
Old Gold...	b a h...	Mr. A. M. Amer	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Pepper ...	gr a h...	Mr. J. Jacob	Four	13-2½	31st March 1905.
Practical...	b a h...	Mr. Toolsidas Te...al	Three	14-0	31st March 1905.
Prejudice...	b a h...	Mr. R. R. S.	Five	13-3½	31st March 1905.
Red Herring ...	ch a h ...	Mr. J. St. L... ham	Aged	14-0	For life.

Rough D... mond ...

Safdarjung	...erves ... a	... 3	bt	Kngstn-on-Thms Rcs.	... 2
	...	... 3	bt	St. John's Athletic	... 1
Saunterer	... b...nited	... 18	bt	Brixton Elmsdale	... 1
		... 5	bt	St. George's United	... 0
Shale	... b...erves	... 4	bt	North West Ham.	... 0
		... 9	bt	Milton ...	... 0
Sherali	... ch a h.	...se Res. ... 3	bt	Overie Park...	... 0
		... 3	bt	Forest Gate Prsvrnce	— 2
Sir Robert	b a h ...	... 7	bt	Brockley ...	... 4
		... 5	bt	Central Croydon	...2
Spectator	... gr a h... M...	... 2	bt	Leyton V	1905.
		... 2	bt	Cheshar...e 13-3½	31st March
Summer-time	... br a h ... Mr.	... 1	bt	Brom'	1905.
		3	bt	...	
		2	b	Latiff	
		Amani ...		... Four 13-3¼	31st March 1905.
Thunder-storm	... b a h ... Mr. R. R...			... Aged 13-2¼	For life.
Wait-a-while	... b a h ... Mr. A. M... mer			... Three 13-3	31st March 1905.

The following horse was classed, and aged by the Official Measurer, W.I.T. Club, at Poona, on the 4th October 1904.

Lady of Quality ...	ch c b m ...	Mr. E. C. Ra...shaw	Three ...	31st Decem. ber 1904.	

Sport in England.

(FROM OUR OWN SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *Friday, 7th October* 1904.

THE TURF.

HURST PARK.

THE Hurst Park Meeting was not entirely favoured by the weather, inasmuch as a dismal and dreary morning kept a great many intending visitors away, and the attendance was much below the average in consequence. Happily, the conditions improved as the day wore on, and the afternoon of the 2nd instant turned out bright and fine, though towards the close the light began to fail, especially along the far side, where a vapoury mist curled up from the river and overhung the course. We have already reached the time when big fields are attracted to the post for every description of contest, and from first to last sport was conducted under high pressure.

THE STEWARDS' NURSERY HANDICAP of 132sovs. for two year olds. Five furlongs.

Mr. H. S. Goodson's br f ... Trumpet, by St. Aidan—Trumpet ...st. 2lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. A Harris's br f Nell... H., 8st. 2lbs. ...	Jarvis	2
Mr. H. Powney's br c ...udget, 7st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.)	Scourse	3
Mr. S. Hill-Wood's Twel...ebore, 8st 7lbs....	Lynham	0
Mr. A. Stedall's La Chir...a, 8st. 2lbs. (inc. 10lbs. ex.)*	Saxby	0
Mr J. Hammond's Wood...huck, 8st. 6lbs....	Toon	0
Major J. D. Edwardes' Kingbird, 8st. 4lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. A. Hamblin's ...t. 11lb.	But...	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Si...er Brent, 7st. 12lbs.	Plant	0
Mr. ... Stevens's c by Bo...tworth—Ballerine, 7st 2lbs.*	Sharples	0
Miss Clinton's Rubini, 7st. ...bs. ...	R. Jones	0
Mr. T. ...annon's Chrysomela, 7st.* ...	Treegill	0
Mr. S. Peebles's c by St. Gris...-Silver Ray, 7st. 3lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Mr. E. Stocks's Love and War, ...t. 2lbs....	Bush	0
Mr. W. T. Drake's Uncle, 6st. 4lb* ...	C. Halsey	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by C. Wood.*)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. St. Trumpet, 100 to 12 each La Chiripa and Ballerine colt, 10 to 1 each Nellie H., Budget, and Silver Ray colt, 100 to 8 each Twelvebore and Kingbird, and 100 to 6 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by four lengths ; a length between the second and third. Chrysomela was fourth, Porter fifth, Rubini sixth. Kingbird seventh, Silver Ray colt eighth, La Chiripa next, and Love and War last.

THE MOLESEY PARK AUTUMN ...NDICAP of 880sovs. six furlongs.

Sir E. Vincent's b f Donnetta, by Donov... — Rinovata, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs.* ...	...xby	1
Mr. J. M. Kern's ch c Melary, 3yrs., 10lbs.	McCall	2
Mr. L. Robinso... c Roseate Dawn, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	J. H. Martin	3
Mr. J. Sl...combe's Oat o' Sight, 5yrs., 9st. 6lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. R. Sherwood's Salute, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs. (inc. 14lbs. ex.)	R. Jones	0
Mr. G. Edwardes's Aspendale, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	E. Weatley	0
Mr. A. Thorne's Beguilement, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. W. Goodchild's Schnapps, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.)*	Sharples	0
Mr. J. S. Carlton-Fox's The De'il, 5yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's Caper, 4yrs., 6st. 6lbs. (car. 6st. 7lbs.)	H. Pike	0
Mr. Jersey's Vergia, 3yrs., 6st 9lbs. ...	Hunter	0
Mr. T. P. King's Ambrose, 3yrs., 6st.* ...	F. Pratt	0
Mr. J. Davis's Romer, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs (inc. 5lbs. ex.)	Plant	0
Mr. D. J. Pullinger's Western, 3yrs., 5lbs. 12lbs.	Evans	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Hartfield, 4yrs., 5st. 11lbs.	C. Halsey	0
Mr. J. Musker's Melodious, 3yrs., (car. 6st. 4lbs.)	East	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by R. Day.*)

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst Melayr, 9 to 2 Roseate Dawn, 100 to 15 Beguilement, 100 to 14 Donnetta, 100 to 9 each Out o' Sight and Caper, 100 to 8 each Schnapps, Vergia, and Ambrose, 100 to 7 Aspendale, 100 to 6 The De'il, and 20 to 1 any other

Won by a neck ; two lengths separated the second and third. Romer was fourth, Aspendale fifth, Schnapps sixth, Western seventh Caper eight, Melodious next, and The De'il last, except Hartfield, who took no part in the race.

THE ALL-AGED SELLING PLATE of 144sovs.; weight for age. etc.; winner to be sold for 50sovs. One mile.

Mr. F. C. Gr...am Mengies's ch g Inishfree, by Tamm... Isis, aged, 8st. 11lbs.	G. McCall	1
Lord Westbury's b g Stoic, 4yrs., 9st. ...	M. Cannon	2
Lord Carnarvon's ch f Millie More, 2yrs., 6st. 5lbs.	Pike	3
Mr. J. D. Cohn's Cloture, 4yrs., 9st. ...	J. Hare	0
Mr. H. G. Johnson's Reservist, 4yrs., 9st....	Trigg	0

...Dillon 0
...heatley 0
Maher 0
W. Halsey 0
E. Platt 0
11lbs. O. Madden 0
Mr. F. Bishop's M... Jarvis 0
Mr. W. Bellamy's ... t, 9lbs. ... ... Plant 0
Mr. W. G. Stevens s f by ... Gold Hackle, 2yrs., 6st. 11lb.* ... ... Cowdray 0
*10lbs. apprentice all...ance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Hallick.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Stoic, 7... 1 Inishfree, 7 to 1 each Kitty Tar and County Squire, 10 to ...ach Cloture and Matchboard, and 100 to 8 any other (offered).

Won by a neck; a like distan... separated the second and third. Kitty Tar was fourth, St Be...e fifth, Darwinian sixth, County Squire seventh, Cloture ne..., and Aimee Desclee last. The winner was bought in for 260 guineas.

THE VYNER HANDICAP of 145sovs. Seven furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Sullivan's br... The Page, by Winkfield—Annora, 4yrs., 8st. 12lbs. ...	Higgs	1
Mr. W. N. G. Singer's ch g Phylloxera, 5yrs., 9st. 11lb....	O. Madden	2
Mr. W. Taylor Sharpe's c Minius, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	W. Griggs	3
Mr A. Hamblin's To..., 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs ...	Butchers	0
Mr. C Lawman's ...entriloquist, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	D. Maher	0
Mr. S. B. Joel's f by ... Laveno—Copestone 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Lord Carnarvon's El... Maestro, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. J. L. Dugdale's ...Extravagance, 3yrs., 7st 12lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. G. Beit's Hercules, 6yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ...	East	0
Mr. J. Watson's Whin...oom, 3yrs, 7st. 10lbs.	Plant	0
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's College Queen, 6yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	Chapman	0
Mr. C. Levy's Fireman, 5yrs., 7st. ...	Saxby	0
Mr. W. C. Seymour's Fitzstuart, 5yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	C. Halsey	0
Mr. J. H. A. Marshall's Rossano, 3yrs., 6st 13lbs.	Sharples	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Rossano, 5 to 1 Ventriloquist, 6 to 1 The Page, 7 to 1 each E... Maestro and Minius, 100 to 12 College Queen, 100 to 8 Firem..., and 100 to 7 any other.

Won a good race by a neck; four lengths separated the second and third. College Que... was fourth, Rossane fifth, Topo sixth, Extravagance sev...th, Copestone filly next, and Fitzstu...t last, except Ventr...quist, who took no part in the contest.

LEICEST...R.

Hitherto the Leicester course has ...een without either an un... saddling enclosure or a sale-ring w...orthy of the name, but these long-felt wants have now been ade...nately supplied by a new and commodious circular enclosure, ...hich has lately been erected just opposite the weighing-room, ...r, and answers both pur... satisfactorily. The flower-b...n the centre of the paddock was bright with the blossoms of g...raniums and lobelia, but it was impossible for the pictures... venues to look...ite at their best under the cheerless condition... which prevailed w... ...ing began. A drizzling rain fell ... frequent intervals during ...e morning of the 5th and, though it ceased later, the afternoo... was cloudy and the air raw ...nd chilly. The course looke... beautifully green, and the going was on the soft side, which wa... decidedly to the liking of mo... of the competitors. The receip... for the enclosures must have exceeded the average.

THE GOPSALL PLATE (handicap) of 188sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr. M. Solomon's b g James 1st, by Darnley—La Rey e, 3yrs, 7st. 6lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. T. Jennings's b m Induction, 5yrs, 6st. 2lbs. (car. 6st. 6lbs.)* ...	Benson	2
Mr. L. Brown's b g Communist, 5yrs, 7st. 11lb...	Griggs	3
Mr. W. Henry Wilson's Saroth, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs. (inc 7lbs. ex... ...	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Salva..., aged, 7st. 8lbs. ...	Trigg	0
Mr. C. Levy's St. Ro...x, 4yrs., 7st. 11b.* ...	Saxby	0
Mr. H. Flaval's Tri...ic, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.	Reynolds	0
Mr. S. Walley's ...nkfield's Dower, aged, 6st. 2...	Summerfield	0

*5lbs. ...prentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by ... ...t.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 each agst. Salvador and James 1st, 5 to 1 each St. Rollox and Communist, 6 to 1 Saroth, and ... to 8 any other (offered).

Won by a length and a half; two lengths between second and third. Saroth was fourth, Trionic fifth, Salvador next, and Winkfield's Dower last throughout. Time, by Benson's chrono... graph, 2mins. 41secs.

THE CAMP HANDICAP of 100sovs. Six furlongs.

Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's b or br f Valve, by Velasquez—Gas, 4yrs., 8st. 12lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)...	G. McCall	1
Mr. Ivor E. Hughes's b h Engineer, 6yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	D. Maher	2
Mr. G. Miller's ch c Week End, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	Randall	3
Mr. J. H. A. Marshall's Poppits, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. F. Hardy's The Cingalee, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)* ...	Saxby	0
Mr. H. F. Foy's Tariff, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs. ...	Trigg	0
Mr. J. C. Hill's Alledorry, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)...	E. Wheatley	0
Sir W. Ingram's Cleeve, 4yrs., 7st.* ...	Sharples	0
Mr. J. Muddimer's Lonnergan, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.*	E Pratt	0
Mr. A. Walters's Dumps, 4yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	Plant	0
Major J. D. Edwards's Kava, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	East	0
Mr Thos. Green's Hot Head, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Griggs	0

*5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by W. Robinson.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Poppits, 7 to 2 The Cingalee, 6 to 2 Engineer, 7 to 1 Hot Head, 10 to 1 each Valve and Cleeve, 100 to 8 each Week End and Dumps, and 20 to 1 any other.

Won by a neck; a head divided the second and third. Dumps, close up, was placed fourth; The Cingalee was fifth, Cleeve sixth, Tariff seventh, Poppits next, and Lonnergan last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 15⅗secs.

THE MELTON PLATE of 100sovs.; weight for age, etc. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. C. F. Elsey's b f Doll Keene, by Dare Devil—Mr... Aldworth, 3yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	E. Wheatley	1
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's b or br f Topiary, 3yrs., 9st 2lbs.	G. McCall	2
Mr. T. Corns's b c Sir Joshua, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	O. Madden	3
Mr. C. de Paravicini's Flying Eagle, 4yrs. 7st. 10lbs.	Trigg	0

(*Winner trained by Elsey.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Topiary, 5 to 2 agst. Sir Joshua, 3 to 1 agst. Doll Keene, and 10 to 1 agst. Flying Eagle (offered).

Won by a length; three lengths divided the second and third. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 13⅘secs.

The long avenue of trees leading from Leicester to Oadby has already begun to assume the mellow tints of autumn, and a turbulent wind levied heavy toll upon the fading leaves during the night, strewing the pathways with a carpet of russet brown. It blew a hurricane from the north-east for several hours, so much so that the breeze lost its equilibrium and slipped round into a south-westerly grove, remaining there during the day. Nor did it diminish much in force, which was fortunate, for the sombre banks of clouds overhead were kept moving too rapidly to discharge their contents, and the afternoon was fine if the sky was overcast. A capital muster again passed through the turnstiles, and they were rewarded with witnessing some enjoyable sport, runners being numerous and many of the finishes of an exciting nature.

THE LEICESTERSHIRE OCTOBER HANDICAP PLATE of 234sovs One mile.

Duke of Devonshire's ch c Alp, by St. Angelo—Queen of the Meadows, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs.*	Saxby	1
Mr. C F. Elsey's ch c Lucain, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (inc. 14lbs. ex.)*	G. Bullock	2
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's ch c One Away, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs.*	Sharples	3
Mr. S. Hill-Wood's Maisie II., 6yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. G. Edwardes's Nutwith, 3yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. J. Wallace's Grey Goblin, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. L. Filkington's Wayfarer, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs. (car. 7st. 7lbs.)	O. Madden	0
Mr. H J. Hunt's St. Joie, 3yrs, 7st. 2lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. T. W. Pratt's The Kid II., 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	Griggs	0

* 5lbs. apprentice allowance deducted.

(*Winner trained by Goodwin.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. One Away, 4 to 1 Maisie II., 8 to 1 each Alp and Lucain, 100 to 12 Nutwith, 10 to 1 each Grey Goblin and St. Joie, and 100 to 8 each The Kid II. and Wayfarer (offered).

Won by two lengths; half a length divided the second and third. Grey Goblin was fourth, St. Joie fifth, Nutwith next, and The Kid II. last. Maisie II. broke a blood-vessel. Time by Benson's chronograph, 1min. 40⅕secs.

THE APPRENTICE'S PLATE of 100sovs.; weight for age, etc., One mile and a half.

Mr. W. H. Moore's b f Effigy, by Speed—Eileen O'Meara, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. ...	W. Smith	1
Mr. G. Miller's ch g Merry Andrew, 5yrs., 9st. 11lbs.	Kemp	2
Mr. C. Trimmer's ch m Aralia, 6yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	Saxby	3
Mr. J. Muddimer's Thursday II., 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	Sharples	0
Mr. Reid Walker's Drumnigh, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	Evans	0
Mr. C. F. Elsey's Doll Keene, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	G. Bullock	0

(*Winner trained by Collins.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Aralia, 2 to 1 Merry Andrew, 100 to 12 Doll Keene, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a neck; four lengths between the second and third. Thursday II was fourth, and Drumnigh last. Time, by Benson's chronograph, 2mins. 41secs.

An objection to the winner on the grounds that his rider dismounted outside the unsaddling enclosure was referred to the Stewards of the Jockey Club.

KEMPTON PARK OCTOBER.

Mild and chilly weather the Kempton Park meeting was commenced this afternoon, and the fact of such an important event as the Imperial Produce Stakes of 3,000 sovs. figuring on the card caused the attendance to be a capital one all round. Details:—

THE WICK PLATE of 150 sovs. second to receive 15 sovs. One mile and a half.

Mr. E. H. Rolehampton's Thunderbolt, by St. Angelo—Chimera, 4 yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	Maher	1
Sir E. Cassel's Laufine, 3 yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	W. Halsey	2

(*Winner trained by H. Bates.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 on Thunderbolt.

The favourite led throughout and won by a neck. Time—2mins. 58⅘secs.

THE HALF MOON SELLING NURSERY HANDICAP of 200 sovs winner to be sold for 100 sovs. Five furlongs, on the Straight Course.

Mr. T. Rintoul's Cape Rose, by Bill of Portland—Rosalys, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Trigg	1
Mr. W. H. Schwind's St. Hilary, 8st. 7lbs.	Maher	2
Mr. R. McCreery's Nena, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Pike	3
Mr. W. Bellamy's Mariella, 9st. ...	F. Morgan	0
Capt. H. B. Purefoy's Royal Salute, 7st. 13lbs.	Kerridge	0
Capt. Laing's Tingwall, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Benson	0
Mr. J. Coleman's Call Duck, 8st. 4lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Mr. Lewis' Given Away, 8st. 3lbs. ...	B. Dillon	0
Mr. A. B. Sadler's Asperine, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Charters	0
Mr. F Luscombe's Leandro, 8st. 2lbs ...	Butchers	0
Mr. A. Hamblin's Orison, 8st. 2lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Count de Berteux's Nauclee, 8st. 2lbs. ...	B. Lynham	0
Mr. S. Loates' f by Cyllene—Suntal, 7st 8lbs.	Evans	0
Mr. Skipwith's Enford, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Scourse	0
Mr. R C. Garton's f by Nunthorpe—Canter, 7st 11lbs.	Griggs	0
Mr. George Edwardes' Cross Park, 7st. 10lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. M. Solomon's Craggy, 7st. 7lbs. (car 7st. 9lbs.	Madden	0
Mr. C. F. Young's by Wolf's Crag—Sister Agnes, 7st. 7lbs.	Plant	0
Mr. B. S. Straus's Devil's Limit, 7st. 4lbs	East	0
Mr. R. Marsh's Culsalmond, 6st. 13lbs. ...	A. Sharples	0

(*Winner trained by T. Anson.*)

BETTING: 7 to 1 each agst. Call Duck, Enford and Nena, 10 to 1 Orison, 100 to 12 St Hilary, 10 to 1 each Leandro, Cross Park and Craggy, 100 to 8 each Mariella, Royal Salute and Cape Rose, and 20 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by a head; a neck between the second and third, Enford was fourth, Asperine fifth, Leandro sixth, Culsalmond seventh, the Suntal filly eight and Craggy last.

THE IMPERIAL PRODUCE PLATE of 3,000 sovs; nominator of the winner 200 sovs., nominator of the second 100 sovs., nominator of the third 50 sovs., owner of the second 200 sovs., and owner of the third 50 sovs., for the produce of mares covered in 1901, to run as two years old. Six furlongs, on the Straight Course.

Mr. L. de Rothschild's Khammurabi, by ... Lactantius—Utica, ...	J. Jarvis	1
Sir E. Vincent's Shah Je... ...12lbs. ...	H. Aylin	2
Lord Durham's Orator, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Maher	
Mr. E. Dresden's Galangal, 9st. 6lbs. ...	Watts	0
Mr. F. de Wend Fenton's Vedas, 9st. 6lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Lord Crewe's Polymelus, 9st. 6lbs. ...	M. Cannon	0
Chev. F. Ginistrelli's Signorino, 8st. 12lbs.	R Jones	0
Mr. Fairie's Water Spout, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Trigg	0
Mr. Arthur James' Captivation, 8st. 10lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's Lindal 8st. 7lbs.	K. Cannon	0
Mr. L. Robinson's Costly Lady, 8st. 7lbs....	B. Dillon	0
Lord Londonderry's Hellene, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Griggs	0
Sir Daniel Cooper's Lilla, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Madden	0
Mr. H. I. Higham's Selim, 8st. 3lbs. ...	B. Lynham	0

(*Winner trained by Hayhoe.*)

BETTING: 6 to 1 agst. Khammurabi, 100 to 7 Shah Jehan and 4 to 1 Orator.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS ON THE FLAT.

(*Compiled from 21st March to 3th September.*)

	Mounts	1st	2nd	rd	Unplaced	Percentage
Lane, W. ...	568	124	121	79	244	21·83
Madden, O. ...	613	123	95	77	318	20·06
Maher, D. ...	357	99	55	56	147	27·73
Halsey, W. ...	480	77	55	74	271	16·04
Wheatley, E. ...	393	68	...	59	198	17·30
Sharples, A. ...	339	56	...	41	179	16·50
Dillon, B. ...	274	54	5	28	157	19·70
Griggs, William ...	507	52	5	60	320	10·25
Trigg, C. ...	491	47	1	64	319	9·57
Randall, H. ...	227	39	38	39	111	17·18
Cannon, M. ...	280	37	46	39	158	13·21
Saxby, W. ...	310	36	39	43	192	11·61
Jarvis, J. ...	261	35	21	29	176	13·40
McCall, G. ...	214	33	31	18	132	15·42
Jones, H. ...	240	32	40	28	140	13·33
Martin, J. H. ...	272	32	34	37	169	11·76
Heppell, T. ...	163	28	17	12	106	17·17
Lynham, B. ...	192	27	20	26	119	14·06

FOOTALL.

ASSOCIAT...N RULES.

THE LEAGUE ...AMPIONSHIP.

DIVI... 1.

ASTON VILLA *vs.* SUNDE...ND.—About thirty tho... spectators witnessed a splendid ...e at Aston on Saturday. ... weather was brilliantly fine a... the turf in excellent condi... The Villa again played Miles a...ck and Matthews at c... forward, whilst Sunderland ha... ardely, a reserve man, at i... left. Playing with the breeze, Villa had much the bes... the opening exchanges, the fo...ds showing far more dash t... they have exhibited in previou...nes this season. Rowland... was several times tested, and... twenty minutes' play, Ba... beat him with a fine screw. S...ht from the restart Sunderl... raced away, and Wardle put th...es on an equality. But ... Sunderland jubilation was s...lived, for, ere another minu... had sped, Wood put the Villa ...d again. Three goals in t... minutes was sensational foo... indeed. The Villa show... marked superiority up to the ...val, but did not shoot we... Brawn struck the crossbar from ...alty kick, and, though he pr... through at the second attemp... point was, of course, allowed. At the interval the score was ...on Villa, two goals; Sunder... land, one. Immediately after ...esumption Hogg got through ... and scored a clever goal. ... time Sunderland pressed, ... but towards the close the ...improved again and came ... near scoring on several occas... They failed, however, and ... the result was a draw of two g...ach.

NEWCASTLE UNITED *vs.* ...NCHESTER CITY.—Betwee... twenty-two and twenty-thr...ousand spectators witness... Newcastle United defeat the ...b Cup holders at St. Jam... Park, Newcastle. United wo... their merits. In the fi... half Newcastle were some ti...settling down to their ga... but they showed superior foo... Veitch opened the scori... from a pass by Appleyard, an... fine combination betwe... McWilliams, Appleyard an...itch. Appleyard added ... second. Thus Newcastle led a...-time by two goals. T... game deteriorated greatly in ...cond half, but Neweas... were the cleverer team. There... more scoring, Neweas... winning by two goals to none...rience played in goal f... Newcastle, *vice* Watts, and did w...

BLACKBURN ROVERS *vs.* SH...LD WEDNESDAY.—... Blackburn, on Saturday, before 15,...tators, Wednesday h... their full team up, but the Ro...re without Whittak... Watson and Birchall, their places ta...en by Duckwort... Pentland and Moir. Playing with...vind, the Rovers d... most of the pressing in the first hal... Lyall and Burto... backing up the half-back line, were...cuous for fine clea... ances, and there was a similar defen...splay at the othe... end, Crompton doing splendid service. no goals scored... the teams crossed over, and the Rovers...work in determin... ed fashion. Lyall was decidedly lucky ...twice, but in the... main the Sheffield defence deserves hig... Occasionally... their forwards transferred play, and ...nutes from the... finish, Davis managed to score the onl...of the match,... receiving a pass from the right, and he...martly past... McIvor. The Rovers tried hard but unlu...ully for an... equaliser. Result: Sheffield Wednesday, Blackburn Rovers, *nil*.

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RECORD TO SATURDAY, 1ST OCTOBER (INCLUSIVE).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
heffield Wednesday ...	5	5	0	0	10	15	4
Preston North End ...	6	3	2	1	8	9	5
Wolverhmpton Wnd. ...	6	4	0	2	8	10	10
Newcastle United ...	5	3	1	1	7	10	5
Sheffield United ...	6	3	1	2	7	10	10
Aston Villa ...	7	3	1	3	7	11	11
Blackburn Rovers ...	5	3	0	2	6	12	6
Sunderland ...	6	2	2	2	6	11	8
Everton ...	6	3	0	3	6	7	6
Middlesborough ...	5	2	1	2	5	6	8
Derby County ...	6	2	1	3	5	8	11
Notts County ..	6	2	1	3	5	7	11
Notts Forest -	5	2	0	3	4	12	9
Woolwich Arsenal ..	5	1	2	2	4	3	5
anchester City ..	5	1	2	2	4	4	6
oke ..	6	2	0	4	4	3	11
all Heath ...	5	1	1	3	3	7	9
ry ...	5	0	1	4	1	4	14

DIVISION 2.

BRISTOL CITY *vs.* BRADFORD CITY.—Once again Bristol City ere favoured with glorus weather, when on Saturday they eceived a visit from Bradrd City. The spectators numbered about 7,000. The game as of a fair standard. Bristol City relied on the same teams defeated Chesterfield last week. The homesters had most the game in the first half, though the Bradford forwards were by no means strangers to the home goal. The first half had been in progress about half an hour, when Chambers got possion of the ball and put it to Wombwell, who rushed down line and put in a splendid shot at very difficult angle. The ll landed just below the bar and eat Mearns. A few minut later Theckitt collided with Drain nd the latter's injuries necited his removal from the field. He as unable to take part in game afterwards. At half-time istol City led by a goal nil. In the second moiety, though ying only ten men, Brad made a very plucky fight, and e or twice almost eqused. They had more of the game he second half than in first. The home forwards played l, Gilligan, Dean and bwell being the best. The Halves e sound, and so was ft. Thickett was in better form, not so good as his tner. Conlin was the best of the lford front rank, but issed one easy chance. Robinson McLean did well half, and both backs were good. ns was very safe bet n the posts. A well-fought game l in a deserved wi or the Bristol team by one goal e.

LOSSOP *vs.* BOLTON ANDERERS.—These teams met at sop on Saturday, befe 000 spectators and the result was rd-earned victory for Wanderers by two goals to one. hing had been scored ither side at half time, but after nging ends Stokes and ite scored for the Wanderers and wrence for Glossop. I playing for half an hour Glossop e handicapped throughe retirement of Synott, owing to isposition.

LIVERPOOL *vs.* LEICE FOSSE.—Fifteen thousand people tnessed this match on urday at Anfield-road, Liverpool. he home team had ma mostly their own way from first to st and finally won eby four goals to none. Robinson ored all the four goas Liverpool after ends had been hanged.

BURTON UNITED *vs.* SLEY.—The United suffered defeat n their own ground at on-on-Trent on Saturday at the feet of Barnsley, who the accomplished a good performance. Halliwell and Beech scor the visitors during the first ten minutes, and subsequeKing obtained a point for Burton United, who were rathacky.

RECORD TO SATY, 1ST OCTOBER (INCLUSIVE).

	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
lton Wanderers ..	5	0	0	10	16	5
verpool ...	4	2	0	10	15	4
rnsley ..	3	1	1	7	6	5
ncoln City	3	0	2	6	8	5
istol City	3	0	2	6	10	9
insborough Trin.	3	0	2	6	11	10
imsby Town	2	2	1	6	5	5
ackpool	1	4	1	6	5	5
anchester United 4	2	1	1	5	9	6
. Bromwich Alt 5	2	1	2	5	12	7
icester Fosse 5	2	1	2	5	5	8
adford City 5	2	0	3	4	8	10
esterfield .. 5	1	2	2	4	4	6
rslem Port V... 6	0	4	2	4	5	7
rnley ... 6	2	0	4	4	5	10
lossop ... 5	0	2	3	2	4	8
oncaster R ... 5	1	0	4	2	4	13
rton Unit ... 6	1	0	5	2	4	13

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

REO SATURDAY, 1ST OCTOBER (INCLUSIVE).

	Plyd.	Won.	Drn.	Lost.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst
Sout ...	5	3	2	0	8	9	6
Rea ...	5	4	0	1	8	13	9
Nton ...	5	4	0	1	8	9	7
Sfown ...	6	4	0	2	8	12	6
Park Rgrs ...	5	3	1	1	7	10	6
rompton ...	5	2	3	0	7	8	5
Ham. United ...	6	2	3	1	7	7	4
ol Rovers ...	5	2	2	1	6	6	2
rtsmouth ...	5	3	0	2	6	10	11
Tottenham H'spur ...	5	2	1	2	5	4	4
B ton and Hov. A. ...	5	1	2	2	4	9	6
Plymouth Argyle ...	5	2	0	3	4	9	8
Watford ...	5	2	0	3	4	4	4
Fulham ...	5	1	2	2	4	4	5
Luton Town ...	6	1	1	4	3	3	9
Wellingborough ...	5	1	0	4	2	3	12
Millwall ...	6	0	2	4	2	2	13
Brentford ...	5	0	1	4	1	3	8

THE SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

There was a full League programme down for settlement under First Division auspices north of the Border on Saturday, the way having been cleared in the West of Scotland for free progress by the working down of the Glasgow Cup Competition to its ultimate stage, while in the East the local competitions have not yet begun. Having safely negotiated a fortnight ago the most formidable hurdle in their season's path so far, Airdrieonians seem now safe to attain a place on the League ladder which will be the envy of their elder brethren in senior circles, as the next three engagements to be faced by them are with clubs whose present form should not give rise to any anticipations of possible defeat, while the same might be said of the succeeding four fixtures to be played from home. On their actual going the Lanarkshire club may steer clear of disaster for two months to come. After that period, of course, Glasgow rangers and Celtic, their nearest rivals, may prove stumbling blocks, but the confidence born of success has not a little to do with results and even then surprises are not improbable. In Saturday's game against Port Glasgow Athletic they did not expect that resistance which had been their lot in the more important games already disposed of. In this they were, to some extent disappointed, as the "Port" ran the Airdrie team neck and neck, up to half-time, when neither had scored. However, Port Glasgow could not keep it up, and were finally beaten by two goals to none. After an uneven match, due to the high wind prevalent, Queen's Park were beaten by Celtic by three goals to two. The amateurs had all the business of defence to attend to in the opening half, and they did it well, although before the interval arrived three points had been lost. Little fault could be found with the middle and back lines, who showed great steadiness and resource. The regular keeper, L. H. Skene, the Edinburgh Varsity man, was absent, and the substitute could easily have been improved on. In the concluding stage, however, aided by the elements, the "Spiders" forced the pace, and though kept at bay for full thirty minutes, Logan, their fair-haired centre half-back, made amends for a previous blunder in failing to convert a penalty kick, by shooting a splendid goal, and the leeway was immediately afterwards further reduced by Miller. The last few minutes were keenly fought out, but no additional advantage fell to the young Hampden eleven, victory resting with the Celts as stated. A very serious drop befell Glasgow Rangers. Playing without McCall and Hamilton they found the Paisley men quite a match for them. Indeed the Saints drew first blood, and soon Mackie equalised with a header for the Rangers, and Turnbull put the latter in a lead of two to one at half-time. Now however, it became St. Mirren's game, and McPherson put them level two each again. The home team—the scene was laid at Ibrox—next had a goal, which after consultation with the umpires as is allowed under new League rules, the referee disallowed. Fate was kind to St Mirren, and just with five minutes to go, McDonald gave them a majority of three goals to two, which places Rangers down two points in the League list. Third Lanark had a very close game with Morton, at Greenock, and so even were the teams that honours were even at the finish, neither side scoring. Dundee were the guests of Motherwell. In the first fifteen minutes McAteer and Cowie had both scored for Dundee. The former point should have been saved. What looked like a runaway victory, however, was stayed at this point, as no further goals were obtained, Motherwell thus losing by two goals to none. Hibernians have fallen on evil days. They have played nine matches and have only won two, though three are drawn. Kilmarnock were their opponents on this occasion, and evidently the veteran blood in this team is having an effect on their general play. Rennie, Hibernians' International custodian, was beaten once in each half, and the Hibernians lost by two goals to none. Another surprise took place at Tynecastle, where Heart of Midlothian had a visit from Partick Thistle, who are playing a decidedly improved game this season, due largely to the incorporation of the Rangers' veterans, Gilchrist and Gibson, into the back division of the Thistle Early in the game Kennedy dashed away and beat the Hearts custodian with a low shot. This proved to be the only point gained by either side, and the supporters of the home team had to witness their favourites in a minority of one goal to none when the whistle blew for a cessation of hostilities.

LONDON CALEDONIANS *vs.* SHEPHERD'S BUSH.—After playing drawn games with Leytonstone, the Casuals and Townley Park, the London Caledonians obtained their first victory of the season on Saturday at Tufnell Park, Shepherd's Bush being soundly beaten by three goals to love. The West Londoners quite failed to do themselves justice, and suffered severely from weakness at full back, while they were also handicapped by Hughes, the centre forward, being lame throughout the game, an injury sustained on the previous Saturday reasserting itself. The Caledonians played a capital game, and to all appearances have a better all-round team than for some seasons past. They were always superior to the Bushmen in the way of speed and certainly much better together. Pressing from the start, the Scots opened the scoring after eight minutes play Gibbons netting with a fine cross shot from long range Later on the same forward shot over the bar when well placed and play continued to favour the Caledonians, although nothing further was scored before half-time, Lemoine in goal making some capital saves. Scarcely had the game been resumed, when Gibbons shot a second goal, the ball being taken down direct from the kick-off. For a time the play became a trifle straggling but the home side always had their opponents well in hand. Once Kerley broke right through for Shepherd's Bush, but Ralston raced him and just managed to intercept his shot when a goal appeared certain. A third goal for the Caledonians eventually came from Dale-Wilson, who would have been offside but for the ball glancing off an opponent just prior to his shot. Shepherd's Bush could never get properly into their stride, and ultimately retired beaten as stated. During the second half Gibbons had a kick on a leg and for the remainder of the game was very lame. A dismal morning was followed by a pleasant afternoon and the attendance numbered about 1,500.

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

		G.			G.
Wolverhampton Wandrs.	...	2	bt	Derby County	... 0
Stoke	...	1	bt	Notts Forest	... 0
Middlesbrough	...	1	bt	Everton	... 0
Preston North End	...	2	dr	Small Heath	... 2
Newcastle United	...	2	bt	Manchester City	... 0
Bury	...	1	dr	Woolwich Arsenal	... 1
Aston Villa	...	2	dr	Sunderland	... 2
Sheffield Wednesday	...	1	bt	Blackburn Rovers	... 0
Sheffield United	...	2	bt	Notts County	... 1

DIVISION 2.

Gainsborough Trinity	...	4	bt	West Brom. Albion	... 2
Lincoln City	...	1	bt	Burslem Port Vale	... 0
Barnsley	...	2	bt	Burton United	... 1
Bolton Wanderers	...	2	bt	Glossop	... 1
Burnley	...	2	bt	Doncaster Rovers	... 0
Blackpool	...	1	dr	Grimsby Town	... 1
Liverpool	...	4	bt	Leicester Fosse	... 0
Bristol City	...	1	bt	Bradford City	... 0

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

Reading	...	3	bt	Tottenham Hotspur	... 1
Southampton	...	1	dr	Brighton and Hove	... 1
New Brompton	...	1	bt	Watford	... 0
West Ham. United	...	2	bt	Luton	... 0
Swindon	...	4	bt	Plymouth Argyle	... 0
Wellingborough	...	2	bt	Fulham	... 1
Portsmouth	...	3	bt	Brentford	... 1
Northampton	...	2	bt	Queen's Park Rngrs.	... 1
Millwall	...	0	dr	Bristol Rovers	... 0

DIVISION 2.

Brighton & Hove Abn. Rvs.		2	bt	Southampton Reserves	0
Southall	...	2	bt	Wycombe Wanderers	1

THE SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—DIVISION 1.

Dundee	...	2	bt	Motherwell	... 0
Greenock Morton	...	0	dr	Third Lanark	... 0
Kilmarnock	...	2	bt	Hibernians	... 1
Airdrieonians	...	2	bt	Port Glasgow Athletic	... 2
Celtic	...	3	bt	Queen's Park	... 0
Partick Thistle	...	1	bt	Heart of Midlothian	... 0
St. Mirren	...	3	bt	Glasgow Rangers	... 2

DIVISION 2.

Clyde	...	4	dr	Arthurlie	... 4
Abercorn	...	1	bt	Hamilton Acads.	... 0
Ayr	...	5	bt	Falkirk	... 3
Raith Rovers	...	1	bt	Albion Rovers	... 0

THE LONDON JUNIOR CUP.—PRELIMINARY ROUND.

Newportonians.	...	8	bt	Hasbet	... 1
Hatcham Athletic	...	5	bt	Dulwich St. Barnabas	... 1
St. Peter's	...	6	bt	Wanstead Reserves	... 0
Leighton St. Mary's	...	1	bt	Little Heath	... 1

Clanham R... | St. Ethelbur... | Brixton | Leytonstone ... | Globe Athletic... | Leytonstone Re... | Lewisham Mont... | Forest Gate Unit... | Christchurch ... | Pitlake Swifts ... | Wanstead Athletic ... Wesleyan ... 1 | Cranbrook Park ... n United ... 1 | Nottingham ... ...ley Reserves ... 0 | Beckenham Rovers ... Dulwich United ... 2 | Dulwich Hamlet Reservs. ... t Croydon Reserves ... 0

MID... LEAGUE.

Notts County Reserves	...	5	bt	Sheffield Wed. Res. ... 0
Notts Forest Reserves	..	3	bt	Barnsley Reserves ... 3
Gainsbro' Trinity Resrvs.	...	2	bt	Chesterfield Reserves ... 1

NORTH... N LEAGUE

Sunderland Reserves	...	3	bt	Darlington 2
Middlesbrough Reserves	...	4	bt	Bishop Auckland ... 0

SCOTTISH QUALIFYING CUP.—THIRD ROUND.

Leith Athletic ..	...	5	bt	St. Bernard's ... 1
East Stirlingshire	...	1	dr	Cowdenbeath ... 1
Dundee Wanderers	...	1	dr	Arbroath 1

OTHER MATCHES.

Fulham Amateurs	...	8	bt	Fairie Rangers ... 0
New Barnet Baptist	...	3	bt	Park 0
Uxbridge Reserves	...	4	bt	thall Imperial ... 3
Richmond Idlers	...	4	bt	ford 0
Hillingdon	...	8	bt	ley 1
Willesden Radical	...	2	bt	ury Men's Inst. ... 1
Stanmore	...	2	bt	Office Reserves ... 1
Isleworth	...	2	bt	Old Hamptonians ... 0
Edmonton	...	3	bt	Millwall St. Luke's ... 0
Paddington	...	3	bt	a Vale Reserves ... 2
Ealing Reserves	...	2	bt	wick United ... 1
Chiswick St. Mary's	...	9	bt	Green ... 1
Page Green Old Boys	...	7	bt	nton Anlaby ... 2
City of Westminster	...	1	dr	chnic 1
Willesden Iris	...	10	bt	ley Wood ... 2
Customs Sports Reserves	..	2	bt	...ham Res. ... 0
Willesden Town	...	2	bt	ford 0
Trojans	...	6	bt	mpians 2
Harrow United	...	8	bt	...slow 2
Ealing Swifts (A)	...	4	bt	ident (A) ... 0
Townley Park ...	...	9	bt	ld Cranleighans ... 2
Marlow	...	4	bt	anwell 2
Manor Park Albion	...	3	bt	Wesley 2
Southfields	...	10	bt	Streatham ... 0
Melburn Old Boys	...	6	bt	Tressider 0
Ilford	...	7	bt	Olympic 1
Maidenhead	...	3	bt	London Welsh ... 0
Ramsgate St. George's	...	3	bt	Westgate 2
Springton	...		bt	Essex Wanderers ... 1
Faversham Reserves	...		bt	Herne Bay Reserves ... 2
Ashford	...	4	bt	West Kent Regiment ... 1
Dover	...	6	bt	2nd Buffs 2
London County Council	...	3	bt	Old Grammarians ... 1
West Wickham	...	5	bt	Mount Pleasant ... 3
Old Olavians	...	8	bt	Old Lancastrians ... 0
Sydenham	...	6	bt	Hampstead (B) ... 0
R. N. Gunnery School	...	1	bt	Ealing 0
Marlborough (2nd)	...	5	bt	Gunnersbury (2nd) ... 0
Customs Sports	...	4	bt	Marlborough (3rd) ... 2
Normanhyrst Druids	...	2	bt	Occident 1
Heron (2nd)	...		bt	City Albion (3rd) ... 1
Lydford (2nd)	...		bt	City Albion (3rd) ... 0
Old Externes	...	4	bt	Cranford Old Boys ... 0
Woodbridge	...	4	bt	Saxmundham ... 0
West...	...		bt	Bentley 2
W...ham	...		bt	Braintree 1
...ough	...		bt	Old Hollowy, Colligns ... 0
Upton Park	...	6	bt	Reigate Priory ... 0
Alloa	...	1	bt	Beith 0
Kirkcaldy United	...	0	bt	Dunfermline Athletic ... 0
Goness	...	2	bt	Bathgate 1
Galston	...	5	bt	Vale of Leven ... 1
Lochgelly United	...	5	bt	Stenhousemuir ... 3
Carrvale	...	3	bt	Wishaw Amateurs ... 3
King's Park	...	2	bt	unblane 1
Brighton Helmston	...	9	bt	righton St. John's ... 0
Brighton Northern Swifts		4	bt	righton Artillery ... 0
Brighton Teachers	...	3	bt	rnon Athletic ... 1

RUGBY RULES.

LONDON SCOTTISH *vs.* ROSSLYN PARK.—With this match at Richmond on Saturday, against Rosslyn Park, the London Scottish entered on their serious programme for the season, and though they started with a win, the game yielded them little further satisfaction. On each side the play displayed much distinctly moderate and the play generally was far too wild and scrambling for it to possess much interest. A fairly good gate the fixture attracted. Rosslyn Park have a useful lot of hard working forwards, but their backs are weak, while the Scotsmen, on their form on Saturday, are neither strong in the scrum nor behind it. Each team was seen to more advantage in defence than when attacking, but on the day's play the Scottish backs showed the better form, and to this they owed their success though much of their play behind the pick was poor in the extreme. Of their new men Wade, the Dulwich College youth, and P. Munro, the Oxonian, played uncommonly well, but generally they were poorly supported, and on the whole the play on Saturday gave no promise that the Scottish will prove a very formidable fifteen this season, and the same remark may well be applied to Rosslyn Park. The Park forwards did much good work against the Scottish, breaking up the "scrums" smartly, and more often than not taking the ball with them, but their backs threw away their chances by their weak passing. Early in the game, they were desperately hard pressed, for Purvis followed up a long dribble, and had just got to the ball as it went over the line when Dixon dashed up and kicked it dead. Then the Park forwards were dangerous, but though cleverly repulsed by the sound tactics shown by Gibson, they came again, and King Stevens looked like scoring when he was pulled down in the corner. This was the only occasion in the first half that Rosslyn Park really looked dangerous, but just before the interval the Scottish forwards got away, and, following a spell of scrambling play near the goal line, Ross scored a try. He took the place-kick himself, but his effort to land the goal was a sorry failure. In the second half the Park men had generally the best of the play, but almost directly after changing ends the Scottish forwards came out with a fine dribble, and getting down to their rivals "25," their three-quarters put in a capital round of passing across the field, and Ritchie finished off a fine movement by scoring a try. Wade was entrusted with the place-kick, but it was not successful. After this Rosslyn Park several times threatened danger, but they could never profit by their opportunities, and so the game ended in a win for the London Scottish by two tries (6 points) to *nil*.

LENNOX *vs.* LONDON IRISH.—At Cricklewood on Saturday, Lennox won the first match on their new ground by 16 points to 8. The losers were at a disadvantage at the outset, as Maguire and Walsh did not arrive until Lennox had scored two tries. At the outset Lennox made the running, and Haxell, within ten minutes of the start, scored behind the uprights, but Atterbury failed to convert. Continuing, the Lennox halves did well, and Bell dashed down the line and put on a second try, but the same

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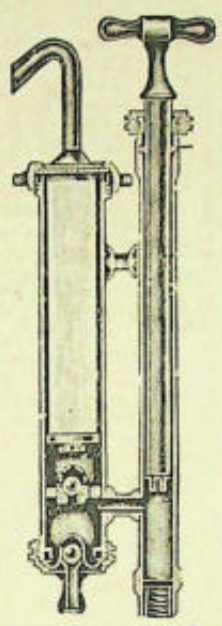
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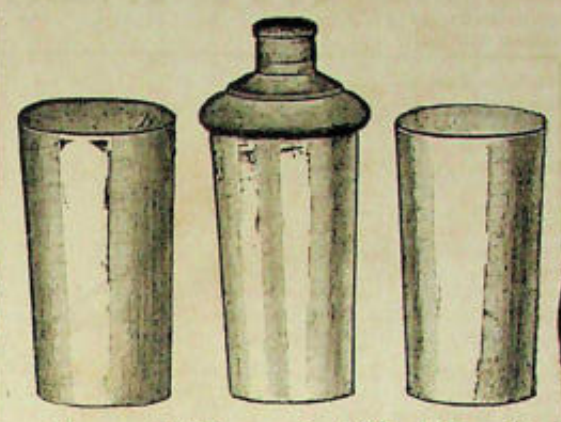
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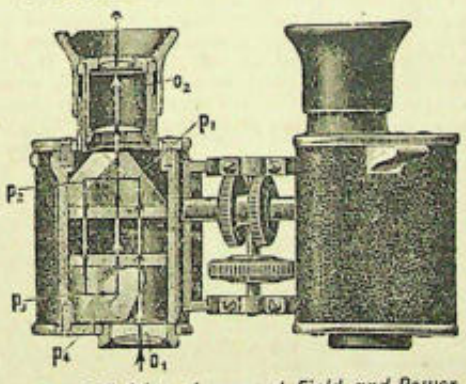
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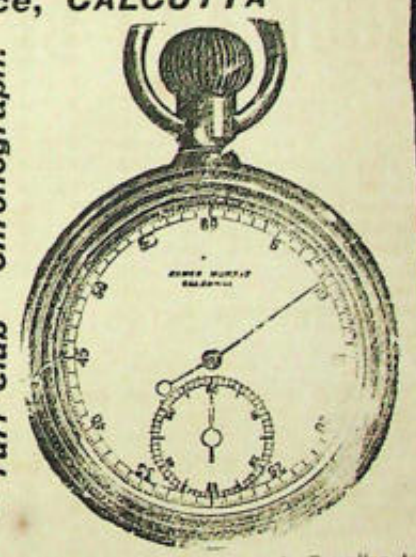
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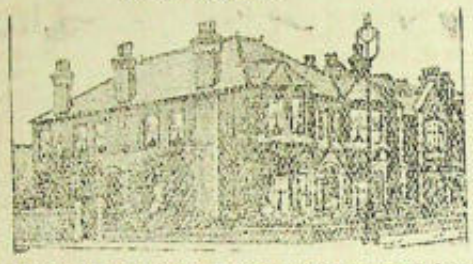
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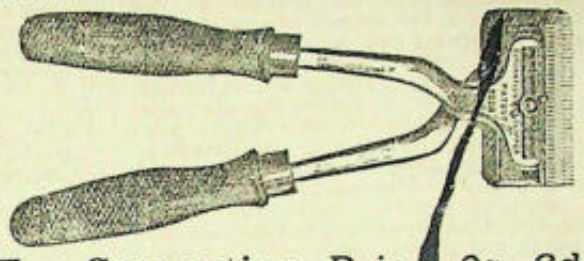
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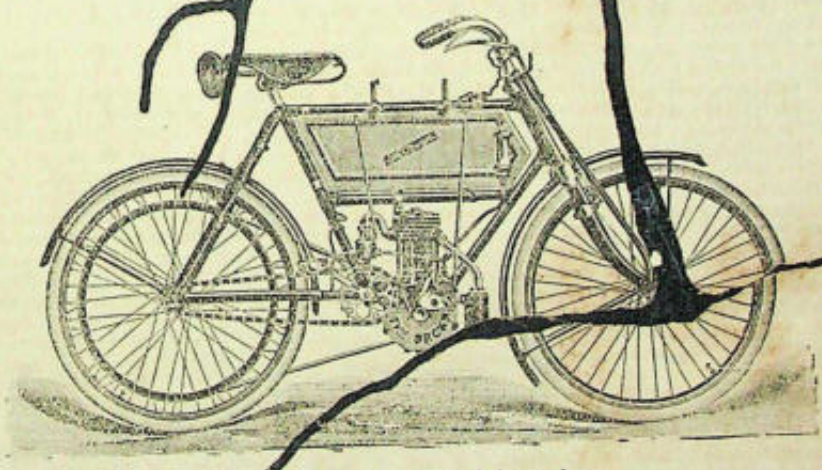
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player failed to bring off the major points. Maguire and Walsh now arrived, and Lennox experienced an anxious time, twice touching down. After some useful work by Lennox, Somerville, Bell, and Newburry, the last-mentioned secured a grand try, from which Walker landed a goal. Shortly after changing ends, Haxell, who had been playing in fine style, was compelled to discontinue owing to an injury to his leg. Kelly now opened the scoring for the visitors, but the place kick failed. A little later Maguire got possession, and, backed up by McCormac, a try resulted. Kelly succeeded in converting. Matters now became exceedingly interesting, the Irishmen only being three points to the bad. Both teams made the most of the remaining time, but Lennox again got the upper hand and Somerville added another try. Walker converted, and Lennox thus won by two goals and two tries (16 points) to one goal and one try (8 points).

NEWPORT *vs.* OLD MERCHANT TAYLORS.—Newport opened their season on Saturday, when they met the Old Merchant Taylors on the famous Uskside enclosure, in fine weather, and in the presence of 4,000 spectators. Newport had all the best of the opening stages of the play, but the visitors nipped several rounds of passing in the bud. Eventually Thomas got a chance on the near side, and went over a yard from the touch-line. A moment later R. B. Griffiths picked up on the far side and scored a second corner try, but neither place-kick was converted. The Newport forwards broke away on the restart, and Hodges, Adams, and Pritchard handled, the latter scoring behind the posts and Lewis converting. Thus at half-time Newport led by one goal and two tries to *nil*. Newport resumed the attack and pressed hotly, but lost chances through faulty passing. Lewis picked up, ran in, and afterwards converted his own try. Just afterwards Harding was injured, but after having his head bound up he resumed play. In the end Newport won by two goals and two tries (16 points) to *nil*.

HARLEQUINS *vs.* RICHMOND.—A very stubbornly-contested game resulted from the meeting of these teams at the Wandsworth enclosure on Saturday, the play being of a very fast order throughout. The result would doubtless have been different but for the good defensive play of Gibson, who was playing back for the Harlequins in the absence of Batstone, for time after time—particularly in the second portion—he collared magnificently. Close upon 1,500 spectators had assembled when the visitors started. A pack in mid-field resulted in Hammond getting away nicely, but he was brought down in the Richmond "25." A penalty was here awarded to the "Quins," and although it was taken at easy distance it failed to add any advantage. A very tight scrummage took place near the home line, but Wheeler brought relief and a fine attempt from a mark by Ward only just failed. After some very fair play, in which the Richmond three-quarters showed to advantage, Wheeler, the Quin" three-quarter, got held, and, making a dash through his opponents, he just managed to get in; but Feareside failed at a rather easy goal. A series of scrums followed in the home "25," where Gibson repeatedly collared some fine attempts by Hancock and Stout, but eventually Bennett kicked across to Butcher, and picking up smartly he succeeded in landing the ball behind the post. Stout, who took the place-kick, failed to convert. On resuming, the visitors' forwards made a fine dash down the field, and Odgers, getting away nicely, had a fine opportunity for scoring, but he slipped when near the line, and in the scrummage that ensued Greenlage, one of the Harlequins' forwards, had to retire for about ten minutes owing to an injury to his knee. When half-time arrived neither side could claim the lead, both having scored a try. Early in the second half the home team caused the visitors a lot of trouble. Hammond, Young, and Veasey being prominent, the latter making a splendid attempt to drop a goal, which only just missed. After this the game was transferred to the other end, and here some splendid [illegible] Hancock, getting hold from a fine dribble by the visitors' forwards, was all but over when Gibson brought him down. A free kick to Richmond, although taken near the home goal, failed to add to the score. Towards the finish both clubs tried their utmost to get the advantage, Lippert, Curtis, Hayward, and Wheeler being conspicuous in attempting to [illegible] for the home team; while Hancock, Butcher, and Leggett were always to the front for the visitors, but when the game ended neither side had added to the score, the result being a draw of one try (3 points) to each.

CHELTENHAM *vs.* CLIFTON.—The meeting of these clubs at Cheltenham on Saturday was productive of an excellent game. It was generally anticipated that Cheltenham would win, and this they succeeded in doing, but Clifton gave their adversaries a real good game, and played with rare dash right up to the finish. Soon after the start the Cheltenham backs passed with much skill, and Davey was able to score a try from a pass by Goddard. Unwin failed at goal. From then until the interval play was fairly even, but errors in handling lost many chances, and there had been no further scoring when half-time arrived. Upon the resumption of the game, Pike quickly added a second try for Cheltenham. This in no way disheartened Clifton. On the contrary their forwards set up a hot pace, and, from a weak bit of play by Daunter, Burnford was able to score a try, which Burnford failed to convert. This woke Cheltenham up again, and a magnificent movement amongst the backs ended in Cottrell passing back inside to Unwin, who crossed with the try of the match, which Jacob had no difficulty in scoring. Just before the close Clifton came with a big rush, but the home defence was very sound, and the final score read: Cheltenham, one goal two tries (11 points); Clifton, one try (3 points). It should be stated that almost at the last moment Cheltenham had two disappointments. F. H. B. Champain was unable to play owing to an injured ankle, and C. Hall, the old Gloucester International, who had promised to assist, failed to put in an appearance, so that C[illegible]x, a retired veteran, had to be "picked up" on the ground.

THE RUGBY GAME IN SCOTLAND.

Glasgow Academicals undertook a most responsible fixture for such an early period of the season when they arranged to play the equally famous Watsonians at Annesland, Glasgow, last Saturday. The Academy had been out and about and had already the scalps of two border clubs, Hawick and Melrose, respectively, at their waistbelts, while the Edinburgh team had only had a limited share of field practice at home by way of training, though preparations for what was felt would prove a stiff encounter had by no means been lacking. Academicals had nearly the same team as playing in the South of Scotland. Dr. J. W. Arthur again occupying the position of full-back, Russell not yet being available. R. S. Stronach was out, however, but Haller at the lost moment could not take his place at three-quarters. Nothing was left to chance on either sidet It was a pity indeed that such an important game should have to be played so soon, but apparently there was no help for it. The pace was a cracker from the start, and there was no parlour play to be witnessed; neither expected nor asked for quarter. The Academicals were the better dribblers, but the defence of the visitors left little to be desired, their tackling being good. There was a disposition on the part of the Watsonians to indulge in off-side, and for this they repeatedly paid the penalty. The only damage done in the first half was a slight injury to Stronach, who, however, subsequently resumed. Neither side scored in this period. On resuming, Greig and France for Academicals had both good runs, as had Cairns for Watsonians. The visitors forced matters somewhat and carried most of the mauls. Then came a splendid dribble by W. Russell, which ended in Waddell scoring a try, but Arthur did not improve on this. The Academicals pressed determinedly, and although retarded for off-side play, they had several successful attempts to get over. Two free kicks were given for off-side, and from the second of these Arthur scored a penalty goal. The Watsonians were kept on the defensive to the close. The grand form of the home team was rewarded with a third consecutive victory by a penalty goal and a try (6 points) to *nil*. Glydesdale and West of Scotland met at Titwood, being the opening game for both. The teams gave a very fair exposition of the game, and though both pushed matters to the very finish, neither scored. Edinburgh Institute has begun its annual run of defeats, Glasgow High School being on this occasion the conqueror by a penalty goal and two tries (9 points), all obtained in the second half, to *nil*. Royal High School had a visit from Kelvinside Academicals. The latter are rather weak this season. The School obtained a goal in the opening period, Burns getting the try and Sanderson converting. In the concluding stage, after a good deal of mauling, the home team had two tries the latter of which was turned into a goal by McLaren. Academicals thus lost by two goals and a try to *nil*. Melrose visited Edinburgh and returned home defeated by Stewartonians by a try to *nil*.

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

	G.	T.		G.	T.
Old Leysians (6) ...	0	2	bt Blackheath ...	0	0
Cardiff (9) ...	2	0	bt Bristol (3) ...	0	1
Burton (13) ...	3	1	bt Coventry (3) ...	0	1
Old Dunstonians (5) ...	1	0	bt Saracens (3) ...	0	1
Old Whitgiftns. (3rd) (16)	—		bt H. A. C. (A) (3)	—	
Hammersmith (5) ...	1	0	bt St. Mary's Hosp. ...	0	0
Hong Kong Bank (A) (23)	1	6	bt Hampstead Wanderers (B)	0	1
Ldn. Dvonians. (A) (18)	—		bt Boro Rd. Col. (A) (3) ...	—	
Eastern Tel. School (8)	—		bt Old Dnstons. (A) 3)	—	
London Cnty. Cncl. (26)	—		bt Wimbledon (5) ...	—	
Norwood (A) (11) ...	—		bt Cent. Tec. Col. (5) ...	—	
Devonport (11) ...	1	2	bt Leicester (3) ...	0	1
Wasps (3rd) (10) ...	—		bt Blackheath (B) (6) ...	—	
Surbiton (A) (12) ...	0	4	bt Beckenham (A) (5) ...	1	0
Furness (20) ...	2	4	bt Preston (3) ...	0	1
Moseley (19) ...	2	3	bt Liverpool (3) ...	0	1
Roath (11)	—		bt Stroud (7) ...	—	
Llanelly (8) ...	1	1	bt Bridgend (6) ...	0	2
Exeter (43) ...	4	8	bt Western	0	0
Clydesdale ...	0	0	dr West of Scotland ...	0	0
Northampton (10) ...	1	2	bt Gloucester (4) ...	1	0
Nuneaton (6) ...	0	2	bt Leicestershire Rugby Union (3) ...	0	1
Plymouth (3) ...	0	1	dr United Service (3) ...	0	1
Glasgow Academicals (6)	—		bt Watsonians ...	0	0
African Banks (10) ...	—		bt Customs Sports ...	0	0
Hong Kong Bank (9) ...	0	3	bt Wasps (5) ...	1	0
U. C. S. Old Boys ...	2	3	bt Old Millhillians ..	2	0
Civil Service (9) ...	0	3	bt Sutton	0	0
Upper Clapton (A) (3)	—		bt Park House (A) ...	0	0
R. N. C. (21) ...	—		bt Bridgwater (3) ...	—	
Penarth (9) ...	0	3	bt Bridgwater Alb. (8) ...	1	1
Catford Bridge (15) ...	3	0	bt London Welsh (5) ..	1	0
London Welsh (B) (15)	0	5	bt Richmond (2nd) ...	0	0
Sheen	2	1	bt London Irish (B) ...	0	0
Catford Bridge (A) (6)	0	2	bt Maze Hill ...	0	0
Catford Bridge (3rd) ...	2	6	bt Aldenhm. Inst. (A) ...	0	0
Old Blues (B) (31) ...	—		bt Customs (A) (12) ...	—	
Richmond (A) (26) ...	—		bt London Irish (A) ...	0	0
Carlisle	0	0	dr Hawick	0	0
Glasgow High Sch. (9) ...	1	2	bt Edinburgh Inst. ...	0	0
Royal School (13) ...	2	1	bt Kelvinside Acads. ...	0	0
Ilford Wanderers (59) ...	7	8	bt Acton Park ...	0	0
Ilford Wandrs (A) (18)	3	1	bt Acton Park (A) ...	0	0
Sidcup (26) ...	4	2	bt H. A. C. (3) ...	0	1
Old Alleynians (2nd) (35)	1	10	bt Sidcup (3rd) ...	0	0
Sidcup (A) (6)	0	2	bt U. C. S. Old Boys ...	0	0
London Scottish (A) (14)	—		bt Rosslyn Pk. (A) (6) ...	0	2
Old Blues (A) (19) ...	2	3	bt Streatham (A) (3) ...	0	1
Blackheath (A) (9) ...	0	3	bt R. M. A (3) ...	0	1
O. Merch Tylrs. (A) (13)	—		bt Kingston (5) ...	1	0
Old Blues (8) ...	1	1	bt Streatham (3) ...	0	1
O. Whitgiftians (2nd) (8)	1	1	bt C. Palace Engrs (5) .	1	0
Park House (23) ...	—		bt Upper Clapton ...	0	0
Ealing (8) ...	1	1	bt Hamp. Wanderers ..	0	0
Ealing (2nd) (23) ...	1	6	bt Hamp. Wndrs. (2nd) (2	0	1 5
Brighton (8) ...	1	1	bt O. Whitgiftns. (6) ...	0	2

WALKING.

FIFTY-MILE TRACK WALK.—Although monotony to a certain extent from some point of view, is bound to be associated with a performance that necessitates the covering of a quarter of a mile track no fewer than two hundred times, the Fifty-mile Invitation Amateur Scratch Race, promoted by the Blackheath H. and the Surrey Walking Club, and decided at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham, on Saturday, proved one of the most notable events of its kind ever held. The struggle lacked, it is true, the variety and, one may perhaps say, the novelty of the Stock Exchange walk to Brighton of last year, but the issue was so finely fought out, and the performances of five of the six men who finished of such a high standard, that interest in the proceedings was maintained almost throughout.

It was exactly fifteen minutes to ten when the seventeen competitors were sent on their long journey. Butler at once cut out the race, and, dashing away with a fine long stride, he quickly left his field behind. At the end of a mile, Butler was leading Lansley by seventy yards, and, keeping up the pressure, he covered his two miles in fifteen seconds ahead of Sinclair's time. Even thus early the competitors had spread out considerably, and at the end of the third mile Butler had lapped his field. Rain continued to fall but this appeared to have no prejudicial effect on the walkers, and Butler, making much use of himself, forged further ahead, with the result that at the end of the first hour he had covered seven miles 220 yards and led from Lansley and Unwin. Rimmer was the first to drop out done with in the eleventh mile, while two-thirds later, Barnes Mass retired. At seventeen miles, Butler was three-quarters of a mile ahead of the second man, Lansley. Four laps later, the last-named gave way to Thompson, who from the start had walked in fine style, declining to be at all bustled by the leader. Knott was at this stage occupying third place, with Lansley, tiring rapidly fourth, and Unwin fifth. At eighteen miles and-a-half Roberts left the track for good, while a mile and-a-half later Lansley gave in, at the end of the third hour Butler, the distances walked by the first three men were, Butler, 20 miles 520 yards; Thompson, 19¼ miles; and Knott, 19½ miles. Neville was the next to cry "enough," and at 22 miles Butler began to wipe out the figures made by the Southampton harrier, W. E. N. Coston, 27th December 1880. The leader, however, soon afterwards began to feel the effect of the rate he had been going, and slowly and surely he came back to Thompson. The Ranelagh harrier was walking grandly, and well within himself, and when Butler, after walking 30 miles, pulled up and retired, Thompson was left with the lead. Mawson, who had been making up a lot of ground, was second, Heastie third, and Hammond fourth, with the others scattered. Knott had given up the struggle at 26 miles, and Pool, labouring under the want of condition, had lost ground considerably. At the expiration of the fifth hour, Thompson had done 32 miles, Mawson, 31 miles 750 yards; Heastie, 31 miles 500 yards; and Hammond, 31 miles 200 yards. Mawson hearabout was going along in fine style, while Heastie appeared as fresh as at the start. Hammond, however, was not quite comfortable, while Jull began to drop away. Thirty-four miles were reeled off, Thompson at this stage being 1,600 yards ahead of Mawson, who was closely followed by Heastie and Hammond, with Unwin next. Jull was done for at 32 miles, and soon afterwards Wakefield was attacked with cramp, and obliged to quit. At 35 miles Thompson was over fifteen minutes in front of record, and spurting he did his next mile in 9mins. 24secs. The appearance of the band had quite an effect on some of the competitors, especially Mawson and Unwin, who put in a couple of laps of fast business. In the thirty-eighth mile Mawson was two laps and nearly a hundred yards behind the leader, but, walking in great form, he got back the odd hundred, and was cheered as he gave the Ranelagh harrier the go-by. Thompson at once received orders not to let the Yorkshireman leave him, and putting on the pace, he hung to Mawson's heels. The result of this little battle was that Heastie and Hammond lost ground, and six hours from the start Thompson had negotiated 37 miles 1,740 yards, taking him over seventeen minutes inside record. Increasing his pace, Thompson got in front of Mawson, making his lead two laps and a few yards, and the Yorkshire champion slowing down, was pretty nearly half a mile behind the leader at 40 miles. By this time the field had been reduced to seven, Thompson, Mawson, Heastie, Hammond, Muir Cole, and Pool, who came along in the order named, the last two being a long way behind. Seven hours found it still a splendid struggle, considering the distance they had gone, between the first five men. Thompson had walked 44 miles 350 yards; Mawson 43 miles 800 yards; Heastie, 43 miles 300 yards; Hammond, 42 miles 1,600 yards; and Unwin, 42 miles 650 yards. All the five were in hail of record, the leader an hour in which to do less than six miles. Keeping up the pressure, Thompson at 47 miles was three laps ahead of Mawson, and had at this juncture 3hrs. 57secs. in which to do his last three miles and beat eight hours. Cole was nearly five miles behind at this stage and, very weary, he wisely retired. The result had for some little while been, bar accidence, a certainty, and finally Thompson spurted home a winner by 1,900 yards. He continued for eight hour figures, and when the pistol went he had done 50 miles 437 yards. Mawson, Heastie, Hammond, and Unwin all finished at mile pace, and Pool, who was over five miles away, last plodded along gamely to the end.

The finish was as follows:—

	H.	M.	S.
F. B. Thompson	7	57	38
G. W. Mawson	8	8	14
B. Heastie	8	11	17
T. E. Hammond	8	13	20
F. Unwin	8	20	2[illegible]
E. Ion Pool	9	12	3[illegible]

Mawson, Heastie, Hammond, and Unwin received silver medals for beating record.

Thompson walked on and covered 50 miles 437 yards in 8 hours. J. Hibberd, the professional, is credited with walking 50 miles in 7hrs. 54mins. at the Agricultural Hall, 14th May 1888.

Leader and Mile Times and Comparative Table.

Miles.	Leader's name.	Leader's time. H.	M.	S.	A. W. Sinclair's time. H.	M.
1.	Butler... ...	0	7	33	0	7
2.	Butler ...	0	15	30	0	16
3.	Butler ...	0	24	26	0	24
4.	Butler ...	0	33	6	0	33
5.	Butler ...	0	41	43	0	42
6.	Butler ...	0	50	20	0	51
7.	Butler ...	0	58	57	0	59
8.	Butler ...	1	7	28	1	8
9.	Butler ...	1	16	1	1	17
10.	Butler ...	1	24	39	1	26
11.	Butler ...	1	33	31	1	35
12.	Butler ...	1	42	9	1	45
13.	Butler ...	1	51	9	1	55
14.	Butler ...	2	0	35	2	4
15.	Butler ...	2	9	47	2	14
16.	Butler ...	2	19	6	2	24
17.	Butler ...	2	28	46	2	35
18.	Butler ...	2	38	8	2	45
19.	Butler ...	2	47	33	2	56
20.	Butler ...	2	57	4	3	6
21.	Butler ...	3	7	23	3	17
22.	Butler ...	3	17	5	3	27
23.	Butler ...	3	26	58	3	38
24.	Butler ...	3	36	54	3	48
25.	Butler ...	3	46	34	3	58
26.	Butler ...	3	56	57	4	8
27.	Butler ...	4	7	42	4	19
28.	Butler ...	4	17	51	4	29
29.	Butler ...	4	28	43	4	39
30.	Butler ...	4	39	40	4	50
31.	Thompson ...	4	50	10	5	2
*32.	Thompson ...	5	0	0	5	13
*33.	Thompson ...	5	9	45	5	24
*34.	Thompson ...	5	19	48	5	35
*35.	Thompson ...	5	30	14	5	45
*36.	Thompson ...	5	39	58	5	55
*37.	Thompson ...	5	49	53	6	6
*38.	Thompson ...	6	0	8	6	17
*39.	Thompson ...	6	9	32	6	27
*40.	Thompson ...	6	19	35	6	38
*41.	Thompson ...	6	29	27	6	48
*42.	Thompson ...	6	39	30	6	59
*43.	Thompson ...	6	49	22	7	10
*44.	Thompson ...	6	59	31	7	21
*45.	Thompson ...	7	9	38	7	31
*46.	Thompson ...	7	19	20	7	41
*47.	Thompson ...	7	29	3	7	53
*48.	Thompson ...	7	38	45	8	4
*49.	Thompson ...	7	48	24	8	14
*50.	Thompson ...	7	57	38	8	25

*Record times.

G. P. O WALKING RACE.—On the 5th instant ninety-seven of the 103 entrants for the G. P. O. Walking Race over 31 miles of road competed, and some fine performances were the result. Last year the event was decided on the Tonbridge road, but on Wednesday the route taken was from the Berkeley Arms, Cranford, *viâ* Hillingdon, Uxbridge, Gerrard's Cross, Beaconsfield, Farnham Royal, Slough, Colnbrook, and Longford, back to the starting point. The roads were in splendid condition, and, as the majority of the men had for some time been in hard training, some good performances were anticipated. In this respect there was no disappointment, for the average pace of the leaders worked out at well over six miles an hour, and, indeed three of the competitors (Roberts, Aldred, and Brown), outside the first two places, gained the gold centre medals offered for beating an average of six miles an hour all the way, while the gold medals offered for doing an average of six miles and a half per hour throughout or, failing that accomplishing the best and second best times in the race were well won by Jarvis and Hubbard respectively by reason of their very meritorious performances. Medals were also offered for beating six hours for the journey—a performance which was accomplished by no fewer than 56 of the 80 competitors who finished. From first to last all the men walked quite fairly and in a most sportsmanlike manner, not a single caution having to be administered. Prizes were very numerous, there being awards for placings in a sealed handicap and in classes for veterans.

The result of the level race was as follows:—

Pos.	Name and District.	Time. H.	M.	S.
1.	F. Jarvis, Inland Section	4	56	4
2.	A. Hubbard, Inland Section	5	1	39
3.	A. W. Roberts, North Western D.O.	5	4	41
4.	G. Aldred, Northern D.O.	5	8	40
5.	B. C. Brown, East Central	5	11	3
6.	J. W. Jenkins ... —	5	12	45
7.	W. F. Landsdell, Earl's Court	5	12	57
8.	J. A. Shaw	5	16	52
9.	M. Sheehy —	5	17	17

10. J. Tait	...	...	...	5 17 46
11. F. H. Allen	...	...	...	5 18 39
12. J. Moore	...	...	...	5 20 14
13. G. E. Ward, Poplar	...	...	...	5 21 57
14. F. A. Hartman	...	...	...	5 22 5
15. M. Moloney, Inland Section			...	5 23 15
16. C. Stanton, Sorter T.D.	...	...	..	5 24 41
17. A. W. Williams, Sorter Tracer			...	5 26 13
18. W. Sheriden	...	...	...	5 26 51
19. J. A. Cole	...	...	...	5 27 33
20. J. Piggott	...	...	...	5 29 54

AUTOMOBILISM.

THE GREAT MOTOR RUN.

Shortly before half-past ten on Saturday night a dust-stained and mud-besprinkled motor-car was driven into the arena of the London Hippodrome by Mr. Archibald Ford. The driver claims the non stop motor-run record. A week ago last Friday Mr. Ford started on his long journey, and during the course of slightly less than 204 hours covered a distance of 2,391 miles without stopping the engines of his 15 horse-power Darracq car, thus easily beating the previous British record of 2,017 miles accomplished by Mr. D. M. Weigel. The world's record of 2,350 miles, made by Laroche in America, also went by the board. Mr. Ford appeared none the worse for his wonderful performance, and he came in for hearty applause from a large assembly as he drove right down the stage and into the arena. Mr. Frank Parker officiated as M. C., and described the route taken by Mr. Ford during the run. A flashlight photograph was taken of the scene, and in commemoration Mr. Ford received the present of a car similar in pattern to the one on which he established the fresh record. Mr. Ford arrived in London from the north on Saturday morning, and at once started for Brighton, but he found the southern roads dangerously slippery. Shortly before reaching Brighton the car skidded upon the greasy surface, and, colliding with some strong iron railings, the front mudguard was badly damaged, while the basket containing supplies was carried right away. Everything was quickly put to rights, however, and this proved really the only accident that took place during the long trip. Mr. Ford undoubtedly accomplished a remarkable performance, but the record only stands so far as the duration of the run of the machine is concerned. He occupied much longer time than Mr. Weigel, and it is admitted that Mr. Ford rested for several hours during the trial, the machine, of course, running throughout. Mr. Weigel made his record by travelling incessantly day and night, and he is still prepared to defend his possession of the Dewar Cup, when that possession is assailed.

BOXING.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

Under conditions of quite a favourable character, and in the presence of a fine gathering of members and friends, boxing was resumed at the National Sporting Club on the 4th. Although the summer is dying hard, visitors came from all parts of the country to assist at the initial entertainment of the fall of the year, and judging from the interest taken in the proceedings by the large and thoroughly representative gathering present, the noble art, as conducted at headquarters, is as popular as ever. It is hardly necessary to add that the arrangements were of a National Sporting Club order, and having said this much it is needless to add more. Mr. Bettinson's programme was made up of a competition open to heavy-weight novices, finished outright, and international match between Harry Barrett and the coloured welter-weight champion, Young Peter Jackson, of America, a six-round set-to in which the pride of Birmingham, Owen Moran, was opposed to Ted Moore, of Stepney, and bouts between lesser lights of the profession.

Jackson's appearance in the ring at headquarters had long been anticipated with much interest. In the States the coloured artist had put together a record of quite a unique character, and the members of the premier club were naturally anxious to see the man who is credited with stopping such a terror as Walcott in four rounds. Since he landed Jackson has easily matched the men put up against him on this side, and though he expected to see the stranger whipped last night, it was hardly a customer would be found capable of giving the champion, at any rate, something approaching a fight. Unfortunately, the material at the disposal of Mr. Bettinson was not particularly high standard, and though Harry Barrett, of Brighton, who had agreed to tackle the coloured boxer, has at times shown very fair form in the ring he occupied last night, his display with Jackson was not even up to service form. The affair, which lasted less than two full rounds, may be summed up in a few words "Barrett could not and Jackson would not." The Englishman boxed—if what he did can be called boxing—in a half-hearted manner. Jackson did not box at all. Had he have done so one good punch would in all probability have put an end to the business. Anxious to let the spectators see something, caring perhaps little what it was, Jackson held his hand, and contented himself with parrying the feeble attacks made by Barrett. The last-named did not even relish this sort of thing and after a lot of pushing and hugging he went down several times, and finally from a light rap on the throat. It was a disappointing bout, a blot on a very enjoyable entertainment, through no fault of Jackson, but owing solely to the inability of Barrett to make anything like a show. Opposed to Ted Moore, of Stepney, Owen Moran of Birmingham, though out of condition, displayed all his old cleverness and skill while winning easily, and some vigorous bouts amongst the heavy-weights left Private, McLoughlin, of the Irish Guards, the winner of the final.

In a six-round contest, Sid. Wilmott, of Australia, had pretty much a stone the worst of the weights with Ted Ward, of Birmingham. The Colonial is a lightly-built youth of not more than 8st., and, against one his own poundage, would no doubt, make a decent show. Ward, however, was always too strong for an unequal match, and he won with a good deal to spare. A bout of a like length between the coloured man, Andrew Jeptha, of Cape Town, and Joe Platford, of Tottenham, was fought on more even lines. The stranger, taller and longer in the reach, played a merry tune on Platford, who struck one as being a shade fortunate in securing a draw. During the evening Frank Neill (bantam-weight champion of America) and Joe Bowker, who box at the National on the 17th instant, were introduced and given a hearty reception, as was the retired champion of the P. R., Jem Mace, recently returned from South Africa.

Mr. J. H. Douglas officiated as referee, Messrs. G. N. Hall-Say and R. Smith were judges for the competition, Mr. E. Zerega took the times and Mr. Bettinson was M. C.

SWIMMING.

I append championship summary brought up to date:

ENGLISH CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1904.

100 YARDS (Ladies').

First.	Second.	Third.	M.	S.
Miss H. Mackay	Miss H. C. Thorp	Miss M. McLaughton ...	1	25⅘

150 YARDS (back).

W. Call	W. H. Jones ...	T. A. Unwin ...	2	1⅘

200 YARDS (breast).

W. W. Robinson	F. H. Naylor ...	E. Langley ...	2	52⅘

220 YARDS.

C. E. Forsyth ...	H. Taylor ...	G. Wilkinson ...	2	37⅘

440 YARDS (Salt Water).

D. Billington ...	F. H. Parsons ...	F. Smith ...	6	19

500 YARDS.

C. E. Forsyth ..	D. Billington	J. C. Smith ...	6	33⅘

HALF-MILE

C. E. Forsyth ...	D. Billington	P. Radmilovic ...	12	23

ONE MILE.

D. Billington ...	T. Wildgoose ...	A. G. Harvey ...	27	18

LONG-DISTANCE.

J. A. Jarvis ...	A. C. Ayling ...	W. J. Hawes ...	67	32⅘

PLUNGING.

J. A. Jarvis ...	W. Taylor ...	G. Harrison ...	75ft. 4ins

CLUB WATER POLO.

Hyde Seal beat Wigan, 4 goals to 2.

COUNTY WATER POLO.

Middlesex beat Lancashire, 3 goals to 2, after extra time.

SCOTTISH SPORTING ITEMS.

The Scottish Amateur Gymnastic Association has twenty senior clubs affiliated and eighteen are attached to the Junior Association. The revenue for the past year was £237 10s. 11d., and the credit balance £99. Andrew Brown, the St. Mirren veteran, is dead. He played for St. Mirren first in 1882-3, when his club won the Renfrewshire Cup. He obtained International honours against Wales in 1890 and also in 1891, when he appeared at half-back. The alterations of New Cathkin Park (Old Hampden Park) have cost 3rd Lanark F.C. £2,600 and leave the club with a debt of only £625 to commence the season. Most of the Glasgow bowling clubs closed their greens for the season on Saturday last, and had presentations of prizes. While the team selected for the Glasgow Association to meet Sheffield is not at all representative, it is the best the Association could obtain from the City clubs who are reluctant to give their players because of more important League engagements on the same date. The final for the Glasgow Cup, in which Celtic and Glasgow Rangers oppose each other, has been fixed to be played at Hampden Park on 8th October. Mr. Tom Robertson is to referee. By winning the "Waddell" Life-Saving Challenge Shield, the Edinburgh Police Swimming Club have qualified to compete in the contest for the National trophy against the champion teams of England. This is the fourth time this team has reached the final, and once they were the winners. At Aberdeen Highland games, A. A. Cameron, of Partick, put the 22lbs. ball 43 feet 6½ inches and threw the 22lbs hammer 101 feet 1 inch. He is now practising wrestling, and at the same games won in catch-as-catch-can style. The financial position of Glasgow Rangers, notwithstanding their misfortunes in the past, is satisfactory to their friends. Though the season is now only six weeks old, they have £1,000 to their credit. The enterprise of the directors in securing the best talent has resulted in the gates being doubled. The absence of J. A. Paton, the Edinburgh champion swimmer, from the entrants for the 100 Yards National Championship at Middlesbrough was due to the fact that he has given up racing entirely. Edinburgh Academicals have arranged a fixture with London Scottish, which is a new match for the Raeburn-place team, Fettes College, which has held the School Championship for the past two seasons, will be minus no fewer than eleven of last year's XV. Though the forwards will be lighter, the three-quarters will very likely prove the strong point in the team. Greenock Wanderers, in addition to their usual game at the back-end with Dublin Wanderers, have also arranged a match with Lansdowne (Dublin). L. Harvey and A. Langton, two of Greenock's best men have gone to Calcutta and Shanghai respectively.

THE WEASEL.

Hunting.

OOTACAMUND HOUNDS.

SATURDAY, 15th October. The meet was at Sandy Nullah Toll at 7-30 A.M. The first draw was from the junction of the Sholar and Pykara roads and then over the portion of Beadnell's, now known as Hamlet Cover, which the Master drew upwards. At the top of the cover hounds spoke to a line and hunted slowly to the old Pykara Road where there was a check. The Master thought the jack had run the road as usual, and held them on it well past the sixth mile, but without success. Hounds spoke again above Road Shola and puzzled out a faint line as far as the swamp behind Toda Coffee Shop when the Master stopped them as the jack appeared to be a long way off We then drew below Khed and Wenlock Sholas and then past Wapshare's Hat Shola. Hounds opened on a line in cover and hunted slowly across into the other part of Wapshare's Shola through it, and with frequent checks across the old Pykara Road to Bracken Cover. The line led them into this cover and two porcupines were at once on foot, one of which hounds killed and the other went to ground. The delay made further perseverance on the line of the jack hopeless, so the Master took them back to Lawley's Course and drew across it and up Rawling's Nullah to the top of Newmarket. On reaching the pool, the Master viewed a jack in the swamp below making towards Rallywood. The Master took hounds quickly to the bottom of Rallywood and succeeded in heading the jack, for he turned up towards Pearl Crossing and then back towards Blackmoor Vale. On touching his line hounds went off at a pace which left no doubt as to scent. He took us a short distance down Blackmoor Vale, and then crossing the stream, went over the top of Newmarket round the top of Rawling's Nullah and along the top of Bluegums, running along the fire line. Scent was a little at fault here, but the puppy, *Gaiety*, held the pack to the line with loud music along the top of Porlock. When nearing Sheffield Cover the jack dived into Porlock, but soon broke again, and passing below Foresters Hut entered Governor's Shola. After running the side for a short distance, he turned downwards and came out at the bottom, crossing the valley at Martyn's Shola. He left this with hounds 100 yards behind him and went on to Shaw's Plantation where he turned sharp to the left and re-crossed the Nullah to Martyn's Shola where a herd of buffaloes in the vicinity brought hounds to their noses. In Martyn's Shola hounds nearly had him, but he slipped them again and got off at the bottom back to Governor's Shola. But the pack would not be denied, and hunted him back through the thickest part of the Shola, until they finished the season, 1904, by killing him in the Cover between Porlock and Governor's Shola after 45 minutes' hunt without a check.

Hunted 63 days.
Killed 19 brace.
Ran to ground 12½ brace.

BLUE GUM.

An instance, showing the maternal attachment of a dog to its progeny, occurred during a fire which took place at Dept ford last week. A fire broke out in one of the South-Eastern Railway arches occupied by a sawdust contractor, and a number of passenger trains filled with city men had to rush between two bedges of fire. The carriages were filled with smoke, but no harm was done. While the firemen were at work a fox-terrier bitch was observed running in and out amongst the smoke, evidently trying to attract the firemen's attention. When the firemen got closer to the fire they took out, from the very centre of the arch, three little pups still alive, which, but for the conduct of the mother, must have been suffocated, burned, or drowned.

Athletics.

NORTH POINT COLLEGE, DARJEELING. SPORTS.

STEWARDS: The Sports Committee.
REFEREE: Major S. Bird.
JUDGES: J. Shillingford, Esq. A. Price, Esq. [illegible] McCoy, Esq. P. [illegible]gleton, Esq.
STARTER: G. [illegible] Power, Esq.

Wednesday, 12[illegible] October 1904.

THE Annual Athletic Sports of the College took place this afternoon. H. H. The Lieutenant-Governor presided and Lady Fraser distributed the prizes. There was a very large attendance, as the school sports are one of the most interesting items of the Poojah festivities. Some good timing was put up in A. and B. Divisions. J. Owens won the 100 Yards in 10⅘ secs., and secured the Long Jump, the Hurdles, the High Jump, and the 220 Yards. J. Robinson won two of the best events, the Quarter and the Half Mile W. Smart's throw of the cricket ball fell a little short of 102 yards. H. Clifford and C. Hearne in B. Division had the proud distinction of establishing school records in the Junior Sections. One of the most interesting events was the Pritchard Challenge Cup, for which there were 40 entries. The course was 600 yards. The trophy was won by C. Rayneau, who won the Cup ought as he has now taken it for three years in succession. His timing was 1min. 27secs. There were two open events, one for Amateurs and the other for Professionals. For both there were a good number of entries, though Mr. Brown won the 220 fairly easily. Between the events the Gymnastic Class of the College gave an interesting display on the bars and the horse and took part in some fancy groupings that were much admired.

By kind permission of Major Bird and the Officers of the Royal Fusiliers, the Band of the Regiment played a charming selection of music during the afternoon. There was a vast array of handsome and valuable prizes, which were kindly distributed by Lady Fraser at the close. Details:—

A. DIVISION—OPEN.

100 YARDS.—1. J. Owens. 2. J. Martini. Time—10⅘secs.

120 YARDS, HURDLES.—1. J. Owens. 2. C. Greenway. 3. J. Martini. Time—18⅕secs. J Owens waived his claim.

220 YARDS.—1. J. Owens. 2. J. Martini. Time—25⅗secs.

QUARTER MILE.—1. J. Robinson 2. A. Achard. Time—60secs.

HALF MILE.—Old Boys Cup. J. Robinson. 2. S. Murphy. Time—2mins. 24secs.

LONG JUMP.—1. J. Owens. 2. F. Redmond. 18 feet 2 inches

HIGH JUMP.—1. J. Owens. 2. S. Simpson. 5 feet 4 inches.

B. DIVISION—Under 16.

100 YARDS.—1. H. Clifford. 2. L. Bryan. Time—11secs.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—1. F. Bryan. 2. C. Hearne. Time—18⅕secs.

220 YARDS.—1. H. Clifford. 2. L. Bryan. Time—26secs.

LONG JUMP.—1. H. Clifford. 2. C. Rayneau. 17 feet 5 inches.

HIGH JUMP.—1. C. Hearne. 2. C. Rayneau. 5 feet.

C. DIVISION—Under 14.

100 YARDS.—1. E. Webb. 2. [illegible]. Cameron. Time—11⅕secs.

220 YARDS.—1. E. Webb. 2. [illegible]. Rayneau. Time—29secs.

VICTORIA CROSS.—1. G. Webb and F. Brown.

OBSTACLE RACE.—1. A. Hollowday. 2. L. Boscolo.

KANGAROO RACE.—1. E. Webb. 2. L. Robinson.

D. DIVISION.—Under 12.

50 YARDS.—1. B. Simmonds. 2. E. Dozey. Time—9⅕secs.

REVEILLE.—1. Al. McDermott. 2. [illegible]. Marçon.

PICK-A-BACK.—1. G. Gordon and B. Crowley.

SACK RACE.—1. F. Ford. 2. V. Robert.

E. DIVISION.—Under 10.

50 YARDS.—1. P. Collins. 2. E. Marçon. Time—7⅕secs.

HOOP RACE.—1. B. Peal. 2. A. Marçon.

POTATO RACE.—1. E. Marçon. 2. B. Peal.

EGG SPOON AND CANDLE RACE.—1. [illegible] Marçon. 2. B. Peal.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.—[illegible] W. Smart. 2. F. Singleton. 101 yards 2 feet 5 inches.

CATCHING THE CRICKET BALL.—1. W[illegible]mart.

VISITORS RACE: HALF MILE. (Professionals).—1. Corporal Jennings. 2. Corporal Merryfield. Time—[illegible]secs.

VISITORS RACE: 220 YARDS (Amateurs).—1. G. Brown. 2. Mr. F. Holland. Time—[illegible]⅕secs.

PRITCHARD CHALLENGE CUP.—600 yards Handicap. Under 16. 1 C. Rayneau. 2 R. Simmonds. Time—1min. 27secs.

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BEST MAN'S CUP.—A Division. J. Owens with 30 points.

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THE BENARES ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

THE football season opened in Benares on 15th August with a spirited game between the Benares Sports Club and "C" Company, West Riding Regiment, on the regimental ground, the first game in the Challenge Cup Competition played under the auspices of the Benares Athletic Association. Altogether six teams entered, and the various contests have evoked keen interest throughout the district. "C" Company of the West Riding Regiment have finally won the Challenge Cup, beating last year's winners—the Central Hindu College—by two goals to *nil*. The winners' record is a good one, for they have won every match and have scored seventeen goals, with only two against them. The Challenge Shield—the second prize—is not yet disposed of, and there promises to be a keen competition between "H" Company of the West Riding Regiment and the Central Hindu College for the second place. The Police team has played very pluckily throughout, and will doubtless prove a formidable team in next season's competition.

The Hockey Competition is about to begin, but there is little doubt that last year's winners—The Police—will repeat their success especially now that the XIIth Pioneers have left the station. Seven teams have up to the present entered for Hockey, and the competition is expected to be over by December, to give way to Cricket and Lawn Tennis (Doubles and Singles).

Altogether, thanks to the Benares Athletic Association which is under the patronage of the Commissioner of the Division and the Collector, and under the able guidance of its President, Mr. P. Bramley, D. S. P., athletics in Benares are very flourishing, and the Association does much to stimulate healthy competition throughout the area under its control.

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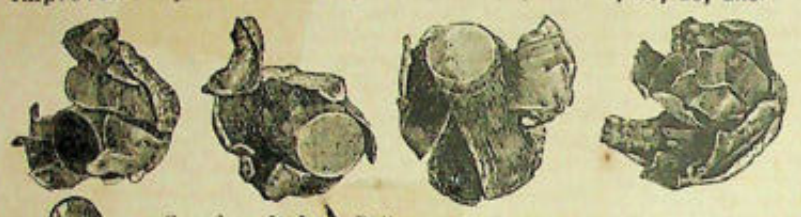
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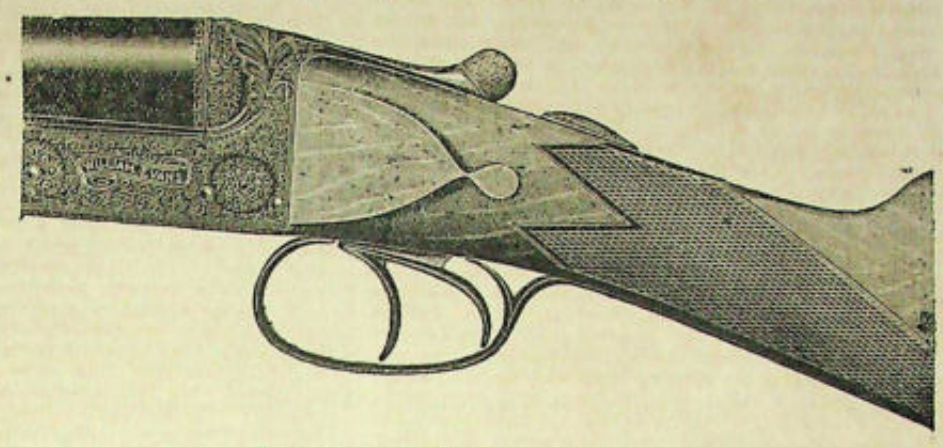
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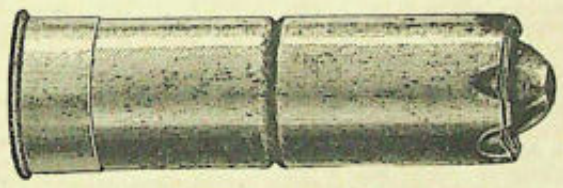
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Rowing.

REGATTA AT POONA.

Thursday, 20th October 1904.

A SCRATCH regatta was held at Rosherville this afternoon. Entries were poor, and in spite of post entries being accepted few of the attendance showed any inclination to take part. The first event, a canoe race, fell through, but the four others were keenly contested—the canine swimming contest producing a great race. During the afternoon, by kind permission of Major Brownrigg and the officers, the Band of the 107th Pioneers played a fine selection of music. Mrs. Fooks distributed the prizes. Details :—

DOG RACE.

Colonel Fooks' Scamp	...	1
Capt. Boileau's Sapper	...	2
Major Brownrigg's Lass	...	3

Also started :—Mrs. Bell's Spaniel, and Captain Montresor's bull terrier.

CHILDREN'S RACE.—200 yards.

Miss Dorothy Fooks ...	beat	Miss Lee Horwood.
Miss Grace Lee Horwood ...		Miss May Horwood.
Colonel Fooks (*cox*) ...		Captain Corry (*cox*).

Colonel Fooks' boat got away first and in spite of a gallant spurt by Captain Corry's crew won by a couple of lengths.

CHALLENGE EIGHTS.—¼ mile.

KIRKEE.			POONA.	
Mr. Tillard ...	(*bow*)	beat	Mr. Stewart (*bow*).	
Colonel Fooks ...	2		Mr. Harkness ...	2
Captain Corry ...	3		Mr. Allott ...	3
Captain Bovet ...	4		Captain Dorgan ...	4
Captain Parry ...	5		Captain Montresor	5
Mr. Sarson ...	6		Captain Northen ...	6
Mr. Twiss ...	7		Captain Baldwin ..	7
Captain Boileau ...	(*stroke*)		Captain Sadler (*stroke*)	
Miss Isoz Pile ...	(*cox*)		Mrs. Northen (*cox*)	

The Kirkee boat was quickest away and had a clear lead at the half distance, here Poona began to come up but were unable to get level with their opponents who won by half a length. Time—2mins. 1sec.

DOUBLE SCULLS.—¼ mile.

Captain Dorgan	beat	Colonel Fooks.
Captain Webb		Captain Boileau.
Miss Moore (*cox*)		Miss Dorothy Fooks (*cox*)

Won by half a length.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, *7th October 1904.*

AN enquiry has been held by the Local Government Board respecting the proposed speed restrictions for motor cars in the City of London. The case for the Corporation was conducted by the City Solicitor—Sir Homewood Crawford, and the interests of automobilists were in the hands of Mr. Moresby White who represented the Automobile Club. As to the actual proceedings at the meeting they were of little interest to anyone and the result of the enquiry will not be made known for some time, but some figures which were given by the City Solicitor give a very good idea of the traffic in London. He stated that 1,250,000 people entered the City daily and that the day population to the "square mile" was 359,940 persons. In one day 248,000 persons used the crossing in front of the Mansion House and 61,185 persons the subway under the sandway. Vehicles to the number of 100,000 daily entered the City, the number passing the Mansion House being estimated at 29,745. During the evidence the Chief Commissioner of the Police acknowledged that he had heard of no motor accidents to life or limb and that motorists had been very careful.

My ultra suburban village of Wallington was last week the scene of a regretable cycling accident which occurred to a young lady in the early hours of the morning. Her brother had just made her a present of a free-wheel machine, and being anxious to try it, she got up early one morning and went for a spin. It was a foggy morning and in turning a corner she failed to notice a milk cart until right under the horse's head. To save herself she caught hold of the horse which made the animal rear, and losing her hold she fell to the ground and the cart passed over her. She was removed to a shop close by, but died very shortly afterwards from the injuries received. We find that the circumstances surrounding the accident are very similar to many others that occur, inasmuch, that the fatality could have been avoided had reasonable care been exercised. It appears that the young lady had only just learnt to ride a fixed-wheel cycle and the ride on the ill-fated morning was one of her first on a free-wheel; it was foggy, too, and her eye sight was defective, she being under treatment with an oculist. One cannot, therefore, be surprised at an accident occurring; it was foolish of her under the circumstances to venture out alone.

The proprietors of a motoring publication who are fostering the light weight motor bicycle, are doing so in a practical manner and intend to back up their arguments with experience. They have had a motor bicycle specially constructed for them, the weight of the machine, all on, being 72lbs. It is in daily use and up to the present has covered 400 miles without requiring any adjustment of the nuts or screws. The heavy weight of motor cycles hitherto built is said to account for the lukewarm support given to this class of machine by the public, it being upheld by the publication in question that a light machine would be far more popular.

One of the annual functions of the Stanley Cycling Club is a "goose worry" held on the Sunday nearest to Michaelmas Day. Of the social fixtures of the Club perhaps this is the most enjoyable although the bird immortalized by nursery rhymes is not the lightest mouthful to sleep upon. However, the members of the Club disregarded dyspepsia and all its surrounding ills and dined heartily off the Michaelmas goose, the dinner being made more palatable and enjoyable by the good fellowship which abounded. This year the "Chequers" at Uxbridge was the selected hostelry and some sixty cyclists sat down to a well served repast. Amongst the visitors were representatives of the Anerley B. C., Brighton C. C., Centaur C. C., the North Road C. C., and several other Clubs. This informal gathering was an undisputable success.

Cycling accidents still continue to be as numerous as ever and the unsatisfactory part of it is, that a large proportion of them result fatally. In addition to the case already touched upon in this column, two cases are reported from Preston wherein one rider lost his life owing to losing control when descending a hill in the neighbourhood, and the other through his chain breaking and locking the back wheel, causing him to be thrown over the handle bars on to his head. A Cork cyclist met with a serious accident through losing control, remaining in an unconscious state for many hours, and a lady rider of Omagh collided with a spring cart when turning a corner and was trampled on by the horse, dying from the effects of her injuries two days later. Why is it that so many accidents occur now? No doubt every day sees a large number of tyros of the pastime who do not exercise the same amount of care as seasoned riders when in reality they ought to be more careful since they lack experience of the road. Free-wheels, too, are doubtless responsible for many mishaps: one must be more careful with a free-wheel than with a fixed-wheel machine.

Under the Motor Car Act which came into force on the 1st of January last, the local district councils and other rural councils, were burdened with the duty of erecting danger and caution boards wherever necessary, but although I have toured many counties this summer on my push bike, I have not once seen a board erected by a rural council. The danger boards of the Cyclists' Touring Club still remain as warnings to cyclists, but these are becoming weather worn and indistinct, and besides, they are not distinctive enough for automobilists. Several accidents have occurred to motorists which might possibly have been avoided had the councils fulfilled their obligations. When accidents occur through insufficient warning, motorists should take steps to get the local council to erect these boards.

Mr. Archibald Ford, the well-known automobilist, has given a fine example of what a well-built motor car is capable of accomplishing when in the hands of an experienced driver. He has achieved a world's record by driving his car 2,390 miles without once stopping the engine. A start was made on this long journey at 7 A.M., on the morning of 23rd September, and London was reached at 7 P.M. the same evening. Then a run was made to Brighton and the car turned for Perth which was reached after a very trying journey at midnight on the 25th. From Perth the course was re-traversed and London was reached at 2 P.M. on the 27th and Brighton a few hours later, the car again being headed for Perth with a return run to London, Brighton and back to London. The British record of 2,017 miles was passed on the afternoon of 30th September outside Durham and the World's record of 2,350 miles held by La Roche, of America, on the last run from Brighton. Mr. Ford did by far the largest amount of the driving, being at the wheel, on at least two occasions, for 19 hours at a stretch.

COTTER PIN.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* RANGERS.—Played on the Rangers' ground last Saturday, the visitors winning by one wicket and 15 runs. Score :—

RANGERS.

A Chenall, b Stewart	...	1
C. C. Cameron, b Butland, b Stimson	...	18
D. Cuthbert, c Butland	...	0
P. C. Margrett, b Butland	...	10
A. W. Hodges, l-b w, b Stimson... ...	...	0
W. F. Hill, run out	...	5
F. Lees, b Stimson	...	4
G Nugent, c Carter, b Stimson	...	1
A. E. Preston, c Carne, b Stimson ...	...	1
W. F. Cosserat, C Carter, b Stewart ...	...	15
T. Boilard, not out	...	0
Extras	...	2
Total	...	57

DALHOUSIE.

F. E. Bushby, c Cuthbert, b Preston ...	...	0
P. J Luckhurst, b Hill	...	[illegible]
H. McDougall, c Cosserat, b Preston ...	...	5
F. B. Prike, b Preston	...	1
W. H Stimson, c Lees, b Preston ...	...	1
P. J. Carne, l-b w, b Lees	...	9
R. S. Carter, b Hill	...	6
J. Butland, b Lees	...	12
D. M. Stewart, not out	...	[illegible]
J. F. Greig, b Hodges	...	10
P. Wheeler, not out	...	8
Extras	...	7
Total	...	72

KING'S OWN *vs.* HOWRAH U. C.—This match was played in the Fort on the 22nd instant, the Howrah men winning by 40 runs. The Regiment had a scratch team and could only make 44, Purcell taking eight of their wickets for nine runs. Score :—

HOWRAH.

W. Dyer, c and b Beaney	...	15
W. Burnand, c Morrell, b Ralph ...	...	6
J. Purcell, c Graham, b Ralph	...	1
W. Smith, b Wood	...	[illegible]
J. Neirses, c Wood, b Ralph	...	[illegible]
W. Conroy, b Morrell	...	[illegible]
H. Jackson, c Ralph, b Wood	...	1
G. Ribbins, b Ralph	...	9
C. Linton, not out	...	25
W. Hequet, c Quinn, b Ralph	...	2
W. Neirses (absent).		
Extras	...	4
Total	...	84

KING'S OWN.

Pte. Ralph, b Purcell	...	0
Corpl. Quinn, b Purcell	...	10
Sgt. Guest, b Purcell	...	4
Pte. Beaney, b Dyer	...	4
Sgt. Liddell, b Purcell	...	[illegible]
Pte. Waberton, b Purcell	...	[illegible]
Pte. Horr, b Purcell	...	[illegible]
Col.-Sergt. Morrell, b Purcell	...	[illegible]
Corpl. Graham, b Purcell	...	[illegible]
Pte. Worrell, b Smith	...	[illegible]
Pte. Wood, not out	...	[illegible]
Extras	...	[illegible]
Total	...	[illegible]

When arranging their list of club runs at the beginning of the season, it is usual for cycling clubs to leave several dates open, and these appear on the fixture cards as "impromptu."

At a meeting held by a newly-formed Tyneside club, one of the members was asked to nominate a place.

"Why, Aa think," said he, "that we might hev a run to Impromptu; there's a lot o' clubs hev runs to it."

And he wondered why they all laughed.

TELEGRAPH *vs.* MEDICAL.—On their own ground last Saturday, thanks to a good innings by Quiterio, the Telegraph beat the Medical by 26 runs. Score:—

MEDICAL.

A. Warner, b Edwards	...	1
R. Ireland, b Alley	...	25
A. Brown, c Archer, b Edwards ...	...	8
G. Dingavan, b Quiterio	...	11
E. Crunden, b [illegible]s	...	13
J. Johnstone, c G[illegible] b Quiterio ...	...	5
G. Blacker not out	...	1
H. Bedell, c Quiterio b Alley	...	1
A. Braganza, c Platts b Quiterio ...	...	0
A. Raphael, b Quiterio	...	0
A. Bedell, b Halge	...	1
Extras	...	2
Total	...	68

TELEGRAPH.

M. Quiterio, c Dingavan, b Ireland ...	...	16
H. Johnstone, b Ireland	...	0
F. Archer, b Brown	...	5
G. Gill, c and b Brown	...	7
D. D'Silva, b Ireland	...	5
F. Edwards, b Ireland	...	0
J. Grieff, b Brown	...	2
H. Platts, b Brown	...	2
F. Alley, not out	...	5
G. Halge, b Ireland	...	4
J. Bullock,, c and b Brown... ...	...	4
Extras	...	14
Total	...	91

CALEDONIA A. C. *vs.* ROVERS' C. C.—The meeting of these teams on Monday provided an interesting day's cricket on the Caledonian ground. The Rovers were strengthened with the inclusion of several Medical College men, two of whom opened the batting for the visitors. The Caledonian fielding was slack at the start and the 1st innings' total of 94, might otherwise have been less. Cruden and Duff's partnership produced some good cricket and after Dimsdale brought about a separation, Christensen bowled with success. The Caledonians went to the wicket after tiffin, but only Byers and Christensen did anything of note as the whole side was out for 69 to the good bowling of Alexander backed up by smart fielding.

With an advantage of 25 runs the Rovers batted a second time, but Elliot and Christensen disposed of them all in sixteen overs, the latter showing his old cunning with the ball. The Rovers set their opponents the task of scoring 69 runs in 55 minutes and Chandler and Christensen started well, the latter hitting very hard for his innings of 33. The game became quite exciting, as time was getting short and a collapse in the batting occurred. Dimsdale, Pybus and Byers being disposed of in rapid succession. At 5-20 Wade scored the winning run for his side, the credit for which victory rested mainly with Elliot and Christensen.

CALEDONIA.

First Innings.			Second Innings.	
S. Garratt, lbw, b Alexander ...	1		c Sukea, b Brown ...	1
R H. Byers, c Brown, b Alexander	13		b Alexander ...	2
E. H. Christensen, c and b Ireland ...	18		c Brown, b Alexander	33
R. J. Davis, c Arndt, b Alexander ...	[illegible]			2
G. V. Wade, b [illegible]	[illegible]			[illegible]
H. Chandler, c Dingavan, b Ireland ...	[illegible]			[illegible]
J. [illegible]dale, c Brown, b Alexander ...	[illegible]			[illegible]
C. O. Elliot, run out ...	[illegible]			[illegible]
P. Lovett, c Lahiri, b Brown ...	[illegible]			[illegible]
R. A. Pybus, not out ...	[illegible]			[illegible]
J. Wilton, b Alexander ...	[illegible]			[illegible]
Extras ...	[illegible]			[illegible]
Total ...	69			[illegible]

ROVERS.

First Innings.			Second Innings.	
G. Dingavan, b Elliot ...	10			[illegible]
C. Arndt, lbw, b Elliot ...	9			[illegible]
A. Browne, run out ...	0			[illegible]
C. Duff, c Christensen, b Elliot ...	24			[illegible]
C. Cruden, c Chandler, b Dimsdale	23			[illegible]
R. Alexander, b Christensen	1			[illegible]
R. Ireland, not out ...	10			[illegible]
S. Lahiri, b Christensen ...	0		b [illegible]	[illegible]
M. Sukea, b Elliot ...	3		b [illegible]	4
T. Ray, c Garratt, b Elliot	1		not [illegible]	8
G. Sircar, b Christensen ...	1		[illegible]nsen ...	0
Extras ...	2		Extras ...	4
Total ...	94		Total ...	44

RANGERS A.C. MARRIED *vs* SINGLE.—Played on the Rangers' ground on the 24th instant. The Bachelors batted first and put up 185. L. Rosser (106) scoring the first century of the season. The Married men lost seven wickets for 98 when time was up. Score :—

SINGLE.		MARRIED.	
A. J. Cowdry, b Nugent ...	3	W. Cosserat, b Rosser ...	6
L. Rosser, retired ...	106	F. Pell, c and b Rosser ...	14
J. Calderwood, b Preston	1	H. Behrend, b Rosser ...	13
H. McLean, b Nugent ...	8	G. Nugent, b Rosser ...	0
G. Cook, retired... ...	36	E. E. Rope, b Cowdry ...	4
P. C. Margretty, b Preston	15	C. C. Cameron, not out ...	32
T. Boilard, b Preston ...	0	J. Monk, b Cowdry ...	1
A. Mathieson, b Cameron	2	S. Smith, b Margrett ...	2
G. Horgan, l-b-w, b Cameron	7	C. Langer, not out ...	7
A. W. Henderson, not out	2	A. E. Preston and A. O. Henry, did not bat.	
G. F. Tapp, c and b Cameron	0	Extras ...	19
Extras ...	5	Total for seven wickets ...	98
Total ...	185		

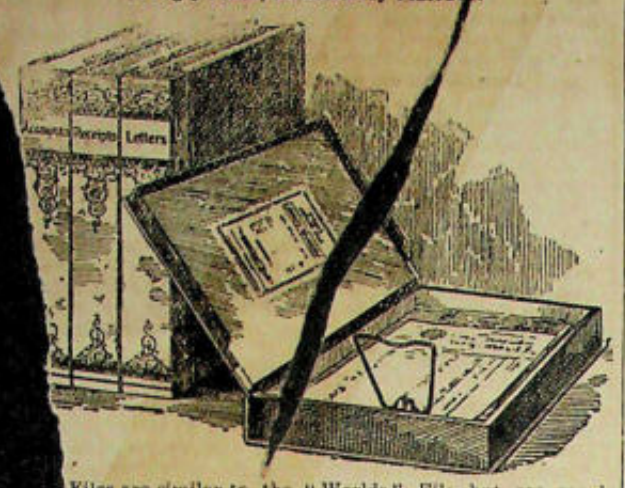
CRICKET AT DARJEELING.

Y.M.C.A. *vs.* 79TH R.G.A.—The match between these teams, on the 22nd instant, ended in a draw. Score :—

Y.M.C.A.

W. A. Price, c McLean, b Noble ...	...	5
D. A. C. Cruden, c Gardner, b Noble ...	...	7
C. H. E. James, c Gardner, b Noble ...	...	24
A. M. Price, b Noble	...	5
H. G. Pooler, b McLean	...	1
F. P. Linsell, b Bayley	...	28
J. M. Wickens, not out	...	5
R. Nicol, run out	...	0
W. Govan, b Bayley	...	4
W. Bushnell, b McLean	...	0
A. E. Heysham, b McLean	...	4
Extras	...	2
Total	...	85

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79TH R.G.A.

..., b James	...	—	... 6
...inson, b James	...	...	... 0
...ey, 1 b-w., b Govan	...	...	... 11
..., c A. Price, b James	...	—	2
...erton, c and b James	...	...	0
..., b James	...	...	... 6
...nald, not out	...	—	... 7
..., not out	...	...	... 8
	Extras	...	9
	Total	...	49

...swell, Gunner... McGarry and Doherty did not

...RICKET AT POONA.

... *vs.* BISHOP'S HIGH SCHOOL.—The return ...ve teams re...tel in a win for the Gym... ...ut up 90 f... the High School in great

...OONA GYMKHANA.

...and b Brew...	...	...	5
...a, b Carval...o	...	—	28
...	...	...	38
...	...	...	55
...	...	...	27
...	...	...	19
...	...	...	6
...	...	...	0
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...
...	...	...	0
...tras	...	...	21
	Total ...		... 211

HIGH SCHOOL.

...	...	...	11
...	...	...	90
...	...	...	0
...lkins ...	...	...	3
...	...	...	0
..., b Wilkins	...	...	1
...	...	...	25
...b Wilkins	...	...	16
...	...	...	12
...	...	...	0
...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	25
Total	...		... 183

CRI... ...T DHARWAR.

GYMKHANA *vs.* HINDUS.—Rain interfered with this match played on the 18th instant. The Gymkhana made 60. Mr. J. Monteath played a splendid innings of 136, and Messrs. Crump (50) and Oliver (38) were the next highest contributors. The Hindus lost seven wickets for 48. Score :—

GYMKHANA.

Mr. C. S. Sinclair, b Sungar	...	...	... 7
Mr. L. C. Crump, b Gubbur	...	...	... 50
M. J. Monteath, b Gubbur	...	...	... 136
Mr. E. G. Oliver, c Mane b Sungar		...	... 38
Mr. G. McC. Harrison, c Tergundi, b Gubbur			... 15
Mr Bhaskar, b Mane	...	...	... 0
Mr. A. Hart, c Umadi, b Mane	...	...	... 0
Mr. S. J. Mercer, did not bat.			
Mr. S. Dharwarkar, not out	...	...	... 0
Mr. Linagrao, b Mane	...	...	... 0
Mr. Jones, c Umadi, b Mane	...	...	... 0
Extras		...	... 14
Total	...		... 260

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R.	M.	W.
Sungar	15·6	93	1	2
Petkar	12	18	—	—
Desai	6	10	—	—
M. Desai	42	44	—	3
Gubbur	12	29	—	—
Tergundi	17	4	—	4

HINDUS.

Sungar, b Crump	...	...	... 4
Muzamdar, c and b Bhaskar	...	...	... 1
Tergundi, b Crump	...	...	... 1
Kankanwadi, b Bhasker	—	...	... 1
Mr. M. Desai, not out	...	...	... 14
Umadi, b Crump	...	...	... 0
Desai, st. Sinclair, b Crump	...	...	... 8
Petakar, st. Sinclair, b Dharwarkar		...	... 14
Gubbur ... ... } did not bat.			
Mane ... ... }			
Jakati ...			
Extras	...	...	5
Total	...	...	48

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	B.	R	M.	W.
Mr Crump	66	18	3	4
Mr. Bhaskar	60	19	5	2
Mr. S. Dharwarkar	6	3	—	—

CRICKET AT NAGPUR.

RAIPUR *vs.* NAGPUR.—This match resulted in an easy win for the visitors by an innings and 102 runs. Score :—

RAIPUR.

Mr. Napier, c Goring-Jones, b Hullah ...	... 15
Mr. Creais, b Dunbar Brander ...	... 28
Mr. Swamy, b Hullah	... 9
Mr. Daly, c Hullah, b Goring-Jones ...	... 3
Mr. Kennard, c Lumsden, b Goring-Jones ...	... 73
Mr. Learoyd, b Lumsden	... 51
Capt. Philbrick, b Hullah ...	... 43
Mr. Kelly, c Slocock, b Goring-Jones ...	... 11
Mr. Chabbulal, b Ratnam	... 23
Mr. Davison, b Ratnam	... 0
Mr. Menajudin, not out	... 6
Extras	... 24
Total	... 286

NAGPUR GYMKHANA.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Mr. Leftwich, b Chabbulal ...	4	b Learoyd ...	3
Mr. Robertson, b Chabbulal ...	2	b Learoyd ...	13
Mr. Mainwaring, b Chabbulal	2	not out ...	7
Mr. D. Brander, b Menajudin	3	b Learoyd ...	0
Mr Willford, b Chabbulal ...	1	b Learoyd ...	5
Mr. Hullah, b Menajudin ...	32	b Daly ...	0
Lieut. Lumsden, c and b Chabbulal	22	b Chabbulal ...	12
Mr. Ratnam, c Daly, b Menajudin	1	c and b Menajudin ...	19
Mr. Cowie, b Menajudin ..	1	c Napier, b Learoyd ...	13
Mr. Slocock, 1 b-w., b Menajudin	0	b Menajudin ...	20
Capt. Goring-Jones, not out	3	b Creais	11
Extras ...	8	Extras ...	2
Total	79	Total ...	105

NAGPUR GYMKHANA *vs.* SECRETARIAT.—This match, played on the 18th instant, resulted in a win for the Gymkhana by 110 runs. Messrs. Hullah (60) and Fagan (60) for the winners, and Mr. Hopson (54) for the Secretariat were in good form. Score :—

SECRETARIAT.

Mr. B Hopson, c Harriott, b Ratnam ...	... 54
Mr. Nuttall run out	... 7
Mr. Wilshaw, b Goring-Jones	... 1
Mr. Duckworth, run out	... 7
Mr Newbond, c Hullah, b Ratnam ...	... 2
Mr. Leftwick, c and b Ratnam	... 8
Mr. Kirke, c Danks, b Ratnam	... 1
Mr. Godfrey, b Goring-Jones	... 5
Mr. Cowsell not out	... 4
Mr. Scutt, b Ratnam	... 2
Mr. Prayers, b Ratnam	... 0
Extras ..	... 12
Total ...	... 103

NAGPUR GYMKHANA.

Mr. Hullah, c Duckworth, b Cowsell ...	... 60
Capt. Goring-Jones, c Hopson, b Newbond...	... 0
Mr. Fagan, b Scutt	... 60
Mr. Danks, c Kirke b Newbond ..	... 13
Mr. Ratnam, b Godfrey	... 31
Mr. Harriott, c Scutt, b Cowseli ...	... 1
Mr. Cowie b Hopson	... 4
Mr. Robertson, c Leftwick, b Godfrey ...	... 16
Mr. Donald, c Scutt, b Cowsell	... 9
Mr Willford, c Prayers, b Godfrey ...	... 1
Mr. Mainwaring, not out	... 6
Extras	12
Total ...	... 213

CRICKET IN MADRAS.

MADRAS C.C. *vs.* MADRAS U. C.—The match between these teams resulted in a draw. Score :—

MADRAS U. C.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
Ba...shnan, c Braithwaite, b ...monds	10	b Bowen	18
Tir...alayya, c Symonds, b S...uts	3	c McIver, b Bowen ...	1
Na...ana Row, run out ...	13	st. Ross, b Symonds ...	17
...Chetty, 1-b-w., b Bowen	4	b Strouts	20
Ses...chary, b Bowen ...	2	not out	0
Sub...manyam, c Fraser, b McIver	10	b Strouts	22
Ra...ulu, not out ...	52	1-b-w., b Bowen ...	9
Ra...gopalachary, c Strouts, b Bowen	37	st. Ross, b Symonds ...	5
Pa...shotham, c Braithwaite, b Haughton	2	b Strouts	4
D...modaram, b Bowen ...	0	did not bat	
S...dara Babu, run out ...	4		
Extras ...	5	Extras ...	5
Total ...	142	Total ...	101

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Strouts ...	7	45	8	1	10	27	3	3
Symonds ...	7	31	1	1	6	25	0	2
Bowen	17	25	7	4	8	24	2	3
Carew-Smyth	9	5	22	2	0	5	20	0
McIver ...	3	13	0	1	—	—	0	0
Haughton ...	1	1	0	1	—	—	0	0

MADRAS C.C.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
P. W. Partridge, b Narayana, c Row	6	c Seshachary, b Damodaram	36
Gordon-Fraser, c Seshachary, b Rajagopalachary ...	0	not out	0
E. J. H. Haughton, st. Seshachary, b Rajagopalachary	25	1-b-w., b Narayana Row ...	28
P. P. Braithwaite, c Seshachary, b Rajagopalachary	11	not out	3
F. H. A. Stephenson, c sub., b S. V. Chetty	0		
E. R. Ross, b Rajagopalachary	5	c Subramanyam, b, Chetty	
J. McIver, c S. V. Chetty, b Rajagopalachary ...	0		
A. P. Symonds, b Rajagopalachary	0		
Capt H. Bowen, c S. V. Chetty, b Narayana Row ...	5		
R. C. M. Strouts, c Purushotham, b S. V. Chetty... ...	5		
Capt. Carew-Smyth, not out...	4		
Extras ...	10	Extras ...	0
Total...	71	Total ...	75

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Narayana Row ...	6·3	19	2	2	7	27	1	1
Rajagopalachary...	15	27	5	6	9	21	1	0
S. V. Chetty .	11	15	4	2	7	27	0	1
Damodaram ...	—	—	—	—	1	0	1	1

CRICKET IN SOUTHERN INDIA.

KOLAR GOLD FIELD C. C. *vs.* ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.—This match at Ooregum on the 15th instant ended in an easy win for the Gold Field by an innings and 116 runs. Mr. C. H. Richards played brilliant cricket for 103 when he retired, and was ably assisted by Captain F. G. Pierce (60). Score :—

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE C. C.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
F. de la Nougerede, b Richards	7	c Watters, b Trek ...	13
C. Baillie, 1-b-w., b Richards ...	2	b Watters ...	33
F. Freemantel, b Richards ...	0	b Trek	0
H. Pereira, run out ...	18	b Trek	14
F. Hoope, c Luff, b Watters ...	1	st. Richards b Trek ...	0
C. Gillespie, c Watters, b Richards	0	c Pierce, b Watters ...	0
K. Pereira, c Collins, b Watters	7	b Watters ...	3
E. Sice, b Watters ...	7	c Richards, b Watters	0
J. Pacheco, b Watters ...	0	c Beadon	1
J. D'Cruz, c and b Watters ...	0	not out	3
C. Eyles, not out	3	b Trek	5
Extras ...	1	Extras ...	3
Total ...	46	Total ...	75

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R.	M.	W.
C. H. Richards ...	16	20	6	4	—	—	—	—
D. S. Watters ...	16	25	7	5	10	39	3	5
Capt. F. G. Pierce	—	—	—	—	3	13	—	—
A. J. Trek ...	—	—	—	—	7·1	20	2	5

KOLAR GOLD FIELD C. C.—First Innings.

R. M. O'Brien, c Hoope, b Gillespie ...	... 0
W. R. C. Beadon, 1-b, w., b Baillie... ...	... 4
E. Maxwell-Lefroy, b Gillespie	... 0
W. H Collins, b Gillespie	... 1
W. Luff, retired hurt	... 4
Capt. F. G. Pierce, c Pacheco, b Pereira ...	... 60
C. H Richards, retired	...103
D S Watters, 1-b-w., b Pereira	... 5
A. J. Trek, c D'Cruz, b Baillie	... 22
A. F. Bance, not out	... 18
Arulasawmy, did not bat	
Extras	... 20
Total	...237

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
C. Baillie	... 16	73	—	3
C. Gillespie ...	... 15	41	2	3
H. Pereira ...	... 6	46	—	1
F. Freemantel ...	... 10	46	1	—
F. Hoope... ...	... 3	11	1	—

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

OOTY GYMKHANA *vs.* THE SECRETARIAT.—Played on the 17th instant, the Gymkhana winning by 6 wickets; Hemmingway (46) played a good game for the Secretariat, while Captain Copeland (54) and Major Norie (53) were top scorers for the winners. Copeland bowled well, taking seven wickets for 45 runs. Score:—

GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

L. R. Hemmingway, hit wicket, b Norie ...	46
C. Swaminathan, retired	24
F. Hannyngton, b Copeland	28
Saldanha, not out	29
Amirtham, b Copeland	5
H. W. Taylor, b Firth	2
A. M. Galetti, b Copeland	5
J. T. Filson, b Copeland	0
T. B. Evans, c Standen, b Copeland	5
Govinden Menon, c Anthoo, b Copeland	2
Raman Nair, b Copeland	0
Extras ...	8
Total ...	154

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Buckley	14	55	2	0
Copeland	22	45	3	7
Coultroup	1	9	0	0
Firth	5	15	0	1
Norie	9	22	0	1

OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.

Major Norie, b Hemmingway	53
Capt. Copeland, st. Hannyngton, b Taylor ...	54
Capt. Hay, st Hannyngton, b Taylor ...	11
S. E. Buckley, b Taylor	0
W. M. Glander, not out	15
Capt. Firth, not out...	9
W. Bull, C. Coultroup, Anthoo, C. Shunmugam, H. Taylor — did not bat	
Extras ...	14
Total ...	156

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Swaminathan	6	19	1	0
Anthoo	15	48	0	0
Hemmingway	6	27	0	1
Taylor	11	48	0	3

Hockey.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* BISHOP'S HIGH SCHOOL.—This was the first match in the tournament and was played at Poona on the 17th instant. The High School team, which has only been in existence a short time, gave a good account of themselves. They had the best of the opening exchanges, but towards the close of the first half the Scots got away and obtained a penalty in the High School circle. They cleared, but the soldiers returned to the attack, and before the interval Pope and Henry scored a goal each. In the second half the Scots pressed most of the time and scored once more, Reid netting the ball. The School played a good defensive game, and there was no further scoring till the close, the Scots winning by three goals to *nil*.

A. AND S. HIGHLANDERS *vs.* E. LANCASHIRES.—Played on the 18th instant before a poor attendance, a well contested game resulting in a win for the Highlanders by 3 goals to *nil*. They got away at the start and Mr. Stewart found the net. Soon after the Lancashires lost Cleary, who dislocated his elbow and had to retire, Thorns taking his place. There was no further scoring in the first half, but on resuming after the interval the Highlanders put on two more goals. Private Stewart and Mr. Stewart being credited with the points.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—A good game was witnessed between the above teams on the 19th instant. During the first half the Young Men had rather the best of the exchanges, but neither team were able to get through. After the interval the play ruled very even, and though both sides nearly scored on more than one occasion they could not find the net and it was not till the last five minutes that Webber hit the first goal for the Scots. The Young Men tried hard to equalise but without success, and Mr. Pope put on another goal for the soldiers who thus won by two goals to *nil*.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* A. AND S. HIGHLANDERS.—Played on the 20th instant, a great game resulting in a win for the Gymkhana by five goals to one. Play ruled fast throughout; the Gymkhana attacked on starting but Campbell missed. Then the Highlanders pressed and the Gymkhana were forced to defend: they broke away, however, and scored a goal from a scrimmage. Hall put on the second goal a little later, and before half time a third had been added by Yates. After the interval the Highlanders attacked but the Gymkhana backs cleared and the forwards rushing down hit a goal. The remainder of the play was very even: Kearsey scored the fifth goal for the Gymkhana, and the Highlanders working hard managed to put through just before time was called.

THE FINAL.

POONA GYMKHANA *vs.* ROYAL SCOTS.—A large attendance witnessed the final match in the tournament, played on the 21st instant, between the above teams. The Gymkhana's chances were most fancied, but the soldiers were in good form and won a hard game by three goals to one. The Gymkhana were very prominent at the start, but the Scots got away after a while and Reid scored a goal. The Gymkhana made a great effort to get level but the Scots defended, and once more the forwards rushed down and Pope hit a goal which was disallowed. In the second moiety the Gymkhana pressed, and put in some good work, but were unable to score. The Scots then attacked, and Pope hit the second goal, Webber adding the third a little later. A few minutes before the end Lucas put through for the Gymkhana. Major-General Richardson having congratulated the winners, Mrs. Richardson presented the Cup to the winners. Teams:—

THE ROYAL SCOTS.—*Goal*, Keegan; *Backs*, Mackenzie and Lance-Corporal Harley; *half-backs* Corporal Fitz John, Lister, and Corporal Martin; *forwards*, Messrs. Pearse, Reid, Henry, Pope, and Private Webber.

POONA GYMKHANA.—*Goal*, Stubbs; *backs*, Lyon and Lucas; *half-backs*, Laron, Creagh, and Captain Umfreville; *forwards*, Campbell, Hall, Yates, Thew, and Kearsey.

The Horse.

MR. FRED GREENHILL'S ENGLISH HORSES.

WE took a turn round Cook and Co.'s stables, Dhurrumtollah Street, the other morning and had a look at the English horses Mr. Fred Greenhill has lately imported, ex S. S. *Scindia*, to Bombay and railed across to Calcutta. So many of his shipment of two years ago did so remarkably well in the different show rings and racecourses of India that he has been inspired to try his luck again. This small but select shipment includes seven thoroughbreds and 16 saddle and harness horses and ponies. They really are pictures to look at and there should be no difficulty in finding buyers as soon as they are fit to show and have got over their physic.

The catalogue, which will include the tabulated pedigrees with the Bruce Low figures, is now in the hands of the printers, Mr. Greenhill hopes to have it ready in about a week's time. In the meantime intending buyers can, on application, obtain a preliminary catalogue from Messrs. Cook and Co., or of Mr. Fred Greenhill, Spence's Hotel.

The thoroughbreds include Handelian, bay colt, 1902, winner of two races in England, by El Diable 3, out of Galathen, by Galopin 3 out of Reredos by Rosicrucian 5.

Insurrection, bay colt 1902, by the Rush 8 out of Restons 4, by Merry Hampton, engaged in the North Derby of 1,500sovs. June 1905.

Child Adopted brown filly, 1902, by Abercorn 3, out of Handrine 5.

Bigamy brown filly 1902, by Hopbrine out of Gogo 13 (the best two-year old of her year in Ireland, by Town Moor, by Doncaster)

Mynanugger, a chestnut gelding, 1902, by Baliol, out of Romilda.

Shipwrecked, a brown horse 1901, by St. Angelo, out of Lady Chippendale, by Chippendale

Mr. Greenhill has several others in England, among them Sing Sing by Melford Lad out of Sing On (by Saraband). Sire of the dam of Pretty Polly and a brown yearling colt by Trenton, out of Lady Sterling.

We were nearly forgetting to mention the bay filly, 1902, by Trenton, out of Blow, we see her three year old full sister won a race of £100 for Sam Darling at Folkestone this month. So this ought to help along her sale. She will be trained by Wishart and this trainer will also look after the brown St. Angelo colt, Smallman will take over Bigamy and Insurrection to train as soon as they are fit, and Gardner, who has come out with Mr. Greenhill as trainer, will have Handelian, Mynanugger and Child, Adopted and as he has had his pick, buyerss hould watch these three. Gardner comes out here with a good reputation and can go to scale easily 8st. 4lbs we noticed old Harry Weatherall also with Mr Greenhill's horses and he informs us he is working for "Mr. Fred," and hopes to ride some winners for him before returning home. The harness horses are a really magnificent lot and are deserving of attention

Mr. Greenhill tells us he can ride and drive every horse himself, and he says he never was much of a jockey, it is a sure guarrantee of their being thoroughly quiet. They are as follows:—

HARNESS HORSES.

SULTANA FOSTERLING.

Bay Mare 15-1. 5 Years.
Quiet in single and double harness.
SIRE—SULTAN 1565 and 667 (p. 64).
DAM—7889 FOSTERLING by Foston Fireaway 288.
g. dam Mystery 698 F. S.

SULTANA MISTERY.

Bay Mare. 15-1. 5 Years
Quiet in single and double.
SIRE—SULTAN 1565 and 667 (p. 64).
DAM—MYSTERY 698 F. S.
Description and Breeding.—A charming pair of golden bays with black points and no white, suitable for a victoria, lady's phaeton, or brougham. They are naturally perfectly matched being by the same sire, and daughter and granddaughter respectively of the same mare Mistery, the fastest her late owner ever drove in a buggy. Sultana Mistery is a very sharp trapper in single harness. The pair are curious specimens of the Coach Horse and Hackney cross, both being out of small Hackney Mares by the famous Sultan, who has given his beautiful colour, lengthy top-line, and quality, without adding to the size. There is nothing cobby about this pair: they should breed admirably to a Hackney stallion after their work is done. All the Sultans have great courage.

Fosterling, the dam of Sultana Fosterling, was imported into India in 1902 by Mr. F. Greenhill, and took Frist Prize in the Harness Class, Calcutta Show.

CEMENT.

Dark Bay Mare. 15-3. 5 Years.
Quie single and double.
SIRE—LAST FASHION 4343 H. S. B. (p. 56).
DAM—LADY LANERTON 258 Y. C. H. B. (p. 63).
Half sister to Fusion (Lot 69) by Lord Seamer (p. 60) and to Alloy (Lot 62) by Foscobel (p. 61).

VICTOR PRINCE.

Dark Bay Gelding. 15-3. 4 Years.
Quiet single and double.
SIRE—PRINCE VICTOR 376 Y. C. H. B. (p. 63).
DAM—2399 PRINCESS H. S. B.
Description.—A beautiful pair of victoria or landau horses, with elegance and action. They have rare mettle and good manners, and are rich dark bays or browns, whole colours without white.
Breeding.—The pair are a good specimen of the Hackney and Yorkshire Coach Horse cross, with an inch less size than usual but with the great advantage, rarely missed, of whole colour. Cement is half-sister to the grand yearling and three-year-old fillies Fusion (Lot 69) and Alloy (Lot 62), both being out of a fine Coaching mare, Lady Lanerton, while the sires of both are respectively son and grandson of old Norfolk Confidence. No Hackney blood on the top "nicks" with the Yorkshire Coaching mare like that of old Confidence; and it is lamentable to think what breeders lost a generation ago by not pursuing that cross thus leaving to foreigners the market for 15-3 and 16-hand whole-coloured harness horses in this country.

VICTOR GAL.

Dark Bay Gelding. 15-3. 5 Years.
SIRE—VICTOR GAL.
DAM—GAY LADY 2773.
A very nice horse with quality and action; a good match to either Cement or Victor Prince.

HACKNEY MARE.

4782 SYLVIA.
Brown. 15-3.
SIRE—WELLINGTON 1336 by Confidence 158.
DAM—2451 SILVER CROWN by Silver Stick 1911.
g.-dam—Bessie Smart by [Sir Peter] Barker's
g g.-dam—by Man Friday.
Description.—Pure Norfolk. Full of old Confidence b
She breeds browns regularly, and has nicked so well with
champion pony, Lord Nimrod, that she has been served by

again. All his stock have extraordinary courage and endurance, as well tested for years by his late owner.

Sylvia was driven for some time by her owner and made a fine leader in a black brown team.

Dam of Victoria Sylvia (Lot 67) by Prince Victor.

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[*Sire of the beautiful pony filly, Gauze* (Lot 57.)]

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DESCRIPTION OF BEXHILL HORSES.

MISCHIEF.

Chestnut Pony, about 12-2, six years old, thoroughly quiet saddle and harness, a very smart trapper. N. B.—This took a Second Prize in Bexhill Show last Whit Monday Driving Class, and has been regularly ridden by many girls. Lord Curzon's children rode Mischief during stay at Bexhill this year.

GOLDDUST.

A Chestnut Mare by Gold, about 15-1 high, six years perfect Lady's hack and a nice ride, guaranteed to Brighton Downs, regularly hunted last season with Sussex Foxhounds. Sound; open to veterinary exa

HILLIARY.

A Chestnut Pony, about 14 hands, six years old, quiet regularly ridden by a lady last season in the Pony has also carried children in Bexhill this su was hunted regularly with the East Sussex last s bought at Tattersall's as a good Polo Pony, but lately.

RODNEY STONE.

A Bay Horse, about 15-2 high, six years old, a pe man's hack up to weight, also thoroughly quiet in action.

This horse is worth any money to a man who buy him; his manners are perfect and his actio

THE RAT.

A Bay Pony, about 12-2, six years, a perfect pon has been regularly driven by a lady is as sharp yet as quiet as a lamb, a perfect little gentleman.

Lord Chippendale's brown Colt, by St. Angelo dale. In passing it may be as well for inte pause and study the above pedigree we have se and is as near perfection as it is possible to be. has won more races in England with two except as on 30th September,) *viz.*, Ayrshire Florize eleventh in the list of winning stallions, b by just over £1,300.

This is what was written in a London mail:—

"Although Gallinule and St. Simon have during the past week several changes are t the chief winning sires chief of these, mainly through Thunderbolt's win on S added to his book which makes him u remaining additions are as follows Cyllene £283, Rightaway 237; St Ser list of Mr. Greenhill's blood stock a St. Serf—Lady Candahar but she is Baliol and is intended for the Ind hence. Mr. Greenhill by that time her as she has a nomination to Trenton Ladas £542; Orion £20 and Trent

The appended table is arranged compilation from races from the commencem including sport at Manch are in each. In the e each horse is credited w only those sires whose st included in the list.

Sire.	Numb	
Gallinule ...		
St. Simon ...		
St. Frusquin ...		
Sanfoin ...		
Cyllene ...		
Ayrshire ...	39	
Rightaway ...	23	
Florezel II. ...	28	
Wolf's Crag ...	22	
St. Serf ...	21	
St. Angelo ...	27	
Persimmon ...	13	
Melton ...	20	
Velasquez ...	15	
Ladas ...	16	
Isinglass ...	15	
Orion ...	11	
Laveno ...	16	4,620
Galore ...	6	4,507
Trenton ...		4,250

DO HORSES THINK?

EDWARD Shipp, chief horse trainer for Forepaugh and Sells circus, has recently written an article on the training of horses, from which the following extract is made:—

"That curious, indefinite quantity known as 'instinct' is at the bottom of all the tricks the horse learns. Just as he eats from instinct, he learns tricks. Usually the eating is at the bottom of his entire education. He does things for the most part because he gets something good to eat after the doing. It is his natural search after food that makes him do them, just as he paws away the snow to get at the grass. After a while the actions become habits, and we will say he is 'broken.'

Nothing of the sort.

There never was anything to break. His instincts were simply set in motion. Some men take months to teach a horse the simplest tricks and weeks to make him bridle-wise. In a week I can have the same horse responding easily to my directions in simple tricks. It isn't the horse; it is the trainer. Some men exercise an influence over animals which is almost hypnotic. The man himself can't tell how it is done. In some mysterious manner the horse's instincts make him do certain things in certain ways at certain times. He does them just as he eats and with no more evidence of judgment.

It is no uncommon thing for a horse to open a feed-box to get at the grain inside. Some people fancy this is a proof of intelligence. Really it is natural nosing after something to eat. Man is not the only animal whose heart can best be reached through his stomach.

There is not the slightest reason to believe that a horse has a thinking mind. Here is an instance:—

During the winter, two of our ponies that do a pedestal act, and always get a lump of sugar after it, if they make no mistakes, rehearsed so much that their pedestals became duncolored from dirt. When, we came into Madison Square garden to perform the little platforms were repainted. What do you think those ponies did?

They refused to act. When led into the ring and set at their tasks they looked and sniffed at the new pedestals and didn't make a movement in the direction of their usual performance.

It wasn't intelligence that made them act thus. The same lumps of sugar were waiting at the end. They simply had not sense enough to know their own implements in white paint.

If a horse is taught to go through a red door he will have to be taught all over again to go through a white one. All doors do not look alike to them.

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But a horse has nerves, plenty of them. Sometimes I thinously into the Calcutta bazaar as the next species, and it it is more these little electric wires than anything else that seemed a more nervous bird, uttering a harsh gull-like makes him amenable to teaching. Imagine, then, the skill scream not only when taken in hand, but before it was touched. trainer must possess to train creatures with nerves but no logic Despite this disposition to scream on slight provocation so far as I am able to see. however, it must be a pretty tough fighter, for it has the *radius*

It takes patience, such as any man may own, too. Also inner bone of the fore-arm developed into a thin flat blade, courage—an enraged horse is a redoubtable foe as any creature wherewith it ought to be able to give a nasty cutting blow. One of temper with no good sense to back it. Any one who has ever would, indeed, think that with such a weapon it would hurt itself seen a human idiot in a rage can understand the situation as much as its adversary, inasmuch as the skin of course ex- There is nothing more horrible than blind, unreasoning, unguided tends over the sharp-edged bone; but perhaps in temper. the heat of the engagement it does not mind that,

Creatures of nerves are also creatures of fear. Kindness must or thinks the end justifies the pain, like the man in be exercised at all times in order to overcome it. Until a horse Mr. Kipling's story discomfited "the bloody-minded Simmonds" is unafraid he is valueless. by taking a hack across his own shin. Nobody has yet sent this

Sometimes they never get over their tempers. Not long ago bird to the London Zoo, and I hope someone will do so, as the one of our finest thoroughbreds killed his partner. It was in birds are now properly looked after there. It should be fed at car. The partner fell down. The other literally trampled him first on soaked paddy, and gradually got to take boiled rice and a to death. He danced on him and refused to stop long after little chopped meat or other animal food, and the legs should be was dead. kept in good condition by having water thrown over them daily,

They never dwelt in peace, these two. From their first day or, better still, the lower part of the cage (which should have a together they quarrelled. The end was inevitable. We should barred floor over the draw-tray) immersed in a bath. have seen it.

But the success of a trick horse is all in his trainer. The public fancies it is in the horse, but it is not. Without sensible trainer a trick horse is nothing.—*Breeder and Sportsman*

The Naturalist.

THE INDIAN JACANAS.

BY F. FINN, B. A., F. Z. S.

THE Jaçanás form one of the most remarkable families of wading birds, and are found all round the world in warm climates; they do not migrate and for their peculiar mode of life need water well overgrown with aquatic vegetation, their extraordinarily long toes enabling them to run easily over the leaves without sinking In this respect they somewhat resemble the Rails, with which they were formerly classed; but the Jaçanás are still better adapted for this kind of life than the Rails, as all their toes are long and provided with almost straight claws of extravagant length, especially the hinder, while in the rails the claws are of more ordinary size and form and the hind toe and claw rather short. Moreover, the Jaçanás have a plump body and are not slab-sided like the Rails; while their bills resemble that of Plover with the same small mouth; and it is to the Plovers that their anatomy shows them to be allied. They build their nests on the water weeds; their downy young are variegated, not uniform black like those of the Rail family. Their plumage is very pretty, and cock and hen are alike. We have only two species in India, but these are among the very commonest of our water-birds, and a great many are sent into the Calcutta Provision Bazaar every winter. In spite of their long spidery-looking legs and toes, they are good table-birds, and quite worth putting on the list of game-birds and protecting as such. They are not shy birds, and often live near human dwellings.

THE BRONZE-WINGED JACANAS.

Metopidius indicus, Blanford, Faun. Brit. Ind., Birds, volume IV., p. 218.

Native names:—*Dal*-or *jal-pipi*, *Karatiya*, in Bengal; *Kattai* in Purneah; *Hi*, in Burma.

I take this first, as it is a typical example of the family, our other species differing considerably from all other Jaçanás The Bronze-winged species has a thick-set body and very short tail rather short and decidedly rounded wings, and very long stout legs, with the claws very long and straight, the hinder one positively enormous. The bill also is rather stouter than that of the other species, and there is a small rounded flap of skin on the forehead. The plumage of the young is quite different from that of the adult, but there is no seasonal change in the feathering when adult plumage has been acquired.

The old bird is very richly and handsomely coloured, being green-black with conspicuous white eyebrows, and with the upper back and wings (except the pinion-quills) metallic bronze; the lower back and tail are glossy maroon. The eyes are dark, the legs dull green, and the bill greenish-yellow with a touch of red at the root, and flap on the forehead dark bluish.

The young bird has the neck and underparts white where they are black in the old one, except for a patch of green-black on the back of the neck. The crown is chestnut, and there are chestnut edgings at first to the bronze feathering on the back and wings; the lower back is pencilled with black and chestnut, and the tail with black and buff, and there is a buff wash on the sides of the neck and on the breast. Birds in the transition stage seemed scarce in the Calcutta market, so presumably they come into colour late in the spring. Hens at any age are rather larger than cocks being a foot long, with a shank of more than two-and-a-half inches and wings of seven from knuckle to tip.

This bird is found over most of the Indian Peninsula and east to Celebes, but not in Ceylon or Kashmir, the Punjab, Sind, or Western Rajputana, and chiefly affects places where there are permanent marshes, hiding a good deal in the herbage. It feeds both on insects, and on vegetable food, such as seeds and roots, and breeds from June to September, laying usually four eggs of a buff or olive colour, marked with a confused network of dark lines and very glossy; they measure about an inch-and-a-half in length. I found it was not brought nearly so numer-

THE PHEASANT-TAILED JACANA OR WATER-PHEASANT.

Hydrophasianus chirurgus, Blanford, Faun.-Brit.-Ind., Birds, vol. IV., p. 219. Native names:—*Piha*, *Pihuya*, Hindi; *Surdal*, *Sukdal*, *Misca*, *Dal-kukra*, *Bhepi*, *Jal-manjor*, *Chittra-billai* in Bengal and Behar; *Balal Saaru* and *Neweiya* in Ceylon; Europeans in that island know it as "Tank-pheasant."

This beautiful creature is about the same size as the last species, but somewhat different in form, having a more slender bill and legs, with decidedly shorter claws, and a longer and pointed tail; the wings are also much longer and decidedly pointed. The first quill has a curiously-shaped tip, like a lance-head, the shaft connecting this with the rest of the feather being very slender and flexible, the fourth quill also ends peculiarly, running suddenly to a point. There is a very marked seasonal change of plumage, not only in colour but in the length of the tail, and in the breeding season a strong sharp spur is developed on the bend of the wing.

In full breeding-plumage the tail is ten inches long—afoot in the hen, which is larger than the cock, shaped like that of apheasant, and black in colour, as is most of the plumage; the head and throat, however, are white, as are also the wings except for a border running to each quill, decreasing from outside inwards; the back of the neck is a lovely glossy golden yellow. The bill is reddish, and the legs a greenish colour; the eyes are usually dark. In winter the wings remain the same, except for some brown mottling near the shoulder, but the long tail is replaced by a short white one with brown centre feathers; it is still, however, tipped and longer than in our other Jaçaná; the black disappears from the body plumage, the underparts being white as well as the throat, and the back a glossy light brown; the yellow reduced to a dull streak down each side of neck, and crown of the head is brown.

Young birds are clothed in a very similar plumage to this dress, but have a chestnut crown and chestnut borders to the upper plumage, and no yellow on the neck; moreover they have yellow eyes as a rule, though I have twice seen dark-eyed young birds, and much more frequently yellow-eyed old ones. Hardly ever saw a bird in the bazaar showing change of plumage contrary to what one so frequently sees in some groups, the Rail tribe for instance.

This Jaçaná is more widely distributed than our other species, spending all over India and Ceylon, and East to South China and Japan; it frequents open water more, and takes wing more readily. Its cry is different, being a cat-like mew, and it utters it less frequently, not crying out even when handled. Its eggs are different from those of the Bronze-winged species, being markably peg-top-shaped, and uniform in colour, not marked; they are reddish-brown or greenish-bronze very glossy, and about an inch-and-a-half long. Four are laid in a nest on the like that of the other bird.

When in Calcutta I used to take much interest in this species, to mind the most beautiful of all our smaller aquatic birds, hardly equalled in this respect by any bird whatsoever. It can be easily kept on a large weedy tank with its wings cut (not too closely) in its proper place, on weeds, the large size of its feet is not apparent, and its singular grace of form and the eye even when the showy breeding-plumage is not worn. I kept several specimens on the tank in the Indian Museum compound, so had considerable opportunities of observing them. I found they were very sedentary in their habits and resented each other's trespass on their chosen spot; an intruder was attacked with both beak and wings both of them striking at once. The small males seemed to stand in much awe of the females, and with considerable reason; it would be interesting to know which sex sits on the eggs, they when they swam, sitting on the water even more lightly than a Coot but unlike most gulls, they can dive, using their wings under water, not their feet, they seemed to feed mostly on small seeds which they procured by turning over the leaves, but I found that in closer captivity they would eat the diet I recommend above for the other species, and I succeeded in sending them to the London Zoo.

THE CARE OF YOUNG BIRDS AFTER THEY LEAVE THE NEST.

When urged as an objection to the Darwinian theory that Natural Selection, if that force exists, must tend to destroy species rather than cause new ones to come into being. All birds leave the nest before they are fully developed. When they first come out of the nursery they have attained neither their full powers of flight, nor complete skill in obtaining food. Every young bird, no matter how fine a specimen it be, leaves the nest an inexperienced weakling and can therefore stand no chance in competition with the fully grown and experienced members of the species. Natural Selection takes an individual as it finds it and pays no attention to potentialities.

That such an objection should have been urged against the theory of Natural Selection is proof of the fact that naturalists are inclined to forget that with many, if not all, species of birds the duties of the parents towards their offspring by no means cease when the young birds leave the nest. A study of the habits of cats and dogs—the animals with which we come most into contact tends to impress us with the transitoriness of parental instinct; the puppies which the mother guards so fiercely to-day will be almost forgotten a week hence. This abrupt and sudden termination of the maternal instinct is, I submit, not a natural trait. It must be attributed largely to the effects of domestication and human selection. That such treatment does affect this powerful instinct is a fact well-known to pigeon-fanciers, for some artificial breeds refuse to nurse their own young, consequently these have to be reared by a foster-mother in the shape of the blue rock pigeon. Domestication, however, has not succeeded in greatly impairing the maternal instinct of the barn-door hen. Nevertheless I think it may be generally stated that animals in their natural state have the parental instinct more highly developed than those under domestication.

The fact that birds look after their young long after these have left the nest and even after they are well able to find for themselves is not brought out with sufficient clearness in books dealing with natural history. Such books tell us much of the care of the mother bird for her chicks while they are in the nest but give us to believe that as soon as the youngsters are strong enough to fly well their parents take no further notice of them, and even go as far as to literally drive them out of house and home. Thus Mr. Pycraft writes, "In almost every case, so soon as the young are old enough to look after themselves, they are driven away from the neighbourhood of their birthplace to seek homes elsewhere."

The objects of this driving young birds to seek pastures new are to prevent the numbers of the species in the locality from exceeding the food supply and to obviate too close interbreeding.

Some species may drive away their young ones as soon as these are able to find for themselves, but I do not believe that many do Theoretically of course a species of which the distribution of the food is comparatively uniform as, for example, a fly-catching bird, should spread itself equally over the area of its distribution. In practice birds do nothing of the kind; at least my experience teaches me that they do not. To cite a concrete example the distribution of the little green bee-eater (*Merops viridis*) in Madras. The bird is not common in that city, and the few birds which do occur are by no means uniformly distributed over the station. They occur in several colonies. There is one field, which might well be called "bee-eater field," for in it one may be almost sure of finding a number of bee eaters. while all the surrounding fields are devoid of these birds Birds are social creatures, and usually keep together even though by so-doing they experience greater difficulty in obtaining food than they otherwise would. But this is a digression. The fact that the parent birds tend the young long after they have left the nest, and even after they are fully capable of holding their own in the struggle for existence, disposes of the above-cited objection to the theory of Natural Selection. Nature is so careful of the young warriors that she prolongs the instinct of parental affection longer than is absolutely necessary So important is it that the young should have a fair start in life that she errs on the safe side.

It is common knowledge that foster parents feed cuckoos when these have grown so large that, in order to reach the mouth of their spurious babes, the little foster mothers have to perch on their shoulders.

The sight of a tiny bird feeding the great parasite is laughable, but it is also most instructive. It demonstrates how thoroughly bird mothers do their work. Crows, as is well known, tend their young ones for weeks after they have left the nest. I have recently had ample opportunity of satisfying myself as to this.

It is my custom to breakfast on the verandah. A number of crows assemble daily to watch operations and to pick up the bits of food thrown to them. The crows are all *corvus splendens*, with the exception of two, which belong to the large black species, but these latter are, comparatively speaking, shy birds, and consequently hang about on the outskirts of the crowd. Among the grey-necked crows is a family of four, the parents and two young birds. Everyday without fail they visit the verandah, and the two young birds make more noise than all the rest of the crows put together. They are easily recognisable, firstly, by their more raucous voices, and secondly, by the pink inside of the mouth. They are now so old that in size they are very nearly equal to the mother. Further the grey of the neck is sharply differentiated from the black portions of the plumage, showing that they have left the nest for some time. Unfortunately I did not make a note of the day when they first put in an appearance, however, I can assert with confidence that they have visited the verandah regularly for the last three weeks and the mother bird still feeds them most assiduously. It is ludicrous to see these great creatures sidle up to the mother when she has seized a piece of toast and open their huge red mouths, often pecking at each other out of jealously. They are obviously well able to look after themselves; their flight is quite as powerful as that of the mother bird, yet she still treats them as though they were infants quite incapable of doing anything for themselves.

In crows the parental instinct is so highly developed that the above occurrence has not caused me so much surprise as a little scene I witnessed some months back.

I was walking one morning along a shady lane when I noticed on the grass by the roadside a bird which I did not recognise. It was a small creature, clothed in black and white, which tripped along like a wagtail. It had no tail, but it wagged the hind end of its body just as a sandpiper does. While I was trying to identify this strange creature a young pied wagtail came running up to it with open mouth, into which the first bird popped something. I then saw that the unknown bird was simply a pied wagtail (*Motacilla madraspatensis*) which had lost her tail! The young bird was fully as large as the mother, and having a respectable tail, which it wagged in a very sedate manner, looked far more imposing. The parts of the plumage which were black in the mother were brownish-grey in the young bird. The white eye brow was not so well defined in the youngster as in the adult, while the former had rather more white in the wing, but as regards size there was nothing to choose between two. The young bird kept following the mother. It was able to keep pace with her as she dashed after a flying insect. It ran after her begging continually for food. The mother swallowed most of the flies she caught, but now and again put one into the mouth of the young bird, but she did so very severely, as if she were saying, "You are far too old to be fed; it is no use to pretend you cannot catch insects, you are a naughty lazy little bird!" "But the young one looked so lackadaisical, that her looks said more plainly than could be expressed by words." "Oh mother, it tires me so to chase insects. They fly so fast. I have tried but have caught so few, and am very hungry."

For several minutes, the young wagtail followed the mother, then something arrested its attention, so that it tarried behind its parent. The mother moved away, apparently glad to be rid of the troublesome child for a little. Then she suddenly flew off. Presently the young wagtail looked round for its mother, and I was interested to see what would happen when it noticed that she had flown away. My curiosity was soon satisfied. Directly the young bird perceived that the mother had gone, it set itself most philosophically to catch insects, which it did with all the skill of an old bird, turning, twisting, doubling with the elegance of an experienced wagtail. I describe these two little scenes, not as anything wonderful, but as examples of what is continually going on in the world around us.

The parental instinct is probably developed in some birds more than in others, but I believe that in all cases the affection of a bird mother for her young persists long after they have left the nest, and for some time after they are fully capable of looking after themselves. Birds are born with many instincts but they have much to learn both before and after they leave the nest. It is not until their education is complete, until the mother-bird has taught them all she herself knows, until they are as strong or stronger than she, that the young birds are driven away and made to look after themselves.

D. D.

The Story Teller.

HOW THE PUNTERS WERE PUT AWAY.

STRAIGHT backing—that is, betting on horses to win without other means of subsistence—would not have kept him in the clover which he permanently inhabited, and there was always a bloom upon his cheeks. "Not so dusty" was a description of him frequently given; in course of time that phrasing was contracted to "Dusty" as an appropriate pet name for our sporting hero; and so, with "Dusty" for title, he became a familiar figure in the ring. Oh! for a bit of luck there when we are "dashing it down!"

He was consistently well-dressed. New garments seemed to drop on him from the clouds. He changed them—his garments, I mean, not his clouds—as other men change a threepenny piece, with the same *insouciance* and recklessness as to consequences. His tailor must place trust in him, we reflected, even if his wife might have her doubts, because, alas! "Dusty" is—and here romance dies—voluminously married. A suspicion of moustache on the lady's stiff upper lip does not contribute to his happiness. When she puts her foot down it covers a considerable expanse of territory. There is a trifling reverberation.

Familiar with those salient facts, her husband economised his time as much as possible in her society. He did not yearn to visit her when she was in one of her ebullient moods. For, as he remarked with beautiful emphasis after a bad day at Gattick: "Other things we have a chance to retrieve after they have been wrested from us in the last round, and even when cash is gone we need not despair while we have strength enough to terrify citizens less robust. But lost time is a fatal indiscretion, while every step takes us nearer to our final cubby-hole." . . . Odds on tombstone, so to speak.

When he bought a real racehorse after a good day at Gattick ructions were experienced in that hapless home. The nature of his transaction was revealed to him by she of the expansive tootsies in a hideous manner. He trembled to observe the ferocity of her glance.

"A rabbit," she cried, "would be more in your line than a racehorse, because you might skin the former when you are 'broke to the world' again. Such nerve and want of principle! I wonder that you do not follow the example of your elder brother, who is still under—ah!—lock and key."

"Shut up, do!" growled her worthy mate. . . . . Few of us care to sit still while piquant exposures as to our family history are initiated.

But curling her stiff upper lip, moustache and all, the lady continued to expound her sentiments with some degree of passion. When racehorses," she declaimed, "are sold to sportsmen of a certain class"—her glare at him was withering—"others must step gingerly into the arena. Cold, not gold, is what they are likely to take there."

She put all her foot down at once without apparent effort, and the rafters shook, her next remark, being: "Do not come to me when you are insolvent, and pray for help. If you go down on your knees in the dust and weep copiously to dry it the effect will be nil so far as my purse is concerned."

Thus admonished, "Dusty" was as cool as a cucumber, and looked at his wife with an air of condescension. Sometimes, indeed, he took strange liberties with her, and asserted his intellectual supremacy with a gratifying result. "Dearest," he murmured, "keep your eyes on me, and ere many moons have passed you will see something that will warm the cockles of your stony heart."

"I took you for better or worse," she retorted, "and have been trying since to make the best of a bad job."

Reserving his cross-buttock for a more auspicious occasion, "Dusty" proceeded to work his racehorse according to his lights. Sordid aspirations filled his soul. He might make the ring quiver, or, far more probably, he would quiver himself to the point of pallor if his "good things" came unravelled or semi-detached. He schemed, therefore, in his most diabolical vein. Races were run in which his crack, overdone with flesh and not backed, figured in the rear rank. He grew to be regarded as a fatile creature. Punters forget to recognise the fact that he was ever on the course.

His owner chuckled to himself, scenting unholy chances of profit. He intended to "slip" his candidate soon; it would be a personal or home benefaction. His wife might be induced to shave before he or she was much older if he approached her in the right way and poured riches into her lap. The harvest was ripening, the golden sheaves would be garnered; oh! yes, in a little while he would be able to visit his till without a groan or an execration. Many shopkeepers use both expresions at such a crisis.

The day of days arrived when "Dusty" was ready with his horse. Friends smiled at him when he appeared in the paddock with that quadruped just as proudly as if he had a halo round his head and another under his arm. If his wife had sent him a lock of her hair—not from that stiff upper lip—he could not have shown a brighter front. A thoroughly capable jockey had been engaged, and every prospect was favourable.

The gambling associates of our hero chaffed him mercilessly when his "flyer" was being saddled. They said he was one of the "also ran" or "did nots," such was their play of *persiflage*, their facetious intercourse. If they had only known!

"My horse will take this race," said "Dusty," with a serene air of confidence, "and anybody who backs him will have reason, if not the wish, to thank me for this tip."

His jovial companions laughed. Their idea was that he was saying to play a sort of belated joke or spoof on them and that his motives were treacherous, impure. One roysterer declared:

"Why, your old wreck of a tit could not have more than a bit of a look in for this prize if half his foes were holiday-making and the rest were disheartened. Study the book, my lads, to get the infamy of his form. Analyse the horrors of his recent running and then let us revile this clown" he pointed rudely at our hero—"for owning such a disgraceful instrument of gambling."

"He is sure to win this handicap," persisted his proprietor, "perhaps by the length of a street. Do not tell me after the thoroughfare victory, that I put you off the only blessed 'snip' present afternoon. I'm trying to put you on."

It was impossible, however, to overcome the incredulity and scepticism of those artful punters. Nor, sooth to say, was the last speaker anxious to do so; he was playing a game of his own. His notion, suggested by experience, was that when he informed everybody that his horse was certain to win nobody would believe him. We often note a lack of faith in Tattersall's enclosure when an astute compatriot avers that he holds a winner in the hollow of his hand. "Which hand?" we ask derisively "and what price the sleepy hollow in which you repose, eyes closed, mouth open, beautiful?"

Often, indeed, the best plan by which to obtain a nice price against a rod in pickle is to be frank and candid, when people act on the principle that if you had a "good thing" you would assuredly keep it to yourself. Say your horse has *no* chance, and they begin to sniff after him amongst the pencillers.

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To make the business in this case more remunerative it was worked on clever s. p. lines in town, where the commission seemed to be practically endless. That part was, in fact, transacted with eminent ability, having been organised by turfites who knew every move on the board, every trick of the trade, and every tinkle of the bell, and they were not impeded by evangelical scruples. Not a penny was invested on this "readied" competitor in the ring. Care was taken that the s. p. money did not come back to the course. If there were not a delay at the post!

"Get off with my horse as soon as you can," said "Dusty" to his jockey ere the latter mounted, "and also get the others off quickly."

"What d'ye mean?" queried that fine rider, disturbed mentally by such weird orders.

"I mean this: My champion has about a ton in hand, and the 'stuff' is put on 'away.' Naturally I do not wish it to be wired to the ring, and the only chance of that is by your being kept behind the barrier for any length of time. So, if you can manage it, induce two or three of the other jockeys to help you in that way. Promise 'em a 'tenner' each on mine."

"Right you are, guv'nor," was the reply, "and don't forget *me* after I have landed your huge wagers."

Fortunately, there was no delay at the starting-post on the occasion. The runners lined up to the barrier and kept steady as mice with a cat in ambush. The tapes were released immediately, it was delightful to watch, and the favourite, backed as a certainty by the "heads," was outpaced in the first few strides. A despised outsider—no other than that floated by the infatuated "Dusty"—won in a trot. Nor a soul was on him in a penny sense except his owner and the jockey who had helped to pull a result so glorious. Their faces were wreathed in smiles, their accents were honeyed. They wore the aspect of well-paid actors who had not been hissed off the stage recently.

Whilst his speculative friends gathered round "Dusty" after the event, they were not able to upbraid him—which was the purpose for which friends usually assemble. He had informed them all that his horse was sure to win, that it was certain money to back him with spirit, and that such an opportunity rarely occurred for bleeding the bookmakers till they retched few of their precious red corpuscles. The frankness of his revelation caused those choice acquaintances to mistrust him: he had served his turn. Played slowly, the game is full of thrills.

He spoke his mind, the naked truth, almost to the verge of indelicacy. "I tried to put you on" he said, "instead of trying to put you away, and so you put yourselves off accordingly. The best method for gaining on an audience is to tell a pack of lies; the worst plan to keep it is to spout in the opposite direction. Racing men"—he bowed to them—"are so suspicious that the little they believe they cannot assimilate, and the rest is mere flatulence. Good-day," he waved his hand "and thank you."

By rights the story ought to end there, but, at the risk of anti-climax—the bane of warriors when the fight is over—we are compelled to win up with a more subdued coruscation. Blue ambition to give full value for money ruins us. Besides, we forget that dear lady with a coupçon of fur on her stiff upper lip and feet that look almost murderous in the gloaming!

She waited for "Dusty" to come home with his horse—as was not an affectionate nature—too hirsute females are apt to be clinging—and she prepared a speech or two for him when he arrived. He was late. Yet she sat up determinedly, rehearsing a few neat phrases for his discomfiture, and tingling with apprehension lest they might be deficient in sting at the eleventh hour. It was nearly that time now. She liked to supply her own venom in wholesale quantity. What a treat it is, bless her, to be brought into humorous relations with strong-minded women!

At last, perchance with a few vine leaves in his hair, "Dusty" approached the domestic hearth, whereon his wife sat, her purpose being (as proclaimed by the malignancy over her brow) to give him a tremendous wigging. But like a trustsman, he decided to get the first run.

"Darling," he murmured, weaving a trifle, "have you ever seen a cluster crisp, rustling five-pound (*bis*) notes?"

"*Bis*, what?" she cried, "you tipsy reprobate!"

"Or a number of bright, glistening sovereigns, he went on, changing his legs, which I have brought home along with me (*bis*) notes for you to keep until we go—er—birds'-nesting together again."

"Let us retire, dear," she cooed, sweetly, "while you are able to go upstairs without recourse to your hands and knees."

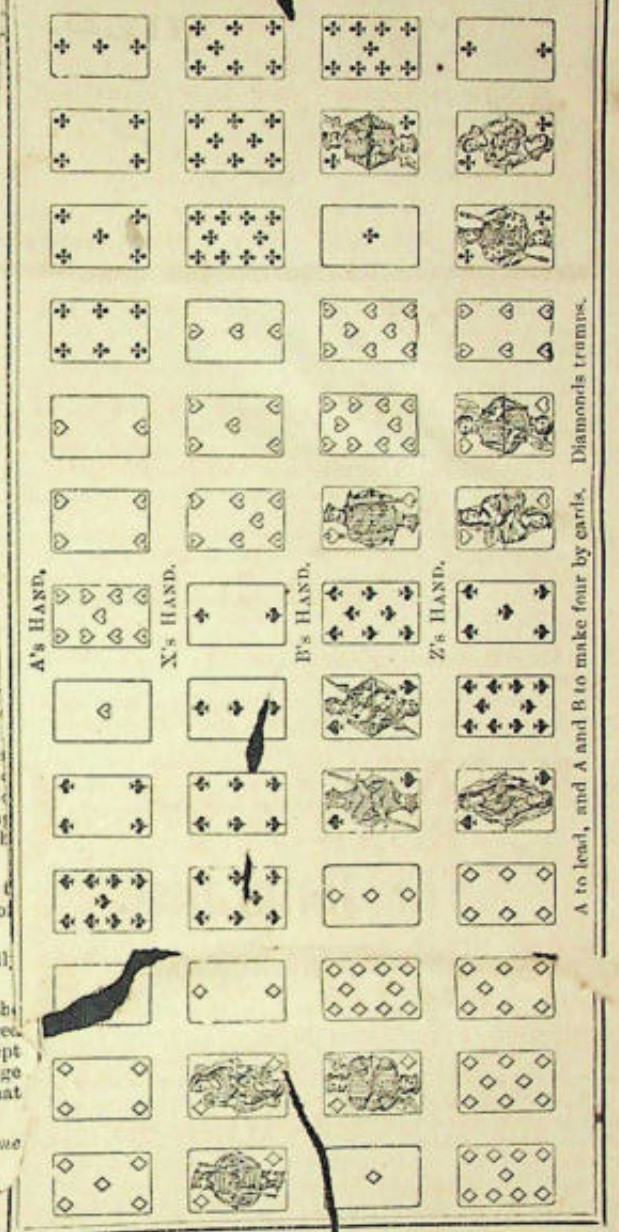
Chess.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM XXXVIII.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. R. to [illegible] B. 8	1. K. to K. 2 or (*a*)
2. Kt. to [illegible] 6, ch.	2. K. to K. 3.
3. B. to Q. [illegible] mates.	
1. . . .	1 K. to K. 4.
2 Kt. to Kt. [illegible] ch.	2. K. moves.
3. R. or B. ma[illegible] accordingly.	

Cards.

DOUBLE DUMMY PROBLEM No. 20.



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REALLY! REALLY!

First Scene.—At a small dinner-party.

Lady, to gentlemen on her right: "Yes, when I was a girl my father liked us to be as simply dressed as possible; we never wore anything but plain linen collars and cuffs."

Gentleman: "But did it not excite some remark? Rather like Mark Twain's South Sea Islander, who went to church fully dressed in a hat." Tableau.

Second Scene.—Some days later.

Choir practice in a colonial station. Chaplain appears late and apologises for the unclerical cut of his coat, which is a light silk one he has adopted during an unusually hot spell of weather.

Our friend of the dinner-party: "Oh, don't apologise, Mr. Brown, you look so nice in it I wonder you ever wear anything else." Then, with a vivid blush at the memory of her late *faux pas*, "And, of course, *trousers*, I mean."

Collapse of chaplain and choir.